What makes you happy?

Young people share their joys in life

By John Shaughnessy

Are you very happy with your life?
The odds are that you will say “yes” to that question if you attend church weekly or more often.

According to a 2005 Pew Research Center survey, “88 percent of all Catholics who attend church weekly, or more, report being very happy while just 28 percent of Catholics who attend church less often say they are very happy.”

If you want to be happy, consider the answers that our small and unscientific survey, we asked some young people and some elderly people variations of three basic questions:

How do you describe or define happiness in your life?

What are some of the moments when you have been most happy in your life?

To what advice would you give to people in search of happiness?

By Mary Ann Wyand

Smiling, Joan Shevlin straightened the ribbon on a large Christmas wreath on Nov. 29 near the chapel at the retirement home operated by the Sisters of St. Benedict of Our Lady of Grace Monastery in Beech Grove.

It is the intangible things, the price-less things, she said, that bring joy and meaning to life.

Shevlin believes that people who are searching for happiness in life will find it if they pray to God and ask him for help.

“I don’t know what I would do without prayer,” she said, emotion evident in her voice. “I pray for good health and happiness every day. I find great happiness in being able to go to Mass at the chapel here and receive the Eucharist every day. I’m very fortunate.”

Shevlin and her late husband, Jim, were longtime members of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Indianapolis and the owners of the Anchor Inn, a popular restaurant formerly located in the Irvington neighborhood on the east side.

She wishes that they would have been able to have children, but cherishes her memories of their 40 years in business together and the countless friends they made at the restaurant before they retired and moved to Monticello, Ind.

After her husband died of cancer, Shevlin moved to the hermitage in 2006. She is happy living near her sisters in an apartment at the beautifully maintained retirement home, which is a ministry of the Sisters of St. Benedict of Our Lady of Grace Monastery in Beech Grove.

“I enjoy being around people,” she said. “I’ve met a lot of nice friends here and we do a lot of things together. We...
How do you describe or define happiness in your life? What makes you happy?

Amanda Ward, 12, a seventh-grade student at St. Gabriel School in Indianapolis: “Just knowing I have family and friends who love and care about me very much. And they’re willing to do anything to help me.”

Amber Morrison, 8, a third-grade student at Pope John XXIII School in Madison: “Happiness is the love you get and how mothers cuddle you in their arms.”

Alex Feltner, 13, an eighth-grade student at Father Michael Shawe Memorial Jr./Sr. High School in Madison: “I am happy when I see a comedian tell a funny joke, get an A on a paper, get a paycheck from my paper route, get something new or when I hold a door for someone who needs help.”

Christopher Grote, 8, a third-grade student at Pope John XXIII: “Some things that make me happy are my pets. When I am sad, they cheer me up by making funny faces.”

Jackson Wendell, 6, a first-grade student at Pope John XXIII: “Newborn babies make people happy. I am getting twin babies. They are going to make people twice as happy.”

What are some of the moments when you have been most happy in your life?

Elizabeth Bir, 8, a third-grade student at St. Gabriel: “Christmas. Because it’s when Jesus was born.”

Allen Dinninger, 12, a sixth-grade student at St. Gabriel: “My first touchdown in football. As soon as I scored, my dad looked at me [and gave him a thumbs-up]. My teammates gave me high-fives. I felt pretty good about that.”

Angela Gould, 12, a seventh-grade student at Shawe Memorial: “One thing I like to do is cheer with my friends at my school’s basketball games. I also like to play basketball. I think everyone needs a little bit of happiness in their life so do your best to spread happiness to others.”

Amanda Ward, 12: “My happiest moment is the day my mom got married. We were just at home eating a really nice dinner when my stepfather proposed to her. He took the whole family to the living room, got down on one knee and proposed to her.”

Michael Bir, 10, a fourth-grade student at St. Gabriel: “When I hit an inside-the-park home run in baseball. That was last year when I was 9. My sister was on the team. So that was a good way to remember that moment.”

What advice would you give to people in search of happiness?

Elizabeth Stucker, 13, a seventh-grade student at Shawe Memorial: “To be truly happy, the first step is to be happy with yourself.”

Taylor Minnis, 7, a first-grade student at St. Gabriel: “I might give people advice to not be mean or anything.”

Allison Mruezek, 12, a seventh-grade student at Shawe Memorial: “Some people think you get happiness from material possessions, such as money, furniture, cars and things like that. I think you need a lot more to be happy.”

Dominic Gotta, 12, a seventh-grade student at St. Gabriel: “I like to be with my friends. But mostly family and, of course, Bill. He’s a great guy.”

Taylar Minnis, 7, a first-grade student at St. Gabriel: “I always say, ‘Praise God,’ ” he explained.

Lucius Newcom, 8, a third-grade student at St. Gabriel: “I was widowed 12 years ago and moved to the President Benjamin Harrison Home in Indianapolis from Pennsylvania in 1974 until 1986.”

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St. Augustine Home for the Aged

Bill and Louise Ryan moved from Fishers, Ind., to the Little Sisters of the Poor home in Indianapolis in 2006 after volunteering there for 12 years.

“Happiness means different things to different people,” he said. “Some people will tell you that happiness to them means winning the lottery or getting a good job.”

Ryan said that definition of happiness is “mostly family and, of course, Bill. He’s a great guy. Don’t tell everybody, but he’s a great husband. I love the little notes he leaves for me. We’ve been very lucky, and I think we’re very blessed to be living here in this wonderful home. We’re very blessed to be with the Little Sisters. We still volunteer here. We enjoy it.”

She said they love to visit family members in New Jersey and go on 3-hour drives with their grandchildren.

“We were always glad for him,” she said, “even if he was in a hospital. We’ve been very lucky, and I think we’re very blessed to be living here in this wonderful home. We’re very blessed to be with the Little Sisters. We still volunteer here. We enjoy it.”

Before retiring, Katherine Svarczkopf worked in retail sales then as volunteer coordinator and a costumed docent touring guides at the historic President Benjamin Harrison Home in Indianapolis from 1974 until 1986.

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(For more advice from senior citizens about how to find happiness in life, log on to www.criterionsonline.com)
Building bridges
Education and culture cross paths during principal’s visit to Finland

By Mike Krokos

Walk in each morning, pull off your shoes and slip into something more comfortable—like slippers.

Take time for a daylong hike to study and discuss nature’s beauty right outside your classroom window.

And if you’re a preschool student, don’t forget the special chewing gum provided after lunch.

Welcome to a few of the unique elements at the heart of Finland’s education system.

Thanks to the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program sponsored by the U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Annette Jones recently had the opportunity to travel to northern Europe and see a Finnish school operate firsthand. She also spent a few days visiting a school in Ireland.

“It was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity,” said Jones, the principal at Immaculate Heart of Mary School in Indianapolis. “It’s hard to capture it [the experience].

“The purpose of the visit was to look at education in another culture,” added Jones, who is in her eighth year as principal of the Indianapolis North Deanery school. “I hope to incorporate some of their strengths into our school.

“In the future, I want more international exchanges for our students, and a greater international focus in our schools.”

Established by an act of Congress in 1946, the Fulbright program provides opportunities for teachers, administrators and other faculty to participate in a direct exchange of positions with colleagues from other countries.

As was the case for Jones, Fulbright’s Senior Specialist Program offers three to six weeks of “work shadowing” and observational study opportunities for U.S. and international administrators.

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The elementary school curriculum incorporates nature.

