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The importance of parents

VATICAN CITY (CNS) - Parents must not exclude themselves from their children's lives and, despite what some "experts" may say, they must take an active role in their children's education, said Pope Francis during his general audience in St. Peter's Square May 20.

"It's time for fathers and mothers to come out of their exile - because they have ex-

iled themselves from their children's education -- and to fully assume again their educational role," he said.

Continuing a series of talks about the family, the pope said its "essential characteristic" is its "natural vocation to educate children so that they grow in responsibility for themselves and for others."

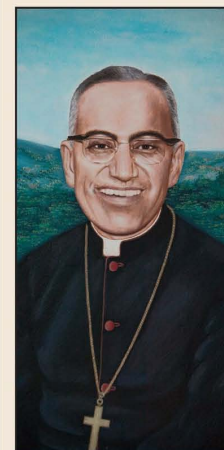
But, faced with numerous experts who tell them how their children should be raised, many parents have withdrawn their involvement in their children's education, and this is "very grave," he said.

"Critical' intellectuals of all types have silenced parents in a thousand ways to defend the younger generation from

the damages - real or imagined - of education in the family," he said. "The family has been accused, among other things, of authoritarianism, favoritism, conformism and affective repression that generates conflict." The result is a "divide between families and society, between families and schools," he said.

BLESSED ARCHBISHOP

Archbishop Romero is beatified



CNS PHOTO/OCTAVIO DURAN

A mural of Salvadoran Archbishop Oscar Romero is seen on the outside wall of his former apartment. Archbishop Romero, who was beatified in San Salvador May 23, was shot by unidentified gunmen as he celebrated Mass March 24, 1980. Archbishop Romero's preferential love for the poor "was not ideological, but evangelical," said Cardinal Angelo Amato, the prefect of the Congregation for Saints' Causes, who was delegated by Pope Francis to preside over Archbishop Romero's beatification.

Jubilarians are honored this week

Eleven priests celebrating special anniversaries were honored during the Presbyteral Assembly May 19.

The jubilarians are:

60 Years - Msgr. Joseph G. Aubin, Father John L. Downs, Father Gilbert B. Menard and Msgr. Peter R. Riani

50 Years - Fathers L. William Gordon, Clyde A. Lewis, J. Roger McGuinness, and Patrick J. O'Reilly

40 Years - Father Lawrence E. Marullo

25 Years - Fathers John J. Cosmic and Thomas E. Kornmeyer

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Knight support in Ticonderoga

Donations from Knights of Columbus towards rebuilding of St. Mary's School tops \$30,000

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A CELEBRATION OF JUBILARIANS



PHOTO BY FR. SHANE LYNCH

Bishop LaValley presided at a jubilee Mass for the priests celebrating significant ordination anniversaries during 2015 at the annual Presbyteral Assembly May 19 in Lake Placid. From left are Father J. Roger McGuinness, 50 years; Father L. William Gordon, 50 years, Msgr. Peter R. Riani, 60 years; Father Thomas E. Kornmeyer, 25 years, Bishop LaValley, Father Clyde A. Lewis, 50 years; Father Gilbert B. Menard, 60 years; Father John L. Downs, 60 years and Msgr. Joseph G. Aubin, 60 years.

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EDITOR'S NOTE

Of fathers and Fathers

It wasn't easy for me to type the date on top of each of the pages of this week's NCC.

May 27, the day my dad was born 88 years ago, has always been a day of great celebration in our family.

The festivities invariably expanded – a little early or a couple days late – to fill the entire Memorial Day weekend.

Every year, as many of his children and grandchildren as possible traveled home for birthday cake and barbecues.

A couple even matched his bravery with a dip in the St. Lawrence. (Until the last year or two of his life, Dad always achieved his personal goal of swimming in his river before

turning the page on a new year. His daughter was perfectly content to wait till June... or July!)



Mary Lou
Kilian

This year, the family gathered in Ogdensburg for a weekend in May for a different kind of celebration.

As North Country families know too well, loved ones who die during the winter months cannot be buried until warmer temperatures soften the ground. Like so many others, our dad's committal service took

place several months after his funeral.

As difficult as this was, it seemed right for us to come together one more time in May to say goodbye.

Loved ones kept away from

the funeral by treacherous February weather could join us in praying, reminiscing and, of course, more than a little bit of eating.

His grandson, Jonathan, was the first among the courageous to pay tribute by swimming.

And, once again, we were reminded of the comfort we can find in our faith and through the rituals of the Catholic Church as our family makes this sorrowful journey together.

What a blessing it was to be surrounded by children, siblings, aunts, uncles and cousins – and even a well-behaved grandson! – in the pews of the cathedral for in Mass in memory of our dad and mom.

And what a blessing it was to pray at their graveside, with full confidence that we have two new saints interceding for

all the family they left behind.

My fatherly musings took on a decidedly brighter note with thoughts of all the Fathers we are celebrating this week for their special anniversaries.

The biographies printed throughout the pages of the paper this week barely scratch the surface of what these priests have meant to the people of the Diocese of Ogdensburg.

The list of parishes or Catholic schools to which they were assigned could never include the names of the thousands of people – including you and me – brought closer to God through their 25, 40, 50 or 60 years of ministry.

We can only say thank you, Fathers and thank you, God, for the blessing which your lives have been for us all.

A PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

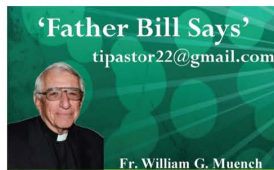
Reflecting, with gratitude, on life as a priest

My anniversary of my ordination as a priest is during this month of May. Actually, I know that many priests were ordained during the month of May. The seminary schedule each year ends classes in the spring so, for most dioceses, this means ordination follows in May or June.

I do remember most of the details of the day of my ordination at St. Mary's Cathedral in Ogdensburg. I suspect that most of you remember the events of your wedding day. I also remember the various emotions that hit me that day – even after all of these years.

I – like many other priests – prepared for ordination day with a week of retreat. Over my years in the seminary, I had read a great deal about the priesthood of Jesus Christ. I had heard many priests talk about their lives as a priest and I had meditated often on the Gospels and discovered Jesus' message to his apostles.

That final retreat became a time to consider a life time of dedication as a Catholic priest. The ordination ceremony



was a celebration for me, for all of my classmates that day and for the Church. That celebration would continue with my First Mass that I celebrated at my own home parish, Holy Cross Church in DeWitt.

There were so many details that occupied me and there were so many people, family and friends, who occupied my attention.

So, there I was – facing a lifetime decision with all sorts of other things going on.

Sometimes I am asked if I ever thought on that day of my ordination that I should decide not to go on, to raise my hand and say this is not for me, I am out of here.

Thinking back all these years I don't think I thought of anything other than "I was ready." I

truly longed to be a priest and couldn't wait for the moment when the Bishop's hands touched my head.

Now I must admit that there were certainly times over the years that I thought I had had enough, that I wasn't doing very well and I really should not continue in this ministry. However, the Lord was good to me and the Holy Spirit continued to enliven my life and priesthood with new strength, with peaceful help and with confidence that this is where God wanted me to be.

So, I look back with gratitude. The Lord has blessed my life with unique opportunities to use the gifts that are mine. I know only too well, that it was the Lord's action in my life. I have had the privilege of offering the Holy Mass many times. I am constantly reminded by the Lord of the sacredness of the Holy Eucharist; there is something very sacred at those moments when I am at the altar. I have come to recognize Jesus' great love in giving us, his people, this Blessed Eucharist. I understand his desire

to be present in our lives in such a wonderful way with his people. And, I have seen his love for me, allowing me to celebrate this Eucharist often and to minister to his people in so many wonderful ways.

So, another anniversary, another time to realize that another year has gone by in my journey as a priest. I suppose that I really could tell you of all my assignments over the years. I can remember so many of the people I was privileged to work with, to help, to know. I remember all those many families I was allowed to be part of and from whom I learned so much about life.

So, as I get older, my gratitude grows and I must admit, my hopes do also. I have hopes that there will be a few more opportunities left for me to help and to accomplish something to make my life better and my world a better place.

I thank Jesus for the gift of these opportunities to bring his message and love to his people. Thank you, Lord, for guiding me and guarding me and leading me.

