

From the Director

May is a great month for spectators. Not just because baseball is in town, or the Wings and Pistons are in the post season – but the spectacles of ordinations, jubilees, our 175th as a diocese, 1st Communions . . .

It was a great visual last month watching Fr. Jim Hayes representing the last of the class of '38 at the Mass for jubilarians. Living priesthood for 70 years is something most of us don't even contemplate, and here was Father Hayes right before our eyes. If some of you have never had the opportunity to sit down with Jim, you are missing a great conversation.

This man in our midst had to ring the doorbell at 2123 Roseland and be the follow up to Fr. Charles Coughlin; talk about need for a transition team! Hayes has seen four archbishops come and will probably see the fourth go – world wars, armed conflicts, racial tensions, men walking on the moon and mechanical probes on Mars – Jim has preached through it all.

At the 175th of the diocese, we had the parade of nations flowing into the Cathedral, three hundred folks dressed in their native dress teaching all of us how diverse we are as a local church. The conversation in the tent for the reception was wonderful as Catholics mingled with each other and learned about migration and faith “back home.”

As John Zenz packs up his office on the sixth floor of the chancery and moves up Woodward, we will never have the visual of his clean desk – I do not think I've ever been in his office and found anything on his desk top other than the project he would have in hand! John's move to Holy Name will take some time for all of us to get used to – no longer having the “living memory” on the sixth floor, we will actually have to use the files more!

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Diaconate Notes

Dear Members of the Diaconate Community,

Since last issue of the *Clergy News* I was privileged to represent you at the Clergy Mass offered by Pope Benedict XVI at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City. I brought with me your intentions and the continued blessings of God's Spirit on the Diaconate of Detroit. In spite of the inherent limitations of the church to be able to hear and see everything, what was most apparent to me was the love and compassion that Pope Benedict has for those whom he shepherds. It was a most moving experience for me personally and I believe that his visit was uplifting to the whole church of America.

And in our diocese since that time we have been blessed with the ordination of 5 new priests on May 10th and 7 new transitional deacons of May 17th. Msgr. Monforton has changed the timing of transitional diaconate ordination so that now the men will spend a year as a deacon. I look forward to finding ways that the Permanent Diaconate will be able to interact with the Transitional Deacons during this year. I am open to any suggestions that you might have.

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Quarterly Meeting for Polish Priests & Deacons

The Archdiocese of Detroit Priests' Conference for Polish Affairs will conduct their next meeting on Tuesday, September 9, 2008 at 3:30 p.m. at Ss. Peter & Paul Parish in Detroit. All priests and deacons of Polish descent are invited to attend the meeting, which will take place in the Parish Activities Building. Dinner will be served afterward, so please RSVP by calling (313) 846-2222.

Health Care Issues/Homily Help

Health care is a pivotal concern for Americans and an important ministry of the church. Often, health care issues are complex and difficult to understand. The Catholic Health Association of the United States is pleased to offer a free, new homily service for parish priests to help clarify these issues for parishioners.

Written by prominent Catholic theologians and bioethicists, the homilies bring important issues to life in the context of Gospel and church teachings. Go to the following website for this free service <http://www.chausa.org/homilies> .—Mike Harning

Accent Reduction Program

Get a great deal on accent reduction through SHMS and Wayne State University's speech therapy program. Call Fr. Mike Byrnes: 313-883-8563

Mass Intentions

We would like to remind everyone that priests who have been permanently removed from active ministry are able to accept intentions for Masses. If you have questions, please contact Ina M. Grant at (313) 237-4813 or grant.ina@aod.org

Confessors Needed:

AOD Annual Women's Conference

Saturday, October 25, 2008 7:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

The sixth annual AOD Women's Conference is in need of priests to hear confessions at the MCC Sports & Expo Center. Last year over 1500 women attended the Conference, with over 40 priests giving of their time to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We anticipate an even greater need this year, and ask for your assistance. Confessors are needed throughout the day, from 7:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m. If you are able to assist with the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the Conference, please contact Judy Maten, AOD Women's Ministry Coordinator, at maten.judith@aod.org or call Judy at (313) 237-5832. More information regarding the Conference event schedule, registration, and other AOD Women's Ministry programs can be found online at www.aodwomensministry.org.

