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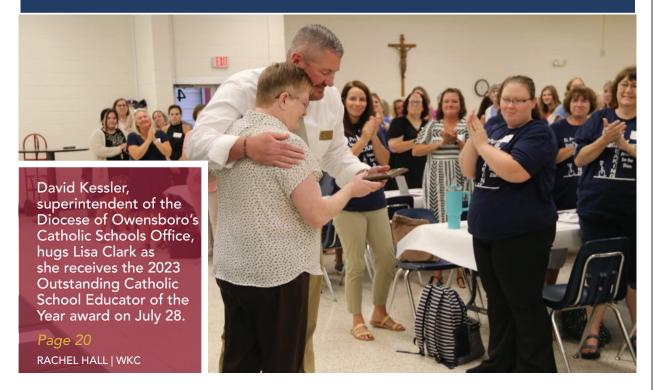


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A Word From Bishop Medley The priesthood: Sacrifice, obedience and joy

My Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The Diocese of Owensboro was established on Dec. 9, 1937, when the 32 westernmost counties of the Commonwealth of Kentucky were separated from the Diocese of Louisville. Louisville at that time became a metropolitan see, that is, an archdiocese.

When a diocese is divided and a new diocese is erected, the priests of the area become priests permanently of the new diocese. When the Diocese of Owensboro was created there were 40 priests assigned to the new diocese. Not all of these priests might have been pleased with this turn of events, while others were very satisfied to know they would serve all their years in western Kentucky.

These 40 priests humorously dubbed themselves the Forty Holy Martyrs. The last of these original 40 priests of the diocese was Fr. Charles Denardi who died in 2010 at the age of 100.

Two sets of brothers found themselves in different dioceses. Fr. George Boehmicke was in Owensboro; his brother, Fr. Roger Boehmicke, was in Louisville. Fr. Henry O'Bryan was in Owensboro; his brother, Msgr. Aloysius O'Bryan, in Louisville.

All priests at their ordination make a promise of obedience to the bishop. In fact, the ordaining bishop asks the candidate, "Do you promise respect and obedience to me and my successors?" The only expiration on this promise comes when one goes to Heaven.

The Rite of Ordination of a Bishop also includes a promise of obedience. The candidate is asked, "Do



COURTESY OF ARCHIVES

The O'Sullivan priest brothers were some of the earliest priests serving the Diocese of Owensboro.

you resolve to render obedience faithfully to the successor of the blessed Apostle Peter?"

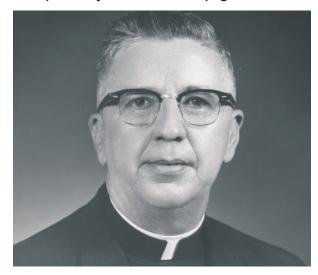
If you ask most priests if their promise of obedience ever presents a burden, most would say that it does not. At the same time, this promise might present a challenge when priests receive their parish or ministry assignments. It is safe to say that over the course of a lifetime of service, every priest will likely be asked to accept an assignment that might not have been his first choice. I can surely attest that every assignment I ever accepted would not have been my first preference. I can also say, however, that every assignment I have ever taken has presented bless-

BISHOP MEDLEY'S SEPTEMBER 2023 CALENDAR

SEPT. 7	11 a.m. Mass of the Holy Spirit - Brescia University Chapel, Owensboro	
SEPT. 9	10:30 a.m. Mass for Sr. M. Bernadette's 75th Jubilee – Carmel Home Chapel, Owensboro 4:30 p.m. Confirmation – Holy Spirit Parish, Bowling Green	
SEPT. 10	2 p.m. Sophia Awards – St. Stephen Cathedral, Owensboro	
SEPT. 11	1:30 p.m. Priests' Council Meeting – McRaith Catholic Center, Owensboro	
SEPT. 12	7 p.m. Theology on Tap with BG Catholics, Bowling Green	
SEPT. 13	8:30 a.m. Diocesan Finance Council Meeting – McRaith Catholic Center, Owensboro	
SEPT. 17	4 p.m. Mass in Celebration of 150th Anniversary – St. Joseph Parish, Leitchfield	
SEPT. 18-21	Catholic Extension Mission Bishops Conference – Chicago	
SEPT. 24	2 p.m. Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Celebration – St. Stephen Cathedral, Owensboro	
SEPT. 26	10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Paducah Office – Mercy Health Lourdes Hospital, Paducah	
SEPT. 30	11 a.m. Jubilee for Religious – St. Martin Parish, Rome 4:30 p.m. Admission to Candidacy for Holy Orders for Christopher French – Holy Spirit Parish, Bowling Green	

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COURTESY OF ARCHIVES
Fr. Charles Denardi, one of the self-dubbed "Forty Holy Martyrs" of the early Diocese of Owensboro, lived to 100, passing away in 2010.

ings and happiness and growth that I might not have found if my first choice had always been honored.

The last Sunday in September is promoted as Priesthood Sunday. I encourage you to express your appreciation to your priests. Like every imaginable vocation, priesthood entails some sacrifice. Any husband or wife, father or mother knows the meaning of sacrifice. We can say this of every career and vocation – consecrated religious, teachers, lawyers, doctors, nurses, public servants. This list truly is infinite. The word sacrifice comes from the root words "to make holy." We make ourselves holy when we accept and even embrace sacrifice.

Tell your priests that you appreciate their particular sacrifices to serve the Church.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ William), Medley

Happy anniversary to our priests!

This month we celebrate the anniversary of:

Fr. John Okoro

Ordained 9/9/1995

Pastor of St. Ambrose Parish, Morganfield; St. Francis Borgia Parish, Sturgis; and St. William Parish, Marion

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Myanmar Catholics of Bowling Green present map to bishop in gratitude for his support

BY ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

On July 24, 2023, delegates from the Myanmar Catholic community in Bowling Green visited Bishop William F. Medley at the McRaith Catholic Center in Owensboro to present a special gift.

The gift was a map of Myanmar, also known as Burma, with different locations marked to show the tribes represented among the Burmese Catholics in Bowling Green.

A company in Yangon, Myanmar had been commissioned to create the map with gem art made of a special type of small stones and sand from Myanmar; an art style traditionally gifted to officials like bishops, governors and presidents.

Fr. Martin Ma Na Ling, parochial vicar at Holy Spirit Parish in Bowling Green, brought the



RILEY GREIF | WKC
Delegates from the Myanmar Catholic community in
Bowling Green chat with Bishop William F. Medley on
the July 24, 2023 occasion of gifting the bishop with a
map of Myanmar.

delegation to the McRaith Catholic Center, which is the pastoral center for the Diocese of Owensboro, to formally present the map to Bishop Medley.

The map was given in celebration of the 14th anniversary of the Myanmar Catholic community settling in the Bowling Green area and making a home at Holy Spirit.

A Mass and reception were held on June 18 in honor of this anniversary, but the map was not ready in time to be presented to the bishop that day.

"When it arrived (from Myanmar), all the glass and some parts of the frame were broken," said Fr. Ma Na Ling. "It was fixed by M Gallery in Bowling Green."

Fr. Ma Na Ling said the map was a gift in thanksgiving for the Diocese of Owensboro welcoming the Myanmar Catholic diaspora to western Kentucky.

A similar map was presented to Fr. Randy Howard, pastor of Holy Spirit Parish, in July, in gratitude for his care and support of the Myanmar Catholics who have made the parish their home.

According to the Kentucky Office for Refugees



RILEY GREIF | WKC
Bishop William F. Medley looks at the map of Myanmar, presented to him on
July 24, 2023 at the McRaith Catholic Center, which is the pastoral center for
the Diocese of Owensboro.

(KOR), a department of Catholic Charities of Louisville, between the years 2017 and 2021 a total of 442 individuals from Myanmar were resettled in Bowling Green.

Myanmar has experienced devastating sociopolitical turmoil for decades as various forces fight for control of the Southeast Asian country. Myanmar citizens have left their homeland en masse, often ending up in refugee camps in nearby Malaysia and Thailand. A military coup in 2021 worsened the situation, leading more nationals to leave the country.

In preparing to become military chaplain, seminarian hopes to help faithful 'make sense of the good and evil in the world'

BY ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

Conrad Jaconette always had a desire to serve in the military.

But it was only after he had entered the seminary that he learned about the option for a twofold calling: serving as a military chaplain with the U.S. Air Force.

"I'm 100% certain that my vocational call to the priesthood is embedded in both those realms," he said.

"My goal was to go to medical school through the Air Force," said Jaconette, who is in third theology at Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in southern Indiana.

Jaconette, whose official title is 2nd Lt. Chaplain Candidate, is in the unique position of being cosponsored by both the Diocese of Owensboro, Ky., and the Archdiocese for the Military Services, U.S.A. This means the diocese and archdiocese split his seminary costs.

Currently he is the only seminarian in Kentucky with this arrangement, and only one of two seminarians at Saint Meinrad doing so.

"Being cosponsored with the AMS (Archdiocese for the Military Services) allows me to become an officer in the military before I get ordained," said Jaconette, who spoke with The Western Kentucky Catholic on Aug. 8. "I sign a contract with the AMS and the Diocese of Owensboro that I will go to seminary with the diocese, and after I get ordained

will spend three calendar years serving in parishes around the diocese."

After that, "I will go on a five-year active-duty contract with the AMS," he said.

Jaconette explained that the AMS is "for" the military – not an agency within the military.

In fact, the archdiocese serves as the sole endorser (certifier) of Roman Catholic chaplains to the United States government. A Roman Catholic priest cannot serve within the U.S. Military as a priest without the express permission of the archdiocese.

According to milarch.org, the archdiocese's official website, as of 2020, 204 Roman Catholic priests were endorsed by the archdiocese for active-duty military service: "These chaplains serve on loan from their diocese of incardination or religious order/society and are released for a term of military service. Chaplains never become members of the archdiocese; instead, they always remain subject to their home bishop/religious superiors."

Jaconette, whose home parish is St. Joseph in Bowling Green, said that of the people who make up the military, "almost 40-50% at any base are Catholic" – hence the fundamental need for Catholic chaplains who can provide Mass and the sacraments.

"You need to have a priest there who can help make sense in the chaos of the good and evil in the world," he said, adding that he has a heart for the needs of Air Force members: "I chose the Air Force because of the high suicide rates and mental health concerns."



COURTESY OF CONRAD JACONETTE 2nd Lt. Conrad Jaconette's Officer Training School portrait. Maxwell AFB, Alabama, 2022.

Plus, "the only person who has 100% confidentiality are chaplains," said Jaconette. "It's so crucial because firstly, there are confessional needs, but also it gives active military members the opportunity to talk and process things without any chain of command concerns."

Jaconette said chaplains are meant to serve all military personnel, even those who do not share their faith tradition.

"I will be doing this for all airmen, even those who are not Catholics," he said.

Iaconette said it is not uncommon for a priest to

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COURTESY OF CONRAD JACONETTE

Diocese of Owensboro and Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA, co-sponsored seminarian Conrad Jaconette, and fellow seminarian AJ Houston (co-sponsored from the Diocese of Knoxville) with Fr. Matthew Gray, vocation director for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA.

visit a military base a couple times a week to serve Catholic members. But as a chaplain, he gets to delve into and become part of the culture of the Air Force.

"A Catholic priest chaplain helps them go deeper and they can trust you more quickly," he said. "And you can learn to suffer with them too because you aren't exempted from anything."

Jaconette said being cosponsored "does add a lot more to your plate; you have more responsibilities than ordinary seminarians."

Jaconette said he is "extremely thankful and honored" that Bishop William F. Medley "recognizes the importance of military chaplaincy" – and is permitting him to become a chaplain.

Every summer, Jaconette goes on a chaplain candidate tour, in which his supervisor assigns them to

a specific base with a specific chaplain group.

This summer he was at a military base whose mission was a strike force. Tagging along with a priest chaplain, Jaconette learned how "the chaplain is one of the only people who can experience those different aspects" of life on base.

On any given day, he said he could find himself at a commanders' meeting, participating in Mass, visiting crews on maintenance jobs, or meeting with a mom of five children whose husband is deployed, and who is hoping to get her children set up with religious education.

"They're all searching for that higher calling," he said. "The Catholic priest fits like a glove in that situation. You can offer them truth and knowledge to understand that there is goodness, and more than just chaos in this world." ■



RACHEL HALL | WKC Conrad Jaconette processes with the thurifer of incense on May 20, 2023 during a priesthood ordination at St. Thomas More Parish in Paducah.

'It was supernatural'

Passionist novice reflects on her vocational journey

BY ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

Fourteen-year-old freshman Hannah Bland was sitting in her religion class at Trinity High School in Whitesville when she first recognized the call to religious life.

"We were watching Fr. Robert Barron's 'Catholicism' series," said the Whitesville native. "In the video, behind him, a religious sister in a full habit walked by – and my heart just dropped."