Knights of Columbus donate nearly \$32,000 to rebuild school

St. Mary's in Ticonderoga gets a boost

By Fred Herbst
Contributing Writer

TICONDEROGA - When St. Mary's School re-opens this fall, it will be with the help of the Knights of Columbus.

The Catholic benevolent fraternal society has raised nearly \$32,000 for the Ticonderoga school.

"On behalf of the Ticonderoga council and St. Mary's School, we thank all of you for bringing everything together on the state and supreme level of the order to help our school," said Mike Edson, Grand Knight of Ticonderoga's Knights of St. Isaac Jogues Council 333. "The efforts of everyone involved are proof that, with faith, anything can be achieved.

"I am proud to be not only a Knight, but the Grand Knight of our council this year," he said.

When a devastating and suspicious fire totally destroyed St. Mary's School last September, the Knights of St. Isaac Jogues Council 333, their brother Knights throughout the Diocese of Ogdensburg and the New York State Council sprang into action.

Efforts were coordinated among Council 333's Chaplain Father Kevin McEwan, Grand Knight Edson, Financial Secretary Richard Liddell, District Deputy William McIntyre and New York State Secretary Dr. Charles Robinson, who is a commissioned lay minister in the Diocese. Ticonderoga council Lecturer Frank McCabe and Treasurer Les Bilow also played key roles.

The fire occurred on a Friday. One week later, at the 4:30 Saturday Mass at St. Mary's, the Knights State Secretary and the District Deputy presented Father McEwan and Principal St. Joseph Sister Sharon Dalton with a \$2,500 check from the State Council on behalf of State Deputy Carmine



PHOTO SUPPLIED

The Knights of Columbus from across New York State and on the Supreme level have donated nearly \$32,000 to St. Mary's School in Ticonderoga, which was destroyed by fire last fall. From left are District Deputy Bill McIntyre, Ticonderoga Council Treasurer Les Bilow, Ticonderoga Council Financial Secretary Richard Liddell, St. Mary's Church Pastor Father Kevin McEwan, Ticonderoga Council Lecturer Frank McCabe and Ticonderoga Council Grand Knight Mike Edson. The re-built school is scheduled to re-open this fall.

Musumeci and the 90,000 Knights in New York State for the immediate needs of the school.

At that time, Father McEwan said that the funds "were already spent" as the supplies that the teachers bought to get the school running cost over \$2,000.

The school was to restart the next day in temporary quarters in the newly-partitioned church basement and in the nearby First United Methodist Church.

The New York State Council has long been an ardent supporter of the Catholic schools in New York State and has for many years matched monetary donations from local councils to Catholic schools in their vicinity.

As such, it promised to donate an additional \$2,500 if that amount could be matched by councils and assemblies within the diocese. Ticonderoga Council 333 was charged with coordinat-

ing that effort.

Council 333 had a drawing at its November dinner following its Memorial Mass. It gave out \$5,000 worth of prizes, with \$5,000 more going to St. Mary's. They sold 200 \$50 tickets, letting only Council 333 Knights and their wives buy tickets. Hon. Dominick Viscardi, a Brother Knight of Council 333, won the \$2,500 top prize and then donated that amount back to the fund for St. Mary's. Thus 333 itself raised \$7,500.

Within five months, other councils in the diocese, in New York State — as far away as Staten Island and as close as neighboring Port Henry — and in Winooski, Vt., donated nearly \$8,800 and the state council put in its \$2,500

match.

Donating were councils from Adams, Morrisville, Plattsburgh (Council 6067 and Council 7215), Peru, Saranac Lake, Indian Lake, Brasher Falls, Port Henry, Bloomingdale, Champlain, Tupper Lake, Waddington, Massena, Keeseville, Canton, Old Forge, Malone, Lake George, Chateaugay, Pots-

dam, Staten Island, Norfolk and Winooski, Vt.

The State Secretary, through the State Deputy and New York-based Supreme Director Art Harris, inquired if the Supreme Council would be willing to help with recovery efforts, and Supreme in mid-March donated \$10,000 to the school.

The State Secretary and the District Deputy again travelled over to St. Mary's to present that check to the pastor and the principal.

All in all, thanks to the generosity of the Knights, more than \$31,000 was raised in this five-month time frame.

The Knights of Columbus is a worldwide society of 1.8 million men dedicated to the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. By their action, their focus is on enhancing their parishes, families, communities and youth.

The Knights provide substantial relief and manpower after natural disasters, such as tropical storm Sandy in New York and New Jersey and Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines.

The St. Isaac Jogues Council 333 has 259 members and a long history. The Ticonderoga Council of the Knights of Columbus was formed on April 24, 1898, with 42 members.

Congratulations



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CONGRATULATIONS, JUBILARIANS

Priests are honored for 60, 50, 40 and 25 years of service

Four priests celebrating 60 years of priesthood

Four priests of the Diocese of Ogdensburg are celebrating 60 years of priesthood this year.

Msgr. Joseph G. Aubin, Father John L. Downs, Father Gilbert B. Menard and Msgr. Peter R. Riani were all ordained May 21, 1955 by Bishop Walter P. Kellenburg.

Msgr. Aubin

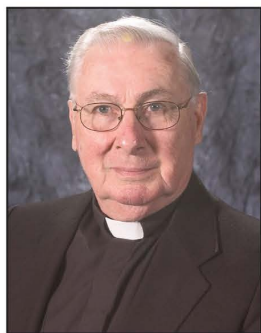
Msgr. Aubin retired as pastor emeritus of the Catholic Community of Keeseville in 2000 and lives at St. Peter's in Plattsburgh.

A Rochester native, he was born Aug. 5, 1928. He studied for the priesthood at St. Andrew's in Rochester, Wadhams Hall in Ogdensburg and St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland, before his ordination.

Msgr. Aubin served as assistant pastor in Tupper Lake and at Our Lady of Victory in Plattsburgh before being named director of the Catholic Charities office in Plattsburgh in 1958.

In 1971, Bishop Stanislaus J. Brzana appointed him as regional director of religious education in Plattsburgh.

Msgr. Aubin has served as pastor of parishes in Sciota, Our Lady of Victory and, from 1989 to 2000, in Keeseville. During that time, he was dean of Clinton Deanery.



Msgr. Aubin

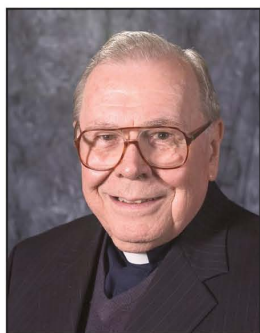
The priest was named a Prelate of Honor with the title monsignor in 1989.

Father Downs

Father Downs, who retired in 2004, remains active in the diocese serving as chaplain at Our Lady of the Adirondacks House of Prayer and assisting at parishes near his home in Raymondville nearly every weekend.

Born June 17, 1929 in Plattsburgh, Father Downs studied for the priesthood at Wadhams Hall and St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg.

After his ordination as a priest, Father Downs served as assistant pastor at Sacred Heart in Massena and in AuS-



Father Downs

able Forks. In 1968, he was named pastor in Redwood and a diocesan consultant.

From 1969 to 1980, Father Downs served the diocese as Director of Radio and Television.

Father Downs was assigned as pastor in Adams in 1973 and in West Chazy in 1978. He took a leave of absence from 1987 to 1990 to work in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, West Virginia.

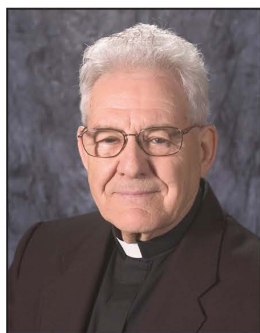
Upon his return to the diocese, he served as pastor of St. Joseph's in Massena until his retirement.

Father Menard

Father Menard spent many years during the first half of his priesthood as a professor at Wadhams Hall and many years before his 1999 retirement as pastor in Ellenburg.

A native of Mooers, he was born Oct. 24, 1928. He studied for the priesthood at Wadhams Hall and St. Bernard's Seminary in Rochester before he was ordained by Bishop Kellenburg.

His first assignments were as assistant pastor in Lake Placid, then Potsdam, then Mooers Forks.



Father Menard

Father Menard was assigned to the faculty of St. Mary's Academy in Champlain in 1959 and then professor at Wadhams Hall in 1965.

