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Faith and Culture



We all too readily identify “culture” with the availability of museums, symphony orchestras and opera troupes or a meticulous refinement of manners. Actually, each of us is an active participant in a culture or sub-cultures that reciprocally shape our worldview. Each member of an immigrant group that enters the U.S. receives and contributes to “American culture.” We need only survey Hamtramck or Dearborn, Grand Rapids or Kalamazoo, Gary or Madison to witness the assimilation of peoples in various stages.

At the same time, the elements that constitute “American culture” can seem elusive. At the very least, the identification of constitutive cultural building-blocks requires intensive study and reflection.

The Roman Catholic Church, while maintaining the unity of faith and doctrine, recognizes legitimate cultural expressions of diverse peoples in service of the faith.

The Church is the most multi-cultural, living institution in the world, and yet it professes “one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all” (Eph 4:5). The engagement of the faith with culture is at the heart of evangelization.

The Fathers of Vatican II expressed it this way: “[The Church’s] purpose has been to adapt the Gospel to the grasp of all as well as to the needs of the learned, insofar as such was appropriate. Indeed this accommodated

preaching of the revealed word ought to remain the law of all evangelization. For thus the ability to express Christ’s message in its own way is developed in each nation, and at the same time there is fostered a living exchange between the Church and the diverse cultures of people” (*Lumen Gentium*, 44).

Priests, deacons, and laity engaged in apostolic service must have a keen awareness of those aspects of culture that aid or thwart the reception of the Gospel. Much like parents who actively weigh competing influences, for good or for ill, upon a child, preachers of the Gospel must assess cultural trends and influences that affect hearers of that Word . . . here and now. Intensive study, reflection and prayer are the combined means of access to understand how culture is elevated and transformed by revelation and grace . . . here and now.

Our task at Sacred Heart is to train men and women who are not afraid of the dialogue between faith and culture. No preacher of the Gospel can embrace the dominant culture uncritically and “stay on message.” Nor can any preacher of the Gospel ignore it.

In the following pages of the *Mosaic*, you will come to know how the seminary prepares new evangelizers, lay and ordained. Read, reflect and pray. After you have considered the challenges we all face, let us know your thoughts on how we might better fulfill the Church’s mandate: “Go out to all the world, and tell the Good News.”

Sincerely Yours in the Lord,

Very Rev. Steven C. Boguslawski, O.P.
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Theme and Cover



Catholic social teaching becomes a lived experience for students of Sacred Heart. The first four articles describe just some of the ways that seminarians and commuters are educated in the classroom and formed in the field to provide pastoral care to the less fortunate, particularly to those of other cultures.

On the cover, a young girl attends an outdoor Mass in the village of Cuanacaxtitlan, high in the Sierra Madre del Sur Mountains of southern

Mexico. Cuanacaxtitlan is the mission site where eleven seminarians spent seven weeks performing works of mercy as part of their Term III Apostolic Experience formation. The photograph is courtesy of PIME missionary Fr. George Berendt.



"Sacred Heart Major Seminary aspires to be of national stature and the premier seminary in the region, on account of the excellence of the theological and philosophical education it offers and the formation of zealous exemplary priests, permanent deacons and their lay co-workers—all according to the mind of the Church and one in heart with the Holy Father and his brother bishops for the sake of the New Evangelization in the Third Christian Millennium."

— Adam Cardinal Maida
Archbishop of Detroit

Coat of Many Cultures

Sacred Heart's urban location, and its educational and formational opportunities, prepare students for "cross cultural" ministry at home and abroad.

Sr. Mary Lou Putrow, O.P.

Sacred Heart Major Seminary is located in the midst of a city that is home to ordinary citizens of varied ethnic and racial backgrounds. The seminary is enveloped, so to speak, in a coat of many cultures.

Less obvious minority groups share this city space, as well: the elderly, mentally ill, homeless and poor persons, as well as those who have had difficulty with the law.

Fittingly, this seminary bears the name Sacred Heart. The heart is a poignant symbol of largesse and love; the heart rejoices and saddens; it throbs with life and keeps us alive. In the heart is found the seat of all our desires.

Jeremiah reminds us of Yahweh's promise: "I will give you shepherds after my own heart" (3:15). God's promise has become the seminary's mission, etched upon its cornerstone.

These continuing education students reflect the many cultures that make up the student community of Sacred Heart.



Location, Location

To know, *really* know, those with whom we are to open our hearts is an educational and formational task to which the seminary pledges itself. We do this in response to the Gospel, to the interpretation of that Gospel in contemporary Church documents, and to the needs of our society today.

We do this in particular courses and field experiences (see sidebar), but the threads of the multi-colored coat pervade *all* life at the seminary.

Sacred Heart is in the city and remains here, because, as undergraduate pastoral formation director °Sr. Mary Finn teaches, "Where we

stand determines what we see.”

Popular wisdom suggests location is everything. In truth, location is *not* everything. It is what happens at that location, what people at that location do, that makes Sacred Heart more than a building in the city.

The seminary, itself, is home to Latin American, white Anglo-Saxon, Chaldean, Chinese, Mexican, Nigerian, Zambian, South African, Polish, Vietnamese and Cameroon men. In addition, men and women from various ancestries and first-generation Americans walk the halls of Sacred Heart together during daily class hours. Together they plumb the message of God for the people of God.

This learning community of varied students provides a “first measure” in ministerial preparation. The polarities represented by different concepts of time, preferences in food and music, and individual and communal values often yield misunderstandings and give form to untested assumptions. In one sense, the location and population of the seminary have combined to become the laboratory for dealing with different cultures.

But location is *not* everything. Nor do we see all that needs to be seen because of where we stand. Sometimes prejudice and pride keep us from seeing the whole picture. St. Paul does not hold singular claim to having the scales removed from his eyes. God’s grace meets us where we stand, and Sacred Heart is a conduit that awakens awareness and evokes a response to the whole of God’s people.

Occasions for Enrichment

Dynamics within and without the building serve to do just that. Every day in class, in our Apostolic Experience program, on a social level, or in a working context, there are opportunities for cultures to merge and to experience one another.

- Converse with our Chaldean students, who offer us another rite of worship and way of living Gospel values.
- Come to the seminary any Friday for liturgy and be prepared to sing and respond in Spanish.
- Visit a pastoral ministry class that is delving deeply into the Hmong Southeast Asian culture, asking, “How can we open ourselves to the gifts of these new parishioners?”
- Observe as a Polish student struggles to express in English the deepest desires of his heart.
- Give an ear and a helping arm to our neighborhood senior citizens who are our dining room luncheon guests.
- Listen in on the dialogue during the interviews with those who come to Sacred Heart for food vouchers (page 9).

There is a sacred relationship between location and mission. It is in our everyday experience in the midst of the city that God chooses to be revealed to us. It is in the

Some Cross-cultural Opportunities

- Coursework:
 - “Pastoral Ministry Across Cultures”
 - “Theology of Justice and Peace”
- Recife, Brazil: AOD satellite parish
- Mexico: Language training and cultural sensitivity
- Week of Christian Unity: Multi-faith speakers
- Upcoming Institute for Urban Renewal and Evangelization

experience of life at a particular time and in a particular place that grace is offered.


A Call to Conversion

What is not readily seen, what location frequently offers, is a challenge to our mission to bring about the reign of God. We stumble over our prejudices; we tend to speak our preconceptions as truth. We tend to generalize our judgments unless we respond wholeheartedly to the grace of God to welcome all to our own heart, just as the seminary welcomes all to Sacred Heart.

That movement of welcoming is called *conversion*. In the concrete, conversion looks like:

- The seminarian who announces to his teacher that for the first time he had the courage to walk around the block and greet our neighbors.
- The “aha” moments when student and faculty together recognize the agony of Jesus in the agony of other human beings.
- The student who says, “I am in awe of the courage and the suffering of the boat people. The depth of their faith strengthens my own.”

Vatican Council II teaches, “Christ by his incarnation committed himself to the particular cultural circumstances of the men among whom he lived” (*Ad Gentes*, 10). Day by day, striving “to know the heart of Christ, to give with the heart of Christ and to love like the heart of Christ,” strengthens the threads of the many-cultured coat.

To love like Christ is the concrete challenge placed before all who grace the halls of Sacred Heart Major Seminary. 

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Love in Action in

During the third term each spring, philosophy and first-year theology seminarians are provided an opportunity—unique to Sacred Heart—to broaden their understanding of the Universal Church and of themselves. Undergraduates embark on a month-long missionary venture to either Brazil or Mexico, while the theologians journey as spiritual pilgrims for six weeks to the holy sites of Europe. Along the way, their perseverance is tested, their love is broadened and their prayer life expands.

In the following reports, three seminarians share some insights gained in these far away places, and how their experiences will assist them on their larger pilgrimage toward the priesthood.



PIME missionary Fr. George Berendt ministers to a sick woman in the village of Cuana, assisted by, from left, priest leader Fr. Gerard Battersby and seminarians Pieter van Rooyen and Michael Zuelch.

Praying for Rain and for Faith

Cuanacaxtitlan, Mexico

Pieter van Rooyen

As we began the trip to Mexico, eleven seminarians and one priest, we each had different expectations of what we would find when we arrived. We studied Spanish for five weeks while living with middle class families in the modern city of Cuernavaca. In Cuernavaca, in place of the sombrero-wearing Mexicans that we expected, we saw cars and Burger Kings. After studying for five weeks at the language school and learning enough Spanish to be understood by Spanish speakers, we went to the small village of Cuanacaxtitlan, or Cuana for short.

It was in Cuana where we saw the men riding burros and wearing sombreros, where the women washed clothes on stones in the river, and where the chickens, pigs, turkeys and dogs roamed freely through the streets. Cuana is a small village tucked away in the mountains,

a four-hour drive from Acapulco.

The rainy season in Mexico is supposed to begin in May, but well into June the village of Cuana still hadn't received a drop of rain for eight months. The fields were ready but the men were waiting for the rain before they would begin planting their crops.

We prayed for the villagers as we saw them struggling to find enough water in the dried up river to wash their clothes, we prayed for them when we saw their mud homes and the dirt floors upon which some of the children slept, and we prayed for them as we visited those who were sick, bringing them Holy Communion. The homes we entered were made from sticks and mud, but the warmth with which the people of the village welcomed us filled their homes.

One woman we visited had a broken arm that she suffered from a fall a month prior, but she hadn't been able to receive a cast for her arm because she had waited too long to go to the

doctor. In agony and without pain medication, she cried before Fr. George Berendt, the PIME missionary who had accompanied us. After receiving Holy Communion, clearing her tears and struggling slowly through her pain, she walked barefooted with us to the doctor.

The village was poor, but the people were rich in generosity and faith. We tried to provide for their material needs, but in the end our most powerful resource was prayer. We prayed that they might have faith and rain. In the midst of their poverty, the people of Cuana taught us the importance of prayer and life in Christ over the material wealth that we are privileged with in the United States.

As we were packing on our last night, looking into the village from within the mission as a heavy rain was falling, we prayed for the people of Cuana and ourselves, that we might all follow Christ no matter the circumstances.

Distant Places

The Kites of Nova Descoberta

Recife, Brazil

Michael Wilkes

The Spirit of the Lord fills the whole world. It holds all things together and knows every word spoken by man.

The feast of Pentecost came on the ninth day that David MacNeill and I were at the archdiocesan mission of Our Lady of Lourdes in the town of Recife, Brazil. As we waited for Mass to begin, I reflected upon the readings of this feast that commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples. At this Mass, I discovered what God wanted me to learn from living among the people of Nova Descoberta suburb.

Then how does each of us hear them in his native language?

The inhabitants of Jerusalem were astounded to hear the disciples speaking in many languages. When we walked the streets of Recife speaking English, many people would overhear us and acknowledge our presence. When children would come up to us, they would ask a simple sentence in Portuguese, and it would be difficult for us to answer.

Despite language barriers, how was it that the children still came to hug us, or the adults looked us straight in the eye? It was the language of love—the native language of the sons and daughters of God. God had led me to Recife to speak this language of love, but also to receive it back abundantly from the people who spoke it so fluently.

As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ.

During the Masses we attended, it was easy to see how we were all gathered as one in the Body of Christ. Nevertheless, God also wanted me to learn that the merchants, cyclists, students and customers whom we passed each day were also part of that Body. The prisoners at Anibal Bruno prison, whom we visited, were also part of the Body of Christ, even though sometimes their own family members forget about them.

God the Holy Spirit, who fills the whole world, binds us together into that Body, even when we do not realize it. All people, both in Recife and in Detroit, are very much connected to the people of Nova Descoberta through the Holy Spirit who binds us.

Come, Holy Spirit, come! In our labor, rest most sweet; Solace in the midst of woe.

We traveled an hour south to the city of Cabo, which is covered by miles of sugar fields. There, the farmers tirelessly till the land and gather the crop for refining. Back in Nova Descoberta, we saw how the rainy season threatens family life with the fear of mudslides.

But God showed me something amazing. Despite hardships, the people take the time to pray. During May, almost daily, groups of parishioners gathered to pray the Rosary. The Holy Spirit is leading them on, giving them solace. What a lesson they taught me, that complete

Love, not material abundance, fills the homes of the poor of Recife.

trust in the Lord can accomplish so much!