In that moment, "I knew that's what I needed to do," she said.

After school she went home and "asked my parents how they'd think I'd look in a habit," she said, explaining that "my parents are wonderful and we've always had a very open relationship."

This set into motion many years of discernment, in which she visited both active and contemplative communities, hoping to find where God was calling her.

At last, on May 31, 2023, Hannah Bland became a novice with the Passionist Nuns of St. Joseph Monastery in Whitesville, receiving the Passionist habit and her religious name: Sr. Bethany Marie of the Glorious Wounds of Christ.

The Passionists are a cloistered, contemplative community, which means they reside within the enclosure of their monastery in order to enter into a contemplative prayer relationship with the Holy Trinity. The cloister enables the nuns to authentically

live out their vocation of uniting themselves with Jesus' Passion, and prayerfully interceding for the rest of the world.

Sr. Bethany Marie did not set out to join a cloistered monastery; much less one in her hometown.

"It wasn't something I'd naturally do. It was supernatural," said Sr. Bethany Marie in an Aug. 7, 2023 interview with The Western Kentucky Catholic.

Sr. Bethany Marie said she went on several "nun runs," which are trips to visit different women's religious communities. Her parents even took her and three of her best friends on a nun run during the summer before her senior year of high school.

After graduating from Trinity, she attended Brescia University in Owensboro and worked for three summers on staff at Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp and Retreat Center in Bowling Green.

Meanwhile, God was "nudging" her toward cloistered life – though she fought against it: "The Lord kept at it (and) I'd joke with my friends about joining the Passionists," she said.

She kept discerning with active religious communities – like the Nashville Dominicans, who typically teach in the classroom setting – but "nothing felt right. So, I took a break from active discernment."

It was while attending the SEEK2019 conference sponsored by the Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS) in Indianapolis, Ind., that she



COURTESY OF ST. JOSEPH MONASTERY

Sr. Mary Veronica McKimmy (novice directress), Sr. Bethany Marie Bland, and Mother John Mary Read (mother superior), stand with a portrait of their founder, St. Paul of the Cross, after the vestition of Sr. Bethany Marie on May 31, 2023.



COURTESY OF ST. JOSEPH MONASTERY Hannah Bland as a Passionist postulant with Sr. Mary Andrea during a hike on the property of St. Joseph Monastery in Whitesville.

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COURTESY OF ST. JOSEPH MONASTERY Life in a monastery is one of joy. In this picture, nuns play a game of badminton at St. Joseph Monastery on July 4, 2023.

was re-inspired to discern.

"I was at a talk by Sr. Bethany Madonna," she said, in reference to a popular speaker who belongs to the Sisters of Life religious community. "I remember being at the conference, and my heart dropped again and I knew I needed to discern again."

Looking back, Sr. Bethany Marie realizes that "the Lord used a Bethany to call a Bethany."

After receiving her bachelor's degree in theology from Brescia, she became the director of children's ministry at St. Stephen Cathedral in Owensboro.

At this time, the future Sr. Bethany Marie was sharing a house with several other Catholic young women. These women had just finished serving as FOCUS missionaries and were deeply involved with their faith.

Sr. Bethany Marie said her novice directress has nicknamed this time her "pre-novitiate year" because

these housemates "were very alive in their faith and helped me learn how to live in community."

"It really got me into my faith life – that experience was huge and very supportive," she said. "That community was really wonderful."

At the same time, "as I continued to grow in my prayer, there was a natural growth of wanting to pray more throughout the day," she said.

She decided she would finally settle this argument with the Lord about whether she was called to cloistered life, and visited the Passionists for a weekend in March 2021.

"It's been explained that I became smitten after that," she said with a

smile. "I experienced here a real love and beauty of the liturgy."

She left the monastery at the end of the weekend, thinking, "Oh no. I have to come back!"

She returned for a 10-day visit – following the typical process of discernment for the Passionists – and during that time, experienced "deep peace."

She officially entered the monastery as a postulant on May 31, 2022, kneeling at the door with her parents, Joe and Cathy Bland, for the entrance ceremony.

Sr. Bethany Marie told the WKC that her parents were "really huge within my discernment," and credited them for "the extra exposure of the Catholic faith" in addition to being sent to Catholic schools (in addition to Trinity, she attended St. Mary of the Woods School for her elementary education).

"My dad had a big conversion when I was in

kindergarten," she said. "He really came alive in his faith and that was very influential to me."

She considers it a gift that thanks to her family, "I really loved my Catholic faith growing up. I never doubted my faith."

Now that she is a novice, Sr. Bethany Marie embarks on a two-year period of learning about and preparing for vows as a Passionist nun.

She said that prior to experiencing that "deep peace" during her 2021 visit, she had heard people talk about such a peace, but didn't know if it truly existed.

However, "once you actually find it, you realize this is that peace they talk about when finding your vocation," she said. ■

Watch the video

Follow the Diocese of Owensboro's social media and Vimeo page for the upcoming release of a video interview with Sr. Bethany Marie, in which she delves into the joy of a Passionist vocation.



COURTESY OF ST. JOSEPH MONASTERY
In April 2023, postulant Hannah Bland (the future Sr. Bethany Marie) smiles with her soon-to-be habit which she will wear after becoming a novice the following month.

A MATTER OF FAITH

Why be a catechist?

BY DCN. JAY W. VANHOOSIER, OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

Well, it is that time of year again and many Catholics find themselves considering an invitation to become a catechist in their parish. Directors/coordinators of religious education/faith formation, pastoral associates, priests, and deacons are all "on the prowl" seeking out those who have the potential to serve in this role. Perhaps you have been invited to be a catechist. Perhaps you know someone who is thinking about becoming a catechist. Or perhaps you are the one doing the inviting. Whatever the case may be, I offer the following reasons for becoming a catechist.

Top reasons to become a catechist:

You will grow in your own faith, learn the teachings of the Church, and deepen your relationship with Jesus.

Your Baptism calls you to share in Jesus' ministry. Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to hear the Good News of Jesus.

Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to encounter good role models of faith.

You have much to share with those you will teach, and you will have opportunities to share faith with other catechists.

Today's catechetical textbooks/resources offer outstanding support.

You will be challenged, you will have fun, and you

will make new friends.

You will be helping people deepen their relationship with Jesus. (You will be evangelizing!)

You will be handing on a 2,000-year-old Tradition that changes lives.

It is our job: Jesus sent us to "go and teach all nations."

From my own personal experience (and from a time well before I became a deacon), I can state that sharing one's faith in the role of a catechist can be profoundly, personally, and spiritually fulfilling. If you have been asked to be a catechist, prayerfully consider saying yes. You will be happy that you did so!

Dcn. Jay W. VanHoosier is the Director of Faith Formation for the Diocese of Owensboro. For more information visit owensborodiocese.org/faith-formation, email jay.vanhoosier@pastoral.org or call (270) 852-8324. ■



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Pope Francis gives a crucifix to a layperson he installed as a catechist Jan. 23, 2023, during a Mass in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican. Dcn. Jay W. VanHoosier writes that children, teens, and adults in today's world more than ever need to encounter good role models of faith.

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'A prophetic call to thrive'

Black Catholics of western Kentucky attend National Black Catholic Congress



COURTESY OF VERONICA WILHITE
Marcella Wilhite (center), a parishioner of Blessed Mother Parish in Owensboro, stands with two Black Catholic religious sisters at the July 2023 National Black Catholic Congress. Left is Sr. Josephine Garrett of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth; right is Sr. Isabelle Maina of the Franciscan Sisters of Penance of the Sorrowful Mother.

BY THE OFFICE OF BLACK CATHOLIC MINISTRY, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

Six Black Catholics from the Diocese of Owensboro traveled to Washington, D.C. from July 20-23, 2023, to join over 3,000 Black Catholics from all over the U.S. at the National Black Catholic Congress (NBCC). Founded in 1987 and set to convene every five years this congress was delayed from 2022 due to COVID issues according to Valerie Washington, the NBCC's executive director.

The theme "Write the Vision: A Prophetic Call

to Thrive" was drawn from a verse in the book of the prophet Habakkuk: "Then the Lord answered me and said: 'Write down the vision; Make it plain upon tablets, so that one who reads it may run. For the vision is a witness for the appointed time, a testimony to the end; it will not disappoint. If it delays, wait for it, it will surely come, it will be late. See, the rash have no integrity; but the one who is righteous because of the faith shall live' (Habakkuk 2:2-4)."

The nation's first Black cardinal, Wilton Gregory of Washington, D.C., gave the keynote address and celebrated the opening Unity Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

The Owensboro diocese delegates were Stacey Braxton (St. Charles Parish, Bardwell), Carol and Dianne Hatchett (Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Owensboro), Joan Meadows (Immaculate Parish, Owensboro), Marcella Wilhite (Blessed Mother Parish, Owensboro) and Veronica Wilhite, director of the Office of Black Catholic Ministry.

Braxton summed up her first-time experience thus: "During the three days, we were growing in our faith and obtaining wisdom so that we can have the courage to share our testimony with others. We should start our vision plan to thrive with each act of love that is shared among our neighbors. We can grow as one body in Christ when we learn from one another. We are one human race. We worshiped and heard different testimonies of how other believers overcame their storms. This was also a time for reflection. Each one of us has gifts and talents. How we use them can bring people into the church as we serve the Lord. We need to ask ourselves, through

our actions in our daily lives, how can others see our faith?"

While the challenges of being Black and Catholic are even more visible in the face of our nations increasing racial division, sadly we are the least likely ethnic group in the U.S. to remain Catholic. This affects our faith in many ways. Dialogues with other Catholics who are also experiencing the loss of the Black parish and the lack of vocations in the Black community stand out from this meeting. All six attendees were profoundly affected by the visible presence of Black clergy and religious and appreciated the opportunity to interact personally with Black Americans who have responded to the call to serve God's people as priests, brothers, and sisters. The tremendous number of laity serving was also noted. Organizations such as the Josephites, the Knights and Ladies of St. Peter Claver, Xavier University of Louisiana, the Oblate Sisters and the Sisters of the Holy Family are just a few of the organizations who were present to share their stories and invitations to engage.

Marcella Wilhite commented that she had never seen Black sisters or priests in her life or experienced such a gathering of Black Catholics: "It was validating and enlightening."

At the closing gathering, we were all surprised at the volume of the response by our youth to the question "Please come forward if you have and are considering a vocation to the religious life?" Tears of surprise and joy filled the eyes in the room as it seemed that over 50 young Black Catholics came forward. As we blessed and prayed over these young people our faith was renewed and we left with a resolve to pray for our church, for vocations and for our nation. The theme of Congress had been fulfilled in our hearts and we left joyfully knowing that we had written the vision and heard the prophetic call to thrive. Finally, the invitation was issued and the response was resounding!

NATION & WORLD

Pope: Dorothy Day's life shows evangelizing power of charity, witness, love

BY CINDY WOODEN, CATHOLIC NEWS SERVICE

VATICAN CITY (CNS) ~ Dorothy Day was "a great witness to faith, hope and charity in the 20th century," a woman who loved the Catholic Church despite the flaws of its members and who knew that serving God meant serving the poor and working for justice, Pope Francis wrote.

"The way in which Dorothy Day tells us how she became a Christian believer shows that people are not brought to God by human efforts or strategies, but by grace that springs from charity, witness that is beautiful and active love," the pope wrote in the foreword to a new edition of Day's 1938 memoir on her conversion, "From Union Square to Rome."

The edition, with the papal foreword, will be released in English by Orbis Books in 2024, but an Italian translation by the Vatican publishing house was released in late August.

Day, who lived 1897-1980 and was co-founder of the Catholic Worker Movement, became a Catholic in 1927. Her cause for sainthood officially opened in 2000, and Pope Francis included her as one of the four "great Americans" he spoke about when he addressed the U.S. Congress in 2015.

Robert Ellsberg, editor-in-chief of Orbis Books, mentioned that moment during a talk about Day at the Communion and Liberation movement's Meeting in Rimini, Italy, Aug. 20.

"That Pope Francis should highlight Dorothy Day

was in many ways not surprising," he said. "It is hard to think of any other Catholic of recent times who so fully embodied his Gospel vision with its emphasis on mercy, his desire for a 'poor church for the poor,' his challenge to the culture of indifference and a market economy that 'kills,' his call to touch the wounds of Christ in those on the margins and peripheries, his deep commitment to peace and care for creation, his teachings on 'social friendship' and solidarity, and his strategy for change with a focus on the slow, patient task of planting seeds."

In the memoir, Day writes that she sought and found God "when I was most happy" and not, as detractors would say, in the midst of "fear of loneliness and solitude and pain."

Day was a "restless" woman and one who "teaches us that God is not simply a comfort or a form of alienation to turn to amid life's difficulties, but that he abundantly meets our yearning for joy and fulfillment," the pope wrote in the foreword. "The Lord comforts restless hearts, not bourgeois souls who are content with things as they are."