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From the Editor

I'm a little embarrassed at how long it's been since the *Clergy News* has last been published. I can only say *mea maxima culpa*, and that I promise I have learned my lesson about extending deadlines "just this once"! There is always one more thing that could go into the newsletter if I just waited a day/a week/whatever!

Since it's already mid-August, I will plan to put the next issue out in mid-September. Deadline for submissions will be **September 12th**, and yes, that is a hard deadline! I will plan for it to be in parish mail for September 25th—watch for it! Then, for the November/December issue, we will go back to publishing at the beginning of the first month, so I will plan for it to be in parish mail the first Thursday in November, which is the 6th. **ALL SUBMISSIONS FOR THE NOVEMBER/DECEMBER CLERGY NEWS ARE DUE ON OR BEFORE HALLOWE'EN!**

If I have missed anything you've submitted and it isn't too late to make it right, please e-mail me at orloff.katie@aod.org and I will happily put it into the September/October issue!

God bless,

Katie Orloff

MOSAIC Women's Retreat

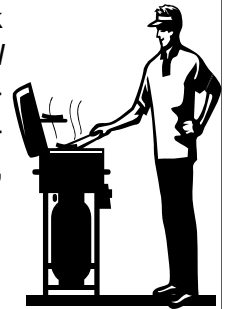
The next MOSAIC women's retreat is scheduled for the weekend after Easter, April 17—19. Fr. Jack Baker will be the retreat director.

Thank You

On behalf of the Sacred Heart community, thank you to all who were able to attend the 2nd Annual Priests' Barbecue at Sacred Heart Major Seminary. Please mark your calendar for the 3rd Annual Priest's Barbecue on **Tuesday, May 19, 2009.**

Fraternally,

Jeff



Barter's Corner

Wanted by Pontiac Catholic Community:

Used storage trucks/movers for folding chairs and/or rectangular tables for use in church halls. Please

contact: Fr. Sean Sylvester, Pontiac Catholic Community. seansyl@yahoo.com, or 248-332-0283.

Available from St. Paul of Tarsus:

We have 700 light oak Sauder wooden chairs with locking book rack, padded kneelers, seats and backs [color-teal]; if you are interested in these chairs we are asking \$25.00 a chair. Please contact Tom Lawler, Parish Business Manager at 586-228-1210.

Available from St. Roch:

296 *Glory & Praise* hymnals (1984 edition) free to any parish—only cost is picking up from Flat Rock! Contact Dcn. Leo D'Argis: 734-782-4471.

Available from Our Lady Queen of Martyrs:

Surplus Collegville hymnals (new) - please call the parish if interested. 248-644-8620

Available from Sacred Heart, Dearborn:

Nine chairs with arms and with removable kneelers in need of a new home. Covered with blue woven fabric. Good condition. Perfect for a chapel setting. Free. Call or email Fran at 313-278-5555 or fhelner@shparish.org

Priest Jubilarians

25th Anniversary – Class of 1983

Rev. Ralph R. Besterwitch, S.A.C.
Rev. Michael Cremin, S.A.C.
Rev. John C. Esper
Rev. Zbigniew Grankowski
Rev. Charles M. Morris
Rev. Stanley L. Pachla
Rev. Randall R. Phillips
Rev. Joseph A. Plawecki
Rev. William L. Verbryke, S.J.
Rev. Robert J. Wojciechowski

40th Anniversary – Class of 1968

Rev. Timothy F. Babcock
Rev. Arthur R. Baranowski
Rev. Richard J. Cassidy
Rev. Jack V. Fabian
Rev. Gerard P. Frawley, S.A.C.
Rev. Robert Weakley, O.F.M.
Rev. John P. Wheeler, C.S.B.