The Lord has said much to me in my four weeks through the people of Nova Descoberta. Here is a final image: Many of the children in Recife pass the time by flying kites, since the tropical breezes off the Atlantic Ocean allow the kites to fly high. Just as the wind lifts the kites of the children, so does the breath of the Holy Spirit give them hope and fill them with spiritual joy. Everyday, my prayers go out to them:

Give them virtue's sure reward. Amen.



“Something Happens in Our Humanity”

Desert Formation Pilgrimage

James Arwady

How does one describe the priestly formational results of five-and-a-half weeks of pilgrimage with ten brother seminarians and two priest leaders as experienced in five countries and twenty-two cities living out of nine hotels, two seminaries and one chalet in southwest Europe?

In a phrase: humanly challenging and spiritually uplifting.

The 2005 Desert Formation Experience pilgrimage consisted of visits to Montserrat, Barcelona, Manresa, Madrid, Toledo, Avila, Segovia, Salamanca, Compostella, Santo Domingo Silos (all in Spain), Fatima, Coimbra (both in Portugal), Lourdes, Ars, Paray-le-Monial (in France), Florence, Milan, Assisi and Rome.

On the practical side, we learn to live with little. Most of us had three sets of clothes, to be washed in the sink and hung to dry in our rooms. We needed to be in good physical shape, since nearly all the places we visited are


medieval cities built on mountains having steep streets. Our pilgrim feet will need some time to heal from blisters. We all have a little better idea of what the difference is between a pilgrim and a tourist. The exposure to different cultures in Europe is also a benefit to priestly formation.

The pilgrimage for the first-year theology class is an opportunity to make the saints come alive. Sure, we can read about their lives and study their spiritual teachings in books, but something different happens in our humanity when we visit the places where our beloved saints spent much of their time.

How does one easily forget the cold mountain water bath of Lourdes, and drinking the water from there, fulfilling the same command Our Lady gave to St. Bernadette? How can we forget gazing upon the incorrupt bodies of St. Margaret Mary

Alacoque and St. John Vianney? How does one recall touching the brick crypt that held the body of St. John of the Cross without being inspired? And what could compare to celebrating Mass of the Ascension in the very cave where St. Ignatius wrote his *Spiritual Exercises*?

The saints come alive in these places, and the Bible, too, at the Forum in Rome in the same dark cell where Peter and Paul were once imprisoned. Fr. Dan Trapp, one of our priest leaders, said these places have an influence on the human person when we experience the location itself. Somehow, a mysterious affect helps us to be enlightened further in God’s love, and shapes us toward acquiring habits of holiness. Further, in having a tiny glimpse of the experience of the saints, the whole Church in her universality comes alive.

A great aspect of pilgrimage is learning charity—love in action. Learning and forming a habit of putting our love in action is quite the spiritual challenge for anyone. A pilgrimage can be stressful and a temptation for complaining. It helps us learn to subject our will to the needs of others, which is just what a priest-servant does. 



Taking stock of the soul along the ancient Camino de Compostela in Spain.



ON THE FOREFRONT OF

Hispanic Ministry

Seven Regional Coordinators have Sacred Heart ties

Janet Diaz

Hispanics. They are 44.5 million strong and the fastest-growing, most Catholic minority in the United States. Their youth comprise almost half of the Catholic faithful between the ages of zero and twenty-five.

In the Archdiocese of Detroit, the 2000 U.S. Census counted over 128,000 Hispanics, up 48% from 1990. The Hispanic presence outside the traditional Latino communities of Southwest Detroit and Pontiac is burgeoning—in Macomb County, for example, the Hispanic population increased by 85% from 1990 to 2000.

Goal is Full Interaction

How is the archdiocese responding to the spiritual needs of Hispanics? Part of the answer can be found in the group of eight Regional Coordinators for Hispanic Ministry, seven of whom have an affiliation with Sacred Heart. The Regional Coordinators are bilingual, bicultural professionals who work to make the resources of the archdiocese available to parishes with a Hispanic presence. They report to Cathy Wagner, director of the Department of Parish Life and Services, and also receive guidance from Fr. Donald Hanchon, pastor at Holy Redeemer Parish in Detroit and coordinator for the archdiocesan “Pastoral Plan for Hispanic Ministry.”

Building bridges that foster cross-cultural awareness and involvement is the desired outcome that drives the hearts and minds of the Regional



Hispanic youth share their conversion stories with Regional Coordinator Janet Diaz, third from left, during an Encuentro Juvenil Hispano meeting at St. Gabriel Parish in Detroit.

Coordinators. Rather than ethnic groups simply sharing space in parishes, the ideal is full interaction through which all groups participate together in parish functions.

Sacred Heart Connections

Who are these Regional Coordinators?

Julia Guzmán, pastoral associate at St. Gabriel Parish in Southwest Detroit, recently received her AA in Ministry at the seminary and continues her studies towards a BA in Philosophy. “The work of Regional Coordinator,” Julia says, “allows me to work with Latinos while at the same time opening doors for Anglos to work within our communities. This work builds cultural bridges between the Anglo and Hispanic communities.”

Susan Cummins also works at St. Gabriel, as the director of religious education. She received her MA in Theology from Sacred Heart and is working towards the STL in the New Evangelization. “I feel deeply privileged to work closely with the Hispanics in our area,” Sue states.

Fr. Henry Sands, who was ordained in May (page 10), is immersed in Hispanic ministry as associate pastor at Holy Redeemer Parish. He will continue to reach out, as a Regional Coordinator, to other parishes. “The role is a natural one for me. As a Native American, I have had the privilege and opportunity of being a bridge builder my entire life,” Father Sands says.

As the musician at the seminary’s weekly Spanish Mass, **Santiago Fernández**, music minister at

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Students learn their ABCs, and Ryan Ford learns the virtue of patience, in his weekly tutoring sessions at Brady School.

Formed by **Service** for **Service**

Ask the seminarians at Sacred Heart the most common advice Sister Mary gives, and they will all give you the same answer: “Keep your eyes fixed on Jesus!”

Sr. Mary Finn, H.V.M, is the director of the seminary’s Apostolic Experience Program, or AEP, which is a year-long curriculum designed to form under-graduate seminarians into servants closer in likeness to Jesus. “Keeping the eyes fixed on Jesus” is an essential means to achieve the program’s goal.

As part of AEP, the seminarians each are involved in some type of service in the surrounding Detroit community during the academic terms. Generally, they spend one-to-three hours each week at their assignment. Keeping their eyes fixed on Jesus, they are enabled by his grace to bring him to those they help, as well as to find him there already present.

Here is a quick look at some AEP outreach work that three seminarians performed during winter term 2005.

Ryan Ford *Brady Elementary School*

“Every time you work with a kid, it is another opportunity to make a positive difference in someone’s life.” That is why Ryan Ford, first-year philosophy, along with two other seminarians, chose to serve Jesus for an hour each week at Brady Elementary School in Detroit as a mentor in an early childhood development classroom.

Ryan helped the young students to stay focused during “writing book” time, but his most important job was to be a role model and a witness to Christ, if only by example.

“I try to give them someone to look up to, that they may or may

Mark Hornbacher *Sacred Heart seminarian*

not have outside the classroom. For an hour a week, I try to be the best role model I can be.”

Sometimes, mentoring required a large degree of patience, since the children would become quite excited every time Ryan came to class. But trying to find Jesus in the joy of the children was usually not difficult for him.

“You have to be firm with them if they start acting up. But most of the time they are a blast.

“Christ says that the Kingdom of God belongs to the childlike. When kids experience the love of Jesus, they readily love in return.”

David Cybulski

Food Vouchers Program

Unique among the weekly AEP assignments is the Food Vouchers Program. Rather than sending seminarians out in the field to serve the people of the community, the seminary opens up a room for a few hours on Tuesday, each week, to welcome neighbors who need human assistance.

David Cybulski, the first-year theology seminarian in charge of the program this past year, gives a simple explanation of the program. "We invite people in who may have run into a spot of trouble in their life, financial or anything. They come here to chat with us, and we see if we can help them in any way." David and the other seminarians Ben Moll, Dave MacNeill and Rich Waligora are always able to give encouragement, advice and an open ear to the neighbors who come. Small ten-dollar vouchers, which give the program its name, are also available, redeemable for food items at the Thrifty Scott down the street.

"Prayer," says David, "is a vital part of the ministry." The seminarians set out rosaries, prayer cards and little New Testament bibles for anyone who is interested in them. (Most participants are not Catholic, so often they are curious about the rosaries.) David found that

praying with the neighbors was especially rewarding.

"People have come back and told us how fruitful the prayer was. One person came back and said, 'We prayed, and then I found a job.' She was very grateful. It was wonderful to see."



For clients, encountering a listening heart is just as important as receiving a food voucher, Dave MacNeill learned.

Philip Ching

Eucharistic Minister

First-year theology seminarian Philip Ching says he is blessed to have had the opportunity to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Phil and a number of other seminarians were trained and

commissioned last October to serve the people of Blessed Sacrament Cathedral in this capacity, bringing the Eucharist to the ill and homebound each week or every other week since then.

"We have the luxury of attending Mass every day. There are many people who wish to receive our Lord at least on Sundays, but unfortunately they are homebound," he says. "It depends on us to go and bring Jesus to them."

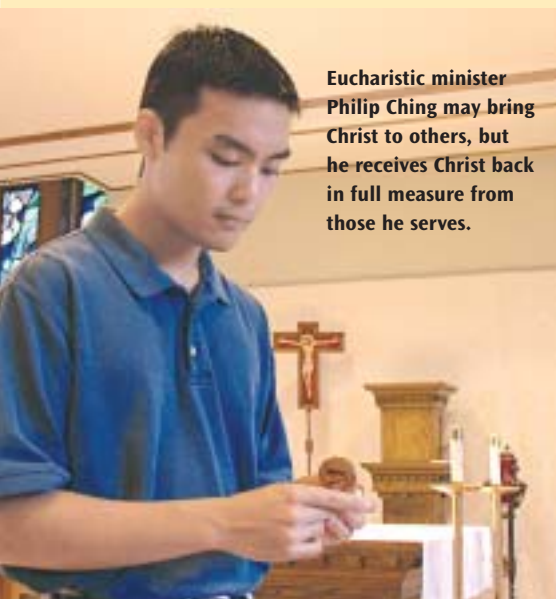
The experience has been very meaningful for Phil. He believes that through it the Lord has been stretching his heart and forming him more into the likeness of Christ the Good Shepherd. Part of this growth, he says, comes through the perseverance required of him to be faithful to this weekly ministry, done for the sake of

Rose, the elderly woman to whom he was assigned.

Phil would spend time talking with Rose before beginning the communion rite at her home. They would talk about her health, her childhood, her daughter or sometimes just about the weather.

"She was sort of like a grandmother to me. Visiting her was such a joy."

Though he suspects the other seminarians would say the same thing about their service assignments, Phil thinks that bringing the Holy Eucharist to the homebound should be a required ministry for all seminarians. For him, the faith the homebound display in the power of the Eucharist is an inspiration that would benefit all who are studying for the priesthood.



Eucharistic minister Philip Ching may bring Christ to others, but he receives Christ back in full measure from those he serves.



Called and Sent

Three Sacred Heart graduates are ordained to the priesthood



Detroit's newest priests, from left, Frs. Andrew Bloomfield, Joseph Lang and Henry Sands.

Cardinal Adam Maida drew upon the inspiration of recently-elected Pope Benedict XVI in his homily at the priestly ordination Mass of three Sacred Heart graduates—Fr. Henry Sands, Fr. Joseph Lang and Fr. Andrew Bloomfield—on Saturday, May 15.

“The work of evangelization remains one of the greatest challenges and responsibilities of priestly ministry in the Church today. . . . It is this concept of ‘being sent,’ which forms the core of the New Testament definition of the office of ministry,” said the cardinal to newly ordained men,



Andrew Bloomfield is ordained a priest for all time.

quoting the Holy Father. Cardinal Maida ordained Frs. Sands, Lang and Bloomfield before a capacity crowd of family, friends and supporters at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Though the archdiocese’ newest shepherds have received the same spiritual calling to serve and evangelize, they come from very different human backgrounds.

Father Sands, 49, is a former banker with an MA in Business from the University of Toronto. He also is Detroit’s first full blooded Native American priest. Many family and friends from the Walpole Island Indian Reservation near Algonac joyfully attended the ordination ceremony.



Cardinal Adam Maida blesses the ordinandi, from left, Deacons Bloomfield, Lang and Sands.



Deacon Henry Sands makes his pledge of obedience to Cardinal Maida.

Father's first assignment is to Holy Redeemer Parish in Detroit.

For many years, **Father Lang**, 70, was a high school teacher, Catholic school principal, and basketball and baseball coach. After his wife, Mary, passed away in 1996, Father decided to pursue the diaconate and eventually the priesthood. His two children attended the ordination along with Father's four grandchildren. Father's first assignment is to St. Thecla and St. Claude Parishes in Clinton Township.

Father Bloomfield, 29, is a lieutenant and chaplain with the U.S. Army Reserve.



Just-ordained Fr. Joseph Lang receives his chalice from the cardinal.

He was honored to have his father, Deacon and U.S. Army Captain Richard Bloomfield, assist at the altar and proclaim the Gospel reading. Father Bloomfield's brother, Charles, is also an Army lieutenant. Father's first assignment is to St. John Neumann Parish in Canton Township.