Day had a very realistic picture of the Catholic Church, the pope said. "To her the church frequently seemed to be on the side of the rich and the property owners, and often unaware of the need for real social justice and equality, which ~ as she reminds us ~ figure largely in so many pages of the Old Testament."

But she persisted in her search, he said, growing in her conviction of "the divine nature of the Catholic Church," even if many Catholics fell short of the



CNS PHOTO/COURTESY JOURNEY FILMS

This is a still from the "Revolution of the Heart: The Dorothy Day Story," a film by Martin Doblmeier, showing Day in her later years being confronted by police during a protest. Pope Francis wrote that Day was "a great witness to faith, hope and charity in the 20th century," in a forward to a new edition of her 1938 memoir, "From Union Square to Rome."

Christian ideal.

Pope Francis quoted Day herself: "Nothing but a divine institution could have survived the betrayal of Judas, the denial of Peter, the sins of many of those who professed her faith, who were supposed to minister to her poor."

"How wonderful to hear such words from a great witness to faith, hope and charity in the 20th century, the century in which the church has often been criticized, hated and abandoned," he wrote.

Yet Day was convinced that "the church had

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directly to do with God, because it belonged to him, not to us. It was he who wanted it, not us. It was his instrument and not something we could make use of for ourselves," the pope said. "That is the church's vocation and identity, a divine reality, not a human one, which can lead us to God, and through which God can meet us."

Day's charity and struggle for justice came before her conversion, the pope noted. "Her work for others, as well as her work as a journalist and activist became a sort of 'highway' along which God touched her heart."

"She herself reminds the reader how the struggle for justice is one of the ways whereby, even unconsciously, everyone can fulfil God's desire for a reconciled humanity, and in which the sweet scent of love drives out the nauseating stink of selfishness," he wrote.

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New pocket-sized resource directories now available through Catholic Charities

BY RACHEL HALL, THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

Catholic Charities has new 2023 pocket-sized directories, designed according to the Diocese of Owensboro Deanery areas, ready to be handed out to help local individuals/families seeking resources.. The resource directories provide contact information for important resources in their area.

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Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Owensboro is dedicated to serving the societal needs of our entire community, including both Catholics and non-Catholics. Ranging from disaster relief to counseling resources for individuals, couples and families; St. Gerard Life Home – a home for those experiencing a crisis pregnancy and have chosen life for their baby; immigration legal services, and more.

To learn about the impact Catholic Charities has had in your society and more about the services they offer visit our site at owensborodiocese. org/catholic-charities/.



RACHEL HALL | WKC Susan Montalvo Gesser, director of Catholic Charites of the Diocese of Owensboro, smiles with a freshly delivered resource directory.



Scan the QR code to access online resource directories

Catholic missionaries ready to spread the Gospel like 'Wildcats' at public university

BY ROBERT ALAN GLOVER, OSV NEWS

LEXINGTON, Ky. (OSV News) - On the campus of the University of Kentucky in Lexington, a team of dedicated Catholic men and women called the "Catholic Wildcat Missionaries" are springing into action this August to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with young adults.

Brian Gall, director of campus ministry at the university's Holy Spirit Parish Newman Center, is one of many people around the country who go forth and recruit Catholic men and women to live out their discipleship of Jesus Christ as college missionaries. These missionaries in turn reach out to a flock of young Catholics who are already developing their faith and help them make it even stronger and far reaching.

Gall is in his second year in the position at the University of Kentucky, where the teams are nicknamed "Wildcats", having already served as a campus missionary for two years.

"I was raised Catholic but in a very lukewarm family, and during my college years fell away from our faith," Gall told OSV News. "After earning my degree in chemical engineering, I did spend two years as a seminarian, but ultimately decided that a life in the priesthood was not my calling."

Gall is now firmly focused on working with college missionaries through FOCUS, the Fellowship of Catholic University Students, and explained how the program works at Holy Spirit. He also introduced OSV News to his newest campus missionary, who starts her missionary work late August.

"Alexis Koteras is her name, and she is now one of seven new campus missionaries who are starting in the coming academic year," he said. "Five of the other new missionaries are connected with FOCUS."

"These new missionaries who are joining us," he added, "have already graduated from UK and various places across the country, signed a two-year contract, and then moved on to fundraising their own salary ~ successfully I might point out."

While the Holy Spirit Parish
Newman Center does help its new
missionaries in their fundraising, as
Gall noted, "there's no amount that we
contribute, and they normally succeed
in getting close to 100 people strictly on their

own for the necessary funds."

Fundraising must cover the person's basic salary, plus gas, food, rent and even Bibles if necessary. "If a student does not have a Bible, then the missionary may have the money to buy one as well," Gall said.

All of the ensuing spiritual activities the



OSV NEWS PHOTO/ALEX KOTERAS

Alex Koteras, left, and other Catholic Wildcat Missionaries at the University of Kentucky in Lexington, are pictured in an undated Ash Wednesday photo. Full-time college missionaries like Koteras, who starts this August at the University of Kentucky, are reaching out to a flock of young Catholics, developing their faith and helping them make it even stronger and far reaching.

college missionaries conduct occur on campus or at campus neighborhood locations. They involve between two to six small groups, with five to 10 students participating in each one.

The missionaries also do outreach events such as cookouts, Sunday evening Masses and a community night on Thursdays that includes Mass, confession, adoration and a social hour.

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"We also have evening recruitment events, where students who attend are asked to consider the calling of becoming a young adult missionary, and 12 students have actually made that decision over the past several years," Gall said.

"In fact, these 12 students that we recruited are the simple, pretty positive evidence of how successful our program has been," Gall added.

He described the missionaries' campus outreach as "having had a profound effect on the lives of students whom it touched " I honestly think a large number of students have been affected by their work in one way or another," Gall said.

The two incoming young adult missionaries will work 40 - 50 hours per week, but Gall said "it is hard to separate what is work ministry from what is fun time, because when they also 'hang out' with friends, the evangelism carries over and becomes very time consuming."

Koteras graduated from the University of Kentucky last May as a music education major. On returning to the university as a missionary, Koteras began her three-day fundraising training program through the Newman Center.

"I raised a grand total of \$45,000, using my talks following each of the three weekend Masses at St. Peter's Catholic Church off campus, and from my own personal contact list of family and friends," Koteras said.

The new missionary noted, "I talked to roughly 200 people, telling them who I was and what I was doing ... the results now cover my transportation, and also produced a good living situation with three other campus missionaries."

The results of Koteras' fund-raising, more importantly, go into supporting the budget of

her mission. Following the fundraising period, campus missionaries like Koteras go through three weeks of additional faith formation, which she said, includes "among other things, time for prayer and to fulfill a promise that we new missionaries make to attend Mass daily."

The Newman Center scheduled faith-related activities throughout "K week," from Aug. 14, when freshmen arrived through Aug. 21, when classes officially resumed.

"My schedule and that of the average missionary will include group meetings, a morning Holy Hour, Mass and one-on-one meetings with students in the afternoon, and Bible study in the evenings," she said.

Student attendance for past Bible study sessions has averaged around 150, with some 60 students leading the sessions. Koteras is hoping

to increase fall attendance by at least 50 new members.

Asked about what led her to choose a campus missionary vocation, Koteras said she felt God calling her "to become a missionary" at Mass during a three-day SEEK conference for college students and young adults that she attended. The SEEK conferences are hosted by FOCUS.

"I realized the path I was on was not the one our Lord wanted me to be on, and I began letting him lead me," Koteras said. As students begin the new semester, the Catholic Wildcat Missionary added, "I will continue asking him to lead me in my work with them."

Robert Alan Glover writes for OSV News from Kentucky.



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'Rise up' to pursue joy, even when you're tired, pope says at WYD vigil

BY JUSTIN MCLELLAN, CATHOLIC NEWS SERVICE

LISBON, Portugal (CNS) – After many of the 1.5 million young people gathered in Lisbon's Tejo Park waited for hours in near 100-degree weather to participate in the World Youth Day vigil with Pope Francis Aug. 5, the pope asked them, "Have you ever been tired?"

Even when tempted to "throw in the towel" or stop along the journey of life, the pope said, the young people must pick themselves up and walk toward joy.

"Joy is not hidden, it's not kept under key, we have to look for it," he said, "and that is tiring."

Yet, Pope Francis urged them to "rise up" when they fall along the path toward joy.

Before the pope's improvised speech, synchronized drones flew over the massive crowd, which extended across both banks of Lisbon's Trancão River, forming messages that read "Rise Up" and "Follow Me" in different languages.

After a lengthy tour in the popemobile among



CNS PHOTO/LOLA GOMEZ

The crowd waits for Pope Francis' arrival to lead the World Youth Day prayer vigil with young people at Tejo Park in Lisbon, Portugal, Aug. 5, 2023.

the pilgrims, Pope Francis listened to two testimonies from people who talked about how their experience of faith formed their youth. Marta Luis, 18, from Mozambique, told Pope Francis how her home province had been ravaged by a civil war and how her family had to leave her village due to a terrorist attack.

While they were sleeping in a forest after they left their home, "we didn't sleep the whole night, but we prayed the Hail Mary and the Our Father," before trekking to another province where they reached family members and were taken in by a local parish.

"Amid so much suffering, we never lost the faith and hope of rebuilding our life," she said.

Pilgrims had begun filling the park in the morning. Many young people waited as much as nine hours to see the pope, but they remained in high spirits playing games, singing songs and doing the occasional wave.

"Sunscreen and water" were the keys to resisting the Lisbon sun, said Mary Grace Quinlan, 28, from Missouri, who was among the first lined up to see the pope. She told Catholic News Service she was struck by the pope's message during the official welcome ceremony for World Youth Day when he urged young people to know each other by their names and not only their virtual or online personalities.

Almost all the pilgrims near the stage planned to spend the night in the park to save their spots for the papal Mass the following morning. They sprawled across the park on yoga mats and inflatable camping mattresses, some in tents or under makeshift cover from tarps.

After the pope's speech, the 1.5 million people in the park fell into silence for eucharistic adoration, hymns of praise and benediction.



CNS PHOTO/LOLA GOMEZ

Young South Koreans cheer after Pope Francis announces that the next World Youth Day will take place in 2027 in Seoul. The pope made the announcement after the closing Mass for World Youth Day at Tejo Park in Lisbon, Portugal, Aug. 6, 2023.

Only reading the first few words of his prepared remarks, Pope Francis put down the text in his hand and spoke openly with the young people.

"Do you like soccer?" he asked the audience to a loud applause. "I like it," he said with a smile, noting that "behind every goal there is much training, behind each success there is much training, and what can I do in life? Train myself."

But the pope added that "there isn't any course on learning how to walk in life," but rather that its learned from parents and grandparents, teachers and friends.

Pope Francis urged the young people to look within themselves and find the "roots of joy" that exist within them, roots planted by the people who have touched their lives.

"We come from roots of joy, and we can be roots of joy for others," the pope said. "Not a joy of the moment, but a joy that gives roots."



COURTESY OF CHRISTY WINN Christy Winn belongs to Holy Spirit Parish in Bowling Green.

Young Adult Voices is a series from The Western Kentucky Catholic, offering a snapshot of Catholics in their 20s and 30s.

Young Adult Voices: Christy Winn

Name: Christy Winn

Age: 23

Parish: Holy Spirit in Bowling Green

Occupation: Customer service

"I am a cradle Catholic, definitely strongly rooted. I grew up at Holy Spirit, went to Western Kentucky University and was very involved in the Newman Center."

"In a lot of ways the parish is my family."

"It's so cool being Catholic because Mass is being said all over the world every day in all different languages."

"For the past few years I have helped with teaching Confirmation classes and leading Confirmation retreats at Holy Spirit Parish."

"At St. Joseph Parish in Bowling Green I have

helped co-lead the youth ministry there."

"This year I'm on the planning team and core team for young adult ministry, BG Catholics."

"When I started going to Western, I embraced my faith as my own. My parents always encouraged us to grow in our faith, and at Western I was introduced to Bible studies and discipleship with FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students)."

"The Catholic faith is for anybody!" ■

To learn more about young adult ministry in the Diocese of Owensboro, visit owensborodiocese.org/young-adult-ministry.

To find out how you can get involved in the Catholic young adult ministry events and opportunities in the Diocese of Owensboro, check out the following information for your area.

Bowling Green area:

BG Catholics

https://www.facebook.com/BGCatholics/ https://holyspiritcatholic.org/ ministries#YoungAdult

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COURTESY OF CHRISTY WINN

Christy Winn stands with other participants of the Saint Meinrad Young Adult Initiative out of Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in southern Indiana in April 2023.

