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## Change Of Hands In Television Ministry Heralds New Format For 'Proclaim!' Broadcast

Photos And Text  
By Bruce A. Tomaselli

When you're chowin' down, a full plate isn't always a bad thing. But, let's face it, you want to have some desert once in awhile.

"Father Chuck Bridges' plate was full and he thought it was best if he scaled down his activities to concentrate on the Sunday Mass Broadcast Ministry," explained Tony DeGol.

For many years the ubiquitous priest could be seen lugging a television camera around the eight counties of the Diocese recording newsworthy events. Although DeGol won't be carrying a camera around he will be responsible for the entire 30 minute "Proclaim!" broadcast. He will write, produce, and direct.

DeGol, the diocesan Secretary for Communications, previously produced Bishop Mark L. Bartchak's segment on the "Proclaim!" Sunday morning show televised on WWCP - TV Fox 8 channel in Johnstown. He will now, write, produce and host the entire half - hour program. The 10:30 a.m. program precedes the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass broadcast from Saint John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown.



**INTERVIEWS GUESTS:** Tony DeGol (left) host of "Proclaim!" interviews guests (left to right) Third Order Regular Franciscan Father Frank Scornaienchi and Father Brian Saylor, about upcoming changes proposed for Catholic schools in Altoona.

Father Bridges spent many years in the industry, and was a popular DJ in the Johnstown area prior to discerning his vocation to the priesthood. Currently, he is parochial vicar at the Johnstown Cathedral.

DeGol, who worked for 16 years in commercial television, said "it was a logical choice for me to take on the new responsibility." The taping of the program will move to the Public Access Channel Studios in

Altoona. "With my office here in Hollidaysburg, it didn't make sense logistically to continue to produce the show in Johnstown," DeGol added.

The public access channel already tapes and airs the Vocation Show that can be viewed at 9:00 p.m. each Sunday. It is produced by DeGol and co-hosted by Father Matthew Reese.

Father Chuck is responsible for the TV Ministry that began in 2002. He succeeded in nego-

tiating a broadcast contract with WWCP - TV, which was very difficult to accomplish in those early days. In addition, Father Chuck used his connections to gather equipment to make it all work. The Mass was broadcast by local access television in the 1980s.

The move to commercial television brought the ministry to nearly every corner of the Diocese. Father Chuck hopes to expand the Mass to satellite to

make it available throughout the country.

The format of the show has changed to a "magazine type show, and is more interview driven," says DeGol. "I invite news makers throughout the Diocese to discuss upcoming events - - so it's a little more interactive.

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**VOLLEYBALL STARS VISIT:** Kendall Pierce and Dominique Gonzalez, members of the Penn State Women's National Championship Volleyball team, visited Our Lady of Victory Catholic School, State College, to give pointers to the eighth grade in preparation for their faculty vs eighth grade volleyball match to end the week - long celebration of Catholic Schools Week in January.



**CHAMPIONS:** Teams from Hollidaysburg Catholic School were the winners of the championship games of the Altoona Parochial League's Fifth and Sixth Grade Basketball League, played Wednesday, January 22. Pictured are (left to right, top photo) First row: J.T. Johnston, Bradyn Yahner, Ben Dombrosky, Zak Dodson, Michael Boston. Second row: Kyle Ruggery, Nate Bettwy, Evan Brozenich, Ryan McLucas, Abram Mellott. Third row: Jay Ruggery and Jeff Bettwy (coaches), Brendan Shaffer, Andrew Foster, Michael Montecalvo, Jacob Foster, Ryan Negola, Reed Anthony and Jim Boston and Dennis Dombrosky (coaches). Pictured below are (left to right) First row: Alyssa Yahner, Rachel Nosek, Emily Rentz, Nicole Himes. Second row: Alayna Irvin, Jamison Consiglio, Giana Georgiana and Lisa Georgiana (coach).

**Adult Enrichment**

Series" will be held on Sunday, March 2. "The presentation will be The Courageous Heart of Irena Sendler."

**Winter/Spring Programs**

**Gallitzin:** The Carmelite Community of the Word announces the following Winter and Spring programs:  
The next "Sunday Sabbath

This is the remarkable true story of the World War II hero who rescued 2,500 Jewish children during the Nazi occupation of Poland. Donation is \$15.00. Pre - registration is required by



the previous Friday.  
"The Seven Last Words of Christ," is a Bible study of the seven short sentences uttered by Jesus. Each session will include an introductory reflection, learning from Scripture, experiencing, praying and living the words of Jesus. It will be held

Mondays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, April 7, 14 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Donation requested is \$45.00, book included.  
Pre - registration is requested by Wednesday, February 26. A non - refundable deposit of \$10.00 is requested at registration; balance due at first session.

Sessions will be held at Carmelite Community of the Word Incarnation Center, 394 Bem Rd.  
To register, get directions, or for more information, call (814) 886 - 4098.

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**ANNUAL LENTEN NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL**

**March 30 – April 4, 2014**  
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# In The Alleghenies



**TALENT SHOW:** To finish Catholic Schools Week, the students of Saint Benedict School in Carrolltown held a Talent Show. There were 25 acts that included singing, dancing, comedy and other performances. The show was held on Friday, January 31, the Feast of Saint John Bosco, the patron saint of youth.

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## Family Life

### Spiritual Tea

**Lilly:** All women and men who have experienced the loss of a spouse are invited to share together a cup of comfort, a cup of tea (or coffee if you prefer). Sponsored by the Family Life Office, this "Morning Tea" will be held on the second Wednesday of every month starting March 12 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Family Life Office, 5379 Portage Street.

This morning tea will include a time for prayer, faith comfort notes and fellowship. Widows and widowers throughout the Altoona - Johnstown Diocese are invited.

Reservations required one week before. Contact the Family Life Office at 814-886-5551 or [familylife@dioceseaj.org](mailto:familylife@dioceseaj.org).

## Higher Education

### Receives Accreditation

**Loretto:** Saint Francis University was commended for continuous commitment to improving education by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP), a national

accreditation association for allied health education programs. The group presented Saint Francis with an initial accreditation award for the university's exercise physiology program on January 16.

The committee on Accreditation for the Exercise Sciences (CoAES) and CAAHEP's site visitors performed a peer review which recognized Saint Francis University's compliance with the nationally established accreditation standards.

These standards are established by the following: CAAHEP, CoAES, American College of Sports Medicine, American Council on Exercise, American Kinesiotherapy Association, Cooper Institute, and National Academy of Sports Medicine.

The exercise physiology program at Saint Francis is built on the foundational sciences of chemistry, biology, anatomy, physics, and mathematics. Visit [francis.edu/exercise-physiology/](http://francis.edu/exercise-physiology/) for more information.

### Registration Open

**Loretto:** Adult degree & continuing studies at Saint Francis University is now accepting applications and registrations for its spring 2014 second session start. The second session includes Saturday and online

classes and begins on Saturday, March 8.

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**CHECK FOR COMPUTERS:** Bill Hiergeist, executive director of the Independent Catholic Foundation presented Joan Keller, principal of Saint Patrick School, Newry, with a check for 500.00 to be used update the tech center at the school and purchase new computers.

## President Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School



Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School, Altoona, PA, is seeking a dynamic, compassionate, and innovative leader as its President.

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## Point Of View

Sitting with my children eating dinner, one night, my husband posed the infamous question, "Okay, kids have you thought about what you are giving up for Lent?" Without a second to lose, or maybe even less, my middle son chimes in, "Yep, I am giving up my little brother!" Without a pause, punches fly, ice tea spills and laughter fills the air, a typical night in the Kanich House. "No really" I say, "what are you guys thinking about giving up for Lent, it's only a few weeks away?" Do you remember what you gave up last year?" Dead silence takes the stage, with the only exception being the spilled tea dripping ever slowly on to the kitchen floor. With knowledge that silence is a rare thing in my household, I soon realized at that very moment, my question just opened a gateway to the awkward unknown.

Why is giving things up for Lent, something so hard to do? I know for myself, I always start out on Ash Wednesday with wonderful Lenten plans, one that includes fasting from a particular food item that ranks on top of my favorite's list. In the past, I have given up chocolate (a million times), tried to give up my daily hot tea addiction (didn't go very well) and even attempted to fast from snacking between meals. Although, my heart was always in the right place in the beginning of Lent, it never failed that mid way through the season, my mind (and stomach) started to make excuses and even bartered with me, that maybe my Lenten fast



## Family Matters

By Amy Kanich  
**A Positive Lenten 'Fast'**

was not the perfect choice. Although, some Lenten fasts were held to the end, the real truth is, (more times than one) my attempts at true fasting did not go very well. If you asked me the same question, I posed to my children that night; I would have to also take the vow of silence. In truth, I do not recall what my Lenten fast was last year, and if I can't remember, this is probably a sign that it was no sacrifice at all.