In June, four 2005 graduates of Sacred Heart were ordained for other dioceses. They are Fr. Charles Canoy for the Diocese of Lansing; Frs. Christian Johnston and Patrick Craig

for the Diocese of Kalamazoo; and Fr. Hector Moreno for the Diocese of La Crosse. Fr. Martin Latiff of the Miles Christi religious community graduated in 2004 and was ordained in Argentina in April.



Fr. Henry Sands, Detroit's first Native American priest, and family.

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At the 2005 Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement, Cardinal Adam Maida announced that Bishop Robert Carlson had accepted nomination as the newest member of the Board of Trustees. In his commencement presentation, Bishop Carlson expressed his confidence in the faculty and the formation program at Sacred Heart. As the bishop and vocation director of the Diocese of Saginaw, Bishop Carlson stated he was committed to sending his seminarians to Sacred Heart for their years of formation.

The bishop's commitment marks an historic occasion. It is the first time since the seminary's re-founding in 1987 that *all* the dioceses in the state of Michigan have chosen to send at least some of their seminarians to Sacred Heart. This commitment demonstrates a strong unity among the bishops of the province and their confidence in us as an excellent locus for forming candidates for the priesthood, the permanent diaconate

and lay apostolic service.

Further enhancing the commitment is the live video-broadcasting suite that has already provided religious education workshops to dioceses outside of Detroit. This electronic suite of classrooms allows the seminary to share its rich theological resources with other groups throughout the state of Michigan and beyond.

The confidence among the bishops also coincides with an increase in applications this year. Although the admissions committee has not yet completed the review of applications for the academic year 2005-2006, indications point to a significant increase in the number of seminarians, not only from the Archdiocese of Detroit, but also from sponsoring dioceses. Sacred Heart Major Seminary is blessed to have constant support of Cardinal Maida as well as the confidence of the other bishops of Michigan and the Midwest.

ON THE FOREFRONT OF

Hispanic Ministry

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St. Michael Parish in Pontiac, is a familiar face. Santiago is aware, thanks to his national experience, that Detroit's approach toward Hispanic ministry is special. "Our model of shared responsibility is truly innovative," he says. "A large diocese like ours especially benefits from the combined expertise of this group of individuals of different nationalities and areas of ministry."

As a realtor in Wayne County, **Chuck Anderson** has followed the rising trend toward home ownership among Hispanics. He sees outreach to Latinos as a pressing need. "We have a rapidly growing Hispanic population at risk of losing their faith due to the pressures of immigration and secularization. We need to respond," he says. Chuck is studying theology at Sacred Heart.

Two Regional Coordinators are associated with the Permanent Diaconate program, whose candidates receive academic preparation at the seminary.

Deacon Brian White received a Basic Diploma in Pastoral Ministry and was ordained in 2001. He serves at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Pontiac.

Luis Zaldaña, Hispanic minister at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish in Macomb, is currently applying for diaconate formation.

I am a MAPS student, and currently work as the archdiocesan coordinator for the First National Encounter for Hispanic Youth and Young Adults. As a Regional Coordinator, I find a special reward is having the opportunity to witness the central role that Hispanics give to their lives of faith.

Called to Serve

As the Hispanic community within the Catholic Church continues to grow, many Sacred Heart graduates will eventually be called upon to serve Hispanics. The Hispanics' strong faith and deep religious heritage will certainly serve to enrich the ministers, not to mention the Church at large, far beyond our level of investment in Hispanic ministry. ☒

Janet Diaz is a MAPS student and the archdiocese's coordinator for the First National Encounter for Hispanic Youth and Young Adults.



“I WILL GIVE YOU SHEPHERDS”

Fr. Daniel Trapp

Pilgrimage of Virtue

Through emails and an ongoing website, the 2005 Desert Formation Experience (DFE) pilgrims communicated about the fantastic monasteries, cathedrals and holy places they visited this past summer (page 6). In this column, I'd like to reflect on how the form of a pilgrimage is itself a means of grace.

In his essay “What is America?,” the Catholic writer G.K. Chesterton begins, “I have never managed to lose my conviction that travel narrows the mind.” He goes on to say that this narrowing happens unless one travels with what he calls “moral humility” and “imaginative energy.”

The narrowing, Chesterton warns, comes about when the traveler or pilgrim finds something odd and immediately assigns the oddity to being a tendency in a national character. He argues that the odd points are best usually mulled over as points of balance to which a foreign culture holds. He further suggests it is normal and healthy to laugh when we find something odd in another culture. It is, however, the mark of a dolt to quickly assign cultural inferiority or moral weakness to that culture because some aspect of it makes us laugh.

Seminarian formation is a kind of travel that calls for moral humility and imaginative energy. The Desert Formation Experience is a more concentrated time of seminary spiritual formation. For the past five years, because of the political instability of the Holy Land, the Sacred Heart pilgrimage has taken place in Europe, at sites associated with some of the major spiritual teachers of the Church. As a pilgrimage, it is most definitely not a mellow retreat on the move. The jostling and pushing, infinite bus rides, snoring

roommates, dripping laundry, heaving of luggage and unreliable schedules all put us into places where we must choose humility over righteous snits, imaginative energy over the mental massaging of our bruised sensibilities. They all lead to what one seminarian called “a practicum in charity.”

In trains, monasteries, seminaries and restaurants in four countries, we heard repeatedly about the generational divide between older priests and those entering seminaries in these years. The experience of the pilgrimage has much to offer in bridging what often feels like the foreign culture of another generation. Bits of humility and imaginative energy can do much to help us treat one another as decent human beings.

“Seminarian formation is a kind of travel that calls for moral humility and imaginative energy.”

God often works through the DFE to form a more humane man capable of a more robust love of nation along with a keener ability to perceive the specific lights that shine more clearly through another culture. One might ask why we should care if we form a more humane man in the seminary. We should care because the sacramental

character of Orders does not seal a lump of wax or metal, but a man. That man's virtues will more clearly allow him to serve as a holy priest whose humility may allow him to hold back a sharp tongue, whose imaginative energy can more easily make out the first streaks of the morning star rising in the heart of another.

Fr. Daniel Trapp is the graduate seminarian spiritual director and assistant professor of theology. He is also pastor of SS. Augustine and Monica Parish, Detroit.

Cardinal's Gala Raises \$880,000

Sacred Heart held its eighth annual Cardinal's Gala at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn on June 22. More than 650 friends of the seminary attended to show their continued support and leadership as the seminary moves forward. The evening's theme was entitled "Passion from the Heart."

This year's gala raised \$880,000—over \$300,000 more than the 2004 gala and more than any other gala held in the past.

Co-Chairs Kathy and Richard Genthe, president of Genthe Chevrolet, and Honorary Co-Chairs Alecia and Peter Gerosa, North American vice president at General Motors Corporation, helped to make the evening a huge success. Popular Detroit morning radio personality Paul W. Smith of WJR Radio emceed the event with humor and class.



Morris Shapiro of Park West Gallery in Southfield auctions off the "Autumn in New York" vacation.



Alecia and Peter Gerosa of General Motors are joined by Adam Cardinal Maida at the "Passion from the Heart" Cardinal's Gala.



WJR radio personality Paul W. Smith emceeds the evening program.



Bob Pulte, president of Manor Homes Inc. and Foundation board member, bids on an auction item.



Fouad Beyduon, executive director of the International Association for Organ Donation, and Tarik Daoud, owner of Al Long Ford, enjoy some socializing during dinner.

Almost There!

Donor Generosity Lifts Seminary Close to Campaign Goal

For the past two-and-a-half years, the Sacred Heart Major Seminary Foundation has been working hard to raise funds for the HeartWorks . . . for All of Us Capital Campaign. With the help of the Foundation Board of Directors and numerous generous donors, as of July 10, 2005, the campaign had achieved an outstanding \$10,106,036 in cash and pledges, or 88% of the goal of \$11.5 million.

Leadership gifts have been provided by Pat Carroll Sr., Gerald Diez, Richard Genthe, Michael Monahan, James Padilla, Albert Schaller, George Schwartz, Fran and Sally Sehn, Robert Vlastic, Raymond Weingartz and Lawrence Wisne.

The HeartWorks campaign is centered around three main goals:

- The endowment of six academic chairs for faculty excellence
- Scholarship monies for deserving seminarians and lay students
- Distance learning technology and support services for staff and students.



Leading the way: Michael Monahan, chairman, and Richard Genthe, vice-chairman, of the board of the SHMS Foundation.

Under the outstanding direction of Michael Monahan, chairman of the board, and Richard Genthe, vice-chairman of the board, together they have been leading an exceptional group of men and women to reach the aspirations of the seminary.

The Michigan Knights of Columbus have pledged their solid support from day one. Led by State Deputy Kevin MacFarland, more than 38,600 knights have pledged to support the Fr. Michael J. McGivney Endowed Chair in Life Ethics, helping Sacred Heart on its mission to become the “signature institution” of theological learning in the Midwest.

Sacred Heart is a vital component in the life of the Church in Michigan. The outstanding support and leadership the community has given will allow the seminary to flourish and be a strong anchor of theological education for the entire country.

For information on how to make a gift to the seminary,

please call 313.883.8782 to speak with the Development Director.



Sacred Heart’s mission is being advanced because of friends such as Fran and Sally Sehn, shown here at the Cardinal’s Gala.



FORGING A STRATEGIC ALLIANCE



Frank Doria
Assistant Development Director

Sacred Heart Major Seminary has joined forces with the Michigan Knights of Columbus in furthering the vision of Knights founder Fr. Michael J. McGivney. We are working together to provide well-prepared priests, deacons and lay ministers who can make an enormous difference in their churches and communities.

Fourteen months ago, Sacred Heart and the Knights kicked off the program to fund the \$1.25 million endowment of the Father Michael J. McGivney Chair in Life Ethics. Representatives of Sacred Heart have traveled throughout the state presenting the program

to various councils and districts, and the response has been positive. As of June 20, 2005, 164 councils representing more than 38,500 members have passed the resolution in support. This represents 44% of the councils and 55% of individual membership. We must continue to grow together.

This life ethics chair is an important hallmark for the Knights of

Columbus. It will help to forge a strategic alliance among Michigan's seven dioceses, 2.4 million Catholics, and the theological resources of Sacred Heart Major Seminary. Additionally, the chair is central in furthering the sanctity of life values the K of C holds as critical, as it defends the moral teachings of the Catholic faith.

The Knights' financial support of the seminary also will help to ensure that the children and grandchildren of Catholic families across the state will be able to experience the blessing of parish life that Catholics have always relied upon—with a parish priest and their lay co-workers receiving superior spiritual, intellectual and pastoral formation in life ethics issues.

Sacred Heart is deeply grateful to the Knights of Columbus as the organization continues to demonstrate support for the Holy Father, bishops, priests and religious through consistently answering the call for help. Its support of the Fr. Michael J. McGivney Chair in Life Ethics is proof of the Knights of Columbus' dedication to Sacred Heart's mission and the future of the Catholic Church in Michigan.

“The life ethics chair is central in furthering the sanctity of life values the K of C holds as key.”



Fr. Todd Lajiness, dean of studies at Sacred Heart, addresses the Michigan Knights of Columbus at its state convention on Mackinac Island, May 27.



MAKING THE MISSION YOUR OWN

John E. LaFramboise, CFRE

How to Make a Good Gift Better

Some people deny themselves the opportunity to care for the future of their families and to contribute to the well-being of the community and the Church. We can show you that with planning, your legacy may be put to good use and provide not only for your heirs, but also for your seminary and the Church for many years to come.

Many Options

More and more people are taking advantage of the many gift-planning options available today. These include: bequests by will, revocable trusts, gift annuities, pooled income funds, charitable trusts, gifts of securities and real estate, in-kind gifts, endowment giving and other possibilities.

Some gifts can be made to benefit the charity now (current gifts) and others can be made now to benefit the charity later (deferred gifts). Some gift arrangements are revocable (you can change your mind); others are irrevocable.

A planned gift usually requires more thought than a quick check written against monthly income. These gifts often come out of estate assets. You have to consider the impact of your gift on your overall financial condition.

Can you afford a sizable gift at this time, or should you make it later by will? What is the best way to make this gift? Do you need temporary or lifetime income from your gift arrangement? What are the tax implications?

Careful planning can actually make a good gift better. Consider these potential benefits of planning your gift:

- Maximize the size of your gift
- Obtain life income from your gift
- Optimize the tax-related benefits
- Tailor your gift to a specific need
- Protect yourself from hasty decisions
- Increase your personal satisfaction

Here to Help

Sacred Heart wants to help you make a good gift better. We will assist you in finding the best gift plan for your needs, explain the various options and provide helpful tailor-made illustrations. We will be sensitive to your financial needs and objectives, and will protect your confidentiality.

We are here to help you help the Church.

“We are here to help you help the Church.”

For more information about making a charitable gift to Sacred Heart Major Seminary, please contact:

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Support the Mission! Pass the *Mosaic* along to a friend.

Keep Close to *The Heart*

Don't Miss 2006 Alumni Day Celebration February 19

Kate Bua

Director of Marketing and Alumni Relations

Alumni Day at Sacred Heart is the most important event for the Alumni Association. It has proven to be an enjoyable evening to share with friends and family and an opportunity to keep close to those from The Heart. Planning is under way for an even bigger event on **Sunday, February 19, 2006**, commencing with Vespers at 5:30 PM, a cocktail social at 6:00 PM and the awards dinner at 7:00 PM.