YOUNG ADULT

Eucharistic Revival Retreat inspires young adults

BY MEG MORROW, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

In July, young adults from across the Diocese of Owensboro gathered at St. Joseph Monastery in Whitesville, Kentucky, for a one-day Eucharistic Revival Retreat hosted by the Office of Young Adult Ministry. The event offered a unique opportunity for attendees to immerse themselves in a day of spiritual enrichment and the profound teachings of the Catholic faith.

Early morning Mass set the tone for the day, followed by praise and worship sessions and enriching talks by Fr. Basilio Az Cuc and Fr. Corey Bruns. The serene setting of St. Joseph Monastery, spanning 175 acres of natural beauty, served as an ideal backdrop for the retreat. Blooming flowers and inviting trails adorned the landscape, enhancing the sense of peace and spiritual contemplation.

The messages conveyed by Fr. Az Cuc and Fr. Bruns resonated deeply with attendees. Fr. Az Cuc addressed the concerning amount of disbelief in the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist, emphasizing the need for revival. He prompted participants to reflect on what they are looking for in life, in relationships, and in their spiritual journey and encouraged them to look for eternal life through the sacrament of the Eucharist. Fr. Bruns's reminder to approach the sacraments with childlike innocence encouraged attendees to recall their initial encounters with the sacraments and rekindle a sense of wonder. He also urged participants to embrace sacrifice and gratitude in their daily lives.

A standout moment of the retreat was the



COURTESY OF CHARLIE HARDESTY

Young adults from across the Diocese of Owensboro participate in a one-day Eucharistic Revival Retreat on July 29 at St. Joseph Monastery, home of the cloistered Passionist nuns.

interaction with the cloistered sisters residing at St. Joseph Monastery. For many, it was an eye-opening experience, offering a unique glimpse into the diverse vocations within the diocese. The presence of Sr. Bethany Marie, formally Hannah Bland before entering religious life, added a personal touch for the participants who had worked with her at Gasper River or attended school together.

many participants including myself experienced the liturgy in a new light. Retreats organized by the Diocese of Owensboro leave one feeling inspired, connected to the community, and enriched by the encounters they've had. Young adults should take advantage of the diocesan retreats. These retreats foster a sense of belonging and shared growth. Whether one is questioning their beliefs, rediscovering their faith,

Upon returning from the retreat,

or a devoted practicing Catholic, there's a place for everyone. Being surrounded by Christ-filled individuals and sharing spiritual encounters can enhance any Christian's faith journey.

To learn more about the Diocese's upcoming young adult events, please visit www.owensborodiocese.org/young-adult-ministry/.



COURTESY OF CHARLIE HARDESTY

Fr. Corey Bruns, parochial vicar of St. Joseph Parish in Bowling Green, speaks during the July 29, 2023 Eucharistic Revival Retreat for young adults.



COURTESY OF CHARLIE HARDESTY

Fr. Basilio Az Cuc, parochial vicar of St. Thomas More Parish in Paducah, speaks during the July 29, 2023 Eucharistic Revival Retreat for young adults.

Bishop confirms 17 young people at St. Michael Parish in Sebree



COURTESY OF JENNIFER GLENN Bishop William F. Medley prays over the 17 Confirmation candidates and their sponsors at St. Michael Parish in Sebree on Aug. 12, 2023 during the Confirmation Mass.



COURTESY OF JENNIFER GLENN Bishop William F. Medley blesses the new ciborium and chalices purchased by the Altar Society at St. Michael Parish in Sebree on Aug. 12, 2023.



COURTESY OF JENNIFER GLENN Bishop William F. Medley meets with the 17 Confirmation candidates at St. Michael Parish in Sebree on Aug. 12, 2023 prior to the Confirmation Mass.



COURTESY OF JENNIFER GLENN

The 17 newly-confirmed young people at St. Michael Parish in Sebree smile for a photo with Bishop William F. Medley, who confirmed them the evening of Aug. 12, 2023. Pictured also are the clergy of St. Michael Parish.



COURTESY OF JENNIFER GLENN Bishop William F. Medley confirms a young woman at St. Michael Parish in Sebree on Aug. 12, 2023 during the parish's Confirmation Mass.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Lisa Clark named this year's Outstanding Catholic School Educator

Editor's note: The following nomination was read by superintendent David Kessler at the July 28, 2023 Celebration of Catholic Schools event held at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic School in Henderson, Ky.

This educator gives 110% to everything she does. She is always willing to help where needed, and has skill sets that are invaluable to our school community. She has served as a teacher, principal, technology specialist and as the Learning Support Coordinator, working for the students with their parents, faculty, staff, and peers.

This educator is committed to always serving the students, no matter the need. As a religion teacher she understands that students come from different backgrounds and experiences, and she helps them grow in their faith and understanding at their level, even those that are not Catholic. As the Learning Support Coordinator, she advocates for students so that their needs are met. She works with parents and teachers to understand any learning difference a child may have and how all can support the child to be successful. She is compassionate and realistic about how we can serve the student. She does the research and has the knowledge to serve those students with challenges that we as a school system may not otherwise be able to serve. As the technology coordinator she understands the importance of its use in the classroom, the training involved, and the infrastructure to make sure that everything is in working order. She is not above doing the "heavy lifting" as well as the tedious work in getting devices into the hands of



RACHEL HALL | WKC

Lisa Clark receives the 2023 Outstanding Catholic School Educator of the Year award from superintendent David Kessler. Clark serves at St. Mary School System in Paducah.

over 400 students, faculty, and staff.

As a teacher of religion, she wants the student to know and love our Savior, regardless of their prior knowledge. She sets a wonderful example of how to love and serve. Students will always remember her slogan of, "Have a great day and always be kind."

This educator, along with her other school duties, helps plan the school and system Masses. She works with students to prepare, as well as the priests when needed. She is an active member of her parish, St. John the Evangelist, where her husband is also a deacon.

She herself is an active member of her church community. She works at church picnics, Knights of Columbus events, and retreats. She stays involved with local organizations including the Special Olympics and Easter Seals. She is an advocate within these programs, and I am sure many others are not mentioned here.

Finally, this educator is well respected by her colleagues, parents, and students. She is always professional and willing to help where needed. Teachers know that she has a wealth of knowledge regarding children with special needs and she is a resource to them both in and out of the classroom. She has a calm demeanor when working with parents, especially when it comes to situations where there is denial or reluctance of a child's differences or needs.

Everyone please help me in congratulating Ms. Lisa Clark of St. Mary School System in Paducah as the 2023 Outstanding Catholic School Educator of the Year.



The Pickin' Life Project to celebrate 10 years of 'Bluegrass on (Lake) Beshear' on Oct. 7

BY PICKIN' LIFE ORGANIZERS, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

Saving babies' lives – and parents' hearts. These are the goals of an annual musical fundraiser for prolife pregnancy centers in western Kentucky called "Bluegrass on (Lake) Beshear." This year's music fest, the 10th annual, will be held – rain or shine – on Saturday, Oct. 7 from noon until 6 p.m. on Lake Beshear, four miles outside of Dawson Springs.

The Pickin' Life Project – a charitable organization founded in 2021 through the generous bequest of longtime Sts. Peter and Paul (Hopkinsville) parishioner Ron Todd – hosts the fundraiser. Seven Knights of Columbus councils cosponsor the event by providing food, funding and all manner of event support. Other local churches, businesses and individuals provide monetary donations and contribute items for a popular raffle.

Pickin' Life Project founders Jeff and Laura (Mills) Smith are parishioners of Resurrection Parish in Dawson Springs. Their church was damaged beyond repair by the Dec. 10, 2021 tornado. Rebuilding efforts have only recently begun.

"We are anxious to rebuild our church," said Jeff. "But we've kept our parish together in our small chapel and events like 'Bluegrass' motivate us to continue living our faith and contribute to our community."

During its nine years, "Bluegrass on (Lake) Beshear" has raised \$153,535 for four life-affirming

pregnancy care centers in western Kentucky. Alpha PCC in Hopkinsville, Door of Hope in Madisonville and H.O.P.E. Clinic in Benton and Eddyville are the recipients of each year's funds. The one-day music fest raised an event-record \$38,592 last year. In addition, Knights of Columbus involvement netted an additional \$7,200 for the pregnancy centers through a new program called Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP). The pregnancy centers are faith-based and depend on private donations to remain open. They receive no government funding because the centers will never refer clients for abortion.

"Bluegrass on (Lake) Beshear" will be held at 307 Island Cove Lane, Dawson Springs, Ky. The grounds open at 11 a.m. Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and are welcome to bring coolers. Volunteers will help people park and get to the venue and back to their cars. Bluegrass, country, gospel, rock, and blues music begins at noon and will run until 6 p.m. Admission is free. Hot food and cold drinks will be available for purchase all day. There will be a raffle with multiple chances to win, and two \$500 grand prizes.

The Pickin' Life Project raises money through sponsorships, donations, food, drinks, raffle and merchandise sales. For the third consecutive year, a benefactor will match total donations up to \$12,000 – so every donation or purchase will be doubled.

More information about the event and ways to donate can be found on www.bluegrassonbeshear. com, facebook.com/bluegrassonbeshear, or by



COURTESY OF PICKIN' LIFE Classy and Grassy, a fixture at Bluegrass on (Lake) Beshear, performs at the event in 2022. They will return this year for the event's 10th anniversary.

calling (270) 399-5018.

One hundred percent of money donated goes to the pregnancy care centers and all donations are tax deductible. As the event's motto says, "Together in Christ – We are Pickin' Life."

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Tribunal staff participate in Provincial Meeting

BY LOUANNE SEIBERT, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

The Diocese of Owensboro Tribunal staff, along with more than 25 other Tribunal personnel across the dioceses of Kentucky and Tennessee, attended the annual Provincial Meeting on July 25 and 26, 2023, at Paris Landing State Resort Park in Buchanan, Tenn. The presenter was the Very Rev. Alexander Laschuk, JCD, PhD, a priest of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, who has vast experience in matrimonial law, penal law, and contentious trials across North America. The topic was recent matrimonial jurisprudence from the Tribunal of the Roman Rota.

The Diocese of Owensboro Tribunal renders decisions in matters of Canon (Church) law dealing primarily with issues related to the validity of marriages. ■

To learn more about the ministry of the Tribunal, call (270) 683-1545.



COURTESY OF LOUANNE SEIBERT Members of the Diocese of Owensboro Tribunal staff attend the annual Provincial Meeting on July 25-26 in Buchanan, Tenn.

St. Paul Catholic School breaks ground for new annex

BY DAN HECKEL, MOUNT SAINT JOSEPH

St. Paul Catholic School in Leitchfield, Ky., has struggled with enrollment for years, but the people at St. Paul Parish have refused to let it close. One of its fiercest supporters was Ursuline Sr. Anne Michelle Mudd, OSU.

"She went to school here. She loved this place," said Martha Hall, one of Sr. Anne Michelle's biological sisters. "She loved little kids, she loved to teach them."

"The school almost closed one year," her other sister, Sondra Gavieres, said. "She saved everything to raise money - Campbell's soup labels, stamps - she didn't even take any pay."

On Aug. 2, 2023, the first day of school at St. Paul, the students, teachers and other supporters gathered to break ground for a new building, which will be named the "Sister Anne Michelle Mudd Annex." Sr. Anne

Michelle spent 31 of her 60 years as an Ursuline Sister serving at St. Paul as a teacher or principal, and was still serving as a religion teacher when she died suddenly on Aug. 11, 2020.

The school has 75 students to begin the year, quite an increase from recent years.

"I hope it's because of the message we have here," principal Todd Johnston said. "It's a smaller environment. It's what we teach."

While increased enrollment is good news, the school is out of space. It has had to limit enrollment because there is no room for additional students.

"We need a room for every grade level, and the new building will allow that," Johnston said. "We had to cut off kindergarten at 10 students. With the new building, we hope to increase that to 25 eventually."

The above is an excerpt from a story originally published on ursulinesmsj.org and has been reprinted with permission.



COURTESY OF ST. PAUL Students look on during the groundbreaking for the new annex at St. Paul Catholic School in Leitchfield, Ky., on Aug. 2, 2023.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

With help from St. Vincent de Paul, new homeowner extols power of 'hope'

BY BELINDA ABELL, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

It has been just over a year since Tasha O'Dell called the St. Vincent de Paul office at Sts. Joseph and Paul Parish in Owensboro.

"It changed my life," she said. "I was at the point of giving up. I was absolutely at my breaking point."

After having made some bad decisions in the past, she was determined to make good decisions, especially because of her two boys. She had a job at McDonald's, as did her 16-year-old son, Jamison O'Dell. They worked different shifts so one of them would be home with 10-year-old son, Jaxon O'Dell.

She and her boys had been living at a local motel for over a year; not the life she wanted for them, but at least it was a roof over their heads. Someone suggested she call St. Vincent de Paul to see if they could help. She was scared to call but eventually picked up the phone and called the Vincentians at Sts. Joseph and Paul.

