Several parishes start holy hours for vocations

By Sean Gallagher

Approximately one year ago, Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein unveiled a series of strategic goals for the archdiocese that were designed to seek pastoral renewal in the coming years. Together, they are called "A New Moment of Grace 2007."

Father Joseph Moriarty, vocation director for the archdiocese, recently launched an initiative aimed at achieving one of those goals.

In response to the archbishop’s goal to “engage the perpetual adoration apostolate” in order to promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life, Father Moriarty, in collaboration with the Indianapolis Serra Club, invited the pastors and parish life coordinators of every parish in the archdiocese to establish a monthly holy hour of eucharistic adoration for vocations.

Father Moriarty spoke about this to many of the priests of the archdiocese on June 7 at their biannual priesthood day held this year at the St. Paul Catholic Center in Bloomington. He also displayed and explained a prayer booklet, In Prayer for Vocations: The Holy Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration, which he offered to be used in the holy hours at each parish. In collaboration with the Indianapolis Serra Club, 5,000 copies of the booklet were printed for the archdiocese so that each parish could have approximately 30 copies.

The booklet was an adapted form of one published by the Regationists Fathers, a religious order based in California that seeks to promote vocations. Printed by the Regationists, the booklet was customized for the archdiocese by placing a letter from the archbishop on the inside front cover and a prayer he wrote on the back cover.

Father Moriarty decided to invite all archdiocesan parishes to have a monthly holy hour for vocations after experiencing some success in a pilot program that he oversaw earlier this year.

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Project Exceed celebration highlights education success and hopes

By Brandon A. Evans

Everything about Project Exceed exists to help students learn better and teachers teach better.

That was the consensus of educators attending a recent luncheon hosted by the Office of Catholic Education to celebrate the archdiocesan project, which contains 62 programs under its umbrella.

Almost 100 teachers and principals from schools that have piloted these programs were invited to share their successes and struggles—and also to begin brainstorming on how to expand Exceed to the rest of the archdiocese.

The funding for Project Exceed comes from the Lilly Endowment Inc., and part of the stipulation is that the $10 million grant only be used for schools within Marion County. It is up to the archdiocese to fund any expansion of the various Exceed programs outside of Marion County.

The many educational programs that are part of Exceed—such as those that have provided massive technology updates for schools and those that have helped teachers learn how to reach students at different learning levels—have done a lot of good.

Besides increased test scores, teachers and parents have noted the difference the programs have made.

Cathedral High School theater students team up with local playwright

By Brandon A. Evans

When William Gebby of Indianapolis took his daughter to see Les Miserables at Cathedral High School, he was so impressed by what he saw that he began thinking of ideas for plays, he came back from the performance "excited in acting roles and about 10 in the performance and stage performance," Gebby said.

He spoke with Terry Fox, director of the stage reading of The Geranium, which has begun to spread some of the programs around the archdiocese, but is looking at ways to do more and more—how to make the Geranium more accessible. Gebby said that the Geranium has been already and create new programs.

"Catholic schools outside Marion County are already participating in many parts of the initiative," said Ron Costello, associate executive director of Catholic education and school improvement, and director of Project Exceed. "We hope to get some specific support of certain things outside of Indianapolis.

Everything that is going on in Project Exceed, Shuey said, is designed to train a teacher not only to be better, but also to share that training with other teachers.

That was the consensus of educators who were invited to attend the "Train the Trainer" model, Shuey said, and it allows the archdiocese to offer future training at a lower cost.

The recent meeting came at the same time that the archdiocese received word that it is being allowed to continue its Project Exceed into another year.

"All of us were really very excited," said Tom Elliott, a member of Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Carmel, Ind., who also graduated this year from the high school. "I think it’s a good sign of the ability we really have at Cathedral."

Elliott was tapped to be the assistant director of the stage reading of The Geranium.

"We were all pretty taken aback when we read the script," Elliott said.

The Geranium takes place in Nazi Germany when Adolf Hitler carried out the mass murder of mental patients and the impaired—and those who opposed it.

The play revolves around Dr. Herman Goettler, the head of a hospital specializing in killing "imperfect" children through lethal injection. Goettler has the conversations he has with his childhood friend: a priest who performed euthanasia for his opposition to the program.

Gebby said that he wanted to inject a little of his own story into the program. He became interested in Hitler’s euthanasia program while he was taking a course about the Holocaust in graduate school.

"It posed a challenge. I wanted to do something a little different than the other grad students were doing," he said.

That was two decades ago. When thinking of ideas for plays, he came back to his graduate school research and also the hero of the story is a Catholic priest. Bill will direct Gebby’s play.

