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Catholic, Islamic school students learn about each other's faith

Eighth graders at San Francisco's Ecole Notre Dame des Victoires School participated in a cultural exchange program with students from the Granada Islamic School of Santa Clara. As seventh graders, they visited the Islamic school in March and learned about Islam. This year visiting students from Granada learned about the Catholic faith and all discussed stereotypes and issues facing teens today. Students also worked together to bag toiletries that the NDV students had collected for the Gubbio Project in San Francisco.

Pope tells U.S. colleges to reaffirm Catholic identity, orthodoxy

By Francis X. Rocca

VATICAN CITY (CNS) – Pope Benedict XVI called on America's Catholic colleges and universities to reaffirm their Catholic identity by ensuring orthodoxy in theological studies and accepting the oversight of bishops.

The pope made his remarks May 5 to U.S. bishops from Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and Wyoming, who were making their periodic "ad limina" visits to the Vatican.

While he acknowledged recent efforts by America's Catholic institutions of higher education to "reaffirm their distinctive iden-

tity in fidelity to their founding ideals and the church's mission," Pope Benedict said that "much remains to be done."

The pope emphasized the need for compliance with canon law in the appointment of theology instructors, who are required to possess a "mandate" from the "competent ecclesiastical authority," ordinarily the local bishop.

The requirement for a mandate was underscored in 1990 by Blessed John Paul II in his apostolic constitution "Ex Corde Ecclesiae," but many Catholic theology departments in the U.S. have yet to comply.

Pope Benedict said that the need for a

mandate was especially clear in light of the "confusion created by instances of apparent dissidence between some representatives of Catholic institutions and the church's pastoral leadership."

"Such discord harms the church's witness and, as experience has shown, can easily be exploited to compromise her authority and her freedom," the pope said.

U.S. bishops have clashed with the administrations of Catholic colleges and universities on a number of occasions in recent years, with some of the most prominent cases involving invited speakers who dissent from Catholic moral teaching.

In March, Anna Maria University in Worcester, Mass., retracted its invitation to Victoria Reggie Kennedy, widow of the late Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., to speak at the university's commencement, after Bishop Robert J. McManus objected to Victoria Kennedy's support for legalized abortion, contraception and same-sex marriage.

On May 4, Jesuit-run Georgetown University announced that Kathleen Sebelius, secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, will give the commencement speech at the university's public policy institute on May 18.

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On The STREETST Where You Live

By Tom Burke

Woodside Priory is mighty proud of senior **Ryan Young**, who is helping get musical instruments to youths who can't afford them. Ryan taught guitar at a summer camp for underprivileged teens. He met kids who loved the idea of learning to play an instrument but have never had the chance at instruction. Noting that parents often have instruments children have outgrown taking up space and going unused, Ryan suggests giving them up for use by a new child. Don't forget the possible tax deduction either, he said. Ryan partners in the effort with a group called Music in Schools Today. Ryan's proud parents are **Jean and Eric Young**.



Ryan Young

St. Philip School history teacher and choirmaster **Mary McKeever** made her own history April 24 when she took the oath to become a United States citizen. So proud was St. Phil's that it was arranged so the words could be spoken before the student body and visitors in the school hall. On hand from Ireland to witness the event were Mary's parents **Marjorie and Joe Doherty**, who live in County Donegal and watched the proceedings through Skype on a laptop computer. "I think that today's celebration reinforces for the students what we teach them in school every day," Mary said in a release about her swearing in. "I hope it's a day they remember. I know I will." Next day it was "free dress" at St. Phil's and all came to school wearing red, white and blue in honor of the new citizen, said **Remy Everett**, principal.



Mary McKeever

While the Eagles are certainly a Philly connection for me, the birds this time are not running a football field but growing up, you might say, just off Interstate 280. A bald eagle nest with eggs was spotted in March by birder, George Chrisman III at Crystal Springs Watershed down Hillsborough and Burlingame way. His alert to others of the new life – maybe hatched by now – started a flurry of activity among birders and the posting of lookout stations with high powered telescopes to look in on the flying family. George is the son, of Dorothea and George Chrisman of Our Lady of Angels Parish in Burlingame. "Our son has been a birdwatcher since his teenage years," George told me in a note to this column. "It's



St. Thomas Apostle School seventh grader, Preston Fong, won the school Geography Bee. He took the prize with the correct answer to "What body of water is between New Brunswick and Nova Scotia?" Why the Bay of Fundy, of course. Pictured with the knows-his-way-around-the-globe are Judith Borelli, principal, left, and science teacher Daragh Powers.

been exciting and fun for the whole family." More connections to birds for me are the large sanctuary in Cape May, New Jersey, just a few miles from my Wildwood days, and the first and best voice teacher I ever had lives in Audubon, Pa., just a short hop from Valley Forge. Painter John James Audubon made his first home in the U.S. very near there in 1803 and it was there that he developed his painting style, sources say.

Happy 90th birthday to **Rose Moresi** of Church of the Epiphany Parish in San Francisco. Rose's new nonagenarian status was celebrated in February by the Over 50 Club at Epiphany. "Rose has been an Epiphany parishioner forever," said **Barbara Bottarini**, who has been sending good stuff to this column for years. "Rose has recently moved to Our Lady of Loretto and while we'll miss her, they are lucky to have her." Barbara herself is born and raised in Epiphany attending the parish school, **Immaculate Conception Academy** and the **University of San Francisco**. Barbara, a nurse at St. Mary's Hospital for 40 years, celebrated her 74th birthday April 23.

"Oops!" The new Eagle Scout in CSF April 27 is **Jack Murray**. While Murphy is a fine and upstanding name, it isn't Jack's. Sorry!

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Fourth graders at Immaculate Heart of Mary School dressed as pioneers of 1849 California as they wrapped up study of the Gold Rush and early development of the Golden State. "The students wore bonnets, and blue jeans and brought their lunch to school in buckets, baskets or wrapped in a kerchief and tied to a stick, just as the pioneer children did in 1849," the school said. A guest of the day was Maureen Huntington, superintendent of Catholic schools for the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

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'Devastating figure'

46,486 immigrant parents of US-born kids deported in 6 months

By George Raine

In the first six months of 2011, the United States deported 46,486 immigrants who were the parents of U.S.-born children, and thus citizens, although officials say their enforcement strategy is to put a priority on removing criminals.

The figure is contained in a report by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE, an agency in the Department of Homeland Security, issued at the request of Congress, as some members, particularly those in the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, have concerns about putting families in jeopardy by the deportation of undocumented people.

The U.S. Catholic bishops, too, have assailed raids on work forces which have resulted in the breaking up of families, in the context of making a case for immigration reform. They have asked members of Congress to keep this question in mind: "How do we ensure that the institution of the family is a significant consideration in our immigration policy?"

At the Archdiocese of San Francisco, Patricia Ribeiro, the parish outreach and organizing coordinator at the Office of Public Policy and Social Concerns, said of the more than 46,000 deportations, "This devastating figure highlights the absence of compassion and dignity for the human persons. To separate a parent from their child based solely on their immigration status is unacceptable and serves as a continued sign that our immigration system is broken and needs urgent reform."

In 2009, the Department of Homeland Security issued a report in which it estimated that some 100,000 parents of U.S. children were deported from 1998 to 2007, and thus the attention from members of Congress. The most recent report, dated March 27, from John



Jennifer Martinez is pictured with her children and a family portrait at their Manitowoc, Wis., home March 31. Seated from left is Yuliana, Jennifer, Giovanni, Jaime Jr., and Isabel. Husband and father Jaime was deported to Mexico March 23. Known as a hard worker who put in 70 hours a week at his restaurant job and spent his spare time volunteering at the local YMCA, Jaime left his home in Mexico City in 1998 and crossed illegally into the United States.

Morton, director of ICE, initially was little noticed but reaction is growing.

The report was requested by Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard, D-Los Angeles, and other Democratic members of the House Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee. She said, "This report is the latest example of the terrible human toll our broken immigration system is taking on families. Tearing families apart like this is inhumane and completely unacceptable. We can't continue to claim to value families while deporting parents in the tens of thousands. This must stop."

For reasons that are unclear, the March

report did not include the fact, according to ICE, that 74 percent of the "removals," as ICE refers to them, were convicted criminals and 19 percent were either immigration fugitives, re-entrants or recent border crossers.

The figure was provided by a source as background information, but Virginia Kice, an ICE spokeswoman, elaborated, saying, "ICE is focused on smart and effective immigration enforcement which prioritizes the removal of convicted criminal aliens, threats to national security, recent border crossers, illegal re-entrants and immigration fugitives."

She said that ICE "will typically not detain

individuals who are the primary caretakers of children, unless the individual is legally subjected to mandatory detention based on the severity of their criminal or immigration history."

Kice said, "To address the challenge of an overcrowded immigration court system, and better utilize existing resources, there is an ongoing administration-wide effort to focus immigration enforcement resources on those convicted of crimes, recent border crossers and egregious immigration law violators."

She added that it is the decision of parents who are ordered removed whether or not to relocate their children with them. "If parents choose to take their U.S. citizen children with them, ICE assists in every way possible including helping to obtain passports or when possible, allow for voluntary departure."

Still, Applied Research Center, a think tank that examines race matters, with offices in Oakland, New York and Chicago, reported in 2011 that approximately 5,100 children were living in foster care after their parents had been either detained or deported.

Roybal-Allard noted ICE's statement that it is prioritizing criminals and that it is in the process of implementing a new prosecutorial discretion policy which takes into account family ties in making deportation decisions. She added, "I believe it is critical that the new guidelines are interpreted as generously as possible by agency officials to prevent even more families from being torn apart."

The Arizona Republic reported last month that Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano had said in a meeting with its editors and reporters, "The No. 1 concern all of us should have is, 'Where are the children? What's going on with the children?' But the plain fact of the matter is having a child in and of itself does not bestow citizenship."

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NEWS *in brief*

Chen's dissent stems from opposition to forced abortion

TORONTO – As Chinese and U.S. diplomats sought a resolution to the diplomatic crisis surrounding Chinese activist Chen Guangcheng, many Chinese-Americans turned their attention to the nature of Chen's dissent.

Without challenging any fundamental tenet of China's constitution or its 1949 revolution, Chen has focused attention to the country's forced abortion and sterilization practices, leading to a crackdown by the government on his movement and prohibitions on contact with foreigners and the media.

"Chen Guangcheng is not just a dissident. In fact, he did not even advocate against the central government. He is a folk hero in China," Chai Ling, founder and president of All Girls Allowed, told a U.S. Congressional hearing in Washington May 3.

"He's a defender of women, children and the poor. Chen has worked tirelessly on behalf of women who face forced abortion and sterilization at the hands of officials who should be protecting their citizens' rights," said Chai, whose organization campaigns to defend women facing forced abortions in China.

In 2005, Chen organized a class action lawsuit that accused city officials in Linyi, Shandong province, of illegally forcing women to undergo abortions as a means of enforcing China's one-child policy. Chen was arrested after filing the lawsuit. He eventually served four years in prison for "damaging property and organizing a mob to disturb traffic" during a demonstration against the practice.

On Vatican trip, bishops discuss defense of traditional marriage

VATICAN CITY – A few hours before voters in North Carolina were to go to the polls to vote on a referendum defining marriage as a union between one man and one woman, Bishop Peter J. Jugis of Charlotte, N.C., prayed with his brother bishops for the courage always to defend the Gospel.

Bishop Jugis said May 8 that he and Bishop Michael F. Burbidge of Raleigh had been criticized publicly for their support of the amendment to the state constitution and for their defense of "something so beautiful and foundational to society."

He said when he told another bishop about the criti-



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France elects new leader

Supporters of newly elected French President Francois Hollande wave flags as they celebrate during a rally in Paris May 6. France voted in elections that day and Hollande was elected the nation's first Socialist president in 17 years.

cism, "he encouraged me by saying, 'Wear it as a badge of honor.'"

Bishop Jugis was the principal celebrant and homilist at a morning Mass in St. Peter's Basilica with Bishop Burbidge and the bishops of Florida, Georgia and South Carolina.

In his homily, Bishop Jugis said North Carolina was "the last state in the South" to consider a referendum on defining marriage.

While marriage between same-sex couples is already illegal in North Carolina, supporters of the amendment said it would add more protection for traditional marriage.

Editorial, quickly removed, calls Cuban cardinal 'lackey'

WASHINGTON – An editorial by the director of Radio and TV Marti blasting Havana Cardinal Jaime Ortega Alamino as a "lackey" of the Cuban government was taken down from the U.S. government agency's website soon after a newspaper article about it was published. The Washington Post reported May 6 that the editorial read on the network and published on the website of the organization said Cardinal Ortega is colluding with the oppressive regime. "This attitude of Ortega just goes to show his political collusion with the government and his willingness to follow the official line," the Post said the editorial read. "This lackey attitude demonstrates a profound lack of understanding and compassion toward the human reality of these children of God." It concluded by asking the cardinal to "please be faithful to the Gospel you preach." But by the next morning, the item had been pulled from the organization's site.

5 suspended priests deemed 'unsuitable for ministry'

PHILADELPHIA – Archbishop Charles J. Chaput of Philadelphia announced May 4 his decisions on eight priests who had been suspended due to past allegations of clerical misconduct or child sexual abuse. Of the priests, five were "unsuitable for ministry." They include Msgr. Francis Feret, 75, and Fathers George Cadwallader, 58; Robert Povish, 47; John Reardon, 65; and Thomas Rooney, 61. The three priests deemed suitable for ministry are Msgr. Michael Flood, 72, and Fathers Philip Barr, 92; and Michael Chapman, 56. It is unclear in what capacity they will return to active ministry, or what next steps will be taken against the five who remain on administrative leave, though the archbishop pledged they will continue to be monitored by church authorities. One priest who had been suspended, Father Daniel Hoy, died last July before a thorough investigation could be completed and no conclusion on his case was reached. The eight priests were part of a group of 26 placed on administrative leave last March in response to a 2011 Philadelphia grand jury report that revealed the Philadelphia archdiocese's failure to address allegations of sexual misconduct or abuse of minors by some priests. That report followed a 2005 grand jury report that first shed light on the crisis, which continues today in the form of two archdiocesan priests facing criminal charges in a landmark trial in Philadelphia.