With Lent being only a few weeks away, I have decided that although my flesh could use some taming (we will talk about that another time), I am going to approach fasting in a different way. For me, this year, I have decided to fast from things in my life that really impede my walk with God. Things that if not carefully bridled, can slowly take over my heart and mind, creating less than the best version of myself! This year, I am choosing to fast from attitudes of the mind and heart that love to feed on the spirit of discontent. Although, fasting from food is noble, I have decided these less than Godly attitudes are bit more important to deal with, in my life, then a small piece of chocolate or hot cup of tea. Please pray for me, for this may be my

hardest Lenten Fast, EVER!

- Fast from complaining - Even though toys on the floor are taking on a life of their own and the piles of laundry keep growing, I am choosing to fast from complaining and willfully putting on an attitude of Thankfulness. I am going to choose gratitude for the opportunity to serve my beautiful children, for which I have been blessed, and remember these messes are visual, everyday reminders of my greatest gifts from God.

- Fast from judging others - When I get frustrated with decisions or choices my teenagers make, I am going to fast from judging them, choosing to remember that covering them with forgiveness and grace, goes a lot further in teaching them about God, then parental criticism. As one of my friends, who so graciously reminds me to pray, "Help me to love them Lord at where they are, not where I think they should be!"

- Fast from discouragement - When I feel stretched between being a mother, a wife and an working mom I will fast from discouragement, choosing to remember that God has an ordination on my life and no matter how frustrated I may feel, God has it all under control.



## Another Perspective

By Monsignor Timothy P. Stein  
**Ask Me About L'Arche**

"Ask me about L'Arche."

You may recall that about a year – and – a – half ago, Dr. Carolyn Nickerson wrote a guest column with that title for The Catholic Register, explaining how a small group of interested persons was taking tentative steps to establish a L'Arche community in the Diocese of Altoona – Johnstown. Carrie invited readers to "ask me about L'Arche" as a means of increasing awareness of L'Arche and building interest in the proposed local community.

I was one of the people who asked Carrie about L'Arche, and have since had the privilege of attending a series of meetings at which those first tentative steps have become long and healthy strides towards making that dream come true.

L'Arche is an international federation of communities inspired by Jean Vanier, a French – Canadian who in 1964 invited two men with disabilities to share his home in Trosly – Breuil, France. L'Arche's international website ([www.larche.org/en/home](http://www.larche.org/en/home)) says "At the heart of L'Arche communities are relationships between people with and without intellectual disabilities. A respectful relationship between people who treat each other as of equal value provides security – allowing for growth, personal development and freedom."

Although not a specifically Catholic community, L'Arche has deep roots in the Roman Catholic tradition. Jean Vanier's parents, Georges and Pauline Vanier, were devout Catholics who witnessed to their faith in their long lives of public service. Both are now known by the title "Servant Of God" and Causes for their beatification and canonization have been opened. At the heart of L'Arche is a beautiful awareness of the power of the Paschal Mystery - - the wonderful truth that Jesus became one of us in all things but sin, so that we might live with Him forever. The Lord's willingness to live with us in all of our weakness is the very model of what L'Arche is all about.

I first learned of L'Arche, and about Jean Vanier and his parents, by chance. I read a biography of Jesuit Father Almiré Pichon, a French priest who lived from 1843 to 1919, who spent many years as a missionary in Canada. During his life in France he was the spiritual advisor of the Martin family of Lisieux - - Saint Therese of the Child Jesus and her four sisters; in Canada, he was the spiritual director of Therese de Salaberry Archer and her daughter, Pauline - - the very same Pauline who became the mother of Jean Vanier. Mary Frances Coady's life of Father Pichon, **The Hidden Way**, explains how the Little Way of Saint Therese, and the message of Jean Vanier's L'Arche communities, are really one and the same.

Coady says: "Jean Vanier's Christian vision as it moves into the twenty – first century is to extend the meaning of love into the places where weakness abides. What he discovered is it that if we open ourselves to receive from those who are weakest in our midst, they will transform us. And further: if we enter into the broken parts of ourselves, we will find life. And it's precisely there that we find the heart of Jesus, the heart of the paschal mystery." Coady continues "Jean Vanier's vision of community is a continuation of the little way; the stream of fragile human beings, bound together with a common trust in God's love, emerges in new and creative forms with each generation."

Saint Therese drew me to an interest in L'Arche. Jean Vanier's story and the story of his remarkable parents drew me in further. The people I have met working to establish L'Arche in our Diocese are drawing further into the mystery of community. I am humbled to know them.

Please, ask me about L'Arche. I have much more to say!

# A Turbulent Year That Strengthened The Papacy

By Francis X. Rocca  
Catholic News Service

**VATICAN CITY (CNS)** -- When Pope Benedict XVI announced, on Feb. 11, 2013, that he would become the first pope in nearly 600 years to resign, speculation was as varied as it was excited about the long-term consequences of his historic act. But one common line of thought held that, for better or worse, his decision might leave the papacy a less exalted and powerful office, bringing the supreme pontiff closer to the level of other bishops, clergy and faithful.

Might the presence of two



CNS Photo/L'Osservatore Romano Via Reuters

**POPES MEET AND GREET:** Retired Pope Benedict XVI greets Pope Francis at the Mater Ecclesiae monastery at the Vatican Monday, December 23, 2013.

usual practice by asking for the people's blessing before he gave them his own, and referred to himself simply as the bishop of Rome.

Was Pope Francis signaling his intention to play a less commanding role than his predecessors, demoting himself to the status of first among episcopal equals, in a move toward some sort of democratization of the church?

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## Stever Named Diocese's Chief Financial Officer

Bishop Mark L. Bartchak has announced the appointment of Matthew W. Stever as Chief Financial Officer of the Diocese of Altoona - Johnstown, effective March 1.

Stever comes to the Diocese from his position as a Vice-President at First National Trust Company, a subsidiary of First National Bank of Pennsylvania. Before joining First National Trust, he owned a real estate development and construction company. Prior to that, he worked at M&T Bank.

Stever attended Indiana University of Pennsylvania. He and his wife, Chris, are members of Saint Therese of the Child Jesus Parish in Altoona, where he teaches Religious Education.

"I am pleased to welcome Matt to the Diocese of Altoona - Johnstown," said Bishop Bartchak. "He brings to the position years of expertise in financial management, and he has also expressed a great passion for serving the Church."

Bishop Bartchak noted that Stever is especially eager to visit our parishes and schools and meet the faithful served by our Diocesan administration.



**MATTHEW W. STEVER**

"I feel blessed to have the opportunity to work with Bishop Mark and all of the Diocesan staff to do my part in advancing the mission of the Church within our area," said Stever.

Stever succeeds Larry R. Sutton, who will retire on April 1, after nearly 20 years in the post.

"As we welcome Matt, I would also like to take the opportunity to thank Larry for his two decades of service to the Diocese," the Bishop said. "I wish him and his wife many blessings in their retirement."

living popes inside the Vatican sow confusion over where governing authority actually lay, or, at least, dilute the prestige of the unique role of vicar of Christ? Might the precedent of resignation make it easier to drive a future pope from office, thus introducing a new kind of political pressure into the leadership of the church?

The background of Pope Benedict's decision added to the sense of crisis. Although the 85-year-old pope said he was stepping down due to deteriorating "strength of mind and body," it was easy to believe that a year of scandal and controversy -- over leaked correspondence documenting corruption and incompetence in the Vatican -- had helped convince him he was "no longer suited to an adequate exercise of the Petrine ministry."

From that assumption, it was a small stretch to wonder whether the demands of the 21st-century papacy -- in terms of communications, management and travel -- had grown too heavy for any man, especially one as old as most popes.

When the newly elected Pope Francis stepped out on the loggia in front of St. Peter's Basilica on the evening of March 13, 2013, his words and gestures seemed to encourage predictions of a downscaled papacy. The new pontiff broke with

## Fleming Is New Principal Of Bishop McCort



**THOMAS FLEMING**

Thomas Fleming has been named principal and chief executive officer of Bishop McCort Catholic High School, Johnstown.