The pines and birch trees that are staples of the country’s beautiful scenery have become integral elements in the classroom. On the hike, lunch was included and information stations were set up throughout the forest as part of the learning activity. Since the country is 70 percent forest and 20 percent water, it only makes sense for nature to be a part of the education process, Jones said.

It helps to bring physical fitness into the curriculum.

“Finland offers lots of exercise for students,” she said. “There is a lot of walking.”

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Despite the language barrier, Immaculate Heart of Mary School principal Annette Jones of Indianapolis and Annikka, a 6-year-old student at Central School of Viala in Akaa, Finland, play a color game.

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The daylong hike that the Immaculate Heart of Mary School teaches students from first- to eighth-grade. Central School of Viala has students from preschool to sixth-grade.

The Fulbright scholarship includes a stipend for housing and pays for recipients’ travel expenses.

Since the program’s inception, more than 98,400 U.S. Fulbright scholars have studied, taught or conducted research in 140 countries around the world.

More than 162,000 foreign citizens have come to the U.S. through the program.

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Comparable to the state of Montana in size, Finland is home to approximately 5 million people.

The Finnish education system is unique because school is free, including through college, said Salovaara.

“We get a free, warm lunch every day, and even all the books in primary and secondary level [are paid for],” Salovaara said in an e-mail from Finland.

“Only in high school do you have to buy your books, but training is free.”

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For his outstanding season, Tebow
became the third underclassman (sophomore or
to win the Heisman Trophy.
“Tim, I pray that you have a good life after
your playing days are over. I pray that you
never get involved in drugs or a bad crowd. And
then, I pray that you stay strong in your faith.”

But that is only part of Tim Tebow's
story.
As we learned in an interview with
ESPF college football analyst
Chris Fowler after winning the award,
Tebow is breaking records, and making his
parents and family proud because of his
mother's courage and faith.
In 1985, Tim's parents, Bob and
Pam Tebow, moved to the Philippines
to serve as Christian missionaries.
It was during their three-year stay
there that they prayed to conceive another
child.
Unfortunately, as The Gainesville Sun
reported, Pam fell into a coma after she
carried a normal pregnancy, only to have
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teaching in Indianapolis:
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Exhibit to the Editor
This year, our parish will sponsor
two or three breakfasts with that
merry giver of gifts and promotion in
sales, Santa Claus.
We used to have a Communion
breakfast with Jesus.
Now we have breakfast with Santa.
Don't get me wrong. I am 100 percent
in favor of helping needy children,
especially at Christmas. I want their
celebration of Christmas to be joyful. Our
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giving tree. We buy gifts for
more than 200 needy children in our
community, more than any other church in our
area.
But, like many parishes, we have
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We sponsor one for the children born
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Parish Diary

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os preparamos para celebrar el nacimiento de Jesucristo. La preparación es una ocasión de jubilo en cualquier circunstancia. El nacimiento del hijo de Dios nos hace caer de rodillas para reflexionar sobre el principio, el fin y el sentido de toda nuestra existencia. Dios se convierte en uno de nosotros y lo hace albergando en su corazón la humanidad. La humanidad llega corriendo a la habitación de su abuelo, como se cuenta sobre Jehel, un pequeño niño que es un familiar documentado por Elie Wiesel. Nos asombra el hecho de que Dios se hiciera un niño. Dios se ha convertido en uno de nosotros en todos los sentidos, menos en el pecado. Por lo tanto, constituye una epifanía sobre la humildad. Dios, un niño, se lije una maqueta de papel. entonces se le da vida y comienza a jugar. El maestro caressa el rostro del niño. Lo mira. Pregunto: ¿Eres tú? El niño responde: Sí. Él mismo tiene lágrimas en sus ojos. Y dice: 'Sí, no está bien. Pero fijate, sucede lo mismo con Dios. Él está escudriñando y nosotros no lo buscamos. Él se escudriña y la gente ni siquiera lo busca.' En esta pequeña historia el cristiano puede hablar de la clave para el antiguo misterio de la Navidad. Dios está escudriñando. Él espera que su creación salga en pos él, se prometa una nueva vida. El espera a los hombres. Una de sus audiencias semanales (17 de mayo de 2006), el Papa Benedicto XVI recordó que: ‘La escuela de la fe no representa una marcha triste va, una travesía maravillosa con el sufrimiento y el amor, las victorias y la lealtad.”

El Papa reflexionaba sobre la fe de Pedro. "Pedro, quien prometió lealtad absoluta, conocía la amargura y la humillación de la negación: el hombre arrogante aprende la costosa lección de la humildad. Pedro también aprendió que es débil y necesita del perdón. Pero desea un ‘hombre divino’ que llenara las expectativas del pueblo y proporcione un poder de salvación.”

Dios nos espera. 

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December 14
St. Paul Catholic Center, 1413 E. 17th St., Bloomington.
Simbang Gabi Mass, 7 p.m. Information: 812-359-5561.

December 14-January 7
Saint Meinrad Archabbey and School of Theology, Library, 200 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad.
“Crèches” exhibit, free, library closed Dec. 22-25 and Dec. 29-Jan. 1. Information: 800-682-0988 or e-mail news@saintmeinrad.edu.

December 15
St. Michael the Archangel Church, 3354 W. 36th St., Indianapolis.
Helpers of God’s Precious Infants Pro-Life Mass, Father Robert Roberson, celebrant, 8:30 a.m., followed by rosary outside of clinic and Benediction at church. Information: Archdiocesan Office for Pro-Life Ministry, 317-236-1569 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1569.

St. Patrick’s Church, 1807 Poplar St., Terre Haute.
Simbang Gabi Mass, 4 p.m. Information: 812-232-8518.

December 16
Holy Name of Jesus Church, 69 N. 17th Ave., Beech Grove.
“Christmas Concert XI/1,” 3 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., $5 per person. Information: 317-787-1682.

MKVS and Divine Mercy Center, Riverville, located on 925 South, 8 mile east of 421 South and 12 miles south of Versailles. Sunday, Covenant Sunday, Confession, 1 p.m., followed by holy hour.

December 18
St. Monica Church, 613 N. Michigan Road, Indianapolis.
Simbang Gabi Mass, 7 p.m. Information: 317-253-2193.

St. Athanasius the Great Byzantine Church, St. Mary Hall, 1117 Blaine Ave., Indianapolis.

December 21
St. Andrew Church, 235 S. 5th St., Richmond.
Simbang Gabi Mass, 7 p.m. Information: 317-962-3902.

December 28
Sisters of St. Francis Motherhouse, Oldenburg.
“Christmas Tours,” 6-8 p.m. Information: 812-933-6491.

March 18-23
Oldenburg Franciscan Center, 2214 Main St., Oldenburg.
Holy Week Retreat, Franciscan Sisters Janet Born and Barbara Leonard, presenters. Information: 812-933-6437 or e-mail center@oldenburgosf.com.

March 19-23
Saint Meinrad Archabbey, 100 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad.
“Pentecost: Reflections on The Triduum,” Benedictine Father Denis Robinson, presenter. Information: 800-581-6905 or e-mail MZoeller@saintmeinrad.edu.

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Saint Meinrad Archabbey, 100 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad.
“Monastic Practices: Drawing Everyday Wisdom from the Monastic Life,” Benedictine Brother John Mark Fulkenhen, presenter. Information: 800-581-6905 or e-mail MZoeller@saintmeinrad.edu.