Bishops say budget choices should respect poor, vulnerable

WASHINGTON – Congress should assess every budget decision by how it reflects the shared responsibility of the government and other institutions to protect human life and dignity, especially of the poor and vulnerable, said the bishop who chairs the Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in a May 8 letter to the House of Representatives.

"The Catholic bishops of the United States recognize the serious deficits our country faces, and we acknowledge that Congress must make difficult decisions about how to allocate burdens and sacrifices and balance resources and needs," wrote Stockton Bishop Stephen E. Blaire as the House prepared to vote on a reconciliation package for the 2013 budget. "However, deficit reduction and fiscal responsibility efforts must protect and not undermine the needs of poor and vulnerable people. The proposed cuts to programs in the budget reconciliation fail this basic moral test."

Bishop Blaire singled out an "unfair" proposal to change the Child Tax Credit to exclude children of immigrant families, "the large majority of whom are American citizens," proposed cuts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly known as food stamps) that would affect all poor families and be "a direct threat to their human dignity," and the cutting of the Social Services Block Grant, "an important source of funding for programs throughout the country" that serve "the homeless, the elderly, people with disabilities, children living in poverty, and abuse victims."

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Irish cardinal defends role in 1975 abuse inquiry, says he won't resign

By Sarah MacDonald

DUBLIN (CNS) – The primate of All Ireland has said he will not resign despite criticism of his role in a 1975 canonical inquiry into a pedophile priest, Norbertine Father Brendan Smyth.

In a statement issued in Armagh, Northern Ireland, May 2, Cardinal Sean Brady defended his involvement in the inquiry and accused the BBC documentary “The World: The Shame of the Catholic Church” of making a number of claims that overstated and misrepresented his role.

He also highlighted that no state or church guidelines existed in the 1970s in the Irish Republic to assist those responding to an allegation of abuse against a minor.

The BBC documentary reported the testimony of Brendan Boland, a 14-year-old victim of Father Smyth, arrested in 1994 and convicted in 1997 of sexually assaulting 20 victims over a period of 35 years.

In 1975, Boland told a three-priest inquiry team, which included the then-Father Brady, of his two years of abuse at the hands of Father Smyth. This became public knowledge in 2010 and led to calls for the cardinal to step down over the oath of secrecy that Boland was forced to sign and the fact that the civil authorities were not informed of the abuse.

The BBC program reported that, during his deposition, Boland also furnished the inquiry with the names and addresses of other victims of Father Smyth.

According to journalist Darragh MacIntyre’s report, the parents of these victims were never notified by the church of the abuse allegations.

One of the victims said in the documentary that he was sexually abused for a further year by Father Smyth after the inquiry was completed, while his sister was abused until 1982 and that four of his cousins were abused until 1988.

According to Cardinal Brady, when the inquiry was completed he passed all the information he had obtained to his bishop, Bishop Francis McKiernan.

In his May 2 statement, Cardinal Brady rejected the program’s claim that he was an investigator in the inquiry.

“I did not formulate the questions asked in the inquiry



Left, Cardinal Sean Brady of Armagh, Northern Ireland, speaks to members of the media outside his residence in Armagh May 2. The primate of All Ireland has said he will not resign despite criticism of his role in a 1975 canonical inquiry into a pedophile priest, Norbertine Father Brendan Smyth. **Right, Irish abuse victim Marie Collins** talks during a press conference in downtown Rome Feb. 7. In response to allegations in a new BBC documentary “The World: The Shame of the Catholic Church,” she said, “The church in Ireland has no credibility left.”

over Father Smyth, and that those culpable for the inadequate response were the Norbertine abbot and religious superiors.

Describing himself as “shocked, appalled and outraged” when he “first discovered in the mid-1990s that Brendan Smyth had gone on to abuse others,” he said he thought that Bishop McKiernan had taken the evidence to the abbot of Kilnacrott and that the abbot would then have prevented Father Smyth from abusing others.

In an interview with RTE Radio May 2, Msgr. Charles Scicluna, the promoter of justice in the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, defended Cardinal Brady’s handling of the case.

“He was doing his duty to investigate something that had come to the knowledge of the church, and I think he fulfilled his duty well,” he said, adding that the then-36-year-old priest acted as a notary, not an investigator.

Cardinal Brady did say that he was part of “an unhelpful culture of deference and silence in society and the church” which he said was now “a thing of the past.”

In the wake of the publication of the Murphy Report in 2009, Cardinal Brady told RTE that he would resign if he found that a child had been abused as a result of any managerial failure on his part.

Two years ago, the cardinal refused to resign, offering to remain on to lead the church in Ireland forward on its path of renewal as a “wounded healer.” He suggested he was better placed to help it deal with the tragedy of child sexual abuse on account of his brokenness.

Marie Collins, an abuse survivor from Ireland who recently participated in a Vatican symposium on abuse, said she was repeating her 2010 call for Cardinal Brady to resign.

“What I saw in that documentary was just appalling. He has to go and, if he doesn’t, how can a man like that lead the church in Ireland?” she said.

“I was devastated by Msgr. Scicluna’s comments in which he backed Cardinal Brady. I was so impressed with him at the symposium on abuse in Rome in February, and then to hear him defend the indefensible. They are circling the wagons, and the Vatican has decided that Brady cannot go because they are afraid of the domino effect.”

“The church in Ireland has no credibility left,” she said.

process. I did not put these questions to Mr. Boland. I simply recorded the answers that he gave,” he said.

“The documentation of the interview with Brendan Boland, signed in his presence, clearly identifies me as the ‘notary’ or ‘note taker.’ Any suggestion that I was other than a ‘notary’ in the process of recording evidence from Mr. Boland is false and misleading,” Cardinal Brady said.

He said he subsequently interviewed one of the alleged victims who lived in his own diocese.

“That I conducted this interview on my own is already on the public record. This provided prompt corroboration of the evidence given by Mr. Boland,” he said.

The cardinal also said it was incorrect to suggest that he had the “power to stop Brendan Smyth in 1975.”

He said even Bishop McKiernan had limited authority



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26 arrested after Occupy protesters again take over archdiocesan building

By George Raine

San Francisco Police on May 2 removed and arrested 26 people who had forcibly entered and occupied a vacant building owned by the Archdiocese of San Francisco the day before during an Occupy San Francisco demonstration.

It was the second time the building, at 888 Turk St., was taken over by trespassers. The earlier incident was April 1 when some 80 people were arrested.

The building most recently was used by Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory for music and other classes and the archdiocese is planning to either use it for a school purpose or lease it and use the revenue for tuition assistance for students of low-income families, said George Wesolek, communications director at the archdiocese.

The Occupy movement, which began on Wall Street, was intended to cast a spotlight on top wage earners and contrast that with "the 99 percent," or struggling working class and the poor. However, violence and anarchy perpetrated by participants "has caused the movement to go adrift," said Wesolek.

"The Occupy movement is confused," he said. The (Turk Street) building is not abandoned. It is going to be used for either school expansion or some revenue stream for students. We are not the one percent," Wesolek said, adding that the archdiocese contributes one-third of the social service funds in San Francisco.

In the April occupation of the building, the archdiocese said there was some \$25,000 in damage. An estimate of additional damage cost this week is pending.

San Francisco Police Sgt. Daryl Fong said May 3 that some members of the group that occupied the building hurled bricks and metal pipes toward police officers and others in front of the building. He said a brick hurled by one trespasser struck a bystander in the face, and police arrested Jesse Nesbitt 34, on suspicion of felony assault with a deadly weapon, assault with a deadly weapon on a police officer and vandalism.

Otherwise, the arrests, which began at 5 a.m. on May 2, were without incident, said Fong.

Six of the 26 people arrested for trespassing were booked for a continuing offense due to them having been cited previously for the same violation at the same location.



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Archdiocese to ordain 3 priests May 19

Highly educated men from different backgrounds, all called to priesthood

By George Raine

Three men will be ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of San Francisco on May 19 at 10 a.m. St. Mary's Cathedral, at Gough Street and Geary Boulevard.

The ordination Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop George Niederauer. The new priests are Rev. Mr. Armando J. Gutierrez and Rev. Mr. Jerome M. Murphy, both trained at St. Patrick's Seminary & University in Menlo Park, and Rev. Mr. Felix B. Lim, who studied at St. Patrick's and Theological College at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

Rev. Mr. Armando J. Gutierrez

Rev. Mr. Armando J. Gutierrez, 34, earned a degree at Cornell University and was at work in the affordable housing industry when it dawned on him that he hadn't asked God what his plans for him were – and as soon as the answer came he was off to St. Patrick's, preparing for a life of service that launches May 19.

"The time is right – that is how I feel," he said the other day, on the eve of final examinations. The step he is about to take is akin to marriage, he said. "That is in the background of my mind," he said. "Marriage and holy orders are both sacraments of commitment, where we give our lives to others."

Neither is easy, and the journey will not be without incident, but Rev. Mr. Gutierrez has passed through a discernment through which "we eventually reach the maturity of embracing the call." St. Patrick's faculty helped him discern, and so did the supervisors of parishes where he has worked, as did the friends he has in those parishes, he said.

Rev. Mr. Gutierrez knows he will have to strike a balance in his role as priest – he can't lord over people and he cannot be weak. In fact, he has to inspire. This will be his approach: "I think it is very important to communicate to people that we are walking this Christian life together. As they have struggles, I have struggles. As they have beautiful moments, I have beautiful



Rev. Mr. Armando J. Gutierrez



Rev. Mr. Jerome M. Murphy



Rev. Mr. Felix B. Lim

moments, too. As I get inspired God wants to inspire them, too, the way they are, and so from that perspective the priest works more as someone who animates people to live the Christian life, not as someone who imposes it."

Rev. Mr. Gutierrez is entering the priesthood at a time when the Catholic Church has come under intense fire as a result of sexual abuse cases and, in some cases, covering for wrongdoers, and he believes the best approach going forward is to more fully engage Catholics who will come to know and embrace the church that is both holy and at the same time in need of purification.

Again, the same is true in marriage, he noted.

It is folly to believe in a marriage that will not be tested or mistake-free, he said, and the same is true with the church.

"In marriage we idealize perfect marriage – and that is wrong," he said. "No, we

believe in marriage that is not like that. We believe in a marriage that endures despite the flaws."

He added, "The scandal that we have had is an opportunity to remove the myth that in order to have an authentic communion we need to be perfect people. That is the myth. God has perfect communion with us despite our faults. And I should say because of our faults." In addition, he said, "When people get to embrace the church with all its faults, too, it is a much more authentic community."

This is what Rev. Mr. Gutierrez looks forward to: "As we help people get more involved in the church and by the talents that they bring, and because of the gifts that they have, as we nourish them, too, then they get to love the church more. And they get to know it better and get to love the church. Getting people engaged is essential."

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Question Corner

What's involved in a priest's workweek?

By Father Kenneth Doyle

Question: My question is this: What does a priest do all week? You said in one of your columns that there is a shortage of priests and that one priest is often assigned now to a parish which, a generation ago, had two or three. But when I went to school, our priest did everything: visit the sick, both at home and in the hospital; give out report cards in the parish grade school – along with the Masses, confessions and much more. Today, when we have laypeople doing so much of their work, what is left for a priest to do? (Cape May, N.J.)

Answer: Some 30 years ago, when I was serving as a school chaplain, a third grade boy told his parents one night that, when he grew up, he wanted to be a priest, like Father Doyle. His mother said, "That would be wonderful, Christopher. Why do you think that you'd like that?"

The boy said, "Because Father Doyle only

has to work one day a week." I must confess that lately, with my 72-year-old body sore from 13- or 14-hour days, there have been plenty of evenings when I have wished Christopher had been right.

The questioner is correct in saying that laypeople now do much of the apostolic work of the church, and thank God for that. In our parish, more than a dozen parishioners take Communion to shut-ins and to people in nursing homes. A host of other volunteers staff our parish food pantry. But it still leaves a few things for a priest to do. I can best answer your question anecdotally, using my experience.

I get up each day at 5:30 a.m. to ensure a quiet half-hour to pray. After that, the pace picks up quickly. I am one of six parish priests who serve a city of 94,000, which is predominantly Catholic. A generation ago, there were 22 priests there.

Your question arrives during a week when I have five funerals. Each funeral requires several

hours of a priest's attention – the funeral Mass together with the preparation of a homily, a prayer service at the wake, committal prayers at the cemetery, as well as whatever pastoral outreach seems helpful to the bereaved family.

Fortunately, a compassionate nun on our parish staff meets with the family to help them select readings, readers and hymns for the Mass. These funeral Masses, of course, are in addition to our regularly scheduled daily and weekend Masses.

A fair number of priests these days have parish and diocesan responsibilities. As one of our two diocesan chancellors, I am often required to be at meetings. This week, we had the regular weekly meeting with our bishop to discuss evangelization strategies, etc., as well as an early morning, two-hour meeting with the lay advisers on our diocesan finance council.

A number of other meetings, at various locations throughout the city, also took time: the board of a regional hospital, which is working its way through a complex merger of religious and secular health care facilities; a joint committee of city leaders and officials of nonprofit institutions on shared financial concerns; a discussion requested by officials at a large child care facility seeking help in meeting the religious needs of their clients.

Several evening appointments each week find me meeting with engaged couples planning their weddings, as well as with young parents preparing to have their first child baptized.

Our parish has a school, grades pre-K through 8, with some 200 students; and although I don't pass out report cards, I see the students frequently, offer Mass with them, meet with them individually as needed or requested and attend school functions. This week, the monthly school board meets and there's the annual gala to raise funds.

Often, as happened twice this week, there are requests to intervene in a family crisis. Each week brings a range of phone calls with questions or concerns (job loss, family financial problems, availability of nursing home slots, etc.), as well as the daily temporalities of the parish (signing checks, approving repair work, writing letters of recommendations for college or employment, etc.).