50th Anniversary – Class of 1958

Rev. R. Gerard Albright, S.J.
Most Rev. Moses B. Anderson, S.S.E.
Rev. Thomas R. Byrne
Rev. John Gagala
Rev. Thomas Heier, C.M.M.
Rev. Joseph F. Maloney, O.F.M. Cap.
Rev. Leo F. Sabourin
Rev. Donald L. Walker

60th Anniversary – Class of 1948

Rev. Paul C. Berg
Rev. Joseph F. Downey, S.J.
Rev. Fabian B. Slominski

Over 60 Years

Rev. Erwin J. Bauer (61)
Rev. Walter E. Burke (61)
Msgr. Ferdinand J. DeCneudt (69)
Rev. John Devany, C.P. (63)
Rev. Walter L. Farrell, S.J. (61)
Rev. Ronald L. Heidelberger (62)
Rev. Jerome A. Herman (65)
Rev. C. Paul Higdon (62)
Rev. Joseph A. Janiga (63)
Rev. Edward F. Konopka (63)
Rev. Ralph E. Kowalski (66)
Rev. Henry S. Kreft (63)
Rev. Donald B. Kuntz (67)
Rev. Albert U. Lombardi (61)
Rev. William J. McGoldrick (65)
Rev. Stephen A. Meder, S.J. (65)
Rev. Arthur F. Neffy (61)
Rev. James P. O'Hagan (61)
Rev. Charles F. O'Neill (62)
Rev. Leonard J. Partensky (66)
Rev. Francis D. Rabaut (64)
Rev. Joseph F. Ryder (62)
Rev. Jasper F. Sirianni (62)
Rev. J. Walter Stanievich (62)
Rev. Henry E. Villerot (67)
Msgr. Thomas H. Villerot (65)
Rev. Ferdinand A. Wolber (68)
Rev. Paul D. Xuereb (63)

70th Anniversary – Class of 1938

Rev. James L. Hayes



Deacon Jubilarians

35th Anniversary—Class of 1973

Rev. Mr. Robert Delbeke
 Rev. Mr. Eugene Krzeminski
 Rev. Mr. Robert McLeod

30th Anniversary—Class of 1978

Rev. Mr. Patrick Bruen
 Rev. Mr. Robert Fitzgerald
 Rev. Mr. Raymond Gabel
 Rev. Mr. Alfred Morad
 Rev. Mr. Gary Pardo
 Rev. Mr. Ernest Riopelle

25th Anniversary—Class of 1983

Rev. Mr. Daniel Hurley
 Rev. Mr. Charles Johnson
 Rev. Mr. Joseph Lennon
 Rev. Mr. John Marku
 Rev. Mr. Ronald Rohlman
 Rev. Mr. Bill Stimpson, Jr.
 Rev. Mr. Edward Swartz
 Rev. Mr. Thomas Thomas

20th Anniversary—Class of 1988

Rev. Mr. Ronald Cook
 Rev. Mr. Thomas Yezak

15th Anniversary—Class of 1993

Rev. Mr. Daniel Darga
 Rev. Mr. Joseph Iskra
 Rev. Mr. Kenneth Nowicki
 Rev. Mr. John Skladanowski
 Rev. Mr. Michael Smith
 Rev. Mr. Johnny Vanneste

10th Anniversary—Class of 1998

Rev. Mr. Patrick Conlen
 Rev. Mr. James Ward

5th Anniversary—Class of 2003

Rev. Mr. Francis X. Chau Doan
 Rev. Mr. Robert Ervin
 Rev. Mr. Luis Flores
 Rev. Mr. Marc Gemellaro
 Rev. Mr. Eugene Kowalski
 Rev. Mr. John Liddle
 Rev. Mr. Arthur Majokowski
 Rev. Mr. Gerard McGowan
 Rev. Mr. Edwin McLeod
 Rev. Mr. Charles Roger O'Donnell
 Rev. Mr. Mark Redwine
 Rev. Mr. John Thompson

Congratulations!



From the Director, *cont'd.*

Cardinal Szoka was telling me that he is still a bit unfamiliar with the surroundings of his new neighborhood. While out walking last month he got turned around in the subdivision and lost track of how far from home he had strayed – a good Samaritan rescued him by driving him the mile back to his home.

Our senior priests living alone also need to arrange for someone to look in on them on a regular basis. The parish nurse association is working with Msgr. Browne in training our “home alone” seniors how to care for themselves and what to do when they find themselves in trouble.

