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Fathers Provincial (from left): Myles Sheehan, SJ, James Shea, SJ, and David Ciancimino, SJ

Creating the Future

At the regional level, from 10 provinces in 2006, we have embraced a path toward four provinces in 2021, and provinces are working together daily with an eye toward unification. Province ordinations, formation meetings and other gatherings have all taken place across province boundaries, creating a more inclusive environment characterized by shared faith and camaraderie. Scholastics more and more see themselves as a single group, operating across current province boundaries.

— Assistancy Strategic Discernment:
Celebrating Success, Creating the Future
Jesuit Conference

Dear Friends,

The Jesuit Conference recently published a newsletter updating the American Jesuits on the process of strategic discernment, by which we are consolidating our 10 provinces into four regional provinces. And, as in any family, the question is often asked, “Are we there yet?” The simple answer is, “No, not yet,” but we are well on our way.

This magazine is one of the common initiatives of the Maryland, New England and New York Provinces. And there are many others:

- a common office for formation;
- a common office for vocations;
- a common novitiate in Syracuse, N.Y.;
- common events, such as ordinations, jubilees and province days.

By 2015, the New England and New York Provinces should become one, and by 2020, the addition of the Maryland Province will unify the East Coast of the United States.

On an international level, during the past summer, there was a worldwide meeting of Jesuits in Nairobi, Kenya. In this issue, you will read about the experiences of Jesuit Fathers Thomas Benz, Joseph Ligan and Michael McFarland at the Congregation of Procurators. A procurator, in Jesuit tradition, is a province representative who is elected by the members of his province to attend a gathering of representatives from around the world. The main task of these congregations is to discern the need to summon a General Congregation, which acts as the supreme legislative authority in the Society. This Congregation of Procurators did not feel it is time to summon a General Congregation, but it did allow Father General Adolfo Nicolás to obtain a worldwide sense of the Society and the needs of the Church throughout the world.

It is our hope that in your reading you find that the Jesuits are not only showing spiritual life and depth, but endeavoring through our works and relationships to grow in love of Christ, service of the Church and companionship with the poor and marginalized. As always, we value your collaboration with the Society and want you to know your support and friendship are appreciated.

Sincerely in the Lord,

V. Rev. James M. Shea, SJ
Provincial of Maryland Province

V. Rev. Myles N. Sheehan, SJ
Provincial of New England Province

V. Rev. David S. Ciancimino, SJ
Provincial of New York Province

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Tim Casey, SJ, is pictured with students from Yap Catholic High School in Micronesia. His reflection about his teaching experience there begins on page 10.



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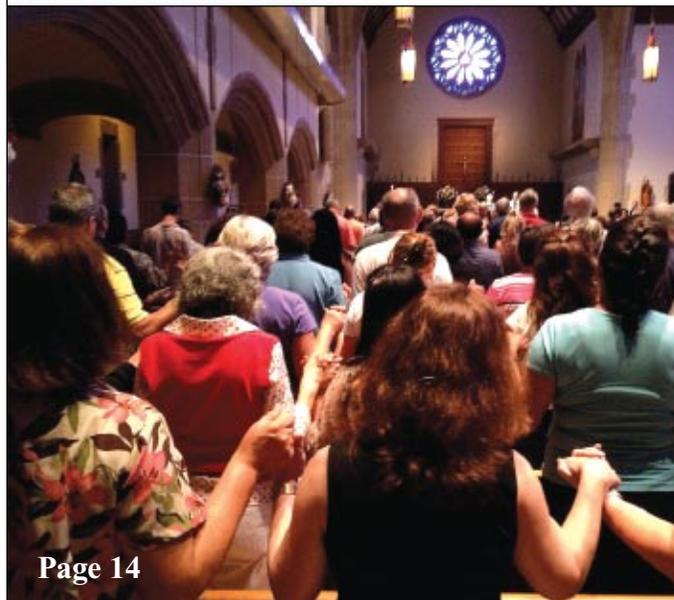
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New Appointments

Across Our Provinces



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Fr. Michael McFarland, SJ, will be the new treasurer for the New England and New York Provinces, effective January 2013. A common treasurer is another step toward a unified province in July 2015. Fr. McFarland most recently served as president of the College of the Holy Cross from 2000 to 2012. In that role, he oversaw

the college's record *Lift High the Cross* campaign, which raised \$216 million. The campaign addressed several priorities, including increased financial aid for students, new faculty positions and new facilities for academics, athletics and residence life. During his tenure, Holy Cross completed a \$64 million integrated science complex and founded the Nativity School of Worcester, Mass. In 2011, the Holy Cross Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture was named in Fr. McFarland's honor. Fr. Dennis Yesalonia, SJ, and Fr. Walter Modrys, SJ, will complete their respective terms as treasurers for the New England and New York Provinces in December.

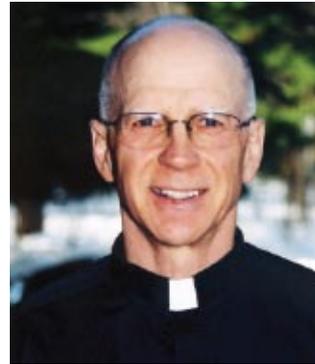
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Fr. Michael Boughton, SJ, was appointed as the assistant for formation for the Maryland, New England and New York Provinces in August. Prior to assuming his new position which is based in New York, Fr. Boughton was director of the Center for Ignatian Spirituality at Boston College for four and a half years. In previous

assignments, he served the Society of Jesus as president of Fairfield Preparatory School, rector of the Fairfield Jesuit community, director of campus ministry at the College of the Holy Cross and as pastor of two parishes in Maine. Fr. Boughton succeeds Fr. Thomas Feely, SJ, who was assistant for formation for the Maryland and New York Provinces for eight years and for the New England Province for three years.

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Fr. Charles Moutenot, SJ, was appointed director of the new national tertianship program formed by the Jesuit Conference and based in Portland, Ore. Previously, Fr. Moutenot served for eight years as spiritual director at Loyola House of Retreats in Morristown, N.J., and as rector of the Jesuit

School of Theology in California. Open to Jesuits worldwide, the program offers two options: an eight-month session from September to May and a 13-month version spanning two summers. Fr. Moutenot said the program aims to deepen each Jesuit's understanding of God's call to final vows in the Society of Jesus. He is assisted by Fr. Michael Harter, SJ, whose previous assignments included serving as novice director and socius for the Missouri Province.

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Fr. Jack Dennis, SJ, was named the 11th President of Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School in Indianapolis, Ind., effective July 1. Ordained in 1986, Fr. Dennis was president of Loyola Blakefield in Baltimore, Md., from 1998 to 2005. He previously served as director of campus ministry at Loyola University in

Baltimore and in senior staff positions at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, Calif., and St. Ignatius College Preparatory School in Chicago, Ill. Fr. Dennis holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from Villanova University, a master's degree in education from Harvard University and a master's degree in Divinity from the Jesuit School of Theology. Brebeuf Jesuit celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2012.

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Sherri Weil was appointed director for advancement of the Maryland Province in July. She has diverse and broad experience in education and advancement, including fundraising campaigns, board development and strategic planning. Weil served in senior management positions in higher education and national

institutions, including the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund and Georgetown University. She previously served as director of external affairs at the Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery. Weil is a member of Holy Trinity Parish in Washington, D.C., and earned degrees from the Catholic University of America and Georgetown University Law Center. She succeeds Edward Plocha, who retired following the completion of the *Cura Personalis Campaign: Caring for Our Brother Jesuits*.

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Fr. Matthew Malone, SJ, was appointed editor-in-chief of *America* magazine, the youngest person to hold the post in the national Catholic magazine's history. Fr. Malone succeeds Fr. Drew Christiansen, SJ, who served from 2005. Fr. Malone earned a bachelor's degree in history from the University of Massachusetts Amherst and

worked in Massachusetts politics, first as an aide to United States Representative Martin T. Meehan (D-Lowell) and later as deputy director of MassINC, a nonpartisan political think tank. He entered the Society of Jesus in 2002, earning a master's degree in philosophy from Fordham University. During his Regency, he worked at *America* from 2007 to 2009 and was responsible for the magazine's coverage of United States politics and foreign affairs. He completed a joint bachelor of divinity degree at Heythrop College, University of London, and bachelor of theology degree at the Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium. He served as a deacon in the Archdiocese of Southwark, London, and was ordained to the priesthood in June 2012.



P rayer for Vocations

*Father,
in the name of Jesus,
and through the power of Your Holy Spirit,
we pray that You inflame the hearts of men
with courage and trust
and the desire to labor for Your kingdom
as Jesuits.
We ask You
through the intercession of Mary, our Mother,
St. Ignatius, and all Your saints,
to bless the Society of Jesus
with bountiful vocations
that it may continue to serve Your church
with passion and zeal.
May Your will be done.
Amen.*

Blessed Kateri

Among the Communion of Saints

On October 21, Pope Benedict XVI raised seven men and women into the communion of saints, including the first Native American saint, Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, and a French Jesuit missionary, Fr. Jacques Berthieu, SJ, who served in Madagascar.

Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha was born in 1656 in Ossernenon (now Auriesville), a Mohawk village in upstate New York. Her father was a Mohawk chief, and her Catholic mother was a member of the Algonquin nation.

Left an orphan at four by a smallpox epidemic that wiped out most of her village and family and left her in ill health for the rest of her life, she was raised by members of her father's family. She was deeply moved by the preaching of the Jesuits who traveled among the villages and was baptized at age 20. In 1677, she began a 200-mile trek to a Jesuit mission village near Montreal, Canada, where she could more openly practice her faith. Blessed Kateri dedicated her life to prayer, penance, caring for the sick and infirm and adoration of the Eucharist. Her health continued to deteriorate, and she died on April 17, 1680, at age 24. Her last reported words were: "Jesus! Mary! I love you."