While remaining on the faculty of Wadhams Hall, teaching Latin and French, he was named pastor in Hammond and Rossie in 1971.

In 1978, he moved to Clinton County to serve as pastor in Morrisonville until 1983 when he was named pastor in Ellenburg and Churubusco until his retirement.

Msgr. Riani

Msgr. Riani's life as a priest of the Diocese of Ogdensburg was highlighted by his service at Wadhams Hall Seminary-College including eight years as its rector-president.

Msgr. Riani was assigned as an instructor at Wadhams Hall in 1960 after his early appointments as assistant pastor in Black River and then in Saranac Lake.

At the seminary, he was a theology professor, dean of students, director of student activities, academic dean and vice-president before beginning his tenure as president



Msgr. Riani

from 1974 to 1982.

In 1976, he was named a Prelate of Honor with the title monsignor.

Msgr. Riani was born in Keeseville Aug. 16, 1929, and studied at Wadhams Hall and St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore before his 1955 ordination. He continued studies after ordination, receiving a doctorate in theology at the Pontifical Angelicum University in Rome, Italy in 1960.

From 1982 to 1985, he was pastor in Lake Placid and then returned as a faculty member at Wadhams Hall while serving as pastor in Heuvelton.

In 1993, Msgr. Riani was named pastor in Peru until 1999 when he became in pastor in Elizabethtown and Westport, a position he held until his 2012 retirement.

He currently resides at St. Alexander's in Morrisonville.

Msgr. Riani also served the diocese as an associate editor of the *North Country Catholic*, an instructor in the permanent deacon program, a member of the Formation for Ministries board, dean of Essex Deanery and as director of seminarians for the Diocese of Ogdensburg.

*Our Lady of the Adirondacks House of Prayer wishes
Father Jack Downs a Happy 60th Anniversary.
We thank you Father Jack for being our
Spiritual Director and also for the many workshops and
trainings you have provided.
Finally we thank you for the first Saturday Masses.*



Honored for 50 years of priesthood

Fathers L. William Gordon, Clyde A. Lewis, J. Roger McGuinness and Patrick J. O'Reilly are celebrating golden jubilees this year, 50 years after their ordinations in Ogdensburg, Italy, Ogdensburg and Ireland respectively.

Profiles of the four priests follow:

Father Gordon

Father Gordon spent many years of his priesthood as an educator in Catholic schools beginning with his first assignment as teacher at Immaculate Heart Central School in Watertown. He later served as a vice-principal at Holy Family School in Massena and principal of IHC from 1970 to 1977.

A native of Plattsburgh, Father Gordon was born July 26, 1939. He studied for the priesthood at Wadhams Hall Seminary and St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore before he was ordained at St. Mary's Cathedral in Ogdensburg by Bishop Thomas A. Donnellan May 22, 1965.

Father Gordon has served as assistant pastor in Lowville, St. Patrick's in Watertown, Brownville and Sacred Heart in Massena.

In 1977, he was named pastor in AuSable Forks until 1983 when he became pastor in Morrisonville.

Father Gordon returned to St. Patrick's in Watertown in 1988 as pastor and later served as parochial vicar in Peru, and pastor in Port Henry, Westport, Champlain and Chazy.

He retired in 2010 and now makes his home at St. Alexander's in Morrisonville.

Father Lewis

Father Lewis was born April 29, 1939, in Boston, and grew up in Plattsburgh. He studied for the priesthood at Wadhams Hall in Ogdensburg, Christ the King Seminary in Olean, NY, and the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome.

He was ordained Dec. 16, 1964 at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

Father Lewis' first assignment was as assistant pastor in Saranac Lake. He was also an assistant pastor in Gouverneur and at St. Mary's Cathedral in Ogdensburg.

He became pastor of St. Augustine's in Peru in 1979 and then Holy Family in Watertown from 1993 to 2002. At that time, he was assigned to serve as pastor in Rouses Point, a position he continues to hold. In addition, he has been pastor of St. Mary's in Champlain since 2013. Previously he was pastor in Coopersville from 2003 to 2013.

The priest also served the diocese as associate director of the youth department from 1966 to 1970 and associate director of religious education and regional director for St. Lawrence Deanery from 1969 to 1972.

From 1972 to 1979, Father Lewis served as diocesan director of religious education. He also served as president of the New York State Council of Diocesan Directors of Religious Education and as a member of the board of directors of the National Conference of Diocesan Directors.

In addition, the priest has served the diocese as a pro-synodal Judge of the Marriage Tribunal, as a member of the Priests' Personnel Board and as chair of the Art and Architecture Committee of the diocesan Department of Worship.

Fr. McGuinness

Father McGuinness spent 16 years of his priesthood - from 1973 to 1989 - as a faculty member of Wadhams Hall Seminary-College in Ogdensburg.

During his time at the seminary, he served as academic dean, director of the Community Service Program, psychology teacher and spiritual director.

A native of New York City, Father McGuinness was born July 11, 1939. He studied for the priesthood at Wadhams Hall and Christ the King Seminary in Olean before his

ordination May 22, 1965 at St. Mary's Cathedral by Bishop Donnellan.

Father McGuinness later received a master's degree in counseling from SUNY Plattsburgh, a master of divinity degree from Christ the King Seminary and a master's degree in Christian Spirituality from Creighton University in Omaha, Neb.

During his early years as a priest, Father McGuinness served as an assistant pastor at St. Mary's in Potsdam, in Lake Placid, at St. John's in Plattsburgh and at St. Patrick's in Watertown. While in Watertown, he also served as Newman chaplain at Jefferson Community College.

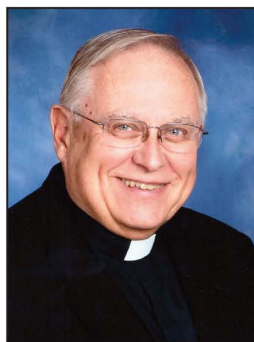
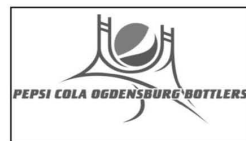
In 1973, Father McGuinness was named pastor in Raymondville. One year later he was appointed to the faculty at Wadhams Hall.

After leaving his position on the seminary faculty, Father McGuinness served as administrator in Keeseville and then pastor of Our Lady of Victory in Plattsburgh from 1990 to 1995 when he was named pastor of St. John XXIII College Community Parish.

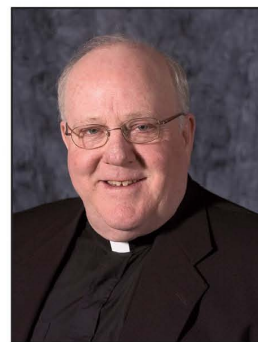
In 2004, Father McGuinness was named pastor at St. John's in Plattsburgh, a position he held until being appointed pastor in West Chazy in 2006.

In 2013, he was given additional responsibilities as pastor in Chazy, positions he continues to hold.

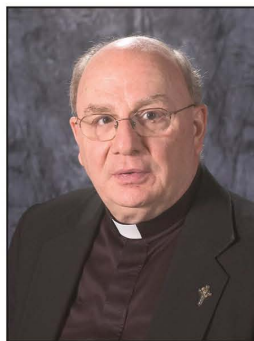
Through the years, Father McGuinness has served the diocese as vocation director, director of campus ministry and chair of the Committee for the Continuing Education of Clergy. He has been a teacher in the deacon formation program, Formation for Ministry program and has been active as a retreat leader throughout his priesthood.



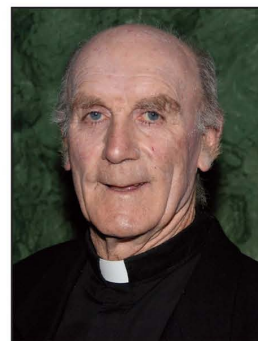
Fr. Gordon



Fr. Lewis



Fr. McGuinness



Fr. O'Reilly

Father O'Reilly

Father O'Reilly was born near Dublin, Ireland, Nov. 17, 1937, and returned to his native country after his 2014 retirement as a priest of the Diocese of Ogdensburg.

Father O'Reilly was ordained June 6, 1965 in Ireland and came to the diocese in 1973. He was incardinated in 1977 and served the people of the North Country for 41 years.