This account of a week in the life of a priest is starting to sound, I'm afraid, like a plea for sympathy. I don't mean it as such. I'm completely happy doing what I'm doing and would choose it again in a heartbeat. It's more a plea for prayer so more young men might step forward to take up the work. Seminary enrollments are beginning to inch up in the United States, so it seems that the Spirit is at work.

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Rev. Mr. Jerome M. Murphy

Rev. Mr. Jerome M. Murphy, 59, has four bachelor's degrees, an MA in history and a secondary education credential. He was, years ago, a reserve deputy for San Mateo County, worked in the insurance industry, was a substitute teacher and headed the Safety Department at Stanford Medical Center. Eventually, he settled in to work that demonstratively prepared him for seminary and the priesthood: He was caregiver for his mother who suffered a stroke, and his father who had Parkinson's disease for 17 years before it killed him.

The day he died, in May, 2003, Rev. Mr. Murphy had worked on him but could not save him. For years he had thought about a vocation and that day, nine years ago, seated at the foot of his father's bed, it made perfect sense to him. "It just seemed as clear as a bell on a cold morning. Go to the seminary."

He made a cold call to then-Father Tom Daly, then the director of vocations for the Archdiocese of San Francisco – now Auxiliary Bishop Daly of the Diocese of San Jose – and in August, 2004, he enrolled at St. Patrick's.

The idea of a vocation had been raised early. Dominican nuns from Germany had told him as a child they thought he had a vocation, and at St. Francis High School in Mountain View he was impressed by what the Brothers of Holy Cross were doing. He seriously considered the possibility of following religious life. He put the notion of a vocation in his back pocket, "but I never actually forgot about it," he said.

As a caregiver, the idea of a vocation presented itself anew. He noticed his values were shifting. The work was very satisfying, even if tiring, and it never made him unhappy. He realized he no longer wanted all the material things he had long sought. He valued the spiritual. He read religious literature. He saw his dying father as "a kind of gift, a circumstance that God had given me and so I wanted to do the best that I could do with that."

Rev. Mr. Murphy added, "God gives us different paths at different point in our lives, and when he does he also gives us the graces that we need to go forward. It's the old saying that God writes straight with crooked lines. That's absolutely true."

He saw a logic to where he was going with a vocation, weighed it with returning to returning to teaching or another job, and it occurred to him that if he was to follow his call "this was the time and if I did not then I probably never would."

Rev. Mr. Murphy said he is prepared to enter the priesthood even as it bears the burden of scandal, and he believes that it will take time for some people to regain their faith in the church, but that it will happen.

Here, he said, is why: "The fellows who I know today who are going through the seminary are a really very fine group of young men. A lot of them have a very good Catholic foundation in their homes ... they are serious, very good students. They tend to be traditional in their views and I think this is



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Ecumenical brothers

Two members of the local Greek Orthodox clergy, Rev. Stephen Kyriacou, left, dean of Annunciation Cathedral, San Francisco; and V. Rev. Archmandrite Apostolos Koufalakis, chancellor of the Metropolis of San Francisco, joined with Catholic bishops and clergy and St. Mary's Cathedral in the April 30 Mass of thanksgiving for Archbishop George Niederauer's 50th ordination anniversary. They are pictured processing in front of Salt Lake City Bishop John Wester and San Francisco Auxiliary Bishop William J. Justice.

the kind of thing that people will respect in parishes: Serious priests, good personalities, dedicated people, seminarians who pray. They spend a lot of time in devotion. Some are very Marian in their outlook. They have a devotion to the Holy Mother and I think most of them pray the rosary every day. And I think that makes a big difference."

Rev. Felix B. Lim

Rev. Mr. Felix B. Lim, 42, was educated by the De La Salle Christian Brothers in Singapore for 10 years and came to the United States to study at the University of Pennsylvania, where he was graduated summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in economics and mathematics and a B.S. in finance, and then earned a master's in finance at the Wharton School at Penn. He worked eight years in investment management before entering the seminary, his vocation fostered in two ways: "The example and inspiration I received from my parents and my involvement in the Legion of Mary."

He could see how his parents' marriage was a God-given vocation, just as a priestly vocation is, and both are a gift of grace. His work with the Legion of Mary, he said, "led me to a deeper desire to serve God totally through the priesthood." Through the legion he met Father Lawrence Goode, the pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Church in East Palo Alto – his contact with the Archdiocese of San Francisco, who helped him apply to the seminary.

"The Legion of Mary seeks to lead the people we encounter in our works to a greater knowledge and faith in God and to increase the faith and holiness of our own members through prayer and service to Our Lord," said Rev. Mr. Lim.

While in Philadelphia, Rev. Mr. Lim did extensive work with marginalized people, including at the state prison and state hospital, and also with new immigrants, particularly newly arriving people from Mexico. Again, the Legion guided him.

"The Legion of Mary taught me how to connect emotionally with people who were suffering. I learned to be a good listener and people seemed willing to confide in me," he said.

After all, he noted, the God he strives to follow "is one who hears the cries of the poor and the suffering and inspires me to work for a better world." He added, "Jesus Christ stood

with people who were marginalized, discriminated against and stigmatized. Jesus healed not only physical ailments but understood and healed deep scars and wounds inflicted by society. Jesus wept and empathized with human suffering."

His own experience as an immigrant, he said, taught him a valuable lesson: "Feeling displaced is basically invisible, perhaps even to the person who is experiencing it. But priests have a distinctive opportunity to draw this reality into the open and make it visible. In serving recent immigrants, priests can seek to understand the hidden wounds of such people through active questioning, using a kind of imaginative, empathetic inquiry through which people give voice to the changes they have faced."

After a year working with immigrants from Mexico, he said, "I learned that the church is more than simply a place to pray, but also a way Latinos remember home. Every community likes to have a little space where they can remember their life or their experiences, culture, traditions and celebrations."

Indeed, while Rev. Mr. Lim knows that he will be serving the spiritual needs of Chinese Catholics in the archdiocese, given his Mandarin skill, he hopes he can engage with the Chinese-speaking international students in the Bay Area. He sees that as an opportunity to evangelize.

"Throughout my many years of active church participation, I relish the experience of immersing myself in the different cultures and working with the diverse men and women from different backgrounds and life situations," said Rev. Mr. Lim. "I regard the diversity of the Catholic Church as a strength which should be appreciated and celebrated."

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LATIN EVANGELICALS' EXPLOSIVE GROWTH

Countries that have long been Catholic strongholds are seeing numbers decline

By Ezra Fieser and Lise Alves

(CNS) — The World Church of the Power of God opened an L-shaped, one-story, corrugated metal megachurch on the outskirts of Sao Paulo on New Year's Day, expecting around 100,000 people to attend.

Few were prepared for the more than 2 million people who actually showed up. The crowd clogged the highway between the city and international airport, causing a six-hour traffic jam. Hundreds of passengers ditched their taxis and cars and walked miles to catch their flights.

"Nobody expected that," said the Rev. Luiz Medeiros, a senior pastor at the neo-Pentecostal church. "It shows how attracted people are to joining the church."

The church has the capacity to hold 150,000 people, making it one of the largest religious gathering places in South America. Preachers regularly draw 30,000 people, Rev. Medeiros said.

What makes the church's popularity remarkable is that it has swelled to such numbers 14 years after its establishment, and it did so in the world's most-Catholic country, Brazil, which the Vatican says has 163 million Catholics.

Evangelical churches like the World Church Power of God have made inroads in Latin America and the Caribbean, long a Catholic stronghold.

Relatively obscure decades ago, evangelicals - including Pentecostals, Baptists and others - now count roughly 97.5 million followers in the region, according to data provided by a coalition of evangelical churches. The Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life's 2011 report on Christianity around the world does not differentiate between mainline and evangelical Protestants, but found 94 million Protestants in Latin America and the Caribbean.

The growth of the evangelical movement in Latin

America has come as the number of Catholics has fallen. While about 432 million people - 74 percent of Latin Americans - identify themselves as Catholic, countries that have long been church strongholds are seeing numbers decline.

"Clearly, the phenomenon of the growth of these sects is affecting us," said Bishop Hector Lopez Hurtado of Girardot, Colombia. "In the last several years, you've seen it spread to all parts of Latin America."

The growth of the movement has caused consternation within CELAM, the Latin American bishops' council. A 2006 publication looking at the issue called the "new religious movements ... one of the problems of greatest concern to those engaged in the process of evangelization in the Catholic Church."

In Mexico, the world's second-most-Catholic country, 96 percent of the population identified themselves as Catholic in 1970. Last year, the number had fallen to 82.7 percent.

Mexico's southern neighbor, Guatemala, was 90 percent Catholic as of the mid-1950s. Today, it's closer to 50 percent. More than one in three are evangelical Christians.

Well-financed churches in the U.S., where one in four adults are evangelicals, initially pushed Latin America's evangelical movement. Today, however, Latin Americans raise money to build churches, and local ministers have risen to celebrity status.

The movement's growth has left a trail of skyline-changing megachurches and humble prayer halls scarcely bigger than living rooms in Latin American cities and the countryside.

In the capital of predominantly Catholic Dominican Republic, Jose Marti attends a raucous service twice a week in a small church that sits atop a grocery store parking garage off a busy highway.

"I was raised Catholic and some of my family is still Catholic," said Marti, 38. "I just don't feel like

the Catholic Church has kept up with the times. It is not exciting, like here."

Inside, a set of drums sat on a small platform and upholstered bench seats lined the hall.

Evangelical "churches adopt less-rigid rules than the Catholic Church ... they adapt to the customs and values seen today in our society, such as the importance of financial prosperity, importance of entrepreneurship to reach this prosperity, importance of discipline," said Christina Vital, an anthropologist at the Institute of Studies of Religion in Rio de Janeiro. "There are today dance parties which are supported by evangelical churches and even held inside these churches."

For Marti, the difference is simple: "I come here and I enjoy it," he said. "I feel like I have my own relationship with Jesus."

His sentiment touches a central theme in explaining the evangelical growth. Rather than having a priest interpret Scripture for them, evangelical Christians take an active role in forming their relationship with Jesus.

"They are able to meet in small groups with their neighbors and a pastor who is from the area and knows them," said Maarit Forde, a professor at the University of the West Indies in Trinidad who studies the spread of evangelical Protestantism in the Caribbean. "That allows them to focus on some of the issues that are pressing for them, like poverty or domestic violence."

More recently, evangelical groups have successfully employed the Internet to attract followers, said Fernando Altemeyer, professor of theology at the Catholic University of Sao Paulo.

"They adapted much faster (than the Catholic Church) to the new technologies, and were quickly on Twitter, Facebook, blogs and such," he said.

That tactic has helped evangelical churches reach young Brazilians and swell the church ranks.

In the past decade, the Catholic Church lost 6 mil-

lion followers in Brazil. Those Catholics did not all flock to the evangelical churches, however; the number of agnostics has grown, Altemeyer said.

Brazil is an example of the changes in the religious makeup of Latin America and of how the Catholic Church is adapting.

Pentecostal groups first arrived in the country in the early 1900s, but the movement surged in the 1970s. It was helped by an urbanization that sent poor Brazilians into cities to look for better jobs. They settled in the outskirts of large cities, where Pentecostal and neo-Pentecostal churches had taken hold.

Today, roughly 40 million Brazilians identify themselves as evangelicals. That number is expected to grow to more than 109 million by 2020, according to the Servindo aos Pastores e Lideres, an evangelical group linked to One Challenge International, a missionary organization.

In Sao Paulo, the Universal Church of the Kingdom of God is building a 10,000-seat replica of Solomon's Temple for a reported \$200 million. In Recife, new churches will have the capacity for up to 35,000 people.

In Sao Paulo, Catholics will open their own megachurch big enough for 100,000 people. The Mother of God Sanctuary will be a venue for a Father Marcelo Rossi, who sings, dances, appears in movies and fills soccer stadiums with his Masses. Proceeds from his best-selling books are paying for most of the church's construction.

The Catholic Church has focused on Latin America's youth and on creating dialogue between Catholics and evangelical movements, said Father Jose Gregorio Melo Sanchez, director of CELAM's Department of Ecclesial Communion and Dialogue.