Pope Pius XII declared her venerable in 1943, the first step toward sainthood. Pope John Paul II beatified Blessed Kateri, known as the Lily of the Mohawks, in 1980. Pope Benedict XVI approved the miracle needed for sainthood on December 19, 2011, citing her intervention in the recovery of a young boy in Washington who was gravely ill from flesh-eating bacteria. The Pope announced on February 18 that Blessed Kateri would be canonized and welcomed into the communion of saints on October 21, the first Native American to be so honored.

A Mass of Thanksgiving, celebrated by Fr. George Belgarde, SJ, was held on October 21 at the Jesuit Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville, N.Y. Visitors also had an opportunity to view a series of paintings related to Saint Kateri by the artist Bob Renaud.



For more information on Blessed Kateri and the Jesuit martyrs, visit www.martyrshrine.org.



John Gillooly, PEI

Please Save the Date!

The 2013 Jesuit GALA honoring John and Rose Mahoney is on April 2.



The Jesuit and lay founders of the Nativity Preparatory School in Boston, Mass., and Nativity Preparatory School in Worcester, Mass., were honored at the annual Jesuit GALA held at the Marriott Copley Place on April 11. The event, attended by more than 1,200 friends and Jesuits, raised over \$1.1 million to support the formation and care of Jesuits and the apostolic works of the New England Province. Pictured from left: Fr. John Wronski, SJ, president of Nativity Preparatory School in Boston, Fr. Myles Sheehan, SJ, provincial, New England Province and Alex Zequeira, president of Nativity School, Worcester. Fr. Wronski and Mr. Zequeira accepted the *Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam* award, for the greater glory of God, on behalf of the teachers and staff of the school.



To watch a video of the educational work of Nativity schools, visit www.sjnen.org/Jesuit-GALA-Boston.

Friends of the Jesuits Golf Outing

The Third Annual Friends of the Jesuits Golf Outing took place on a bright and sunny September 24 at Meadow Brook Club in Jericho, N.Y. Nearly 100 friends, benefactors and supporters gathered for golf, dinner and to learn more about the works and mission of the New York Province. Co-founded by Pete Dagher, Brian Devaney and Gary Goodenough, the event supports the broad apostolic works of the Jesuits and the care of elderly and infirm Jesuits who have dedicated their lives in service to the Church and the Society. Since its inception in 2010, the golf tournament has raised more than \$600,000. In his remarks, Fr. David Ciancimino, SJ, provincial of the New York Province, thanked all for their generosity. “As Jesuits, we do our best to respond to the needs and challenges before us,” said Fr. Ciancimino. “We meet many of those needs now, and I pray in the future, because of our partnership and the generosity of people like you.”



Answering the Call to Serve

Discerning vocations today

By Stephen Hudik

A Pennsylvania native, Fr. Chuck Frederico, SJ, graduated from Cardinal O'Hara High School in the suburbs of Philadelphia and attended the Culinary Institute of America, earning an AOS degree in culinary arts. Fr. Frederico worked as a chef at several restaurants in the Philadelphia area while earning his B.S. in food marketing from Saint Joseph's University. Fr. Frederico often tells people that he met the Jesuits in spirit at the Culinary Institute and in the flesh at St. Joe's. The Culinary Institute occupies part of the former site of the Saint-Andrew-on-Hudson Jesuit seminary. He entered the Society of Jesus in 1995 and was ordained in 2006. Fr. Frederico has worked at Fordham Prep, Scranton Prep and Loyola University in Maryland. He earned his M.A. at Fordham University and M.Div. from the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, Calif. He has served as director of vocations for the Maryland and New York Provinces since 2009 and for the Maryland, New England and New York Provinces since 2010.



“Allow yourselves to be open and listen to where God may be calling you. Trust that you will be happy if God is involved in leading you there, and invest your whole livelihood in God!”

— Fr. Chuck Frederico, SJ



Is there a philosophy that guides and inspires you and the vocation team?

When contemplating religious life in the Society of Jesus, a man is discerning in the context of his search for Jesus Christ, an authentic search for the *Magis* or a “more.” When Pope Benedict XVI declared the 20th century Chilean Jesuit Padre Alberto Hurtado a saint, he said that the “love for Jesus Christ was the passion of

Padre Hurtado’s life.” Padre Hurtado contemplated the Scriptures and had intimate heart-to-heart dialogue with Christ in prayer and the Eucharist. Padre Hurtado believed then, as do I, that the key question for discernment is “*What would Christ do were He in my place?*” These words challenge all to look deeper. Finding where God calls us and responding with our own personal gifts defines our inner happiness. The “search for authenticity” is the philosophy that

guides the vocation office and the candidates we serve.

You often urge others to pray the Examen to encourage vocations. Why?

The Examen, St. Ignatius Loyola's direction on how to pray, is a great gift and discernment tool. It takes control out of our hands and puts our hands and hearts into God's control. The prayer begins with a challenge, recalling that we are in the presence of an all-loving and all-powerful God who walks with us. This bold recognition encourages one to look into his heart. Only through bold authenticity can a candidate be open to the possibility that God might be asking him to use his gifts to serve the Church and the Society.

How can fellow Jesuits assist the vocation team?

In visiting Jesuit works, first I always include the need for prayer and for Jesuits to teach the Examen. Second, inviting Jesuits and our lay colleagues to aid the vocation team is essential. These folks serve invaluable by asking men to consider this life and serving as that special person a man can turn to in those initial moments of inquiry and response to God's initiative.

What are the challenges in our culture of increased secularization?

With ever-present technology, instant and constant communication, and other distractions, time and space for God gets compromised. The time and value of reflection and examination is foreign to many. Because of a multitude of changes, our culture today is void of or even against a positive view of priesthood and a culture of religious life in general. We need to strive to demonstrate that a life dedicated to Jesus is a tremendous gift, filled with many graces; again — authenticity.

What are some ways to plant seeds for vocations?

We have an excellent foundation and outlet with our Jesuit schools, parishes and retreat houses to serve as a path to Ignatian spirituality. Retreat programs, such as the *Kairos*, *Emmaus* and *Annotation 19*, are great models. Faculty, campus ministry and staffs at our apostolates play an essential role in the continual search for God. That is the essence of the *Spiritual Exercises*. Part of the Jesuit identity of an institution should include direct vocation promotion and the encouragement of a spiritual freedom to choose with Christ. My team works with and is available to our apostolates in the provinces to bring home this message through on-site visits and other programs. Every person can promote vocations by prayer and asking young people to consider a religious life. In asking someone to

consider serving the Church as a Jesuit priest or brother, you are recognizing that individual's special gifts.

Are you encouraged by the inquiries you receive about serving God and the Society?

A vocation takes many people over many years to nurture. As vocation director, I have a special privilege to walk with individuals in their journey with God. I am most moved by the men who emerge to undertake the discernment process. I can assure you that vocations are out there. Men are searching and questioning. The availability of all Jesuits to serve as models, with openness, vulnerability to Christ, a compassion to respond and service to aid in a candidate's discernment process, is a tremendous grace in which we all share. Prayer and authenticity are the ultimate vocation promotion tools.



Fr. Frederico discussed his vocation story, Jesuit formation and spirituality on *The Busted Halo Show* with Fr. Dave Dwyer in August. To hear Fr. Frederico's interview, visit: jesuitsny.podbean.com/2012/08/29/jesuit-vocations

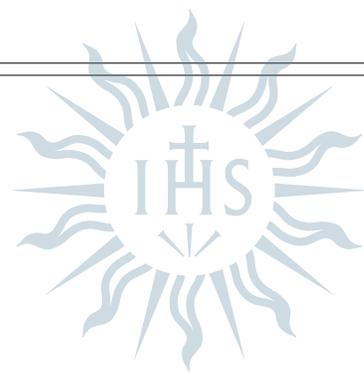


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ORDINATIONS 2012

Welcoming

Our New Priests



Twelve men, including three from the Maryland, New England and New York Provinces, were ordained as Jesuit priests this summer.

Ordination Masses and celebrations took place at Fordham University in New York; Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, Calif.; Spring Hill College in Mobile, Ala.; and St. Thomas More Church in St. Paul, Minn.

Before entering the Society of Jesus, they worked in a broad range of fields including education, medicine, the military, financial and high-tech industries. This diverse group comes from Illinois, Minnesota, Massachusetts, Texas, California, Louisiana, Florida, New York, Vietnam and Italy and holds many advanced degrees.

Edward Cardinal Egan ordained Fr. Cesare Campagnoli, SJ, Fr. Matthew Malone, SJ, and Fr. Joseph Marina, SJ, on June 9 before a crowd of more than 800, including some 200 concelebrants, in the Fordham University Church. Prior to the ordination ceremony, more than 300 Jesuits from the three provinces gathered on the Fordham campus for three days of prayer, reflection and celebration.

The nine men who were ordained to serve the Church and the Society from other provinces nationwide included: Fr. William Blazek, SJ, Fr. Christopher Duffy, SJ, Fr. James Hooks, SJ, Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ, Fr. Richard Magner, SJ, Fr. Bao Nguyen, SJ, Fr. Trung Pham, SJ, Fr. Brian Reedy, SJ, and Fr. Daniel Tesvich, SJ.



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(from left) Fr. Cesare Campagnoli, SJ, Fr. Joseph Marina, SJ, Edward Cardinal Egan and Fr. Matthew Malone, SJ

*Carrying out the ministry of Christ
the Priest with constant joy and
genuine love, attending not to your own
concerns but to those of Jesus Christ.*

— Rite of Ordination



Fr. Matthew Malone, SJ, (left), Fr. Cesare Campagnoli, SJ, (center) and Fr. Joseph Marina, SJ, (below) extend blessings and greet family and friends following their ordination.



