

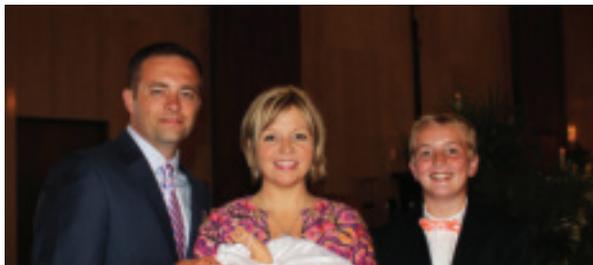
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A Word from Bishop Medley

My dear people of God,

The Convocation of Catholic Leaders was held July 1-4, 2017 in Orlando, Florida. This assembly brought together more than 3,500 Catholic leaders from dioceses across the United States. 160 bishops and more than 300 priests were among the attendees. The Convocation was several years in the planning and was an initiative of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The focus of the four-day Convocation was one of the first writings of Pope Francis. *Evangelii Gaudium*, the “Joy of the Gospel,” was given to the Church in 2013, just months following the beginning of his papacy. In this epic document, the Holy Father invites all the Church to answer the call to missionary discipleship. The U.S. bishops believed it important that this Convocation be presented by themselves, as successors to the apostles acting in unity with Pope Francis, the successor to St. Peter. While most of the major addresses were presented by the American cardinal archbishops, the Convocation called upon scores of priests, religious and lay leaders to contribute to the many panel discussions and opportunities for break-out sessions throughout the four days.

Cardinal Donald Wuerl, the archbishop of Washington, D.C., spoke of a theme he often addresses in his writings. He reminded the participants that to be a part of the Catholic Church is to be connected to the bishops who act in charity and union with the pope.

Speaker after speaker acknowledged that the Catholic Church in the United States stands at a crossroad. Statistics tell us that, for several decades now, the active participation in the life of the Church has been in serious decline. It is observed that too great a percentage of baptized Catholics have not rejected the Church and its worship, but simply

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BISHOP MEDLEY'S CALENDAR ● AUGUST 2017

- AUG 2** 3:00 p.m. ● Mass & Reception Honoring Fr. Mike Clark for his Service as Judicial Vicar – McRaith Catholic Center (MCC)
- AUG 5** Fancy Farm Picnic – St. Jerome Parish, Fancy Farm
5:00 p.m. ● Mass & Dedication of New School/Parish Building – SS. Peter & Paul, Hopkinsville
- AUG 6** 5:30 p.m. ● Confirmation – Holy Name, Henderson
- AUG 7** 9:00 a.m. ● Mass with Diocesan Staff – MCC
1:30 p.m. ● Diocesan Staff Meeting – MCC
- AUG 8** CCK Meeting and Provincial Bishops' Meeting – Louisville
- AUG 9** Provincial Bishops' Meeting – Louisville
- AUG 10** Day of Formation & Prayer with Diocesan Staff
- AUG 13** 5:00 p.m. ● Diocesan Rural Life Celebration – Owensboro Convention Center
- AUG 14** 11:00 a.m. ● Priests' Council Meeting – MCC
- AUG 15** 1:30 p.m. ● Religious Profession – Passionist Monastery, Whitesville
- AUG 16** 8:30 a.m. ● Diocesan Finance Council Meeting – (MCC)
1:30 p.m. ● Listening Session for the Synod on Youth – Our Lady of Lourdes, Owensboro
- AUG 17** 8:30 a.m. ● Listening Session for the Synod on Youth – Owensboro Catholic High School
- AUG 19** 11:00 a.m. ● Mass, Diocesan Encuentro – St. Stephen Cathedral
5:00 p.m. ● Mass for 60th Anniversary of Parish – St. Pius X, Owensboro
- AUG 20** 10:00 a.m. ● Confirmation – Rosary Chapel, Paducah
- AUG 22** 10:30 a.m. ● Listening Session for the Synod on Youth – St. Mary High School, Paducah
12:00 p.m. ● Meeting with FOCUS Missionaries from Murray State University
- AUG 23** 9:30 a.m. ● Listening Session for the Synod on Youth – Trinity High School, Whitesville
- AUG 26** 9:00 a.m. ● Opening Mass for Women's Retreat – KY Dam Village
5:00 p.m. ● Confirmation – St. Michael, Sebree
- AUG 27** 11:30 a.m. ● Confirmation – Holy Spirit, Bowling Green
- AUG 29** 11:00 a.m. ● Listening Session for the Synod on Youth – Brescia University

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drifted into nonparticipation. This is especially true of the groups under age 40. This trend is not particular to the U.S., but to most of the western world, where for the first 20 centuries of Christianity the Church flourished and grew. It was St. John Paul II and Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI who applied the call of evangelization to “re-evangelize” those who have heard the Good News of Jesus but now seem indifferent to its mandates.

Representing our diocese with me were Kevin Kauffeld, chancellor; Martha Hagan, vice-chancellor; Joe Bland, director of the Office of Evangelization; and Ann Flaherty, the interim superintendent of Catholic schools. We sought to spread ourselves out among the break-out presentations to capture an experience as broad as possible.

The challenge going forward is to bring the urgency and challenge of missionary discipleship to our local church. Julianne Stanz, one of the planners of the Convocation, will be in Owensboro on Au-

gust 10 to lead our diocesan staff on a day of study and discussion: “Where do we go from here?”

Archbishop Christophe Pierre, the Apostolic Nuncio to the U.S., the Holy Father’s prime representative to our American Church, concluded the four-day Convocation reminding us that the Church will always most clearly find her mission where Jesus did – conscious to the plight of the poor, the persecuted, and those at the peripheries. He inspired us with assurances that Pope Francis journeys with us, accompanies us. He told us, “Our mission is not easy; it is just beginning.” ■



Most Reverend William F. Medley
Diocese of Owensboro



Joe Bland, Bishop Medley, Martha Hagan and Ann Flaherty discuss what was learned at the Convocation over the past few days. Photo courtesy of Kevin Kauffeld.

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New diocesan office to 'evangelize the already-baptized'

Office of Evangelization will help faithful know, share Jesus Christ 'as a person'

BY ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

Joe Bland's overarching goal for the recently-formed Office of Evangelization in the Diocese of Owensboro is to "evangelize the already-baptized catechized."

Bland, who became director of the Office of Evangelization on March 15, 2017, said many of today's Catholics have been somewhat educated in the faith.

But, he asked, "do they have an ongoing daily relationship through prayer and charitable works with Jesus Christ and his Church?"

Bland was formerly director of the Office of Family Life and served on Bishop William F. Medley's steering committee to create the diocese's pastoral plan, which went into effect in 2016.

One of Bishop Medley's objectives for the pastoral plan was to create an Office of Evangelization, and the bishop told the WKC that this office will serve a critical need in today's Church.

"In the 21st century, as people come of age, they face a unique secularization (telling them) to put religion on the shelf in order to take it down for an hour on Sunday," said Bishop Medley.

Instead, "we should know Jesus Christ as a person, and that person makes a difference in our lives enough to want to share him with others," said the bishop.

Bland said he plans to establish relationships with all 78 parishes in the diocese "and help them tailor an evangelization plan for their parish."

This will not be a "one size fits all" approach, he added, explaining that rural, city and suburban parishes come with unique sets of challenges and benefits: "Each parish is different, so you can say that there are 78 ways to do evangelization in this diocese."

Bland also aims to meet with lay apostolates in the diocese, such as Cursillo and Koinonia, as well as meeting with local religious orders.

"I'm working on plans for the Catholic schools, too," said Bland, who taught religion at Trinity High School in Whitesville for many years before moving to the diocesan level.

One question he wants to address is, "how do we turn our teachers into witnesses - and not just our religion teachers, but all teachers?"

Bland said long-term goals for the office will be to reach fallen-away Catholics, "which studies show is the second-largest 'denomination' in the United States," and to "reach out to our Protestant brothers and sisters, and those who don't know Christ, and introduce them to the Catholic Church."

Bland added that the plans for this new office will develop over time.

"This is not going to unfold in a year - it's more like a three to five year plan," he said.

Bishop Medley said he hopes these plans will demonstrate "faith encountering culture - encountering society - in a positive way." ■



Joe Bland sits in the McRaith Catholic Center chapel during daily Mass in 2016. File photo.



Contact Joe

Want to learn more about this new office? Joe Bland may be reached by calling the McRaith Catholic Center at (270) 683-1545 or by sending him an email at joe.bland@pastoral.org.

'To Jesus, through Mary' - Owensboro family thanks Our Lady for baby daughter's healthy birth

BY ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

To say that Erin and Joseph Jones relied on the Blessed Mother during Erin's pregnancy with their daughter, Mary Katherine, "is an understatement," according to Erin.

"(Our Lady) carried me through this pregnancy," said Erin, who delivered the baby, affectionately known as "Mary Kate," on May 3, 2017.

For the Jones family, Mary Kate's healthy birth came after a long journey of discouragement and heartache, but eventually, total trust in the Blessed Mother's intercession.

Challenges

Erin told the WKC that the odds were stacked against them in terms of a healthy fertility and pregnancy.

Erin and Joseph, who attend Immaculate Parish in Owensboro, have one living son, Parker, who is 12 years old. But before Mary Kate, the family had experienced two separate, unexplained miscarriages, both around 20 weeks. (They named these babies William and Andrew.)

Erin has endometriosis, which can cause pregnancy problems, as well as a gene mutation called MTHFR, which affects the body's ability to process folic acid and can cause blood clots. However, doctors were still unsure as to what caused the loss of the pregnancies.

After losing Andrew in 2012, Erin and Joseph made an appointment with Dr. William Tabb, who



Joseph, Erin, 12-year-old Parker and newborn Mary Katherine at the baby's June 18, 2017 baptism at Immaculate Parish in Owensboro. Photo courtesy of the Jones family.

was working at the time as a specialist in Louisville.

"He zeroed in on the MTHFR gene deficiency and said he would get me through my next pregnancy, if and when that happened," said Erin.

Still, they were not sure if this would even be possible: "I was in deep grief. We weren't going to have any more," Erin remembered thinking.

"At that time, I had not yet consecrated myself to Jesus through Mary," said Erin.

A consecration

In February 2016, Erin decided to begin "33

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Days to Morning Glory: A Do-It-Yourself Retreat In Preparation for Marian Consecration” – a book by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, who belongs to the religious order of Marians of the Immaculate Conception.

“33 Days” uses the spirituality of St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Teresa of Calcutta and Pope St. John Paul II to lead the reader on a personal daily retreat toward consecrating oneself to Jesus through his mother, Mary.

It is inspired by the centuries-old preparation for total Marian consecration developed by St. Louis de Montfort.

“When doing (the 33 Days), you fall in love with Mary,” said Erin. “When you are in love with Mary, she wants so much for you to fall in love with her Son.”

Erin completed the consecration on March 25, 2016 – the Feast of the Annunciation, when the angel Gabriel came to Mary and asked her to be the Mother of God.

A surprise

After seeing him in 2012, Erin and Joseph lost touch with Dr. Tabb. But in summer 2016, Erin randomly encountered the doctor in Owensboro – “although there was nothing random about it. Mary absolutely brought him back into my life,” said Erin.