March 23
Saint Meinrad Archabbey, 100 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad.
Retreat, “A Personal Preparation for the Paschal Mystery,” Benedictine Father Eugene Houlihan, presenter. Information: 800-581-6905 or e-mail MZoeller@saintmeinrad.edu.

March 14-16
Saint Meinrad Archabbey, 100 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad.
“Marvellous Mozart,” Benedictine Father Noel Mueller, presenter. Information: 800-581-6905 or e-mail MZoeller@saintmeinrad.edu.

March 14
Oldenburg Franciscan Center, 2214 Main St., Oldenburg.
“Lenten Retreat on John’s Gospel,” Benedictine Sister Barbara Leonhard, presenter. Information: 812-933-6437 or e-mail center@oldenburgosf.com.

February 13
St. Monica Church, 613 N. Michigan Road, Indianapolis.
SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove.
“Woman Prayer: A Morning of Grace,” 8-11 a.m., $25 per person. Information: 317-788-7581 or e-mail benedicteventministery.org.

January 14
Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., Indianapolis.
“The Spirituality of Aging,” Dominican Sister Romona Novak, presenter, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Information: 317-545-7681 or www.archindy.org/fatima.

January 27
Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., Indianapolis.
“Pro-Cana Program,” Information: 317-236-1596 or 800-382-9836 ext. 1596.

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Oldenburg Franciscan Center, 2214 Main St., Oldenburg.

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World Day of Consecrated Life Mass to be celebrated on Feb. 2

A Mass in observance of the annual World Day of Consecrated Life will be held at 11 a.m. on Feb. 2 at St. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1347 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis.

Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein is scheduled to be the primary celebrant for the Mass.

The Mass will be celebrated on the feast of the Presentation of the Lord, which has traditionally been a feast where people enter religious communities or profess vows.

All men and women religious serving in the archdiocese are invited to participate in the liturgy. Those celebrating jubilees of entrance into religious life or of profession of religious vows during 2008 will be honored at the Mass.

A reception in the assembly hall of the Archbishop O’Meara Catholic Center, across the street from the cathedral, will follow the Mass.

Those religious planning on attending the Mass are asked to contact Carolyn Noone, associate director for special events for the archdiocese, at 317-236-1428 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1428, or by e-mail at cnoone@inholyspirit.org.

St. Nicholas
Jayden Weeden, a preschool student at St. Andrew & St. Rita Catholic Academy in Indianapolis, draws a picture of St. Nicholas just prior to the saint’s feast day on Dec. 6. Jayden portrayed the saint during a kindergarten class at the archdiocese during the 2007 World Day of Consecrated Life Mass celebrated on Feb. 4 at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis.

The other five are Central Catholic High School, Holy Angels School, St. Paul Catholic School, St. Philip Neri School.

Cathedral and Saint Meinrad announce Christmas liturgies

The Christmas liturgical schedules for SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1347 N. Meridian St., in Indianapolis and Saint Meinrad Archabbey Church in St. Meinrad are as follows:

SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral

Saint Meinrad Archabbey Church
Dec. 24—7 p.m. vigil, midnight Mass Dec. 25—11 a.m. Mass. All times for liturgies at Saint Meinrad Archabbey Church are Central Standard Time.

For the Christmas liturgical schedules of other religious communities or parishes in the archdiocese, contact their offices.

African Mass
Father Eusebius Mbitoaka, administrator of St. Rita Parish in Indianapolis, right, prays during an African Mass celebrated at St. Rita Church on Dec. 2. Christine Essant, left, holds the sacrament for Father Mbitoaka. Father Eumonig Nyong, a chaplain at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis, second from left, was a celebrant at the Mass. The archdiocesan African Catholic Ministry program sponsors the Mass. Languages spoken in Liberia, the Ivory Coast, Uganda and Nigeria, in addition to English and Latin, were featured at the Mass.
Serra Club announces 2008 Vocations Essay Contest theme

By Sean Gallagher

The Serra Club of Indianapolis has announced the theme for its 2008 Vocations Essay Contest.

It is inspired by the story of Jesus calling the fishermen Simon, Andrew and John to cast their nets in a different way and become fishermen of men by leaving their boats behind and following him (Mt 4:18-22).

Students throughout the archdiocese in grades 7 through 12 enrolled in religious education programs or interparochial and private schools—as well as those who are homeschooled—will be asked to reflect upon the following question:

“How do deacons, priests and religious brothers and sisters respond to God’s call to cast their nets in leading others to Christ?”

Contest rules and procedures will be sent to all parishes and schools in the next few weeks. The deadline for entries is Feb. 15, 2008.

Teachers and catechists for each grade may choose one or two essays from each grade to be submitted to the contest. A committee will read and judge the entries. One winner from each grade will be chosen and receive a cash prize, be invited to read or hear his essay at a recognition luncheon and have the essay published in The Criterion. The Serra Club of Indianapolis is a chapter of Serra International, a Catholic organization dedicated to promoting vocations to the diaconate, priesthood and religious life.

Immaculate Heart of Mary parishioner John Kelley of Indianapolis is a member of the club that helps oversee the contest. Over the many years that he has been involved, Kelley has seen scores of strong essays written by students from across central and southern Indiana.

“We truly do have years where we agonize over having to pick a winner because we get several that are very, very good,” he said.

Benedictine Sister Nicolette Etienne is a member of Our Lady of Grace Monastery in Beech Grove and her community’s vocations director. She also teaches religion to middle school students at nearby Holy Name School.

Last year, Sister Nicolette brought a dozen members of her community to the school to be interviewed by her students as they prepared to write their essays. Sister Nicolette thinks the Serra Club Vocations Essay Contest can be an effective way to get young people to start thinking about religious vocations.

“I think it’s a great opportunity,” Sister Nicolette said. “Any time you can get a person to think about what it is that God is calling them to do, it’s just another step in their discernment.

“They’re at that age where they’re thinking, ‘What do I want to do with the whole idea of what your vocation in life is?’”

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viewing a film underlines the credibility of a crusade whether it is justified or not.”

“Nothing says ‘dark irony’ like a movie focused on blasting ‘A Magisterium’ using a group of, er, bishops, to sell itself,” said Amy Welborn, a former Catholic News Service columnist, in a Dec. 4 posting on her blog, Charlotte Was Both. Last year, she wrote the booklet The Da Vinci Code Mysteries: What the Movie Doesn’t Tell You, which was published a month before the film premiered in theaters.

Welborn mocked the reaction of some critics that The Golden Compass “is so, so valuable because it will give parents and young people a great opportunity to discuss the important issues raised by Pullman about religious authority, human freedom and so on. … After we finish with The Golden Compass, shall we break out The Protocols of the Elders of Zion to open up discussion on Judaism? Probably not why? Because we recognize that the Protocols are lies. … So it is with The Golden Compass.”

In a joint review by Harry Forbes, director of the U.S. bishops’ Office for Film and Broadcasting, and John Mulderig, a staff critic for the office, The Golden Compass was classified A-II—adults and adolescents—for “intense but bloodless fantasy violence, anti-clerical subtext, standard genre misconduct.”

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Jesus Father James Martin, associate editor of Jesuit-run America magazine, quoted an article by religion journalist and author Hanna Rosin saying that Christians were offended by the portrayal of religion in the books.