The Vincentian who returned her call that day was Braun Mischel. Tasha told him she wanted to move out of the motel, and that she had enough money for one month's rent, but the landlord was requiring a deposit of one month's rent. She wondered if St. Vincent de Paul could help her with the deposit.

Braun told her: "Do not give up; there is a way for St. Vincent de Paul to help."

With the amount of the deposit, he called several other local churches to see if they could contribute. After securing the funds for the deposit, he called Tasha and told her she could go ahead and move into her rented home.

More good news was to come for Tasha. Braun called her again and offered her a job at Kentron, where he currently works.

"I could not believe it," said Tasha. "I was so excited and could not believe this was happening to me."

Despite extenuating circumstances – including a car that broke down, preventing her from passing her initial physical exam – Tasha ultimately passed the exam to acquire the job.

She overcame more hurdles, such as getting sick during her job's probationary period and her rented home going up for sale and having to move, but in the end Tasha has succeeded all the stronger – even purchasing her own home.

"This is the beauty of being a Vincentian, being able to help break the bonds of systemic poverty," said Braun.

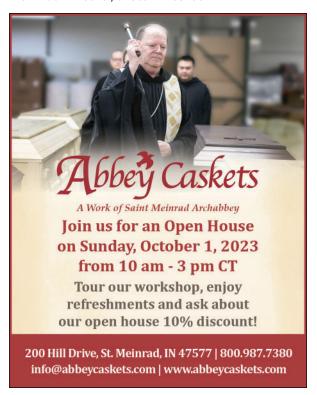
Tasha said she would like people to know that "there is a chance, there is hope that life can get better but you must want to change your life."

"There is a power greater than us that can help if we want it to and let it," she said. "My plans are to keep moving forward every day, to stay focused, to not give up, and to get up every day trying to do the right thing."

Belinda Abell is the external affairs director for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Diocesan Council of Western Kentucky, Inc.



COURTESY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL Seated are Jaxon, Tasha, and Jamison O'Dell, along with Braun Mischel, a local Vincentian.



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'The Preacher to the Popes' film screening returns to Owensboro by popular demand

BY LAURA SHOULDERS, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

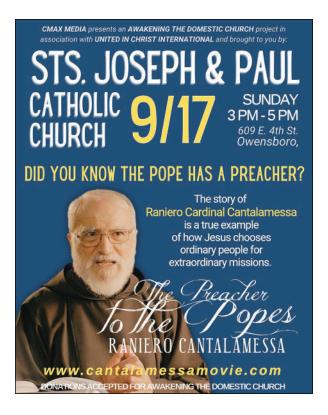
How does a professor with advanced degrees in literature and theology go from teaching Church History to arguably the (second-most) influential Christian in the world – for 43 consecutive years? There is only one answer: the Holy Spirit.

We know the pope as someone who inspires the world, but have you ever wondered "Who inspires the pope?" Did you know the pope has an official preacher? This unique position has existed since 1555, with each preacher usually serving only 3-5 years. Raniero Cardinal Cantalamessa, the current Apostolic Preacher, is an anomaly. He has held this position since 1980, making him the only person in history to have held the position for so long.

Cardinal Cantalamessa's ministry has had a world-wide effect not only on Catholics, but Christians of many denominations. He has helped Orthodox, Anglicans, Pentecostals, Methodists, and Reformation-oriented Christians become drawn to the teachings of the Early Church apostles. His knowledge, insight, and joy in preaching captivates his listeners regardless of their Christian tradition. His engaging smile reflects the love of God, and he inspires every person he teaches to grow in spiritual maturity. He has even addressed the Anglican Church from Westminster Abbey, chatting with the Queen of England after his sermon!

Cantalamessa's journey is just one example the Holy Spirit's desire to work in every baptized Christian, which leads to spiritual maturity and yearning for authentic Christian unity in the process. In August, Sts. Jospeh and Paul Parish in Owensboro hosted two viewings of a film highlighting the unique events resulting in Cantalamessa's appointment as Apostolic Preacher, and how God continues to work through him to this day. Parishioners from seven parishes around Owensboro participated. Based upon viewer feedback, we are showing this film again on Sept. 17 from 3-5 p.m. at 609 E. 4th St., Owensboro. All are welcome.

Laura Shoulders is the religious education minister at Sts. Joseph and Paul Parish in Owensboro.





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Sunday, Sept. 10

1:00-4:00 p.m.

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Eighteenth annual Rural Life Celebration held Aug. 13

BY RACHEL HALL, THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

Bishop John J. McRaith, known for his love of the land and his concerns around small family farmers, created the Rural Life Committee, an initiative that has been a part of the Diocese of Owensboro ever since, bringing farmers together to review local agriculture and to cohort with one another. On Aug. 13 they held their 18th Rural Life Celebration, hosted this year at Whitesville's St. Mary of the Woods. There was a warm and welcoming opening invocation by pastor Fr. Brian Roby and a dinner served by local FFA students suited in their bright blue jackets. Presentations and awards were given to honor those recognized for their hard work and generosity to the community.

Awards:

- Outstanding Community Service Award: Ohio Valley Insurance
 - "Be Like Rick" Award: Dennis Grant
 - Rising Star Award: Austin and Dakota Edge



RACHEL HALL | WKC

(Above) Local FFA chapters around a table after helping serve the dinner at the Aug. 13 Rural Life Celebration. During one presentation, Billy Brey turned to their table and recognized them as the future of farming, noting the importance of bringing them into the community.



RACHEL HALL | WKC

(Above) Emma and Elwood Whistle at the Rural Life Celebration that took place at St. Mary of the Woods in Whitesville, Ky., have been coming to the Rural Life event since its beginnings. The Rural Life Celebration has taken place for many years; celebrating its 18th gathering on Aug. 13.

RACHEL HALL | WKC

(Left) Dakota and Austin Edge accept the Rising Star Award during the Rural Life Celebration that took place at St. Mary of the Woods in Whitesville, Ky. The Edges were two of several people honored for the much-anticipated awards given at the annual Rural Life Celebration, which took place this year on Aug. 13. Besides the chance for fellowship, the event included an invoation by Fr. Brian Roby, pastor of St. Mary of the Woods, and a dinner served by FFA students.



Union County parishes hold softball tournament

BY KATHY HUMPHREY, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

The Union County Catholic churches had a co-ed adult softball tournament on Sunday afternoon on Aug. 20, 2023. Parishes represented were St. Agnes in Uniontown, St. Ann in Morganfield, and St. Peter of Antioch and Sacred Heart in Waverly. Everyone played hard and had a great time. There was a good crowd to watch parishioners in action. In the end, St. Agnes came away with the win. Thanks to all who participated.

Kathy Humphrey is the secretary and bookkeeper of St. Agnes Parish in Uniontown.



COURTESY OF ST. AGNES PARISH

St. Agnes Parish won the Aug. 20 Union County Catholic churches co-ed adult softball tournament in Union County.

September Wedding Anniversaries 5, 10, 25, 40, 50 and More Than 50 Years of Marriage

A note from the WKC: Make sure your anniversary is listed

Now is a great time to make sure your parish has your wedding anniversary on their list. The WKC recognizes 5th, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, and more than 50th anniversaries being celebrated for the month printed (i.e. this edition shows the milestone anniversaries for August). In order to appear in the WKC's monthly anniversaries, you must be listed by your parish. Please contact your parish directly to make sure your anniversary is on file with them. – WKC staff

Blessed Mother, Owensboro Chris & Julie Ford, 25 Joe & Chelsea Blus, 10 Kerry & Debbie Riney, 25 Russell & Kaley Anne Hayden, 5

Troy & Rhonda Rafferty, 25

Christ the King, Madisonville
George & Beverly Soria, 52
Joseph & Daisy Rocha, 57

Holy Name of Jesus,
Henderson
Carroll & Margaret Fulkerson,
60
Cory & Chelsie Staples, 10
David & Mary Sue Barron, 50
Dean & Janice Arnold, 53
Harold & Lucy Hargis, 54

Harold & Lucy Hargis, 54
Heath & Amanda Fritz, 5
James & Rita Mills, 52
Kyle & Whitney Mangold, 5
Mike & Katrina Greenwell, 52
Mitch & Jill Hazelwood, 25
Raymond & Joan Wawrin, 56
Ronald & Joan Hockey, 64
Sam & Patsy Moore, 50
Sean & Stephanie Dodson, 25

Holy Spirit, Bowling Green
Anthony & Rhona Feckter, 60
Brad & Betty Polen, 40
Dean & Colleen Ewing, 56
Joe & Sally Liles, 60
John Thang Lam Khai & Vung
Niang, 25
Rick & Kathy Granger, 52
Scott & Elsa Peters, 25
Stephen & Wanda Baka, 53
Steve & Sandy Stahl, 53

Holy Trinity, Morgantown Richard & Peggy Seiler, 62

Immaculate Conception, Hawesville Charles & Peggy Howard, 54 Dale & Marcia Reddin, 53 Vic & Barbara Hagman, 58 Immaculate, Owensboro Bo & Kristen Fallin, 10 Stewart & Rose Foster, 54

Our Lady of Lourdes, Owensboro Carl & Marie Hamilton, 52 Johnny & Pat Kelley, 63 Mark & Debra Hess, 40 Mike & Suzanne Wurth, 53 Ryan & Emily Hogg, 5 Wally & Julie Johnson, 50

Precious Blood, Owensboro Jeremy & Angela Riney, 10 John & Patricia Kramer, 53 Jon & Morgan Brown, 5 Mark & Chris Castlen, 40 William & Susan Wedding, 54

Resurrection, Dawson Springs Mike & Linda Randolph, 58

St. Agnes, Uniontown Dorris & Joyce Collins, 63

St. Alphonsus, St. Joseph Brandon & Jenny Glenn, 10 David & Debbie Coomes, 52

St. Ann, Morganfield
Adam & Brooke Hendrickson, 5
Bill & Janet Robertson, 63
Jim & Carol Hosman, 57
Richard & Jennifer Nally, 40

St. Anthony of Padua, Grand Rivers Steve & Linda Wilkes, 52

St. Anthony, Browns Valley Darrell & Linda Howard, 50

St. Anthony, Peonia Jimmy & Cheryl Johnston, 40

St. Augustine, ReedSonny & Linda Evans, 58
Stephen & Sheila Byrne, 51

St. Charles, Bardwell
Danny & Bonnie Henderson, 52
Duane & Tammy Rogers, 40

St. Edward, Fulton Eddie & Jan Taylor, 50

St. Francis de Sales, Paducah Durwin & Maureen Ursery, 57 Thomas & Jeannette Tocco, 50

St. Francis of Assisi James & Beth Dilliha, 5

St. Henry, Aurora Jack & Janice Faust, 56

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Glenn & Barbara Wilson, 57
Glenn & Gayle Willett, 50
Mark & Heather Elliott, 5
Marvin & Martha Byrd, 61
Sam & Becca Higdon, 52
Terry & Patrice Milan, 51
Walter & Karen Shupe, 51

St. John the Evangelist,
Paducah
Lawrence & Dorothy Durbin, 55
Lawrence & Geraldine Durbin,
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Paul & Ellen Carrico, 65
Richard & Betty Wurth, 61
Robert & Yolanda Neihoff, 60

St. Joseph, Bowling Green George & Judith Martin, 57 Hubert & Linda Richardson, 54 Nicholas & Candace Simmons, 5

St. Joseph, Central City Ric & Judy Sims, 58

St. Joseph, Leitchfield
Dale & Yvonne DePoyster, 50
Daniel & Jamie Niehaus, 10
Jimmy & Sue Kipper, 57

St. Joseph, MayfieldAntonio & Maribel Flores, 10
Charles & Gay Willett, 52
Robert & Jean Carrico, 56

St. Lawrence, PhilpotDennis & Anna Buck, 40
Joseph & Nancy Payne, 63

St. Leo, Murray

James & Joan Carden, 59

St. Mark, EddyvilleBill & Michelle Thayer, 5
Kenneth & Maggie Pierson, 50

St. Martin, RomeJack & Delores Beyke, 57
William & Judy Peak, 57

St. Mary Magdalene, Sorgho Bobby & Terry Knott, 64 Danny & Sharon Ebelhar, 54 Don & Bonnie Bittel, 25 Grady & Donna Ebelhar, 50 Tony & Rhonda Mischel, 25

St. Mary of the Woods,
Whitesville
Al & DeeAnna Wathen, 25
Bert & Joan Payne, 40
Bobby & Della Payne, 50
David & Judy Zoglmann, 40
Dustin & Rachel Hamilton, 10
Fred & Lynda Robey, 50
Jerry & Charlotte Ralph, 50
Kenny & Maria Bickett, 40
Matthew & Ashley Wright, 10
Steve & Alicia Kurz, 25
St. Mary, Franklin
Jim & Gail Briley, 62