Father O'Reilly was assistant pastor (now called parochial vicar) at St. John's

Plattsburgh; St. John's, Madrid; and St. Mary's, Ticonderoga, Our Lady of Victory, Plattsburgh; St. Joseph's Malone, in Peru, Champlain, LaFargeville, Holy Family, Watertown; in Lake Placid, Keeseville in St. John's Plattsburgh.

Father O'Reilly was a chaplain at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Watertown and served as chaplain at the Uihlein Mercy Care Center in Lake Placid from 1994 until he returned to Ireland this past November

SACRED HEART PARISH OF CHAZY CONGRATULATES

*Father L. William Gordon
and
Father J. Roger McGuinness*

On the 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

*Thank you for your many years of service
to our Parish and to the Diocese*



Congratulations



Fr. Lewis
On celebrating your
50th Anniversary

Congratulations



Fr. McGuinness

On celebrating your
50th Anniversary



Rev. Gilbert B. Menard

May God and His Mother bless you for
your many years of faithful service!

Father Ted, Deacon John,
and the people of St. Edmund's

Bishop's Schedule

May 30 – 8:30 a.m., Forming Intentional Disciples Conference at SUNY Potsdam.

4 p.m., Mass followed by Knights of Columbus Bishop's Burse Dinner at St. Edmund's Church in Ellenburg.

May 31 – 10 a.m., Confirmation at St. Ann's Church in Mooers Forks.

3 p.m., Confirmation at St. Mary's Church in Ticonderoga.

June 1 – 7:15 p.m., Novena and Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral

June 2 – 9:30 a.m., Diocesan Department Heads Meeting at Wadhams Hall in Ogdensburg

June 3 – Noon, Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral.

Rest in Peace

This week marks the anniversary of the deaths of the following clergymen who have served in the Diocese of Ogdensburg

May 27 – Rev. J. Rosario Jalbert, O.M.I., 1938; Msgr. Wilfred Allen Nugent, 1991; Rev. Andrew R. Mulvaney, 2013

May 29 – Rev. Arthur C. Kenny, 1945; Rev. Hervé Racette, O.M.I., 1948

May 30 – Rev. J. Heliodore Valois, 1952

May 31 – Rev. John J. Dean, 1930; Rev. Eugene T. Desnoyers, 1993

June 1 – Rev. Tobias M. Glenn, 1907; Rev. Charles B. Cotter, 2001

June 2 – Rev. Antoine Buch, O.F.M., 1927; Msgr. John L. Plunkett, 1950; Deacon Richard T. Larche, 1989

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Correction

There was an error in spelling the name of one of the members of the committee working on the diocesan goal to "provide family catechesis for the seven sacraments in every parish." The member from Brownville/Dexter is **Tina Corey**

Environmental Stewardship

Litany in honor of St. Isidore, the Farmer

St. Isidore, patron of farmers, pray for us.

St. Isidore, illustrious tiller of the soil, pray for us.

St. Isidore, model of laborers, pray for us.

St. Isidore, devoted to duty, pray for us.

St. Isidore, support of family life, pray for us.

St. Isidore, burning with lively faith, pray for us.

St. Isidore, ardent lover of the Blessed Sacrament, pray for us.

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That You would protect all tillers of the soil. . . we beseech You, hear us.

That You would bring to all a true knowledge of the stewardship of the land . . . we beseech You,

That You would preserve and increase our fields and flocks . . . we beseech You

From hail and floods . . . deliver us, O Lord.

From pestilence and drought . . . deliver us, O Lord.

From the spirit of selfishness . . . deliver us, O Lord. Let us pray: Grant, O Lord, that through the intercession of St. Isidore and his wife, St. Maria, we may follow their example of patience and humility, and so walk faithfully in their footsteps. That in the evening of life we may be able to present to You an abundant harvest of merit and good works, Who lives and reigns world without end. AMEN

**Adapted from Novena in honor of St. Isidore: Patron of Farmers available at www.catholicrallife.org*



Father Larry Marullo's 40th anniversary of ordination was celebrated at Mass in St. Mary's in Constableville, May 5 with the Knights of Columbus. Shown, first row are Deacon James Chaufy, Bill Manning, Father Marullo and John Hastwell, back, Bill Marmon, Robert Kraeger, David Ward, Royal Kraeger and Larry Beltowski.

Fr. Marullo honored for his 40th anniversary as a priest

CONSTABLEVILLE – The parishioners of St. Mary's Parish honored their pastor, Father Lawrence Marullo for his 40th year of ordination at a Mass and social May 5.

Father Marullo was born in Auburn, New York Jan. 11, 1949 to Arnold and Hulda Marullo and has one sibling, a brother, Robert and his wife Sue who reside in Auburn.

While in school he started thinking a little about the priesthood, but he said an uncle had some influence on his decision.

Father Marullo began studying for the priesthood for the Diocese of Rochester in Becket Hall, attending St. John Fisher College, Rochester. He graduated with a B.A. degree and then entered St. Bernard's Seminary in Rochester.

Father Larry (as he is known to many) transferred

to the Diocese of Ogdensburg in the spring of 1973 and was ordained for the Diocese by Bishop Stanislaus J. Brzana on May 3, 1975 at St. Mary's Cathedral in Ogdensburg.

In his 40 years, he was first appointed parochial vicar (assistant pastor) in St. Mary's, Massena (1975-1978); St. Joseph's, Malone (1978-1981); St. Patrick's, Watertown (1981-1984); administrator of Sacred Heart Church, Chazy (1984-1985); pastor in Star Lake and Newton Falls (1985-1988); Holy Name & St. Matthew Churches, Ausable Forks (1988-1992); St. Bartholomew's and St. Anthony's Churches, Old Forge (1992-2002).

Then in 2002 the churches in Constableville (St. Mary's) and West Leyden (St. Mary's Nativity) were lucky to have

him transferred after the retirement of Franciscan Father Paschal Rys.

In 2011, Father Marullo had two more parishes added to his caretaking, St. Martin's, Port Leyden and St. John's, Lyons Falls.

He now has the four churches along with five cemeteries under his supervision which makes him a busy man. The cemeteries are St. Mary's, St. Patrick's, St. Michaels, Sts. Peter and Paul and Calvary.

With the four churches he still retains his main residence at the Constableville rectory. Father Larry participates in the activities and fundraisers of all four churches and monitors the church organizations as well as all his other required duties. He is happy to visit the sick, at home or in hospital if at all possible.

Fr. Patrick O'Reilly

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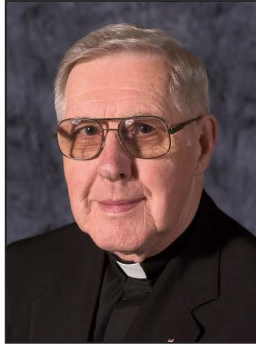
Two silver jubilarians are honored in 2015

Father John J. Cosmic and Father Thomas E. Kornmeyer, ordained May 26, 1990 by Bishop Stanislaus J. Brzana, are celebrating 25 years of priesthood this year.

Father Cosmic is retired and living at the Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse. A native of Deferiet, he was born April 15, 1923.

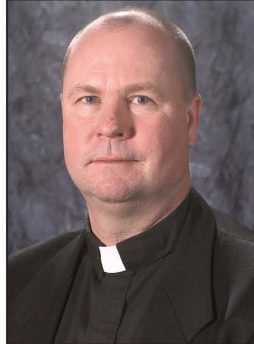
He earned a bachelor's degree from LeMoyné College in Syracuse in 1955 and worked for IBM for 28 years. In 1983, he was ordained a permanent deacon for the Diocese of Rochester and then began studies for the priesthood at Holy Apostles Seminary in Cromwell, Connecticut.

After his ordination, Father



Fr. Cosmic

Cosmic served as parochial vicar at St. Mary's Cathedral in Ogdensburg and chaplain at the Ogdensburg Correc-



Fr. Kornmeyer

tional Facility.

He also served as pastor in Port Leyden and Chaumont.

In 1995, he retired and was named pastor emeritus in

Chaumont.

Later, Father Cosmic served as administrator in Harrisville and Natural Bridge from 2000 to 2002 when he became administrator of Black River and Deferiet.

He retired again in 2003 but was named special parochial vicar of Carthage and Copenhagen in 2005 before moving to the motherhouse.