“In this case, I agree with Donohue,” Father Martin said in a posting on the magazine’s blog. “Rosin’s article seems to warn that when parents buy their kids something they expect to mirror The Chronicles of Narnia, they might be surprised—or appalled—when they learn that it’s less like [Narnia author] C.S. Lewis than Christopher Hitchens’,” a high-profile anti-religionist who made the best-seller list this year with the book How Religion Poisons Everything.

“A Christian person should think about what it is that chooses to focus on the positive rather than on any anti-religious themes in these books,” said Paul Lauritzen, director of the Program in Applied Ethics at the University of Notre Dame.

“Movies are cultural moments, and those who resist this move are doing so to build up a culture of respect for the Catholic Church and in so doing militantly oppose those artists who insult and denigrate it. Correctly, I would argue,” said a posting on the American Papist blog, run by artist Thomas Peters, who describes himself as “a young lay Catholic with a master’s degree in theology who is studying and working in Washington.”

“Atheism is alive and well!” he said. Archbishop Hughes added, “There is a spiritual war going on. The kingdom of Satan is at war with the kingdom of God. Rebellion, from the beginning, has been Satan’s goal. His weapons are violence and deceit. In some ways, violence is easier to fight against.”

The Pullman trilogy is an “ode to the joy of living in a physical world, a hymn to flesh, to exuberance, to the here and now and, to free thought, imagination and feeling, to nobility of spirit,” according to a review by Washington Post book critic Michael Dirda.

“I happen to think that these positive traits are entirely compatible with organized religion and so I chose to focus on the positive rather than on any anti-religious themes in these books,” said Paul Lauritzen, director of the Program in Applied Ethics at the University of Notre Dame.

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Serving the poorest of the poor overseas.
Director of catechesis goes on the road to listen and learn

By Sean Gallagher

ENOCHSBURG—On a recent crisp fall morning, the sun rose brightly into a clear blue sky as Kenneth Ogorek, driving along in his compact car, wound his way around the hills and valleys of southeastern Indiana that were bedecked with a broad panorama of autumn colors.

Ogorek was on his way to visit the administrators of religious education (ARE) at St. Anne Parish in Hamburg, St. John the Evangelist Parish in Enochsburg and St. Maurice Parish in St. Maurice as well as the priest who is the administrator of the three faith communities.

“Every time you make a new turn down a country road, it’s just beautiful,” said Ogorek, archdiocesan director of catechesis.

“I wouldn’t go so far as to say it’s selfish of me to do this. But it’s a blessing.”

Although a native of South Bend, Ind., Ogorek is a newcomer to central and southern Indiana. Since last July when he began his ministry as archdiocesan director of catechesis, he has frequently set out on the road to visit as many parishes as he can.

“When I first started catechetical administrative work in the Church, I was told that if you’re at your desk more than half the time, you’re not doing your job,” Ogorek said.

Thus far, he has paid visits to 35 archdiocesan parishes, including at least one parish in each of the 11 deaneries.

When he delved into the heart of the Batesville Deanery on Nov. 16, Ogorek’s day started early because he wanted to make it to Enochsburg for the parish’s 8 a.m. Mass.

“When I visit anywhere, I always try to be at Mass,” he said. “That’s very important. We are the mystical body of Christ.”

“These connections that we make by worshiping together and spending time with each other can’t help but make God’s work of teaching the faith a little better.”

Father George Joseph Nangachiveettil, the administrator of the three rural parishes, celebrated the liturgy.

Afterward, Ogorek sat down with Father Nangachiveettil and staff members who collaborate with him in religious education in his parishes: Bertha Patterson, ARE at St. Anne Parish; Rita Bohman, ARE at St. John the Evangelist Parish; and Stacey Weisenbach, ARE at St. Maurice Parish.

Weisenbach looked forward to the meeting with Ogorek after the Mass.

“Get a perspective from a lot of different parishes,” Weisenbach said. “So, hopefully, he can give us ideas of things that maybe we haven’t thought of or just kind of keep us connected with everyone as a whole.”

Patterson came to the meeting with 25 years of experience in catechetical ministry in her parish and talked about what makes St. Anne a strong faith home.

“They’re close-knit. We’re like one big family. Everybody knows everybody—and their business, too,” Patterson said with a laugh.

“That keeps you on the straight and narrow sometimes,” Ogorek said with a smile in reply.

The new archdiocesan director of catechesis said visits like these help him become a better leader by giving him the chance to get to know the faith of the archdiocese where they live and where they worship.

“I often say that common sense and empathy will get you far,” Ogorek said. “I think we’re all able to empathize with people at a much deeper level when we spend time with them, when all of our senses get involved.

“The beautiful sites, the sounds, the smells—those are things that stay with you. And that’s what you draw from when you’re doing your administrative work, when you’re in your office.”

Trips give Ogorek impressions of faith formation in parishes

By Sean Gallagher

Kenneth Ogorek’s visit to Enochsburg came on the heels of the completion of some trips to what he called the “four corners” of the archdiocese.

“I wanted to get out there and get a sense from various folks of how the catechetical effort was going,” said Ogorek, the archdiocese’s director of catechesis. “So I got a map out and I basically picked what seemed like the four corners.”

To experience the width and breadth of the archdiocese, Ogorek visited St. Paul Parish in Tell City, St. Lawrence Parish in Lawrenceburg, St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish in Cambridge City and St. Joseph Parish in Rockville.

He came away from these and the other parish visits he has made thus far with some definite impressions.

First, he clearly noticed the dedication of the archdiocese’s priests to the ministry of catechesis.

“These guys are certainly busy,” Ogorek said. “Yet amidst all their activity, they are making catechesis a priority in their own work.”

Second, he was impressed by the willingness of the lay faithful to help priests in handing on the faith in parish programs.

“That didn’t surprise me,” Ogorek said. “When an adult deepens his or her faith, oftentimes there is a desire to share that faith. And people do that in various aspects of their lives.”

Finally, Ogorek said that he has seen in parishes across the archdiocese how busy adults are and how sometimes their life of faith gets lost in the shuffle.

“Our catechetical leaders sense that adults need to treat themselves better spiritually,” he said. “They see families that are so busy. And oftentimes, parents think they don’t have time to make growth in faith a priority in their lives. And that’s a concern, a pastoral concern.”

As a result, Ogorek said that many adults who volunteer in parish faith formation programs are finding it hard to dedicate time to ongoing catechist formation.

“They’re giving of themselves to teach the faith,” he said. “They know they need ongoing catechist formation. Many of them, though, struggle to put that all together and fit it all in.

“That tells me that we have to continue to seek ways to make catechist formation as accessible to as many folks as we can.”

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**Threats to traditional family threaten peace, pope says in message**

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—Anything that threatens the traditional family threatens peace because the family “is the first and indispensable teacher of peace,” Pope Benedict XVI said.

In his annual message for the Jan. 1 celebration of the World Day of Peace, the pope also said the responsibilities learned and the joys and struggles shared within individual families must be mirrored on a global level because everyone is part of one human family.

The pope chose “The Human Family, A Community of Peace” as the theme for 2008, the 40th anniversary of the Catholic Church’s celebration of World Peace Day.

The first form of communion between persons is that born of the love of a man and a woman who decide to enter a stable union in order to build together a new family,” the pope wrote.

“But the peoples of the Earth, too, are called to build relationships of solidarity and cooperation among themselves, as befits members of the one human family,” he said.