John & Cindy Jánicek, 50 **St. Mary, LaCenter** Billy Ray & Sue Ellen Dowdy, 25

St. Michael the Archangel, Oak Grove Richard & Sherry Washington, 53

Roger & Margo Blair, 53

St. Paul, Leitchfield
James & Helen Gawarecki, 61
Joseph & Anna Jean Clark, 52
Larry & Geneva Pawley, 56
Mike & Joyce Whitfill, 55

St. Peter of Alcantara, Stanley Jake & Aerial Grant, 5

St. Peter of Antioch, Waverly

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Norman & Doris Johnson, 57
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St. Romuald, Hardinsburg Chuck & Joellen McGary, 58 David & Elaine Adkins, 51 Donald & Alice Bland, 64

St. Rose of Lima, Cloverport
Thomas & Leigh Flood, 76
William & Purification Houtchen, 52

St. Sebastian, CalhounJohn & Brenda Pinkston, 54
Mike & Margaret Dant, 58

St. Stephen Cathedral, Owensboro
Arthur & Nancy Hodde, 52
Howard & Louise Brown, 56
John & Patsy Clayton, 66
Pat & Donna McNulty, 58
Robert & Megan Houston, 10
Ross & Jill Leigh, 25

St. Stephen, Cadiz Jim & Sally Vollmer, 57 Mike & Tana Dickens, 52 Stan & Fran Kostrzebski, 61

St. Thomas More, Paducah
Gary & Janie Lamb, 58
Greg & Mara Guebert, 5
Jorge Arroyo-Gomez & Melanie Guardian, 10
Phil & Betty Higdon, 59
Robert & Judy Milford, 57
Robert & Regina Russell, 40
Tom & Barbara Clinton, 55

St. William, Knottsville
Brad & Kelsey Carrico, 5
Chad & Alondra Johnson, 5
Charles & Joyce Mills, 66
Daniel & Anne Howard, 40
Darrell & Mary Lou Payne, 54
Eric & Dana Castlen, 10
Steve & Darlene Fulkerson, 51

Sts. Joseph & Paul, Owensboro
Bobby & Theresa Pedley, 59
Brent & Melanie Ballard, 25
Frank & Joanne Mason, 52
Jack & Rose King, 70
Jacob & Cassie Ezell, 10
James & Madonna Kullman, 40
Ralph & Emilee Ward, 57
Tommy & Kathy Brown, 10

Sts. Peter & Paul, Hopkinsville Andrew & Annette Mongeon, 71 Gregory & Anita Jones, 54 Jim & Maria Creighton, 54 William & Ann Farrell, 53 William & Linda Keach, 51

Final roundup:

Last chance to get to western Kentucky's remaining parish picnics of summer 2023

DATE	SERVING TIME	PARISH
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SEPT. 9	Serving 5 p.m	St. Agnes, Uniontown
SEPT. 9	Serving from 10 a.m6	Christ the King, Scottsville
SEPT. 9	Serving 3 p.m.	St. Romuald, Hardinsburg
SEPT. 10	Serving 10:30 a.m.	St. Joseph, Central City
SEPT. 16	Serving 4 p.m.; drive-thru only	Blessed Mother, Owensboro
SEPT. 16	Serving 4-8 p.m.; mass at 8 p.m.	Christ the King, Madisonville
SEPT. 17	Serving 11 a.m.	Mary Carrico School (St. Lawrence Picnic Grounds, 6119 St. Lawrence Rd., Philpot)
SEPT. 23	Serving from noon- 2 p.m., drive-thru only	Immaculate, Owensboro
SEPT. 24	Serving 11 a.m.	St. Mary of the Woods, Whitesville
SEPT. 30	Serving 10 a.m2 p.m	Honeyfest Dinner at St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Clarkson

Editor's note:

Parish picnics and cooking teams are a longstanding tradition in the parishes of the Diocese of Owensboro. Parishioners and non-parishioners alike gather to celebrate with food, games and community during the warmest months of the year. All questions about the individual picnics should be directed to the parishes; contact information may be accessed via owensborodiocese.org/find-a-parish.



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Mass and confession times in the Diocese of Owensboro

Did you know you can view Mass times on the diocese's website? Visit https://owensborodiocese.org/find-a-parish/ for a list of parishes, Mass times and more. As confession times are subject to change, visitors are encouraged to contact the parishes directly for their most up-to-date confession schedule.

Retrouvaille weekend for married couples facing challenges

The next Retrouvaille weekend is in the Nashville area on the weekend of Sept. 8-10, 2023. The Retrouvaille Program is for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship; a Christian marriage program, Catholic in origin, where couples of all faiths or no faith background are encouraged to attend. The weekend starts at 7 p.m. Friday night and ends at 3 p.m. Sunday. To learn more, contact Dcn. Tony Carmona at tony.carmona@pastoral.org or contact Retrouvaille of Nashville, TN, for more information at 3043@helpourmarriage.org. To register: https://tinyurl.com/yck2hrex.

Camp Logan offers grief camp for kids who have lost loved ones

Betty Medley-Wallace of Glenn Family Services has held a grief camp for kids for nine years. Recently renamed Camp Logan, (for Logan Davis, a beloved local teen who passed away in 2020), will be held Saturday, Sept. 9, 2023 at Precious Blood Parish Hall 3306 Fenmore St., Owensboro, KY. The camp is for young people ages 6-16 that have experienced the death of a relative or close friend. The goals of the camp are to offer an opportunity for young people to commemorate and remember loved ones and

to better understand the feelings associated with grief and loss. The camp is free. Questions or to register: Betty at (270) 683-1505 or email me at bmedley@glennfuneralhome.com

Natural Family Planning introductory session

Sept. 10, 2023, from 1-3 p.m. at the McRaith Catholic Center, 600 Locust St., Owensboro, KY. If you have ever wondered what NFP (Natural Family Planning) really is, how it works, and/or how to choose a method, we invite you to join us for this event. The event will begin with a general information presentation covering the science behind modern methods of NFP and answer questions you may have about choosing between methods. From there, attendees can choose to attend the 20-minute, method-specific introductory session for Billings, Creighton, or Marquette. Register at https://tinyurl.com/25kdf9xe.

Koinonia Retreat at Sts. Joseph & Paul, Owensboro

Sept. 8, 9 and 10. The theme of the Koinonia weekend is the Paschal Mystery – the death and resurrection of Jesus. It takes this central teaching of our faith and shows us how this applies to our daily lives. To register for this retreat, or for more information, contact the Sts. Joseph & Paul Parish Office at (270) 683-5641.

All invited to celebrate St. Francis de Sales Parish anniversary

St. Francis de Sales in Paducah will celebrate our 175th anniversary with a year of celebrations. A quilt/wall hanging is being made with signatures of present members and deceased members. For more information contact Patti Sanders at pattisanders50@gmail.com.

Save the date for St. Paul School car show

Saturday, Sept. 9, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. For more information please contact the school at (270) 242-7483.

Sept. 24 Stained Glass Music Series at St. Joseph's

St. Joseph Catholic Church's "Stained Glass Music Series" presents their Fall Concert, on Sunday, Sept. 24 at 6 p.m. in its Church in Bowling Green, KY. The concert will feature the musical talents of C. Kenneth Stein on the organ in collaboration with Marshall Scott and Wayne Pope, Jazz duo. The St. Joseph Catholic Church's "Stained Glass Music Series" is committed to the beauty of Sacred Music and Art and is generously coordinated by Lynn O'Keefe. For more information, contact Fr. Corey Bruns at (270) 842-2525. Admission is free and open to the public.

Post-abortion healing retreat

Come join us for a weekend of emotional healing and spiritual renewal. Rachel's Vineyard offers post-abortion healing retreats for women and men who are suffering from the lingering effects of abortion. Next retreat is Nov. 3-5, 2023. Location near Owensboro, KY. Rita: (270) 474-4707 or retreats@hopeafterabortionky. com. Learn more at http://hopeafterabortionky. com.

Support groups for victims/survivors of clergy abuse

The Diocese of Owensboro would like to share some support group opportunities made available through the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. These groups are open to

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all victims/survivors in the United States. Learn more at https://owensborodiocese.org/support-group/ and https://owensborodiocese.org/safe/.

Have you read the Ursuline Sisters' new history book?

"Hope and Firm Faith: The Story of the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph" is still available for purchase. This book brings to life the amazing women who have served God's people since arriving at Maple Mount, Ky., in 1874. Readers will learn how the Diocese of Owensboro grew in conjunction with the Ursuline Sisters opening countless schools, including what is today Brescia University. They will learn about the events that unfolded for the Ursuline Sisters through the eyes of the women who lived them. To purchase a book, visit https://ursulinesmsj.org/hope-and-firmfaith-book/. The cost is \$37.10 which includes tax. If you need the book shipped, add \$10. You can ask that your copy be autographed by the author. If you have questions, contact Dan Heckel at 270-229-2007 or dan.heckel@maplemount.org. Books can also be purchased in person at Maple Mount Monday through Friday, but please call ahead.

Need a meeting space? Maple Hall is available at Mount Saint Joseph

Need a meeting space for up to 200 people? Maple Hall (formerly known as Mount Saint Joseph Auditorium/Gym) is available for rent. It is located on the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph campus, 8001 Cummings Road, Maple Mount, Ky., 12 miles west of Owensboro on Hwy. 56, across from the park. Maple Hall is an open space with a kitchen equipped for catering. It's perfect for hosting receptions, parties, reunions, etc. There are two rental options -- a partial rental for up to four hours (\$100) and a full rental which allows use for a full day (\$200). The use of 8-foot tables and chairs

is included in the rental fee (user is responsible for setup, or this can be done for you for an additional fee). To reserve Maple Hall, contact the Mount Saint Joseph Finance Office by email: ap@maplemount. org or call the switchboard at 270-229-4103 and ask to speak to the Finance Office. Normal business hours are Monday through Friday 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. You can find out more on this webpage: https://ursulinesmsj.org/renting-maple-hall/

Join Ursuline Sisters for Eucharistic Adoration on Fridays

The Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph have revised their Eucharistic Adoration schedule. They invite the public to join them for Eucharistic Adoration on Fridays from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., at the Motherhouse Chapel in Maple Mount, Ky. (12 miles west of Owensboro on Hwy. 56). Adoration on the

second Friday of each month is dedicated to praying for vocations. The Adoration concludes with evening prayer. Note: The main chapel doors are temporarily unavailable. You can enter the door at the base of the bell tower and access the elevator.

A Scout is Reverent

As we begin a new school year, it is time to begin working toward Scout religious emblems. They include for Cub Scouts: Light of Christ and Parvuli Dei and for Boy Scouts: Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII and Light is Life (Eastern Catholic) and for Girl Scouts and others: God is Love, Family of God, I Live My Faith, Mary the First Disciple, The Spirit Alive, and Missio. For more information on these, visit https://owensborodiocese.org/scouting/

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THE 33RD DIOCESAN MARIAN CONGRESS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2023 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

"ST. JOSEPH, PILLAR OF THE FAMILY"

Keynote Address by Fr. Joseph Morgan, CPM Adoration, Marian Procession, and Confessions 4 pm Vigil mass offered at Parish

To be held on the campus of Saint Joseph Catholic Church 434 Church Ave. Bowling Green, KY 42101

Fr. Larry McBride serves as testament to the power of answering one's calling

BY NICOLE GRAY, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

When a new priest is assigned to a parish, one of the questions that the parishioners wonder about, or which they ask their friends or neighbors, is: "What is the new priest like?" That is a fair question and is quite rightly asked.

Fr. Larry McBride grew up in a very strong Catholic family. His educational journey began at Union County and then college at Kentucky Wesleyan College. Attending a Methodist school had challenges. He was often asked if he was Christian and if he was saved. He gave broad answers, but he didn't fully understand how to answer at that time. It was during this time of introspection that Fr. Larry talked with a friend of his that had recently entered the seminary, and his joy and fulfillment in serving as a priest were evident in every word he spoke. Inspired by his friend and the possibility of a higher purpose, Fr. Larry began to contemplate the notion that he, too, had options beyond his accounting path.

Embracing the courage to heed the call, Fr. Larry made the life-altering decision to leave behind his accounting career and embark on a new path as a seminarian at St. Pius Seminary in 1980. While the transition was not without its challenges and uncertainties, Fr. Larry was resolute in his belief that there was a great need for more priests in the community. He continued his journey into priesthood at Saint Meinrad Seminary where he

graduated in 1987.

A man of deep faith and compassion, Fr. Larry finds solace and inspiration in several aspects of his Catholic faith, which have fostered a strong bond with both his parish community and his relationship with Christ. Life as a priest can be a fulfilling and enriching journey, but for Fr. Larry, there's more to it than just his pastoral duties. Fr. Larry embraces his passions, immersing himself in a diverse range of hobbies that bring joy and excitement to his life. A passionate traveler, he believes that the world is a treasure trove of diverse cultures. Fr. Larry's globetrotting adventures have opened his heart and mind to the beauty of humanity and creation.