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Be Our Guest/Capone. I pray that condition returns to St. Francis Hospital and Health Centers, St. Vincent Health, the Regenstrief Institute and Wishard Health Services. To the best of their knowledge, country, information technology has been underutilized by the health care industry. Nationally, there has been some progress through efforts to bring medical records to the Internet age. Politicians on both sides of the aisle are calling for quality and efficiency. Using technology creates a paperless, fully wired and integrated health care record system.

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Hoosiers’ faith is through said that they were Protestants and but most parishes would be happy to they are all part of Catholic teachings. said that they believe in those things, 87 percent believe in miracles and 30 percent of the white population were making anti-Catholic speeches. Or dur- ing a poll about the faith of Hoosiers. Perhaps, for most observers, there were no great surprises in the results, but people might be surprised by a few of the findings. We think that the results of the poll have some things to say about Catholics. Perhaps some people, both Catholics and non-Catholics, were surprised to learn that Catholics made up only 11 percent of those polled. But that’s only slightly less than the 13 percent The Official Catholic Directory and Yearbook shows a Catholic population for the archdiocese of 230,918 out of a total population, according to the 2000 census, of 2,430,606. The 1995 unincorporated other Indiana dioceses have 19 percent in Evansville, 14 percent in Fort Wayne-South Bend, 8 percent in Lafayette and 25 percent in Gary.

The good news for Catholics is that 49 percent of those polled said that they have a favorable attitude toward Catholics. While less than 50 percent might not seem good, it beats the national percentage of 40 percent and it’s vastly better than it was 100 years ago when the so-called Guardians of Liberty traveled around the country making anti-Catholic speeches. Or dur- ing the 1920s when there were in Indiana. 30 percent of the white population were members of the anti-Catholic Ku Klux Klan.

The poll revealed that nine out of 10 Hoosiers believe in God and in heaven, 87 percent believe in miracles and 85 percent believe in angels. We don’t know how many of the Catholics polled said that they believe in those things, but we would hope they would all say since they are all part of Catholic teachings. Sixty percent of Hoosiers attend church services at least weekly, accord- ing to the poll, about twice the national percentage. The published results didn’t indicate the percentage for Catholics, but most parishes would be happy to have that 60 percent. Seventy-eight percent of those polled said that they were Protestants and 86 percent of all Christians said that “the only way to heaven” is through personal faith in Jesus Christ. However, despite that belief, only 33 percent said that it’s important to persuade others to accept their religious beliefs. For Catholics, only 18 percent said that it’s important to persuade others. This was the most discouraging statistic in the poll results. Obviously, the Catholic Church still has a long way to go to convince its members that we have an obligation to evangelize. The poll seemed to confirm that Catholics tend to be more liberal in their political beliefs than others. Of those polled who said they were Republicans, 9 percent were Catholics, while Catholics made up 17 percent of Democrats and 10 percent of Independents. Not surprisingly, more of the Republicans opposed a woman’s right to an abortion, whereas she will have an abortion and also opposed gay and lesbian marriages. More of the Republicans favored the death penalty for serious crimes, but more than a majority of Democrats and Independents also favored it.

The Catholic Church firmly believes that Catholics should take their religious beliefs into the political arena. Every four years, the U.S. bishops issue a statement called “Faithful Citizenship: A Catholic Call to Political Responsibil- ity.” The results of The Star’s poll indicate that most Hoosiers agree. Forty-four percent said that there is not enough influence of religious attitudes on state government policies and 78 percent said that a candidate’s reli- gious or spiritual attitudes are important in their decision to vote for him or her.

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Letters to the Editor

Hoosier and thank you to Michael Gough of Greenwood for his tremendous letter in the June 18 issue of The Criterion concerning patriotism and the Mass. I totally agree with him and feel that he speaks for the majority of Catholics. He had the courage to speak out, and it is time that we, the majority, let our feelings be known.

We have always been taught not to judge, but rather to pray for those we may feel have erred in their judgment. But today our Church is outwardly accusing, blaming and punishing in ways that I have never witnessed in my nearly four-year course of life. May our Church return to a place of peace, tranquility of faith and fellowship, and only make the media for the good that we do.

It seems strange to me that we suddenly have this outpouring of scorn on some of the laity when we failed to reprimand our leaders for many years for the wrong that was being done against some among us. The Mass is the highlight of my week, and fortunately one of my friends, Msgr. Hal Knaeven has kept his homilies to the read- ings and the Gospel, and I’m sure he is not depriving anyone of receiving the Holy Eucharist. I pray that condition returns to all of our churches.

Many unanswered questions about the war

Since seeing Michael Moore’s movie Fahrenheit 9/11, I have read many criti- cisms of it. While I agree with some of the
¿Por qué Dios no evita que hagamos cosas malas?