The Tuesday, February 11 appointment was announced by McCort board of trustees chairman Mark Pasquerilla, who stated "Mr. Fleming brings a depth of experience and reputation that is unmatched in the greater Johnstown area. We are confident that Mr. Fleming will provide the high standard of leadership and experience that has established Bishop McCort as one of the leading institutions

of Catholic education in southwest Pennsylvania. We look forward to working with Mr. Fleming over the months and years to come and to continue Bishop McCort's great tradition of educational excellence."

Fleming recently announced his retirement as Superintendent of Schools for the Richland School District.

Previously, Fleming served as Principal and Assistant Principal at Richland High School, as well as a Department Head at the Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center. Fleming has three decades of educational experience in the Johnstown-area.

Said Fleming "I am excited to become a member of the Bishop McCort family. Bishop McCort is one of the leading centers for education in our area, and its reputation for providing the highest quality Catholic education is well-known in our area, and also across the Commonwealth and country. I look forward to working with the Board of Trustees, faculty, staff, students and families to continue this great tradition of excellence at Bishop McCort."

# In The Alleghenies

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Adult degree programs range from an associate degree in business to a bachelor's degree in accounting, computer systems management, health care management, early childhood education, and organizational leadership. Post graduate certificates are available in computer systems, management, and accounting.

Career and academic advising is also available. Interested individuals may contact [gmcconnell@francis.edu](mailto:gmcconnell@francis.edu) or at 814-472-3012.

There is still time to apply and receive acceptance for the March start date. For those who may miss the March date, summer applications are also being accepted with a start date of May or July.

Visit [francis.edu/adult-degree-and-continuing-studies](http://francis.edu/adult-degree-and-continuing-studies) for more information about adult degree & continuing studies programs at Saint Francis.

## Hahn To Speak

**Loretto:** Dr. Scott Hahn - Biblical theologian, Catholic convert, author, national speaker, and professor - will pres-

ent at Saint Francis University on Thursday, April 10. His talk entitled "Consuming the Word: The Bible, the Eucharist and the New Evangelization" will take place from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the John F. Kennedy Center auditorium. The event is free and is open to the public.

His talk about the New Evangelization will call on Catholics to deepen their faith, believe in the Gospel, and proclaim the Gospel. He will also speak about how the New Evangelization is an invite for Catholics to renew their relationship with Jesus and his Church.

A popular speaker and teacher, Dr. Hahn has delivered thousands of talks and academic lectures, nationally and internationally, on a wide range of topics related to scripture, theology and the Catholic faith. Many of these presentations have been recorded and distributed by Catholic Lighthouse, The Saint Paul Center for Biblical Theology, and Saint Joseph Communications. He has appeared on television programs on the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN), where he has been a regular host and presenter. Dr. Hahn is the author or editor of more than forty books.



**RETREAT:** Twenty-seven Catholic women and girls February 7 - 9, in a weekend of prayer and spiritual enrichment at the Sacred Heart Sisters Formation House, Munster Township, Portage. The weekend included prayer, conferences, activities and sharing, adoration, Holy Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, led by diocesan and Third Order Regular Franciscan priests and the Sister Servants of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

In addition to speaking engagements and authoring books, he is a professor at the Franciscan University in Steubenville, where he has taught since 1990. In 2012, Franciscan University awarded him the Fr. Michael Scanlan Chair of Biblical Theology and the New Evangelization at the Franciscan University of Steubenville.

In 2005, he was awarded the Pope Benedict XVI Chair of

Biblical Theology and Liturgical Proclamation at Saint Vincent Seminary in Latrobe. In 2002, he was awarded Pio Cardinal Laghi Chair of Catholic Theology at the Pontifical Seminary Josephinum in Columbus OH. Dr. Hahn is the also founder and president of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology.

## Parishes

### Saint Patrick Day Race

**Newry:** Saint Patrick Parish will hold its Third Annual 5K Run, 5K Race - Walk, One - Mile Fun Walk or Children's "Limerick to Dublin" Dash on Saint Patrick's Day, Monday, March 17.

Businesses are invited to sponsor this event and have their business name/logo imprinted on the back of the t-shirt. For more information about race events, sponsorship and/or to receive an application form or contest flier, please email: [stpatrikdayrace@verizon.net](mailto:stpatrikdayrace@verizon.net) or call Doug and Marge Bradley at 814-696-9304.

Photos and race results of the 2012 and 2013 races, as well as an application for this year's event, route map and sponsor contract are also available on

this Facebook page: <http://tinyurl.com/stpatracenewry>.

## People

### Longest - Married Couple

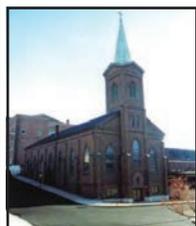
**Ligonier:** A Ligonier couple with roots in the Altoona - Johnstown Diocese have been honored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter as the longest - married couple in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Alton and Elsie Lehman, 97 - years - old and 93 - years - old, respectively, were honored Wednesday, February 12 for their 76 years of married life.

Elsie is a native of Saint Michael and Alton a native of Windber. They married in Saint Michael on September 8, 1937. They made their home in Geistown and raised six children. The couple has 20 grandchildren, 45 great - grandchildren and three great - great - grandchildren. They were nominated for the honor by their granddaughter, Michelle Parrish.

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In the heart of "Dutch Hill,"  
a Lenten tradition continues . . .



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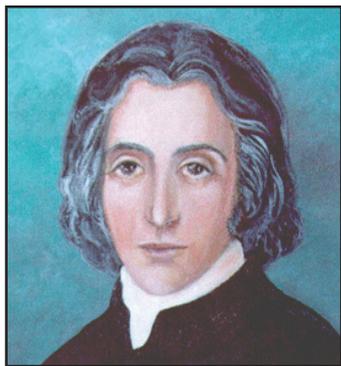
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## A Prince In The Service Of The Great King

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# Popular Devotion Is Key Factor In Sainthood Process

By Cindy Wooden  
Catholic News Service

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- The sainthood process is long and technically complicated, and ultimately requires the approval of the pope, but the whole procedure is driven by Catholics in

the pews and, especially, those on their knees.

The Congregation for Saints' Causes and the official promoters of causes -- known as postulators -- do the paperwork, but if there is no evidence of widespread devotion to a candidate, no visits to the person's grave, no reports of favors and even miracles received through

the potential saint's intercession, the cause just sits there. Even for centuries.

Jesuit Father Marc Lindeijer, assistant postulator of sainthood causes for his order, says he has no problem waiting.

On the contrary, as far as the Dutch priest is concerned, the more time passes, the more certain the church can be of the lasting importance of a candidate's witness.

"I think the process has to be long and complicated," he said. The solemn declaration that a specific person is in heaven with God and is worthy of global Catholic devotion "has to be treated with care."

"It's not as if the Vatican is asking for a canonization, it's the people," he said. Nothing happens without grass-roots pressure at the start.

That helps explain why members of religious orders occupy most of the places on the church's calendar of saints, and why lay saints are so few.

"One could say a religious order is a mightier lobby for a cause," encouraging its members and the people they serve to pray to the habited holy one and report back any favors received, Father Lindeijer said.

Generally for canonization, the church requires a demonstration that the popular devotion to a candidate has extended over a long period of time. Canonization, Father Lindeijer said, "is not a stamp of approval" for how someone lived his or her life, but is a way for the church to hold that person up as an example for today's Catholics and

the Catholics of tomorrow

For example, the Diocese of Macerata, Italy, recently concluded the preliminary phase of the cause of its native son Jesuit Father Matteo Ricci, the 16th-century missionary to China. The cause also has received strong support from Chinese bishops, Father Lindeijer said.

However, he worries that outside of Macerata and China, Father Ricci is admired for his scholarship and culturally sensitive approach to missionary work, but not necessarily venerated as holy. To promote his cause successfully, Father Lindeijer will need to answer the question: "Are people praying to Matteo Ricci?"

"Massive popular devotion" is even more important than verified miracles in deciding whether or not to canonize someone, Father Lindeijer said. When "the cult is clear and many people receive many graces praying to them," the pope can waive the requirement of a miracle attributed to the candidate's intercession.

For instance, Pope Francis will canonize Blessed John XXIII April 27 even though there is no papal decree recognizing a specific miracle; he is

expected to do the same later this year with Blessed Jose Anchieta, a late 16th-century missionary to Brazil, and Blesseds Marie de l'Incarnation and Francois de Laval, who were missionaries in Canada in the 1600s.