Nature's wonders hold an irresistible allure for Fr. Larry, and visiting national parks is high on his bucket list. Amid his many endeavors, Fr. Larry finds solace in the simple pleasure of collecting stamps. A true advocate of lifelong learning, Fr. Larry's voracious appetite for reading enriches his mind and soul. Reading not only keeps him intellectually engaged but also fosters empathy and compassion, helping him better serve his congregation.

Fr. Larry's inspiring journey from future accountant to priest serves as a testament to the power of answering one's calling and embracing the path less traveled. His passion for serving others has left an indelible mark on the lives of many, proving that when one heeds the call of the heart, incredible possibilities await.

Nicole Gray is the director of communications at St. Martin Parish in Rome, Ky.



COURTESY OF NICOLE GRAY
Fr. Larry McBride is the pastor of St. Martin Parish in Rome, Ky.



INSIDE THE ARCHIVES

Bishop Cotton's original chalice was stolen

BY EDWARD WILSON, ARCHIVES

Earlier this year, the Office of the Bishop contacted the archives with a request. The office inquired about the possibility of using the chalice of our first bishop, Bishop Francis R. Cotton's, for the Chrism Mass. This was not surprising to me as Bishop Medley is quite passionate and very knowledgeable about history, and I was very happy to provide this request. This is exactly what we in the archives love to see.

The Holy Spirit must have been at work because the timing of this request was perfect. As I covered in a previous article, we recently opened a safe in the archives that had gone unopened for more than a decade. There were several very important items inside, including Bishop Cotton's chalice. Had Bishop Medley's request been made a year prior, we would not have the chalice to loan. So, with the chalice in our possession, we were more than happy to proceed with the archival loan procedure.

However, though this is Bishop Cotton's chalice, it is not his original chalice.

It is tradition for priests to be given their chalice on their day of ordination. This was no different for then-Fr. Cotton. He recorded that he received his chalice on "Die 17a Junii 1920" (June 17, 1920), the day of his ordination. A later notation on this record states, "This chalice was my original one – It was stolen." This must have been a harsh loss for the bishop.

So then, what is the history of the chalice that we have? Bishop Cotton's notes tell us that he consecrated this new chalice himself on "Sept. 17, 1943." However, there is a very touching line of succession with his original chalice. The new chalice was given to him by Archbishop John McNicholas, the bishop who ordained Bishop Cotton over 20 years prior. There is little doubt that this gave Bishop Cotton great consolation.

The new chalice found its way to the archives in 1998, nearly 38 years after the death of Bishop Cotton. It was in the possession of Fr. George Hancock. It was then given to Sr. George Mary Hagan, OSU, to give to her fellow Ursuline and diocesan archivist Sr. Emma Cecilia Busam, OSU. It was accessioned by Sr. Emma Cecilia on Jan. 20, 1998.

Just as Bishop Medley's use of the chalice shows, the archive does not mean the end of the story for the artifacts that find their way here. These items still



COURTESY OF ARCHIVES
Bishop Francis R. Cotton's chalice – technically his second, following his original chalice being stolen.

have a role to play in God's plan and the archive is happy to be the intermediary for whatever God has in mind for them; even if that means going through all of Bishop Cotton's early notes which he, of course, wrote entirely in Latin.

You can't help but smile knowing that even in Heaven, Bishop Cotton is making us play by his rules.■

Edward Wilson is the director of the Diocese of Owensboro's Archives and the Archives of the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph. Comments and questions may be sent to edward.wilson@pastoral.org.



COURTESY OF JAN CIELANGA, ZWEIZUDREI FOTOGRAFIE Christopher French participates in the Catholic Worldview Fellowship in summer 2023.

Seminarian learns how to evangelize the culture through study abroad program

BY CHRISTOPHER FRENCH, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

This summer I had the opportunity to study abroad in Europe through the Catholic Worldview Fellowship. This was a program that brings college students together from across the world to study for three weeks in Germany and one week in Rome. It was an awesome experience.

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COURTESY OF JAN CIELANGA, ZWEIZUDREI FOTOGRAFIE Students attend Mass while participating in the Catholic Worldview Fellowship during summer 2023. Christopher French, a Diocese of Owensboro seminarian, attended this year's fellowship.

The mission of the program was to form, network, and empower talented college students to evangelize the culture through an experience of the Catholic worldview. I, and 35 other fellows, learned about those nebulous terms: worldview, culture, and evangelization.

Through cultural outings, to various cities and churches, those nebulous terms were made concrete through personal experience. From this experience we learn how to best evangelize based on the strengths and weaknesses of our own personalities. It's not all classwork, however. There was a lot of fun to be had during the program like biking in the

The mission of the program was to Netherlands, living in a German castle, eating lots of gelato, scootering throughout Rome, and attending a Papal Mass. (Just to name a rough an experience of the Catholic few.)

I would highly recommend this program to any college student interested in deepening their faith and understanding of what it means to have a Catholic worldview. As it says on their website "To change culture takes true leaders; to evangelize culture takes apostles." At the Catholic Worldview Fellowship, you learn how to be both. ■

Christopher French is in first theology at Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in southern Indiana.

Diocesan seminarians begin new school year

BY WKC STAFF

This fall, the three seminarians of the Diocese of Owensboro begin their fall semester at Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in St. Meinrad, Indiana.

Conrad Jaconette, whose home parish is St. Joseph in Bowling Green, is in third theology. Chris French, whose home parish is Holy Spirit in Bowling Green, is in first theology.

Hunter Dickens, who enters seminary for the first time this fall, belongs to St. Thomas More Parish in Paducah and is in his propaedeutic year at Saint Meinrad. This is a year of spiritual pilgrimage, which provides a robust year of discernment in which the men begin to develop "a life of prayer, study, fraternity, and appropriate docility to formation," according to the sixth edition of the Program of Priestly Formation.

Please continue to pray for our seminarians, and for more men to answer the call to discern the priesthood in our diocese. To learn more, visit owensborovocations.com.



COURTESY OF CHRISTOPHER FRENCH
The Diocese of Owensboro seminarians, ready to take
on the 2023-2024 school year. Pictured are (left to right)
Hunter Dickens, Conrad Jaconette, and Christopher
French.

The National Eucharistic Revival: The Year of Parish Revival

At this point you've hopefully heard of The Eucharistic Revival... but what is it and how can you participate?



WKC FILE PHOTO
People bow their heads in prayer during the Dec. 9,
2017 dedication of St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Todd
County, Ky.

BY WKC STAFF

Our bishops of the United States are calling for a three-year grassroots revival of devotion and belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. They believe that God wants to see a movement of Catholics across the United States, healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist—and sent out in mission "for the life of the world."

The National Eucharistic Revival started in 2022 and will be continuing over these next few years, in hopes of restoring and strengthening our faith in Jesus Christ and the Eucharist. Together, we are reflecting on the Blessed Sacrament and the importance it holds in our Catholic faith as the precious Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, given to us as a gift of love and nourishment.

"The source and summit of Sunday Mass is what drives us to work during the week."

- Eucharistic listening session participant, St. Thomas More Parish, Paducah

Through the Eucharist, we are united with Christ and with one another as members of His mystical body, the Church.

We are currently in the "Year of Parish Revival," working hard in communicating a message of solidarity as we sought to equip parishes with the resources they will need in the months ahead. The vear launched on Corpus Christi (the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ) on Sunday, June 11, which the Diocese of Owensboro observed with a celebration led by Bishop Medley. This year focuses on strengthening our liturgical life through faithful celebrations of Mass and Eucharistic Adoration. With a focus on deep reflections through scripture reading, prayer, (both in parish workgroups and as individuals), as well as missions, preaching and organic movements built through the Holy Spirit, this second phase will foster Eucharistic devotion at the parish level.

This will all lead up to the first National Eucharistic Congress in the United States in almost fifty years, where an estimation of 80,000 Catholics will gather in Indianapolis for a once-in-a-lifetime

pilgrimage toward the "source and summit" of our Catholic faith July 17-21, 2024. From this journey we will follow with a year of going out on mission "for the life of the world."

We are asking you to be a part of this historic event. Participate within your parish, deepen your hearts in prayer through Adoration, find spiritual growth in your community. Invite your friends and neighbors. This revival is meant to foster a spirit of unity, love, and compassion extending out past our parishes and families and into our daily lives. In rejoicing in the gift of the Eucharist and celebrating our Catholic heritage, may it strengthen you as you live out your faith in this world.

Portions of the above information were taken from owensborodiocese.org/eucharistic-revival.





Scan this QR code to find Mass, Adoration and Confession times available in your area.

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A total of \$591,159.33 given to the Disciples Response Fund between 2021-2022

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We are humbled by all of our faithful families who supported the Diocese of Owensboro by giving to the Disciples Response Fund (DRF). A total of \$591,159.33 was given to the DRF within the Oct. 1, 2021-Sept. 30, 2022 timeframe by a total of 3,199 donors, and we are so thankful. With your generosity, you made it possible for the local Church to accomplish so much! All of your submitted prayer intentions were placed at the foot of the altar in the chapel of the McRaith Catholic Center and prayed for by Bishop William F. Medley and the pastoral center staff. Time and attention were given to this list, but if you determine an error, please contact Valeria Vessels at (270) 852-8348 or valeria.vessels@pastoral.org. To learn more, visit owensborodiocese.org/stewardship.

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Allard Betty, Basham Stephen, Bittel Elizabeth, Emmick David & Rosemary, Heavrin Tim & Dian, Kurz Kevin & Debbie Neff John & Rosemary Pate Lindy Bayron Labor Basharta Labor Para Pate Lindy Bayron Labor Basharta Labor Para Pate Lindy Bayron Labor Basharta Labor Para Para Pate Lindy Bayron Labor Basharta Labor Para Pate Lindy Bayron Labor Bayron Basharta Labor Bayron Basharta Labor Bayron Bayro Judy, Payne John, Roberts Harry & Pat, Roby Larry & Jo Ann, Smeathers Debbie, Taylor John & Christie

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Jackey Mary, Mattingly-Higdon Mona, Parish St Elizabeth, Roberts Amanda, Skaggs Travis & Stephanie, Smallwood John, Smith Adam & Lindsey, Stinson Charlie & Brenda, White Kerry & Victoria, Wygant Richard & Mary

ST. ELIZABETH, CURDSVILLE \$975.00
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Willett Judy, Williams Timothy & Taress, Wilson Annie, Wilson Denis & Denise, Wilson Freddy & Janet, Wilson Glenn & Barbara, Wilson Kevin & Tina, Yarbrough Jerrell & Tina

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Bennett Victoria, Hines JoAnna, Kemper Christine,
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ST. MARY OF THE WOODS, MCQUADY \$1,190.00

Bates David & Barbara Bland Raymond & Pat, Bowlds Wanda, Carwile Gary & Patty, Carwile Jared & Melissa ,Clark Sue, Conder Michael & Barbara Jean, Haysley Terry & Cheryl, Hinton Louis & Elaine, Mattingly Mildred, Newton Shelby & Loretta ,Rothrock J D & Kelli, Schafer Steve & Karen Sue, Vessels Donald & Karen, Whitfill Alica,Wright Perry & Patti

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& Pam, Krouse Larry & Judy, Malzahn Claudia, Najgebauer Joanne, Oswald Midge, Parish St Pius X , Pidcock Jerry & Anita, Schmidt Kurt & Paula, Weekes Robert & Julie

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Un Mensaje del Obispo Medley El sacerdocio: Sacrificio, obediencia y alegría

Mis queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

La Diócesis de Owensboro se estableció el 9 de diciembre de 1937, cuando los 32 condados más al oeste del estado de Kentucky se separaron de la Diócesis de Louisville. Louisville en ese momento se convirtió en una sede metropolitana, es decir, una arquidiócesis.

Cuando una diócesis se divide y se erige una nueva diócesis, los sacerdotes en aquella área se convierten en sacerdotes de forma permanente de la nueva diócesis. Cuando se creó la Diócesis de Owensboro, había 40 sacerdotes asignados a la nueva diócesis. A lo mejor no todos estos sacerdotes estaban felices con este gran cambio, mientras que otros estaban muy satisfechos de saber que servirían todos sus años en el oeste de Kentucky.

Estos 40 sacerdotes se autodenominaron en broma los "Cuarenta Santos Mártires". El último en morir de estos 40 sacerdotes originales de la diócesis fue el P. Charles Denardi, quien murió en 2010 a la edad de 100 años.

Dos grupos de hermanos se encontraron en diferentes diócesis. El P. George Boehmicke estuvo en Owensboro; su hermano, el P. Roger Boehmicke, estaba en Louisville. El P. Henry O'Bryan estaba en Owensboro; su hermano, Mons. Aloysius O'Bryan, en Louisville.