Father Kornmeyer

Father Kornmeyer will begin duties as pastor of The Catholic Community of Constable, Westville and Trout River as well as pastor of St. Mary's of the Fort Church in Fort Covington and St. Joseph's Church in Bombay and canonical pastor of The Catholic Community of Burke and Chateaugay on July 1.

He has served as pastor of St. Mary's Church in Evans Mills with missions at St.

Joseph's in Philadelphia and St. Theresa of Avila in Theresa since 2012.

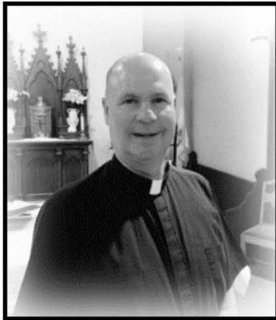
Born April 2, 1958 in Constableville, he was raised in Boonville. He graduated from Wadhams Hall in 1980, entered the U.S. Army and served for four years before returning to seminary studies at St. John's Seminary in Boston.

After ordination as a priest, Father Kornmeyer served as parochial vicar in Saranac Lake, Sacred Heart in Massena and Notre Dame in Malone.

In 1999, he was named administrator in Long Lake and Newcomb and pastor in those communities one year later.

Father Kornmeyer served as pastor at Saranac Lake, Lake Clear and Bloomingdale with missions in Gabriels and Paul Smiths before coming to Evans Mills, Philadelphia and Theresa.

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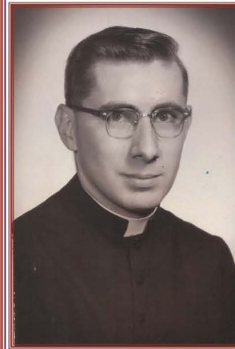
Father Jack Downs

on his

60th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood.

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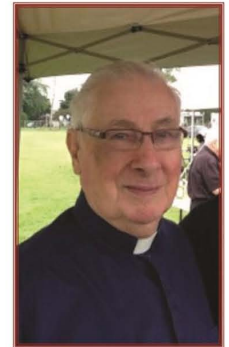
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Nepal authorities try to block Missionaries of Charity delivering aid

By Anto Akkara
Catholic News Service

KATHMANDU, NEPAL (CNS) -- Members of the Missionaries of Charity had to spend more than two hours waiting at police headquarters for clearance before they could deliver food, blankets and other promised relief to earthquake victims in a remote mountainous area of Nepal.

The group of six sisters, eight brothers and about six volunteers had asked for police accompaniment on their May 16 mission because, on an earlier trip, they had been accosted by looters while carrying aid to people trapped in the mountains overlooking Kathmandu Valley.

But from the Missionaries of Charity center for destitute women at Mitra Park in Kathmandu, the police escorts diverted the vehicles carrying relief material to police offices in Lalitpur District, one of the three districts in the Kathmandu Valley.

The officers insisted that government permission was required for relief distribution.

After the intervention of Bishop Paul Simick of Nepal, Chief District Officer Yadav Prasad Koirala let the group get on their way but warned

that, in the future, the missionaries should leave relief distribution to the government.

The nuns told the officials that they had distributed aid to more than 200 families in the Khani Dhanda mountain area and, with Catholic youth, had trekked eight hours to identify other needy families who had not been reached by relief groups.

"This is the first time we are facing such a situation," Sister Marica told Catholic News Service as the convoy of five vehicles took to the dusty mountain path to Khani Dhanda.

Sister Armelle, the most senior of the Missionaries of Charity in the group, explained that they had purchased relief material from the market according to the requirements of the people after their preliminary visit.

Rice, tarps, woolen blankets and other materials were packed into kit bags for distribution.

"In some areas, they asked for utensils. In other places, they asked for more rice," Sister Armelle said.

When the convoy reached Khani Dhanda, the Missionaries of Charity brothers unloaded the 140 kit bags, while the sisters lined up those who had been given coupons on the earlier visit.

Elderly women carried the relief materials in cane bas-

kets on their heads.

Ram Bahadur Tamang, a student, told CNS that recipients were grateful for the help, noting that, "except for (Buddhist) monks who came with rice, nobody has bothered to come here in three weeks."

Brother Michael Tirkey, who traveled from India to join the Missionaries of Charity relief work in Nepal, said, "I don't think these people would have got anything if we had left the (relief) kits with the government."

The religious order's relief efforts should have been unhindered by the government, Bishop Simick told Catholic News Service May 19, noting that he hoped for "better understanding and coordination from government officials in the days to come."

The Catholic Church is a major provider of relief in remote areas of Nepal after thousands of people lost their lives and thousands more were injured in a magnitude-7.8 earthquake that hit the capital Kathmandu and its surrounding areas April 25.

The earthquake was followed by several aftershocks, including one that measured 7.3 May 12.

Francis Rebello, a logistics expert camping in Kathmandu to facilitate church charities' supplies from India, told CNS that the government's intention is probably "to ensure that the relief material reaches the needy and intended recipients."

Rebello said it had taken him two days to travel to the India-Nepal border to release more than 10 Caritas and Catholic Relief Services supply trucks from India that were held up at the checkpoints.



CNS PHOTO/GREGORY A. SHEMITZ

Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan of New York arrives for the 65th commencement at Jesuit-run Le Moyne College in Syracuse, N.Y., May 17. Cardinal Dolan delivered the ceremony's commencement address and received an honorary degree.

For graduates of Catholic colleges

WASHINGTON (CNS) - A best-selling suspense novelist, a four-time Grammy winner, a Chicago archbishop and a New York cardinal, and lawmakers and corporate leaders were among speakers at undergraduate commencement ceremonies this spring at the nation's Catholic universities and colleges.

And at least one family had three children in the class of 2015: the Marbach triplets, Melanie, Megan and John Jr., each graduating from a different university in a different state on a different date.

In Washington at The Catholic University of America's 126th annual commencement May 16, novelist Mary Higgins Clark told graduates to trust in God as their own life story unfolds. That day, she said, they would begin writing the prologue of "your own suspense novel, and it's called, 'The Rest of My Life.'"

Author of 42 books and a lifelong Catholic, Higgins Clark said the graduates -- whether they will be starting a new job, continuing their studies or pursuing a religious vocation -- will now be protagonists in their own life story.

Like the protagonist in her own novels, she urged each one to "be a person who combines faith, optimism, intelligence, generosity and a good sense of humor."

The ability to laugh at oneself and at fate "is a cure for both body and mind," she said, adding that she always tries to give protagonists a good friend, too.

"That buddy may be a parent, a sibling, a lifetime pal, but I want all of you to have that kind of person in your life," she said, adding that her protagonists often find a love interest, "the person who may share your life with you."

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CATHOLIC WORLD AT A GLANCE

U.S. will fall in love with Pope Francis when he visits, says speaker

BROOKLYN, N.Y. (CNS) -- America will fall in love with Pope Francis when he visits in September. That is the prediction of Austen Ivereigh, author of "The Great Reformer, Francis and the Making of a Radical Pope," who was the main speaker at the Brooklyn Diocese's May 13 celebration of World Communications Day. The daylong conference at the Brooklyn Marriott centered on the upcoming visit by the pontiff. Ivereigh received the diocese's St. Francis De Sales Distinguished Communicator Award. The conference was organized by the DeSales Media Group, the parent company of The Tablet and NET-TV, the diocese's newspaper and television station. "I think he's going to give an incredibly robust speech to Congress," said Ivereigh. "It's going to be absolutely fascinating. He's going to tell the politicians -- connect with ordinary people, serve the common good, serve the most vulnerable in society." To the U.N., he'll be talking about climate control and that will be very powerful. He will have different messages for the various audiences." After arriving in Washington Sept. 22, Pope Francis will be welcomed to the White House by President Barack Obama and first lady Michelle Obama Sept. 23. Pope Francis is scheduled to address a joint meeting of Congress Sept. 24, making him the first pope to do so. His U.S. trip includes a Sept. 25 address to the U.N. General Assembly. He will be in Philadelphia Sept. 26 and 27 for the World Meeting of Families.