Father Lindeijer said he considers setting aside the miracle requirement a less serious exception than shortening the waiting period after a candidate's death.

The 1917 Code of Canon Law stipulated that a sainthood cause could not open until 50 years after the candidate's death. Pope John Paul shortened the period to five years, but set even that aside for Mother Teresa. A month after Pope John Paul's death, Pope Benedict XVI announced he had set aside the waiting period for his predecessor's cause.

"I've never believed in 'santo subito,'" Father Lindeijer said, referring to the calls for Pope John Paul's canonization immediately after his death.

"Fame comes and goes, and fame of sanctity, as Pope Benedict rightly said, is something that should be growing," he said. "When that phenomenon can be proven, it shows that the Holy Spirit is at work."

## Prayer For Father Gallitzin's Intercession

O God, light of the faithful and shepherd of souls, who sent Servant of God Demetrius Gallitzin to serve God's people in the Allegheny Mountains, feeding your sheep by his words and forming them by his example, pour out your Spirit to sow seeds of truth in people's hearts and to awaken in them obedience to the faith.

May the Gospel continue to be preached and the Sacraments bring power and grace to the faithful. By the example of this man of faith, Demetrius Gallitzin, may your people advance in the path of salvation and love.

Confident of your faithfulness to us, we humbly ask you, our God, to grant us the favor of (name your intention).

May Christ's saving work continue to the end of the ages, and may we feel a more urgent call to work for the salvation of every creature. We pray this, as did your priest Demetrius Gallitzin, through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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# Word of Life



## The Pope Teaches

By Pope Francis  
A Message For Lent

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Courageously follow Jesus in seeking out the poor and sinners, and in making difficult sacrifices in order to help and heal others, Pope Francis said.

Christians are called to confront the material, spiritual and moral destitution of "our brothers and sisters, to touch it, to make it our own and to take practical steps to alleviate it," the pope said in his first message for Lent, which begins March 5 for Latin-rite Catholics.

Saving the world will not come about "with the right kind of human resources" and token alms, but only "through the poverty of Christ," who emptied himself of the worldly and made the world rich with God's love and mercy, he said.

Released by the Vatican Feb. 4, the text of the pope's message focused on the theme of Christ's poverty, with the title: "He became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich," which is from a verse from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians.

Pope Francis said he chose the passage to explore what St. Paul's references to poverty and charity mean for Christians today.

There are many forms of poverty, he said, like the material destitution that disfigures the face of humanity and the moral destitution of being a slave to vice and sin.

But "there is only one real kind of poverty: not living as children of God and brothers and sisters of Christ," he said.

People experiencing the spiritual destitution of believing they don't need God and can make it on their own "are headed for a fall," the pope wrote. "God alone can truly save and free us."

"The Gospel is the real antidote to spiritual destitution," he said, and the greatest treasure of all is "boundless confidence in God" and the desire to always do his will.

All Christians are called "to proclaim the liberating news that forgiveness for sins committed is possible, that God is greater than our sinfulness, that he freely loves us at all times and that we were made for communion and eternal life."

Spreading the joy of the Gospel, consoling broken hearts and offering real hope means "following and imitating Jesus, who sought out the poor and sinners," and by opening up "new paths of evangelization and human promotion" with courage, he said.

By loving and serving the poor, we love and serve Christ," he said, but such service also entails conversion.

"When power, luxury and money become idols, they take priority over the need for a fair distribution of wealth. Our consciences thus need to be converted to justice, equality, simplicity and sharing," he said.

While Lent is a time for "self-denial," don't forget that real sacrifice and poverty have a "dimension of penance" and pain, he said. "I distrust a charity that costs nothing and does not hurt," he said.



**ONE MORE TIME:** Pictured is the 1936 Silver Jubilee celebration of Benedictine Father Herbert Buettner, pastor of Saint Joseph Parish, Johnstown. Father Herbert, a monk of Saint Vincent Archabbey, Latrobe, was ordained a priest July 1, 1911. He was parochial vicar of the Johnstown parish from 1920 - 1925, and returned as pastor in 1934, succeeding Benedictine Father Wilfrid Frins.

I was sitting around a table with other widowers and widows when a phrase from my early parenting days popped into my head.

During these support groups, it's not unusual to talk about the guilt a person feels. It comes out in questions such as: Why did I do that as her caregiver? Why didn't I do this? Why did I say this to him the last time I saw him on the day he died suddenly and unexpectedly? Why didn't I say that? Why didn't I tell him just one more time how much ...?

The phrase that came to mind was: "The time machine is broken."

That's what my late wife Monica and I used to say to our kids when they were going on and on about something that had happened. A sibling did this to him. A classmate did that to her. There was a missed recess or extra homework assignment because one student broke a class rule. It went on and on. Whatever it was, it was an outrage.

I hope Monica and I were patient when we pointed out that there's no going back to change or fix things. Needless to say, none of our three ever answered, "Oh, thank you so much for pointing that out. I feel all better now."

Humans want to change things, to fix them. We want to climb into a machine and get a do-over, and not just for big



## Your Family

By Bill Dodds  
Mistakes, Regrets, Grief  
And Time Travel

**Truth be told, some of life's harshest, unchanging realities can lead us to good changes, too. That also comes up during a grief support group . . . The wisest will say, 'I still think about what I wish I could have done differently, but I'm starting to remember more of what the two of us did right. What we had. It was so good. And I'm starting to realize that's why, for now, I feel so bad. This grief is awful. That love was worth it.'**

things, but for little things that at the time seem like big things.

Why did I pick that paint color for the kitchen? Why did I buy my new computer last week when this week a much better one is on sale? Why didn't I stay in school and get that degree? Why did I switch jobs? Why did I move here? Why did I wait so long to retire?

But, of course, in life, some things can be changed. You can repaint the kitchen, get an even better computer or finish that degree online. Some things, while not "fixed," can be adjusted. We may even start to see the pluses of a new job or location.

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can lead us to good changes, too. That also comes up during a grief support group.

Some say, "I'm working at taking better care of my own health."

Others say, "I hug my kids and grandkids all the time now and tell them I love them and I don't care if they feel a little embarrassed by that."

The wisest will say, "I still think about what I wish I could have done differently, but I'm starting to remember more of what the two of us did right. What we had. It was so good. And I'm starting to realize that's why, for now, I feel so bad. This grief is awful. That love was worth it."



## Question Corner

By Father Kenneth Doyle  
How Many Godparents?

**Q.** My son's girlfriend of two years has been attending Mass with us on a regular basis. She is now enrolled in weekly instructional classes and is scheduled to be baptized in a few weeks as a Catholic.

She had asked a couple who are longtime family friends to be her godparents, but neither one of them is a Catholic. She understands now that she will need a practicing Catholic as her official "sponsor," but was told that only two godparents can sign her baptismal certificate and feels awkward about telling the couple that one of them cannot sign. What should she do? (Missouri.)

**A.** First, we should be clear on the rule that governs such a situation. But we could also consider whether, while still following the rule, some accommodation might be made out of pastoral sensitivity.

The rule is clear: In the church's Code of Canon Law, No. 873 states that "there is to

be only one male sponsor or one female sponsor or one of each."

The next section, No. 874, goes on to explain that a sponsor must be a baptized Catholic, at least 16 years of age, who has received the sacraments of Eucharist and confirmation and who is living a life in conformity with the church's teaching. It also says that a baptized non-Catholic may participate in the ceremony together with a Catholic sponsor, but as a "witness" to the baptism rather than a sponsor.

The reason for requiring that a sponsor be a practicing Catholic is that the sponsor takes on the responsibility of assisting the baptized person's continued growth in the Catholic faith.

So, in the situation you present, the Catholic party would be the sponsor and one member of the non-Catholic couple could be the official "witness."

But here is my suggestion. In some cultures (Filipino is the one I'm most familiar with), it is customary for several close fam-

ily friends to stand with the child at the christening, in addition to the two official "sponsors."

They do this as advocates for the child, endorsing his or her entrance into the church and pledging to support the person's development in the Christian faith. So why not do that with this couple?

Assuming that they are baptized non-Catholics, why not have them both stand with the young woman at her baptism, endorsing her choice, along with the Catholic "sponsor"?