Celebrating First Vows



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Douglas Ray, SJ, Timothy Casey, SJ, and Jason Downer, SJ

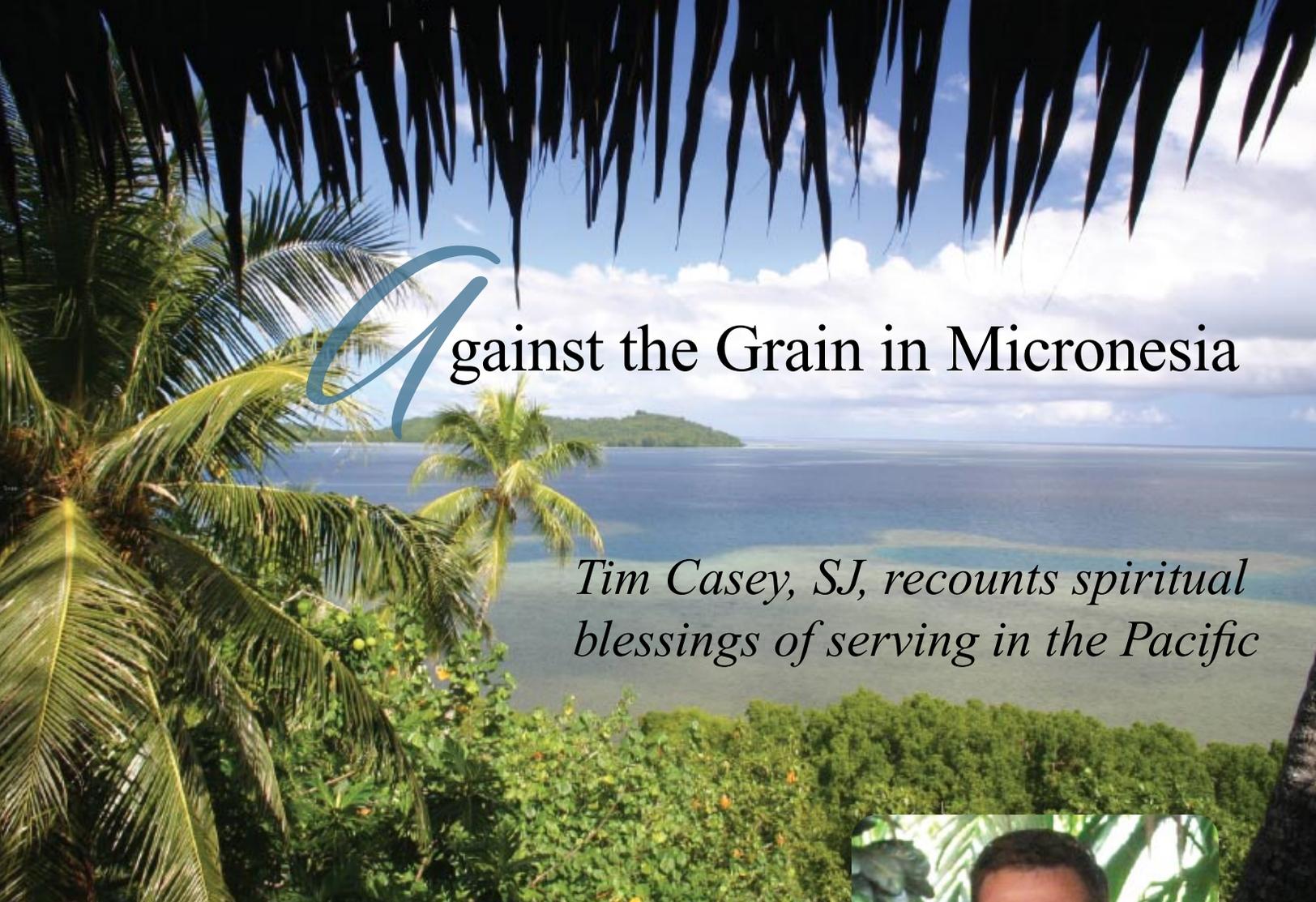
Three novices pronounced their First Vows in the Society of Jesus on Saturday, August 18, in the Madonna della Strada Chapel at Le Moyne College in Syracuse, N.Y.

Approximately 250 people gathered to witness Jesuits Timothy Casey, Jason Downer and Douglas Ray commit their lives in service to the Church and the Society of Jesus. The men took vows of chastity, poverty and obedience during a Mass celebrated by New York Province Provincial Fr. David Ciancimino, SJ. Maryland Province Provincial Fr. James Shea, SJ, and New England Province Provincial Fr. Myles Sheehan, SJ, concelebrated the Mass. Fr. Thomas Feely, SJ, who served as the formation director for eight years, delivered the homily. The Ignatian Schola, a group of lay persons and Jesuits, led the congregation in song.

Casey and Downer will continue their formation in the First Studies program at Loyola University Chicago starting this fall. Ray will study at Fordham University.



To view a slideshow from the first vows Mass and a video of the men talking about this step in their lives, visit www.nysj.org and www.sjnen.org



Against the Grain in Micronesia

Tim Casey, SJ, recounts spiritual blessings of serving in the Pacific

I was struck by how much the people savored the Mass. Their sense of gratitude was palpable.



Before I entered the Jesuits, I taught high school in the Boston area and was confident that I was a good teacher. However, when the novice director asked what I wanted to do for the long novitiate experiment, teaching was not at the top of my list.

The Jesuits have an old Latin expression, *agere contra*, which roughly translated means to go against the grain. St. Ignatius Loyola meant that if you feel a certain resistance to something in your life, then it might be beneficial to

engage those feelings, try to see what you are resisting and why you are resisting it. When my novice director asked me to teach, I did make one request: Could this assignment be unconventional and different? It was. I was sent to Micronesia, a group of islands in the Pacific Ocean, to teach in a new Catholic high school on the island of Yap.

I didn't know much about Micronesia, except that the Jesuits ran a college preparatory school on the island of

Chuuk called Xavier High School. But that was not where I was headed. Where was this place?

The local church on Yap had been trying for years to open a Catholic high school. In the summer of 2011, two New York Province Jesuits (Fr. Mickey Corcoran, SJ, and Fr. John Mulreany, SJ) were sent to Yap. Yap Catholic High School (YCHS) opened in August 2011 with four teachers, two borrowed classrooms and 34 students. I taught science and social studies, moderated the robotics club and coached basketball.

My experience was truly memorable. Arriving at the airport, delirious from the 27-hour trip from Newark, N.J., I was greeted at 1 a.m. on Sunday morning by five students and all four faculty members. They loaded my head and neck with nunus, the Yapese version of Hawaiian leis. Where else could I have received such a warm welcome?

The most rewarding part of my experience was getting to know the students. They are naturally curious, polite and pleasant. Television on the island is available, but few can afford it. Many students had never been on a computer. Their world looks very different from mine, and they were curious to learn about “my world.” This school gives students the opportunity to do just that: to grow, to learn, to mature and to develop their faith.

Some students from the “outer islands” who attended Yap Catholic have the added burden of leaving homes and immediate family. I often remember asking myself: Would I have been able to do this at 14? I was in awe of their courage and perseverance.

In addition to teaching, there was the task of actually helping to build a new school. Nearly every Saturday morning, community members gathered at our building site to clear land for the new buildings. As the buildings took form, it became very clear how



Tim Casey, SJ, reviews lessons with Yap Catholic High School students.

much the community was rallying around the school by taking part in its construction.

One highlight of my Pacific travels was Easter week. From the island of Ulithi, I accompanied a diocesan priest on his “Easter marathon” of Masses on several islands as we sped across the choppy waters of the Pacific. Mass is celebrated only once or twice a year on these tiny atolls or whenever a priest is able to make the journey. I was struck by how much the people savored the Mass. Their sense of gratitude was palpable.

St. Ignatius tells retreatants at the conclusion of the *Spiritual Exercises* “to ask for an interior knowledge of the many gifts we have received, in order that, being entirely grateful, we may be able, in all things, to love and serve God.” Ignatius’ statement, more than anything I am able to write, best describes my time in Micronesia. In the smiles of the people whom I met, in the faces and the daily interaction with the students of YCHS, I witnessed the presence of God among us, the risen Jesus. What a great gift!

Timothy Casey, SJ, professed first vows in August and is continuing his First Studies at Loyola University Chicago.

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To read more reflections of Jesuits in formation, visit: www.jesuitvocation.org
To view the Jesuits in Micronesia video series, visit www.nysj.org

The World Is Our House

Broadening and deepening our global network

By Alice Poltorick

This summer, as athletes competed at the Summer Olympics in London, more than 400 Jesuit educators from 61 countries gathered in Boston, Mass., for the first International Colloquium on Jesuit Education (ICJSE). Attendees from 281 institutions located on five continents represented the more than 500 secondary schools educating two million students in the Jesuit network today. The conference, *The World is Our Home*, was hosted by Boston College High School on the campus of Boston College.

The colloquium opened with a video message from Fr. Adolfo Nicolás, Superior General of the Society of Jesus, who emphasized that education is central to the mission of the Society and to the transformation of a person.

Presentations and workshops spanned a broad range of topics central to the Society and education: Jesuit identity in the 21st century; education in the context of the priorities — mission, faith and justice — of the General Congregation 35 (GC35); the role of evangelization in Jesuit education and in the formation of people in faith; Ignatian spirituality; social justice; Ignatian formation for boards and staff; and practical applications of fundraising and arranging exchange programs. To accommodate the international audience, simultaneous translations were available in English, Spanish and French.

Attendees enjoyed networking,



The Olympics of the best secondary schools in the world

the opportunity to learn from informal discussions and social activities, and time for prayer and liturgy.