Mother Teresa's canonization in 2016 only hypothetical, says Vatican

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Despite reports in the Italian press that Blessed Teresa of Kolkata's canonization has been set for Sept. 4, 2016, a Vatican spokesman says the date is only hypothetical and cannot be confirmed. Jesuit Father Federico Lombardi issued a statement May 19 in response to media reports that the founder of the Missionaries of Charity, who worked among the poorest of the poor, would be canonized before the end of the upcoming Holy Year of Mercy. "It is a working hypothesis, therefore there is no official confirmation to be given," said Father Lombardi. "The cause for Mother Teresa is still underway and it is therefore premature to speak of an already established date for the canonization." But Italian media have reported that Archbishop Rino Fisichella, president of the Pontifical Council for the New Evangelization, told Rome's municipal officials May 18 that Mother Teresa's canonization has been set for Sept. 4, 2016. Archbishop Fisichella's office is organizing the Holy Year of Mercy, which will begin Dec. 8, 2015. According to the Italian newspaper Corriere della Sera, the archbishop also told city officials that the relics of St. Padre Pio, a Capuchin priest who bore the stigmata of Jesus, will be brought to Rome from southern Italy for veneration by the faithful. The date for the translation of the relics has not yet been set. With large crowds expected for both events and throughout the Holy Year, Archbishop Fisichella reportedly asked on behalf of the Vatican that city officials guarantee all pilgrims health care during the Holy Year. The Italian newspaper also reported that the archbishop asked the municipality to clear out the street vendors around St. Peter's Square, who tend to gouge pilgrims with overpriced goods.

Church needs women's voices, input, experiences, Pope Francis tells religious

By Cindy Wooden
Catholic News Service

VATICAN CITY (CNS) - Women can be appointed heads of some offices of the Roman Curia, Pope Francis said, but that will not be enough to "recover the role" women should have in the Catholic Church.

"Women should be promoted," he said May 16 during an audience with an international group of men and women religious working in the Diocese of Rome. But assigning a certain number of women to leadership positions is "simply functionalism," he said.

What is important is to ensure that women have a voice and are listened to, he said, because the church needs their specific contributions.

"When we men are dealing with a problem, we arrive at a conclusion, but if we deal with the same problem along with women, the conclusion could be different. It could lead along the same path, but would be richer, stronger, more intuitive," he said. "Women in the church must have this role," because the church needs "the feminine genius."

During the pope's long meeting with the religious, he responded off the cuff to questions posed by two women and two men. But he also highlighted the stories and ministries of religious he has met during his two years as bishop of Rome and experiences he had previously as archbishop of Buenos Aires. Amigonian Father Gaetano Greco asked the pope how the diocese and religious orders of men could help religious women find good spiritual directors and confessors.

Pope Francis responded

that for both women and men religious finding a good spiritual director can be a problem either because a priest "does not understand what consecrated life is, or because he wants to involve himself in the charisma and give it his own interpretation."

What is important is to ensure that women have a voice and are listened to because the church needs their specific contributions

Looking for a good confessor also can be difficult, he said. When going to confession, a religious doesn't need "a nice chat between friends," but he or she also does not need "one of those rigid ones."

"In the other diocese I had," he said, referring to Buenos Aires, "I always asked the sisters who came to me asking advice, 'But tell me, in your community or congregation isn't there a wise sister, a sister who lives your charisma well, a good sister with experience? Ask her to be your spiritual director.'"

The pope said he once was told, "But she's a woman!"

Spiritual direction, the pope said, "is not a charisma exclusive to priests. It's a charisma of the laity."

The pope said he was reading a book on obedience by St. Silouan of Mount Athos, who was a carpenter. "He wasn't even a deacon, but he was a great spiritual director."

Pope Francis encouraged religious superiors - of both men and women - to identify members of their congregation who are good and wise and patient, and get them training in spiritual direc-

tion. "It's not easy," the pope said. "A spiritual director is one thing and a confessor is another."

"I go to a confessor, say what my sins are, feel condemned, then he forgives everything and I go forward."

"But with a spiritual director, I have to talk about what is in my heart. The examination of conscience isn't the same for confession and for spiritual direction," he said. "For confession, I have to look at where I was lacking, where I lost patience, if I was greedy - that kind of thing, those concrete things that are sinful."

"But in spiritual direction, I must examine what is happening in my heart, where the Spirit is moving, if I felt desolation or consolation, if I am tired, why I am sad: These are things to talk about with the man or woman who is my spiritual director," he said.

"When you find a consecrated man or woman who cannot discern what is happening in his or her heart, who cannot discern a decision, it's a failing of spiritual direction," the pope said. "This is something only a wise man or wise woman can do."

Iwona Langa, a consecrated virgin, asked the pope how married couples and consecrated people can help each other realize they both have a vocation to love and they can support one another in their fidelity to that love.

The key, the pope said, is to remember that love is concrete.

"Your love as a woman is a concrete, maternal love," he said. The 25th chapter of Matthew's Gospel outlines just how concrete Christian love is to be: among other things, it involves feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting prisoners.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS

Celebrating the mystery of the Trinity

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To know that God the

Holy Spirit is a Fire within us gives us courage and inspiration to act.

The first reading from Deuteronomy, speaks about the One God who led His people from sin and slavery to the land of Promise and eventually to the Kingdom. It shows us the Wonder and the Power of our God.

The second reading from St. Paul to the Romans about the Spirit of God who makes us children of God and joint-heirs with Christ of the Kingdom. With Christ, we share a common destiny.

MAY 31

Trinity Sunday READINGS

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40
Romans 8:14-17
Matthew 28:16-20

The Gospel describes the scene of Jesus just before His ascension as He gives us our commission—to make disciples of all nations, and to baptize them "in the name of the Father, and of

the Son, and of the Holy Spirit".

We would never have known that there are three Persons in one God unless Jesus had explicitly revealed this great Truth to us.

Think of the Sign of the Cross. Everything Christians do we do in praise of the Father, through God His Son, and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Let us always make this Sign slowly and reverently, aware that in this sign, we conquer evil, proclaim our faith, and give proper praise to the Holy Trinity.

FROM THE HOLY FATHER

Pope Francis urges reflection on 'final farewell'

By Laura Ieraci
Catholic News Service

VATICAN CITY (CNS) - Everyone would do well to reflect on their "final farewell" from earthly life and on whether they are prepared to entrust themselves and all they will leave behind to God, said Pope Francis.

During a morning Mass at the Domus Sanctae Marthae May 19, the pope reflected on the day's readings in which Jesus, after speaking

to his disciples of his imminent departure for the Father, prays "the hour has come" (Jn 17:1-11a), and in which St. Paul gathers with the elders of Ephesus before leaving for Jerusalem (Acts 20:17-27).

Every life involves many leave-takings, both great and small, the pope said, and some involve "many tears" and "much suffering."

Drawing on current events, the pope recalled the "poor Rohingya of Myanmar" -- an estimated 8,000 members of

the mostly Muslim ethnic group have been adrift at sea, refused asylum by several countries -- as well as the Christians and Yezidis who are being persecuted in Iraq.

"When leaving their homeland to escape persecution, they did not know what would happen to them," the pope said, speaking of the Rohingya people. After having been on a boat for months, "they arrive in a city where they are given water, food, and are told, 'Go away'. It is a leave-taking," the pope

said. "Incidentally, today there is great existential leave-taking," he continued. "Think of the departure of the Christians and of the Yezidis, who think they will never return to their land because they have been forced from their homes."

The pope then spoke of the "final leave-taking, which everyone will face, when the Lord calls us to the other side."

The great leave-takings in life, including the final farewell, "are not departures of the type 'see you soon,' 'later' or 'until we meet again,' when a person knows he or she will return," he said. "They are departures where we do not know when and how we will return." The theme of leave-taking is also present in art, he continued, recalling a song of the Italian Alpine corps about a captain saying farewell to his troops.

"Do I think of my final farewell, of the moment when I must say not 'see you soon,' 'later,' 'until we meet again,' but 'farewell,'" the pope asked.

The day's Scripture read-

ings speak of farewell, he said, and of Paul and Jesus entrusting their disciples to God's care.

"To entrust to the Father, to entrust to God: this is the origin of the word 'adieu,'" he said. "We say 'adieu' only in the great leave-takings in life, whether in life or the final one."

The pope encouraged meditation on Jesus and Paul's farewells in the day's readings and reflection on one's own eventual final farewell. "It will do us good," he added. "Who will be the person who will close my eyes? What am I leaving behind? What did I do?"