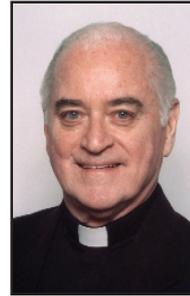
The couple could decide for themselves which of them will be the official "witness." That name will go on the certificate and in the parish's baptismal register, but they both will understand that they have played a key role in the young woman's ceremony and in her choice.

**Q.** My 54-year-old son, who was in a Catholic marriage for 27 years and has two adult children, recently divorced his wife and married a twice-divorced woman who worked with him. I am having trouble accepting this woman into our family, as my sympathy lies with his first wife who was blindsided by the divorce.

How can I overcome this disdain for the second wife, and do I have to accept her? (I keep communication open with my son, hoping he will come to his senses.) (City of origin withheld)

**A.** It depends on what you mean by "accept her." Do you have to welcome your son's situation with enthusiasm? Of course not. But what you might do is to try to manage your disdain and to treat your son and his new wife in a civil manner, being decent and even kind, and certainly not exclude them from family gatherings.

You might have a heart-to-heart with your son, telling him honestly of the discomfort you feel with his decision, of your continuing sympathy for his former wife and of your disappointment at his having neglected the guidance of the church in which he was raised -- all of this while assuring him of your lasting love for him.



## Spirituality For Today

By Father John Catoir  
A Story Of Four Deacons

Our permanent deacons come from all walks of life, and they all have fascinating histories. Recently, I learned a lot from talking to four of them from the Diocese of Paterson, N.J.

One is Michael Allgaier, who grew up on a farm in Missouri.

"When things got tough, my mother said, 'Offer it all up to God.' My Catholic faith came from my parents," he said. "However, I gradually fell away from the church in college."

His wife inspired him to return to the faith.

"Thanks to her, I made my way back. We had two children and got involved in church activities," he said. "Then one day, I heard a call for volunteers from the pulpit."

He answered the call by teaching catechism classes, umpiring Little League Baseball and coordinating Boy Scouts activities. In 2005, he was ordained a deacon.

Another deacon -- Joseph Richardson -- was raised in the Baptist church and became a Catholic in his freshman year of college.

"The result: My family disowned me," he said. "Sometime after that, I fell in love. She talked about going into religious life, but we were in love. I turned down a regular Army commission because of her. Then, to my surprise, she joined the convent."

He thought about becoming a missionary or a priest, but then he met another woman who became his wife. After having children and eventually grandchildren, he began thinking about how else he could serve.

"For me, becoming a deacon was a process that took many years, and I've enjoyed every minute of it," he said.

For Tom Harenchar, the journey was different. In May 1991, his brother was diagnosed with an incurable bone disease.

As a result of accompanying his brother during the difficult journey, "I did a lot of soul-searching about what was most important in life," he said. "As a result, my spiritual life took a giant leap forward. I begin attending early Mass on weekdays before going to work. After my brother died, we moved from Texas to New Jersey."

After the move and following volunteer work at his parish, his wife posed the question: "Do you think you'd make a good deacon?"

"Although I wasn't totally sure about my vocation at the time, I was willing to test the discernment process," he said. "Gradually I started to feel more comfortable with the idea of becoming a deacon."

Eight years have passed since his ordination.

Anthony "Sunny" Curcio said his journey started when he was 15, while helping the janitor at his church and being around the priests and other religious people. But after he got his driver's license, he drifted away from the church.

Like many others, marriage brought him back to the faith. One day, a priest asked him and his wife if they'd like to volunteer as extraordinary ministers of holy Communion.

"We were delighted," he said.

Then his parish priest asked whether he'd consider entering the program for permanent deacons.

"At first I declined. I had three children, and my own business, which took nearly all my time," he said.

Years went by, and one day "I was driving home (and) it hit me: If I didn't act now, the time would never be right," he said.

He called his priest and now has been ordained a deacon for almost 14 years, "and what a blessing it has been," he said. "Not once have I ever regretted saying 'yes.' I'm humbled that the Lord called me."

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Daniel was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Blois, France, in 1899, then taught school for three years. But the foreign missions beckoned. He joined the Congregation of the Holy Spirit and served eight years in West Africa. For health reasons he returned to France, where he raised money for a new cathedral in Dakar, Senegal. During World War I he volunteered as a chaplain and spent 52 months at the front without being wounded. From 1923 until the end of his life, he helped restore and run an orphanage in a Paris suburb. He was beatified in 1984, and is the patron of orphans and abandoned children. Daniel ministered always under the protection of St. Therese of Lisieux.

# In The Alleghenies

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The award was presented to the Lehmans by Rick and Evie Wess of New Germany, local representatives of World Wide Marriage Encounter.

World Wide Marriage Encounter of Western Pennsylvania provides a faith-based marriage enrichment experience to couples in the Dioceses of Altoona - Johnstown, Erie, Greensburg and Pittsburgh. Couples of all faith expressions are welcome to take part.

## Prayer

### Miraculous Medal Novena

**Cresson:** Saint Aloysius Parish will hold its annual Novena in honor Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, beginning

Saturday, March 29 and ending on Friday, April 4.

Directing the novena will be Father Joseph E. Sioli, pastor of Saint Louise deMarillac Parish in the Diocese of Pittsburgh.

The opening Mass of the novena will be celebrated at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 29. Masses on Sunday, March 30, will be celebrated at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. with novena prayers, homily and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 7:00 p.m. Confessions will be heard following all services.

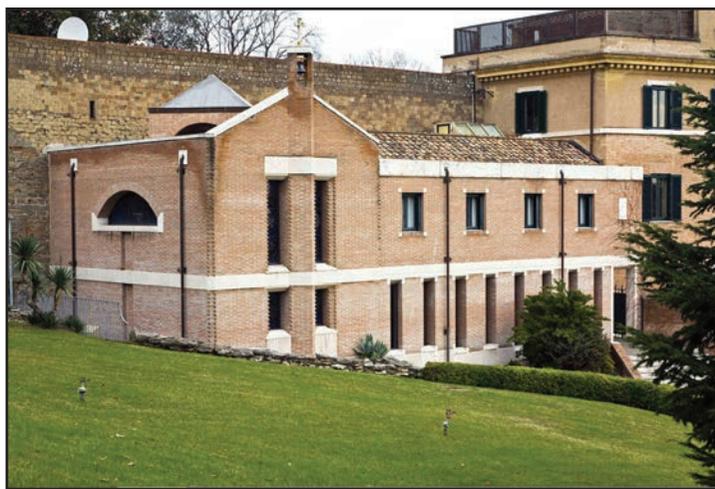
From Monday, March 31 until Friday, April 4, novena Mass with homily and prayers will be celebrated daily at 7:00 p.m. The novena prayers will also be recited at the daily 8:00 a.m. Mass, Monday through Friday.

All day adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held every day of the novena, Sunday through Friday; Confessions will be heard each evening, Monday through Friday at 6:00 p.m.

The Legion of Mary will be selling religious goods following all evening services.

The Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal is celebrated each year, during Lent, at Saint Aloysius Parish. Those unable to attend are invited to send their petitions to the parish.

Father John D. Byrnes is the pastor of Saint Aloysius Parish, and invites all to attend.



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**BENEDICT'S HOME:** The Mater Ecclesiae Monastery in the Vatican has been the home of Pope - Emeritus Benedict XVI since his retirement from the papacy.

## Pope - Emeritus Not Living Cloistered Life In Renovated Monastery

By Cindy Wooden  
Catholic News Service

**VATICAN CITY (CNS)** -- In retirement, Pope Benedict XVI follows a daily schedule similar to that of any retired bishop or religious: He prays, reads, strolls, talks with people and offers them spiritual advice, the Vatican spokesman said.

Although he "lives in a low-key way, without public attention, that does not mean he's isolated or enclosed in a strict cloister," Jesuit Father Federico Lombardi told Vatican Radio.

Marking the one-year anniversary of Pope Benedict's resignation Feb. 11, Father Lombardi and Archbishop Georg Ganswein, the retired pope's longtime personal secretary, spoke about the very normal daily life of a man who is in the unusual position of being a retired pope.

Archbishop Ganswein, who continues as Pope Benedict's personal secretary while also serving Pope Francis as prefect of the papal household, summarized the retired pope's day as filled "with prayer most of all, with study, with personal correspondence and visits."