(Octavo en la serie)

Durante un vuelo de regreso a Washington D.C., un caballero que se encontraba sentado junto a mi me dijo: “Arzobispo, hay algo que me inquieta”. Me preguntó: “Dos hijos que amamos, ¿cuál es el precio del amor?”, y luego prosiguió: “¿Cuándo llega el momento en que tenemos que ser tan desgarrados como para decir que nuestros hijos se equivocaron?”

At this point, I asked him the question: “¿En qué momento creemos que, como padres, debemos intervenir?”

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Holy Spirit Parish, 7243 E. 106th St., in Indianapolis, is having its parish festival from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. on July 8-10. There will be rides, food, music and entertainment. For more information, call 317-353-9404.

St. Benedict Parish, 111 S. 9th St., in Terre Haute, is having its Community Fun Fest from noon to midnight on July 9 and from 4 p.m. to midnight on July 10. There will be music, games and food. For more information, call 812-232-8421.

St. Lawrence Parish, 542 Walnut St., in Lawrenceburg, is having its parish festival from 4 p.m. to midnight on July 9, from 6 p.m. to midnight on July 10 and from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on July 11. There will be a German dinner on July 10 and a chicken dinner on July 11. For more information, call 812-537-3992.

St. Joseph Parish in Corydon is having its parish picnic from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Harrison County Fairgrounds, 341 Capitol Ave., in Corydon. There will be a chicken dinner and quilts. For more information, call 812-783-2742.

The Central Indiana Life Chain needs a coordinator to plan the annual one-hour pro-life prayer vigil on Respect Life Sunday on Oct. 3 in Indianapolis. There are many volunteers to help with the ecumenical event, but no one to coordinate their efforts. A person for the volunteer position is needed by July 20 so the Life Chain can take place in Indianapolis during this election year. For more information, call Tom Pottorff in the archdiocesan Office of Pro-Life Activities at 317-236-1269 or 800-382-9816, ext. 1569.

St. Francis Hospital and Health Centers and the Wellness Community of Central Indiana will host Cancer 101, a free seminar for cancer patients and their families, from noon to 2 p.m. on July 30 in the Women’s Center Conference Room at St. Francis Hospital-Mooresville, 1201 Hadley Road, Cancer 101 will provide participants with an overview of cancer and seek to dispel myths, misconceptions and unnecessary fears about a cancer diagnosis. There will also be an explanation of cancer terminology and a discussion about the latest treatment options and research developments. The session includes lunch for all registered participants. The deadline for registration is July 28. For more information or to register, call 317-782-6704. Author Temple Grandin will speak on “My Experiences with Autism” from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on July 11 at Beebeefresh Preparatory School, 2801 W. 86th St., in Indianapolis. The cost is $15 per person or $25 per couple. There is no charge for individuals with autism.

Advance registration is recommended as space is limited. For more information or to register, call Sue Hansen at 317-876-4719.

Christ the King Parish, 5860 N. Crittenden Ave., in Indianapolis, will host a reception honoring Msgr. Francis Tuohy on the occasion of his retirement from active ministry from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on July 18. All are welcome. For more information, call Rose Sterger in the parish office at 317-255-3666.

Benedictine sister professes first vows

Benedictine Sister Anne Frederick professed her first monastic vows during evening prayer on June 13 at Our Lady of Grace Monastery in Beech Grove. She entered the Benedictine community in 2001. As a temporary professed sister, she promised stability in her monastery, fidelity to the monastic way of life and obedience for the next three years. During this three-year period, she will continue her studies of the monastic life and begin preparation for her final monastic profession.

A native of Columbus, Sister Anne graduated from Columbus East High School and received a bachelor’s degree in industrial engineering from Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind. She began her career at Cummins Engine Company in Columbus, and later attended Indiana University, where she received a master’s degree in secondary education and certification in high school mathematics. Sister Anne formerly taught at Roncalli High School in Indianapolis. She currently teaches mathematics at Bishop Chatard High School in Indianapolis. She is the daughter of James Frederick of Nashville and Barbara Frederick of Columbus.

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Office for Film and Broadcasting movie ratings

Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy (DreamWorks)
Rated A-III (Adults) because of an implied affair, sexual references and some profanity and an instance of rough language.
Rated PG-13 (Parents are strongly cautioned. Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13) by the Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA).

Spider-Man 2 (Columbia)
Rated A-III (Adults) because of much comic book violence and a few scary scenes.
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Three parishes receive clergy renewal grants from Lilly Endowment

Three archdiocesan parishes are receiving grants from Lilly Endowment's Clergy Renewal Program from Indiana Congregations.