Hope you find some information in this issue of the newsletter that opens your eyes to a new dimension of your ministry

- *Mike LeFevre*

Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship

Fr. David Toups at the USCCB reminds all preachers that their web page is up and running for downloading all sorts of important ideas and projects surrounding this year's election season. As usual, there are wonderful bulletin inserts and homily notes to guide us and our parishioners through our national election. Appropriate addresses:

www.faithfulcitizenship.org or <http://faithfulcitizenship.org/parish/homily>

This website becomes all the more important now that we have cancelled our local application of the document. You might want to connect with some of those who were prepared to offer the workshops on how to preach faithful citizenship: Don Hanchon, Norman Dickson, SJ or Mike LeFevre.

Diaconate Notes, *cont'd.*

The Permanent Diaconate also had the opportunity to hear Father Peter Fennessey, S.J. at our annual Men's Retreat. We had 22 attendees, 5 of which were either Aspirants or Formation students. The ratings by the attendees were very high and it was a shame that more deacons did not participate. I am sure that we are all aware that we are obliged to attend at least one retreat a year. The Deacon Assembly is looking at ways to help more our retreats more acceptable to as many deacons as possible. They are using the survey that was done a year ago but I am sure that if you have any suggestions they will take them into account. Please send your ideas to me.

Finally, please check the Archdiocesan extranet to get the latest information about continuing educational opportunities. I promise to begin to make an extra effort to keep it up to date.

In Christ,

Deacon Mike McKale

Events of Interest

September 20 - Co-Creating with God: *Humanae Vitae* Today. SHMS. Main celebrant and homilist: Bishop Robert Carlson of Saginaw. For more information, call (313) 883-8792.

September 24 - 27—New Evangelization: Spirituality of the Preacher and the Hearer. Catholic Coalition on Preaching's 2008 Convocation, Louisville, KY. Register online at www.preachingcoalition.org. Some brochures available through Clergy Life and Ministry office.

January 12—23—Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers 10th Annual Pilgrimage/Retreat to Central America. Further information and registration available at www.afewgoodmen.us/pilgrimage2009.htm

June 3—13, 2009—A pilgrimage to the Holy Land (Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth) escorted by Fr. Daniel Mahan, Marian College Center for Catholic Stewardship, Indianapolis, Indiana. Further information and registration available at: www.viaggiomondo.com.

PME Changes

Please note that St. Joseph Mercy—Oakland has discontinued its participation in the Preventive Medicine for the Executive in Auburn Hills. The program will transition to private practice under the name Premier Medicine for the Executive, and has moved to Troy. For more details, call the Clergy Life Office.



ST. PAUL, HIS STORY

**Presented by Father Jerome Murphy O'Connor, OP
Emeritus New Testament Professor, Ecole Biblique, Jerusalem**

Friday, September 12, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

The Grosse Pointe Academy Field House

171 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan, adjacent to St. Paul on the Lake Church). Please park in the parish lot.

Fr. Murphy-O'Connor will focus on the Apostle Paul's life, missionary activity and letters which form a significant portion of the New Testament. In addition to his 40 years researching Paul and the New Testament at the Ecole Biblique, Fr. Murphy-O'Connor is a frequent lecturer in the United States at the University of Notre Dame, Georgetown University and the University of San Francisco. He has also served as an expert on Jesus, St. Paul and the Holy Land for the BBC, ABC-TV and other media. He has authored the definitive guide to the Holy Land and numerous books on St. Paul's letters.

Father Murphy O'Connor's books will be available for sale from the Catholic Bookstore the evening of the presentation.

Alcohol Awareness Training

This program provides training in the Eleven Core Competencies that will aid Clergy and Pastoral Lay leaders to assist individuals and families in need.

This training program was developed by a group of religious leaders under the auspices of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Location: Nardin Park United Methodist Church

Fee: \$25.00

Registration: Call 248-474-4701

More information::

www.samaritancounselingmichigan.org

If you have questions about this program, please contact Msgr. Don Hanchon, who attended this training and passed it along for the Clergy News. You can reach him at Holy Redeemer: (313) 842-3450.

Upcoming MOSAIC Events

October 28th—Brunch for wives of newly ordained deacons. Details will be forthcoming.