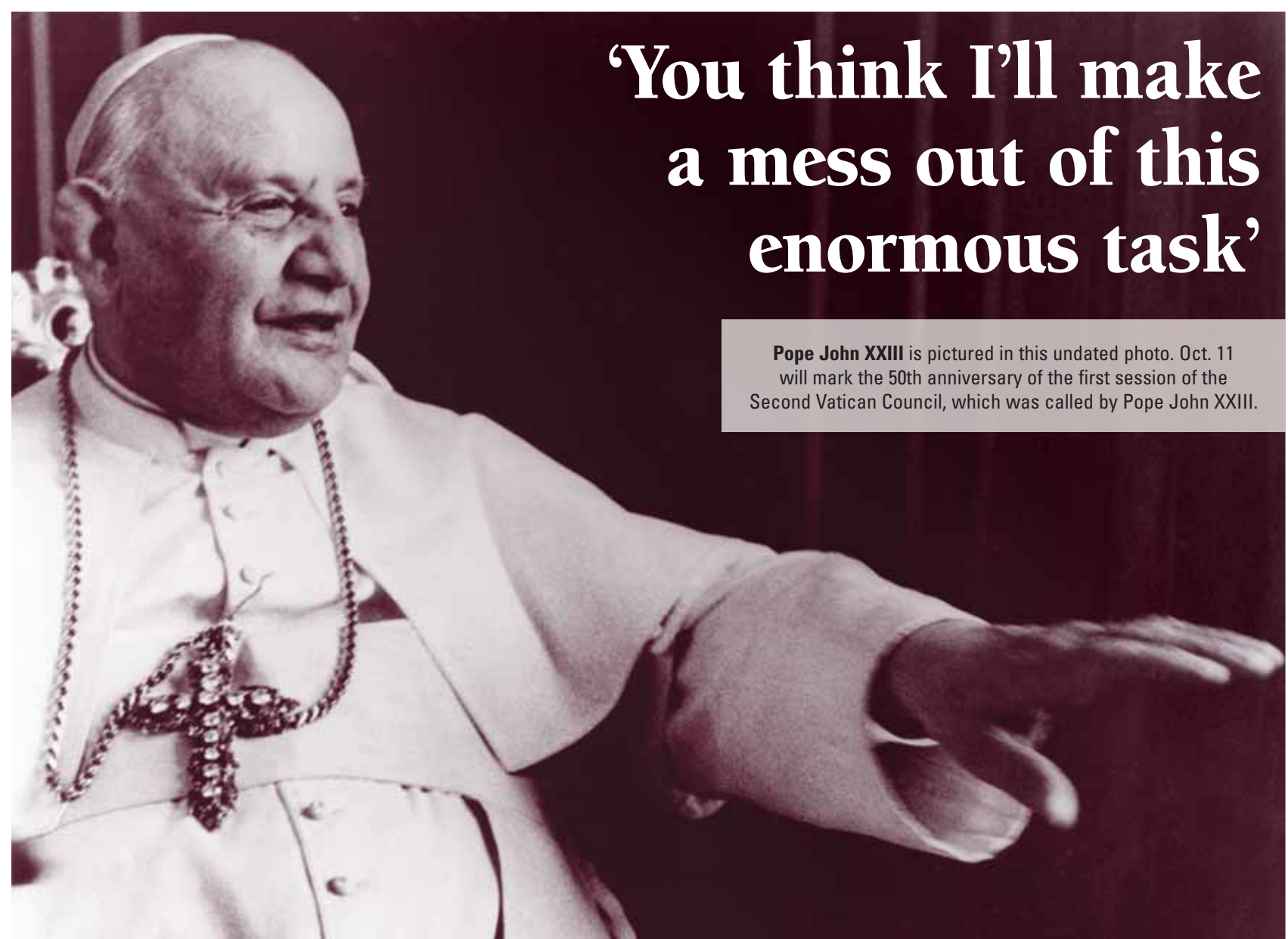
"It's important to remember that the church isn't a reactionary church," Father Melo said. "The approach in this case is to focus on pastoral lines and on inter-religious dialogue."



Above, men listen to an evangelical preacher during Christmas Eve at a migrants' shelter in Tultitlan, on the outskirts of Mexico City, last year. Relatively obscure decades ago, evangelicals, including Pentecostals, Baptists and others, now count roughly 97.5 million followers in Latin America and the Caribbean.



Left, people attend a prayer service at an evangelical church in Leon, Mexico, March 11. In Mexico, the world's second-most-Catholic country, 96 percent of the population identified themselves as Catholic in 1970. Last year, the number had fallen to 82.7 percent.



'You think I'll make a mess out of this enormous task'

Pope John XXIII is pictured in this undated photo. Oct. 11 will mark the 50th anniversary of the first session of the Second Vatican Council, which was called by Pope John XXIII.

'Think with faith,' Pope John XXIII advised doubtful secretary as pontiff verged on momentous decision of calling a council

By Francis X. Rocca

SOTTO IL MONTE GIOVANNI XXIII, Italy (CNS) — When the freshly named patriarch of Venice, Cardinal Angelo G. Roncalli, chose 37-year old Father Loris F. Capovilla as his personal secretary in 1953, a skeptical adviser told the cardinal that the priest looked too sickly to bear the strain of his new job.

"Then he'll die as my secretary," replied the future pope, now known as Blessed John XXIII.

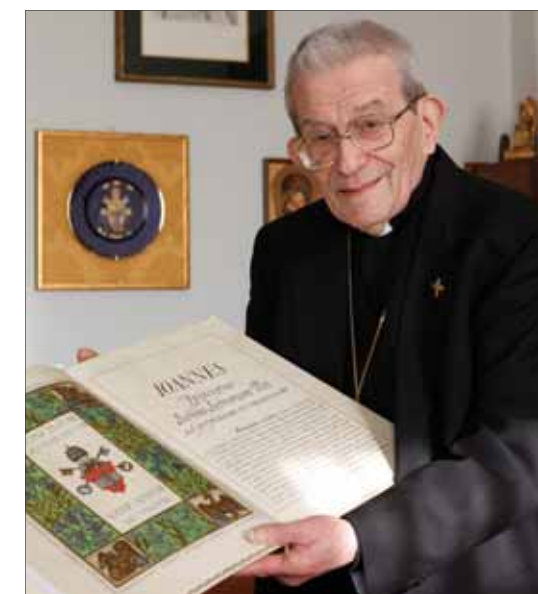
Today, at age 96, now-Archbishop Capovilla has outlived his employer by nearly half a century, but remains an indefatigable custodian of his legacy. Here in Blessed John's birthplace, about 25 miles north-east of Milan, the archbishop pursues a highly active retirement that includes running a museum dedicated to the small town's most famous native son.

While keeping up with current events, Archbishop Capovilla draws on his remarkable memory to recount vividly detailed and revealing stories of his years with one of the most consequential figures in modern Catholic history.

The archbishop was privy to some of the pope's first remarks, only a few days after his election in 1958, about what would become the Second Vatican Council.

Cardinals and bishops had presented the new pontiff with a litany of challenges before the church — "not doctrinal but pastoral problems," the archbishop notes — in areas that included the liturgy, diplomacy, and the education and discipline of priests.

"My desk is piling up with problems, questions,



Archbishop Loris Capovilla, 96, the personal secretary of Blessed John XXIII, holds a copy of the papal bull opening the Second Vatican Council at his residence in Sotto il Monte Giovanni XXIII, Italy, Feb. 21.

requests, hopes," Blessed John told his secretary. "What's really necessary is a council."

Though the pope mentioned the idea more than once, his secretary refused to comment. Finally the pope gave his interpretation of the priest's silence.

"You think I am old," Blessed John told him. "You think I'll make a mess out of this enormous task, that I don't have time. ... But that's not how you think with faith. ... If one can only begin with the preparatory commission, that will be of great merit. If one dies, another will come. It is a great honor even to begin."

Whatever doubts he may have had at the outset, Archbishop Capovilla came to appreciate the council's historic importance and to play a part in it behind the scenes.

It was the archbishop, in his own telling, who persuaded a reluctant and tired Blessed John to step to a window and bless the crowd in St. Peter's Square on the night of Oct. 11, 1962, following the council's first day. In now-famous remarks, the pope went on to bid the people: "Now go back home and give your little children a kiss — tell them it is from Pope John."

Blessed John, who had earlier represented the Holy See as a diplomat in both Orthodox and Muslim lands, had a special appreciation of the church's global character and responsibilities, Archbishop Capovilla says.

The pope greatly admired the United States, especially for its racial and cultural diversity, and explicitly looked to the American-sponsored United Nations as a source of inspiration for Vatican II, Archbishop Capovilla says.

The archbishop also recalls that Blessed John received a letter from the Anglo-American poet Thomas Merton, then a Trappist monk in Kentucky, urging the pope to include an ecumenical dimension in the council. In fact, Vatican II would be the first council of the church to include Protestants as guests.

The pope was a master of modern communication in a personal, popular style that broke with papal tradition just in time for the television age.

When a cardinal complained that due to a recent rise in Vatican salaries a mere usher earned as much as he did, Blessed John remarked: "That usher has 10 children; I hope the cardinal doesn't."

The pope's ebullience was evident even in moments ordinarily governed by the strictest protocol. Receiving Queen Elizabeth II of England, with whom he conversed in French, the pope asked her to say her children's names aloud, "because children's names acquire a particular sweetness on a mother's lips."

The pope gave his secretary a lesson in communication when commenting on a speech by then-Cardinal Giovanni Montini of Milan, who would eventually succeed him as Pope Paul VI.

"He's used to speaking to intellectuals, he doesn't look at who's in front of him," the pope said. "Remember when you speak, if there are children present, as soon as you see the children start to swing their legs, it means they're tired. And adults are children, too; they listen for a quarter-hour or 20 minutes, that's it."

For all the changes that Blessed John ushered into the church, and notwithstanding arguments that his reign marked a radical break with the past, Archbishop Capovilla says that the pope saw himself as acting in full continuity with Catholicism's millennial teachings and traditions.

"Precisely because he was a great conservative," the archbishop says, "he was able to bring the world a message of love, of hope and of faith."

Guest Commentary

Why Vietnamese Catholics are coming back

By Paz Jardeleza

Franciscan Father John Luat Nguyen, parochial vicar of St. Boniface Parish in San Francisco, told me he is one of those who had sought refuge in the Philippines after South Vietnam came under communist rule. His hopes of new life in America were realized as evidenced by his success in nurturing the Vietnamese people who found themselves, after the fall of Saigon, under the umbrella of this Catholic community.

"Catholic" is an important distinction, given the long history of the church in Vietnam. According to one reference the church helped relocate a massive number of Vietnamese boat people through its many orders and charities. The Vietnamese Refugee Office of Caritas Italiana, a major Catholic Italian charity, under the leadership of Msgr. Tran Van Hoa, was notable in the effort. While the refugees were camped in the Philippines, the Archdiocese of Manila worked with then-President Fidel Ramos to cancel the order of sending back the remaining Vietnamese to Vietnam. Those remaining were not given papers to go to the United States. They were told to go back to Vietnam but were refused acceptance by the communist government. The Philippine government ultimately cancelled the order of repatriation.

In 1994, during my early years living in the Tenderloin, I met with this large group of



Vietnamese members of St. Boniface Parish are pictured at last year's parish Christmas pageant.

Vietnamese while attending Sunday Masses at St. Boniface. Father Nguyen was already the spiritual director of the Vietnamese community and we Filipinos had our own, Father Sergio Santos. The Vietnamese were a young community, with a lot of young parents and young adults, whereas the majority of the Filipinos were elderly, mostly veterans of World War II. The young Vietnamese gradually relocated outside San Francisco. But now they are coming back in numbers to St. Boniface to attend Sunday Mass at 2:30 p.m., Christmas

and Vietnamese new year celebrations and to observe Lent. Father Nguyen told me that last Christmas, nearly 500 attended Mass, and about 200 attended last Easter.

One door closes, another opens. God in his mysterious ways has opened the doors of St. Boniface to the Vietnamese people. Notwithstanding the brutal circumstances of leaving their birth country and their struggles during their early years in America, their sense of community and gratitude is evident. Every Sunday at 2:30 p.m. you can see

double-parked cars covering the whole block in front of the church. The Vietnamese come back to St. Boniface, not to show off their flashy cars but to come together as a community to celebrate Mass. I have attended the 2:30 service several times and can't help but be moved by the sincerity and solemnity of a community coming together to praise and give thanks to God.

The Vietnamese community is well known for its labor of love in carpentry and construction: repairing the pews, changing dilapidated tiles, building a wheelchair ramp and carrying out numerous tasks that would otherwise cost our church dearly if private contractors were hired to do the work. They are also tops when it comes to fundraising and donations. I have personally observed the happiness and pride of Father Nguyen when he talks about the generosity of the Vietnamese parishioners.

What is the inspiring quality of Father Nguyen to make his constituents come back every Sunday, Christmas and holy days?

He told me he avoids showing "authority" or trying to be "controlling" but rather focuses on serving the needs of his parishioners and does not expect to be served. Truly, he is a simple and very religious man, but outspoken when he wants to make a wrong right.

Paz Jardeleza is a parishioner at St. Boniface. The article was written with Eli Jardeleza.

Federal budget debate brings new attention to church's social teaching

By Dennis Sadowski

WASHINGTON (CNS) – The emerging debate on the federal budget – and the distinct options being presented that will chart the country's future – has brought renewed attention to the Catholic Church's social teaching.

Prominent in the debate are the principles of subsidiarity, solidarity and the common good. Wisconsin Republican Rep. Paul Ryan, a Catholic, has repeatedly cited the principles in recent weeks as justification for the fiscal year 2013 budget plan he drafted, which was approved by the House of Representatives March 29 in a largely party-line vote.

Ryan maintains that his faith and his understanding of church teaching led him to prepare a budget that delineates a decade-long plan to reduce spending on nonmilitary programs as a step toward reducing the country's \$15 trillion deficit. The GOP budget also calls for remaking Medicare, establishing Medicaid as a block grant program for states to administer and simplifying the tax code by closing loopholes and lowering individual and corporate tax rates.

Catholic critics, primarily from academia and community organizations tackling social justice issues, have challenged Ryan on his claims, charging that he is misusing Catholic teaching to support a blatantly political agenda that makes scapegoats of the poor and endangers vulnerable people.

Taking a more measured approach, the chairmen of two U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops committees have voiced their concerns about cuts in several domestic and international programs. Bishop Stephen E. Blaire of Stockton, Calif., chairman of the Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development, and Bishop Richard E. Pates of Des Moines, Iowa, chairman of the Committee on International Justice and Peace, have called for "shared sacrifice" and a "circle of protection" around the poor and vulnerable in budget negotiations.

The debate points to the different conclusions that individuals can reach in attempting to understand how Catholic social teaching can be applied in modern society, said Michael Miller, research fellow and director of media at the Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Liberty in Grand Rapids, Mich.

"The principles are there. They are to



Pope Pius XI

guide us and we are to pay attention to them. You have to affirm those principles. Where Catholics are going to disagree is in the prudential implementation of them," Miller told Catholic News Service.

So what do subsidiarity, solidarity and the common good mean today?

First, a bit of history.

The concept of subsidiarity emerged within church teaching in Pope Pius XI's 1931 encyclical "Quadragesimo Anno" ("In the 40th Year"), marking the 40th anniversary of another social encyclical, Pope Leo XIII's "Rerum Novarum" ("On the Condition of Workers").

Explaining the concept, Pope Pius wrote: "Just as it is gravely wrong to take from individuals what they can accomplish on their own initiative and industry and give it to the community, so also it is an injustice and at the same time a grave evil and disturbance of right order to assign to a greater and higher association what lesser and subordinate organizations can do."

Pope Pius called for the government "to let subordinate groups handle matters and concerns of lesser importance," while allowing the state to "more freely, powerfully and effectively do all those things that belong to it alone because it alone can do them: directing, watching, urging, restraining, as occasion requires and necessity demands."