Holy Family Parish in New Albany is receiving a $44,495 grant for its pastor, Father Wilfred "Sonny" Day.

St. Philip Neri Parish in Indianapolis is receiving a $45,000 grant for its pastor, Father Jeffrey Godecker.

Lilly Endowment's vice president for religion, Father Wilfred "Sonny" Day said, he will be able to be more effective in his ministry. Before he received his grant, the parish offered to pay for the cost of a priest in his absence. He was going to try to get financial help from the archdiocese as well.

The grant is a gift for the parish and for the archdiocese, Father Day said. "They're very generous," he said of Lilly Endowment Inc.

For the grant for each of the priests not only pays for their travel expenses and the travel costs of family members and friends, it also pays for their replacement or any of their other needs. "We're very grateful to Lilly," Father Godecker said.
A new advisory council has been called together to help Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein and the archdiocese, director of Catholic Charities and Family Ministries, to better serve God’s people in central and southern Indiana.

The 13-member council includes Siler, and the archbishop is the honorary chairman.

The council members come from a diversity of backgrounds with a common goal: the updating of the 1999-2003 Catholic Charities strategic plan.

Siler said that within that plan there are three main areas:

• "Articulate the vision for how the Church will work to live out its mission to serve the poor in the archdiocese."

• "Work to raise awareness throughout the community of the ministry of the Church to the poor through our Catholic Charities agencies."

• "Help to secure the necessary resources to sustain and expand the ministries of Catholic Charities."

The members of the new council will be asked to share their expertise to help these goals become a reality, Siler said.

William Spangler, a member of St. Luke Parish in Indianapolis and chairman of the council, said that their work is just beginning. The council will meet every other month. The first meeting was on May 19.

“We’ve only begun to define the mission of the advisory council,” Spangler said. “The full scope of the agenda hasn’t really been established yet.”

He agrees with Siler that too often Catholics are simply not aware of the work of Catholic Charities. Spangler hopes that more people will learn about the full scope of services and that it will be easier for parishes to refer the needy to the proper agency.

“By raising awareness of the work of Catholic Charities, our hope is that more people will become involved through their sharing of time, talent and treasure,” Siler said. “More with people and resources available, we can do more to be of service to the poor among us.”

Father Donald Schmidlin, senior priest in residence at St. Paul Catholic Center in Bloomington, also said that more awareness of Catholic Charities is needed.

Father Schmidlin served the archdioce- se as director of Catholic Charities from 1963 to 1976, and said that it gave him “a deep appreciation” of the services that it provides.

“There also needs to be more awareness of the need that is perceived in the various areas of the diocese,” he said.

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The Six agencies of Catholic Charities

• Catholic Social Services of Central Indiana.

• St. Elizabeth’s Pregnancy and Adoption Services in Indianapolis.

• Catholic Charities of Terre Haute.

• Catholic Social Services of South Central Indiana or Bloomington.

• St. Elizabeth’s-Catholic Charities of New Albany.

• Catholic Charities of Tell City.

A variety of programs fall under these agencies. The programs operate in the areas of crisis support; children, youth and family services; mental health serv-ices; pregnancy and adoption ser- vices; counseling; and emergency housing services. 8

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Catholic Charities has been involved with Catholic Charities in Terre Haute and the Rotary Club of Terre Haute.

• Thomas Hirschauer, president of Publics, an Indianapolis public rela- tions company.

• Daughter of Charity Sharon Richard- vice president of mission services at St. Vincent’s Hospital in Indianapolis.

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brate the Mass according to the Missal formulated in response to Vatican II is indicative of one of its primary purposes: the promotion of the use of Latin in the celebration of the Mass from the 1970 and the 1962 Missals.

It was also in harmony with the teach- ings of Vatican II which, while allowing for the use of the vernacular in the liturgy, also sought to “ensure that the faithful may also be able to say or sing together in Latin those parts . . . of the Mass which permit to them a participation in the Sacred Liturgy, 54).”

In his opening remarks at the confer- ence at Holy Trinity Cathedral in Indianapolis following the Mass, the associa- tion’s president, William J. Leininger, connected its mission to the promotion of a greater reverence in all of the Church’s liturgies in the United States.

“We have an obligation to encourage the great bulk of the Roman Catholic Church’s liturgies in America to be cele- brated with a sense of awe for Almighty God,” Leininger said, “with a sense of reverence, with beautiful and sacred music. We want to work within the Catholic Church to make the liturgy more beautiful.”

And the Latin Liturgy Association seeks to do this work in collaboration with many bishops in the United States.

Thirty-five of them, including Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein, sit on the associa- tion’s board of episcopal advisors.