"It would do me well to imagine myself in that moment. When it will be, no one knows, but the moment will come when 'later,' 'see you soon,' 'see you tomorrow,' 'until we meet again' will become 'farewell,'" he said.

"Am I prepared to entrust my loved ones to God? To entrust myself to God?" he continued.

He concluded invoking the risen Christ to send the Holy Spirit, so that "we may learn" to say the final adieu "with full strength."



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AT THE MOVIES

PITCH PERFECT 2

By Joseph McAleer
Catholic News Service

The Bellas are back and singing their hearts out in "Pitch Perfect 2" (Universal), the ongoing trials and tribulations of a college a cappella group.

Elizabeth Banks, who reprises her role of snarky pageant official Gail, serves as director and co-producer of this sequel, which essentially follows the same template as the 2012 original. That means spirited musical numbers in the name of sisterhood (and landing a boyfriend), but also, regrettably, bawdy language, off-color humor, and sexual innuendo.

We return to the fictional Barden University, where members of the Bellas are now seniors and ready to graduate. Having won the national a cappella title, they are invited to perform in Washington, before President Barack Obama and first lady Michelle Obama (shown in a cameo).

The appearance takes a disastrous (and tasteless) turn when Fat Amy (Rebel Wilson) -- her preferred name to pre-empt insult -- has a wardrobe malfunction and exposes herself to the audience. A scandal erupts, and the Bellas are banned from future competition.

Much soul-searching ensues among the group's leaders, Becca (Anna Kendrick) and Chloe (Brittany Snow). They discover that the road to redemption lies overseas with the world championships, which no American team has ever won.

The competition is dominated by a German super-group called Das Sound Machine. They are the antithesis of the fresh-faced Bellas, menacing and clad in black leather. Their lead singer is a dominatrix aptly named Kommissar (Birgitte



CNS PHOTO/UNIVERSAL
Rebel Wilson and Adam DeVine star in a scene from the movie "Pitch Perfect 2."

Hjort Sorensen).

With countless references to World War II, the battle is on between the USA and Germany.

Along the way to the showdown in Denmark, the Bellas hone their craft and regain their harmony in sing-offs against male counterparts including a tuneful bunch of real-life Green Bay Packers (don't ask). They are also inspired by a new recruit, Emily (Hailee Steinfeld), daughter of a former Bella who writes her own songs.

"Pitch Perfect 2" works best when showcasing the catchy songs and not the dialogue, which is shockingly tone deaf. The attempts at humor by belittling women, foreigners and even religion is out of tune with what should be a wholesome anthem for self-improvement and achievement.



The film contains implied nonmarital relationships, adult themes and innuendo, occasional crude language, and an obscene gesture. The Catholic News Service classification is A-III -- adults. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is PG-13 -- parents strongly cautioned. Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.

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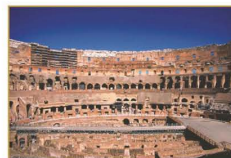
Why not join me and other pilgrims on a journey of a lifetime—a pilgrimage to Italy during the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy? A highlight of our travels will be four days in Rome where we will enter St. Peter's Basilica through the Holy Doors and also visit the other three major basilicas. We hope to have an audience with Pope Francis and tours of the Sistine Chapel, the Coliseum, the Vatican Museum, as well as visit many other spectacular places holding sacred and cultural treasures. Our pilgrimage will, also, see us at such awesome locations as Venice, Florence, Siena, Orvieto and Assisi.

A Holy Year offers unique opportunities for spiritual growth. This Holy Year Pilgrimage to Italy promises to be a time for prayer, an increase in faith, and a whole lot of enjoyment for all the pilgrims. The frosting on the cake: gaining the plenary indulgence associated with such a pilgrimage during a Holy Year.

I hope you'll join us for what promises to be an exciting and spiritually enriching time together.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Bishop LaValley
Bishop Terry R. LaValley



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CLINTON

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Plattsburgh – Eucharistic Adoration is held throughout the year every Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

Place: St. John's "Holy Family" Adoration Chapel, downstairs

Time: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Contact: call 518-561-5083 or email Johnsadoration@aol.com

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

Ellenburg Center – Our Lady of the Adirondacks House of Prayer to begin First Saturday Devotion.

Date: through Nov. 2015

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Features: Mass, rosary

Contact: RSVP for lunch to olaplayerhouse@gmail.com or 518-594-3253.

BLESSED SACRAMENT ADORATION

Keeseville – There is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Sunday.

Time: 1 p.m. to 4

Place: Immaculate Conception Church

HEALING MINISTRY

Morrisonville – The Catholic Community of St. Alexander's and St. Joseph's holds Living Waters Healing Ministry

Date: First Thursday each month

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: St. Alexander's Church

Features: Mass, Anointing of the Sick, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

FRANKLIN

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

St. Regis Falls – First Saturday Devotion and Holy Hour to be held the first Saturday of each month.

Time: immediately following the 4:30 p.m. anticipated Mass

Place: St. Ann's Church

Contact: 518-856-9656

GARAGE SALE

Malone – St. Andre's Parish is holding its GIANTIC Annual Garage Sale.

Date: June 3 - 15 (Closed Sundays)

Hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Place: Notre Dame Church parking lot
Features: Furniture, household goods, tools, baby items, toys, books, bedding,

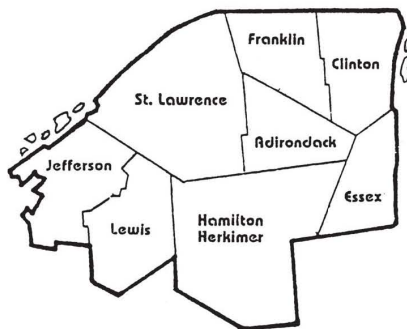
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HOLY HOUR

Philadelphia – A Holy Hour at St. Joseph's on the first Thursday of the month.

Date: June 4

Schedule: Liturgy of the Hours Vespers will be prayed during Eucharistic Adoration at 6 p.m.; Rosary at 6:30 p.m.



The North Country Catholic welcomes contributions to "Around the Diocese"

Parishioners are invited to send information about activities to:

North Country Catholic, PO Box 326,
Ogdensburg, NY 13669; fax, 1-866-314-7296;
e-mail news@northcountycatholic.org.

Items must be received in the NCC office by the Thursday before publication.

Features: Requests for prayers for special intentions, may be sent to Kristina Dean, Kristinadean1970@hotmail.com, or questions can be directed to her at 783-7335.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER

Watertown – The Altar Rosary Society will be having a spaghetti supper.

Date: May 28

Time: 4:30 p.m. to 7

Place: St. Anthony's Msgr. Sechi Hall
Cost: Adults, \$8; Children, \$4.50; under 3, Free; Sauce, \$5 per quart; Meatballs, \$.75 each

Features: Take-outs begin at 4 p.m., please bring your own containers.

PARISH DATA SYSTEM WORKSHOP

Watertown – Jefferson Deanery is sponsoring a two day workshop on Parish Data System (PDS).

Date: June 3 and 4

Place: Bruce Wright Conference Center

Features: This is a follow-up to the Diocesan wide census. Pastors and parish staff will benefit from learning more about the use of census fields, sacramental information and reports. A registration form can be downloaded from St. Patrick's Watertown web site, <http://www.stpatrickwatertownny.org/news-and-events/pds-training.html>.

Contact: Kathleen Mastellon at kbmastell@twcny.rr.com

CAR WASH

Watertown – The Watertown Special Religious Education will be having a car wash fundraiser.

Date: June 6

Time: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Place: St. Anthony's Church parking lot

Cost: Donation

Contact: Sr. Diane Marie at 782-0030/3460

HEALING MASS

Clayton – St. Mary's Church will have its Annual Healing Mass and Antoine Tetrault Memorial Service.

Date: June 13

Time: 11 a.m.

Features: Father Arthur LaBaff and Father Thomas Kornmeyer. During Mass the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is offered. Immediately following Mass are prayer teams to pray for individual needs. A social time, with refreshments, will take place in the Parish Center. The Tetrault family will be there to share stories about their grandfather Antoine.