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**PRAYING:** Pope Francis prays with retired Pope Benedict XVI during a visit to the Mater Ecclesiae monastery at the Vatican Monday, December 23, 2013. The monastery, located in the Vatican Gardens to the north of Saint Peter's Basilica, is where the retired Pope is living.

"The day begins with Mass, then with the breviary, followed by breakfast," he told **Famiglia Cristiana**, a Catholic magazine. "The morning usually is dedicated to prayer and study, to the mail and to receiving guests."

Archbishop Ganswein and the consecrated laywomen who assist the retired pope join him

for lunch at 1:30, and a nap always follows, he said. Pope Benedict spends the afternoon dealing with his correspondence and listening to music until 4 p.m., when he and the archbishop recite the rosary while walking in the garden behind the former Vatican convent where he lives. They eat dinner at 7:30 and watch the evening news at 8.

Archbishop Ganswein said Pope Benedict had told him he was retiring long before the Feb. 11 announcement, but under the strictest secrecy. "Instinctively, I said, 'No, Holy Father, it's not possible,' but I realized immediately that he wasn't communicating something he wanted to discuss, but a decision already made."

The archbishop said the "VatiLeaks" scandal, which saw the publication of confidential papal correspondence and internal Vatican documents, "did not cause or even influence the resignation."

"The pope did not flee a responsibility, but was courageous" enough to realize he no longer had the strength to carry out the papal ministry, he said.

Archbishop Ganswein also confirmed that Pope Francis and Pope Benedict speak frequently on the telephone and have done so since the evening Pope Francis was elected.

"I was in the Sistine Chapel to greet the new pope and promise him obedience," the archbishop said. "Immediately, Pope Francis asked me about Pope Benedict and said he wanted to call him. I dialed the number and handed him the telephone."

Father Lombardi said the pope and the retired pontiff have shown the world that there was nothing to fear with having Pope Benedict live in the Vatican while a new pope reigned. "The fact is that the papacy is a service and not a power," he said. Pope Benedict "fulfilled his service before God and in good conscience passed the witness of this service to another."

As for Pope Benedict's daily routine, Father Lombardi said it is that of "an elderly religious." He said the retired pope's guests come for conversation, for dialogue and "ask his advice and spiritual support."



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# Year Saw Renewed Papacy

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The prospect of a weakened papacy may have seemed plausible in the wake of Pope Benedict's announcement, but over the subsequent year, the world has watched his successor assert his leadership in ways that have made the office only stronger.

With his informal charisma, plain speaking and spontaneous style, Pope Francis quickly garnered colossal popularity, whether measured by record turnouts at papal events or by the intensive and almost entirely favorable coverage by secular media.

Within the Vatican, the pope has not hesitated to replace officials in key positions and launch a process leading to a major overhaul of the church's central administration, the Roman Curia.

While Pope Francis has stressed the importance of collegiality, or consultation with his brother bishops, his institutional application of that principle has so far taken the form of the Council of Cardinals, an eight-member panel he named to advise him on reform of the Vatican bureaucracy and governance of the universal church.

By streamlining the process through which recommendations from bishops reach the pope, the council has only made it easier for him to make executive decisions in his own name, such as the establishment of a special commission on sex abuse, which he approved in December less than a day after hearing the proposal.

Pope Francis has spoken of the importance of the Synod of Bishops, but his most eloquent statement on its role may be his apostolic exhortation "Evangelii Gaudium," published in November in response to the October 2012 synod on the new evangelization. Previous popes have typically based such documents on a draft by synod officials, which synthesized recommendations by bishops at the gathering. Pope Francis scrapped the draft provided to him and wrote his own document, in his dis-

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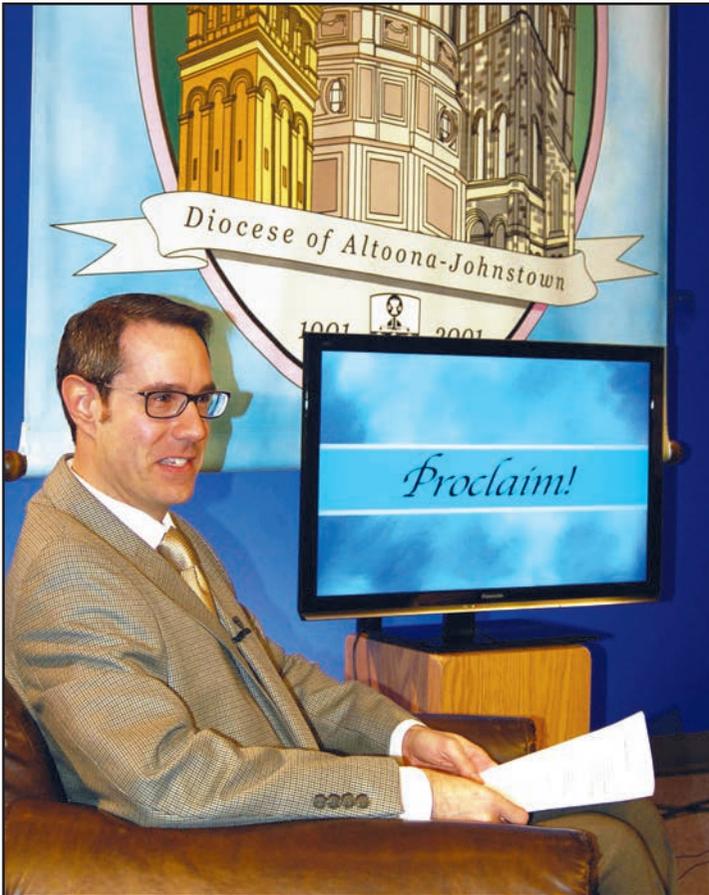
inctive voice and focusing on his particular concerns.

Even the presence of the retired pope, living quietly in his successor's shadow within the Vatican walls, has proven not a hindrance to Pope Francis but instead a major asset. Pope Francis has told reporters that he consults with his predecessor as he would with a "wise grandfather."

No less importantly from the point of view of the faithful, the two men's affectionate relationship has reinforced a sense

of fundamental continuity between their pontificates, despite their striking stylistic differences when it comes to evangelization and celebration of the liturgy. Such reassurance is invaluable, given the pope's essential role in preserving church unity.

For all of Pope Francis' virtues as a leader, the strength of the office he holds today ultimately owes even more to his predecessor, who affirmed its importance in the very act of resigning. No words or gestures could have demonstrated more powerfully that the pope is not a mere figurehead, but truly the leader of 1.2 billion people around the world, than Pope Benedict's admission that a stronger man was needed to fill the role.



**IN THE PRODUCER'S SEAT:** "Proclaim!" producer and host Tony DeGol has taken the reins of the popular 30 - minute news program, now being taped in Altoona, after Father Chuck Bridges decided to scale back his involvement in the television ministry.

## DeGol Takes The Reins Of Retooled 'Proclaim!'

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"It's doing well and people seem to like the new format. And, of course, I enjoy doing the show," DeGol added.

He said that Bishop Mark is very committed to Television Ministry and helping it thrive. The Bishop says he has heard a lot of positive comments about the show in his travels throughout the Diocese.

The Televised Mass is very important to Beatrice Coffee of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish in Portage. "The Mass and Proclaim really are an asset for the elderly and shut-ins," she said. "When you are older, and the streets and sidewalks are snow covered and icy, there is a real physical danger in falling. Being able to watch the Mass at home when the weather is bad is a real comfort."

"TV Ministry is very im-

portant to our Diocese," DeGol strongly emphasized. "Between 'Proclaim!' and **The Catholic Register**, I feel the information process serves to unify the Diocese."

DeGol explained that TV Ministry is not standard in every Diocese, and Bishops from around the country really admire the work being done here.

"I personally would like to thank Father Chuck, and Dino Tessari, a retired television executive from WJAC - TV Channel 6 in Johnstown. As a team they have both devoted countless hours to TV Ministry. Dino has devoted most of his retirement to Proclaim and the Sunday Mass," DeGol said with admiration.

"Proclaim, followed by the live Mass, I believe, provides a very valuable service to the faith community of Altoona - Johnstown," said DeGol.

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# Pope Francis To Engaged Couples: After 'I Do' Comes 'May I?, Thank You, I'm Sorry'

By Carol Glatz  
Catholic News Service

**VATICAN CITY (CNS)** -- Greeting thousands of engaged couples on the feast of St. Valentine, Pope Francis told them not to be afraid of building a permanent and loving relationship in a culture where everything is disposable and fleeting.