The Alumni Board hopes to top Alumni Day 2005, a successful and pleasant evening when more than 260 participants enjoyed heartwarming fellowship while honoring former students, faculty and special

priests. Celebrants enjoyed communal prayer, luscious finger food at the cocktail reception, and flute music, door prizes and lively jokes at the awards dinner by MC Fr. Patrick Casey.

As a special gift, former faculty award winner Frances Brockington, a professional soprano, gave a stunning rendition of "Taste and See," which deeply moved the dinner crowd.

Help keep the tradition alive and growing. Don't miss next year's celebration, Sunday, February 19. Also, please complete and mail in the Alumni Honoree form on the next page with your nominations.



Last year's award winners, from left, James Kiefer (lay alumnus), Frances Brockington (former faculty), Fr. George Browne (senior clergy) and Fr. Donald Hanchon (clergy alumnus).



Catching up with old friends at the cocktail social.

Look for your invitation package in January.
Call 313-883-8533 with questions.



Browsing the bookstore before the awards dinner.

Would You Help Us to Choose Our Honorees?

Sacred Heart celebrates the contributions of its alumni each year who distinguish themselves in their ministry and profession. Awards are conferred to:

- Outstanding Clergy Alumnus
- Outstanding Lay Alumnus
- Outstanding Former Faculty
- Outstanding Senior Clergy

Would you help us to choose the deserving award winners for 2006? To submit your nominees, please email your choices to Alumni@shms.edu or mail in the nomination form.

Nomination Form

Here are my suggested 2006 SHMS alumni award winners

Outstanding Clergy Alumnus

Outstanding Lay Alumnus

Outstanding Former Faculty

Outstanding Senior Clergy

Mail to: Sacred Heart Major Seminary
Director of Marketing and Alumni Relations
2701 Chicago Blvd., Detroit MI 48206

Soup n' Supper for the Soul

A Time to Reflect, a Time to be Thankful

The month of November is an opportune time to look back at the year and reflect on God's graces in our lives. It is a time to remember our deceased loved ones and to prepare ourselves to celebrate the anniversary of the Lord's coming into the world as the incarnate God of love.

To help you to reflect and prepare, Sacred Heart will be conducting its bi-annual Evening of Reflection, "Soup n' Supper for the Soul," on **Monday, November 7, 2005**, from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM.

The last Evening of Reflection for alumni was held during Lent on Monday evening, March 14. Fr. Gerald Vincke, director of vocations for the Diocese of Lansing, gave a moving teaching on the Fourth Station, "Jesus Meets His Mother." Using a clip from Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ*, Father Vincke asked participants to meditate upon the Blessed Mother's simple words, "I am here," and even her silent presence, as she shared in the sufferings of



At the March Evening of Reflection, Fr. Gerald Vincke explains Mary's role in our redemption.

Christ. As Mary strengthened her son in his passion, so, too, does she support us in our daily trials, he explained.

So mark your calendar and join your fellow alumni for another evening of table fellowship and spiritual nourishment in preparation for the Advent season on November 7. Keep an eye out for your invitation postcard early in October.

Soup n' Supper for the Soul

November 7, 2005

6:30 – 8:30 PM

Call 313-883-8533



Attendees gather for evening vespers prior to the simple meal and teaching.



Alumni Spotlight

Fr. David Blazek



Stopped in His Tracks

Journey to the priesthood begins with a still, small voice

Al Sandner

It wasn't the road to Damascus, but a jogging track in Farmington. It wasn't a voice from a cloud that struck him from his horse, but an inner voice that stopped him in his tracks—literally.

For Fr. David J. Blazek, then a 30-something former elementary school teacher, junior high and high school coach, consultant and University of Detroit law student, it was “one of my first real confirmations” of his call to the priesthood.

It came late one evening during finals week. He had been working, studying and engaging in several ministries at Our Lady of Sorrows in Farmington, and feeling the pressure.

“I was jogging and praying: ‘Lord, you know I’m overwhelmed. I’ve studied hard, I need your help.’ Not the best of prayers, but I was praying,” Father laughs.

“And honest to goodness, there wasn’t an oral voice, but all of a sudden there was warmth and this inner voice, saying, ‘Everything’s going to be OK; you’re going to be all right; you’ll do fine.’

“I took two more steps . . . badum-bump . . . ‘But I want you to be a priest.’”

Father Blazek laughs again. “It stopped me dead in my tracks.”

Two footsteps. They represent a short segment of a long journey that began, perhaps, when the Chicago native chose to attend a small Catholic college in Iowa. Loras College, founded in Dubuque by Bishop Mathias Loras, former Latin tutor to the man who became the patron saint of parish priests, St. John Vianney, had begun its life as a seminary.

Through seven years of teaching and coaching basketball and track in Iowa City-area schools, three years of law school and working at a government-relations consulting firm, other “confirmations” marked the path. There was the time a stranger stopped him in a restaurant and asked, “Are you a priest?”; or the hints

of a college teacher and close friend, Fr. Alfred Ede, who observed, “You know, if it wasn’t for Vatican II, you guys (at Loras) would all be priests.”

The journey led to the doors of Sacred Heart Major Seminary in August 1991 and ordination in 1997.

“With each year of priesthood, I realize what a tremendous formation I received at Sacred Heart,” he says, adding that the seminary gave him “the time to realize my gifts . . . to integrate my life. And that’s the point of really good formation: to help seminarians realize that the stresses of life are real—not just in the priesthood, but in all walks of life—and that we will be challenged in our personal lives or our ministry.”

After three years as an associate pastor at St. Clement in Centerline, four years as pastor of Our Lady, Queen of Peace in Harper Woods, Father Blazek arrived, in July 2004, at St. Rita Parish in Holly. It is a parish on the cusp of explosive growth. The handsome, low-slung, fieldstone church built by north Oakland County farmers and Holly townsfolk in 1925 is feeling the impact of mushrooming subdivisions on all sides.

More and more people attend the four nearly capacity Masses each Sunday; the 18-month-old Davisburg Mass Station nearby is shaping into a faith community of its own. Father’s new challenge is to welcome newcomers while maintaining a close community that shares faith and is service-oriented.

“We’re getting there. We’ve had a wonderful year of council meetings with an unprecedented outpouring of people coming forth to serve,” Father Blazek says with gratitude.

The journey continues.

Al Sandner (High School '52, College '56) is a retired journalist and former press secretary and speech writer to former Michigan Gov. William Milliken.

Alumni Spotlight

Fred Cislo



“To Leave the World a Bit Better”

Serving others keeps MAPS graduate a busy, joyful man

Heidi Saxton

For six years, 2005 MAPS grad and Lilly Grant recipient Fred Cislo divided his time between his “day job” as the Chaplain Bereavement Coordinator at the Hospice of Henry Ford Downriver and his studies at The Heart.

The eclectic decor of Fred’s cramped office in Wyandotte reveals the many “hats” he wears: Handmade quilts and inspirational quotes line the office walls. The floor near his desk is piled with cartons of food for the St. Vincent de Paul Center at his home parish, Sts. Augustine and Monica in East Detroit. Books are piled high on his credenza.

Clearly, this is not a man who lets grass grow under his feet. And so, the inevitable question arises: “What’s next?”

Fred chuckles and shrugs. “I just try to remain open to what God has for me.” Recently elected to parish council, Fred continues to support the Center, which feeds and clothes 50-60 local families daily. Another parish ministry, “Heartline,” serves victims of domestic violence.

“A few weeks ago I gave Jackie (the parish Director of Christian Services) a bag full of women’s pumps and Mary Kay samples. They were a real hit!”

How does he do it all? “These past six years have taught me two important lessons. First, I need to give control of my life to God. Second, proper perspective is important; I’m only the messenger . . . It’s not about me.”

He admits keeping this perspective has been challenging. “The hardest part was shutting out work issues and other areas of my life, and to set aside what I learned in other courses—in moral theology, for example—to grasp the information I was getting at Sacred Heart.” (Fred graduated from Madonna University in 1998 with a BS in Hospice with Psychology and Sociology.)

Doing his job as a lay chaplain has also been a mixed blessing. “In some cases, older and more ‘traditional’ Catholics aren’t happy to see me. They want a priest. Other times, people talk to me more openly because I’m not one. If clients have been hurt by someone in the Church, I can better help them work through their anger, and then let it go, by introducing myself as ‘Fred.’”

And yet, regardless of how clients perceive him, it is his faith—and the spiritual support of his parish faith community—that keeps Fred going. The Star of David around his neck, inscribed with the word “Life,” is a tribute to the living God in whose name he serves his clients each day.

“Hospice is not about adding days to a person’s life,” Fred says. “It’s about adding life and dignity to the days that person has left.”

Listening to Fred share his passion for ministry, I thought of the poem posted above the hospice copier, by Ralph Waldo Emerson:

To laugh often and much . . .
To leave the world a bit better . . .
To know even one life has breathed easier
because you have lived.
This is to have succeeded.

By this definition, Fred’s is a true success story.

For more information about Fred Cislo’s hospice ministry or the community outreach projects he supports, contact Fred at chaplainfred2000@yahoo.com or call 734-246-6963.

MA Theology student Heidi Saxton is a book editor and freelance writer. Visit her website at christianword.com.



In Memoriam

Rev. Mitchell J. Bednarski
SHS 1940
R.I.P. March 20, 2005
Diocese of Lansing

Mr. Earl Anthony Blair
SHS HS 1943
R.I.P. February 25, 2005

Most Rev. Joseph Breitenbeck
SHS 1938
R.I.P. March 12, 2005
Emeritus Bishop of Diocese of Grand Rapids and former Auxiliary Bishop of Archdiocese of Detroit

Mr. John Coyne
SHS 1964
R.I.P. May 22, 2005

Mr. Jim Daley
SHS 1969
R.I.P. May 29, 2004

Rev. Rene L. Desmarais
SHS 1959
R.I.P. June 26, 2005
Archdiocese of Detroit

Rev. Francis X. Dietz
SHS 1936
R.I.P. May 1, 2005
Archdiocese of Detroit

Rev. William J. Dowell
SHS 1941, former faculty, former alumni awardee
R.I.P. July 17, 2005
Archdiocese of Detroit

Mr. Michael Doyle
SHS HS 1947
R.I.P. April 26, 2005

Br. Bradley Flint, FSC
SHMS 1995
R.I.P. May 28, 2005

Ms. Maryjo Heitzman
SHMS 2004
R.I.P. February, 18, 2005

Rev. Joseph P. Killeen
SHS 1958
R.I.P. April 12, 2005
Archdiocese of Detroit

Mr. Thomas Moran
SHMS 2005
R.I.P. February 11, 2005

Mr. John Mullens
SHS 1955
R.I.P. July 2004

Mr. Calvert Shenk
Faculty 2000 onwards
R.I.P. July 9, 2005

Rev. John West
SHS 1979 and former faculty
R.I.P. April 14, 2005
Archdiocese of Detroit

Reunion Time!

The following classes are having reunions:

SHS Class of 1955 Fifty Year Reunion

Sunday, September 18, 2005

Contact Fr. John Child
313-274-5114

SHS Class of 1969 and HS Class of 1964 Reunion

Saturday, October 1, 2005

Contact Tony Campbell
313-580-9947 or
soupysdad@yahoo.com

Class of 1965: A Band of Brothers

The college class of 1965, along with the associated high school class of 1961, had its fortieth reunion at SHMS on June 25. It was the first formal reunion ever for either group.

Out of the 180 men who were, at one time or another, members of this eight-year class, forty-four attended either the seminary activities or a private party hosted by Bill Sumner the previous evening. Most attended both. Many spouses, as well as several former faculty members and other guests, were there as well.

A reunion mass was led by Fr. Bob Ruedisueli, after which

cocktails and a buffet dinner were served in the Bishop Gallagher parlor. More than sixty people attended.

The highlight of the evening, however, was not planned.

After several prepared remarks by Bill Richardson, reunion organizer, one by one the classmates, greatly moved by the occasion, rose to speak. Several mentioned the bonds of brotherhood they still felt with each other—those with whom they grew up—even after more than forty years apart. Others emphasized their gratitude to the excellent men on the faculty in those days long ago.



Classmates gather together before dinner. Clockwise from left, Joe Menna, Paul Zimmer, George Blair, Jerry Nadolski, Fr. Bob Ruedisueli, Jim Przystup, Tom Ryan, Fr. Tom Kirwan and Denny Kirwan.

All agreed that the term “band of brothers” certainly applied to the class of 1965.



MY PARISH, YOUR PARISH

Fr. Robert McCabe

Good Advice: One Day at a Time

On June 24, I celebrated the tenth anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood. I remember on a number of occasions being asked as my ordination day was approaching, "Are you ready?" My answer was always the same, "I will be."

It was the right answer. I did not feel prepared enough for everything that would come my way as a priest, but I was confident that the Lord would give me what I needed at the appropriate time. God has been good to me!

Before entering the seminary, it was unclear to me what the "job description" was for a priest. Sacred Heart has prepared me well in many aspects of the priestly ministry; the rest has actually been "on the job training."