He called for those in power to ensure that a "graduated order" be kept among the various groups in society "in observance of the 'subsidiary function,'" thus ensuring a

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– The principle "navigates the allocation of resources by higher levels of society to support engagement and decision-making by the lower levels," theologian Meghan Clark wrote.

– "Whenever you're dealing with Catholic social principles, these are not revealed truths. There's always a question of judgment. The struggle of the Catholic politician is how does he properly interpret or give appropriate consideration to all of the factors involved," said retired Cleveland Bishop Anthony M. Pilla.

– "Two very good people can come out with different answers," Bishop Pilla said.

"happier and more prosperous condition of the state."

Popes John XXIII, John Paul II and Benedict XVI subsequently have touched on subsidiarity in various encyclicals.

The term subsidiarity is traced to the Latin "subsidium," the reserve or auxiliary troops of the Roman army, or a reinforcement, said Father Joseph A. Komonchak, emeritus professor of theology and religious studies at The Catholic University of America.

He cited the Oxford Latin Dictionary, which further defines subsidium as "a person or thing affording help, a resource, aid, safeguard."

Writing on the Catholic Moral Theology blog March 8 in a post titled "Subsidiarity is a two-sided coin," Meghan Clark, assistant professor of theology and religious studies at St. John's University in New York, explained that Pope Pius framed his discussion of subsidiarity in terms of the common good of society.

"Subsidiarity is an effort at balancing the many necessary levels of society – and at its best, the principle of subsidiarity navigates the allocation of resources by higher levels of society to support engagement and decision-making by the lower levels," Clark wrote.

She told CNS that subsidiarity protects the intermediary organizations that help society function.

"What subsidiarity isn't is a claim that smaller is better just because it is smaller," Clark explained to CNS. "Smaller is not necessarily more efficient or capable."

Jesuit Father Thomas J. Massaro, profes-

sor of moral theology at Boston College, summarized the idea of subsidiarity outlined by Pope Pius simply: "As big as necessary, but as small as possible."

Under subsidiarity, he explained, societal issues are resolved, decisions are made and actions are taken at the most local level possible. Practically, the federal government can handle tasks – such as the implementation of pollution standards or the operation of national parks – more efficiently than a local community, he said.

"Ultimately the purpose of society is to provide for the common good. We could all do our private good, but that leaves some important social tasks undone," he explained to CNS.

Catholic social teaching is even broader in the eyes of retired Bishop Anthony M. Pilla of Cleveland.

"We have a preferential option for the poor as another principle. If you are dealing with real poverty, you can't use subsidiarity alone," said Bishop Pilla, who regularly stressed the importance of considering the principle in homilies, meetings with staff members and pastoral letters on social issues throughout the 25 years he led the diocese.

"Pope John Paul II was strong on that preferential option for the poor," he continued. "You do have to make those considerations."

While the church's social teachings leave room for prudential judgment, ensuring that people have a say in how public policies are developed and carried out is vital for the common good, Bishop Pilla said.

Guest Commentary

Is there a war on nuns?

On April 18, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops announced that the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith had concluded a four-year "doctrinal assessment" of the Leadership Conference of Women Religious. During this assessment, the CDF judged that "the current doctrinal and pastoral situation of LCWR is grave and a matter of serious concern . . ."

Representing 80 percent of Catholic Sisters in the United States, LCWR includes more than 55,000 women religious with a median age of well over 70. Demonstrating the unequalled contribution of women religious to the church in the United States, "Women and Spirit: Catholic Sisters in America" is an outstanding exhibit presently at the California Museum in Sacramento. This exhibit overwhelmingly proves the fact that women religious were at the forefront of leadership in this country. In many ways, they were the first CEOs of complex organizations.

They founded and staffed schools, orphanages, and hospitals. They participated in civil rights marches and confronted government leaders both here and abroad. From our nation's earliest days, women religious have spent themselves shaping America's social, cultural and religious landscape.

This honorable and unparalleled history was not lost in the thoughtful and encouraging statement from Cardinal William J. Levada, prefect of the doctrinal congregation, introducing the doctrinal assessment. He situated the assessment in an "ecclesiology of communion" which aims at "fostering a patient and collaborative renewal" of LCWR with the hope of "providing a stronger doctrinal foundation for its many laudable initiatives and activities."

The CDF's eight-page doctrinal statement also acknowledges "with gratitude the great contributions of women reli-

gious to the church in the United States as seen particularly in the many schools, hospitals, and institutions of support for the poor which have been founded and staffed by religious over the years." Importantly, this doctrinal assessment declares that the CDF "does not intend to offer judgment on the faith and life of women religious in the member congregations which belong to the conference."

This assertion is of critical importance in properly interpreting the doctrinal assessment. Distinguished commentators in *The New York Times* and elsewhere wrongly interpret the doctrinal assessment as "a stinging reprimand of American nuns," an attempt "to muzzle American nuns," "the church is going after the women who are the heart and soul of parishes, schools and hospitals," and "an indictment of the lives, motives, spirituality, fidelity (and) theology" of women religious.

Contrary to these misguided critiques, the doctrinal assessment does not express negative evaluations of women religious. Rather, it expresses concerns about certain aspects of the conference itself. While lauding LCWR's promotion of social justice issues, the doctrinal assessment is critical of LCWR's silence on certain key issues facing the church and society, e.g., the dignity of human life from its conception to natural death, the biblical view of marriage and the family. The doctrinal statement also expresses apprehension that LCWR fails to support the church's official teachings on such issues as women's ordination and homosexual activity.

We can glean important points of evaluation of the doctrinal assessment and LCWR from the 1983 book "Magisterium" by Jesuit theologian Father Francis A. Sullivan. Father Sullivan points out that the church will never lack members

who are actually living in the grace of Christ. Because of this fact, "it is extremely significant that Vatican II says that it is to the church (and just not to the magisterium) that the whole deposit of the Word of God has been entrusted" (see "Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation," No. 10)

Consequently, all Christians share the apostolic mandate to proclaim the good news of Christ to the world. At the same time, bishops have inherited the apostolic ministry of pastoral leadership with a fullness that others have not. Because of this charism, it is the bishops who speak *for* the church. At the same time, the voices of other members of the church – for example, women religious – need to be heard because they speak *in* the church.

As the American bishops, the CDF and the LCWR embark on their "patient and collaborative renewal," the "ecclesiology of communion" has been clearly set forth by Father Sullivan, pointing out the integral connection among the bishops, women religious, all the faithful and the risen Christ.

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Gerald D. Coleman, SS

Intellect and Virtue

A Catholic education enables God's presence

Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone, the Vatican's secretary of state, recently wrote to mark our 125th anniversary at The Catholic University of America. His letter conveyed Pope Benedict XVI's best wishes. It also offered a reminder of our obligations as a Catholic university, which the pope spelled out four years ago this month when he visited our campus.

"The Holy Father," Cardinal Bertone wrote, "wished to reaffirm the unique role played by Catholic educational institutions in that 'diaconia of truth' which the church exercises in her proclamation of God's revealed word. . ."

"It is [Pope Benedict's] hope that, in fidelity to its founding vision, [your] university will continue to bring the church's rich intellectual and spiritual patrimony to bear upon the critical issues of our time and thus contribute to the authentic renewal of the social fabric in accordance with the truth of the Gospel."

The writings and sermons of Pope Benedict's papacy offer a robust conception of just what Catholic education is and what makes it unique. At its center, as at the center of Catholicism, is a friendship between God and man, mediated through the tradition of the church.

"Only in this friendship," Pope Benedict said in the inaugural homily of his papacy, "are the doors of life opened wide. Only in this friendship is the great potential of human existence truly revealed."

This friendship begins with the idea that nothing we do, no matter how intellectually rigorous or scientific, happens

outside of our relationship with God. From there, it forms everything about us.

Through the study of theology and church history, Catholic education instills this basic habit of thought in its recipient. It plays the same role as the old canon of the liberal arts education, which once forced every university student to ask again and again the age-old questions that shaped Western thought.

This Catholic habit of thought about God's constant presence pops up in every discipline. It colors our understanding of literature and art. It helps learners resist the disturbing contemporary trend of some sciences trespassing on questions outside their area of competence, attempting, in Pope Benedict's words, "to drive the question concerning God into the subjective realm, as being unscientific."

In a 2008 conference on the changing identity of the person, Pope Benedict cautioned wisely that "no science can say who man is, where he comes from or where he is going."

By the same principle of divine friendship, Catholic education must also cultivate personal virtue, holiness and love of neighbor, lest it forget who we are and for whom we are made.

The sacraments cannot be compulsory – God "did not will to save us without us," as St. Augustine put it – but Catholic universities should keep them visible and encourage students to frequent them.

Pope John Paul II issued the apostolic constitution "Ex Corde Ecclesiae" in 1990, as a response to the ongoing problem of waning Catholic identity in higher education and the

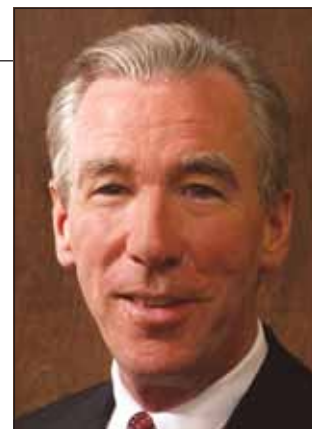
increasing lack of interest in the contributions of faith to intellectual life. The late pope reminded Catholic schools that "it is in the context of the impartial search for truth that the relationship between faith and reason is brought to light and meaning."

He would later offer the more famous phrase: "Faith and reason are like two wings on which the human spirit rises to the contemplation of truth."

Pope Benedict builds on this idea with a more subtle and profound point. Faith and reason are not just two ingredients in a Catholic education, as meat and potatoes are parts of a healthy meal. Faith actually transforms reason, imbuing it with the power to contemplate the highest truths.

If we are doing what we should, faith likewise transforms education, enriching both the intellectual and moral pursuits of the university.

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Passing of an era

With more prosperity, there has been a decline in Catholic vocations and practice. People's attitudes change as a result of them

becoming more educated arguing that it creates people who are more willing to challenge authority. We are now witnessing the passing of an era. The church needs to be more creative in reaching out to a new generation of Catholics, and the changes made in Catholic practices can create more hurdles and challenges. Young Catholics are now asking questions and are not willing to accept the apodictic rules of the church. Today, people remain Catholics on their own terms and not on terms of the Catholic leaders. Those days are gone forever. However, although many have drifted away from the church, they

continue to believe in God and his commandments. They have never rejected God or God's teaching, but have rejected the teachings of man. Their parents were loyal and devoted to the church, but sadly those days are over. Many complain about the quality of the homilies. A well prepared sermon, well delivered, has a subtle and far-reaching effect. There is no substitute for the sermon: It should appeal to all, not only to the less educated, but also to the intellectual, not only to the believer but also to the skeptic, not only to those within the fold but also to those outside it. All preachers may not be great preachers but need not be bad preachers. It is a priest explaining the ways of God to man. He knows that change is essential but he never forgets that continuity is necessary. Words of St. Luke: "To bring the good news to the poor, to heal the contrite heart, to seek and save what is lost." The Catholic Church is a community open to

the world and her role is not to dominate, but to minister and serve.

Lenny Barretto
Daly City

Thanks for articles on black Catholic life

I am a black Catholic woman who would like to thank you so much for "On a place of delight and rest" (Christina Capecchi, April 27); "Book tells of brave students, trailblazing priest in turbulent times" (March 13); and, last but not least, "Life of trailblazing black Catholic journalist profiled in new book" (Feb. 28).

Please keep up the good work. It's good for young black people to see what good things black people are doing. We do read Catholic San Francisco. I am a working member of St. Agnes Church.

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A READING FROM
THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES
ACTS 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human being." Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him." While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word. The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter responded, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 98: 1, 2-3, 3-4

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48;

Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4;

I John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done wondrous deeds;

His right hand has won victory for him, his holy arm.

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

The Lord has made his salvation known: in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.

He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel.

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God.

Sing joyfully to the Lord, all you lands; break into song; sing praise.

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

A READING FROM
THE FIRST LETTER OF JOHN
1 JN 4:7-10

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through

him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL
ACCORDING TO JOHN
JN 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father loves me, so I also love you.

Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love." "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another."

Are the words of Jesus to his disciples, "Remain in my love," a command, an invitation, a reassurance, or a promise? The Gospel passage for the Sixth Sunday of Easter is taken from the "Last Discourse" of John, the instruction and prayer placed on the lips of Jesus before his death. But "Remain in my love" is also part of the deathless recitation which expresses the spirit of Jesus abiding with his disciples and always speaking to them. The "Last Discourse" is a recitation of the sentiments of Jesus, the memory and reflection of the beloved disciple on the lastingness of the love of Jesus for his friends.

"Remain in my love" implies that it is possible not to remain in the abiding love of Jesus – to get separated, to forget that love, to get distracted, or to grow careless about it. Jesus is the one whose love is the place where the hearer can remain – but it is a choice, up to the hearer. Remaining in the love of Jesus calls for intention, consciousness and reverence. The prophets in the Hebrew Scriptures also called on the Israelites to fidelity expressed by remembering their relationship with God. The covenant in the Hebrew Scriptures assumed a reciprocal fidelity: The Israelites were faithful to the commandments, and God was faithful to his people. Keeping the commands was not a condition, but a realization of one's close, loving relation-



Scripture reflection

SISTER ELOISE ROSENBLATT

Remain in my love

ship with God. So Jesus says, "If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love."

If you remain, that means you remember; you don't forget the love of Jesus for you. You also accept and embrace your worthiness of being loved by God. How easy it is to fall into self-doubt. I am not worthy. I am not perfect. I am not that accomplished. I am not that good a person. What could God want with me? Why would Jesus even be interested in me, much less want me as a companion to share his work? These attitudes interfere with the condition of mind necessary to "remain in my love."

To remain in God's love requires acceptance of one's goodness, worthiness, power to do good, and lovability in God's eyes.