War and violence, exploitation of the weak, rampant poverty and underdevelopment, destruction of the environment and the arms race are all threatening signs that individuals and nations have not learned to live together in harmony and mutual responsibility, the pope said.

“Humanity today is unfortunately experiencing great division and sharp conflicts which cast dark shadows on its future,” he said.

Cardinal Renato Martino, president of the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, presented the message to the press on Dec. 11.

He said Pope Benedict’s concerns about the arms race, both nuclear and conventional, reflects the fact that global military spending reached an all-time high in 2006 and that, in many cases, countries have tried to justify their increased military spending by claiming it was necessary in order to combat terrorism.

“After the terrorist attacks against the United States of Sept. 11, 2001, the international community adopted severe measures against the risk of terrorism,” Cardinal Martino said.

“At the same time, nations—especially the nuclear powers—began a renewal of their military apparatus and their weapons.

“On this basis,” he said, “it seems correct to affirm that the current policy of state security threatens the very peace and security of the people it intends to defend.”

In his message, Pope Benedict wrote, “In difficult times such as these, it is necessary for all persons of good will to come together to reach concrete agreements aimed at an effective demilitarization, especially in the area of nuclear arms.”

In explaining the theme he chose for the message, the pope said the fact that a strong, healthy family is the basis of a healthy society is not simply a slogan.

“Human beings, obviously, are of supreme worth vis-a-vis creation as a whole,” the pope wrote. “Respecting the environment does not mean considering material or animal nature more important than man.”

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In too many situations, the pope said, “the weak must bow not to the demands of justice, but to the naked power of those stronger than themselves.”

But the whole human family has parallel needs and rights, he said, including the need for an environment that is used with care and preserved for future generations.

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**THREATS TO TRADITIONAL FAMILY THREATEN PEACE, POPE SAYS IN MESSAGE**
impression. Ceramic tiles with each parishioner's name were created to leave their footprints, their generation and be加固新校园。教堂是125年旧的，讨论了多年是否要修改
它。去年秋天，教区官员说，"教会的兴起是我们的
大事情。" 

The first step was the process of awakening the spirit of excitement within the parish. Space that time, more than 300 volunteers have been involved in everything from architectural drawings to youth programs and educational functions to a video production. 

This fall, several "Pace Setter" and "Adventurer" gatherings were held in advance of the "Commitment Weekends." 

Jay Hatton, one of the campaign co-leaders, is excited by "the overwhelming support and warm acceptance of the parish family." 

"I was getting nervous preparing for the fall activities," he said, "but [was] so happy to see the people come together as a family, accepting the project with open arms." 

Steve Adam, the other campaign co-leader, said, "The campaign continues to gain momentum. I was so thrilled last weekend [on Nov. 10-11] to experience the fun and joy the parish family had with the 'Lasting Impressions' event. 

"Lasting Impressions' coincided with the first commitment weekend. Each member of the parish, young and old, dipped their hand in paint and made an impression on a ceramic tile. These tiles, with each person's name added, will be 'fired' and sealed then used on the walls of the new parish home. 

Mgr. Harold Kneaven, St. Mary's administrator and the parish's campaign chairman, said that "the enthusiasm of the parishioners was overwhelming." "After each Mass, I led them out of the side door to the gym and they all happily followed. The elderly who couldn't follow had their handprints made right in church. It was wonderful to see and be a part of!" 

The campaign continues this month and in January with volunteers getting hand impressions of the elderly and homebound. 

Following Thanksgiving, volunteers were making telephone calls and personal visits to parish families who were unable to make it to church or who have not completed their intention card. At the completion of this phase of the campaign, a parish-wide celebration will be held in thanksgiving for everyone’s hard work and commitment to the Legacy campaign. 

The unofficial theme for the campaign is "not equal gifts, equal sacrifice." A DVD was produced and distributed to each parish family. The video presentation included pictures from the parish’s past, the parish today and the architectural site plan for the future. 

Behind the pictures, a song challenges parishioners to leave a legacy: "... may all who come behind us find us faithful... May the fire of our devotion light their way... "May the footprints that we leave lead them to believe... and the lives we live inspire them to obey... (From the song “Find Us Faithful,” written by Steve Green)" 

(Monty Shields is a member of St. Mary Parish in Greensburg.) 


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What other parishes are planning to do with Legacy for Our Mission funds? 

• St. Thomas More Parish in Mooresville has undertaken its Legacy for Our Mission campaign. Proceeds will be used to provide community outreach by addressing the physical needs of the parish. A new facility will be built to house parish classrooms and parish administrative offices. 

• St. Barnabas Parish in Indianapolis has four stewardship campaigns that will enhance its ability to deliver spiritual service and community enrichment. 

• St. Paul the Apostle Parish in Green Castle hopes to develop a master plan to respond to its growing numbers of parishioners and ministries, and enlarge the building fund for future growth. 

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Central School of Viiala in Akaa, Finland. But learning, in this instance, was a two-way street, said Salovaara. “Annette gave me good ideas of leadership and for teacher observation,” said the Finnish principal. Jones, who admits she has “a strong interest in international education,” is no stranger to the concept of learning from a global perspective.

In the summer of 2006, she spent 10 days in Beijing, China, attending an international education conference. One thing that the principal hopes to do in the future is add French classes to Immaculate Heart of Mary’s curriculum. Currently, Spanish is the only foreign language taught at the school. “In Finland, they start learning English in third- or fourth-grade, and in high school, they start learning another [third] language,” said Jones, who has been an educator in the archdiocese for 19 years.

The principal’s goal of adding another language should come as no surprise. Immaculate Heart of Mary School was named a 2005 Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by the U.S. Department of Education, and Jones is always looking for ways to improve the school’s curriculum, noted Annette “Mickey” Lentz, executive director for Catholic education and faith formation for the archdiocese. “Annette is one of our best administrators because she is so innovative and creative,” Lentz said.

Questions about Indiana

As Jones “shadowed” Salovaara, the Immaculate Heart of Mary principal was more than happy to share Indiana’s educational culture in the exchange, Lentz said.

“Annette is one of our best administrators because she is so innovative and creative,” Lentz said.

The Comenius Project

While Jones admits shadowing a Finnish principal was extremely worthwhile, she said learning about the Comenius Project was invaluable as well.

An educational partnership begun three years ago between Finland, Slovakia, Norway and Ireland, the unique program offers school teachers and administrators the chance “to make trips and do exchanges” with the other countries, Jones said.

The five-day trip to Ireland—four days at a Catholic elementary school in Galway and one day in Dublin—was an extension of the Comenius Project. Jones noted.

At Scoll Chaithrona, the visiting educators were treated to Irish dancing and spent time in classrooms learning and sharing.

“They already had relationships established,” Jones said. “Educational ideas and teaching methods are exchanged.”

“There are 400 projects going on where Finnish schools are involved,” Salovaara said.

That experience, and the lessons she brought home from Finland, will last a lifetime, Jones added.

The shoe on the other foot

As part of the Fulbright “shadowing” experience, Salovaara will visit Indiana in early 2008. Besides spending several weeks with Jones at Immaculate Heart of Mary School, the Finnish principal is also scheduled to attend the National Catholic Educational Association convention in Indianapolis in late March.

There, she will be able to interact with the estimated 10,000 educators who are expected to attend.

“I’m looking forward to showing my Immaculate Heart of Mary and having her be a part of the NCEA,” Jones said. Lentz agreed.