A diocesan priest has a ministry that can be as diverse as just about any ministry imaginable. It has been my privilege to serve in a sacramental way, bringing Jesus to others through the Mass and in the healing Sacrament of Reconciliation. I am grateful my ministry spans the whole of a person's life. I have blessed

expectant mothers and have presided at a funeral for someone who lived to be 105 years old. I remember one Saturday: I baptized a baby, anointed someone in the hospital, officiated at a wedding, heard confessions and presided at Mass.

There have been so many times when I have tried to bring Jesus to others and have been blessed in encountering Jesus in those I was serving. I am so grateful for the many ways in which I have been given opportunities to serve the Lord. When I look back at the ten years, I see in the people I serve that which I see in myself, namely, a hunger to know the Lord in a more personal way.

It is a very tender moment when a priest has the opportunity to minister to someone whose life is an

integral part of his own. This past Christmas Eve, my father, Patrick Ambrose, broke his clavicle. This injury would not have had such repercussions except that my dad had been suffering from Parkinson's disease for the past ten years. It was only after having been admitted to the hospital the next day that some of the symptoms that appear in the later stages of the disease emerged.

A nurse had given me some good advice when she said, "Just take one day at a time." I tried to do that with the Lord's help. It really freed me up to think of the different ways I could serve my dad through my priesthood. The Holy Spirit inspired many ideas. I brought my dad Holy Communion and we prayed from his well-worn prayer books. We prayed Rosaries together. On one occasion, when my dad was suffering from some confusion, he was still able to remember four of the five Glorious Mysteries. That was the fruit of his life of prayer. We had memorable heart-to-heart conversations.

During this time of my ministering to my family, I could feel the support of my parish family through their prayers and thoughtful words. In a few short weeks, it was clear my dad's earthly journey was coming to an end.

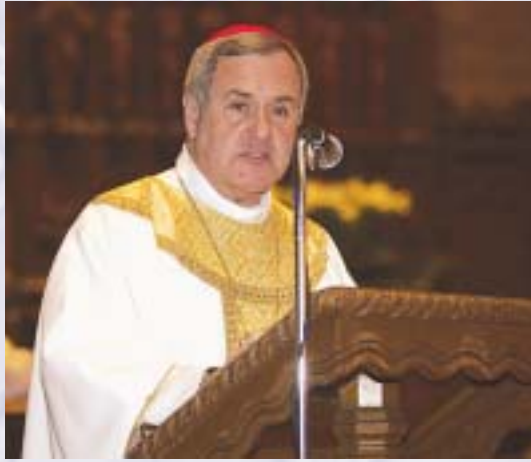
My dad's last quiet breath on earth was immediately followed by his first deep breath in eternal life. At every Mass, I try to remember my father in a special way.

He affectionately called our family "the flock." No doubt, through his prayers, he is helping Jesus the Good Shepherd take care of Jesus' own.

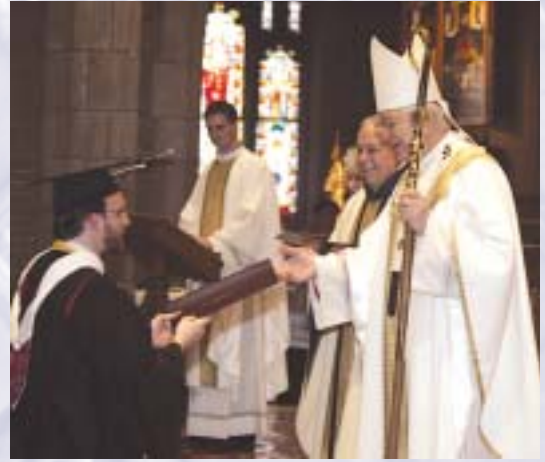
"My dad's last quiet breath was followed by his first deep breath in eternal life."

Fr. Bob McCabe is currently serving at the parishes of St. Suzanne/Our Lady Gate of Heaven and St. Mary of Redford as pastor, and at St. Thomas Aquinas as pastoral administrator.

Bishop Carlson Delivers Graduation Homily



Bishop Robert Carlson in his homily exhorts graduates to follow the example of the saints.



Seminarian Charles White receives his BA Philosophy degree from Cardinal Maida.

Fifty students received their degrees and diplomas from the Graduate School of Theology and College of Liberal Arts at Sacred Heart's 2005 Commencement Exercises, held on Saturday morning, April 30. Cardinal Adam Maida, just back from the papal conclave in Rome, was the main celebrant for the Baccalaureate Mass. Robert J. Carlson, Fifth Bishop of the Diocese of Saginaw, delivered a superb homily that moved the chapel full of students and well-wishers.

Bishop Carlson cited for the graduates the example of numerous saints who teach the Church how to "taste and see the goodness of the Lord." Teresa of Calcutta provides an example of engaging the secularized culture by proclaiming the faith boldly. St. Francis of Assisi shows us how to "change the world by changing ourselves, first." St. John Fisher is a "strong and mighty pillar" in the face of persecution.

"If the world hates you" because of your work for the Church, "remember the world hated Jesus, first," said the bishop to the new graduates, referring back to the Gospel reading.

In his closing remarks, Cardinal Maida thanked Bishop Carlson for his spirit-filled homily. The cardinal shared with the assembly the humbling and moving experience of being an instrument to select a new pope at this critical moment in history.

Sacred Heart Rector Fr. Steven Boguslawski praised Bishop Carlson for his commitment to vocational recruitment. Father also had a surprise announcement: the bishop had just been appointed to Sacred Heart's Board of Trustees as its newest member.

"We are grateful to God for providing a shepherd for the Diocese of Saginaw who embodies the integration of doctrine and pastoral practice and whose passion for youth ministry and the promotion of vocations raises our hope," said Father Boguslawski. The bishop will be sending to Sacred Heart five seminarians from Saginaw for the fall term. For the first time since the opening of the theologate in 1987, Sacred Heart has received commitments to form and educate seminarians from every diocese in Michigan (page 12).

Seminary to Sponsor 3-day Convocation on the New Evangelization

All are invited to hear nationally recognized speakers

Ralph Martin

Cardinal Adam Maida and Sacred Heart Major Seminary will be sponsoring a convocation on the New Evangelization, to be held at St. John Center for Youth and Family in Plymouth, Michigan, March 24–26, 2006.

In line with the goal of the seminary—to prepare heralds for the New Evangelization—the convocation will examine major themes that relate to the success of the New Evangelization.

The official theme of the conference is *The New Evangelization: Overcoming the Obstacles*. While growing attention is being paid to the importance of the New Evangelization in the post-Conciliar Church, not much attention has been given to analyzing those obstacles that are inhibiting its full realization. The convocation intends to identify and address these obstacles by inviting experts in various aspects of the New Evangelization to offer their reflections to the attendees.

Avery Cardinal Dulles will address the doctrinal confusion that affects the success of the New Evangelization. **Francis Cardinal George** of Chicago will address how the culture in which we evangelize determines the way we shape our message of hope. **Fr. Francis Martin**, holder of the Cardinal Maida Chair in Sacred Scripture at Sacred Heart, will present his insights into the role that the Holy Spirit plays in the success of the New Evangelization.

Fr. Robert Rivers, vice president at the Paulist National Catholic Evangelization Association, will speak on the need to make a shift in pastoral mentality from

“maintenance to mission.” **Dr. Philip Jenkins** from Penn State University and **Dr. Edwin Hernandez** from the University of Notre Dame will speak on both global and local trends in Christianity that have implications for successful evangelization. **Bishop Sam Jacobs**, chairman-elect of the American Bishops’ Committee on

Evangelization, will give an overview of the challenges facing evangelization in North America and outline elements of a successful response.

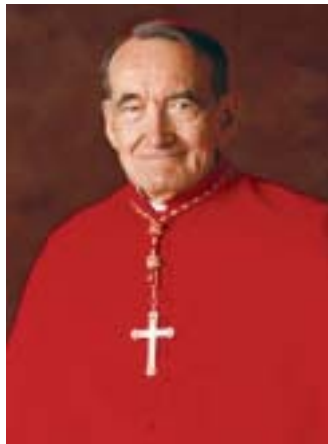
Following the major addresses, a short response by a single qualified presenter will be made, allowing ample time for interaction among conference participants and the presenters.

Cardinal Maida will preside over the opening and closing sessions of the convocation and offer summary remarks. The cardinal has entrusted the

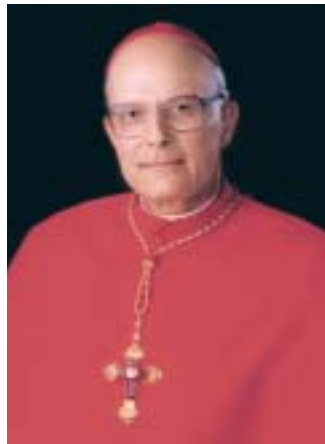
planning and implementation of the convocation to Fr. Steven Boguslawski, rector/president of Sacred Heart, Fr. Todd Lajiness, academic dean, and myself, as director of graduate theology programs in the New Evangelization.

The convocation is open to anyone interested in the topics that will be addressed. Space is limited at the convocation site. Registrations will be accepted in the order received after the registration packet is mailed out in early January 2006.

Call **313-883-8792**, or email **convocation@shms.org**, with general questions. Visit our website in January to download the registration form.



Cardinal Avery Dulles, left, and Cardinal Francis George will be addressing the convocation *Called to The New Evangelization: Overcoming the Obstacles*, March 24–26, 2006.



Mr. Martin is assistant professor of theology and director of graduate theology programs in the New Evangelization.



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Fr. Steven Boguslawski, O.P., rector, participated in these professional associations meetings: Midwest Association of Theological Schools (as Executive Board member), "Partners in Theological Education: The Church, the Association of Theological Schools and Roman Catholic Theologates," Schaumburg, IL October 1-2, 2004; Association of Theological Schools (ATS), Presidents' Seminar and MATS Executive Board Meeting, January 13-16, New Orleans, LA; First meeting of Consortia Directors, "Mapping the Terrain: The Joys and Concerns of Consortia," Washington, DC, January 27-29; Development and Institutional Advancement Program (DIAP), "Stewardship for All It's Worth," ATS-sponsored, report on development efforts at SHMS; NCEA Seminary Department Convocation, "Pre-theology Programs: A Foundation for Effective Priestly Ministry," and consultation with the *Sapientia Christiana* Committee, USCCB, "Ecclesiastical Faculties Granting Canonical Degrees," March 29-31, Philadelphia, PA.

Fr. Richard J. Cassidy, professor of Sacred Scripture, authored an op-ed tribute for the *Michigan Catholic*, entitled, "Pope John Paul II: One of a Few Original Theologians," April 15.



Cooney-Hathaway

Dr. Patricia Cooney-Hathaway, associate professor of spirituality and systematic theology, conducted an all-day workshop "The Male and Female Journey: Implications for Spiritual Direction" for spiritual

directors at Manresa Retreat Center, Bloomfield Hills, January 8; addressed the Cardinal's Club on "Women in the Church," February 14; MAPS Formation Session, "Sexuality And The Spiritual Life," March 19; Lenten presentation, "Women and the Journey of Conversion," St. Joan of Arc Parish, St. Clair Shores, March 17, and Lenten presentation, "Eucharist and the Journey of Conversion," Star of the Sea Parish, Grosse Pointe Woods, March 23; main speaker on "Challenges Facing Ministry Today," principals of schools for the Archdiocese of Detroit, May 6. She attended the Lilly Grant Conference, January 26-28, and was named a member of the Task Force Committee of the Archdiocese of Detroit's Total Pastoral Plan for Priests for January-June.

Dr. Eduardo Echeverria, associate professor of philosophy, had these works published: "Cultural Challenges for Catholic Schools," *Michigan Catholic*, February 4; "Christian Faith as a Way of Life," *Worldview Church*, April/May 2005, Breakpoint (www.pfm.org); "The Lasting Legacy of Pope John Paul II," *The New Pantagruel*, Vol. II, No. 2, Spring 2005 (www.newpantagruel.com). He presented "Mystery, Prayer and Morality," a series of six lectures presented at the Deacons' Convocation, Wadhams Hall, Diocese of Ogdensburg, NY, March 14-15.

Dr. Robert Fastiggi, associate professor of systematic theology, published a pamphlet with Our Sunday Visitor Press, entitled, "How to Form Your Catholic Conscience," and co-authored another OSV pamphlet, entitled, "End of Life Issues." He gave the following presentations: "Mary and Respect for Life," faculty of Spiritus Sanctus Academy, Plymouth, MI, Jan. 19; "John Paul II and Moral Absolutes," Ave Maria University Founders Club, Bloomfield Hills, MI, Feb. 16; "The Eucharist: Heavenly Banquet and Sacrifice," Gabriel Richard Center of the University of Michigan at Dearborn, March 10; "John Paul II and Divine Mercy," St. Thomas Chaldean Catholic Parish, West Bloomfield, MI, April 2; "John Paul II's Encyclical *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*," Sacred Heart Parish, Dearborn, MI, April 22.



Gallagher

Fr. Daniel Gallagher, director of graduate seminarians, director of pastoral formation, and assistant professor of theology, presented these papers: "Art and Craft: A critique of R. G.