James Likoudis, the keynot speaker for the convention, offered several sug- gestions in his address following the Mass for how the association’s members might help to bring more beauty to the Church’s liturgies.

Likoudis, president emeritus of Catholics United for the Faith, is also the co-author, along with Kenneth Whitehead, of The Pope, the Council and the Mass, published in 1981 with an updated ver- sion to be released later this year.

Speaking to the convention attendees, he said that working to allow the celebra- tion of the traditional Latin Mass in di- ceses might have a “rippling and elevat- ing effects on other Catholics.”

“Good liturgy can be contagious, especially now when the Church is mak- ing a determined effort not only to restore a sacrail liturgy in our parishes,” Likoudis said, “but to deepen the faith- ship of those who are involved and appreciation of the liturgy itself.”

Beyond the traditional Latin Mass, he also said that the celebration of the current Mass exclusively in Latin. But Likoudis felt that “in the average parish, the most desirable is a top-priority for the Church.

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Jews are ‘elder brothers and sisters’ of Catholics

By Eugene Fisher

Jews in 1978 were not at all sure what to make of a Polish pope. Yet he has come to play a number of difficult con-

Jews and Christians share a

common heritage with God

By David Gibson

“The pope condemned anti-Semitism as “sinful.” He also affirmed the validity of Jewish faith and of God’s covenant with the Jews: “The Jewish religion is not extrinsic to us but in a certain way intrinsic to our own religion. With Judaism, therefore, we have a relationship which we do not have with any other religion. You are our dearly beloved brothers, and, in a certain way, it can be said that you are our elder brothers.”

And, in 1994, the pope presided over a Holocaust Memorial Day concert within the Vatican itself.

During the Jubilee Year 2000, Pope John Paul led a liturgy of repentance in Rome in which he articulated the Church’s sorrow over seven major cate-
gories of pervasive Christian sin over the centuries. One category included sins against Jews over the centuries.

Only a few days later, the pope went to Israel. His predecessor, Pope Paul VI, had briefly come to Jerusalem in 1964, but this was the first extensive visit by a pope to the Jewish state.

As was his custom, the pope kissed the soil of the land he was entering and listened to its national anthem. Many people in the Jewish community wept to see this.

The pope then visited Yad Vashem, Israel’s memorial to the victims of the Holocaust, meeting there with a group of survivors, among whom were people from his own hometown in Poland. Finally, Pope John Paul went to the Western Wall, the last remnant of the Jerusalem Temple. There, like so many humble Jews before him, he placed a prayer of petition to the God of Israel in a crack between the stones. This prayer reiterated the prayer from the year 2000 liturgy of repentance.

The pope’s prayer affirmed, in the strongest way possible, that anti-Semitism has no place in the Church. The prayer acknowledged the legitimacy of Jewish faith and the Church’s debt to Judaism for having given the world the revelation of God.

“God of our fathers, you chose Abraham and his descendants to bring your name to the nations: We are deeply saddened by the behavior of those who in the course of history have caused these children of yours to suffer, and, asking your forgiveness, we wish to commit ourselves to genuine brother-

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Faithful Lines/From the Editor Emeritus/Brother John F. Fink

He almost became our first Catholic or even Catechism/

Throughout the history of the United States, Catholics again and again demonstrated their deep commitment to their faith during war. During the Civil War, for example, not one of the nearly 40,000 Catholics who fought, both for the Union and the Confederacy, was killed in battle. Their combined population was greater than the population of the city of New York at the time, so was the number of generals. Fifty of the Union generals and 29 Confederate generals were Catholics.

This is the story of William Starke Rosecrans, one of those generals. He might have become the first Catholic president of the United States except for the intervention of President Abraham Lincoln. But we’re getting ahead of our story. Rosecrans was both a graduate of West Point and a teacher there. He converted to Catholicism during his teaching stint, and he was followed into the Church by his brother, Sylvester, who later became the first bishop of Columbus, Ohio.

Cornucopia/Cynthia Dewes

Who says summer is a time to relax?

George Gershwin’s song says, “Summertime, and the livin’ is easy.” Well, not always. July and August are full of good friends, and the birthday of our country. Not to mention the birthdays of several good friends, and the birthday of our country.

Not that we celebrate all these things with elaborate parties or gifts, but we do send greeting cards and take time to remember. Which leads to my being told by my husband, the spoilsport, that our greeting card budget equals that of a Third World country. But, I digress. We’re speaking here of the assistance which accompanies summer, and first on the agenda is the Fourth of July, our national holiday. Not only is it one of our 12 official annual national holidays, but also a potential source of worry. Despite centuries of false beliefs that careless behaviors can be lethal, there are always a few suspects who will light firecrackers in their hands, throw firecrackers into bodies of water, or otherwise prove that ignorance of basic survival. But, as we’ve learned with booze and cigarettes, it’s impossible to prohibit fireworks legally.