“I hope she [Salovaara] gains much knowledge of our educational culture in the exchange,” Lentz said.

For her part, Salovaara plans to come to the U.S. with an open mind.

“I think the best way are the visits and the best way to create friendships, share knowledge and remove doubts between people and cultures around the world,” she said. “This is a great opportunity for me and my school to get to know the culture in your country.”

Jones’ trip helped to build a bridge across those cultures.

“It was such an incredible experience,” she said. “I really liked the openness of the teachers and administrators and how much they shared information, their openness and communication and willingness to learn.”

If Jones has her way, the bridge building will continue beyond the principals’ experiences.

“I hope to get pen pal relationships started between our students,” she said.

Advent penance services are scheduled at archdiocesan parishes

Parishes throughout the archdiocese have scheduled communal penance services for Advent. The following is a list of services that have been reported to The Criterion.

**Batesville Deaconery**

- Dec. 14, 7 p.m. at St. Mary, Greensburg
- Dec. 16, 7 p.m. at St. Joseph, St. Leon
- Dec. 17, 7 p.m. at St. Louis, Batesville
- Dec. 18, 7 p.m. at St. Lawrence, Lawrenceburg
- Dec. 19, 7 p.m. at St. John the Baptist, Osgood
- Dec. 20, 7 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua, Morris

**Bloomington Deaconery**

- Dec. 18, 7 p.m. at St. Agnes, Nashville
- Dec. 19, 7 p.m. for St. Mary, Mitchell, and St. Vincent

**Converseville Deaconery**

- Dec. 17, 7 p.m. at St. Anne, New Castle
- Dec. 18, 7 p.m. at Holy Family, Richmond

**Indianapolis East Deaconery**

- Dec. 18, 7 p.m. for SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, Holy Cross
- Dec. 19, 7 p.m. at St. Mary, St. Mary
- Dec. 20, 6:30 p.m. at St. Rita

**Indianapolis North Deaconery**

- Dec. 16, 3 p.m. deaconery service at St. Pius X
- Dec. 18, 7 p.m. deaconery service at St. Pius X
- Dec. 19, 7 p.m. deaconery service at St. Pius X
- Dec. 20, 3 p.m. deaconery service at St. Pius X

**Indianapolis South Deaconery**

- Dec. 14, 9-11 a.m. at Roncalli High School
- Dec. 15, 9:30 a.m. at St. Barnabas
- Dec. 17, 6:30 p.m. at Nativity of Our Lord, Jesus Christ
- Dec. 17, 7 p.m. at Our Lady of the Greenwood, Greenwood
- Dec. 18, 7 p.m. at Holy Name, Beech Grove

**Indianapolis West Deaconery**

- Dec. 15, 9 a.m. for St. Anthony and Holy Trinity at Holy Trinity
- Dec. 16, 6:30 p.m. at St. Susanna, Plainfield
- Dec. 18, 7 p.m. at St. Joseph, Beech Grove

**New Albany Deaconery**

- Dec. 15, 9-30 a.m. at St. Mary-of-the-Knobs, Floyds Knobs
- Dec. 16, 7, 8, 9 a.m. at St. Mary, Lanesville
- Dec. 19, 7 p.m. at St. Mary-of-the-Knobs, Floyds Knobs
- Dec. 19, 7 p.m. at St. Michael, Charlestown
- Dec. 20, 7 p.m. at St. Joseph, Sellersburg
- Dec. 23, 4 p.m. at Holy Family, New Albany

**Seymour Deaconery**

- Dec. 16, 2 p.m. for Holy Trinity, Edinburgh, and St. Rose of Lima, Franklin
- Dec. 18, 7 p.m. at St. Rose of Lima, Franklin

**Tell City Deaconery**

- Dec. 16, 2 p.m. deaconery service at St. Paul, Tell City
- Dec. 19, 6:30 p.m. deaconery service at St. Meinrad, St. Meinrad

**Terre Haute Deaconery**

- Dec. 16, 7 p.m. at St. Joseph, Rockville
- Dec. 18, 7 p.m. at Assumption, Brazil
- Dec. 20, 7 p.m. at Holy Rosary, Seelyville
Children’s books suitable for Christmas gift-giving

Reviewed by Barb Fraze

WASHINGTON (CNS)—The following children’s books are suitable for Christmas giving:
- The Aurora County All-Stars by Deborah Wiles, Harcourt (Orlando, Fla., 2007), 242 pp., $16.8, ages 8-13. This book has it all: baseball, friendship, boys vs. girls issues, humor. In short chapters with occasional updates from The Aurora County News, Wiles weaves the tale of 12-year-old House Jackson, who tries to work out reasons for the death of a family friend and what that means for him, his friends and the children of Mabel, Miss. The characters are well-developed, the story line is a “hoot” and the final product is a childhood classic. There are many sports books on the market, but few are as well written as this one.
- The Twelve Days of Christmas by Jacqueline Levering Sullivan, Eerdmans (Grand Rapids, Mich., 2007), 191 pp., $15, ages 8-12. The Twelve Days of Christmas is a good introduction to Christmas stories. The story begins with a young girl named Annie Leigh who helps her learn firsthand about love, bigotry and courage. Annie’s mother sends her to Washington state to live with her own internal war, hoping her father can be found alive and well. The Twelve Days of Christmas is a well-written book that is easy to read and enjoyable for the younger reader.
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**Colts Fitness Camp at St. Anthony of Padua School energizes students**

By Patricia Happel Cornwell

CLARKSVILLE—Students at St. Anthony of Padua School in Clarksville appeared energized, rather than exhausted, after an intense 45-minute workout on Nov. 27 with personnel from the Indianapolis Colts organization.

“It was really hard,” Kim Hollkamp, an eighth-grader at the school, said after the Nov. 27 exercise session. “Everybody was cheering everybody else on. The instructors did a good job. They gave us more information so we can exercise better.”

At the end of the workout, the students received a brief pep talk. Prior showed the eighth-graders his Super Bowl ring and noted the nearly full-time exercise regimen of professional athletes. “You have to take care of yourselves. You have to eat right. You have to exercise. Start working on it now, and it will be fun to do,” he told the students. “You’ll have more energy. You’ll be more alert and be able to focus on your school work. You’ll feel good.”

“I thought it was fun,” said eighth-grader Jamie Elsner said afterward. “Everybody was cheering everybody else on. The instructors did a good job. They gave us more information so we can exercise better.”

Each student received a Colts poster and an exercise journal. Pennants were given to a few students in each grade who were recognized for their “extra effort.”

The money raised will be used for fitness-related projects at the school.

“Everybody was laughing and jumping. Throughout the strenuous workout, they kept their sense of humor, laughing with instructors and one another—even though they struggled at times.”

Mike Prior, Indianapolis Colts youth football commissioner, was the program’s leader. A former Colts player, he also played for the Green Bay Packers, whom he helped win a National Football League championship. Prior was assisted by Colts marketing assistant Joe Fonderoli and youth football assistant Brandon Schlarb.

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The words on the posters the students received summed up the message of the Colts Fitness Camp: “Just Do What We Do.”

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Sisters of St. Benedict honor four jubilarians

Four Sisters of St. Benedict of Our Lady of Grace Monastery in Beech Grove celebrated their jubilees earlier this year.

Benedictine Sisters Mary Henry Schiff, Mary Cecile Deken, Amelia Banet and Mary Lois Hohl were honored by their religious community during prayer services at the monastery chapel.