The secrets to a loving and lasting union, he said, include treating each other with respect, kindness and gratitude, and never letting daily struggles and squabbles sabotage making peace and saying, "I'm sorry."

"The perfect family doesn't exist, nor is there a perfect husband or a perfect wife, and let's not talk about the perfect mother-in-law!" he said to laughter and applause.

"It's just us sinners," he said. But "if we learn to say we're sorry and ask forgiveness, the marriage will last."

After a week of heavy rains, bright sunshine warmed St. Peter's Square and the 30,000 people who gathered for an audience Feb. 14 dedicated to couples completing their marriage preparation courses and planning to be married in the church this year.

The initiative, "The Joy of 'Yes' Forever," was organized by the Pontifical Council for the Family. The council president, Italian Archbishop Vincenzo Paglia, is a former bishop of Terni and successor to St. Valentine -- the third-century martyred bishop of Terni.

The archbishop told the pope that the young couples in the square were evidence of how many people do want to "go against the tide" by having a love that lasts forever and is blessed by God.

Engaged couples attending the audience received a small white pillow with Pope Francis' signature and his papal crest; the cushion has two satin ribbons for securing wedding rings during the marriage ceremony.

Three of the couples shared with the pope their thoughts and concerns about living a Christian marriage and asked for his advice.

While the pope confessed he had the questions in advance and wrote out his answers, that didn't stop him from straying from the text to give further emphasis and examples.

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A healthy family life, he said, absolutely requires frequent use of three phrases: "May I? Thank you, and I'm sorry."

People need to be more attentive to how they treat each other, he said. They must trade in their heavy "mountain boots" for greater delicacy when walking into someone else's life.

Love isn't tough or aggressive, he said, it's courteous and kind, and in a world that is "often violent and aggressive, we need much more courtesy."

Couples also need the strength to recognize when they've done wrong and ask forgiveness. The "instinct" to accuse someone else "is at the heart of so many disasters," starting with Adam, who ate the forbidden fruit. When God asked him if he did it, the pope said, Adam immediately passes the blame saying, "Uh, no, it was that one over there who gave it to me!" Accusing the other to get out of saying "I'm sorry" and "Pardon me."



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**BE MY VALENTINE:** A woman holds flowers and chocolates during an audience for engaged couples in Saint Peter's Square at the Vatican Friday, February 14, Valentine's Day. The woman threw the flowers and chocolates to Pope Francis who caught them as he was arriving for the audience.



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Obviously, couples will make mistakes and fight, but "never, never, never end the day without making peace," the pope said.

An eloquent speech isn't necessary, he said, but things must be set right because if they aren't, the bad feelings inside will become "cold and hard and it will be more difficult to make

peace" as time goes on.

Many people can't imagine or are afraid of a love and marriage that lasts forever because they think love is an emotional-physical feeling or state-of-being, he said. But "love is a relationship, it's something that grows."

The relationship needs to be taken care of every day, "en-

trusting yourselves to the Lord Jesus in a life that becomes a daily spiritual journey, made step by step, tiny steps" toward greater maturity and spiritual growth, he said.

Like his miracle of multiplying the loaves, Jesus will do the same "also for you," he said, "multiplying your love and giving it to you good and fresh every day."

The pope also urged couples to keep their wedding ceremonies low-key, focusing more on Christ than on the dress, decorations and photographers.

A Christian marriage is a celebration, but it must highlight "what's really important," and "the true reason for your joy: the blessing of your love by the Lord."

Manuela Franchini, 29, and Armando Perasole, 30, who are getting married Dec. 12, attended the event. They moved from Naples to Milan for work, and told Catholic News Service that economic and political problems in Italy make it "really hard for families. But with the church there is more hope in being able to make it."

Robert Duncan, who is a multimedia journalist at the Catholic News Service Rome bureau, and his fiancée, Constance Daggett, were one of the handful of couples chosen to speak about their journeys of faith and love, and to meet the pope.

The two 25-year-olds became Catholics as adults and Duncan said, "The fact that we're able to begin our marriage in the presence of the pope is a culmination of a process that has been the story of our love."

Giovanna, an Italian woman at the event with her fiancé, said they find inspiration and a model for a happy marriage in two friends of theirs who have been married for many years.

"They look at each other with the same kind of love they had the day they first met," she said.

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## Well - Intentioned 'Monuments Men' Falls Short

By John Mulderig  
Catholic News Service

**NEW YORK (CNS)** -- Western civilization owes an incalculable debt to the real-life figures behind the fact-based World War II drama "The Monuments Men" (Columbia). Yet, despite honorable intentions and a cast of heavy hitters, this cinematic salute to their memory falls well short of the monumental.

The film's title comes from the nickname of the Army's Monuments, Fine Arts, and Archives program. Formed in 1943, this collection of art historians and similar experts was charged with -- among other tasks -- tracing and rescuing the vast store of cultural treasures purloined by the Nazis during their more than four-year-long

occupation of most of Europe.

The sleuthing required to achieve this goal was recounted in Robert M. Edsel's eponymous 2009 book, written with Bret Witter and subtitled "Allied Heroes, Nazi Thieves and the Greatest Treasure Hunt in History." In bringing Edsel's narrative to the screen, George Clooney takes on multiple roles: co-writer (with Grant Heslov), director and star.

In that last capacity, he plays affable Harvard professor Frank Stokes. After convincing President Roosevelt of the need for a unit along the lines of the Monuments Men, World War I veteran Stokes re-enters the service and sets out to assemble his team.

The ensemble lineup thus provided for includes Matt Damon as medievalist James Granger, Bill Murray as architect Richard Campbell and John



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**THE MONUMENTS MEN:** (Left to right) John Goodman, Matt Damon, George Clooney, Bob Balaban and Bill Murray star in a scene from the movie "The Monuments Men." The Catholic News Service classification is A-III -- adults. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is PG-13 -- parents strongly cautioned. Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.

Goodman as sculptor Walter Garfield. America's allies are represented by Donald Jeffries (Hugh Bonneville), a British scholar under a cloud of scandal, and Marseilles-based Jewish art dealer Jean-Claude Clermont (Jean Dujardin).

As these over-the-hill soldiers adjust to life in uniform, and to the perils of the Western Front, their attention focuses on Paris museum curator Claire Simone (Cate Blanchett), who witnessed the Teutonic looting firsthand.

James is dispatched to the City of Light to quiz Claire, who has been imprisoned as a collaborator (earlier scenes have vindicated her innocence for the audience). But he finds Claire uncooperative, based on her conviction that the American forces will simply seize the recovered works for themselves and ship them stateside.

The script's comic byplay is amusing enough. Richard and another of the group's number, mousey, bespectacled Preston Savitz (Bob Balaban), tease each other relentlessly. And scenes of basic training find Walter walking casually across an obstacle course, blithely unaware that the shots being fired over the heads of the prone soldiers around him are not blanks.

Yet a firm foundation is

never laid for the picture's more solemn moments, most of which concern the band's shared fraternal spirit and pride in its mission. These are too casually flagged by way of dialogue, so that the underlying sentiments register as prefabricated.

Besides the story's primary message about the enduring value of art in all its forms, the background of Nazi persecution implicitly drives home the importance of treating all human beings with equal dignity. And a potentially adulterous encounter that comes too late in the action to be described without a spoiler ends in a way viewers of conscience will welcome.

With wartime bloodletting kept to a minimum and vulgar language probably far less

in evidence than it was among the ranks in reality, only a surprising number of violations of the Lord's name pose any serious obstacle to recommendation for a wider audience. With its positive themes in mind, accordingly, at least some parents may consider "The Monuments Men" acceptable for mature teens.

The film contains some combat violence with brief gore, about a half-dozen uses of profanity and a few crude and crass terms. The Catholic News Service classification is A-III -- adults. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is PG-13 -- parents strongly cautioned. Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.

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## Coming Up On 'Proclaim!'

Upcoming guests on "Keeping The Faith," Bishop Mark L. Bartchak's segment of "Proclaim!" will include:

**March 2** - - Deacon Michael Russo of Saint Benedict Parish in Johnstown will preview a special Lenten Mission at the parish.

**March 9** - - Christian Initiation candidates will join Bishop Mark in anticipation of the Rite of Election scheduled later in the day.

# 'Son Of God Movie' A Love Story, Say Producers

By Mark Pattison  
Catholic News Service

## WASHINGTON (CNS)

-- The upcoming movie "Son of God" should be seen as "a love story," according to two of its executive producers, the husband-and-wife team of Mark Burnett and Roma Downey.