That’s because such prohibition is against human nature, and we all know how hard it is to control our brains. The program cannot use fireworks responsibly and monitor our kids’ use, which for some is infinitely harder than handling a chemical explosion. Hence, we worry. Then, there’s potato salad. You’d think, with all the non-egg, non-animal fat, non-mayonnaise these days, potato salad would be as safe as an activity in a syna- metric table. But, there’s always that other suspect who puts the old-fashioned dressing on a salad. Or, it is unrefrigerated and lets it sit for hours out-side on a warm day. Tsk.

Summer swimming days are never worry-free. Some for pool or beach with attend- ing lifeguards stationed in strategic posi-tion. There is also an unexpected current which can be treacherous for swimmers. It may be present on the water and be backwater somewhere frequented by the foolhardy who fail to see any danger. Non-swimmers, swimmers who tipping with tickets to see Late Night Catechism at Hanaa Theatre in the Playhouse Square Cauldron. The program comes with a yellow with deep iden- tification classifies me from my past “Late Night Catechism” encounter approach- ing audience interaction, but please remember that inappropriate language or loud talking is a dishonor to the performance. The program could result in immediate expulsion.” That wasn’t the only thing ringing true. Everything the actress playing “Sister” said or did brought back memories near and dear to me—experiences that no one else would understand or comprehend. That’s why I didn’t want it to be over, but it was.

Not that my stomach didn’t twist into a knot a few times when “Sister” pointed to someone in the audience for an answer (believe me: I didn’t raise my hand) or, for instance, when “Sister” demanded a man from the audience to be taught why gum isn’t chewed in church.

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Making a Difference/Tony Magliano

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A healthy patrio- The survival of our nation and world, as well as the health and destiny of our souls, may well depend on how we choose to answer these questions. tism not only praises the virtues of one’s nation and the people who cherish it, but also challenges its vices. However, for countless Americans the statements “America, love it or leave it” and “These colors don’t run” express a brand of patriotism that blindly follows leaders and asserts superi- ority. This is unhealthy, and it is not in agreement with Catholic spirituality and doctrine.

Spoken at the annual American Catholic and Interfaith Justice Conference in the Diocese of Wilmington, Del., Bishop Alvaro Ramaz- zotti, O.S.B., Guatemalan, said Catholic Americans must overcome their sense of self-righteousness, their perceived superiority. He said that Christians are called to seek the good of their fellow humans as equal partners who share the earth and who must be protected from all that dehumanizes them.

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Do we agree that following Christ is our biggest challenge? Or do we speak as though we are members of one American Catholic? In other words, what do you value more—your Catholic faith or American citizenship? What is this to mean a Catholic American?

The biggest challenge is to become a community of people who follow Christ,” he said. “They’re voting as veterans, as members of an ethnic group or a union, or according to the region they live in as their primary identity. Only second, or third, or thirteenth, do they vote as “Catholics.”

Speaking to U.S. Midwestern bishops at the annual American Catholic and Interfaith Justice Conference in the Diocese of Wilmington, Del., Bishop Alvaro Ramazzotti, O.S.B., Guatemalan, said: “American Catholics strongly identify themselves first as Americans. They said, “They’re voting as veterans, as members of an ethnic group or a union, or according to the region they live in as their primary identity. Only second, or third, or thirteenth, do they vote as “Catholics.”

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I cried when your parents held you that first time, When I saw them look at you, And then each other, And the room was full of hope and joy and love.
I held your hand and I cried with you.

My Journey to God

I Am Your Nurse

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I am your nurse, Your caregiver.
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I have shared your most precious thoughts And private times, Your first breath, And your last.

By Christine M. Prince

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(Christine Prince is a member of St. Christopher Parish in Indianapolis.)
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July 12
Priests, brothers and sisters enjoy lives of amazing grace

Serra Club vocations essay

By Caitlin Rogozinski

“Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound.”

In my life, there are many sweet sounds that inspire me each and every day.

My pastor, Msgr. John C. Duncan, is a vehicle of grace who is inspirational to all the members of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Carmel, Ind. Franciscan Sister Dolores Jean Neill is another vehicle of grace, which Cathedral High School in Indianapolis would not be able to function without.

When I listen to Msgr. Duncan’s homilies every Sunday at Mass, I want to be a better person and yearn to work for a better relationship with God.

Msgr. Duncan talks to students in grade-school religion classes, counsels married couples, visits the sick, celebrates weddings, officiates at funerals and is there for reconciliation and much, much more.