Sister Mary Henry Schiff, formerly Gertrude Madeline Schiff, reached a milestone made so many years ago. On Aug. 12 at evening prayer with her community, she celebrated 75 years of vowed life.

Sister Mary Henry was born in Johnson City, Ill. She entered the monastery Immaculate Conception Academy in Ferdinand then earned a bachelor’s degree in 1937.

In the archdiocese, she taught at St. Anthony of Padua School in Clarksville, St. Bartholomew School in Columbus, St. Pius X School in Indianapolis, St. Ambrose School in Seymour, St. Mary-of-the-Knobs School in Floyds Knobs, Christ the King School in Indianapolis, the former St. John School in Starlight, the former St. Joseph School in St. Joseph Hill and the former St. Paul School in Tell City. She also taught at Catholic schools in Evansville, Ind., and Huntingburg, Ind.

Sister Mary Henry also served as principal at the former St. Joseph School in St. Joseph Hill as well as in Huntingburg and Mount Vernon, Ind.

In 1981, she served as a receptionist and secretary at St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Clarksville. Prior to her retirement in 1994, she ministered as the receptionist at St. Paul Hermitage in Beech Grove.

Sister Mary Henry lives at Our Lady of Grace Monastery. Sixty years ago, Sisters Mary Cecile Deken and Amelia Banet promised stability, fidelity and obedience to the monastic lifestyle with the Sisters of St. Benedict. On July 1, in the presence of family members, friends and their religious community, they renewed the same promises made so many years ago.

Sisters Mary Cecile and Amelia, who entered Immaculate Conception in Ferdinand in 1945 and made their first monastic profession in 1947, celebrated their 60th jubilee at Our Lady of Grace Monastery, where they are founding members.

Sister Mary Cecile Deken, formerly Dorothy Ann Deken, was born in Evansville, Ind.

She attended Immaculate Conception Academy in Ferdinand and St. Benedict College in Ferdinand, where she earned a bachelor’s degree in music. She earned a master’s degree in English at St. Louis University in Missouri as she continued her teaching career then received her master’s degree in religious education at Saint Meinrad School of Theology in St. Meinrad.

Sister Mary Cecile also took courses at the University of Notre Dame, Cardinal Stritch College, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College as well as Butler University, the University of Indianapolis and the Christian Theological Seminary, all in Indianapolis. She finished all the required classes for the spiritual direction course at the Benedict Inn Retreat and Conference Center in Beech Grove in 2005.

In the archdiocese, Sister Mary Cecile taught music at Christ the King School in Indianapolis, St. Mary-of-the-Knobs School in Floyds Knobs and Bishop Chatard High School in Indianapolis.

In 1967, Sister Mary Cecile served her religious community as sub-priorress while continuing to teach religion at the former Our Lady of Grace Academy in Beech Grove.

After 10 years as sub-priorress, she ministered as the pastoral associate and director of religious education at St. Maurice Parish in Napoleon then served as director of religious education at Immaculate Conception Parish in Milhousen.

Since 1989, Sister Mary Cecile has served the people of St. Lawrence Parish in Lawrenceburg as their pastoral associate and director of faith formation. She also ministered as director of religious education at St. Maurice Parish in Decatur County.

Sister Amelia Banet, formerly Mary Joan Hohl, was born in Floyds Knobs. She attended Immaculate Conception Academy in Ferdinand and earned a bachelor’s degree in education at the former St. Benedict College in Ferdinand and a master’s degree in education at St. Francis College in Fort Wayne.

Sister Amelia taught for 50 years in the archdiocese, she taught at the former St. Paul School in Tell City, the former St. Michael School in Cannelton, St. Pius X School in Indianapolis, and St. Anthony of Padua School in Clarksville.

Upon her retirement to the monastery in 1999, Sister Amelia has served as assistant to the bookkeeper at St. Paul Hermitage. She also assists her community in a variety of ways.

Sister Amelia is an elected member of the monastic council and performs many duties in the monastery chapel as sacristan. A third classmate, Sister Mary Lois Hohl, formerly Arlene Hohl, was unable to participate in the jubilee ceremony due to health reasons. (Her photo was not available.)

Sister Mary Lois was born in St. Henry, Ind. She entered the monastery Immaculate Conception in Ferdinand in 1945.

Sister Mary Lois taught for more than 40 years at Catholic schools in the archdiocese and Diocese of Evansville.

After leaving the classroom, Sister Mary Lois changed her ministry to parish work.

She is currently a resident of the healthcare area of St. Paul Hermitage, a retirement ministry of the Sisters of St. Benedict of Our Lady of Grace Monastery.

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Faith Alive!

St. Paul’s letters explain the meaning of Jesus

By Father W. Thomas Faucher

If we could mix time up a little bit, we could turn the ‘TV’ to one of those news analysis programs and there discover a new “talking head.” This talking head would be everyone’s favorite because of his deep understanding of one of the most important personalities of the age. The interviewer would be able to ask tough, searching questions and never get spin or evasion. The subject of all this talk would be Jesus of Nazareth, and the great guest commentator would be Paul of Tarsus.

Using one of the language of modern media communication, Jesus is the great “event.” Jesus is what happened. Jesus is the excitement. But an event needs to be explained, the news has to be analyzed. We can be at an event, we can witness an event, we can know the details of an event. But then we need to know what this event means. What are the consequences of the event? How is this news going to affect us?

That is when Paul arrives to explain it all to us. The Gospels are the story of the event, the story of Jesus. The letters of Paul are the explanation of that event, the first great attempt to take the story of Jesus and analyze it. In doing this, Paul had a strange advantage. He never met Jesus prior to Jesus’ crucifixion. He never saw the miracle. He never heard the parables preached. He never just sat down and talked to Jesus face to face.

Year in honor of St. Paul to begin next June

By Carole Norris Greene

Pope Benedict XVI has called for a special year honoring St. Paul that will run from June 28, 2008, to June 29, 2009, and will mark the 2,000th anniversary of St. Paul’s birth.

When the pope called for the jubilee, he said, as in the Church’s beginning, today “Christ needs apostles ready to sacrifice their lives.”

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Archbishop Thomas Collins of Toronto recently said that “like Paul, we are engaged in the grand adventure of winning the world for Christ.” He said that for people today, apostolic action that follows the saint’s lead must arise from “a deep personal encounter with the Master.”

St. Paul was born between A.D. 7 and 10. After having an encounter with the risen Lord on the road to Damascus, he became one of the Church’s foremost evangelizers.

(Carole Norris Green is associate editor of Faith Alive!)

Discussion Point

Parishes share Christmas spirit through charity, fellowship

This Week’s Question

What does your parish do to share the spirit of Christmas?

“Boxes for the needy families. We start to take collections in the parish in October, but we spread out, bringing other people into what we do. For instance, through business events some of us might have people bring non-perishable foods for the boxes. (Bernice Hall, Alburg, Vt.)”

“Usually, we have ecumenical services with other Churches in the area. We also do Christmas baskets. We get names [of the needy] from the town, and put baskets together for them.” (Winona Malbon, Skowhegan, Maine)

“About a week before Christmas, we have a potluck dinner for the whole parish. The [parish] provides the meat and drinks, and we bring the side dishes. We do something different each year for entertainment—the kids might have a play or sometimes people volunteer to share their talents to entertain. It’s more well-attended than anything at the parish.” (Dottie Climer, Lebanon, Tenn.)