Jesus describes his disciples as friends, not servants. Why not family members? The fact is, family relations are somewhat problematic in the New Testament. The regular appearance of unpartnered women throughout the Gospels, for example, suggests that women didn't always experience marriage as bliss. "And looking at those who sat around him," he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother" (Mark 3:34-35). Jesus, challenged

to greet his mother and relatives early in Mark's Gospel, implies that there is some alienation between himself and his blood relations.

But in John's Gospel, he doesn't say, "I call you brothers and sisters. I call you family. If you are a follower of mine, I count you as close to me as my mother and father, as close as a husband and wife, as close as spouses are to each other." No, Jesus doesn't use family relations as a metaphor for discipleship. Rather, he says, "I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my father." So the image of discipleship in this section of John's Gospel is like friendship – elective and not what you are fated to because you were born into a particular family. Friendship has endurance precisely because it is a choice, a spontaneous movement of the heart.

Thus, the freedom of choosing one's friends is the metaphor for discipleship used by Jesus – the relief of finding a true friend, and remaining in that love. The disciple remains in God's love out of desire, because of the joy of having found such a treasure in this friendship, and of being counted a friend.

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Spirituality for Today

Serving may mean setting limitations

There is a good deal of guidance behind famous quotes and often talked about actions that provide teaching moments to those of us in the secular and spiritual life.

One instance is Clint Eastwood's "a man's got to know his limitations."

These are words that give fair warning. When Eastwood's character, nicknamed "Dirty Harry," says them in the movie "Magnum Force," he is standing over the criminal who is trying to figure out if Harry still has one last bullet left in his pistol. The criminal wonders whether he should reach for his gun and shoot Dirty Harry, or remain still and go to jail. He guesses wrong and receives the last remaining bullet in his skull.

A man has to know his limitations.

In the spiritual realm the same kind of warning goes something like this:

"You can do some good in this world and you can avoid some evil, but you can't do all the good that needs to be done, and you can't avoid all the evil that will be dumped on you. Knowing your limitations is necessary for spiritual success."

The idea is basically this: Avoid going beyond your strength, even if at the moment it seems like the right

thing to do. For instance, adopting an orphan is a noble thing to do. However, one would be wise to hesitate. A responsible path would be to evaluate whether you'll be able to handle the responsibilities of raising a child in the long run. And if you can't, it's wise to recognize that.

The next example involves a heroic deed we often hear about. It's the one where the hero gladly throws caution to the wind and jumps on a grenade to save his buddies from certain death. I don't want to put a damper on heroic deeds. After all, Jesus said "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." Praying for the grace to give and not to count the cost is a good thing, but so is common sense.

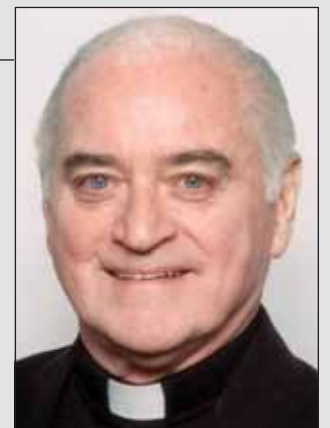
I would tell the soldier about to leap on the grenade, "You have a wife and children at home. They are depending on you. Don't throw away your life. Put your family first. Try to survive the war so you can return to love them for a long period of time."

No one is obliged to place heroism over love. Real sacrifice is found in the surrender of the self to another. That could be the surrender of the self in service to your spouse or to God. That means not putting work, or golf,

before your spouse or before God. It's better to be there for your children when they need you most, instead of burning yourself out at work.

This goes for religious men and women as well. We all have a vocation to love others, but not to burn out in the first year by overzealous self-giving. Since love begets service, and service begets sacrifice, and sacrifice begets the cross, it's true, we are all called to the cross. But the cross can take many forms, and surrendering your desire to be a hero is one of them. Real sacrifice is found in giving up a legitimate good, such as your personal freedom, for the sake of the beloved.

All God asks is that you accept Jesus as Lord, and make a reasonable effort to be good. Trust God's love and all will be well.



Father
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Guest Commentary

The vocation of motherhood

By Sister Margie Lavonis, CSC

May is traditionally dedicated to Mary, the mother of Jesus. Besides honoring Mary in May, we also single out and thank our own mothers on Mother's Day. It might be a good time to reflect on what it means to be a mother.

First of all, the biological conceiving and birthing of a child doesn't automatically make a woman a mother in the true sense of the word. Most of us have read or heard stories of women who give physical birth to children, only to neglect or abandon them.

Like our Blessed Mother Mary, a mother is someone who says yes to the call to raise her children in love. The primary role or vocation of a mother is to nurture and protect her children. She helps to form their values and is a major influence on their emotional and spiritual development. The instruction in the rite of baptism tells parents that they are the first and primary educators of their children in the faith. Being a parent, a mother, is an enormous gift and responsibility.

When I was growing up I remember my mother being very involved in our parish. She belonged to the Sodality and the Altar and Rosary Society. She did everything from washing altar



A mother holds her children during Mass in 2011 at Jesus the Divine Word Church in Huntingtown, Md. All mothers are honored in special ways on Mother's Day, which is May 13 this year.

linens to becoming a eucharistic minister, when the laity began distributing Communion. Even into her late 70s she still brought Communion to patients in the hospital. She often went to daily Mass and took us to special services like novenas. There is no doubt in my mind that her devotion and dedication was a great influence

on my formation in the faith and ultimately my becoming a Sister of the Holy Cross.

Another attribute of motherhood is their lifetime concern for their children. Even though a component of motherhood is letting go of their grown children, mothers never cease to love and support them in good times and in bad.

Sometimes a mother can do everything right and a child may not respond well. There are families who have one child with problems and another who has entered religious life, yet both were brought up the same way. Children can cause much sorrow and discouragement, but parents, especially mothers, continue to bestow faithful love. Consider St. Monica who prayed many years for the conversion of her wayward son who eventually became St. Augustine and a doctor of the church.

And there are those who are spiritual mothers. They may not give physical birth to children but serve as important mentors. These are often those who step in when a mother dies or is ill, or they can be women who befriend children who lack mothering in their own families.

Often we take our mothers for granted and neglect to show them our gratitude. It is important to show our thanks every day not just once a year. The vocation of motherhood is not always easy and often mothers make great sacrifices for their children. Flowers and candy are nice, but most mothers would just like a thank you once in awhile throughout the year. There are many ways to show our appreciation.

And if you never knew your mother or she is deceased, remember that Mary is also your mother and loves you very much.

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Spirituality for Life

An earthy view of the communion of saints

By Father Ron Rolheiser

In his autobiography Nikos Kazantzakis tells the story behind his famous book "Zorba the Greek." Zorba is partially fiction, partly history.

After trying unsuccessfully to write a book on Nietzsche, Kazantzakis experienced a certain emotional breakdown and returned to his native Crete for some convalescence. While there he met a man of incredible energy and vitality. The Zorba-character in the book is based on this man's life; never before in his life had Kazantzakis been so taken by the life and energy of another human being. But mortality doesn't make allowances for that. Zorba eventually died and his death very much disillusioned Kazantzakis: How can such exceptional vitality simply die? And what happens to it, does it simply disappear as if it had never been? What happens at death to all the color, energy, life, love and humor that a human being has embodied?

Kazantzakis wrote "Zorba the Greek" as an attempt to give some immortality to the wonderful energy that an exceptional man had embodied. Zorba cannot be dead. It made for a great book and a great movie, but is that really what makes for immortality? Does simply remembering somebody or publicly celebrating his life make him alive? And when someone dies, what does happen to that very unique and wonderful energy that a person embodied during his or her life?

Several days ago, I was at a wake service for a woman

whom I had never met. The formal prayer service was followed by a half-dozen eulogies delivered by her family. They were wonderful, warm, witty, colorful and full of humor. As these stories were told she became alive again to everyone in the church. We all smiled and laughed and the sadness of her leaving was eclipsed for the moment as the color and vitality of her life were again made alive for us.

It's the same for everyone who dies. They remain with us in more than memory. And it's not just some purified spirit of theirs, washed clean in death, that remains. Their unique color stays, too. I think, for instance, of my own family. We've had to mourn the loss of a number of our members. But we're not only nurtured by the gift that each person's life and virtue was for us: We're also still fed by the unique color each of them embodied.

Our family legends abound about those we have lost: stories about my dad's unique way of combining the Serenity Prayer with Murphy's Law in an exasperated expression: "Just now!"; about my mother's incapacity to find a place to begin a story without having to first go back to Genesis, "In the beginning"; about my deceased sister's love of chocolate and love for deflating what was pompous; about my deceased brother's proclivity to lecture the planet on social justice; about my deceased brother-in-law's love for cooking sausages and laughingly inquiring about the aesthetic condition of your suspenders; and about a deceased uncle's habit of lighting up

a cigarette and getting a mischievous gleam in his eye as a prelude to telling a thoroughly wicked story.

So what does happen at death to that very unique energy? Alfred North Whitehead suggests that it's immortalized in the "consequent nature" of God. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin assures us that nothing will be lost and everything will be in some way preserved, right down to the lives of our pets. Our Christian doctrine on the communion of saints tells that our loved ones are still alive and that someday we will be face to face with them again.

I don't doubt the truth of these assertions, but they can seem pretty abstract when our hearts are saddened and aching at the memory of a loved one who has died. Being alive in our memories is not a sufficient form of immortality and being alive in God's memory can seem too abstract to bring much consolation. I don't doubt that our loved ones are alive in God's "consequent nature" or that they are alive inside the communion of saints. But I believe something more, based on how our memories of their unique color affect and nurture us here on this side.

I believe that what they embodied here on earth is still going on, happening on the other side. I suspect that heaven is rife with wit, color, humor and thoroughly wicked stories, because whenever we recall these about our deceased loved ones their memory turns warm and nurturing.

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Parish Diary

Reminding those in despair of God's love

By Father Peter J. Daly

The young man began to cry.

I asked him why he was so unhappy. He said it was because his family would not accept him. I asked why they would not accept him. He answered, "Because I am gay. They are very Catholic."

I started to cry, too.

Three times in 25 years of ministry I have sat across the room from young men who have attempted suicide because they were gay or feared they were gay. Several other times, especially when I was in campus ministry at The Catholic University of America, I talked with young people despondent over their gay sexual identity.

I have talked with people who cut or disfigured themselves because they had such a deep self-loathing because they were gay.

According to a study done by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which was released last year, gay and lesbian youth are much more likely than their heterosexual peers to have thought about suicide or to have attempted suicide.

Why do they commit suicide?

Some are bullied at school. Some feel rejected by their peers, their parents and their families. Sometimes they feel rejected by their religion and their pastors. Some feel they are unacceptable to the God who made them. That is a great wrong and a great tragedy.

What can people in pastoral ministry say to them?

First, I think we should say we love them. And so does God. Second, we can offer them prayer.

Twenty years ago, I was asked to represent Catholic University at the reading of names of people who had died of AIDS at the presentation of the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt in Washington, D.C. Each of us was given 20 or so names to read. We were told by the organizers not to add anything or to give any speeches.

When I got to the microphone, I read my list of names just as I was told.

But at the end of the list, something moved me to want to pray for them. It did not seem adequate to merely say their name. So I quickly said our traditional prayer for the dead. "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon

them. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace."

As I came down from the podium on the National Mall, an elderly couple approached me. They were crying. They said I had read their son's name. They told me their pastor had refused their son a burial when he had died of AIDS because he was publicly gay. They said that I was the first priest who ever prayed for their son in public and were grateful. I embraced them.

How could any pastor of souls refuse consolation to the dying and a prayer for the dead? They are part of the spiritual works of mercy. That is our reason for being.

If we are not in the business of showing love to God's children, we don't have a reason to be in business. I thought of that elderly couple as I sat across the room from the young man who had tears flowing down in his face.

No one should feel excluded from God's love. No one should ever be driven to despair. Ever.

Father Peter J. Daly's column is carried by Catholic News Service.

Spring planting

Getting ready for planting are students of St. Vincent de Paul School in San Francisco. This volunteer day of site clean-up for a new garden helped mark Earth Day April 22. The school is still working out its crop choices. "It will be a living classroom for the kids to learn about plant growth and how to care for them," the school said.



Archbishop confirms 61 eighth graders at St. Matthew Parish

The confirmation Mass took place at St. Matthew Church, San Mateo, on April 26, with deacons James Shea and Rafeal Brown participating. Father Anthony McGuire is pastor and Beverly Viotti is school principal. Left, Kevin Ramos Garzon and Rebecca Roos light votive candles. They are siblings of students who were confirmed.

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James Maximilian O'Keefe and family



Micah Aguila and family. Center, Father Dominic Savio Lee, Father Mark Reburiano



Archbishop Niederauer confirms Samantha Sy.



Marco Hernandez and family



Micah Aguila, Cassidy Bodley

OBITUARY

Father Peter McDonald; archdiocesan priest would have celebrated 55th ordination year

Father Peter McDonald, retired pastor of St. Anselm Parish, Ross, died May 3 at Marin General Hospital. On June 14, he would have celebrated his 55th year as a priest. He was 77.

Born in Ireland, he studied at St. John's College in County Waterford, Ireland, and was ordained for the Diocese of Mobile-Birmingham, Alabama. St. John's Seminary played a significant role in the education of priests for U.S. dioceses between 1884 and its closing in 1999.

Initially, Father McDonald served primarily in campus ministry assignments in Alabama. Leadership there commended his "splendid counseling work with students." In 1974, Father McDonald joined Father Edward Phelan, retired pastor of St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish, Sausalito, and who also studied at St. John's, in requesting permission to seek an assignment in the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

With the blessing of the Alabama bishop, then-Archbishop Joseph T. McGucken assigned both men to serve together at St. Emydius Church in San Francisco. In 1979, Father McDonald was appointed associate pastor at

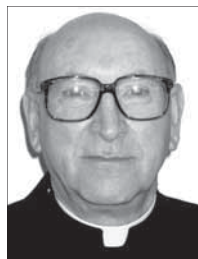
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Daly City. On Feb. 12, 1980, he was incardinated into the Archdiocese of San Francisco by Archbishop John R. Quinn.