Collingwood's expressionist theory through a practical examination of aesthetic appreciation in choreography and architecture," 10th Annual Villanova University Graduate Student Philosophy Conference, Philadelphia, PA, April 9, and "An examination of the concept of *integritas* in the aesthetics of Thomas Aquinas: How the incomplete Laocoön can still be perfect," 22nd Annual Canadian Society for Aesthetics Conference, London, Ontario, May 31. He made these presentations: to SHMS seminarians, "Pastoral priestly formation," January 14, and to the Gaylord Center for Catholic Studies, "History of the Church," January 28.

Dr. John Hittinger, professor of philosophy, published the chapter "The Democratic Subversion of Political Liberty and Participation," in *Exploring the World of Human Practice: Readings in and About the Philosophy of Aurel Kolnai*, CEU Press, 2005. He published the article "St. Thomas Aquinas, Thomism, and a 'Philosophy Consonant with the Word of God'," *Seminary Journal* 11, Spring 2005, and the review "Review of Anthony Rizzi's 'The Science before Science: A Guide to Thinking in the 21st Century'," *Crisis*, April 2005. He presented these papers: "Maritain, Kolnai and Catholic Political Philosophy," Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, MI, April; "Material and Formal Cooperation in Evil," Ave Maria School of Law, Ann Arbor, MI, April; "Lay Apostolate and the Eucharist," Symposium on the Eucharist, SS Cyril and Methodius Slovak Catholic Parish, March 5.

Fr. Daniel Jones, assistant professor of theology, taught a seminar on "I Thirst (Jn 19:28)," Memphis, TN, Missionaries of Charity, St. Louis Province, January 8-9; attended the symposium "Interiority for Mission: Spiritual Formation for Priests of the New Evangelization," Denver, CO, Institute for Priestly Formation, March 3-6; preached an Easter Triduum Retreat to seminarians of SHMS, March 23-26; taught a seminar on "Leadership and Authority in Community Life," Memphis, TN, for superiors of the Missionaries of Charity, St. Louis Province, April 8-10; attended the annual conference of North American Patristics Society, Chicago, IL, June 2-4.

Dr. Daniel Keating, assistant professor of theology, completed a Bible study (digitally recorded) of Paul's Letter to the Romans; published a book review of *Modus et Forma: A New Approach to the Exegesis of Saint Thomas Aquinas, in Nova et Vetera*, 3 (2005); directed a five-week seminar on "Darwin, Evolution and Christian Faith," University Christian Outreach at the Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

Dr. Mark Latkovic, professor of moral theology, published "The Legacy of a Spiritual Father," *Michigan Catholic*, April 15. He spoke on "Natural Law: A Guide to True Freedom," Ave Maria University Founders Club, Bloomfield Hills, MI, March 16. He delivered these papers: "State of the Question" on the morality of providing tube feeding for PVS patients, Archdiocese of Detroit Presbyteral Council and Office of Priestly Life and Ministry, Detroit, MI, April 26; "Kevin O'Rourke, O.P.,

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on the Morality of Tube Feeding PVS Patients: A Critique," University Faculty for Life Conference, Ann Arbor, MI, June, 3. He was interviewed by Dr. William Chavey on WDEO (990 AM) *Vital Signs*, on the topic of infertility and the morality of artificial reproductive techniques, March 11; by Mary Dudley on Michigan Catholic Radio (AM 1090), on the topic of Terry Schiavo, April 4; by host Al Kresta on WDEO (990 AM), on the topic of Pope John Paul II's death, April 6; on the television program *Dialogue* with Adam Cardinal Maida and Ned McGrath, on the topic of cloning and stem cell research, May 17.



Martin

Mr. Ralph Martin, assistant professor of theology, gave these talks: January 21-22, W. Palm Beach, FL, Diocesan Conference, "What is the Spirit Saying to the Church?," "Our Call to Mission"; January 28-29, Steubenville, OH, Franciscan University, Campus

Wide Retreat, "The Call to Holiness," "Removing the Obstacles to Spiritual Growth"; February 10, Naples, FL, Ave Maria University, "The Mission of Lay People according to Vatican II"; February 11-12, Miami, FL, Parish Mission; February 24-27, Denver, CO, Archdiocese of Denver Religious Education Conference, "Called to Holiness," "Called to Evangelization"; March 9, Greenville, MI, St. Charles Parish, Lenten Lecture; March 12, Worcester, MA, Diocese of Worcester Catholic Men's Conference, "Called to Discipleship"; March 18, New Orleans, LA, Priests Day, "The Vision of John Paul II"; March 18, New Orleans, LA, Lay Leaders Day, "What I've learned as a Lay Leader"; March 18-20, New Orleans, LA, Southern Regional Conference for the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, "What is the Spirit Saying?," "Wisdom from the Saints"; April 4-7, Sacramento, CA, National Diocesan Liaisons Theological Symposium, paper delivered: "The contemplative and charismatic dimensions of Christian life according to John of the Cross"; April 9, Toronto, Canada, Lift Jesus Higher Rally, "Perspectives on the New Springtime"; April 17-20, Lansing, MI, St. Therese Parish Mission; April 22-23, Medway, MA, Marian Center for Spiritual Development Retreat, "The Universal Call to Holiness," "Overcoming Obstacles to Growth," "The Biblical Worldview of Catherine of Siena and Its Implications for Evangelization"; April 28, Seattle, WA, Seattle Catholic Radio, "The New Evangelization"; May 10, Toronto, Canada, Legatus Meeting of Catholic CEOs, "Four Dimensions of Lay Mission"; May 11, Highland, MI, Holy Spirit Parish Day of Renewal, three talks;

May 20-22, Plymouth, MI, Renewal Ministries Annual Gathering, "The Eucharist and Evangelization." On March 3-6, he attended the Institute for Priestly Formation Conference, and on April 6, Ann Arbor, MI, he gave a WDEO radio interview, "Reflections on the Death of John Paul II" (audio available at www.renewalministries.net).



McCallion

Dr. Michael McCallion, Fr. William Cunningham Chair in Urban Evangelization, co-authored "Number of Catholic Families Living Within Their Parish Boundaries" (Research Note), *Review of Religious Research*, Volume 26, No. 3 (2005), and published

"Extraordinary Ministers of Communion and the Sick: A Sociological Inquiry," *Antiphon* 8:3 (2003) (the journal's publications are a year and half behind). He recently gave a lecture at the University of Notre Dame on "The RCIA and the Parish."

Fr. Earl Muller, S.J., Bishop Kevin Britt Chair of Christology, reviewed the manuscript by Joseph M. Hallman entitled, "*Deus Humilis: The Suffering of the Impassible God*," for the Catholic University of America Press in January.

Dr. Herman A. Peterson, director of the Edmund Cardinal Szoka Library and assistant professor of theology, attended the winter meeting of the Board of Directors of the American Theological Library Association in Chicago, January 13-15.

Sr. Mary Lou Putrow, O.P., assistant professor of catechetics, participated in the annual ceremony of the Archdiocese of Detroit, granting certification to persons who had completed the necessary study and preparation, February 3. She was named a member of a newly established team of EMCFs working on the revision of the catechetical topics required for certification of catechists in the Archdiocese of Detroit, and was invited to be a member of the Apostolic Visitation Team of the USCCB. She attended the conference "Unity without Uniformity" at SHMS, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Detroit, April 20.



Rennie

Mrs. Patricia Rennie, dean of the Institute for Ministry, presented "Almsgiving: There's More than One Way to Give," St. Fabian Parish, Farmington, MI, March 18, and "Standing at the Foot of the Cross," St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, Detroit,

March 25. She addressed the Association of Theological Schools Conference for Academic Deans and Student Services Personnel, on "Spiritual Formation in the Seminary," April 1. She attended the Castlot Summer Scripture Conference, St. John Center, Plymouth, MI, June 13-16, and from August 1-3, she co-facilitated with Dr. Patricia Cooney-Hathaway the Gerald Martin Ministry Conference at St. John Center, "Vatican II: Reigned In or Reined Out?"

Dr. Janet Smith, Fr. Michael McGivney Chair of Life Ethics, had the editorial "Pope Understood the Human Drama," printed in the *Dallas Morning News*, April 3, and in the *National Catholic Register*, April 10-16, and on several Catholic websites. She gave these talks: "The Lame Shall Walk," legislators of Connecticut, Connecticut Catholic Conference, Jan. 20; "Parenting: A School of Virtue," St. Thomas More Academy, Raleigh, NC, Feb. 11; Reconsidering the Principle of Autonomy," St. Dominic Hospital, Jackson, MS, April 8; "Being a Pro-life Catholic," Trailblazers, Christ the King Parish, Ann Arbor, MI, March 19. She gave these talks on "*Humanae Vitae* and the Culture of Life": St. Cyril of Jerusalem Parish, Taylor, MI, May 16; St. Andrew the Apostle Parish, Wray, CO, May 8; Our Lady of Loreto Parish, Denver, CO, May 7; Sacred Heart Parish, Lombard, IL, May 6; St. Andrew Parish, Saline, MI, April 23; Mt. St. Mary Seminary, Emmitsburg, MD, April 15; St. Mary High School, Annapolis, MD, April 15; St. Mary Parish, Annapolis, MD, April 14; Diocese of Jackson, MS, April 9; St. Dominic Hospital, Jackson, MS, April 8; Pro-life Mississippi, Jackson, MS, April 7; Diocese of Springfield, IL, NFP Office, March 10; Ignited by Truth Conference, Raleigh, NC, Feb. 12; Redeemer Pacific College, British Columbia, Canada, Jan. 29; Student Pro-life Group, Trinity University, British Columbia, Canada, Jan. 28. She appeared on several TV and radio shows January-June, notably the *Geraldo Show* on Fox, April 3 and 23, and *Fox and Friends*, April 3.

Dr. Peter Williamson, assistant professor of Sacred Scripture, facilitated the monthly "Disciples' Group" gathering, Ann Arbor, MI, speaking on "Early Christian Writings"; the Bible Study Men's Group, Ann Arbor, on the Gospel of Luke; and the weekly Bible study group at Christ the King Parish, Ann Arbor, on Paul's Letter to the Colossians. He gave these talks to the Word of God community, Ann Arbor: "Open Up an Reaching Out," March 13, and "Go and Tell the Good News," April 3. He presented four talks on "Catholic Principles for Interpreting Scripture" at a workshop for the Diocese of Kalamazoo, April 9.



Library Reorganization Means Better Public Service

Dr. Herman Peterson

In our ongoing efforts to serve you, the patrons of the Edmund Cardinal Szoka Library, we have made some changes in staff responsibilities. The reorganization was precipitated by the desire of two library staff members to reduce their hours to part-time. This opened the way for hiring a new full-time staff member.

After eighteen years of service, **Mrs. Josephine "Jo" Garcia** will reduce her workload to part-time as a way to ease herself into semi-retirement.

Mr. Benjamin Bennett-Carpenter has accepted a teaching position at the Cranbrook Institute and will also be reducing his workload at the Szoka Library to part-time. Mr. Carpenter will be responsible for providing library-services to our patrons on Sundays.

Mr. Michael Nowicki has joined the library staff full-time as the new Public Services Librarian. This past spring, he earned his Master of Library Science from Wayne State University. Mr. Nowicki comes to us with a wealth of teaching experience at the community college level, having previously earned an MA in English, also from WSU. Mr. Nowicki will be working afternoons, evenings and on Saturday. He will provide Reference service, supervise the circulation of library materials and handle course reserves.

Mr. Christopher Spilker continues his good work on the library staff with a new title and job description. He is now the Library Technical Assistant for Systems and Technical Services. He is in charge of all the "behind the scenes" work in the library that is needed to undergird the provision of public service. He also oversees all the technology in the library, a task that seems to grow in complexity every day. Mr. Spilker is pursuing a Master of Library Science at Wayne State University.

Mrs. Norma Forbes has taken over the care of our periodical collection while continuing her good work with Interlibrary Loans. **Mrs. Jane Fields** works in the

Ward Library where she provides any immediate help needed by patrons "upstairs." She also contributes to many of the behind the scenes tasks needed to run the library efficiently.

My responsibilities include administration and the selection of materials to be added to the collection. As an assistant professor, I coordinate the library's efforts with the rest of the seminary community through my participation in various committees and in the work of both the undergraduate and graduate faculties. I have also begun teaching the college Rhetoric and Research courses. I am always available to lend my expertise to patrons who need specialized assistance.



Here to serve: Szoka Library staff, clockwise from left, Jane Fields, Dr. Herman Peterson, Chris Spilker, Mike Nowicki, Norma Forbes and Jo Garcia.

All of these good people are committed to providing library patrons with improving public service in the spirit of Christian hospitality. Stop in, make yourself comfortable and avail yourself of the services we offer.

Dr. Herman Peterson is director of the Edmund Cardinal Szoka Library.



Working Together to Make History

MAPS enrollment up 50% since Lilly Foundation award

John Lajiness

History was made in the year 2000. Pope John Paul II led historic Jubilee Year celebrations in Rome. George W. Bush won the most contested presidential election in decades.

Sacred Heart Major Seminary made history that year, too—lay ministry history, that is.

Since 1988, the Institute for Ministry has offered the Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies degree (MAPS) to women and men interested in lay ecclesial ministry. Ten years later, Dr. Patricia Cooney-Hathaway, associate professor of spirituality and systematic theology, Sr. Mary Lou Putrow, O.P., assistant professor of catechetics, and the Institute’s Dean Patricia Rennie had a vision. They dreamed of making the MAPS more than just a set of courses, but a holistic “formation” for lay ministry. Modeled after the Master of Divinity program for future priests, they wanted to build a formation program to deal with the non-academic, real-life ministerial issues that aren’t covered in the classroom.