Contact: call St. Mary's Parish Office at 315-686-3398 or visit the website at www.stmarysclayton.org

LIFERIGHT MEETING

Watertown – Liferight of Watertown meets the first Wednesday of the Month.

Time: 1 p.m.

NEW Place: 870 Arsenal Street.

Features: Liferight is as a pro-life educational organization. The office has a variety of videos, books and educational materials which may be borrowed.

Contact: Phone 315-788-8480

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

Watertown – Holy Hour for vocations to

be held.

Date: Mon.-Fri.

Time: 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Place: Holy Family Church

Contact: 315-782-2468

LEWIS

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

Houseville – Divine Mercy Devotions for the month of June will be held.

Date: June 7

Time: 3 p.m.

Place: St. Hedwig's Church

Features: Vespers (Evening Prayer), Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction. All are welcome.

Contact: 348-6260.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Lowville – Eucharistic Adoration to be held.

Dates: June 4 and 18

Time: 3:30 p.m. to 5

Place: St. Peter's Church

Feature: The Exposition, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, silent adoration, the Luminous Mysteries of the Holy Rosary, and the Benediction.

ST. LAWRENCE

SCHOOL PLAY

Canton – St. Mary's sixth grade to present "Doc, Doc, Goose".

Date: June 2

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 7:15

Place: School Gym

Features: Join Jack, Jill and other nursery rhyme favorites at Sr. Goose's clinic in this play by Patrick Rainville Dorn.

FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY

Massena – First Saturday Rosary Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima to be held.

Date: June 6

Time: 3:15 p.m.; confessions at 2:45 p.m. and Saturday Mass Vigil at 4 p.m.

K OF C BRUNCH

Norfolk – The Knights of Columbus Council will be sponsoring a brunch.

Date: June 14

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Place: Visitation Parish Center

Cost: Adults, \$7; under 12, \$4; Under 5, Free; Family, \$18; Take-outs available

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

Ogdensburg – St. Mary's is holding a monthly Holy Hour for Vocations.

Date: Thursday before the First Friday

Time: 7 p.m. concluding with Benediction at 8 p.m.

Place: Deacon Winter Chapel

LATIN MASS

Potsdam – A Tridentine (Latin) Mass is celebrated each Sunday

Time: 12:30 p.m.

Place: St. Mary's Church

Celebrant: Msgr. Robert H. Aucoin

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Massena – Sacred Heart/St. Lawrence holds a Bereavement Support Group last Tuesday of each month.

Time: 2 p.m.

Place: Sacred Heart Convent

Contact: 315-769-3137

DIOCESAN EVENTS

CATHOLIC HEART WORK CAMP

Ogdensburg – Catholic Heart Work Camp has announced that they are putting on a week of camp in Ogdensburg

Date: June 28 to July 4

Features: Groups of high school and college students and their chaperones from across the Northeast will be converging at Wadhams Hall to take part in 5 days of service, prayer, fellowship, and fun.

Contact: www.heartworkcamp.com

SUMMER DIRECTED RETREAT

Ogdensburg – The 2015 Summer Directed Retreat has been planned

Date: June 21-26, register by June 1

Place: Wadhams Hall

Cost: \$450 which includes retreat, lodging, food and linens

Directors: Rev. Roger McGuinness, Rev. Douglas Lucia, Sr. Bethany Fitzgerald, SSI, Sr. Mary Elizabeth Looby, GNSH, Sr. Marlene Butler, GNSH

FAMILY PILGRIMAGE

A diocesan family pilgrimage has been planned by the Diocesan Family Life Department, together with its offices of Pre-Cana, Natural Family Planning, and Respect Life

Date: July 18

Time: 11 a.m.

Place: St. Anne's Shrine, Isle LaMotte, Vermont.

Features: A brief introduction will familiarize pilgrims with the site, Following lunch and the outdoor Stations of the Cross, there will be time for families to walk the shrine grounds, swim, and connect with one another. The sacrament of Reconciliation will be available before Mass, which will be celebrated at 4 p.m. by Father Doug Lucia, Diocesan Vicar for Family Life.

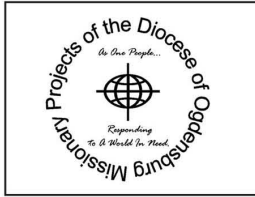
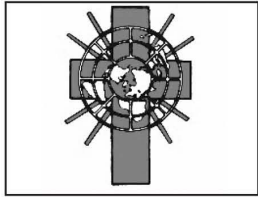
Contact: Steve Tartaglia at the Diocesan Family Life Office: startaglia@rcdony.org or at (315) 393-2920 Ext. 1420.



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Thank you for your faithful and unending support. God Bless!

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OBITUARIES

Brushton – Ellen O'Connor, 92; Funeral Services May 19, 2015 at St. Mary's Church; burial in parish cemetery.

Clayton – Patrick E. Moore, 71; Funeral Services May 18, 2015 at St. Mary's Church; burial in St. John's Cemetery, La-Fargeville.

Croghan – William J. Louis, 86; Funeral Services May 27, 2015 at St. Stephen's Church.

Malone – Joan V. (Dame) Lavoie, 81; Funeral Services May 22, 2015 at Notre Dame Church.

Massena – Matthew J. Dumas, 17; Funeral Services May 23, 2015 at the Church of the Sacred Heart; burial in Winthrop Cemetery.

Massena – D. Peter Firnstein, 72; Funeral Services May 16, 2015 at Sacred Heart Church; burial in Calvary Cemetery.

Massena – Richard H. Rombough, 83; Funeral Services May 22, 2015 at Church of the Sacred Heart; burial in Calvary Cemetery.

Morrisonville – Ricky A. Lyman Jr., 31; Funeral Services May 23, 2015 at St. Alexander's Church; burial in St. Alexander's Cemetery.

Morrisonville – Sophia Adeline Roth, infant; Funeral Services May 18, 2015 at St. Alexander's Church; burial in parish cemetery.

Norfolk – Margaret E. (Schwarczkopf) Breg, 92; Funeral Services May 21, 2015 at Church of the Visitation; burial in Visitation Cemetery.

Norwood – Stanley J. "Cork" Farmer, 72; Funeral Services at St. Andrew's Church.

Ogdensburg – Marion T. (Herman) Kellogg, 89; Funeral May 18, 2015 at Notre Dame Church; burial in Foxwood Park.

Peru – Stanley G. Riggs, 75; Funeral Services May 20, 2015 at St. Augustine's Church; burial in God's Acre Cemetery.

Plattsburgh – James Harwood Lawton, 56; Funeral Services May 22, 2015 at St. John's Church.

Plattsburgh – Theodore Alton "Ted" Shelters, 84; Funeral Services at St. Peter's Church.

Potsdam – Barbara Jean Sullivan DiLandro, 77; Funeral Services May 15, 2015 at St. John the Baptist Church, VA; burial in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Rouses Point – Alice M. (Ducharme)

Glode, 88; Funeral Services May 22, 2015 at St. Patrick's Church

Saranac Lake – Mary "Molly" Buckley, 83; Funeral Services May 19, 2015 at St. Bernard's Church.

Watertown – Frederick J. Kingsley, 79; Funeral May 23, 2015 at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart; burial Glenwood Cemetery.

Watertown – Susan Anne Marden Rizzo, 71; Funeral Services May 23, 2015 at St. Anthony's Church.

Willsboro – Harold E. Tart, Jr., 80; Funeral Services May 22, 2015 at St. Philip of Jesus Church; burial in Calvary Cemetery.

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Replace him with yourself. Incline him to constant adoration and thanksgiving; pray in and through him. Let him live in you and keep him in this intimate union always. O Mary, Immaculate Conception, Mother of Jesus and Mother of priests, pray and intercede for (...)

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ASSEMBLY DEMOCRATS BLOCKING HELP FOR CATHOLIC KIDS

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- ✎ At the same time, the Governor has proposed a \$500 tax credit to reimburse parents directly for their tuition payments. That's right, \$500 for every child a parent has enrolled in a Catholic or other private school.
- ✎ The bill also would help public-school children by encouraging donations for music, arts, sports, tutoring and after-school programs. Teachers also would get up to \$200 to reimburse them for money they spent out of their own pockets for classroom supplies.
- ✎ **Governor Andrew Cuomo and the State Senate already are on board. But, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie and Assembly Democrats are blocking this important bill.**

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