Father McDonald was appointed associate pastor to St. Anselm Parish in Ross in 1981 and was named pastor in 1983 serving until his retirement in 2001.

Father McDonald continued to live at St. Anselm until 2010. During that time, he traveled home to Ireland many months each year. In recent years he had accepted an invitation from Father Michael Healy to reside at St. Bartholomew Parish in San Mateo, but as his health declined more severely this year, he moved to Nazareth House in San Rafael.

Father McDonald's brother, Richard; his sister-in-law, Brenda; and his nephew, Peter, had flown to San Francisco from Ireland this past week, and had been with him at Marin General Hospital in the days leading up to his death.

A funeral Mass is scheduled for May 11 at 10 a.m. at St. Anselm Church with interment in Ireland. Remembrances may be made to the Priests Retirement Fund, One Peter Yorke Way, SF 94109.



Father Peter McDonald

Colleges . . .

Continued from cover

Sebelius, a Catholic, is currently at odds with U.S. bishops over the Obama administration's plan to require that the private health insurance plans of most Catholic institutions cover surgical sterilization procedures and artificial birth control. Chieko Noguchi, director of communications for Washington's Cardinal Donald W. Wuerl, said the cardinal had no comment on Georgetown's announcement.

In his speech to U.S. bishops, Pope Benedict said that preservation of a university's Catholic identity "entails much more

than the teaching of religion or the mere presence of a chaplaincy on campus."

"In every aspect of their education, students need to be encouraged to articulate a vision of the harmony of faith and reason capable of guiding a lifelong pursuit of knowledge and virtue," the pope said.

The pope contrasted the Catholic ideal of education with a current trend toward academic overspecialization.

"Faith's recognition of the essential unity of all knowledge provides a bulwark against the alienation and fragmentation which occurs when the use of reason is detached from the pursuit of truth and virtue," he said. "In this sense, Catholic institutions have a specific role to play in helping to overcome the crisis of universities today."

Cemetery Corner

This is part of an occasional series of historical vignettes about Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Colma, marking the 125th anniversary of the archdiocesan cemetery.

Kathryn Anderson McLean wrote under the name of Kathryn Forbes. A radio scriptwriter and short story author, she is best known for her two books set in San Francisco: "Transfer Point" (1947) and "Mama's Bank Account" (1943). Both books took inspiration from the author's life. Kathryn was born in San Francisco in 1908, the granddaughter of Norwegian immigrants. "Mama's Bank Account" is a delightful tale of a Norwegian family living in San Francisco in the early 1900s, which became the basis for the movie "I Remember Mama," starring Irene Dunne. The popular television series "Mama," also



Headstone of Kathryn Anderson McLean

based on her book, ran on CBS from 1949 until 1957. Following her death in San Francisco in 1966, she was buried at Holy Cross Cemetery in Colma. Appropriately for an author, her headstone features a quote from Shakespeare. Taken from the play "Cymbeline," the funeral song begins: "Fear no more the heat o' the sun, Nor the furious winter's rages; Thou thy worldly task hast done, Home art gone, and ta'en thy wages: Golden lads and girls all must, As chimney-sweepers, come to dust."

— Christine Stinson

Oakland warns against BNP movement

A non-Catholic group is operating in certain parts of the Oakland diocese that sometimes masquerades as a Catholic organization, according to a warning posted on the Oakland diocese website.

The Archdiocese of San Francisco has also warned pastors not to cooperate with Banal Na Pag-aaral (BNP, a movement founded in the Philippines in 1968 which, among other things, teaches that God is to be worshipped as "Mahal na Ingkong," according to the notice on the Oakland diocese website).

The BNP teaches that "Mahal na Ingkong" communicates with human beings through

Salve Carreon, who is the chairperson of the BNP movement. She allows her followers to reverence her with genuflections and other gestures normally reserved to Christ.

The Archdiocese of San Francisco banned the organization from any parish or Catholic affiliation during the tenure of Archbishop John R. Quinn. The movement resurfaced recently, according to Chancellor Msgr. Michael Padazinski. In 2010, Msgr. Padazinski reissued a warning against the group to pastors of the archdiocese and said the ban against the movement remains in effect.

— Valerie Schmalz

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Speakers examine troubles over collision of art, religious imagery

By Beth Griffin

NEW YORK (CNS) – The relationship between art and the sacred is an unsolved problem of culture that exposes contradictions among society’s less-than-consistent moral, religious and political ideologies, according to speakers at an April 25 forum at Jesuit-run Fordham University. The program, “Taking Offense: When Art and the Sacred Collide,” examined controversies over disturbing artistic treatments of religious imagery.

Speakers said thoughtful consideration of the collision is often precluded by reflexive, cliched, self-righteous reactions to provocative art of negligible significance.

“Most of the public discussion over the conflict between art and the sacred is simplistic, partisan, shrill and sublimely dopey,” said Dana Gioia, former chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts and professor of poetry and public culture at the University of Southern California.

Camille Paglia, university professor of humanities and media studies at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia, criticized contemporary artists for mediocrity, “cynical snarky atheism,” cowardly provocation and ignorance of religion. A self-described atheist who was raised Catholic, Paglia said, “Respect for religion and interest in religion should be absolutely basic in any educated person. In order to understand the history of art, you need respect for religion.”

Gioia said there is a chasm between the church and the contemporary arts world. The church has moved away from its historic role as patron, promoter and conservator of the arts and “retreated mostly into sentimental kitsch.” The American arts have become isolated from one another, collectively remote, increasingly irrelevant and starved for something, he said.

As a result, the American arts world is spiritually impoverished by the loss of “a transcendent religious vision and a refined and rigorous sense of the sacred,” he said. Concurrently, “the loss of the aesthetic sensibility of the church and its disengagement with the broader artistic culture has weakened its ability to make its call heard in the world.”

“Once you remove the religious as one of the possible modes of art, once you separate art from the long-established



(CNS PHOTO/NANCY PHELAN WIECHEC)

A classical painting of Christ and Mary by Flemish master Robert Campin is displayed in a Rembrandt exhibit at the Philadelphia Museum of Art last August. The contemporary art world lacks a transcendent religious vision, said art critic and poet Dana Gioia at a recent Fordham University program.

traditional discipline of the spiritual, once you remove 2,000 years of religious symbol, ritual, language and myths that has long animated Western art, you don’t remove the spiritual hunger of the artist or the audience, but you satisfy it more crudely with vague, pretentious and sentimental substitutes,” Gioia said.

Artists in America have no idea of their general audience and live in an echo chamber, where they hear only their own voices, Paglia said. As a result, they are widely disrespected by a majority of the population and considered hoaxsters and con men.

“The art world has been staking its own exclusivity and prestige on works of mediocrity,” she said. “The provocations that make people who live in Manhattan proud have resulted in the gutting of art programs nationwide. Schoolchildren are paying the price for Manhattan arrogance.”

She faulted artists for making uninteresting work and then hiding behind banal explanations when controversy erupts. “If you’re going to have blasphemous art, it should be done with imagination. And if you’re going to commit blasphemy, cop to it!”

Paglia dismissed Andres Serrano’s photo of a plastic crucifix immersed in the artist’s urine as “a work of schlock”

and said it gained importance because it caused “a big political dustup” and not because it was high quality. She said the artist gave a mealy-mouthed explanation of the piece, rather than admitting his intent, and the art world was foolish to “go to the mat” in his defense.

Museums have “milked controversy to get better box office” and exhibited third-rate works of art below their standards, she said.

Both speakers said the church’s discomfort with nudity contributed to the tension between art and the sacred. Paglia said church art should not be innately lustful, but should acknowledge the Renaissance concept that physical beauty mirrors spiritual beauty. “To understand the history of art, you need to be able to be able to appreciate sex and eroticism,” she said.

The program was sponsored by the Fordham Center on Religion and Culture and marked the center’s final presentation under the leadership of founding co-directors Peter and Margaret O’Brien Steinfels, who are retiring.

The Steinfels established the center in 2004 to explore questions arising at the intersection of religious faith and contemporary culture. James P. McCartin, co-director since September 2011, will become the center’s director.

Mexican fight against church persecution relevant to actor’s Cuban heritage

By Mark Pattison

WASHINGTON (CNS) – In the upcoming movie “For Greater Glory,” Catholic actor Andy Garcia plays a Mexican Revolution-era general lured out of retirement a decade later to head the insurgent “Cristero” forces doing battle against their own government’s severe curbing of religious freedoms, which included the murder of priests, the desecration of churches, and laws designed to reduce the visibility of the Catholic Church in the overwhelmingly Catholic country.

It is a battle that the Cuban-born Garcia feels strongly about.

Garcia, 56, was taken by his family out of Cuba when he was 5 years old after Fidel Castro grew more firmly entrenched in power. “I’m a Cuban exile,” Garcia says.

He followed Pope Benedict XVI’s trip to Cuba in February.

“It’s good that he went,” Garcia told Catholic News Service in a telephone interview to promote “For Greater Glory.” “I’m glad the Catholic churches have a little more religious freedom now. Because Fidel Castro abolished the church when he took over. So it’s good that the church has more freedom. But what about the synagogues in Cuba? Are they open? Because Castro abolished them, too, at the same time.”

Garcia added, “There is this group in Cuba, the Ladies in White, who go out into the public after Mass and do peaceful, nonviolent protests to seek the release of political prisoners, who are their husbands, their brothers and their cousins. And sometimes they get beat up.

“The group requested an audience with the pope. And they didn’t get it,” he said. “I understand that this can’t always happen. Politics happens. Sometimes politics and religion are in cahoots, sometimes politics and religion are in complete opposition, as they are in this movie.”

Also starring in “For Greater Glory” are Eva Longoria (“Desperate Housewives”) as Garcia’s wife, singer Ruben Blades as Mexican President Plutarco Calles, Nestor Carbonell (“Lost,” “The Dark Knight”) as a sides-switching mayor, and Peter O’Toole as a foreign-born priest whose life is in mortal danger from the new laws.



(CNS PHOTO/ARC ENTERTAINMENT)

Catholic actor Andy Garcia stars in a scene from the movie “For Greater Glory.”

Some moviegoers may spot some connection between Mexico in the 1920s and the current debate in the United States over religious liberty issues. “There may be some relevance,” Garcia said, “but people can see relevance in other countries, like in my (home) country.”

Garcia’s character, Enrique Gorostieta Velarde, is portrayed as a man without much religious faith, especially compared to that of his wife or their two daughters, whose confirmation has been delayed due to their church being shuttered by the government. However, after he takes on the task of training a peasant Cristero army and leading them into raids against the better-armed Mexican government forces, his faith is reawakened within him.

The actor told CNS, “You don’t have to be a killer to play a killer. You don’t have to be in the Mafia to play Don Corleone. I’m Catholic and I play a guy who’s Catholic. He’s not really very Catholic at the beginning of the movie. He grows more into it as the movie goes on.”

Garcia was in Mexico in mid-April for the Mexican premiere of “For Greater Glory,” which he said broke box-office records there; the film does not premiere in the United States until June 1.

“It’s a very sensitive subject” in Mexico, Garcia said, “and it’s still taboo in many quarters. People don’t know the history and they don’t understand the history.”

Garcia, who had a string of film successes in the 1980s and 1990s, said he can afford to “work when I want to work,” taking on roles in film and television projects that interest him. An intensely private person, Garcia said he seems to stay out of the celebrity magazine spotlight because “I don’t have a publicist.”

SCRIPTURE SEARCH

Gospel for May 13, 2012
John 15:9-17

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for Sixth Sunday of Easter, Cycle B: Jesus’ promised of friendship to his disciples. The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

JOHN	FATHER	LOVED
SO I HAVE	KEEP	COMMANDMENTS
HAVE KEPT	COMPLETE	ANOTHER
NO ONE	LAY DOWN	FRIENDS
CALL YOU	MASTER	EVERYTHING
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SATURDAY, MAY 12

ART: "Mirroring the Saints: The Jesuit Wierix Collection" at Manresa Gallery, St. Ignatius Church features a collection of copperplates from the turn of 17th century for the first time in the U.S., providing viewers with potent images of Christ, the angels, founders of orders and Mary. Exhibit shows through June 17. Visit www.manresagallery.org for gallery hours.

FESTIVAL: St. Anselm School Festival of Fun, 10 a.m.-9 p.m., St. Anselm School campus, 40 Belle Ave., San Anselmo. Carnival rides, midway games, live music, delicious barbecue. No admission charge, Discount ride tickets available. Call (415) 454-8667.

REUNION: Mercy High School, San Francisco, class of '67 at the school. Contact Stephanie Mischak Lyons at (415) 242-9818 or smllyons@earthlink.net or on Facebook at Mercy SF '67.

REUNION: St. Cecilia School, class of '55 reunion, at noon at Whitehall Lane Winery, St. Helena. Contact Andi Thuesen Ibarra at andi49ers@yahoo.com or call (415) 665-0959. Please pass the word!

FESTO DO SANTO CRISTO: A two-day celebration of Portuguese Catholic devotion to the faith. Activities include opening evening "Queen's Ball" at 41 Oak Ave., South San Francisco, and the parade and Mass May 13 from the Oak Avenue center to Mater Dolorosa Parish just blocks away. Call (650) 678-9292.

MAMMA MIA BINGO: Fundraiser for Most Holy Redeemer AIDS Support Group at MHR's Ellard Hall, 100 Diamond St. near 18th Street, San Francisco. Admission is \$30. Twelve games will be played with prizes valued at well over \$3,000. Additional games, snacks and beverages will be available for purchase. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and games begin at 7 p.m. For tickets contact (415) 863-1581, or they can be purchased at the door.

THURSDAY, MAY 17

ASSUMPTA AWARDS: The 2012 Assumpta Award Dinner in St. Mary's Cathedral Event Center honoring Joanne and Martin Murphy, Patricia Coleman, Dominican Father Xavier Lavagetto, and Social Service Sister Celeste Arbuckle. Visit www.stmarycathedralsf.org.