On Monday, July 30, attendees were transported to Boston College High School for a New England clambake, sponsored by the New England Province of Jesuits and BC High. Bill Kemeza, president of Boston College High School, welcomed guests and spoke about the hospitality he experienced at a Jesuit school in Dublin — the companionship, compassion, and service that are part of the Jesuit communities around the world

— that inspired him to begin envisioning the colloquium. On Tuesday, July 31, the Feast of Saint Ignatius, Seán Cardinal O'Malley celebrated liturgy in English and Spanish at the Church of St. Ignatius.

During the closing address, Dan Carmody, director of the organizing committee for ICJSE, captured the graces experienced by attendees and outlined a commitment to continue to develop new and creative collaborative efforts amongst the global network of Jesuit schools and to plan for the next colloquium.



View and listen to presentations at www.icjse.org/post-icjse



See you soon – À bientôt – Nos vemos pronto

This colloquium is the beginning of a new way of proceeding, a new way of being schools, in the Jesuit tradition. God has invited us here. When we change, it is because of God's call to change.

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I have great hopes for the colloquium and thank you to Boston College High School for taking the initiative to organize the gathering.

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Schools are apostolic instruments — bringing our students the joy of friendship with Christ, in his community, the Church.

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The power of education changes not only the student but the community and the world.

Our common mission gives us a way to relate to each other.

It is eye-opening to see the similarities — and differences — of all of the Jesuit schools.

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This experience was a paradigm shift for me.

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You hear so many different voices all connected to our mission.

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This might be the first time that the schools in the U.S. realize there are more Jesuit schools in Spain.

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This is the team the Holy Spirit has put on the playing field. Be Christ. Be Accountable. Be Innovators.

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We are creating global networks of interdependence, connectivity, collaboration and communities.

Finding God

in Unsettled Times

By Mary K. Tilghman



Photos by Robin Chan

Participants at Mass in the Loyola University Maryland Alumni Memorial Chapel

Kevin Ryan, president of Covenant House.

Finding God in Unsettled Times, a conference held June 28 to July 1 at Loyola University Maryland, drew about 300 people. Most came from the East Coast, although participants traveled from as far as Seattle, Wash., and San Antonio, Texas. It was the third such event sponsored by The Jesuit Collaborative, the Ignatian spirituality ministry initiative of the New England, New York and Maryland Provinces. About 85 Latino participants took part in a track that included keynotes, workshops and prayers in Spanish. A third track for young adults attracted 40 participants.

Unsettled weather, including 100-degree temperatures and an unusual derecho storm, were followed by power outages the entire weekend. “If you have shorts,” Fr. James Conroy, SJ, The Jesuit Collaborative’s executive director, recommended in his opening remarks, “wear ‘em.”

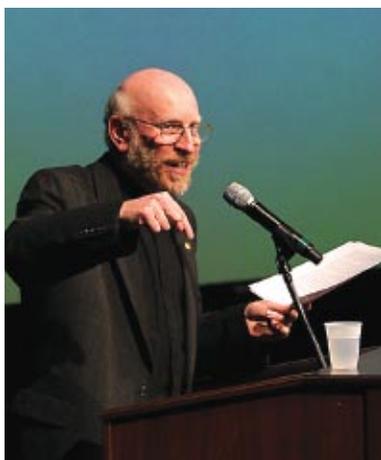
Armed with water bottles, participants filled conference spaces to consider a faith-filled response to today’s “unsettled times.”

In a scholarly talk that quoted Aristotle’s quest for the “common good,” St. Thomas Aquinas’ notion of the “more universal good,” and Ignatius’ directive, “finding God in all things,” Sheldrake reflected on discerning how to live a virtuous life. He challenged participants to see God in people on the street, to learn their stories and to struggle for the common good. “Passive tolerance” isn’t enough, said Sheldrake, referring to the writing of Jesuit theologian Fr. David Hollenbach, SJ, of Boston College. Sheldrake added that people of faith should create “an atmosphere of

We usually think of prayer as a vertical exercise: us looking up at God and God looking down on us. But according to speakers at the 2012 Ignatian Spirituality Conference, it must be perceived as horizontal, too.

Spirituality “has a horizontal dimension that reaches out to all around us,” said Fr. Thomas Massaro, SJ, the new dean of the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley in his address. “It can be and should be a holistic thing, a global thing that touches all aspects of our lives.”

That “horizontal dimension” — “faith that does justice” — was also explored by Philip Sheldrake, a British theologian who teaches summer classes at Boston College School of Theology and Ministry. Finally, it was given a practical application in the address by



Fr. Thomas Massaro, SJ, gave the Saturday morning keynote address.

profound human solidarity by the ongoing process of negotiation, based on mutual respect, listening and interchange.”

“Finding God in unsettled times is also to discover that this God is persistently challenging us to follow Jesus Christ in choosing a way of love and service but also empowering us to become prophets of profound hope and agents of radical change even in the most challenging circumstances,” said Sheldrake.

Bringing forth justice

On the second day, Fr. Massaro echoed some of the same themes in Sheldrake’s talk.

He recalled that two documents on social justice — the Second Vatican Council’s *Gaudium et Spes* (Joy and Hope) and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ *Economic Justice for All* — link faith and justice. “This is bad news or good news. It depends on how lazy you are!” said Fr. Massaro. “The work is never done in bringing forth justice. It is a challenge.”

Fr. Massaro said that good spirituality leads to action for justice. He cited a common Jesuit expression, “contemplative in action.” Sometimes it’s indirect, as in ministry in a school or parish. It may be direct: lobbying Congress or getting involved in relief work such as Jesuit Relief Service.

“Each of us must answer the call to work for justice, to confront sinful structures, indeed to build graced social structures and institutions and so to cooperate with God’s initiative to establish the reign of God,” said Fr. Massaro.

“Love shows itself more in deeds than in words,” said Fr. Massaro, quoting another of Ignatius’ key phrases.

The final address showed that adage in human form. Kevin Ryan, Covenant House president, and writer Tina Kelley talked about the experiences that led to their book *Almost Home*. “You probably see homeless kids far more often than you know,” Kelley said. She cited statistics: 1.6 million young people annually face homelessness. Ryan had plenty of ideas to help: baking a birth-

day cake for kids in a shelter, collecting clothes or writing to policy makers about a failing foster care system and child trafficking.

Saturday’s workshops focused on a range of topics: from major issues (genocide, returning veterans, refugees) to personal ones (grief, spiritual direction, family life). Prayers, including Mass, were conducted in both English and Spanish.

Coming here helps me connect

“Coming here helps me connect,” said Donna Pfeufer of Mooresville, N.C. She came with fellow Saint Therese parishioners, many of them Hispanic, and Fr. Dominic Totaro, SJ.

Damian Zynda of New York presented a workshop on Archbishop Oscar Romero. She remembered a reflection by Fr. James Martin, SJ, about finding God in the heroic women and men who worked to alleviate the suffering of 9/11. “Though not as spectacular, the gathering of colleagues in Baltimore (drawn by Ignatius’ courageous desire to alleviate suffering wherever he found it) mediated a profound sense of God’s presence to me at the conference,” said Zynda.

Olga Diaz, of Baltimore, Md., was struck by the camaraderie between Spanish and English participants. “It was like God was there connecting



Carlos Aedo, associate director for Latino spiritual outreach for The Jesuit Collaborative, offered the keynote address, “Dios en todas las cosas... Incluso aquello.”

everybody,” she said.

“I was inspired by the variety of people I met at the conference from all walks of life who were bound together by the common goal of integrating the *Spiritual Exercises* into their lives and work,” said Michael McGonagle, a Boston College High School faculty member. “I’m already looking forward to the next one.”

Mary K. Tilghman is a journalist living in the Baltimore area. She is a communications consultant for the Maryland Province.



To listen to podcasts of keynote speakers and learn more about The Jesuit Collaborative visit www.jesuit-collaborative.org



Fr. Jim Conroy, SJ, executive director of The Jesuit Collaborative (right), greets participants and members of the Ignatian Schola choir as the Ignatian spirituality conference gets underway.

AGING *Gracefully* A NEW MINISERIES



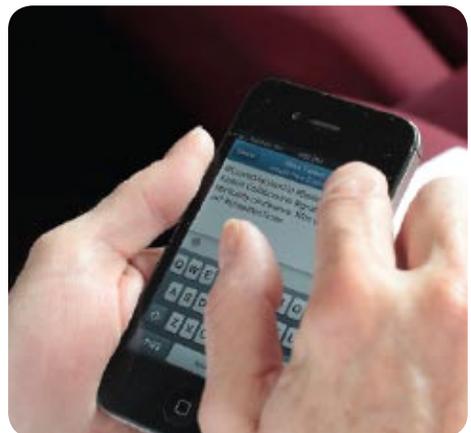
Fr. Myles Sheehan, SJ, with Fr. Robert Reed, president of Catholic TV, and Kevin Nelson, producer and co-host of the series *Aging Gracefully*.

 For information about viewing online or watching on your local cable channel, visit: www.sjnen.org/news-and-events/aging-gracefully-catholictv-series-by-fr-myles-sheehan

In September, Fr. Myles Sheehan, SJ, provincial of the New England Province, hosted a five-part miniseries on Catholic TV addressing the needs and concerns of the aging and those who care for them. Fr. Sheehan, a physician who served on the faculty at the Loyola University (Chicago) Stritch School of Medicine, earned his undergraduate degree and doctorate in medicine at Dartmouth College with postdoctoral studies at Harvard Medical School. Segments in the series included interviews with guest experts and Jesuits at Campion Health Center and residents at Saint Patrick's Manor. Psychiatrist Matthew McGonagle, MD, Sr. Kathleen Foley, SNDdeN, director of spiritual services and chaplain at Campion Health Center, Kate Morency, RN, NP, provincial assistant for healthcare of the New England Province of Jesuits, and other experts shared advice on: the spirituality and wellness of aging, health and psychological issues, talking to your physician, the gifts and surprises of aging, the role of faith and journeying toward the end of life.