She learned he was now practicing in Owensboro and specializing in maternal and fetal medicine. Dr. Tabb gave Erin his cell phone number and told her to call him next time she became pregnant, with the promise that he would get her through the pregnancy.

Erin did not know it yet, but she was already preg-

nant.

When Erin and Joseph switched from merely suspecting, to realizing that yes, they were expecting a baby, Erin immediately began praying for Our Lady’s help and intercession.

“Thankfully, my devotion to our Blessed Mother was on fire,” said Erin. “I asked her to intercede for whatever problems were occurring in my body because I was hers, and this baby would be hers too.”

Grace upon grace

“I felt Mary’s presence throughout the whole pregnancy,” said Erin, and cited several remarkable interactions before Mary Kate’s birth.

Once, a woman at church approached Erin with a note. The woman was a fellow parishioner at Immaculate, but Erin did not know her personally. The woman’s note said she had been in prayer, and had received a message from Our Lady that Erin’s baby would be all right.

On another occasion, a different woman at church told Erin that her sister had prayed a “continuous 54-day novena for Mary Kate throughout my entire pregnancy,” which Erin said was “powerful!”

Erin regularly had her checkups with Dr. Tabb on Thursdays. But after rescheduling one week at work, Erin had to change her appointment to Wednesday, May 3.

Erin went in that Wednesday, at 37 weeks, expecting a routine appointment.

“It was discovered that my placenta was dying and therefore Mary Kate was in grave danger and had to be delivered immediately,” said Erin. She was rushed straight to the hospital, where Mary Kate was delivered via Caesarean section.

Dr. Tabb told her it was very likely that that the placenta caused the deaths of little William and An-

drew, “and that the placenta could have given out much earlier in Mary Kate’s gestation too, which would have been a much different outcome for her viability,” said Erin.

Erin credits the timing, and bringing the specialized doctor back into their family’s life, “to Mary’s intercession.”

“Had I waited one day longer... she would not be here,” said Erin.

No coincidences

Erin said it is no coincidence that her weekly holy hour in the adoration chapel at the Carmel Home in Owensboro took place the day before Mary Kate’s birth. As she often does, Erin had seen Fr. Joe Mills there during adoration.

Fr. Mills, who resides at the Carmel Home, had said he felt the need to pray a blessing over Erin and the baby that day, so he did.

Erin said their daughter is named after Jesus’ mother.

“When I found out I was pregnant, my prayer was, ‘if the baby is a girl, I’ll name her after you,’” Erin remembers telling Our Lady.

Erin said that while she certainly had graces from Mary during her previous pregnancies, she had so many more during her pregnancy with Mary Kate “because I asked for them.”

“She has so many graces to give us,” said Erin, “we just have to ask her.” ■

**Read the book**

To learn more about “33 Days to Morning Glory: A Do-It-Yourself Retreat In Preparation for Marian Consecration,” visit marianconsecration.org.

For Vatican Observatory director, good science is ‘an act of worship’

BY ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

On Monday, August 21 at 1:24 p.m., a total solar eclipse will be visible in Hopkinsville, Ky., and Br. Guy Consolmagno, SJ, director of the Vatican Observatory, will be present to witness it.

“There is a lot of interesting science that can be done with eclipses,” said Br. Consolmagno, “and originally I had grand ambitions to try to image stars near the eclipsed sun and from them try to repeat the observations made by Sir Arthur Eddington a hundred years ago that demonstrated the effect predicted by Einstein’s Theory of Relativity.”

But in the end, Br. Consolmagno told The Western Kentucky Catholic that he now plans “just to appreciate the beauty of the event.”

“... My real goal is simply to see the eclipse with my own eyes, something I have never done before!” he said.

In addition to viewing the eclipse in Kentucky, Br. Consolmagno will give a presentation about faith and science on August 20 from 6-8 p.m. at SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Hopkinsville.

Br. Consolmagno – who is a Jesuit – explained that contrary to cultural misconceptions, the Catholic Church supports science, and in fact, this is the reason why the Vatican Observatory exists.

“My religion tells me who created the universe; my science tells me how he did it,” said Br. Consolmagno, adding that science began in medieval universities by the Church.

Br. Consolmagno said anyone who promotes a “war” between religion and science “doesn’t know their history. And they don’t do science, or religion, any favors.”

“Everyone remembers Galileo; but his case was not actually a war between science and religion... that’s just the way it has been ‘sold’ over the last hundred years,” said Br. Consolmagno.

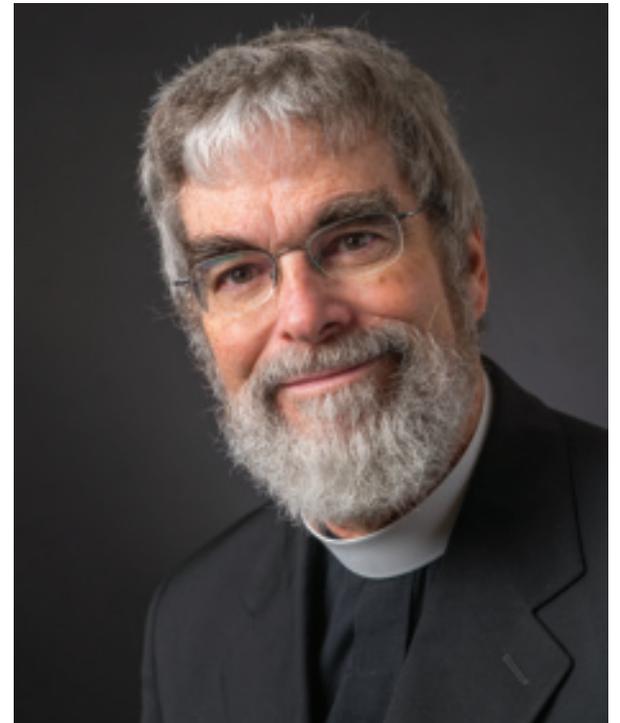
Unfortunately, said Br. Consolmagno, 19th-century anti-clericalism invited a war between science and religion as a way of discrediting the Church, “because the Church was opposed to the things they wanted, like eugenics – forbidding ‘inferior’ people from having children, for example.”

Br. Consolmagno follows in the footsteps of many centuries’ worth of priests and religious who are scientists.

Two particularly famous scientist-clergy include the early 20th-century Fr. Georges Lemaître, who formulated the idea of the Big Bang, and Fr. Gregor Mendel, an 1800s Augustinian monk who created today’s science of genetics.

“Throughout history... who else in those days had the education, and the free time, to pursue scientific work?” said Br. Consolmagno. “Often, only the local parish priest had the training – from keeping church records – to know how to collect and handle data.”

But this religious heritage did more than “pro-



Br. Guy Consolmagno, SJ, serves as director of the Vatican Observatory. Photo courtesy of Br. Guy Consolmagno.



Faith and science presentation

On Sunday, August 20, from 6-8 p.m., Br. Guy Consolmagno, director of the Vatican Observatory, will give a presentation on “Faith and Science and the Vatican Observatory” in the parish center of SS. Peter and Paul Parish, 902 E. 9th St., Hopkinsville, KY, 42240. For more information, contact the parish office at (270) 885-8522, or by visiting stspchurch.org or [Facebook.com/stspchurch](https://www.facebook.com/stspchurch).

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vide room” for science, he said: “It also provided a culture where science was not only possible but honored... clerics who studied nature were honored because their work was seen as a way of giving praise to the Creator.”

“I have come to realize just how much that good science is actually in itself an act of worship,” said Br. Consolmagno. “We give glory to the Creator by learning to appreciate, deeper and deeper, this creation.”

He explained that people who like a musician listen to his music, and those who wish to learn about a poet will read her poetry.

“In the same way, we can come closer to our Creator by taking the time to contemplate His creation,”

said Br. Consolmagno, adding that this includes sitting under the stars or even using fine instruments to uncover the details of how the stars work – and how God “works in nature.”

“Notice, we don’t worship nature,” he said, nor does the Catholic scientist look at a nebula “and just say, ‘God did it’ as if God was the same thing as gravity or electricity.”

Br. Consolmagno said that instead, people can “take delight in how God uses the laws of science, which after all he invented, to bring that beautiful nebula to light.”

“We all are called to worship God with whatever talents God has given us... music, art, science, or caring for those around us,” he said. “For those of us who can do scientific research, our research is our vocation, and the way we can bring the glory of God

to the attention of us all.”

To learn more about the Vatican Observatory, visit vaticanobservatory.va. ■

Missed the eclipse?

If by chance any Kentuckian misses the opportunity to view the eclipse on August 21, Br. Consolmagno says not to worry: “The next eclipse in the U.S. will occur on April 8, 2024... and western Kentucky will also be in the path of that eclipse as well!”

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Bishop Medley ordains Claretian missionary priest in Hopkinsville

BY ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

On June 29, Fr. Byron Francisco Macias Gallegos, CMF, a Claretian missionary, was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop William F. Medley at SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Hopkinsville.

The Claretians, (whose formal name is Congregation of Missionaries, Sons of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary) are a missionary order of priests and brothers founded in Spain by St. Anthony Mary Claret in 1849. The Claretians who serve in the United States minister to the Spanish-speaking Catholic demographic.

Fr. Macias served as a Hispanic minister at the Hopkinsville parish a number of years ago, and since he is originally from Ecuador, had adopted SS. Peter and Paul as his home in the United States. This ordination date was significant because June 29 is also the Solemnity of SS. Peter and Paul.

In his homily prior to the Rite of Ordination, Bishop Medley said that while the soon-to-be-ordained missionary would be asked to make a series of promises, what matters most is “do you love Jesus? If so, you’ll be called to feed his lambs and tend his sheep.”

At the end of Mass, Fr. Rosendo Urrabazo, CMF, Provincial Superior of the Claretians’ USA-Canada Province, shared a few words of gratitude to all who helped bring about this day, including the parish community of SS. Peter and Paul, and its pastor, Fr. Richard Meredith.

He also thanked Bishop Medley for being there, and for the bishop’s warm welcome to the immigrant community in the Diocese of Owensboro – a statement that was met with applause.

“You can imagine I am very happy because we have a new priest,” said Fr. Urrabazo, but said he is even happier “because we have a missionary – because he will go anywhere.”

Fr. Urrabazo also asked the faithful to “pray the Lord sends us more like Byron.”

Fr. Macias celebrated his Mass of Thanksgiving (first Mass) the following day at SS. Peter and Paul. ■



Escorted by his parents, Deacon Byron Francisco Macias Gallegos, CMF, processes up the aisle of SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Hopkinsville at the beginning of the June 29 priesthood ordination Mass. Photo by Elizabeth Wong Barnstead/WKC.



Bishop William F. Medley and Fr. Basilio Az Cuc, associate pastor at SS. Peter and Paul Parish, join the congregation in applause for Deacon Byron Francisco Macias Gallegos, CMF, during the Election of the Candidate, Presentation by the Provincial of the Claretians, and Election by the Bishop and Consent of the People. It is customary for the congregation at an ordination to show their consent that the man is worthy of the priesthood by way of applause. Photo by Elizabeth Wong Barnstead/WKC.