“This year, we’re doing something we haven’t done before—putting on a big Christmas play. It’s being organized by our music director, and a lot of parishioners will be involved. I think it will spread the Christmas spirit through the parish.” (Judy Leepak, Clearwater, Fla.)

Lend Us Your Voice

An upcoming edition asks: How will this Lent be for you a time to put faith into action?

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A stained-glass window portrays the blinding of St. Paul while on the road to Damascus. (CNS photo/Crosiers)
The lesson buried in a boastful Christmas letter

Chastenings on roasting an open fire, red nose peeling on your poinsettia, and kids being sung in a card and kids dressed up duly fashioned.

The "Christmas Song" we compose in the month of December can sound awfully sour compared with the lyrics sung by King Cole crooned.

In our modern rendition, the "eyes all aglow" belongs to proud parents, not tiny tots. And those renditions really know how to fly; they made the Honor Roll.

I'm as guilty as you. We roll our eyes at the boastful letters, then roll up our sleeves, racking our brains for the year's most impressive accomplishments. We wrap them in musical language, trying to recall the active verbs of resuming rhetoric like "execute" and "implement." Whenever possible, we reference ranks: Captain, Senior Airman, Most Valuable, Best in Class.

To back it up, we quote from a panel of experts: the coach, the priest, the principal, the boss.

But on a deeper level, this holiday season custom provides us with a unique opportunity for self-inventory. How we sum up our lives, how we honestly tell—"if you read between the lines, at my mom asked me to write my position in life, my occupation..."

I made note of the nomes. Easy enough. Then I read it through, surprised to discover that the entire letter—my letter—went on to be voted Most Popular. Truth be told, I noticed the "eyes all aglow" belong to proud parents, not tiny tots. And those renditions really know how to fly; they made the Honor Roll.

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Because the scheme is incredibly broad, spanning back to a baby born two millennia ago. His arrival didn't involve a new Lexus or an upscale bed and breakfast. Just a bumpy donkey ride and a dusty manger. He didn't go on to become Most Popular. Truth is, he was kind of a loner, befriending lepers and sinners and médicales. His arrival didn't involve a new Lexus or an upscale bed and breakfast. Just a bumpy donkey ride and a dusty manger. He didn't go on to become Most Popular. Truth is, he was kind of a loner, befriending lepers and sinners and médicales.

And I say to you, 'Kill Amnon,' put him to death. The servants did as Absalom ordered and Absalom had revenge for what Amnon had done to Tamar (2 Sm 13:23-38).

Absalom, afraid of what David might do, fled for three years. (2 Sm 13:12-13).

Amnon (2 Sm 13:1-7). Tamar, as men. Thus, while Mother Theodore was the principal, the boss. (Rm 8:31)"—even during the often stressful Christmas season. If God is for us, who can be against us?" St. Peter wrote, "With the Lord, one stationery, remember this: What really counts is not the boisterous display of a proud parent, but the child with a smile on his face. And those letters are joyful. Even if I do read between the lines, I'll try and ascertain that the entire letter—my letter—went on to be voted Most Popular. Truth be told, I noticed the "eyes all aglow" belong to proud parents, not tiny tots. And those renditions really know how to fly; they made the Honor Roll.

This December, as bonuses are awarded and progress is chronicled on holly berry stationery, remember this: What really counts cannot be counted.

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Daily Readings

Monday, Dec. 17
Genesis 49:2-8, 10
Psalm 72:1-4, 7-8, 17
Matthew 1:1-17

Tuesday, Dec. 18
Jeremiah 23:5-8
Psalm 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19
Matthew 1:18-23

Wednesday, Dec. 19
Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a
Psalm 71:3-6, 16-17
Luke 1:5-25

Thursday, Dec. 20
Isaiah 7:10-14
Psalm 24:1-6
Luke 1:26-38

Friday, Dec. 21
Peter Canisius, priest and doctor
Song of Songs 2:8-14
or 2Ruthian 3:14-18a
Psalm 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21
Luke 1:39-45

Saturday, Dec. 22
1 Samuel 2:14-28
Psalm 24:1-6
Romans 1:7-9
Matthew 1:18-24

Question Corner/Fr. John Dietzen

Knights of Columbus members must be practicing Catholics

Can a man belong to the Knights of Columbus if he is divorced? Does it matter any more if he is living with someone else? (New York)

A Knights of Columbus regulations state that only practicing Catholics are eligible for membership. There was a time when those known not to have fulfilled their Easter sacramental obligations, or those who were divorced and remarried, were expelled from the Knights of Columbus, generally with the consent of the local pastor or chaplain. That attitude has changed considerably, especially since the Church no longer excommunicates those who divorce and remarry out of the Church. In fact, the Church encourages them to continue practicing their faith as much as possible.

One spokesman for the Supreme Council of the Knights told me that unless it is a case of serious scandal, “There is more concern about bringing an individual back to Church and to the sacraments so he will indeed be a practicing Catholic rather than rejecting him from our society.”

National Knights of Columbus officials have concluded that it is nearly impossible to establish a rule which would govern every case and still be fair to everyone. Consequently, the council has decided to leave such decisions to the local grand knights and chaplains.

In connection with a polygamy trial recently reported in the news, I was told that the Catholic Church formerly allowed a man to have more than one wife until the Middle Ages. “It’s hard to believe, but it is true.” (Florida)

There’s no evidence that the Catholic Church, either in its various theologies or in official teachings, ever approved a husband having more than one wife at the same time. The confusion you encountered could have several explanations.

In the Old Testament, the Hebrew people clearly believed that God approved of polygamous marriages, at least in some instances, and particularly among higher social classes and political leaders.

God himself, in fact, is once portrayed as having two wives in Ezekiel 23, presumably evidence that polygamy was commonly accepted at that time.

Even among the Jews, however, polygamy seems to have pretty much disappeared after the Babylonian exile in the sixth century B.C.

Christian theologians have speculated on why having more than one wife should be considered a moral evil. They have suggested that human beings should enjoy divine approval in one age and not in another. Some said polygamy is only illegal because of a command from God.

A more common explanation is that having more than one wife is against the natural law, but was once permitted by God for special reasons.

In either case, none have defended polygamy as a morally lawful option since the time of Christ.

Several hundred years ago, the Church made some strong declarations against polygamy that could seem to imply that the teaching was something new. These statements were made, however, to repudiate a stand taken by some Protestant reformers that claimed freedom to marry any woman they pleased.

My Journey to God

Christmas Tea

Evergreens, holly, mistletoe berries, All things making Christmas merry;

Christmas Tea

True Bread from Heaven, The True Vine now feeds us.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Savior of the World, Emmanuel, and Our Redeemer now indwells us.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let us contemplate His birth, shall we, Over a cup of Christmas tea?

By Kathleen Barlow, Ph.D., D. Min.

(Kathleen Barlow is a member of St. Luke the Evangelist Parish in Indianapolis.)

Donna Parrett. Sister of Martha McKnight. Father of Jason McKnight. Grandfather of two.


Stepson of Mildred Lark. Brother of Margaret Schmitz, Richard and Thomas Lark. Stepbrother of Susan Cook and James Borhim. Grandfather of four.


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BRAY, Marcus C., 84, St. Michael, Brookville, Nov. 20. Father of Sheryl Davis and Fairy Geiling. Grandfather of three.

DECK, Rosella M., 84, St. Lawrence, Lawrenceburg, Nov. 17.


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