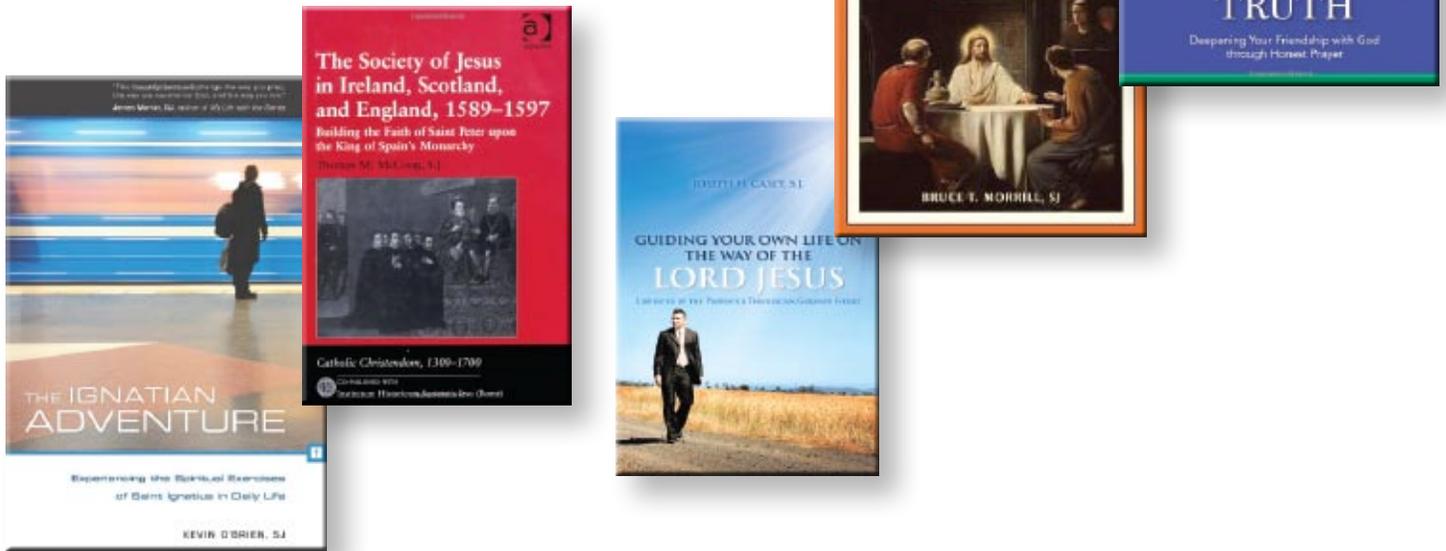
Jesuit Connections and Collaborations on the Web

Those who want to hear about the Jesuits need not wait for the magazine *Jesuits*. A constant stream of news and information is available at our websites, and on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and iTunes. Daily offerings include information about Jesuit ministries, Ignatian spirituality, special events and more. So do visit, follow, become fans and join the conversation of the Jesuits in the Maryland, New England and New York Provinces.



New & NOTEWORTHY

Looking for inspirational and enlightening books to read? You may enjoy some of the new books published by Jesuits from the Maryland, New England and New York Provinces in 2012.



Fr. Kevin O'Brien, SJ, vice president for mission and ministry at Georgetown University, follows St. Ignatius' lead and offers a unique way of approaching the *Spiritual Exercises* in daily life in *The Ignatian Adventure*. The book recently won an Excellence in Publishing award by the Association of Catholic Publishers.

Fr. Joseph Casey, SJ, professor emeritus at Boston College, writes about guiding your life using the moral theology of Germain Griez in *Guiding Your Own Life on the Way of the Lord Jesus: Liberated by the Profound Theologian, Germain Griez*.

A memoir by **Fr. George Wilson, SJ**, *Patches: A Human Quilter — A Human Church* interweaves his experiences as a Jesuit with his craft as a quilter.

Fr. Bruce Morrill, SJ, professor at Vanderbilt University, draws upon recent biblical, historical, and theological sources to explore how Christ is present in the celebration of the Eucharist in *Encountering Christ in the Eucharist: The Paschal Mystery in People, Word and Sacrament*.

Fr. Vincent Lapomarda, SJ, professor of history at College of the Holy Cross, has created a historical collection of biographies, some told for the first time, in *Portraits of One Hundred Catholic Women of Maine*.

Fr. Thomas McCoog, SJ, professor at Fordham University, writes about the Jesuit mission to England between 1589 and 1597, and provides an insight into Catholic efforts to bring England back into the Roman Church in *The Society of Jesus in Ireland, Scotland and England, 1589-1597: Building the Faith of Saint Peter upon the King of Spain's Monarchy*.

Fr. William Barry, SJ, writer and spiritual director, continues his series about deepening your friendship with God in *Praying the Truth*.

Fr. William O'Malley, SJ, writer and high school teacher, published a novel, *The Place Called Skull*. It is the story of seminarian Paul Reiser who worked in the Catholic underground against the Nazis and was imprisoned in the death camps.



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Letting God *make the case for himself*

By Samuel Sawyer, SJ



Mario Powell, SJ, Michael Rozier, SJ, and Samuel Sawyer, SJ

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e'd been talking about it for years, though we didn't know that when we started.

When you put a bunch of young Jesuits together for formation, a kind of "critical mass" effect tends to happen, though some might say "hothouse" is a better description, and some might say "the whole is greater than the sum of the parts." Its manifestations range from mundane — how many kinds of cereal should a community of 25 buy? — to religiously geeky — no, that was Saint Augustine of Canterbury, not Hippo — all the way up to life-changing — what is God really asking of me?

Six or seven years ago, the critical mass was reached in Chicago, Ill., as some of *The Jesuit Post's* founding editors met and discovered that they had similar questions about the future of Jesuit ministry. "How do we reach

our peers? What do we say to people who are convinced the Church is irrelevant? How do we help people see God?" As conversations tend to in formation houses, this one drew in plenty of other voices, beginning over and over again on walks back from class or in hallways at 11 p.m., ranging from critique of existing attempts to idealism about what we would do one day when we were fully formed Jesuits.

At the time, of course, we had no idea that we would do anything more than talk about it.

We were dispersed to our Regency assignments, and the conversations continued, over email and by phone, when we reconnected in person, and the question we kept coming back to was: Why isn't the Society of Jesus doing more to help young people recognize where God is at work? If God is in all

It's about making the case for God (better: letting God make the case for himself) in our secular age.

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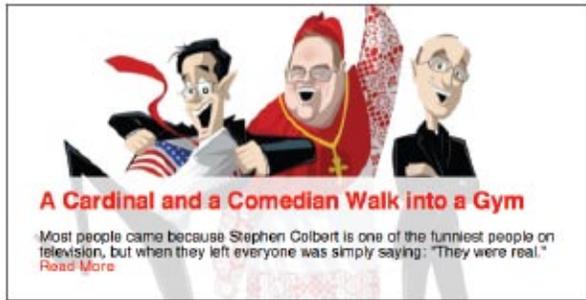
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What Difference
Listening Makes

September 7, 2012
MATT SPOTTS, SJ

[ABOVE THE FOLD]



Punch-Counterpunch: NFL Style

by THE JESUIT POST on September 21, 2012

Like a teenager at the mall, TIP loves (s) Hot Topic. This week it's NFL style, as Matt Spotts and Vinny Marchionni fight it out over 4 major story lines.



[ALL THINGS LINKED]

Blowing My Mind(SET LIST)

September 18, 2012
Paddy Gilger temporarily joins the Class of 2016, and feels just a bit old doing so, by taking a closer look at this year's Mindset List.



The Weight of Lies

September 15, 2012
On a recent retreat, Tim O'Brien finds out what Dostoyevsky and The Avest Brothers have to say about lying and the spiritual life.

Wonder: Art or Science?

September 12, 2012
As a kid, Bill Nye inspired Quang Tran to be a mad scientist. Now Quang wants a few words with The Science Guy about creationism, science, and storytelling.



More Than What We're Made Of

September 10, 2012
What do you have in common with a salad? More than you do.



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things, shouldn't we be able to make that case even to our secular culture?

As it turns out, the answer is yes — we can make that case, and that's exactly what *The Jesuit Post* is trying to do. At some point during those conversations, we realized that we weren't just critiquing existing attempts at reaching young people, nor waiting for somebody else to listen to our questions; we were asking the questions God had already planted in our hopes and desires. It was time to try something new.

So we planned, plotted and recruited other Jesuits in formation, and eventually, in late January 2012, *The Jesuit Post* launched on the Web. In his introductory post, our editor-in-chief described the site as "about Jesus, politics, and pop-culture, it's about the Catholic Church, sports, and Socrates. It's about making the case for God (better: letting God make

the case for himself) in our secular age."

God reveals himself at work in the world, and asks us to join his labors. That's as good an explanation as any other of how a Jesuit vocation works. That's also what, in many different ways, we are trying to say on the pages of *The Jesuit Post*: If we look at the world closely, attentively, even prayerfully, we're going to discover God *already* moving, already in action — and we're going to want to say yes to that.

When we started talking about it, God was already at work. We only found out later that "it" involved a website, and we think God's at work there too.

Samuel Sawyer, SJ, is studying theology at the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry.