Rosary Chapel parishioner receives Church Women United certificate

Annie Evers, parishioner of Rosary Chapel in Paducah, recently received the Certificate of Recognition from Church Women United for outstanding young women who make a difference in the lives of children. Annie has been superintendent of schools in Cairo, IL District #1 since 2012. Mother of twin sons, Brendan and Jameson, and "546 children of her heart," Annie received her doctorate of education from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville in May 2016. She is a member of United States Congressman Michael Bost's (IL) Educational Advisory Board. Annie was a featured speaker alongside champion Jackie Joyner Kersey at the Women of Excellence Summit. Annie was instrumental for placement as 1 of 114 schools in the nation awarded the Apple ConnectEd grant given through Apple and the White House. She was a chair and special needs teacher at Lone Oak High School 2005-2009 and the special education director 2009-2012.

(Right) Annie and her family have been members of Rosary Chapel since 2005 where she is a lector, Eucharistic Minister, and director of faith formation and taught the class that made their First Communion on Sunday, May 7, 2017. Photo courtesy of Rosary Chapel.



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Ursuline Sisters, friends, sow seeds of faith

The skies dried up enough on April 29 for 50 volunteers to plant 400 trees in Horse Creek Park in Owensboro. The trees were provided to the City of Owensboro by the Ursuline Sisters. During their "Sowing Seeds of Faith" appeal in the fall of 2016, supporters of the Ursuline Sisters were promised that anyone who donated \$100 or more would have a tree planted in their honor at the Arbor Day event. The donor names were listed on a banner that was on display at the event. The tree planting also aligned with the Ursuline Sisters' belief in sustaining and caring for God's earth.

(Left) Charlotte Hedges, (on the right), whose donation for the trees is listed on the banner, talks with Betsy Jo Mullins, development director for the Ursuline Sisters. Photo courtesy of Mount St. Joseph.



Church leaders learn how to evangelize in multicultural setting

Those interested in meeting the challenges of evangelizing in a multicultural Catholic Church went to the Mount St. Joseph Conference and Retreat Center on June 6-8 for a "Building Intercultural Competence for Ministers" workshop. Pastors, women religious, school staff, social justice ministers and diocesan employees were among those taking part in the workshop. The workshop meets the requirements of the Diocese of Owensboro's pastoral plan to "provide ongoing education for priests to advance a greater understanding of cultural diversity and integration."

(Left) Participants listen to a presentation during the "Building Intercultural Competence for Ministers" workshop in June 2017. Photo courtesy of Mount St. Joseph.

Diocese and schools name new staff members

Editor's note: The McRaith Catholic Center – the central offices of the Diocese of Owensboro – and Catholic schools within the diocese have announced several new staff changes over the past few months. These are:

MCC hires

Fr. Patrick Cooney, OSB – judicial vicar of diocesan tribunal
Sonya Evans – director of School Food Service
Ann Flaherty – interim superintendent of diocesan Catholic schools
Charlie Hardesty – director of the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry
Ray Purk – CFO of the Diocese of Owensboro

Catholic school hires

Julie Eadens – president, Holy Name of Jesus Catholic School
Scottie Koonce – principal, Holy Name of Jesus Catholic School
Rodney Schwartz – principal, St. Joseph Interparochial School
Katherine Wyatt – principal, Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic School

A word of gratitude

BY CHRIS GUTIERREZ, DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF HISPANIC MINISTRY

The Diocese of Owensboro wants to thank both Sisters Pilar Hinojosa and Esperanza Rivera for their ministry shared throughout the Owensboro area for the last four years.

The sisters are members of the women's religious community of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart ad-Gentes based in Mexico. For the past four years the sisters shared of their ministry with the Hispanic/Latino community at SS. Joseph and Paul Parish in Owensboro. They were instrumental in organizing several transformative Spanish retreats of men and women called "Christ Renews his Parish."

These retreats have proven to be a wonderful conversion experience for many. While Sr. Pilar has been given a new mission by her superior back in Mexico, Sr. Esperanza will become the first coordinator of Hispanic/Latino Ministry for St. Leo Parish in Murray.

Please keep them both in your prayers as well as SS. Joseph and Paul Parish as they continue the work and discernment of finding a new leader and director of Hispanic/Latino Ministry. ■

Job Opening

SS. Joseph & Paul Parish seeks a full-time coordinator of Hispanic Ministry. To learn more or apply for this position, visit owensborodiocese.org/parish-jobs



Sr. Esperanza Rivera (left) and Sr. Pilar Hinojosa (right) sing during June 2, 2016 midday prayer at the McRaith Catholic Center, which was held before Bishop William F. Medley left for a Spanish language program in Texas that summer. File photo.



V ENCUENTRO

DISCÍPULOS MISIONEROS: TESTIGOS DEL AMOR DE DIOS
MISSIONARY DISCIPLES: WITNESSES OF GOD'S LOVE

V Encuentro is happening in the Diocese of Owensboro!

The V Encuentro, as the fifth Encuentro process in the United States, invites diocesan leaders and parishes to encounter Hispanic and Latino Catholics, especially those living on the margins. The goal of the V Encuentro is to discern ways in which the Catholic Church in the United States can better respond to, serve, and engage Hispanics and Latinos as fellow missionary disciples.

Learn more at vencuentro.org

Remaining picnics in the Diocese of Owensboro

DATE	SERVING TIME	PARISH
AUG 1	Drive-thru picnic beginning at 5 p.m.	St. Martin, Rome
AUG 5	Serving at 10 a.m.	St. Jerome, Fancy Farm
AUG 5	Serving at noon	Blessed Sacrament, Owensboro
AUG 12	Serving at 5 p.m.	St. Ann, Morganfield
AUG 26	Serving at 3 p.m. EST	Holy Guardian Angels, Irvington
SEPT 9	Serving at 4 p.m.	Blessed Mother, Owensboro
SEPT 9	Serving at 5 p.m.	St. Agnes, Uniontown
SEPT 9	Serving from 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.	St. John the Evangelist, Paducah
SEPT 16	Serving from 4-8 p.m.	Christ the King, Madisonville
SEPT 16	Serving at 4 p.m.	St. Columba, Lewisport
SEPT 17	Serving at 11 a.m.; St. Lawrence picnic grounds	St. William & St. Lawrence, Philpot
SEPT 23	BBQ & raffle 2-4 p.m.	Immaculate, Owensboro
SEPT 24	Serving at noon	St. Leo, Murray
SEPT 24	Serving at 11 a.m.	St. Mary of the Woods, Whitesville
SEPT 24	Serving at 1 p.m.	St. Michael, Sebree
SEPT 30	10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Honeyfest Dinner & Silent Auction	St. Elizabeth, Clarkson
OCT 1	Serving from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.	St. Joseph, Central City

St. Gerard Life Home

Providing housing and services to pregnant women and their babies

If you or someone you know is experiencing a crisis or unplanned pregnancy, call us at 270-852-8328 or toll-free at 1-877-803-5064.

Considering Adoption?

Catholic Charities of Owensboro serves pregnant women experiencing an unplanned pregnancy and couples who wish to adopt. To learn more, call 270-852-8328 or visit KyCaringConnection.org.

Social media

Keep up with latest news and events by following the Diocese of Owensboro's social media accounts:



[Facebook.com/DioceseOfOwensboro](https://www.facebook.com/DioceseOfOwensboro)



[Twitter.com/Owensboro1937](https://twitter.com/Owensboro1937)



[Instagram.com/owensborodiocese](https://www.instagram.com/owensborodiocese)

Email newsletter



Sign up for the diocese's monthly email newsletter by visiting the diocesan website:

[owensborodiocese.org/subscribe](https://www.owensborodiocese.org/subscribe)

To Report Allegations of Sexual Abuse

Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities: local law enforcement or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-KYSAFE1; 1-877-597-2331). In addition, to report to the diocese abuse by church personnel (paid or volunteer) either past or present, please call the Pastoral Assistance Coordinator at this confidential phone line: 270-852-8380. The Diocese of Owensboro revised its sexual abuse policy, effective July 1, 2014 and it is available at parishes and also on the diocesan website ([owensborodiocese.org/safe](https://www.owensborodiocese.org/safe)). The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian.

AUGUST 2017 BULLETIN BOARD

■ Ladies, mark your calendars for this inspiring event

"Our Lady of Fatima: The source of hope, healing and peace" is the focus of our next Diocesan Women's Marian Conference. We will commemorate the 100th year anniversary of Fatima and the message it provides for our culture today. The Conference is Friday evening, September 15 at 5:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. and will continue on Saturday, September 16 at 7:30 a.m. This event features three speakers; Fr. Wade Menezes CPM, Susan Brinkmann, and Ralph Martin who make regular appearances on EWTN. Location: St. Joe and Paul Parish Hall. Seating is limited to 350. Ages 16 and older. \$20 per person, Students (16 - 21) \$10 each. For pre-registration or questions, call Lisa Englert (270) 993-8896 or Lisa Bivins (270) 993-3393.

■ 100th anniversary of Fatima film

All are invited to come and view the professional showing of the movie, *The 13th Day*. This inspiring movie can be a way for all to prepare for the 100th anniversary of the Oct. 13 apparition of Our Lady of Fatima and the Miracle of the Sun. This one hour and 50 minute movie will be shown on two dates at two locations:

Tuesday, Oct. 10; St. Joseph Church, Mayfield; in the parish hall at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 11; St. John the Evangelist Church, Paducah; in the church at 7 p.m. Before and after each of these two showings of *The 13th Day*, relics of the two shepherd children, St. Francisco and St. Jacinta, will be available for veneration. The people of the diocese are invited to pray a novena and litany to Our Lady of Fatima on the 5th-13th of each month in 2017, especially August-October. The text to these prayers may be found in the April 2017 issue of *The Western Kentucky Catholic*.

■ Register for spiritual direction training at the Mount

Applications are now being accepted for

the next Spiritual Direction Training Program, which will begin the week of Oct. 16, 2017 at Mount St. Joseph Conference and Retreat Center, Maple Mount. The two-year program consists of four weekly training sessions each year. This program prepares participants for the ministry of spiritual direction from a Catholic perspective and in the spirit of the Ursuline founder, St. Angela Merici. The fee includes tuition, meals and accommodations. Attendance is required to receive certification as a spiritual director. For more information, contact Sr. Mary Matthias Ward at 270-229-0200 or mary.ward@maplemount.org. Registration deadline is Aug. 31, 2017. More information can be found at ursulinesmsj.org.

■ "Focus on Faith" continues Aug. 10

Thursdays: Aug. 10, Sept. 14, Oct. 12, Nov. 9, Dec. 14; 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at Mount St. Joseph Conference and Retreat Center. Led by Sr. Ann McGrew. Fee: \$20 per class (includes lunch). These monthly classes will study the Apostolic Exhortation, "The Joy of Love," by Pope Francis. Join us as we "Focus on Faith" and delve into this interesting book. Feel free to attend any or all sessions. To register, contact Kathy McCarty: 270-229-0206 or kathy.mccarty@maplemount.org.