December 5th—Potluck dinner for deacons and their wives. Bishop Flores will be speaking. Exact location TBD, but it will be on the west side.

April 17—19, 2009—MOSAIC Women's Retreat, Marysville Retreat House, Holly.

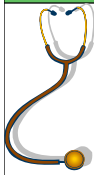
April 24th, 2009—Potluck dinner for deacons and their wives. Details to follow.

April 16—18, 2010— MOSAIC Women's Retreat, Marysville Retreat House, Holly.

Priests' Scripture Discussion Group

Join a priests' Scripture discussion group every first and third Thursday at 9:00 a.m. at Day House on Trumbull. Each meeting focuses on the Scripture for the upcoming Sunday. Any questions, call Father Bob Morand at Our Lady of the Rosary: (313) 875-6011.

Sick Bay



We hope to list the priests and deacons within the Archdiocese of Detroit who are currently in need of our prayer, a note, or a phone call. To add a name to the listing please contact the person first to make certain they want such information published and then send the name through to our office.

Priests:

- * Fr. Greg Deters
- * Fr. Joseph Janiga
- * Fr. John LaCasse
- * Fr. Norbert Maciejewski
- * Fr. Janusz Marzynski
- * Fr. Norman Nawrocki
- * Fr. John Nowlan
- * Fr. Bill Petron
- * Fr. Jim Profota
- * Fr. Jacob Samonie
- * Fr. Francis Skalski
- * Fr. Jerome F. Treacy, SJ
- * Fr. Richard Ugolik

Diaconate Community:

- * Dcn. Luther Aman
- * Formation student Carl Ammaccapane
- * Dcn. Peter Cornell
- * Dcn. Andy Fairbanks
- * Julie Johr, daughter of Phyllis and the late Dcn. Bill Johr
- * Bonnie Krauskoff, widow of Dcn. William Krauskoff
- * Dcn. Don Sandstrom
- * Diana Shubik, wife of Dcn. Rich Shubik

In Memory

Happy are those who have died in the Lord; let them rest from their labors for their good deeds go with them.

Leonard Blair, father of Fr. Leonard Blair of Toledo, OH

Melanie Brzezinski, mother of Fr. Jerry Brzezinski

Fr. George Follen, SJ

Dcn. Wyatt Jones, Jr.

Fr. William Lanphear, OSFS

Edward Maciejewski, brother of Fr. Norbert Maciejewski

Fr. Richard E. Maloney

James Muir, brother of Fr. Edmund Muir

Fr. Arthur Neffy

Mitchell Pasiieczny, father of Fr. Roman Pasiieczny

Margaret Ptak, mother of Fr. Walter Ptak

Fr. Joseph Schell, SJ

Fr. Jasper Sirianni

Dcn. Fernando Valdez

Bernard Zaglaniczny, former Archdiocesan priest



Obrigado!



*For all you do,
our priests and deacons:*

THANK YOU



On the Agenda



- **Aug. 25:** Clergy Golf Outing, SJC
- **Sep. 12:** *Paul: His Story*. Fr. Jerome Murphy-O'Connor, Grosse Pointe Academy Field House (by St. Paul on the Lake Parish)
- **Sep. 17—18:** Presbyteral Convocation, SJC
- **Sep. 18:** Pastor Prep, CP
- **Oct. 4:** Diaconate Ordination, BSC
- **Oct. 7:** Permanent Diaconate Informational Meeting, SHMS
- **Oct. 16:** Pastor Prep, CP
- **Oct. 16:** Diaconate Memorial Mass, SPC
- **Oct. 25:** MOSAIC brunch for wives of newly ordained deacons, location TBD
- **Nov. 10—14:** Clergy fall retreat, SPC
- **Dec. 1:** Presbyteral Advent Reconciliation Service, SHMS
- **Dec. 5:** MOSAIC Potluck Dinner for Deacons and Wives, location TBD. Speaker: Bishop Flores

CP= Cathedral Place (office bldg behind the Cathedral)

BSC = Blessed Sacrament Cathedral

SJC = St. John's Retreat Center

SPC = St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Ctr.

SHMS = Sacred Heart Major Seminary