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Jubilee *Celebrations*



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Jesuits from the Maryland, New England and New York Provinces marking 50 years in the Society of Jesus following the Jubilarian Mass

Gratitude and blessings to the Jesuits in the Maryland, New England and New York Provinces who marked anniversaries to the priesthood and years in the Society of Jesus in 2012. The priests and brothers observing jubilees in 2012 have contributed to communities all over the world serving as missionaries, teachers, administrators and spiritual directors in schools, parishes, retreat centers and hospitals, for the greater glory of God.

75 YEARS IN THE SOCIETY

Fr. John Leonard, SJ
Fr. Vincent O'Keefe, SJ (deceased)
Fr. John Ruane, SJ (deceased)
Fr. Francis Staebell, SJ
Fr. John Sturm, SJ (deceased)

70 YEARS IN THE SOCIETY

Fr. William Cogan, SJ
Fr. George Duffy, SJ (deceased)
Fr. Charles Dunn, SJ
Fr. Henry Erhart, SJ (deceased)
Fr. James Fischer, SJ
Fr. Edgar Graham, SJ
Fr. Robert Haus, SJ
Fr. Patrick Heelan, SJ
Fr. Joseph Kennedy, SJ (deceased)
Fr. J. Donald Monan, SJ
Fr. Vincent Novak, SJ (deceased)
Fr. Vincent O'Brien, SJ (deceased)
Fr. Thomas Walsh, SJ (deceased)

70 YEARS IN THE PRIESTHOOD

Fr. James McDonough, SJ

60 YEARS IN THE SOCIETY

Fr. Robert Braunreuther, SJ
Fr. Robert Dahlke, SJ
Fr. Donald Devine, SJ
Fr. Joseph Feeney, SJ
Fr. William Hamilton, SJ
Fr. Joseph Kolb, SJ
Fr. Charles Lohr, SJ
Fr. Lucien Longtin, SJ
Fr. Thomas Martin, SJ
Fr. John McIntyre, SJ
Fr. William Millerd, SJ
Fr. Edward O'Flaherty, SJ (deceased)
Fr. Louis Pascoe, SJ
Fr. Enrico Raulli, SJ
Fr. George Restrepo, SJ
Fr. William Russell, SJ
Br. Gilbert Scott, SJ
Br. Edward Sheehy, SJ
Fr. John St. George, SJ (deceased)
Br. William Sudzina, SJ (deceased)
Fr. William Watters, SJ
Fr. George Winchester, SJ
Fr. Alfred Winshman, SJ

60 YEARS IN THE PRIESTHOOD

Fr. Daniel Berrigan, SJ
Fr. Edward Bodnar, SJ (deceased)
Fr. Walter Buckius, SJ
Fr. John Devane, SJ
Fr. Joseph Dolan, SJ
Fr. George Drury, SJ
Fr. Bernard Filmyer, SJ
Fr. Terrence Toland, SJ

50 YEARS IN THE SOCIETY

Fr. George Belgarde, SJ
Fr. James Bernauer, SJ
Fr. Andrew Christiansen, SJ
Fr. Edward Coughlin, SJ
Fr. James Curry, SJ
Fr. Richard Curry, SJ
Fr. William Eagan, SJ
Fr. D. Michael Flynn, SJ (deceased)
Fr. D. James French, SJ
Fr. John Garvey, SJ (deceased)
Fr. Kenneth Gavin, SJ
Fr. Eugene Geinzer, SJ
Fr. James Gillon, SJ
Fr. Richard Guerrero, SJ
Fr. J. Leon Hooper, SJ
Fr. Salvador Jordan, SJ
Fr. James Keegan, SJ
Br. Jerome Menkhous, SJ
Fr. Walter Modrys, SJ
Fr. Joseph Parkes, SJ
Fr. James Redington, SJ
Fr. Thomas Reese, SJ
Fr. William Reiser, SJ
Fr. Vincent Ritchie, SJ
Fr. Richard Roos, SJ
Fr. Philip Rossi, SJ
Fr. Lawrence Smith, SJ
Fr. Thomas Smith, SJ
Fr. Walter Smith, SJ
Fr. Michael Williams, SJ

50 YEARS IN THE PRIESTHOOD

Fr. William Barry, SJ
Fr. John Begley, SJ
Fr. Henry Bertels, SJ
Fr. Joseph Cavanagh, SJ
Fr. James Dinneen, SJ
Fr. George Gallarelli, SJ
Fr. Paul Gilmartin, SJ
Fr. Henry Heffernan, SJ
Fr. Donald Keefe, SJ
Fr. Aloysius Kelley, SJ
Fr. Daniel Lusch, SJ

Fr. John Martinez, SJ
Fr. James McAndrews, SJ
Fr. Richard McCafferty, SJ
Fr. Vincent McDonough, SJ
Fr. Frederick McLeod, SJ
Fr. Robert McMillan, SJ
Fr. Leo Murray, SJ
Fr. H. James Roleke, SJ
Fr. Herbert Smith, SJ
Fr. James Smith, SJ
Fr. Thomas Wheeler, SJ

25 YEARS IN THE SOCIETY

Fr. Michael Castori, SJ
Fr. David Collins, SJ
Fr. James Coughlin, SJ
Fr. Stephen Katsouros, SJ
Fr. Frank LaRocca, SJ
Fr. Jean-Baptiste Mazarati, SJ
Fr. Thomas Murphy, SJ
Br. Juan Ngiraiuuch, SJ
Fr. James Pribek, SJ
Fr. William Prospero, SJ
Fr. Mark Scalese, SJ
Fr. George Williams, SJ

25 YEARS IN THE PRIESTHOOD

Fr. Joseph Costantino, SJ
Fr. Terrence Devino, SJ
Fr. Michael Kuchera, SJ
Fr. James Lafontaine, SJ
Fr. Gerard McGlone, SJ
Fr. Paul McNellis, SJ
Fr. Ronald Mercier, SJ
Fr. John Murray, SJ
Fr. Edward Quinnan, SJ
Fr. Thomas Regan, SJ
Fr. John Rock, SJ
Fr. Peter Ryan, SJ
Fr. Paul Shaughnessy, SJ
Fr. Louis Sogliuzzo, SJ
Fr. A. Richard Sotelo, SJ



Jesuits Across the Globe Gather for *Procurators' Congregation in Africa*



Father General Adolfo Nicolás with nine procurators from the United States, the procurator from English-speaking Canada and two U.S. Jesuits who serve on the staff of the Jesuit Curia in Rome

Father General inspires and challenges, emphasizing Jesuit spirituality and openness to God's calling in service and community.

Jesuits from provinces worldwide gathered in Nairobi, Kenya on July 9-15 for the 70th Congregation of Procurators (CP 70). Each of the 84 provinces elected one representative as its procurator to participate in the gathering, which was held outside of Europe for the first time. The procurators participated in prayer, discussion and reflection on a broad range of issues facing the Church and the Society of Jesus. Father General Adolfo Nicolás, SJ, addressed them, examining the state of the Society and offering guidance on how best to fulfill its mission in today's challenging environment. Below are reflections from three procurators who attended CP 70: Jesuit Fathers Thomas Benz, Michael McFarland and Joseph Lingan.

Karibuni Sana! A hearty "welcome" greeted us everywhere in Nairobi, even overhead in the meeting hall where the 70th Congregation of Procurators of the Society of Jesus took place.

I was very grateful that CP 70 was preceded by an eight-day retreat. It was a graced opportunity to share a new

experience of the Spiritual Exercises with so many Jesuit "friends in the Lord" from all 84 provinces. In our silence, familiar scripture passages came alive for me in a new way.

Our Superior General, Fr. Adolfo Nicolás, SJ, had made his own retreat prior to coming to Kenya. He took

advantage of our retreat days to meet individually with each procurator. Those were long days for him! Once CP 70 began, it was evident in his remarks just how carefully Father General had listened to us.

On July 9, we began! CP 70 opened with a lively celebration of the Eucharist. Over the next week, we discussed the current state of the Society. The days integrated presentations, private prayer and stimulating group discussions. I was most impressed by our conversations on apostolic mission and creativity; community life; vocations; and the call to a renewed spirit of silence and reflection among us.

We learned quite a bit about Africa in a short time too. A “frontier” for the Church and the Society, Africa is a diverse continent, deeply religious, troubled in many ways, but very much alive. Many of us visited the Jesuit parish in a slum called Kangemi. The Sunday liturgy lasted about 2 ½ hours, but it didn’t feel long! Again, the welcomes were plentiful, and the children participated in simple dances up and down the aisles. We learned a few refrains in Swahili to participate in the singing. It was there that I also witnessed how strongly African Catholics hold the image of the Church as a family.

At least 25 percent of the Jesuits at CP 70 work or have worked in formation as I currently do. I often had our men in formation on my mind. What “lessons” will I share with them? First, study languages! Second, Jesuit friendships endure, even when years and miles may separate us. Also, the Church relies on Jesuits to be leaders who share the fruits of both “deep study” and “deep spirituality.” Finally, we need to resist the temptation to gauge our success by the world’s standards. We have an alternative vision. The Kingdom of God is our horizon, and so there is always hope!

CP 70 was for me an inspiring call to prayerful reflection on our ministries (old and new) and to greater freedom for the future.

— Fr. Thomas Benz, SJ

For those of us who had never visited Africa before, it was a real revelation. There is so much life, energy, warmth, hope and joy among the African people and certainly among the Jesuits who serve them. None of the many challenges of everyday life on the continent deter the people from their great love and celebration of life, their deep spirituality and their commitment to a better future that they are working to build.



One of the greatest graces of a meeting like this is the chance to meet and share experiences with Jesuits from all over the world. We come from such different contexts, with different histories, cultures, challenges and assets, but are bound by a common spirituality, set of values, language and commitment. Yet, for all our differences, when we spoke about leadership, formation, prayer, mission, spirituality and community, it was clear how much we shared the same values, commitments, dreams and frustrations. There was a very real experience of the “union of minds and hearts” that unites us

across our many differences and divisions around the globe.