■ Alzheimer's Association programs for August

Registration required for all programs; please call 1.800.272.3900 to register or at communityresourcefinder.org

Living with Alzheimer's: Middle Stage-For Family Caregivers Only: \$5 donation suggested. Please no professionals. August 1, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Paducah Lourdes Hospital Marshall Nemer Pavilion Borders Room. August 24, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Hopkinsville Christian County Extension Service, 2850 Pembroke Rd.

Living with Alzheimer's: Late Stage-For Family Caregivers Only: \$5 donation sug-

gested. Please no professionals. August 17, 5-7:30 p.m., Owensboro Health Park Classroom B, 1006 Ford Ave.

Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body; Tips from the Latest Research: \$5 donation suggested, \$15 fee for professionals. August 31, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Old National Bank, 130 N Morgan St, Morganfield. Lunch will be provided by Old National Bank.

■ Eucharistic Adoration at the Mount

Second Sunday of each month: Aug. 13, Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Dec. 10 from 4-5 p.m. Mount St. Joseph Motherhouse Chapel. Adoration will conclude with evening prayer. Adoration also takes place every Friday from 3-5 p.m.

■ 15th Annual Rural Life Celebration

Sunday, August 13, 2017, 5 p.m. @ Owensboro Convention Center. You are invited to a celebration of rural life in the air conditioned comfort of the Owensboro Convention Center on West Second St. and Locust St. A free meal will be served at 5 p.m. with a short program. This year, special recognition will be given to the lives of service of Bishop John McRaith and Rick Kamuf both of which we lost earlier this year. Come help us honor their contributions to our community. Event sponsored by the Diocese of Owensboro Rural Life Committee.

■ Evening with an Ursuline Dinner/Presentation

Sept. 5: Sr. Vivian Bowles - Responding to our Losses through Healthy Grieving

Oct. 3: Sr. Ruth Gehres - With Great and Longing Heart

Nov. 7: Sr. Marietta Wethington - Gratitude

Dec. 5: Sr. Mary Matthias Ward - The Mystery of Christmas

First Tuesday of each month from 5-6:30 p.m.

Mount St. Joseph Conference and Retreat Center. The \$20 fee includes dinner in the Center dining room. To register, contact Kathy McCarty: 270-229-0206 or kathy.mccarty@maplemount.org.

■ Catholic Women's Retreat Aug. 25-26, 2017

This retreat features Hallie Lord, Catholic blogger, speaker and author and Cyndi Spivey, a Christian faith and fashion blogger, and will take place at Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park. Bishop William F. Medley will preside over Mass on Saturday morning. Cost is \$40 with lodging a separate cost. Visit owensborodiocese.org/womens-retreat/ for more information or call Staci Ellegood at (270) 804-0411.

■ Mount St. Joseph Quilt Club

Sign up by Oct. 5 to get your name into the new Quilt of the Month Club drawings at Mount St. Joseph. The drawings take place on the first Friday of each month, and the first drawing of the year will be on Oct. 6. For a \$20 ticket, you get 12 chances to win a handmade quilt. Only 2,000 tickets are available. The proceeds support the retired Ursuline Sisters of Mount St. Joseph in Maple Mount. To order your Quilt Club ticket(s), contact Maggie Matsko at 270-229-2009 or maggie.matsko@maplemount.org. For more information, visit ursulinesmsj.org. Click on Help the Sisters, then Quilt Club.

■ Mid-South Catholic Leadership Conference

Invigorate yourself in your ministry by attending the Nov. 5-7 conference at Lake Barkley State Resort Park. The speaker lineup for this year's leadership conference includes Rev. Thomas Petri, O.P., S.T.D.; Elizabeth Ficocelli; Pamela Bernards, Ed. D.; Kevin Dowd; and Jessica Knierim. Register or learn more at owensborodiocese.org/leadership-conference/.

To have your events listed in our Bulletin Board, email information of no more than 200 words to wkc.editor@pastoral.org by the 15th of the month prior to the publishing month.

UPCOMING EVENTS



THE WILL OF GOD

ACCORDING TO ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS

DIRECTED RETREAT BY FR. LOU CAPORICCIO, C.P.M.

PASSIONIST MONASTERY, WHITESVILLE, KY

September 29—October 1, 2017

Contact Christie for Further Retreat Information & Registration

Phone: 270-302-8023

E-mail: retreats@passionistnuns.org

NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL INC

Holy Land Pilgrimage

10 Days: January 29 - February 7, 2018

hosted by

Father Eric Riley

Father Bruce Fogle

Father Tony Stevenson

\$3299/person (double-occupancy) from Nashville

(For info contact Fr.Riley@pastoral.org)

Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center

AUGUST

- 1 Evening with an Ursuline dinner & presentation: Lectio Divina**
- 4 Holy Name Faculty
- 6-11 St. Francis de Sales Youth Choir - St. Louis
- 10 Focus on Faith Book Study**
- 11-13 Yarn Spinners Retreat**
- 18-20 Retrouvaille
- 25-27 Scrapbooking Memories
- 26 Diocese of Owensboro Diaconate Program
- 26 Theatre Workshop of Owensboro

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Evening with an Ursuline dinner & presentation: Healthy Grieving**
- 8-10 MapleFest at the Mount (Craft Fair)
- 9 Diocese of Owensboro Diaconate Program
- 14 Focus on Faith Book Study**
- 18-22 Runaway Quilters
- 29-1 Gennesaret Weekend

OCTOBER

- 3 Evening with an Ursuline dinner & presentation: Great and Longing Heart**
- 7-8 Catholic Engaged Encounter
- 12 Focus on Faith Book Study**
- 14 Marian Retreat Day**
- 16-20 New Spiritual Direction Training Class**
- 20-22 Spiritual Directors Reunion Retreat
- 23-27 Quilt Guild
- 24-26 Chix with Stix
- 28 Grief Camp

Center-sponsored programs are **BOLD**. Please call to register. Also call to schedule an event. 270-229-0206

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Located 12 miles west of Owensboro on Hwy. 56



Mount Saint Joseph
Conference and Retreat Center

Office of Spiritual Life for the Diocese of Owensboro

Una Palabra del Obispo Medley

Mi estimado pueblo de Dios,

La Convocatoria de Líderes Católicos se llevó a cabo en Orlando, Florida entre 1-4 de Julio del presente año. Esta asamblea reunió a más de 3,500 líderes católicos de distintas diócesis de a través del país. Había 160 obispos y más de 300 sacerdotes entre los que estuvieron presentes. Por varios años ya se estaba en la planeación de la Convocatoria, una iniciativa de la Conferencia Episcopal Católica de los Estados Unidos.

El enfoque de los cuatro días fue uno de los primeros escritos del Papa Francisco. Evangelii Gaudium, “La Alegría del Evangelio”, dado a la Iglesia en el 2013, justo algunos meses de comenzado su pontificado. En este documento épico, el santo Padre invita a toda la Iglesia a responder al llamado de discipulado misionero. Los obispos estadounidenses creyeron que era importante que la Convocatoria fuera ofrecida por ellos mismos, como sucesores de los apóstoles actuando en unión con el Papa Francisco el sucesor de San Pedro. Mientras que la mayoría de las conferencias fueron presentadas por arzobispos Cardenales norteamericanos, la convocatoria citó a un número de sacerdotes, religiosos (as) y líderes laicos para contribuir a los variados paneles de discusión y también oportunidades de sesiones de trabajo por grupos a través de los cuatro días.

El Cardenal Donald Wuerl, el arzobispo de Washington D.C, habló de un tema que con frecuencia toca en sus escritos. Les recordó a los participantes que el ser parte de la Iglesia Católica es estar conectados con los obispos quienes actúan en caridad y unión con el Papa.

Exponente tras exponente reconocían que la Iglesia Católica en los Estados Unidos se encuentra en una encrucijada. Las estadísticas nos dicen que, ya por algunas décadas la participación activa en la vida de la iglesia ha estado en seria decadencia. Se observa que un gran porcentaje de católicos bautizados no han rechazado a la iglesia y el culto, pero simplemente se han desviado a la “no-participación”. Esto es especialmente cierto de los grupos por debajo de la edad de 40 años. Esta tendencia no es única de los Estados Unidos, sino para la mayoría del mundo occidental donde por los primeros 20 siglos de Cristianismo la Iglesia floreció y creció. Fueron los Papas San Juan Pablo II y el Papa emérito Benedicto

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CALENDARIO DEL OBISPO MEDLEY PARA AGOSTO DEL 2017:

- AGOSTO 2** 3:00 p.m. ● Misa & Recepción en Honor al Padre Miguel Clark por su Servicio como Vicario Judicial – Centro Católico McRaith
- AGOSTO 5** Picnic de Fancy Farm – Parroquia de San Jerónimo, Fancy Farm
5:00 p.m. ● Misa & Dedicación al Edificio Nuevo de la Escuela – Parroquia de San Pedro y San Pablo, Hopkinsville
- AGOSTO 6** 5:30 p.m. ● Confirmación – Santo Nombre, Henderson
- AGOSTO 7** 9:00 a.m. ● Misa con el Personal Diocesano – Centro Católico McRaith
1:30 p.m. ● Reunión del Personal Diocesano
- AGOSTO 8** Reunión del CCK y Reunión Provincial de los Obispos – Louisville
- AGOSTO 9** Reunión Provincial de los Obispos – Louisville
- AGOSTO 10** Día de Formación y Oración con el Personal Diocesano
- AGOSTO 13** 5:00 p.m. ● Celebración Diocesana de la Vida Rural – Centro de Convenciones de Owensboro
- AGOSTO 14** 11:00 a.m. ● Reunión del Consejo Sacerdotal
- AGOSTO 15** 1:30 p.m. ● Profesión Religiosa – Monasterio Pasionista, Whitesville
- AGOSTO 16** 8:30 a.m. ● Reunión del Consejo Diocesano de Finanzas – MCC
6:30 p.m. ● Sesión de Escucha por el Sínodo sobre la Juventud – Nuestra Señora de Lourdes, Owensboro
- AGOSTO 17** 8:30 a.m. ● Sesión de Escucha por el Sínodo sobre la Juventud – Escuela Preparatoria Católica de Owensboro
- AGOSTO 19** 11:00 a.m. ● Misa, Encuentro Diocesano – Catedral
5:00 p.m. ● Misa por el 60 Aniversario de la Parroquia – St. Pio X, Owensboro
- AGOSTO 20** 10:30 a.m. ● Confirmación – Capilla del Rosario, Paducah
- AGOSTO 22** 10:00 a.m. ● Sesión de Escucha por el Sínodo sobre la Juventud – Escuela Preparatoria de Santa María, Paducah
12:00 p.m. ● Reunión con los Misioneros de FOCUS de la Universidad de Murray State
- AGOSTO 23** 9:30 a.m. ● Sesión de Escucha por el Sínodo sobre la Juventud – Escuela Preparatoria de la Trinidad, Whitesville
- AGOSTO 26** 9:00 a.m. ● Misa de Apertura del Retiro de Mujeres – KY Dam Village
5:00 p.m. ● Confirmación – San Miguel, Sebree
- AGOSTO 27** 11:30 a.m. ● Confirmación – Santo Espíritu, Bowling Green
- AGOSTO 29** 11:00 a.m. ● Sesión de Escucha por el Sínodo sobre la Juventud – Universidad de Brescia

Parroquias con Misas en Español

Parroquia del Santo Redentor, Beaver Dam

Sábados – 5:00 p.m.