Todos los sacerdotes en su ordenación hacen una promesa de obediencia al obispo. De hecho, el obispo que ordena le pregunta al candidato: "¿Prometes obediencia y respeto a mí y a mis sucesores?".
Esta promesa
s o l a m e n t e
t e r m i n a
cuando uno
va al Cielo.

El Rito de Ordenación de un Obispo t a m b i é n incluve promesa de obediencia. Se le pregunta al candidato: "; Quieres obedecer fielmente de sucesor Pedro?"



FOTO POR CORTESÍA DE LOS ARCHIVOS

Los hermanos sacerdotes O'Sullivan fueron algunos de los primeros sacerdotes que sirvieron en la Diócesis de Owensboro

Si le preguntas a la mayoría de los sacerdotes si su promesa de obediencia alguna vez representa una carga, la mayoría diría que no. Al mismo tiempo, esta promesa podría presentar un desafío cuando los sacerdotes reciban sus nombramientos parroquiales o ministeriales. Seguramente en el transcurso de una vida de servicio, es probable que a cada sacerdote se le pida que acepte un nombramiento que tal vez no sea su preferencia. Seguramente puedo dar fe de que cada nombramiento que acepté no habría sido mi primera preferencia. Sin embargo, también puedo decir que cada nombramiento que he tomado me ha

CALENDARIO DEL OBISPO MEDLEY SEPTIMEMBRE DE 2023

7 DE SEPTIEMBRE	11 a.m. Misa del Espíritu Santo – Capilla de la Universidad de Brescia, Owensboro
9 DE SEPTIEMBRE	10:30 a.m. Misa por el 75° Jubileo de Hna. M. Bernadette – Capilla del Asilo de ancianos Carmel Home, Owensboro 4:30 p.m. Confirmación – Parroquia Espíritu Santo, Bowling Green
10 DE SEPTIEMBRE	2 p.m. Misa de entrega de premios Sofia – Catedral de San Esteban, Owensboro
11 DE SEPTIEMBRE	1:30 p.m. Reunión del Consejo Sacerdotal – Centro Católico McRaith, Owensboro
12 DE SEPTIEMBRE	7 p.m. Theology on Tap con BG Catholics, Bowling Green
13 DE SEPTIEMBRE	8:30 a.m. Reunión del Consejo Diocesano de Finanzas - Centro Católico McRaith, Owensboro
17 DE SEPTIEMBRE	4 p.m. Misa en Celebración del 150° Aniversario – Parroquia San José, Leitchfield
18-21 DE SEPTIEMBRE	Conferencia de Catholic Extension para Obispos de Misión – Chicago
24 DE SEPTIEMBRE	2 p.m. Celebración Diocesana de los Aniversarios de Matrimonios – Catedral de San Esteban, Owensboro

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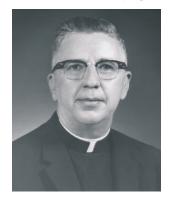


FOTO POR CORTESÍA DE LOS ARCHIVOS Padre Charles Denardi, uno de los autodenominados "Cuarenta Santos Mártires" de los inicios de la Diócesis de Owensboro, vivió hasta los 100 años y falleció en 2010.

brindado bendiciones, felicidad y crecimiento que quizás no hubiera encontrado si mi preferencia siempre hubiera sido respetada.

El último domingo de septiembre se promueve como Domingo del Sacerdocio. Los animo a expresar su aprecio a sus sacerdotes. Como toda vocación imaginable, el sacerdocio implica algún sacrificio.

Cualquier esposo o esposa, padre o madre conoce el significado del sacrificio. Esto podemos decir de toda carrera y vocación: religiosos consagrados, maestros, abogados, médicos, enfermeros, servidores públicos. Esta lista es verdaderamente infinita. La palabra sacrificio proviene de la raíz de las palabras "hacer santo". Nos santificamos cuando aceptamos e incluso abrazamos el sacrificio.

Díganles a sus sacerdotes que aprecian sus sacrificios particulares para servir a la Iglesia.

Sinceramente en Cristo,

+ William). Medley

CALENDARIO DEL OBISPO MEDLEY SEPTIMEMBRE DE 2023	
26 DE SEPTIEMBRE	10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Horas de Oficina en Paducah – Hospital Mercy Health Lourdes
30 DE SEPTIEMBRE	11 a.m. Jubileo de los Religiosos – Parroquia San Martín, Rome 4:30 p.m. Admisión a la Candidatura para las Órdenes Sagradas de Christopher French – Parroquia Espíritu Santo, Bowling Green

No tengan miedo de cambiar el mundo, dice el Papa Francisco a los jóvenes en la Misa de clausura de la JMJ

POR JUSTIN MCLELLAN, CATHOLIC NEWS SERVICE

LISBOA, Portugal (CNS) ~ Para terminar el "Woodstock católico" ~ como ha sido llamada la Jornada Mundial de la Juventud por la prensa portuguesa ~ el Papa Francisco dijo a 1,5 millones de jóvenes cansados y privados de sueño en Lisboa que no dejen que sus grandes sueños de cambiar el mundo sean "ofuscados por el temor".

En su homilía de la Misa de clausura de la Jornada Mundial de la Juventud del 6 de agosto, el Papa pidió "un poco de silencio" a los peregrinos que, tras pasar la noche en el Parque Tejo de Lisboa

después de la vigilia de la noche anterior, a las 6 de la mañana ya estaban bailando al ritmo de música tecno mezclada por un sacerdote DJ antes de la llegada del Papa.

"Cada uno repita para sí mismo, en su corazón, estas palabras: No tengan miedo", dijo a la silenciosa multitud.

Jesús "conoce el corazón de cada uno de ustedes, conoce la vida de cada uno de ustedes, conoce las alegrías, conoce las tristezas, los éxitos y los fracasos, conoce el corazón de ustedes", dijo el Papa Francisco. "Él hoy les dice, aquí, en Lisboa, en esta Jornada Mundial de la Juventud: 'No tengan miedo'".

Mientras amanecía en el parque ribereño, los

peregrinos salían de las tiendas de campaña y los sacos de dormir para prepararse para la Misa. Violeta Marovic, de 19 años, de Chicago, dijo a Catholic News Service que los peregrinos pasaron las 10 horas entre la vigilia de la noche anterior y la Misa papal "durmiendo muy poco", bailando, jugando e intercambiando regalos con otros jóvenes de todo el mundo; ella llevaba pulseras que le habían regalado peregrinos de Italia y Polonia.

Marovic, una estudiante de Teología en la Universidad de Dallas, dijo que normalmente se pone "nerviosa" cuando cuenta a la gente lo que estudia, pero que le ha reconfortado ver la enorme cantidad

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de gente tan apasionada por su fe, señalando que los jóvenes católicos a menudo "se sienten solos" cuando practican su religión en Estados Unidos.

Al frente de la multitud, que se extendía por ambas orillas del río Trancão de Lisboa, 30 cardenales, 700 obispos y 10.000 sacerdotes concelebraron la Misa con el Papa Francisco. El presidente portugués, Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa, estaba sentado en primera fila.

El cardenal Manuel do Nascimento Clemente, de Lisboa, agradeció al Papa el haber hecho de la Jornada Mundial de la Juventud una oportunidad para que los jóvenes se reúnan y construyan un mañana mejor "después de una pandemia que los ha confinado y alejado de los demás y de la mejor (versión) de sí mismos".

El cardenal Kevin Farrell, prefecto del Dicasterio para los Laicos, la Familia y la Vida, que organiza la Jornada Mundial de la Juventud, dio las gracias al Papa Francisco por reunir en Lisboa a jóvenes "que han sido peregrinos de la paz en tiempos en los que se libran muchas, demasiadas, guerras en tantas partes del mundo".

Antes de revelar el lugar de la próxima Jornada Mundial de la Juventud, el Papa Francisco invitó a los jóvenes a viajar a Roma para una celebración juvenil durante el Año Santo 2025. La próxima Jornada Mundial de la Juventud, que tendrá lugar en 2027, prosiguió, "será en Corea del Sur, en Seúl", dijo entre vítores de los numerosos grupos de coreanos dispersos entre la multitud.

En declaraciones tras la Misa, el Papa también recordó el sufrimiento de Ucrania y preguntó a los jóvenes si él, "ya viejo", podía compartir un sueño suyo: "el sueño de la paz, el sueño de los jóvenes que rezan por la paz, viven en paz y construyen un futuro de paz".

Utilizando la palabra portuguesa para agradecer - "obrigado" - el Papa dio las gracias a los organizadores de la Jornada Mundial de la Juventud, a los voluntarios que la hicieron posible y a la ciudad de Lisboa, que rezó para que permanezca "en la memoria de estos jóvenes como una casa de fraternidad y una ciudad de sueños".

"Y 'obrigado' a todos vosotros, queridos jóvenes", dijo antes de rezar el Ángelus. "Dios ve todo lo bueno que ustedes son, y sólo Él conoce lo que ha sembrado en sus corazones. Se van de aquí con

lo que Dios sembró en el corazón".

La multitud se dispersó después de la Misa, fluyendo por las calles de Lisboa, llenando las carreteras cerradas mientras ondeaban banderas de todo el mundo.■





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El Papa Francisco y jóvenes recitan el Padre Nuestro al final de la ceremonia de bienvenida de la Jornada Mundial de la Juventud en el Parque Eduardo VII en Lisboa, Portugal, el 3 de agosto de 2023.



Septiembre de 2023

Más de 50 mujeres experimentan renovación en un retiro parroquial para latinas

POR LA OFICINA DEL MINISTERIO HISPANO/LATINO, ESPECIAL PARA EL CATÓLICO DE KENTUCKY OCCIDENTAL

El retiro de mujeres de este año de Cristo Renueva Su Parroquia en la Parroquia Santos José y Pablo en Owensboro tuvo lugar durante el fin de semana del 11 al 13 de agosto de 2023. El retiro se formó por un total de 53 mujeres hispanas/latinas, más aproximadamente 30 mujeres que formaban parte del equipo de liderazgo y servicio. (Desde la cocina hasta la liturgia, fue una gran obra).

Verdaderamente, esta es una señal de que el Espíritu Santo continúa usando el don de los movimientos eclesiales para atraer a la gente a Jesús y al liderazgo en nuestra diócesis. ■



FOTO POR CORTESÍA DEL DIÁCONO CRISTÓBAL GUTIÉRREZ Mujeres levantan la mano en oración durante el retiro para mujeres latinas de Cristo Renueva su Parroquia, que tuvo lugar del 11 al 13 de agosto de 2023.



FOTO POR CORTESÍA DEL DIÁCONO CRISTÓBAL GUTIÉRREZ El grupo que participó en el retiro para mujeres latinas de Cristo Renueva su Parroquia, que tuvo lugar del 11 al 13 de agosto de 2023.



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Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento se celebra durante el retiro para mujeres latinas de Cristo Renueva su Parroquia, que tuvo lugar del 11 al 13 de agosto de 2023.

El obispo confirma a 17 adolescentes en la Parroquia San Miguel en Sebree



FOTO POR CORTESÍA DE JENNY GLENN El Obispo William F. Medley ora por los 17 candidatos a la Confirmación y sus padrinos en la Parroquia San Miguel en Sebree el 12 de agosto de 2023 durante la Misa de Confirmación.



FOTO POR CORTESÍA DE JENNY GLENN El Obispo William F. Medley bendice el nuevo copón y los cálices comprados por la Sociedad del Altar en la Parroquia San Miguel en Sebree el 12 de agosto de 2023.



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Los 17 jóvenes recién confirmados en la Parroquia San Miguel en Sebree sonríen para una foto con el Obispo William F. Medley, quien los confirmó la noche del 12 de agosto de 2023. En la foto también están los clérigos de la Parroquia San Miguel.



FOTO POR CORTESÍA DE JENNY GLENN El Obispo William F. Medley confirma a una adolescente en la Parroquia San Miguel en Sebree el 12 de agosto de 2023 durante la Misa de Confirmación de la parroquia.

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Priesthood Sunday is Sept. 24



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(Above photo) The priests of the Diocese of Owensboro applaud and cheer for newly-ordained Fr. Christopher Grief (right) and Fr. Christopher Kight (left) following their ordinations to the priesthood on May 20, 2023 at St. Thomas More Parish in Paducah. Today, Fr. Grief serves as the parochial vicar at Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Henderson, and Fr. Kight serves as parochial vicar at Sts. Peter and Paul Parish in Hopkinsville.

(Right photo, top) Bishop William F. Medley hugs Fr. Christopher Kight after ordaining him.

(Right photo, lower) Fr. Christopher Grief distributes Holy Communion to the faithful during his ordination Mass.

Priesthood Sunday is an annual celebration of the vocation to the priesthood. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of priests and to thank them for their ministry to our Church. Please use this day as an opportunity to pray for and thank your priests. To learn more about priestly vocations in the Diocese of Owensboro, visit owensborovocations.com.