In Father General’s numerous talks, homilies and responses, he was affirming and challenging. He has a clear sense of the direction in which the Society needs to move and was unwavering in his conviction. Father General emphasized over and over again that our spirituality as Jesuits must be the foundation of everything else we do. Any apostolic dynamism we have must begin in our hearts.

— Fr. Michael McFarland, SJ

Attending CP 70 was a privilege, and I am deeply grateful.

The warmth of the welcome extended to all participants was extraordinary! Our hosts were so gracious and hospitable.

The camaraderie and sense of fraternity among the participants was clear and heartening. To meet members of the Society from all over the world and to experience an immediate sense of “friendship” in the Lord was a unique joy and a genuine grace.

The presence and leadership of Father General Nicolás was tremendous. He is a man of prayer, perception, and intelligence, who possesses a fine sense of humor and humility. He cares deeply for the Society of Jesus, her history, her mission, and her members.

In his reflection before its conclusion, Father General Nicolás offered a hopeful challenge. He suggested that our mission is never limited by what was done in the past, and that Jesus’ life continues to inspire and inform us. He urged us to continue to discern, for that will enable in us the imaginative creativity necessary to continue our service to the Gospel call and to God’s people.

— Fr. Joseph Lingam, SJ

Celebrating 50 Years of Service in North-West Africa



The "three Joes,"
Fr. Joseph Schuyler, SJ,
Fr. Joseph Schuh, SJ,
and Fr. Joseph McKenna,
SJ, in the fall of 1963
in Surulere, Lagos
(Nigeria), where they
lived and worked.

On August 16, the New York Province Jesuits celebrated 50 years of service in North-West Africa. It was on that date in 1962 that Fr. Joseph Schuh, SJ, landed in Lagos, Nigeria, to assist in the opening of the University of Lagos and to teach biology.

Fr. Schuh's arrival marked the start of an enduring legacy and brought to fruition the pledge made by Fr. John McGinty, SJ, provincial of the New York Province, to accept the mission in Nigeria, thereby nurturing the seeds of faith that would continue to prosper over the years.

More than 125 members of the Society of Jesus, mainly from the New York Province but including approximately 35 Jesuits from other provinces, contributed to spreading the Gospel to God's people in Africa during these 50 years. A number devoted many years of service in various works and apostolates. Their collective labor and example built upon the foundations prepared by earlier generations of missionaries to the continent.

The North-West Africa Province today consists of the five English-speaking West African countries of Nigeria, Ghana, Sierra Leone, Liberia and Gambia, with approximately 106 Jesuits. Nearly all are indigenous, with many of that number currently in formation as novices and scholastics. This area was first a mission of the New York Province and then was the Nigeria-Ghana dependent region until becoming an independent province in 2005, with Fr. George Quickley, SJ, as the first provincial.

The primary works and apostolates of the North-West Africa Province include: the five parishes of Saint Joseph's, Benin City (Nigeria), Saint Anthony's, Accra (Ghana), Christ the King, Lagos (Nigeria); Saint Francis, Lagos (Nigeria) and Holy Family, Caldwell (Liberia); two retreat centers in Benin City and Cape Coast, Ghana; and three schools (Loyola Jesuit College, Abuja, Nigeria, St. Francis Secondary School in Lagos and Quaye Nungua Primary and Junior Secondary School in Accra), with a third secondary school under construction in Port Harcourt, Nigeria. Jesuits also serve the people of God as chaplains in the university system and as spiritual directors.

*The souls of the just
are in the hand of God.*

— Wisdom 3:1

MARYLAND PROVINCE

Fr. Frederick Homann, SJ

Born July 3, 1929; died August 24, 2011
Professor of mathematics at Saint Joseph's
University; pastor to the Iqaluit Mission in Canada

Fr. Richard Norman, SJ

Born August 23, 1927; died September 12, 2011
Missionary in India; minister at University of
Scranton and Saint Joseph's University

Fr. Edward Bodnar, SJ

Born September 26, 1920; died November 29, 2011
Classical languages professor at Georgetown
University for over 40 years; chaplain, confessor and
spiritual director

Fr. James Devereux, SJ

Born March 31, 1928; died December 19, 2011
Provincial; professor at Saint Joseph's Prep,
University of Scranton and University of North
Carolina; pastor and spiritual director in North
Carolina and Washington, D.C.

Fr. Eugene Power, SJ

Born September 29, 1919; died January 1, 2012
Missionary to India for 38 years; pastoral minister
and chaplain

Br. William Sudzina, SJ

Born July 2, 1925; died February 10, 2012
Certified electrician, plumber, mechanic, painter,
baker and cook for the Jesuit novitiate, residence
and retreat house in Wernersville, Pa., and assistant
minister in Osorno, Chile

Fr. Joseph Kennedy, SJ

Born August 2, 1923; died February 12, 2012
Missionary in India for 30 years; director and
associate director at the Jesuit Mission Bureau in
Baltimore, Md., for 24 years

Fr. Jerome Coll, SJ

Born July 28, 1928; died February 15, 2012
President, Georgetown Prep; dean, alumni and
advancement relations at Saint Joseph's University

Fr. Henry Coster, SJ

Born January 27, 1927; died February 25, 2012
Social minister at the University of Scranton;
chaplain at hospitals in Philadelphia, Pa., and
Wheeling, W.Va.; assistant principal at Saint
Joseph's Prep and Gonzaga

Fr. Vincent O'Brien, SJ

Born September 29, 1922; died May 2, 2012
Teacher at Saint Joseph's Prep, Gonzaga, and
Loyola Blakefield; counselor for over 40 years
in Washington, D.C., area

Fr. William Lynch, SJ

Born July 19, 1917; died June 10, 2012
Teacher at Saint Joseph's Prep for 20 years; pastor
and parochial vicar in New Jersey and North
Carolina, including 20 years at St. Therese Parish,
Mooresville, N.C.



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In Memoriam

AUGUST 1, 2011 ~ JULY 31, 2012

NEW ENGLAND PROVINCE

Fr. Francis Nicholson, SJ

Born April 11, 1921; died August 26, 2011
Professor of law, rector of the Jesuit Community and advisor at Boston College

Fr. George Duffy, SJ

Born January 4, 1925; died September 30, 2011
Teacher at St. George's College, Kingston, Jamaica, and later prefect of the chemistry lab at Boston College HS

Fr. Robert Lindsay, SJ

Born April 26, 1929; died October 9, 2011
Spiritual director, retreat master, mentor and guide, he devoted himself to the *Spiritual Exercises*.

Fr. Albert Cardoni, SJ

Born June 7, 1926; died November 2, 2011
Taught philosophy at Fairfield University for more than 30 years after teaching at Al-Hikma University and Baghdad College in Iraq

Fr. Francis Sarjeant, SJ

Born March 8, 1927; died December 19, 2011
Served in parishes in Jamaica, Cayman Islands, New Mexico, Florida and Michigan and as a chaplain at Boston City Hospital and Suffolk County Jail

Fr. Philip Harrigan, SJ

Born July 27, 1925; died December 30, 2011
Teacher of math at Boston College HS while spending weekends and summers in parish ministry

Fr. Edward O'Flaherty, SJ

Born October 29, 1934; died February 21, 2012
Rector at Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley, later served as provincial, and then in the Archdiocese of Boston Ecumenical & Interreligious Affairs Office for many years

Fr. John Handrahan, SJ

Born January 7, 1924; died April 13, 2012
Taught at Cheverus HS, Portland, Maine, and for 40 years in pastoral ministry in Florida

Fr. John Brooks, SJ

Born July 13, 1923; died July 2, 2012
Professor of theology, dean and president of the College of the Holy Cross for 24 years

NEW YORK PROVINCE

Fr. Joseph Spellerberg, SJ

Born December 6, 1919; died August 20, 2011
Librarian at the novitiate, Plattsburgh, N.Y., teacher at Xavier HS, hospital and pastoral ministry in Staten Island and Buffalo, N.Y.

Fr. Harold O'Donnell, SJ

Born May 27, 1932; died August 20, 2011
After teaching at St. Peter's Prep, Jersey City, N.J., he worked in hospital and parish ministries for many years in Long Island and Manhattan.

Br. Raymond Whalen, SJ

Born May 13, 1920; died September 16, 2011
He worked in Micronesia for 12 years as captain of the ship that carried Jesuits from island to island, as treasurer at Colegio San Ignacio in Puerto Rico and at Saint Ignatius Retreat House in Manhasset, Long Island.

Fr. John McDonald, SJ

Born April 17, 1927; died September 16, 2011
He served as headmaster of Xavier HS, president of McQuaid Jesuit, vice president for secondary education and director of the Jesuit Seminary and Mission Bureau (JSMB).

Fr. J. Dean Brackley, SJ

Born August 9, 1946; died October 16, 2011
He taught at Fordham University before beginning his long service to the people of El Salvador as a professor at the University of Central America and pastoral minister for more than 20 years.

Fr. John Garvey, SJ

Born August 17, 1944; died October 19, 2011
He served in the Caroline Islands, Saint Ignatius Retreat House, as campus ministry director and teacher at Xavier HS and publications assistant for the province.

Fr. Robert Kelly, SJ

Born October 10, 1926; died November 9, 2011
Classics teacher at Regis HS and professor of Biblical Greek and spiritual director at Saint Joseph Seminary, Dunwoodie, N.Y.

Fr. Richard Caplice, SJ

Born October 10, 1931; died December 12, 2011
After 25 years teaching languages at the Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome, he engaged in pastoral ministry for 20 years in Jersey City, N.J., and Cornwall, N.Y.