He not only does all these ministries, he also does them in a way that one can see God’s grace shine out of him and from his work.

On a busy morning at Cathedral High School, when you are feeling stressed or nervous because of your schoolwork, all your emotions subside when you hear a sweet voice over the loudspeaker say, “You are cordially invited to Mass at 7:15 a.m. in the chapel.”

Sister Dolores, whom many students would call the heart of Cathedral High School, is an instrument of God’s grace shining its light each time each day.

Every morning, Sister Dolores makes a special prayer for that day. She includes all the sports events, loved ones who have died and special intentions, and thanks God for the beautiful weather.

Sister Dolores is always there if you need something, and she will stop what she is doing and do whatever you need her to do in the most caring and compassionate way.

“We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise than when we’ve first begun.”

By interacting with Msgr. Duncan and Sister Dolores, I am interacting with God’s grace. Through these two religious people who have dedicated their lives to God and to serving others, I have been blessed to know the goodness of God’s amazing grace.

(Caitlin Rogozinski is a member of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Carmel, Ind., in the Lafayette Diocese, and is a sophomore at Cathedral High School in Indianapolis. She is the 10th-grade winner in the Indianapolis Serra Club’s vocations essay contest.) †

Portion of Krieger estate benefits four Church ministries

By Mary Ann Wyand

Longtime St. Christopher parishioners Joseph and Dorothy Krieger of Indianapolis, who were killed on Oct. 6, 2002, remembered the Cathedral Church in their wills and donated 10 percent of their estate to their parish and three Church ministries.

The Kriegers were shot during a robbery at their home, which is unsold. Their estate was settled recently.

One of their sons, Greg Krieger of Westfield, Ind., presented checks to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, St. Vincent Hospital Foundation, Gibault in Terre Haute and St. Christopher Parish during meetings on June 30 at the Archbishop O’Meara Catholic Center, St. Vincent Hospital and St. Christopher Parish in Indianapolis.

Krieger, who is a member of Our Lady of Grace Parish in Noblesville, Ind., said his parents enjoyed spending time with their four children and five grandchildren.

They were married on May 3, 1953, moved to their longtime home about 1958 and raised their four children—Daniel, Greg, Brian and Anne—in St. Christopher Parish.

“They were parishioners there for about 45 years,” he said, “They always attended the 8:30 a.m. Mass.”

Krieger said his mother was a graduate of the former St. Vincent Hospital School of Nursing, which prompted the gift to the St. Vincent Foundation Hospital.

“My dad was a member of the Knights of Columbus for many years,” he said, “and they were a supporter of Gibault. He had been there a few times and was familiar with their work” of helping at-risk youth.

“They were always interested in the missions,” he said, “and also wanted to support the work of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.”

“My dad worked for the State Board of Health in the water pollution and control division for probably 30 years,” Krieger said. “He retired about 1994. My mom was a stay-at-home mother for many years then went back to nursing after we were older and in school.”

The Kriegers were active members of St. Christopher Parish, he said, and his mother always worked at the parish festival in July.

“Their faith was important to them,” he said, “and they wanted to make sure we got the right education. They had enough foresight to put us all through Catholic school. My older brother, Dan, went to Cathedral High School and three of us graduated from Cardinal Ritter High School.”

Msgr. Joseph F. Schaeedl, vicar general, said he knew the Krieger family for many years.

“It’s very fitting that the children, in disseminating the estate, would look to their parents’ wishes,” he said, “and to their deep Catholic faith and their involvement in the Church to distribute the estate to Catholic causes.

Joseph Therber, executive director of stewardship and development for the archdiocese, said “the Krieger family’s generosity speaks volumes about their faith and love of the Church.”

Therber said their decision to support the missions and their parish “will forever have a positive effect on countless less people seeking hope and opportunity. Their generosity and forethought will be an inspiring statement for others to emulate.”

Kathy Bradbury, supervisor of administrative services for Gibault in Terre Haute, said the generous donation from the Krieger estate will continue to help Gibault provide life-changing opportunities for children, families and communities.

“The continuing excellence of Gibault is made possible by the generosity of the Indiana Knights of Columbus,” she said, “and Gibault’s donor family—people such as the Kriegers, who care deeply about the troubled children Gibault serves.” †

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WASHINGTON (CNS) — Dioceses should have systems for monitoring clergy who have committed sexual abuse but whose cases have not been resolved yet, said the Chicago archdiocese vice chancellor.

“Although some of these priests may be innocent, we as a Church cannot take the risk of not monitoring them until the canonical trials are concluded,” wrote Father James Kaczorowski in the June issue of the Vicar for Clergy Newsletter.