13th & Madison Streets, Beaver Dam, KY 42320
Contacto: Padre Juan René (270) 903-8070

Parroquia de San José, Bowling Green

Jueves – 6:30 p.m.

Sábados – 7:00 p.m.

Domingos – 12:30 p.m.

434 Church Street, Bowling Green, KY 42101
Contacto: Sra. Gina Holmes (270) 777-5925

Parroquia de San Francisco de Asis, Elkton

Domingos – 12:00 p.m.

Misa en Guthrie, KY - 6:00 p.m.

221 Allensville Street, Elkton, KY 42220

Contacto: Diácono Heriberto Rodríguez (302) 438-7335
o Roberto Cruz (270) 498-8559

Parroquia de Santa María, Franklin

Domingos – 1:30 p.m.

403 North Main Street, Franklin, KY 42134
Contacto: Padre Daniel Dillard (270) 586-4515

Parroquia del Santo Nombre de Jesús,

Henderson

Domingos – 1:00 p.m.

511 2nd Street, Henderson, KY 42420
Contacto: Abraham Brown (270) 724-2172

Parroquia de Santos Pedro y Pablo,

Hopkinsville

Domingos – 2:00 p.m. y 10:30 p.m.

Jueves – 5:30 p.m.

902 East 9th Street, Hopkinsville, KY 42240
Contacto: Padre Basilio Az Cuc (270) 885-8522 o Mayra Tirado (270) 498-6456

Parroquia San José, Leitchfield

Cada 2do y 4to Domingos de Mes 10:30 p.m.

109 West Walnut Street, Leitchfield KY 42754
Contacto: Padre Steve Hohman (270) 784-1520

Parroquia de Cristo Rey, Madisonville

Domingos – 6:00 p.m.

1600 Kingsway Drive, Madisonville, KY 42431
Contacto: Padre Juan Vaughan (270) 821-5494

Parroquia de San José, Mayfield

Domingos – 12:30 p.m.

702 West Broadway, Mayfield, KY 42066
Contacto: Hermana Eloisa Torralba (270) 356-0339

Parroquia de la Santísima Trinidad,

Morgantown

Domingos – 9:15 a.m.

766 Logansport Road, Morgantown, KY 42261

Contacto: Padre Juan René (270) 903-8070

Parroquia de San Leo, Murray

Sábados – 5:30 p.m.

401 North 12th Street, Murray, KY 42071

Contacto: Padre Eugene Batungbacal (270) 753-3876

Parroquia Santos José y Pablo, Owensboro

Domingos – 12:00 p.m. y 10:30 p.m.

609 East 4th Street, Owensboro, KY 42303

Contacto: Padre Julio Barrera (270) 683-5641

Parroquia de Santo Tomás Moro, Paducah

Domingos – 1:00 p.m.

3er. Jueves de Mes 8:30 a.m. (Capilla Hospital de Lourdes)

5645 Blandville Road, Paducah, KY 42001

Contacto: Hermana Celia Sanchez (423) 883-5757

Parroquia del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús,

Russellville

Domingos – 2:00 p.m.

296 West 6th Street, Russellville, KY 42276

Contacto: Hermana Patricia Sullivan, OP (270) 726-6963

Parroquia Cristo Rey, Scottsville

Cada Primer Martes de Mes – 7:00 p.m.

298 Bluegrass Drive, Scottsville, KY 42164

Contacto: Padre Daniel Dillard (270) 586-4515

Parroquia de San Miguel Arcangel, Sebree

Miércoles – 12:00 p.m.

Jueves – 12:00 p.m.

Domingos – 12:00 p.m. y 7:30 p.m.

57 Watkins Road, Sebree, KY 42455

Contacto: Patti Gutiérrez (270) 302-2782 o Padre Carmelo Jiménez (270) 881-7737

Ferias Parroquiales del 2017

FECHA	HORA DE SERVIR	PARROQUIA
5 Agosto	Sirviendo al mediodía	Santísimo Sacramento, Owensboro
9 Septiembre	Sirviendo a las 4 p.m.	Santísima Madre, Owensboro
16 Septiembre	Sirviendo de 4-8 p.m.	Cristo Rey, Madisonville
23 Septiembre	Comida y Rifa 2-4 p.m.	Inmaculada, Owensboro
24 Septiembre	Sirviendo al mediodía	San Leo, Murray
24 Septiembre	Sirviendo 1 p.m.	San Miguel, Sebree

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XVI quienes aplicaron la llamada de evangelización a “re-evangelización”; aquellos quienes han oído la Buena Nueva de Jesucristo pero ahora parecieran indiferentes a lo que el Evangelio pide.

Representando a nuestra diócesis conmigo estaban Kevin Kauffeld, Canciller; Martha Hagan, Vice Canciller; Joe Bland, Director de la Oficina de Evangelización y Ann Flaherty, superintendente interina de escuelas católicas. Lo que hicimos fue dividirnos a través de las sesiones por grupos para captar una experiencia lo más amplia posible.

El desafío hacia delante es presentar el urgente reto del discipulado misionero a nuestra iglesia local. Julianne Stanz, una de los miembros de la planeación de la Convocatoria estará en Owensboro el 10 de Agosto con nuestro personal diocesano para dirigir un día de estudio y diálogo: “¿Hacia dónde vamos ahora?”

El arzobispo Christophe Pierre, Nuncio Apostólico para los Estados Unidos, y representante principal del Santo Padre para nuestra Iglesia Estadounidense, cerró los cuatro días de Convocatoria recordándonos de que la Iglesia siempre y claramente encontrará su misión allí donde Jesús lo encontró - consciente del sufrimiento del pobre, el perseguido y aquellos en las periferias. Nos inspiró al asegurarnos de que Papa Francisco camina con nosotros, nos acompaña. Nos dijo. “Nuestra misión no es fácil; solo está comenzando”



Obispo William F. Medley
Diócesis de Owensboro



Joe Bland, el Obispo Medley, Martha Hagan y Ann Flaherty platican de lo que aprendieron durante la Convocatoria en los días pasados. Foto por cortesía de Kevin Kauffeld.



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¡El proceso del V Encuentro ha empezado en la Diócesis de Owensboro!

El quinto proceso de Encuentro en los Estados Unidos invita a los líderes diocesanos y parroquiales a tener un encuentro con los católicos hispanos, especialmente con los que viven en las periferias. La meta del V Encuentro es discernir maneras en que la Iglesia Católica de los Estados Unidos pueda responder, servir e involucrar mejor a los hispanos como discípulos misioneros. Póngase en contacto con su parroquia para aprender cómo el proceso del V Encuentro se está implementando al nivel local y visita vencuentro.org para aprender más sobre el proceso al nivel nacional.

Nueva oficina diocesana creada para ‘evangelizar a los ya bautizados’

POR ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, EL CATÓLICO DE KENTUCKY OCCIDENTAL

La meta general de Joe Bland por la recién formada Oficina de Evangelización en la Diócesis de Owensboro es “evangelizar a los que ya han sido bautizados y catequizados.”

Bland, quien fue nombrado el director de la Oficina de Evangelización el 15 de marzo del 2017, menciona que muchos católicos hoy en día han tenido algo de formación en la fe.

Pero, preguntó, “¿tienen una relación diaria con Jesucristo y su Iglesia a través de la oración y obras de caridad?”

Bland anteriormente fue el director de la Oficina de la Vida Familiar y sirvió en el comité directivo del Obispo William F. Medley para crear el plan pastoral diocesano, lo cual entró en vigor en 2016.

Uno de los objetivos del plan pastoral fue crear una Oficina de Evangelización, y el obispo menciona al WKC que esta oficina servirá una necesidad crucial en la Iglesia de hoy.

“En el siglo 21, mientras llegan a ser adultos, se enfrentan a una secularización singular (que les dice) que pongan su religión en un rincón y retomen de nuevo por una hora el domingo,” dijo el Obispo Medley.

En cambio, “debemos conocer a Jesucristo en su persona, y que esta persona hace una diferencia en nuestras vidas suficientemente que queremos compartirlo con otros,” dijo el obispo.

Bland dice que tiene planes de establecer rela-

ciones con todas las 78 parroquias en la Diócesis “y ayudarlos a adaptar un plan de evangelización para su parroquia.”

Esto no va a ser una estrategia igual para todos, añadió, explicando que las parroquias rurales, urbanas y suburbanas vienen con sus propios desafíos y beneficios: “Cada parroquia es distinta, así que se puede decir que hay 78 formas de hacer la evangelización en esta diócesis.”

Bland también quiere reunirse con todos los apostolados laicos en la diócesis como Cursillo y Koinonia, y también con las congregaciones religiosas.

“Estoy trabajando en planes para las escuelas católicas también,” dijo Bland, quien enseñó religión en la Escuela Preparatoria de la Trinidad en Whitesville por muchos años antes de trasladarse al nivel diocesano.

Una pregunta que quiere tratar es, “¿cómo convertimos a nuestros maestros en testigos – y no solamente de nuestros maestros de religión, pero todos los maestros?”

Bland dijo que las metas de largo plazo para la oficina serán el llegar a los Católicos que ya no vienen a la Iglesia. “Los estudios muestran que esta es la segunda mayor ‘denominación’ en los Estados Unidos. Y extender la mano a nuestros hermanos y hermanas protestantes, y los que no conocen a Cristo y ayudarlos a conocer a la Iglesia Católica.”

Bland añadió que los planes para esta nueva oficina se irán desarrollando con el tiempo.

“Esto no va a tomar forma en un año – será más como un plan de tres o de cinco años,” dijo.

El Obispo Medley dijo que tiene esperanzas que estos planes demuestren “una cultura de la fe encontrándose con la sociedad – de una forma positiva.”



Joe Bland sentado en la capilla del Centro Católico McRaith durante la misa diaria en 2016. Foto de los archivos.

Una palabra de gratitud

POR CRISTÓBAL GUTIERREZ, OFICINA DEL MINISTERIO HISPANO

La diócesis de Owensboro quiere agradecer a ambas; la Hermana Pilar Hinojosa y Hermana Esperanza Rivera (en la foto con el Obispo) por su ministerio compartido a través del área de Owensboro los pasados cuatro años.

Las hermanas pertenecen a la comunidad religiosa de las Hermanas del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús ad-Gentes con sede en México. Durante los pasados cuatro años las hermanas compartieron de su ministerio con la comunidad Hispano/Latina en la Parroquia de Santos Jose y Pablo en Owensboro. Ellas fueron pieza clave en la organización de varios retiros transformativos en Español de hombres y mujeres llamados “Cristo Renueva su Parroquia”.

Estos retiros han probado ser una experiencia maravillosa de conversión para muchos. Mientras que a la hermana Pilar se le ha encomendado una nueva misión por su superiora en México, la hermana Esperanza se convertirá en la primera coordinadora de Ministerio hispano/latino para la Parroquia de San Leo en Murray.