In addition, they envisioned offering full scholarships to MAPS students, realizing financial concerns were often an obstacle to enrollment. Careers in lay ministry tend to pay less than scale, so Dean Rennie believed that scholarships were critical. “The students would not have done the degree otherwise.”

Inspired by this vision, and in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Detroit, Sacred Heart made a grant proposal to the Lilly Foundation, which was looking for “creative ways to form lay leaders for future congregational and parish ministry,” according to Dr. Cooney. The proposal was a revised MAPS featuring a three-year formation

program, full tuition scholarships and a promise for a new standard of excellence in ministry. It was among the first lay ministry degrees in the United States with a formation component, says Dr. Cooney.

Calling it “one of the best proposals they had seen,” Lilly approved \$1.6 million for the new MAPS. The first class began in fall of 2000, and history was made.

Since then, with the MAPS as its flagship program, the Institute for Ministry has flourished.

Lay enrollment at SHMS is up more than 50% since 2000, and MAPS registrations have more than doubled. The Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) recently ranked Sacred Heart among the top ten in overall enrollment among lay ministry schools in the United States.

“It has been a teachable moment,” Dr. Cooney reflects. She feels the new program has raised awareness within the seminary and the Detroit archdiocese about

the role of the laity in the Church, and helped to give lay men and women more appreciation and confidence in what they had to offer. Dean Rennie feels in many ways the new MAPS program has changed the face of lay ministry. “Our graduates have been making major contributions to the professionalism of ministry,” she says.

While the Lilly grant period for the MAPS ends in December 2005, the formation program, and the new standard of excellence it set, will continue for years to come.

Stay tuned for more history in the making.

John Lajiness is director of admissions and enrollment management.

“CARA recently ranked Sacred Heart’s Institute for Ministry among the top ten in overall enrollment among lay ministry schools.”



Student Spotlight

In Memory of **Maryjo Heitzman**
1951-2005



MAPS Student's Legacy of Giving Endures

Fred Cislo and Mrs. Patricia Rennie

Tears of joy and remembrance flowed freely at St. Mary Parish in Rockwood on Sunday, June 12. The community remembered Maryjo Heitzman that day by dedicating its food pantry, the Giving Basket, in honor of her.

The parish and our Sacred Heart community were shocked last spring to hear the news that Maryjo, who graduated in April 2004 from the MAPS program, had been diagnosed with colon cancer. Maryjo lost her battle with cancer last February, which saddened all those who knew and loved her. The Mass and dedication of the food pantry provided a healing opportunity for friends, family and parishioners to pray, tell stories and remember a very special person who touched our lives in very special ways.

The celebration began with Mass during which Fr. Marc Gawronski spoke of Maryjo in his homily. Those gathered then moved out of the church building to the food pantry, which was Maryjo's brainchild that grew out of her ministry of outreach to those in need in the neighboring community. Maryjo's brother, Larry, hung a plaque honoring her as Father Marc proclaimed a moving blessing over the new facility. I had an opportunity to speak on behalf of Maryjo's classmates and the faculty of Sacred Heart.

Maryjo had overcome many obstacles in her life because of her growing realization of how much God loved her. She wanted to extend that love of God to

everyone she met, especially the disenfranchised who lacked basic resources. She welcomed everyone equally and inspired the communities she served to join her in her service of the poor.

Prior to ministering at St. Mary as pastoral associate, Maryjo had also served at St. Cunegunda Parish and St. Stephen/Mary Mother of the Church Parish, both on Detroit's west side. Especially dear to

Maryjo's heart were the children of each faith community she served. Though she didn't have children of her own, she extended her care and nurturing spirit to the children through teaching them the Word of God in ways they could comprehend.

Many of those gathered at the celebration recalled Maryjo's "infectious" laugh. She had a marvelous gift for seeing the good in any situation and relied on her acute sense of humor to counter even the most difficult circumstances. All who knew and loved Maryjo will always remember her laughing!

The poet Edna St. Vincent Millay wrote, "The presence of that absence is everywhere." For the people of St. Mary Parish in Rockwood, Maryjo Heitzman will be present always in the good works she initiated, especially in the Giving Basket food pantry dedicated in her honor.



Larry Heitzman places a plaque honoring his sister in the Giving Pantry that she founded.

Mrs. Patricia Rennie is dean of the Institute for Ministry. Fred Cislo is a 2005 MAPS graduate.



LIVING IN THE LIGHT

Dr. Patricia Cooney-Hathaway

Jesus' Spirituality: The Norm and Guide for Our Own

As a human being, Jesus lived out of a spirituality just as we do. Consequently, if we want to be disciples of Jesus, then his spirituality must be the norm and guide for our own.

Biblical scholars have written extensively on what Fr. Edward Schillebeeckx in his book *Jesus* refers to as the "original accents" of Jesus' spirituality. The following reflection on a few of the most salient features of Jesus' spirituality gives us a moment to consider how Jesus-centered our own spirituality really is.

Jesus' Abba Experience

Father Schillebeeckx cautions, "To go in search of the original and unique center of someone's religious experience is a highly precarious undertaking. For one is trying to penetrate to the very mystery of a person's being." Jesus, himself, gives us insight into his experience of God by the term he used to address God in prayer, "Abba."

This Aramaic word was originally used by children when addressing their father, but later adopted as an affectionate way by which adults also spoke of their fathers. That Jesus chose to address God as "Abba" suggests his experience of God was profoundly intimate. In a land marked for many by a sense of God's remoteness, Jesus spoke in a new and familial way about the living God. He experienced God as a tender parent and invites all of us to do the same.

As this relationship was the source of his being and message, so, too, must it be the source of our own.

Proclamation of the Kingdom

Jesus dedicated his whole life to sharing his experience of God. He did not proclaim himself; he proclaimed the coming of God's kingdom of compassion, mercy and forgiveness. His teaching on the beatitudes, the parables of the Good Samaritan, and the Woman in Search of the Lost Coin all reveal a God who is "bent toward humanity."

"Be compassionate as God is compassionate," from Luke 6:36, is, for Jesus, the central quality of God and the central moral quality of a life centered on God. If Jesus' spirituality is to be the norm and guide for our own, then we must ask ourselves what is our image of

God and how does it inform the message we teach, and most importantly, live in Jesus' name.

Table Fellowship

One of the most significant and, for some, uncomfortable dimensions of Jesus' spirituality is found in his inclusive table fellowship. Sharing a meal with someone had significance in Jesus' social world that is difficult for us to imagine. It represents mutual acceptance.

More specifically, rules surrounding meals were embedded in the purity system of the times. Those rules governed not only what might be eaten and how it should be prepared, but also with whom one might eat. Refusing to share a meal was a form of social ostracism.

The Pharisees would not eat with someone who was impure and no decent person would share a meal with an outcast. Yet, Jesus was accused of eating with tax collectors and sinners. His ethos of compassion led to an open table fellowship. The context of sharing a meal with the untouchables of his time led many to repentance and conversion. And so, if Jesus' spirituality is to be the norm and test of our own, we must ask ourselves: Who is welcomed at our table?

The Way In is the Way On

In reflecting on how Jesus' spirituality should inform our own, one of my students wrote a reflection that ties all the preceding thoughts together.

C.S. Lewis has a saying in one of his chronicles on Narnia that "the way in is the way on."

The way into a specifically Christian spirituality is through the person of Christ as revealed in Scripture. But this is more than just the only way to start; it is also the best way to continue: it is the way "on." If I seek to grow spiritually as a Christian, then I am challenged to be ever more deeply rooted ... ever more in love with the person of Christ and with his word.

Dr. Patricia Cooney-Hathaway is associate professor of spirituality and systematic theology.

“One day, a dean said to me, ‘Jerry, more seminarians come to your office to talk with you than they come to talk with me.’ I had to laugh—because he was right!”

“Just”

Plant Manager Jerry Brown has given nearly five decades of service to Sacred Heart. He has been a friend to cardinals, bishops, rectors and deans. He has been a father figure to staff workers and seminarians. He has broken down racial barriers and built up a treasure of love and respect from others.

Molly Mulqueen

No one knows Sacred Heart like Jerry Brown knows Sacred Heart.

In more than forty-seven years of service, Jerry has worked on practically every inch of the building and grounds, and worked with practically every student and staff member. He was first hired as a dishwasher by former rector Msgr. Albert Matyn on November 1, 1957, a job he planned to keep for about six months. But seven rectors, four cardinals and six popes later, Jerry, plant manager at Sacred Heart since 1986, is still here before 5 o'clock every morning, getting the job done.

“That six months lasted a long time, but time flies when you are having fun,” Jerry jokes. “Once you get here, it pulls you in. The seminary is my second home.”

Like a Father”



As a thirty-year-old cook in 1970, Jerry makes sure the punch is punchy enough prior to a reception.

Working His Way Up

Jerry started out washing dishes as a seventeen-year-old. As time went on, the seminary chef taught him how to cook.

“Then they asked me if I wanted to *be* a cook,” Jerry recalls. “At this time, there were seven hundred students, but I was successful with it. When I was a cook, I stayed after work and helped the baker. That’s how I learned how to bake.”

After spending a summer as a groundskeeper, Jerry was moved to shipping and receiving. And the promotions kept coming.

“After work, they asked me to stay late and learn different things in the building. Then they asked me to be the supervisor of the kitchen. After that, I became in charge of everything that worked in the building,” Jerry says.

“It worked out pretty well for me. I came here as the dishwasher. When I leave here, I will leave as the plant manager.”

First with the News

Jerry’s own family includes his wife, Robbie, and six children. But just as the seminary is Jerry’s second home, the students and staff are his second family.

“He is just like a big brother or a father. He is concerned about not just you, but you and your family. He gets to know your husband, your kids, your dog and your frog. If you hurt, he hurts. If you rejoice, he rejoices,” says Regina Smith, Sacred Heart’s scheduling coordinator. “The food service staff think of him as their dad—they bring their concerns right there to Mr. Brown.”

According to Milt Burrell, assistant plant manager, “Jerry is the ‘godfather’ because he takes care of everybody here.” Milt speaks from experience. He has worked closely with Jerry at Sacred Heart for nearly thirty years.

“Jerry has always had coffee with the rectors early in the morning, so he gets the news first,” Milt explains. “When I get here, whatever needs to be repaired, he lets me know. I will go repair it, no matter what day it is, no matter what time.”

Friend of Bishops

The friendships Jerry has developed with students and co-workers have lasted for decades. Priest alumni often stop by to see Jerry when they attend functions at Sacred Heart, and like to recall his kindness and good humor.

“If there’s a priest face, I probably know it,” Jerry says. “I knew a lot of the students and I know so many of

them who are bishops now: Bishop Quinn, Bishop Boyea, Bishop Reiss, I know Bishop Anderson very well, I knew Bishop Britt who we lost a little while ago, Bishop Melczek, Bishop Cooney, Cardinal Dearden—I was on a first name basis with him—and I got to be real good friends with Cardinal Szoka.”

“The first time I met Jerry was in September 1963 when I was a freshman in college. Jerry knew

me before I knew how to shave properly,” recalls Detroit Auxiliary Bishop John M. Quinn. “My best memory of Jerry is he always radiates happiness.”

Bishop Quinn also remembers fondly when Jerry and his entire family converted to Catholicism and were brought into the Church at Sacred Heart’s chapel.

“As Jerry came into the seminary and learned about what goes on in this beautiful building, he wanted to share in that faith. Over the years, he began to want the most important thing that we share as a Church family, the Sacraments.

“Jerry knew me before I knew how to shave properly.”

Bishop John Quinn

“I was a student of his and still am.”

John Duncan, building administrator

“What a witness to the faith Jerry has been for all of us who know him.”

John Duncan, Sacred Heart’s building administrator, has worked with Jerry since 1992.

“Jerry has steered me and mentored me through the years,” Duncan says. “In a lot of cases, I was a student of his and still am.”

Breaking Racial Ground

The world, the Church and the Archdiocese of Detroit have changed a great deal during Jerry’s tenure at Sacred Heart. One thing that has remained constant is Jerry’s dedication to the mission of the seminary.

“I am the first black man who worked at Sacred Heart,” Jerry says. “I am the first black man that held a position in every part of this building. I am the first black man that my whole family and I were converted to Catholicism right here in the chapel. I am the first black man to become an honorary alumnus of Sacred Heart.

“So there’s a lot of firsts here for me.”

According to Fr. Richard Cassidy, Scripture professor at Sacred Heart and a long time friend of Jerry’s, when Jerry accepted Monsignor Maytn’s job offer in 1957, neither of them could have known what an important step they were taking.

“Keep in mind this was some years before the beginning of the civil rights movement,” Father Cassidy explains. “Rosa Parks had not sat in her place on the bus and Martin Luther King had not yet marched in Detroit. Jerry and Monsignor Matyn thus were making a key contribution to overcoming racism in society and even in the Catholic Church, itself.”

Jerry had worked at Sacred Heart for ten years when the riot of 1967 broke out. The riot’s epicenter was only a few blocks away. He credits the seminarians’ work in the neighborhood for the lack of damage to the seminary.