The quarterly newsletter is published in Washington by the bishops’ Secretariat for Priestly Life and Ministry and the St. Luke Institute in Silver Spring, Md., a treatment center for clergy with mental health and abuse problems.

Father Kaczorowski said that monitoring is a controversial issue, but the Chicago Archdiocese established such a program for clergy temporarily removed from active ministry pending the outcome of their cases.

“All alleged accused priests are innocent, they feel they ‘are looked upon as criminals even though the canonical trials have not yet occurred,’” he said.

“If accused priests are not in prison, victims feel they should be monitored 24 hours a day because of the danger they posed to children,” he said.

The Chicago policy includes a residence where most of the alleged accused live with an on-site monitor, said Father Kaczorowski. They cannot publicly celebrate the sacraments or wear a roman collar or clerical clothing.

He said that other key parts of the policy include:
• Accused priests cannot be alone with minors.
• They need prior approval to spend vacations or nights away from the residence.
• They must accompany the accused on all overnight travel.
• Every accused priest must keep a daily log of activities and submit it monthly.
• They must participate in therapy sessions and have regular spiritual direction.

“If the monitoring system a 100 percent guarantee that perpetrators will never harm children? No. But without a monitoring system, we can neither serve the alleged victim or the alleged perpetrator well,” wrote Father Kaczorowski.
Catholic singles in their 20s, 30s and 40s mingle during an evening of Catholic Speed Dating on the evening of June 6 at St. Christopher Parish in Indianapolis. The event gives Catholics the chance to mingle with each other and find out who they might be compatible with and with wish to date.

With... all were something other than dating," he said. They had both heard of the secular concept of speed dating, and decided to turn its usefulness toward the Church. They asked Father Jonathan Meyer, associate director of youth and young adult ministry in the archdiocese, for his blessing and spiritual help.

The speed dating event at St. Christopher Parish was the second such event in the archdiocese in the last year—there was another at Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish last November.

Some of the participants at the recent event had gone to other non-Catholic speed dating sessions. For George Vesper, a member of St. Pius X Parish in Indianapolis, though, this was his first shot at Catholic speed dating.

“It’s always nice to meet someone who has some similar religious viewpoints,” Vesper said. “And this kind of gets rid of two questions at the same time: What’s your faith and are you single?”

“I had done speed dating before,” said Judy Lombardo, a member of St. Christopher Parish, “and I thought it was a great idea to do Catholic speed dating because we all have something in common.”

“I did it once with another group,” said Mary Ann Beckerich, a member of Christ the King Parish in Indianapolis, “and nobody there was Catholic that I talked to. I wish that there were more events like this geared toward Catholic singles,” she said. For her, being a Catholic is something that is important in men that she might date.

It is also important for Joseph Shea, a member of St. Barnabas Parish in Indianapolis. He lost his wife last year, and also has children.

“I want to be around Catholics more,” he said. “I really enjoy being Catholic, and hopefully people here enjoy being Catholic also.”

He said that the decision to come to the event was hard, but it didn’t make him nervous at all while he was there. Most people reported that, while initially tense, the event was fun.

“This whole event is to be as low-stress as possible,” Schenk told the group last month at St. Christopher Parish. Schenk also took part in the event.

“I had never done anything like that before, and I was very curious going into it,” he said.

Like the others, he said he was nervous, but soon found that he got so wrapped up in talking with the other person and listening that the six-minute “dates” with each woman flew by.

Schenk and Mack said the first two speed dating nights in the archdiocese were enough of a success that they will begin planning another event for August or September.

They hope to move the locations around the Indianapolis area to give more people a chance to participate. It has been a challenge to find enough men who are willing to attend.

Vesper said that some guys may not think of speed dating as a “macho” thing—or may think that a bar or other social function is more comfortable for meeting people.

“You meet some great people, you meet some people you don’t like, but that’s only six minutes,” Vesper said. Part of the difficulty is also just getting the word out. So far, publicity for the event has been both by word of mouth and by parish bulletins—though some parishes, for various reasons, have been reluctant to put the announcement in.

“I found out [about this one by accident],” Beckerich said. A friend knew someone who had heard about it.

Still, Mack said, the group couldn’t hold much more than the number that has shown up. If more than 15 men and 15 women showed up, the group would have to be divided up, likely by age, or there would be too many “dates.”

When Mack tallied up the “yes” and the “no” answers from last month’s event, 17 people—more than half—had mutual matches.

Some, like Schenk, had more than one. He is planning on following up on those matches, and several participants said that either they had followed up on matches with dates in the past, or planned to this time.

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A sign for Catholic Speed Dating, designed by Karl Freund, sits in the vestibule of St. Christopher Church in Indianapolis. Freund is a member of the parish