Por favor mantengan a ambas en sus oraciones lo mismo que a la Parroquia de Santos José y Pablo al tiempo en continúan el trabajo y discernimiento de encontrar un nuevo(a) líder y director de Ministerio Hispano/Latino.



Hermana Esperanza Rivera y Hermana Pilar Hinojosa.



Hermana Esperanza Rivera y Monseñor William F. Medley.

Sacerdote claretiano ordenado en Hopkinsville

POR ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, EL CATÓLICO DE KENTUCKY OCCIDENTAL

El 29 de junio, el Padre Byron Francisco Macías Gallegos, CMF, un misionero claretiano, fue ordenado al sacerdocio por el Obispo William F. Medley en la Parroquia de San Pedro y San Pablo en Hopkinsville.

Los Claretianos, (cuyo nombre formal es Congregación de los Misioneros Hijos del Inmaculado Corazón de María) es una congregación de sacerdotes y hermanos religiosos fundada en España por San Antonio María Claret en 1849. Los Claretianos que sirven en los Estados Unidos son ministros a la demográfica de católicos que hablan español.

El Padre Macías sirvió como ministro hispano en la parroquia en Hopkinsville hace varios años, y cómo originalmente es de Ecuador, adoptó a San Pedro y San Pablo como su hogar en los Estados Unidos. Esta fecha de ordenación fue significativa porque el 29 de junio también es la Solemnidad de San Pedro y San Pablo.

En su homilía antes del Rito de la Ordenación, el Obispo Medley dijo que aunque el misionero al punto de ser ordenado iba a tener que hacer una seria de promesas, lo que importa más es “¿Amas a Jesús? Y si es así, estarás llamado a apacentar sus corderos y cuidar de sus ovejas.”

Al final de la Misa el Padre Rosendo Urrabazo, CMF, Superior Provincial de los Claretianos de los EEUU-Canadá, compartió unas palabras de agradecimiento a todos los que ayudaron a llevar a cabo ese día, incluyendo a la comunidad parroquial de San Pedro y San Pablo, y su párroco, el Padre Ricardo Meredith.

También agradeció al Obispo Medley por estar presente y por su cálida bienvenida a la comunidad inmigrante en la Diócesis de Owensboro – y todos aplaudieron esta declaración.

“Pueden imaginar que estoy feliz que tengamos un sacerdote nuevo,” dijo el Padre Urrabazo, pero dijo que estaba más feliz todavía “porque tenemos un misionero – porque irá dondequiera.”

El Padre Urrabazo también pidió a los fieles que “recen al Señor que nos mande más cómo Byron.”

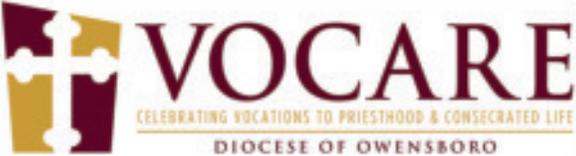
El Padre Macías celebró su Misa de Acción de Gracias (primera Misa) el siguiente día en San Pedro y San Pablo.



Acompañado por sus padres, el Diácono Byron Francisco Macías Gallegos, CMF, avanza en procesión en la Parroquia San Pedro y San Pablo en Hopkinsville al principio de la Misa de ordenación sacerdotal el 29 de junio. Foto por Elizabeth Wong Barnstead/WKC



El Obispo William F. Medley y el Padre Basilio Az Cuc, vicario parroquial de la Parroquia San Pedro y San Pablo, aplauden juntos con la congregación por el Diácono Byron Francisco Macías Gallegos, CMF, durante la Elección del Candidato, Presentación por el Provincial de los Claretianos y la Elección por el Obispo y Consentimiento del Pueblo. Es costumbre que la congregación presente en una ordenación muestra su consentimiento a través del aplauso que el hombre es digno del sacerdocio. Foto por Elizabeth Wong Barnstead/WKC.



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Las Hermanas de Glenmary anuncian nuevo liderazgo, establecen visión del futuro

POR KIM KLUEG, ESPECIAL AL CATÓLICO DE KENTUCKY OCCIDENTAL

Las Hermanas de Glenmary han servido a los pobres de Apalacha y las áreas rurales del sur de los Estados Unidos por 75 años. Las hermanas actualmente mantienen misiones en el sureste de Missouri como también en Kentucky occidental y oriental.

La Hermana Darlene Presley fue elegida como presidente de las Hermanas Misioneras de Glenmary de las Américas, Inc., mejor conocida como las Hermanas de Glenmary, durante la reunión de todas las Hermanas de Glenmary desde el 8 al 18 de mayo del 2017, en Owensboro. También elegida al consejo: Hna. Aida Badillo como primera consejera y Hna. Kathleen Mulchrone como segunda consejera. Los nuevos miembros del consejo fueron instalados durante la reunión general el 18 de mayo del 2017, en la presencia del Obispo William F. Medley.

Hna. Darlene Presley, 59, nativa de Ohio y criada en Augusta, Ga, previamente estuvo de misión en el Condado de Pemiscot, Mo. Su término como presidente se extiende hasta 2021.

Hna. Aida Badillo, 70, nativa de Puerto Rico, actualmente está de misión en los Condados de Ohio y Butler en Kentucky. Está involucrada en muchos programas con un enfoque de proveer asistencia a la comunidad hispana. Su término como primera consejera se extiende hasta 2021.

Hna. Kathleen Mulchrone, 84, nativa del Condado Mayo, Ireland, actualmente está de misión en el Condado de Menifee, Kentucky. Su término como segunda consejera se extiende hasta 2021.

Guiadas por el Padre Jaroslaw Skrzypek, JCL, VF, de la Diócesis de Springfield-Cape Girardeau, las hermanas, a través de la oración y tiempo de reflexión antes de la elección, identificaron varios asuntos claves que les gustaría abordar en los próximos cuatro años.

Hna. Presley clasificó la búsqueda de vocaciones como la prioridad más alta, “Tenemos que seguir buscando mujeres y hombres para responder al llamado a la vida religiosa, compartiendo la alegría que tenemos de servir a Dios e in-

vitando a otros a esta experiencia llena de fe.” Las Hermanas de Glenmary también están considerando proveer oportunidades para parejas católicas casadas de compartir sus talentos y dones siendo voluntarios en una misión de las Hermanas de Glenmary.

Para aprender más sobre oportunidades vocacionales o cómo usted puede apoyar a las Hermanas de Glenmary visite glenmarysisters.org o (270) 686-8401 o (800) 301-2689.



Los nuevos miembros del consejo de las Hermanas de Glenmary con el Obispo Medley, de la izquierda a la derecha: Hna. Aida Badillo, la primera consejera; Hna. Darlene Presley, presidente, Hna. Kathleen Mulchrone, segunda consejera. Foto por cortesía de las Hermanas de Glenmary.

Hechos para Más 2017 escoge a San José Sánchez del Río como su patrono



Los campistas de Hechos para Más con el Padre Jason McClure, director diocesano de vocaciones; el Obispo William F. Medley; y el Padre Emmanuel Udoh, vicario parroquial de la Parroquia Santísima Madre en Owensboro. Foto por cortesía de Corey Bruns.

El segundo campamento anual “Hechos para Más”, llevado a cabo del 25-28 de junio, reunió a 18 jóvenes de preparatoria en el Campamento Juvenil Católico y Centro de Retiros del Río Gasper en Bowling Green para aprender cómo vivir su fe católica con más valentía. Este campamento, lo cual fue patrocinado por la Oficina Diocesana de Vocaciones, se enfoca en ayudar a los jóvenes varones aprender a seguir la voluntad de Dios en sus vidas, ya sea a través del sacerdocio, la vida consagrada o la vida del matrimonio. El santo patrono del campamento este año fue el San José Sánchez del Río, quien fue canonizado por el Papa Francisco en Octubre del 2016. San José vivió durante la persecución religiosa en México en los 1920’s, donde fue martirizado a la edad de 14 años por no denunciar su fe Católica.



Los seminaristas Stephen Van Lal Than, Chris Kight and Martin Ma Na Ling juegan basquetbol con varios campistas durante Hechos para Más. Foto por cortesía de Corey Bruns.



¿Le interesa el sacerdocio o la vida religiosa?

Póngase en contacto con la Oficina de Vocaciones de la Diócesis de Owensboro a jason.mcclure@pastoral.org o llamando (270) 683-1545 (oficina) o (270) 875-2868 (celular del P. Jason).

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Blessed Mother, Owensboro

Robert & Beth Ebelhar, 25
Shelby & Mary Ann Thompson, 40
Raymond & Theresa Payne, 57
David & Martha Lashbrook, 56

Christ the King, Madisonville

Tommy & Carol Richardson, 51
David & Ellen Waters, 58

Holy Name of Jesus, Henderson

Allen & Amy Anglin, 25
Donald & Carolyn Beaven, 62
Phillip & Phyllis Blanford, 40
Virgil & Lynn Carter, 25
Thomas & Mary Duncan, 51
David & Jo Eddensohn, 54
Danny & Janie Jacobs, 53
Les & Paula Lange, 40
John & Judith McClellan, 54
Michael & Jonna Meyers, 25
Bobby & Donna Nally, 57
David & Sharon Sartore, 25
John & Linda Stroud, 40
William & Kace' Watkins, 5
Michael & Rose Marie Whitledge, 40

Holy Spirit, Bowling Green

Jesus & Gloria Navarrete, 25
James & Sylvia Weis, 61
Thomas & Margaret Cahill, 57
John & Sue Goessling, 55
William & Darlene Sims, 53
Delbert & Ellen Hayden, 53
Edward & Barbara Parker, 50

Immaculate Conception, Hawesville

Dan & Shirley Hagman, 57
Steve & Sheila Wechtenhiser, 25

Our Lady of Lourdes, Owensboro

Jody & Karen Head, 25
Jim & Michelle Kerr, 25
William & Jennifer Wilson, 25
Mark & Rose Reisz, 40
Kenneth & Johanna Boarman, 55
James & Faye Constant, 53
John & Margaret Kutsor, 55
James & Barbara Sanders, 54

Parish of the Immaculate, Owensboro

Matthew & Elizabeth Thompson, 10
Rick & Isabelle Ebelhar, 40
Steve & Lisa Sims, 40
Bill & Sue Hill, 52
Joseph A. & Rose Clark, Jr., 61

Paul & Juanita Kaelin, 61
James R. & Sharon Logsdon, 60
James E. & Sharon Murphy, 52
William J. & Hattie L. Potts, 59
Leslie & Patsy Van Meter II, 52
John & Margie Wathen, 62

Precious Blood, Owensboro

Bill & Rita Elder, 57

Resurrection, Dawson Springs

Mike & Ashley Marsili, 40

Sacred Heart, Hickman

Gerald & Mary Harris, 50
Jimmy & Pat Cooley, 57
Jimmie & Barb Blanton, 52

Sacred Heart, Russellville

Scott & Tiffany Craig, 10
Frank & Mary Jane Kondracki, 50
David & Cathy Scott, 5

Sacred Heart, Waverly

Anthony & Virginia Livers, 55

St. Agnes, Uniontown

Bobby D. & Irene Jennings, 62
Damon & Cathy Dayberry, 50
Jason & Stacey Greenwell, 10