“During the riots, the only problem we had was when a young man painted [the hands and face of] the statue of Jesus black—and it’s important that the statue stay that way even now. Other than that, we didn’t even have a



“He tries to make sure everyone enjoys their time here at the seminary,” says scheduling coordinator Regina Smith. Co-workers John Duncan, building administrator, left, and Milt Burrell, assistant plant manager, join Regina and Jerry in his office.

broken window,” Jerry recalls.

“Before the riots, we had set up a soup kitchen over where the laundry used to be. People would bring their kids and have soup and talk with the students. So they really took it like Sacred Heart was a part of the community.”

“A Pretty Good Trip”

Throughout his years of service, Jerry has had only one health crisis, a stroke he suffered in 1998. At the time, the doctors told him he might never walk again, yet alone work. With typical

determination, Jerry worked hard on his rehabilitation and soon returned to his previous full-time position. He says of those doctors today with characteristic good humor, “Well, I showed *them!*”

Luckily for Sacred Heart, with his comprehensive knowledge of the physical plant and cache of human wisdom, Jerry says he has no immediate plans to retire.

“At some point in the future, I will retire. When I feel that I have done all that I can do here, then I will go.

“We have a very good administration right now. We have



Jerry discusses the day’s work schedule with maintenance workers Abe Henderson and James Hardwick.

got a new rector, a new dean of studies, a new vice rector, new spiritual directors. I know a lot of them because they went to school here. I knew most of them before they had a mustache.

“All in all, it’s been a pretty good trip,” says Jerry. “I think I have been very lucky.” ❏

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Docility to the Spirit

Monthly gathering encourages active evangelization

Carol Kean

The Fellowship of St. Paul spiritual gathering grew from an initiative by Dr. Peter Williamson in January 2004. Several students in Dr. Williamson's Johannine Literature class, including myself, inquired about whether the Holy Spirit operates as powerfully today as at the time of the early Christians.

Class time did not allow for in-depth development on the subject, so Dr. Williamson hosted a series of monthly mini-retreats with the goal to seek the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives in the same variety described in the New Testament.

The last retreat in June 2004 left us thirsting for more—more time to pray and seek a deeper relationship with the Lord together. A bond of fellowship developed within the growing group of seminarians and lay students and gave birth to the more formal Fellowship of St. Paul. In the fall of 2004, Rector Fr. Steven


Boguslawski graciously permitted the monthly Fellowship gathering to proceed, discerning that the group

would support further the emerging focus at Sacred Heart on the New Evangelization.

A Friday evening Fellowship gathering begins with a praise and worship session accompanied by guitar. There is a presentation by a guest speaker, a break with refreshments, then small group discussion. The gathering concludes with an opportunity for intercessory prayer. Some presentation topics covered this past spring were "The Holy Spirit and Evangelization" by Peter Herbeck, and "The Discernment of Spirits" by Sacred Heart professor Fr. Earl Muller, S.J.

The Fellowship continues to swell in enthusiasm and numbers—about forty people attended the April gathering. The gatherings are open to seminarians, lay students, faculty and staff, alumni, and friends and family of all of these groups. Seminarian David Gryniecicz welcomes the opportunity to

be prayed over in a small group, calling it "a powerful experience." Seminarian Sama Muma enjoys the



Lay students, seminarians, faculty and guests join together in praise at the monthly Fellowship of St. Paul spiritual gathering.

sense of belonging. "When you see people praying together from different backgrounds and races," he says, "there is a sense of spiritual oneness."

Father Muller believes the decision to establish the Fellowship is "an important one and deserves encouragement." Dr. Williamson sees the gathering a complement to the existing programs of formation. "We want to equip students with skills in prayer ministry," he says.

One thing has been consistent for me: I never leave a Fellowship of St. Paul gathering the same as when I came. No matter how tired I am from a long week, I leave filled with refreshment and joy. It is in the experience of *koinonia*—fellowship with other Christians—that my faith grows.

Carol Kean is a MAPS student and a Fellowship core group member.

You're Invited!

Upcoming Gatherings

Fridays, 6:30–9:30

September 16

October 14

November 11

January 13

February 10

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THE CULTURE OF LIFE

Dr. Janet Smith

We Feed Roses, Don't We?

Further thoughts on the passing of Terri Schiavo

Terri Schiavo lived with brain damage for fourteen years until she passed away before the eyes of a grieving nation on March 31.

She was not dying when her guardians withdrew artificial hydration and nutrition from her. Terri was not on "life-support." She was receiving nutrition and hydration by one of the many means human beings receive them: in our lifetimes we are fed by the umbilical cord, the breast, a bottle, a spoon and sometimes tubes.

Tubes are not extraordinary medical treatment; they are fundamental care, much like a bed and a blanket and a bedpan. Terri did not die from an underlying disease. She died from starvation and dehydration because her care-takers refused to give her food and water.

Supposedly, at some point in her life, Terri said something like, "I would never like to live like that" (referring to a condition similar to her own). Inexplicably, that remark took on the force of a well-considered legal document.

Perhaps many of us could name conditions that we would not want to live in, but that does not mean we would commit suicide or ask others to kill us were we in those conditions. The scriptural Job certainly didn't want to live in the conditions in which he was thrust, but he did not seek death. God is the one who is to determine the length of our stay on earth; we often have little choice over what are the conditions of that stay.

The fact is, Terri's parents wanted to do what loving human beings want to do for each other—they wanted to care for her and love her and seek whatever improvement of her condition they could.

Some might say that those in a vegetative state can't do anything. But they can "be," and simply "being" is quite something. Not seeking death when suffering is a way of giving glory to God; it is a way of saying that we trust he is a loving God and he keeps us alive for a reason. Still, it is the case that those in a persistent vegetative state and those with severe dementia or retardation seem not to be aware of anything or are able to give God glory. The truth is, we don't know what is going on in their interior, and so we can't really say that they can't actively praise God. But we do know the severely disabled serve a salvific purpose: they can be the object of other people's love.

"Not seeking death when suffering is a way of giving glory to God"

While there are certainly negatives to Terri's condition, what is positive is that she was the object of the love of her family. Think of newborns; although they can really do almost nothing, we lavish our love upon them. Yes, we hope that they will grow and mature

and return our love, but we love them just because they are. In fact, we lovingly care for plants and animals that don't do much. We water and feed our rose plants, but we did not give water or food to Terri.

Again, what those who can "do" nothing, do, is receive our love. Although we don't know what wonders that may be doing for them, we definitely know it is doing good things for us. We should not short circuit love.

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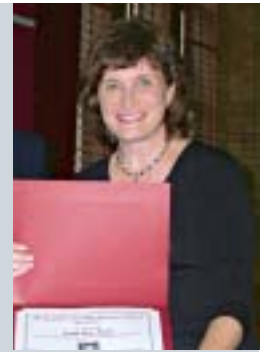
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Top Students Honored at Awards Ceremony

Prior to Commencement, the seminary traditionally holds an awards dinner and ceremony to recognize graduates for high academic achievement. At this year's event on April 30, the seminary conferred its Bovich Award for homiletic excellence to then-seminarian Fr. Charles Canoy, and its Brownson Award for catechetical excellence to MA Pastoral Studies graduate Ms. Judith Maten. Both awards provide funding to attend a convention or workshop.



Charles Canoy with Bovich Award.



Judith Maten with Brownson Award.

Could You Help with the *Summa*?

In 2003, philosophy professor Dr. John Hittinger began the "Summa Project," whose goal is to make available to students a complete edition of the masterwork *Summa Theologica* of St. Thomas Aquinas. Working with a book dealer in Ann Arbor who provided the books at cost, Hittinger was able to get the *Summa* in the hands of more than fifteen

seminarians and students.

Generous financial donations in 2004-2005 led to more than twenty-five seminarians and students obtaining a *Summa* at below cost. Hittinger's ultimate goal is to provide a *Summa* free-of-charge to every entering seminarian. To assist in this project, call him at 313-883-8791.



Happy seminarian Clint McDonnell with his *Summa*.

SHMS Priests Named to Presbyteral Council

Fr. Todd Lajiness, dean of studies, and Fr. Daniel Trapp, graduate spiritual director, recently were elected to serve on the archdiocesan Presbyteral Council. The term is for two years, ending August 2006. This is the second term on the council for Father Trapp.

The Presbyteral Council is an important advisory board of priests serving Cardinal Maida. Its purpose is to address personnel questions regarding AOD priests.



Fr. Daniel Trapp

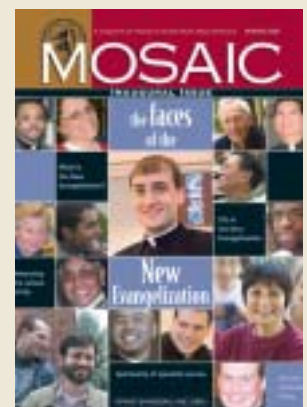


Fr. Todd Lajiness

Mosaic Wins Design Award

The inaugural issue of the revised and expanded *Mosaic* won the "Award of Honor" for graphic design from the Detroit Chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators (IABC). From a field of ten entries, the *Mosaic* was one of three winners in the "Art/Design: Special Print Communications" category. The award was acknowledged at the IABC's Renaissance Award Dinner, held at Schoolcraft College, June 14. JCI Design in Dearborn, the designer

of the *Mosaic*, submitted it to the contest and received a winner's plaque at the dinner as did Sacred Heart.



One judge said the new *Mosaic* had a "consistent, excellent design throughout."

Mark Your Calendar!

September

1	New commuter student orientation, 10 AM and 6 PM	14	Faculty/staff luncheon
5	Labor Day, no classes	17	MAPS 2005 Formation Day, 9 AM-Noon
6	Classes begin for fall term	18	SHS Class of 1955 Reunion
9	Mass of the Holy Spirit, 7 PM	26	Desert Golf Classic
12	Late registration ends	30	Ministry of Reader installation

October

1	Permanent diaconate ordination SHHS Class of 1964 and SHS Class of 1969 Reunions	9	FocusHope Walk, 1 PM
2	Family Day	22	MAPS 2004/2005 Formation Day, 9 AM-Noon Catechist Topics, 9 AM-1 PM
8	MAPS 2003 Formation Day, 9 AM-Noon Undergrad Formation Day, 9 AM-Noon Pastoral Ministry Topics, 9 AM-Noon	24-28	Pastoral Ministry Topics, 9 AM-Noon Mid-term exams
		31	Neighborhood Halloween Party, 5-8 PM

November

1-18	Early registration for winter term	17-20	Discernment Weekend
5	Pastoral Ministry Topics, 9 AM-Noon	19	MAPS 2004/2005 Formation Day, 9 AM-Noon Catechist Topics, 9 AM-1 PM
6	Priests/seminarians dinner		Spanish Catechist Topics, 9 AM-1 PM
7	Board of Trustees meeting Alumni Evening of Reflection, 6:30-8:30 PM	20	Sacred Heart's Club Mass and Brunch
8	Deceased priest Mass, 11 AM	22	Pastoral Ministry Topics, 9 AM-Noon
9	Deceased faculty Mass, 11:30 AM	23-27	Thanksgiving recess
13	Knights of Columbus Mass		
16	Junior High Days		

December

1	New commuter student admissions deadline	9	Application deadline for spring graduation
1-21	Regular registration	12-16	Final exams
2	Christmas Concert, 7 PM	17	Diaconate ordination, 11 AM
3	Pastoral Ministry Topics, 9 AM-Noon	22	Offices close for Christmas
8	Immaculate Conception, 10 AM Mass (no day classes)	26	Late registration begins

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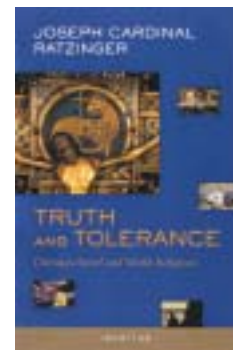
3	Offices open	16	Martin Luther King Day, no classes
5	New commuter student orientation, 10 AM and 6 PM	18	Junior High Day
9	Classes begin for winter term	21	Catechist Topics, 9 AM-1 PM MAPS 2003 Formation Day, 9 AM-1 PM
9-12	IFM Welcoming Socials, 5-7 PM		Undergrad Formation Day, 9 AM-Noon
12-15	Discernment Weekend	28	Pastoral Ministry Topics, 9 AM-Noon
13	Late registration ends	30	Winter graduation

Latest Library Additions

New Pope Discusses World Religions

Dr. Herman Peterson

Many people do not realize that our new Pope Benedict XVI has been a prolific author. He is responsible for more than three dozen books. Before becoming a bishop, he was a theologian, teacher and author. Now that he has been elected pope, his writings will undoubtedly gain in popularity and importance.



His most recently released book is *Truth and Tolerance: Christian Belief and World Religions*. Ignatius Press published it in 2004 under the Holy Father's former name of Joseph Cardinal

Ratzinger. The core of the book is the search for a balance between cooperation with other religions, while simultaneously maintaining the truth claims of Christianity. Faith, reason, freedom and truth are all examined. The book is insightful, nuanced and considerate, yet it is also incisive, bold and traditional.

Look through your own collection and see if you already own any of the new pope's books. You may be surprised. You can also visit the Szoka Library, of course, and view our collection of books by Pope Benedict XVI.



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