Fr. John St. George, SJ

Born August 29, 1934; died December 18, 2011
After studying chemistry at Fordham University, he spent the next 40 years teaching chemistry at Saint Peter's College.

Fr. Vincent Butler, SJ

Born June 12, 1931; died February 8, 2012
He taught at Loyola School, Saint Peter's Prep and Canisius HS, and served in administration at Xavier HS.

Fr. Calvin Poulin, SJ

Born April 18, 1931; died February 19, 2012
He served for nearly 50 years in Africa and the Philippines, taught at the Loyola School of Theology and Saint John Vianney Seminary in the Philippines and was chaplain of Xavier University.

Fr. Thomas Walsh, SJ

Born January 28, 1922; died March 26, 2012
Taught theology at Le Moyne College and Fordham University, served as rector at 83rd Street, and spent 25 years in retreat ministry at Loyola Retreat House, Morristown, N.J.

Fr. Edward Murphy, SJ

Born June 14, 1937; died April 4, 2012
After many years in pastoral ministry, he founded the organization, Part of the Solution (POTS), while ministering to the poor and the hungry.

Fr. Richard Grogan, SJ

Born August 8, 1942; died April 24, 2012
After various pastoral ministries, he served as minister and treasurer at Murray-Weigel Hall and Ciszek Hall, Fordham University and ministered at many parishes in New York City.

Fr. John Ruane, SJ

Born April 2, 1920; died May 5, 2012
He taught philosophy in the Philippines for several years, and at Saint Peter's College, Jersey City, N.J., for many years.

Fr. James Meehan, SJ

Born July 10, 1932; died May 21, 2012
He went to the Philippines in 1954 and prepared men for the priesthood at the Loyola House of Studies and was a founding member of the Arrupe International Residence.

Fr. John McSherry, SJ

Born January 12, 1941; died May 23, 2012
He was a teacher and student counselor at Regis HS and Xavier HS and served as chaplain at Murray-Weigel Hall.

Fr. Patrick Sullivan, SJ

Born December 31, 1933; died May 26, 2012
He served as superior at Canisius HS, minister at Murray-Weigel Hall, director of the province infirmary, rector at McQuaid HS, Rochester, N.Y. and superior at St. Michael's Parish, Buffalo, N.Y.

Fr. Richard Pendergast, SJ

Born March 24, 1927; died June 24, 2012
He was a professor of physics at Saint Peter's College, chaplain at Saint Louis University Medical Center and served at Loyola House of Retreats.

Br. Frank Jensen, SJ

Born June 26, 1924; died July 8, 2012
He was a librarian at Saint Andrew-on-Hudson, Shrub Oak, Woodstock College, Xavier HS and Fordham University.

Fr. Paul Nochelski, SJ

Born July 9, 1941; died July 14, 2012
He was principal at McQuaid HS, Rochester, N.Y. and professor of education at Canisius College, Buffalo, NY.

Fr. John Gerhard, SJ

Born August 31, 1917; died July 18, 2012
He taught at Brooklyn Prep, Loyola School and at Saint John's University, together with pastoral ministry at parishes and nursing homes on Staten Island, N.Y.

Fr. Vincent O'Keefe, SJ

Born January 10, 1920; died July 22, 2012
He was professor at Woodstock, president of Fordham University, General Councilor in Rome, as well as rector and superior at Fordham and America House.

Fr. Peter Roslovich, SJ

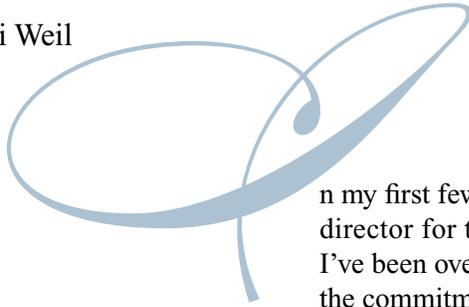
Born July 22, 1932; died July 23, 2012
He taught at Canisius HS, Saint Peter's Prep, Regis HS and Loyola School before serving in pastoral ministry at Murray-Weigel Hall.

Fr. D. Michael Flynn, SJ

Born January 2, 1941; died July 27, 2012
After teaching at Xavier HS, he was vocation director and later worked with the Hispanic lay leadership program and as pastor of Nativity, Manhattan, and Saint Mary of the Assumption and Our Lady of Mount Carmel-Saint Benedicta, Staten Island, N.Y.

Hearts on Fire

by Sherri Weil



In my first few months as advancement director for the Maryland Province, I've been overwhelmed and inspired by the commitment of those who support the Jesuits.

It is not always easy to pinpoint what touches a chord and makes one care so deeply. However, in speaking with several people, I've learned more about what inspires our friends to support the Jesuits. This loyal generosity keeps their hearts on fire. I recently had the pleasure of interviewing two donors.



Bob Falese, a lifelong resident of Philadelphia, Pa., is chair of the board of Saint Joseph's University and chair of commercial banking for TD Bank. A member of the Class of 1969, he has been a valued friend and donor to St. Joseph's for many years, generously providing his time and resources.

"When I went to St. Joe's in the 1960s, it was a commuter school and I had a full-time job which allowed for little free time," said Falese. While aware of its Jesuit heritage, he was focused on completing his studies and moving on to the next

stage in his life. As a senior, Falese enlisted in the Marines and was scheduled to leave in February for Parris Island, S.C. Fr. Jim Moore, SJ, provided critical assistance so Bob could get married and complete his studies before heading out to serve his country. Falese didn't forget that individualized attention, what St. Ignatius called *cura personalis*.

Later on, with a busy professional life and four children, Falese continued to follow the ideals of his Jesuit education. When it was time for his eldest son, Bob Jr., to go to college, he selected St. Joe's. The same admissions officer who admitted Bob Sr. also admitted his son. During his junior year, Bob's son needed surgery for a serious medical condition. Fr. Moore again interceded and made it possible for Bob Jr. to graduate on time by taking summer courses. "A family doesn't ever forget that care and concern," said Falese.

Fueled by a desire to give back, Falese's Philadelphia ties haven't stopped him from reaching beyond his home state to other Jesuit ministries and causes, including the care of senior Jesuits. When Fr. Jim Shea, SJ, provincial of the Maryland Province, told him of the province's need for appropriate housing for senior Jesuits, Bob and his wife Mary were inspired to make a special gift in honor of Fr. Moore to Colombiere Jesuit Community Residence in Baltimore, Md.

"A family doesn't ever forget that care and concern."

— Bob Falese

Many of Falese's comments about the importance of faith-based education were echoed by **Kathleen Wills**, a Washington, D.C., native who lives on the Chesapeake Bay in Annapolis, Md.



“What a gift it was to have a Jesuit education.”

— Kathleen Wills

Her involvement in the many ministries of the Maryland Province spans decades. Her friendship with Jesuits throughout the years has shaped nearly every aspect of her philanthropy.

Wills’ introduction to the Jesuits was through her late husband, Ben, who was educated at Georgetown Prep in the 1950s. As a young married couple, they decided early on to support the Jesuit ministries. Her husband felt strongly that he needed to repay the Jesuits for his education. “What a gift it was to have a Jesuit education,” said Wills, echoing her late husband’s sentiments.

Over the years, she kept in contact with many priests and was encouraged to be a partner in Jesuit ministries. Wills especially appreciated that the Jesuits involved the laity in their ministries.

As a staff member with Georgetown University’s alumni association in the 1960s, with the Georgetown Prep board in the 1990s and most recently with the Woodstock Theological Center, Wills has consistently supported the Jesuits. These years of

service enhanced her feelings and further motivated her generosity. “The Jesuits go where the need is,” said Wills.

This past year Wills responded to the *Cura Personalis Campaign* with a leadership gift for the Colombiere Community Residence. The commitment she and her husband made to the Jesuits some 40 years ago remains steadfast. Their generosity enabled many senior priests to continue to serve the Church and the Society at Colombiere, where they receive health care services and support from their Jesuit brothers.

Wills is the proud aunt of nieces and nephews who attend Jesuit institutions. Her hope is that Jesuit works will continue to flourish, inspiring future generations to serve the Church and to support the works of the Society.

With continued prayers and support from individuals like Bob Falese and Kathleen Wills, the Society, through its many works and ministries, is able to go where the need is the greatest and to serve our brothers and sisters in Christ. ■

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As you read remarks from some benefactors who have told us what motivates and inspires them, please know that you remain always in our prayers and have our ongoing gratitude.



Fathers Provincial concelebrate the First Vows Mass in Syracuse, N.Y., in August.

We are humbled and grateful that so many — inspired as we have been by the vocation of Ignatius and the tradition of the Society — have chosen both to work with us and to share our sense of mission and our passion to reach out to the men and women of our broken but lovable world.

— Decree 6 of General Congregation 35 on Collaboration

I am a graduate of Fordham Prep '49 and Fordham University's School of Business. I have had opportunities to partner with Jesuits who worked tirelessly in Micronesia and have been blessed by their friendships. I have enjoyed great success in my work. I have to give something back.

— James J. O'Malley, Jefferson Valley, N.Y.

I view the Jesuits as the fuel for so many great works. Every institution, mission, or project that the Jesuits sponsor is driven by their energy, passion, and dedication. I see my role as doing nothing more than helping to pay the “fuel bill.”

— Tom Reilly, Hingham, Mass.

The Jesuits gave me wings to fly. I am very grateful for the Jesuit influence in my life. — The George Family, Rockville, Md.

My first time meeting a Jesuit was in 1947... We had a dear elderly priest as a chaplain at Mercy Hospital. Knowing him as well as the young priests who rotated through the hospital as part of their training, I learned more about the order and their work... I just have a soft spot in my heart for these forward-thinking men. — Martina McKewen, Ashburn, Va.



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