St. Alphonsus, St. Joseph

Jerry & Nancy Simmons, 40
Charles Ray & Sarah Dant, 52

St. Ann, Morganfield

Josh & Meghan Fields, 5
David & Elizabeth Acker, 50
Fred & Bonnie Hooper, 50
Kenny & Judy Willett, 50
John & Yvonne Davis, 51
Jim & Dorothy Buckman, 60
Bud & Marylyn Ervin, 61
John & Kay McShane, 64

St. Anthony, Peonia

Jimmy & Denise Hoben, 40
Joe & Ann Reuther, 50
Norbert & Charlotte Soenneker, 40
Neil & Vada VanMeter, 53

St. Anthony the Abbot, Axtel

Paul & Patricia Alexander, 50

St. Anthony of Padua, Grand Rivers

Paul & Diane Quayle, 50
Joseph & Alice McCabe, 60
Steve & Helen Krivan, 57

St. Augustine, Grayson Springs

David & Mary Doris Simon, 58

St. Augustine, Reed

Michael & Elsie Blair, 52

St. Columba, Lewisport

Jason & Emily Bebee, 10
Paul & Ruth Madden, 56
Joe & Jeanette Taylor, 57
Bobby & Alice Fallin, 52

St. Denis, Fancy Farm

James & Carolyn Morgan, 50

St. Edward, Fulton

Ben & Joy Davis, 59

St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Clarkson

Gerald & Mary Jackey, 52

St. Francis Borgia, Sturgis

Bob & Faye Greenwell, 59

St. Francis de Sales, Paducah

Tom & Chris Barron, 40
Jason & Emily BeBee, 10
Mike & Shirley McMahan, 25
Jeffery & Jennifer Nichols, 5
William T. & Judith Hayden, 58
Eddie P. & Jane Wilson, 5
James & Frances Harbison, 54

St. Henry, Aurora

Raymond & Ann Davis, 50

St. Jerome, Fancy Farm

Grant & Claudette Mills, 50
Raymond & Carole Ballard, 60

St. John the Evangelist, Paducah

William & Heidi Ballard, 54
Derrin & Sarah Durbin, 5
Chance & Kirstin Futrell, 5
Frank & Kay Kern, 54

St. John the Evangelist, Sunfish

Danny & Glenda Kiernan, 53
St. Joseph, Bowling Green
Gustavo & Mayra Rodriguez, 5
Jose & Nora Bran, 25
Leroy & Amy White, 25
Joseph & Jennifer Murphy, 50
Wallace & Bonnie Gibson, 51
William & Marilyn Feldkamp, 52

St. Joseph, Leitchfield

Mike & Pat Boone, 58
Johnny & Lynn Pierce, 25
Ralph & Beverly Harrison, 53
Bill & Carolyn Thomason, 52

St. Joseph, Mayfield

Kenneth & Rosemary Clem, 60
St. Leo, Murray

Robert & Brenda Volp, 40
James & Ethel Cantrell, 62
Roy & Barbara Reidel, 50
Eldridge & Carolyn Haas, 60

St. Mark, Eddyville

Robert & Patricia Dybel, 50

St. Martin, Rome

Kenneth & Alice Drochter, 63

St. Mary, Franklin

Dean & Sharon Henderson, 52
John & Paula Herrmann, 50

St. Mary of the Woods, McQuady

Greg & Cathy Moore, 40
J. D. & Kelli Rothrock, 25

St. Mary Magdalene, Sorgho

Larry & Benita Riney, 62
J. L. & Joan Byrne, 53
Bill & Judi Head, 50

St. Mary of the Woods, Whitesville

Josh & Amanda Morris, 10
Lewis & Melanie Montgomery, 25
Gerald & Nancy Barr, 51
Joseph Donald & Shirley Howard, 55

St. Michael, Sebree

Robert & Susie Blanford, 54
Robert & Dorothy Taylor, Sr., 58

St. Michael the Archangel, Oak Grove

William & Janice Woosley, 52

St. Peter, Waverly

Gayle & Meredith Russelburg, 51

St. Peter of Alcantara, Stanley

Bill & Linnie Clary, 25
Joe Bill & Barbara McKay, 54

St. Paul, Leitchfield

Darren & Theresa Crawford, 25

St. Pius X, Calvert City

Bob & Bette Zilligen, 57
Joe & Marilyn Hayden, 59
Joe & Barb Cirrito, 61
Ray & Alice Lucas, 60

St. Pius X, Owensboro

David & Connie Adkins, 25
Wil & Pat Storm, 50
Al & Jane Johnson, 52
Richard & Mary Coy, 56

St. Rose of Lima, Cloverport

Robbie & Wilma Stewart, 25

Terry & Debbie Bramlett, 40

St. Romuald, Hardinsburg

Larry & Patti Mattingly, 55
Raymond & Margie Wethington, 57
Joey & Jessica Coleman, 10
Robert & Virginia Jackey, 54

St. Sebastian, Calhoun

Donald & Cindy Durbin, 51
Jerry & Earlene Aubrey, 58

St. Stephen, Cadiz

Gary & Estelle Bernot, 25
Gary & Karen McKenzie, 55
Gus & Carol Puth, 52
Anthony & Nancy Thomas, 62

St. Stephen Cathedral, Owensboro

Michael & Angela Puckett, 5
Richard & Donna Murphy, 40
Ed & Mary Riney, 50
Mike & Susan Fulkerson, 53
Richard & Mary Hagan, 56
William & June Johnson, 57
Elmo & Dora Thompson, Jr., 55
Raymond & Barbara Trogolo, 60
David & Sandra Young, 54

St. Thomas More, Paducah

Hugo & Juanita Cerda, 5
James & Claire Hunt, 5
Jose & Gabriela Hernandez, 25
John & Carrie Roach, 25
Dean & Tammy Cowell, 40
Pat & Sandy Lipford, 40
Steve & Pam Shoulta, 40
Charles & Hazel Marie Collier, 51
Dave & Kay Krueger, 52
Tony & Cecilia Toren, 54
Rich & JoAnne Miller, 56
Jack & Denise Resser, 56
Ray & Mikel Fields, 59
Bill & Carlene Dannemueller, 61

St. William, Knottsville

Jared Dane & Rachel Ramsey, 5
Kenneth E. & Pat Hamilton, 5
Charles A. & Helen Lanham, 57
Charles & Ann Roby, 51

SS. Joseph & Paul, Owensboro

Tom & Jennie Gullett, 40
J. Edward & Mary Haynes, 50
Gerald & Judy Hood, 51
John W. & Rose Roberts, 54
Paul R. & Sara Jane Johnson, 62

SS. Peter & Paul, Hopkinsville

Thomas & Melissa Larimore II, 5
Jacob & Zurivette Mulero-Ortiz, 10
James & Andrea Long, 25
Dewain & Brenda Raber, 40
Billy Wayne & Lynda Combs, 53
Paul & Patricia Kremer, 58

Calvert City youth receive SLIM awards



Colton Adrian and Elizabeth Padgett with pastor, Fr. Anthoni Ottagon, HGN. Photo courtesy of Paula Schmidt.

On Sunday, May 21, St. Pius X Parish in Calvert City honored the teens in the parish who graduated from high school, and also announced the parish's two recipients of the Servant Leader in Ministry (SLIM) award: Colton Adrian and Elizabeth Padgett.



Above: Made for More campers with Fr. Jason McClure, diocesan vocations director; Bishop William F. Medley; and Fr. Emmanuel Udoh, parochial vicar at Blessed Mother Parish in Owensboro. Photo courtesy of Corey Bruns.

Made for More 2017 chooses St. José Sanchez del Rio as patron

The second annual Made for More Camp, held June 25-28, brought 18 high school aged men to Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp and Retreat Center in Bowling Green to learn how to more boldly live their Catholic faith. This camp, which is sponsored by the diocesan Office of Vocations, focuses on helping young men learn to follow God's will in their lives, whether it be through the priesthood, consecrated life or married life. The patron saint for the camp this year was St. José Sanchez del Rio, who was canonized by Pope Francis in October 2016. St. José lived during the early 1900s religious persecution in Mexico, where he was martyred at age 14 for refusing to denounce his Catholic faith.



Christian Leadership Institute 2017 draws 17

High school students with leadership potential from across the Diocese of Owensboro went to the Mount St. Joseph Conference and Retreat Center the week of June 25-30 for the annual Christian Leadership Institute. A total of 17 incoming sophomores, juniors or seniors from Paducah, Fancy Farm, Bowling Green, Sebree and Owensboro worked in large and small groups throughout the week, said Crissy Stevenson, the leader for the week.

(Left) The blindfolded girl to the right tries to put a puzzle together, physically directed by the boy who is not allowed to speak, and given directions by the girl standing to the left who is not allowed to move. Photo courtesy of Mount St. Joseph.

New program helps 50+ adults learn to age well

BY RANNI DILLARD AND RICHARD MURPHY, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

Americans are living much longer than we did even 50 years ago. However, expectations of old age have changed little. People are not prepared mentally, emotionally, or financially for this extended longevity. An 88-year-old woman recently complained of her seemingly empty existence saying she thought she would be dead in her 60s. We need to be better prepared to take on life and live it to the fullest for our entire life.

Many of us face retirement with at least some degree of anxiety. We question what comes next. Well, we no longer need to be relegated to the rocking chair hoping the kids will stop by and give some meaning to our day. If you are 50+ years of age plan on joining us in the fall for a journey to a happier, healthier, productive long life. Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Henderson and St. Stephen Cathedral in Owensboro will soon be offering a program aimed at accomplishing this goal.

The Aging Mastery Program was developed by the Nation Council on Aging as a fun approach to living and enjoying our extra years. The program includes 10 weekly sessions that lead to improved health, stronger financial security, enhanced wellbeing, and increased connectedness to communities. Over 6,000 older Americans have completed Aging Mastery to date. They report significant improvements in social involvement, use of advanced planning, and adoption of several healthy behaviors. The core program topics include Exercise and You, Financial Fitness, Sleep, Healthy Eating and Hydration, Medication Management, Advanced Planning, Healthy Relationships,

Community Engagement, and Falls Prevention. Speakers with expertise in the 10 topics will be our speakers. Participants establish personal goals and through peer support and simple rewards develop sustainable behavior for aging well. This is the first time the program will be offered in the State of Kentucky.

Your "Golden Years" should be just that. Join us in the Aging Mastery Program as we work to add a little more glimmer to your longevity. Watch the diocesan website and bulletins for additional information and plan on participating. Holy Name Parish in Henderson will start their class on August 23 in their Parish Hall from 1- 2:30 p.m., and St. Stephen Cathedral in

Owensboro will start their class on September 12 in the church undercroft from 1:30-3 p.m. Registration is limited to 20 people in Henderson and 25 in Owensboro. There will be deadlines for registrations, so as soon as possible to get in the class please. There will be a non-refundable deposit of \$30 to register in the parishes. Participants will receive program materials and health snacks will be provided from the registration fee. Come join in; you will be glad you did. ■

Ranni Dillard is social action coordinator at Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Henderson. Richard Murphy is director of the Office of Social Concerns in the Diocese of Owensboro.