FRIDAY, MAY 18

TALKING ABOUT IT: "Sanctuary and Social Justice: A Conversation with Martin Sheen," a fundraiser benefiting The Gubbio Project at St. Anthony's, 150 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco. Wine and appetizers at 6:15 p.m., program starts at 7. Franciscan Father Louis Vitale, Gubbio Project founder and at whose invitation the actor committed to the appearance, will introduce the evening and its participants. The Gubbio Project is daytime outreach to the homeless offering rest in the pews of St. Boniface Church and referral to applicable services. Tickets are \$75 per person. Visit www.thegubbioproject.org or call (415) 861-5848.

VOCATIONS: "Weekend Religious Life Discernment Retreat" for single Catholic women 18-40, May 18, 19, 20. Is God calling you to consider consecrated life as a Dominican Sister? Discover your place in the mission of Christ with the MSJ Dominicans. RSVP by May 14 to vocations@msjdominicans.org.

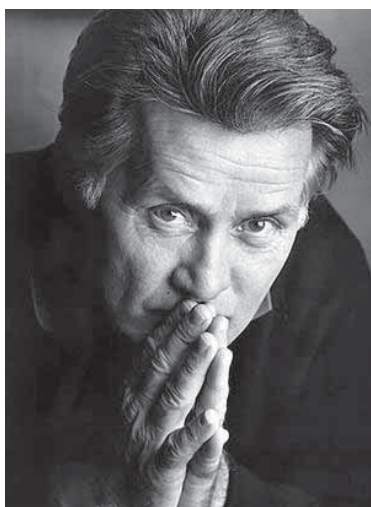
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SATURDAY, MAY 19

THREE CHEERS: A celebration of Ron Isola's 45 years of service to Archbishop Riordan High School and Bay Area athletics. Tickets are \$80 per person. Mass is at 5 p.m. followed by cocktails, dinner and program. Visit ronsretirement@riordanhhs.org.

NEW PRIESTS: Rev. Mr. Armando J. Gutierrez, Rev. Mr. Felix B. Lim, Rev. Mr. Jerome M. Murphy are ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of San Francisco at 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Cathedral, Gough Street at Geary Boulevard, San Francisco.

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REUNION: Class of '51 from Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, Daly City at the 16 Mile House in Millbrae. Search for classmates continues. Call Janet Cirimele at (650) 490-0731.

SUNDAY, MAY 20

SCHOLARSHIP LUNCH: Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court of Our Lady of the Miracle, No 1701 in Novato awards scholarships to students from Our Lady of Loretto and St. Anthony parishes with proceeds from the group's annual Salad Luncheon at OLL Parish Hall, 1805 Virginia Ave., beginning at 11:30 a.m. The day's treats include a salad buffet, rolls, beverages and desserts. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children. Tickets for Basket Raffle will be sold. Call (415) 892-3834 by May 14.

CONTEMPORARY SACRED ART: Art by David and Thea Ramsey through June 6, Tuesday-Saturday noon-4 p.m., at Notre Dame de Namur University's Wiegand Gallery, 1500 Ralston Ave., Belmont. Artists and teachers David and Thea Ramsey created art imbued with the sense of the sacred. The two taught at schools including Notre Dame de Namur University, Mercy High School, Burlingame and Canada College. Special reception opens the exhibit May 20, 2-4 p.m. Visit www.ndnu.edu/alumni/upcoming-events.aspx.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23

THREE DAY REVIVAL: St. Paul of the Shipwreck Church, Third Street at Jamestown, San Francisco at 7 p.m. Join the annual Pentecost Revival with Dominican Father Paul de Porres Whittington, pastor, St. Benedict the African-West Catholic Church, Chicago. Inspirational Voices of Shipwreck Gospel Choir and other Bay Area gospel choirs lead song. Prayer continues May 24, 25. Admission is free. Offering will be taken. Free parking entrance on Key Street. Visit www.stpauloftheshipwreck.org or call (415) 468-3434.

SATURDAY, MAY 26

ROSARY CRUSADE: "Public Square Rosary Crusade," at San Francisco's UN Plaza, Eighth Street and Market Street at noon led by Father John Jimenez. "Don't let God be pushed from the public square," organizers said. Call Juanita Agcaoili at (415) 647-7229 or Helen Rosenthal at (415) 661-1991.

MONDAY, MAY 28,

MEMORIAL DAY MASS: Masses commemorating Memorial Day at cemeteries of the Archdiocese of San Francisco: 11 a.m. at Holy Cross Mausoleum Chapel at Holy Cross Cemetery, 1500 Old Mission

Road, Colma with Auxiliary Bishop Robert W. McElroy, presiding. 11 a.m. Mass is outdoors at Holy Cross Cemetery, Santa Cruz Avenue at Avy, Menlo Park with Father Lawrence Goode presiding. 11 a.m. Mass is outdoors at Mount Olivet Cemetery, 270 Los Ranchitos Road, San Rafael with Father Paul Perry presiding. 9:30 a.m. Mass is outdoors at Our Lady of the Pillar Cemetery, Miramontes Street, Half Moon Bay. Visit www.holycrosscemeteries.com or call (650) 756-2060.

FRIDAY, JUNE 1

NOVENA: Nine days of prayer honoring St. Peregrine, "the cancer saint," at St. Dominic Church through June 9. Dominican Father Xavier Lavagetto, pastor of St. Dominic's, will preach. Masses, Monday-Saturday, 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. and Sunday at 11:30 a.m. Caregivers, friends, family members and other loved ones are invited to this special occasion of prayer and intercession for those suffering from cancer, AIDS, and other life-threatening illnesses. Sponsored by Shrine of St. Jude Thaddeus. Call (415) 931-5919 or visit www.stjude-shrine.org.

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

125TH ANNIVERSARY MASS: Holy Cross Cemetery, Colma is 125 years old. Archbishop George Niederauer is principal celebrant of an anniversary Mass in Holy Cross Mausoleum Chapel at 11 a.m. Refreshments served after Mass. Visit www.holycrosscemeteries.com or call (650) 756-2060.

MEN'S CONFERENCE: "Courage to be Catholic" at St. Luke Parish, 1111 Beach Park Boulevard, Foster City, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. with registration beginning at 7:30 a.m. Jesse Romero and Terry Barber are guest speakers. Last year's event drew more than 500 participants. Tickets are \$40 per person with group rates available. Email ruben@saintjoe.com or call (877) 526-2151. Visit www.saintjoeconferences.com.

WHALE OF A SALE: St. Sebastian Church parking lot, Sir Francis Drake Boulevard and Bon Air Road, Greenbrae, set-up 7:30 a.m. and shopping from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Spaces available for vendors at \$35 each before May 25/\$50 each after May 25. Spaces are one full parking space. Call (415) 461-0704 or email sebastian94904@yahoo.com.

MONDAY, JUNE 4

FIVE-DAY VOCATION EVENT: Religious Life Discernment Retreat with the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose for single Catholic women 18-40. This is a live-in experience June 4-8 at Dominican Sisters MSJ motherhouse 43326 Mission Blvd.,

Fremont. Call Sister Marcia at (510) 502-5797. Time includes discernment, sharing, quiet, community, Mass, prayer, study and service. Overnight accommodations, meals and snacks provided. Free will offering accepted.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9

ALEMANY AWARD: The Dominican School of Philosophy & Theology honors three San Francisco parish pastors with the Alemany Award in ceremonies at St. Mary's Cathedral, Gough Street and Geary Boulevard, San Francisco. Honorees are cathedral pastor, Msgr. John Talesfore, Dominican Father Xavier Lavagetto, pastor, St. Dominic Church, San Francisco, and Jesuit Father Charles Gagan, pastor, St. Ignatius Church, San Francisco. "Please join us in recognizing three Catholic priests who have served the church and city of San Francisco," organizers said. Visit www.dspt.edu/alemany2012 or call Michael Chinnvaso at (510) 883-7159.

ICF RAVIOLI DINNER: Italian Catholic Federation Branch 173 annual ravioli dinner at Our Lady of Angels Gym, 1721 Hillside Drive, Burlingame. No-host bar at 6 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. Wine available for purchase with dinner. Raffle tickets for sale. Adult tickets \$18 and children \$5 (12 and under). Call Sandra at (650) 697-4279 to RSVP by June 6.

BOCCE BALL: Riordan Bocce Ball Tournament at Orange Park in South San Francisco. Contact Sharon Ghilardi-Udovich, director of special events at (415) 586-8200 ext.*217 or email sudovich@riordanhhs.org.

ALUMNAE DAY: "Notre Dame High School Legacy Luncheon" at Notre Dame High School, 1540 Ralston Ave., Belmont. Contact Denise Severi at Dseveri@ndhsb.org. Reunions for class of '87, Aug. 5, contact Heather Oda at moda@co.sanmateo.ca.us; class of '67 Oct. 27, contact Susan Angle at susanangle@comcast.net or (925) 680-4917.

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

NEW DEACONS: Archbishop George Niederauer will ordain candidates to the permanent diaconate at St. Mary's Cathedral, Gough Street at Geary Boulevard, San Francisco at 3:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

REUNION: Class of 1972, Notre Dame High School, Belmont. Contact Notre Dame alumnae office at (650) 595 1913 ext. 446 or email dseveri@ndhsb.org or eileen_browning@yahoo.com.

SATURDAY, OCT. 6

REUNION: Marin Catholic High School, class of '62 at Jason's Restaurant, Greenbrae. Visit www.marincatholic62.com or call Jeannie at (415) 479-3838 or Mergie, at (415) 453-7714.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

REUNION: Presentation High School, San Francisco, class of 1982, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., at Elks Lodge, 920 Stonegate Drive, South San Francisco. Tickets at \$40 per person include delicious brunch. Email Kathy Cooney Eagles at kathycooney@hotmail.com or call (650) 892-7310.

SATURDAY, OCT. 20

REUNION: St. Paul High School class of 1972 at the Irish Cultural Center in San Francisco. Email sphs1972reunion@gmail.com by April 30 for catering head count. Include your contact information with your maiden name for details. Spread the word to our fellow graduates.

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ST. MARTHA NOVENA

NOVENA TO ST. MARTHA

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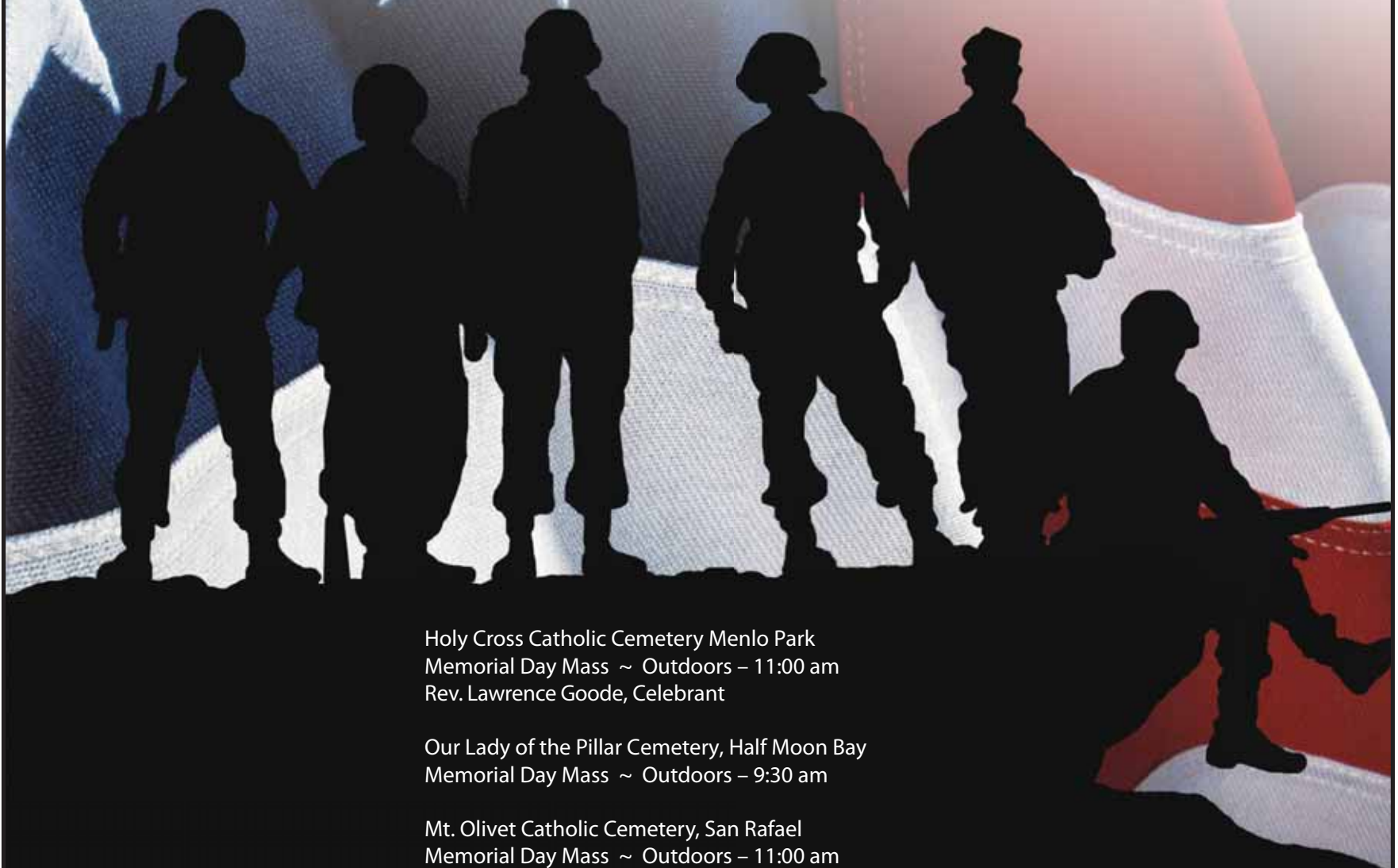
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