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Dear Cursillistas: Doing God's will for me

BY MARY HAGAN, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

Mark 16:15 says, "(Jesus) said to them, 'Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.'" As Cursillistas we try to follow these words of Jesus. We are to love as Jesus loved our God the Father and our neighbor. If you are trying to discern God's will for you, please read the little book of Fr. Frank S. Salmani titled "Whom Shall I Send? Discerning the Will of God." It can be ordered through natl-cursillo.org; the National Cursillo Center, P.O. Box 799, Jarrell, TX, 76537; or through my contact information below. I have been reading this powerful message of God's love, leadership and volunteering for service to God's people.

I keep handy the Worker's Prayer by Cardinal John Newman to remind me that I have a purpose on earth. Here is that prayer:

"I am created to do something or to be something for which no one else is created. I have a place in God's world which no one else has; whether I be rich or poor, despised or esteemed by man, God knows me and calls me by name.

God has created me to do Him some definite service; He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. Somehow I am necessary for His purposes...

I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons. He has not created me for nothing. I shall do good; I shall do His work. I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place, while not intending it, if I do but keep His com-

mandments.

Therefore, I will trust Him, whatever, wherever, I am, I can never be thrown away. If I am in sickness, my sickness can serve Him; if I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve Him. He does nothing in vain... He knows what He is about. He may take away my friends, He may throw me among strangers, He may make me feel desolate, make my spirits sink, hide my future from me, still He knows what He is about. "

De Colores,
Mary Hagan

Mary Hagan serves as lay director of the Diocese of Owensboro's Cursillo movement.



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Modeled after the Heart of Christ

BY COREY BRUNS, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

St. John Vianney once said, “The priesthood is the love of the Heart of Jesus.”

Over the course of the past 11 months, which I have spent on a Pastoral Year assignment at St. Stephen Cathedral in Owensboro, I have had the opportunity to see that the Heart of Jesus is truly found in His people.

Throughout the year, I have been able to engage in hands-on ministry; putting into practice, the



Fr. Jamie Dennis, parochial vicar of St. Stephen Cathedral, and seminarian Corey Bruns help at the cathedral’s summer 2017 Vacation Bible School. Photo courtesy of Corey Bruns.

skills and content which I have been learning in seminary. I have done a little bit of everything from teaching RCIA, youth group, and adult faith formation classes, to visiting the sick, training liturgical ministers, assisting with liturgical music, volunteering at the homeless shelter, teaching and organizing part of VBS, assisting at young adult gatherings, praying with families as their relatives passed away, and even once fixing a broken toilet at a funeral.

I have gotten to participate in and experience parish ministry over the course of a whole liturgical year, which has been extremely beneficial to my formation. Yes, our Lord exists in the parish office, in the classroom, and even in the fixing of the toilet, but he exists most, in the lives and experiences of His people, who over the course of this year have become my people. Throughout this year I have walked with, listened to, cried with, and laughed with folks across a variety of ages and walks of life.

The Pastoral Year experience is truly modeled after the Heart of Christ. I have had the opportunity to love and serve Christ and His people this year as I have come to know His heart better, the heart of the Good Shepherd; the heart of one who serves. I



During the Ash Wednesday 2017 noon Mass at St. Stephen Cathedral, Corey Bruns assists Bishop Medley, who blesses the ashes. File photo.

am excited to continue in my seminary formation this fall, so that one day the love which has been instilled in my heart for Christ and his people will enable me to lay down my life for them at his altar as a priest after the Heart of Jesus Christ. ■

Corey Bruns, a seminarian in the Diocese of Owensboro, will continue his studies at St. Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in Indiana this fall.

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Glenmary Sisters announce new leadership, set future vision

BY KIM KLUEG, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC



The new Glenmary Sisters council members with Bishop Medley, from left to right: Sr. Aida Badillo, first councilor; Sr. Darlene Presley, president; Sr. Kathleen Mulchrone, second councilor. Photo courtesy of the Glenmary Sisters.

The Glenmary Sisters have been serving the poor in the Appalachian and rural areas of the southern United States of America for 75 years. The sisters currently maintain Home Missions in Southeastern Missouri as well as eastern and western Kentucky.

Sr. Darlene Presley was elected president of Glenmary Home Mission Sisters of America, Inc., more commonly known as Glenmary Sisters, during a gathering of all Glenmary Sisters May 8-18, 2017, in Owensboro. Also elected to council: Sr. Aida Badillo as first councilor and Sr. Kathleen Mulchrone as second councilor. The new council members were installed during the community's Chapter Meeting on May 18, 2017, in the presence of Bishop William F. Medley.

Sr. Darlene Presley, 59, a native of Ohio and raised in Augusta, Ga., was previously missioned in Pemiscot County, Mo. Her current term as president extends until 2021.

Sr. Aida Badillo, 70, a native of Puerto Rico, is currently missioned in Ohio and Butler Counties in Kentucky. She is involved in many area programs with a focus on providing bilingual assistance for the Hispanic community. Her current term as first councilor extends until 2021.

Sr. Kathleen Mulchrone, 84, a native of County Mayo, Ireland, is currently missioned in Menifee County, Kentucky. Her current

term as second councilor extends until 2021.

Led by the Very Reverend Jaroslaw Skrzypek, JCL, VF, of the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau, the sisters, through prayer and reflection time before elections, identified several key issues they wish to address over the next four years.

Sr. Presley rated seeking out vocations the highest priority, "We must continue to seek out women and men to answer God's call to religious life, by sharing the joy we have in serving God and inviting others into this faith-filled experience." The Glenmary Sisters are also considering providing opportunities for Catholic married couples to share their talents and gifts through volunteering in a Glenmary Sisters' mission.

To learn about vocation opportunities or how you can support the Glenmary Sisters visit glenmarysisters.org or (270) 686-8401 or (800) 301-2689. ■

Kin Klueg is development director for the Glenmary Sisters.



Prayer for vocations

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, religious, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help us respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

2016-2017 Disciples Response FUND APPEAL

Bishop William F. Medley extends his gratitude to everyone that made a gift to the 2016-2017 Disciples Response Fund (DRF). The DRF raised more than \$780,000 through the generosity of more than 5,800 donors to support the ministries of the Diocese of Owensboro.

A special thank you to our pastors and pastoral administrators whose leadership made this year's DRF appeal so successful!

Parish	Total Gifts	% of Goal	Parish	Total Gifts	% of Goal
Blessed Mother, Owensboro	\$46,732	141%	St. Francis de Sales, Paducah	\$14,678	72%
Blessed Sacrament, Owensboro	\$2,450	253%	St. Francis of Assisi, Todd County	\$1,368	51%
Christ the King, Madisonville	\$18,397	158%	St. Henry, Aurora	\$7,203	307%
Christ the King, Scottsville	\$4,300	312%	St. Jerome, Fancy Farm	\$21,793	165%
Holy Cross, Providence	\$550	104%	St. John the Baptist, Fordsville	\$375	28%
Holy Guardian Angels, Irvington	\$1,950	79%	St. John the Evangelist, Paducah	\$9,929	77%
Holy Name of Jesus, Henderson	\$52,898	142%	St. John the Evangelist, Sunfish	\$880	121%
Holy Spirit, Bowling Green	\$35,440	113%	St. Joseph, Central City	\$6,823	224%
Holy Redeemer, Beaver Dam	\$4,005	165%	St. Joseph, Leitchfield	\$7,148	139%
Holy Trinity, Morgantown	\$1,981	234%	St. Joseph, Bowling Green	\$37,600	289%
Immaculate, Owensboro	\$41,088	145%	St. Joseph, Mayfield	\$12,595	115%
Immaculate Conception, Hawesville	\$7,078	178%	Sts. Joseph & Paul, Owensboro	\$28,162	125%
Immaculate Conception, Earlington	\$1,195	54%	St. Jude, Clinton	\$865	88%
Our Lady of Lourdes, Owensboro	\$30,150	111%	St. Lawrence, Philpot	\$4,927	120%
Precious Blood, Owensboro	\$8,591	84%	St. Leo, Murray	\$18,561	219%
Resurrection, Dawson Springs	\$1,280	123%	St. Mark, Eddyville	\$4,310	259%
Rosary Chapel, Paducah	\$865	36%	St. Martin, Rome	\$7,555	141%
Sacred Heart, Hickman	\$1,095	109%	St. Mary, LaCenter	\$3,360	127%
Sacred Heart, Waverly	\$4,450	167%	St. Mary Magdalene, Sorgho	\$2,805	26%
Sacred Heart, Russellville	\$10,785	248%	St. Mary of the Woods, Whitesville	\$6,873	28%
St. Agnes, Uniontown	\$8,261	107%	St. Mary, Franklin	\$7,342	210%
St. Alphonsus, St. Joseph	\$1,595	41%	St. Mary of the Woods, McQuady	\$1,925	86%
St. Ambrose, Henshaw	\$400	31%	St. Michael, Sebree	\$3,498	219%
St. Ann, Morganfield	\$6,627	48%	St. Michael the Archangel, Oak Grove	\$2,135	49%
St. Anthony, Browns Valley	\$6,585	140%	St. Paul, Princeton	\$3,510	169%
St. Anthony of Padua, Grand Rivers	\$2,300	142%	St. Paul, Leitchfield	\$4,540	132%
St. Anthony, Peonia	\$2,650	150%	St. Peter of Antioch, Waverly	\$10,745	251%
St. Anthony, Axtel	\$3,940	75%	St. Peter of Alcantara, Stanley	\$4,410	112%
St. Augustine, Grayson Springs	\$4,420	304%	Sts. Peter & Paul, Hopkinsville	\$23,558	121%
St. Augustine, Reed	\$3,517	151%	St. Pius X, Owensboro	\$15,623	96%
St. Benedict, Wax	\$1,357	107%	St. Pius X, Calvert City	\$5,771	126%
St. Charles, Livermore	\$1,705	130%	St. Romuald, Hardinsburg	\$7,227	60%
St. Charles, Bardwell	\$3,227	102%	St. Rose of Lima, Cloverport	\$1,445	36%
St. Columba, Lewisport	\$1,330	51%	St. Sebastian, Calhoun	\$4,391	144%
St. Denis, Fancy Farm	\$1,773	131%	St. Stephen Cathedral, Owensboro	\$52,963	228%
St. Edward, Fulton	\$2,529	122%	St. Stephen, Cadiz	\$12,270	321%
St. Elizabeth, Curdsville	\$2,185	125%	St. Thomas More, Paducah	\$58,151	147%
St. Elizabeth, Clarkson	\$3,025	166%	St. William, Knottsville	\$5,782	48%
St. Francis Borgia, Sturgis	\$1,000	46%	St. William, Marion	\$4,270	207%
			Newman Center, Bowling Green	\$775	62%
			Newman House, Murray	\$0	0%

Totals are as of June 22, 2017.