"This really is a love story -- the greatest love story ever told," Downey said.

The couple brought the 10-hour miniseries "The Bible" to television last year, garnering sizable ratings on the History cable channel.

Among those 10 hours was the story of Jesus. But Burnett and Downey decided even before the miniseries was televised that they would make a separate movie focusing on Jesus.

"When we were in Morocco filming," Downey said, "I said to Mark, 'We should have been making a film here.'" Downey, perhaps best known for her starring role for nine seasons on "Touched by an Angel," plays Mary, mother of the adult Jesus.

Burnett, whose TV successes have been primarily in reality programming from "Survivor"

to "Shark Tank" to "The Voice" to "The Apprentice" to "Are You Smarter Than a Fifth Grader," concurred, but noted, "It wasn't shot any differently" for multiplexes than "The Bible" had been for TV. "We use different camera angles. We shoot so much film of every scene it's easy to make alternate choices."

"Son of God" premieres in theaters nationwide Feb. 28. It tells the story of Jesus through the eyes of an elderly St. John -- the only apostle who did not meet a martyr's fate -- on the isle of Patmos.

The film portrays the same kind of brutality seen in "The Passion of the Christ" a decade ago, although it's concealed or suggested, as it had been in the miniseries. "Son of God" is rated PG-13 by the Motion Picture Association of America for "intense and bloody depiction of the Crucifixion, and for some sequences of violence." Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.

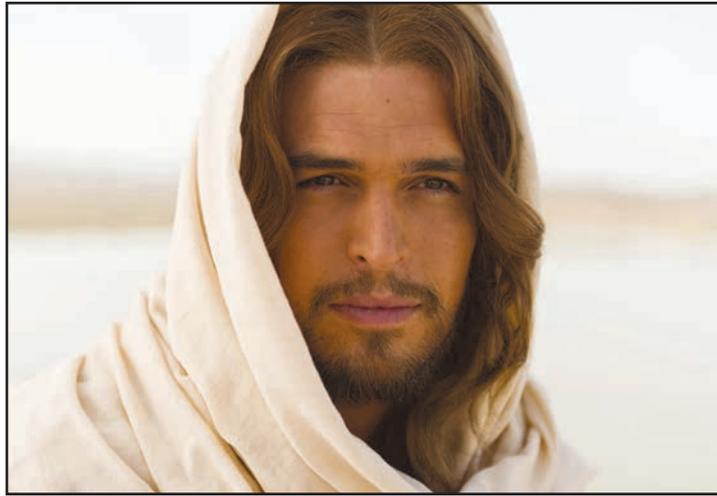
Downey did not dwell on the violent aspect of the movie, but in comparing the two films noted Mel Gibson's film presupposes the viewer knows the story of Jesus, as it begins with

In 1992 Sister Rosemarie came to the Motherhouse where she served the Congregation as Assistant to the Treasurer from 1992-99 and as the Coordinator of Sisters' Benefits Office from 1999-2005.

Sister Rosemarie is survived by one sister, Frances Fitzpatrick, Bellevue, nieces and nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews, and the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Baden.

The funeral Mass for Sister Rosemarie Fitzpatrick C.S.J. was celebrated Tuesday, February 11 in the chapel of Saint Joseph Convent, Baden. Committal was in the Sisters' Cemetery on the Motherhouse grounds.

Donations in the name of Sister Rosemarie may be sent to the Sisters of Saint Joseph Memorial Fund, Saint Joseph Convent, 1020 State Street, Baden, PA 15005.



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**SON OF GOD:** Diogo Morgado stars in a scene from the movie "Son of God." The upcoming movie should be seen as "a love story," according to two of its executive producers, the husband-and-wife team of Mark Burnett and Roma Downey.

Holy Thursday. "Son of God," though, begins with Jesus' birth, and through the signs and wonders he performs in the first hour of the movie, she said, "you get a chance to fall in love with him all over again."

During a Feb. 4 interview with Catholic News Service while Downey and Burnett were in Washington to promote the movie, Downey said the endorsement of religious leaders is a big help. Two Catholic prelates have endorsed "Son of God": Cardinal Donald W. Wuerl of Washington and Archbishop Jose H. Gomez of Los Angeles. High-profile Protestant leaders endorsing the film include Bishop T.D. Jakes and the Rev. Rick Warren. "Cardinal Wuerl has been so much of a help to us," she added.

Burnett said the Anti-Defamation League had also given its own stamp of approval, based in large part on the depiction of events that lead up to Jesus' death: Pontius Pilate having been the fourth Roman governor of a politically restive Judea in the last 20 years; Jerusalem's temple leaders, embodied by Caiaphas, being aware of Pilate's threat to shut down the temple, even at Passover, if Jewish unrest is not tamped down; and the arrival into the holy city of a Nazarene miracle-worker whose reputation precedes him.

waves back and smiles.

"That wasn't Jesus waving," Downey said. "That was Diogo waving." "We got so much feedback (after the miniseries) from people saying they like what Diogo Morgado brought to the role." She added that she thought it fortuitous that a Latin American was cast as Jesus -- Morgado is Brazilian -- as the Argentine-born Pope Francis was chosen to lead the Catholic Church.

After a full day of interviews, Downey and Burnett went to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception to show clips from the movie and to talk with students from the adjacent Catholic University of America. On Feb. 5, they hosted an invitation-only preview screening at the 1,200-seat Lincoln Theater in Washington.

A year ago, on a similar tour to promote "The Bible," Downey said she wished they had 20 hours to tell Bible stories instead of the 10 that was eventually settled on for the TV audience. Now, with two-plus more hours, they were able to go into a bit more depth with Jesus' story. "It could have just as easily been three hours, 20 minutes," Burnett said.

## May They Rest In Peace



### Sister Rosemarie Fitzpatrick C.S.J.

Sister Rosemarie Fitzpatrick, formerly known as Sister Amata, 82, died Friday, February 7, in Sewickley Valley Hospital in her 65th year as a Sister of aint Joseph of Baden.

Sister Rosemarie, daughter of the late Ralph and Rose (Ellwanger) Fitzpatrick, entered the Congregation from Saint Joseph Parish, Sharpsburg.

Sister ministered as a teacher and principal in the Altoona - Johnstown, Greensburg and Pittsburgh Dioceses for more than thirty years.

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# Altoona Schools Are First To Respond To Bishop's Call For Collaboration

## Altoona Central Catholic, Saint Rose Of Lima Will Work Together To Make Catholic Education Available, Accessible And Affordable

By Tony DeGol

In the spirit of Bishop Mark L. Barchak's goal of ensuring available, accessible, and affordable Catholic education throughout the Diocese, two pastors have announced a collaboration to strengthen Catholic education in Altoona.

Altoona Central Catholic School currently operates on two separate campuses.

The elementary grades (pre-k through 4) are housed at Saint Therese of the Child Jesus Parish, 424 Wopsonnock Avenue; the middle school grades (5-8) are located at Saint Mary Parish, 1400 4th Avenue.

The aging school building at the Saint Mary site is no longer adequate to serve the needs of ACCS students.

As a result, the Saint Mary campus of ACCS will close at

the end of this 2013-2014 academic year.

The Saint Therese campus of ACCS will remain in operation.

Aware of the dilemma that ACCS would face in trying to relocate students in those upper grades, Father Brian Saylor, pastor of Saint Rose of Lima School in Altoona, reached out to Third Order Regular Franciscan Father Frank Scornaienchi, pastor of ACCS.

"I called Father Frank and said we would be willing to make some adjustments in order to accommodate some of their kids," said Father Saylor. "I told him we would find space for your students here at Saint Rose."

That gesture got the ball rolling, and, soon, a plan was in place.

Effective with the 2014-2015 academic year, ACCS students entering grade 5 will



**SCHOOLS TO COLLABORATE:** Altoona Central Catholic School currently operates from two campuses; the elementary site is located at Saint Therese Parish (left) and the middle school at Saint Mary Parish (center). In a new model of collaboration, the middle school building will close and students from that building will have the option of attending Saint Rose of Lima School (right). The new model will begin operation in the 2014 - 2015 school year.

be able to remain at the Saint Therese campus of ACCS.

Students entering grades 6-8 will have the opportunity to attend class at Saint Rose of Lima School, 5519 Sixth Avenue.

According to Father Saylor, Saint Rose may have two classrooms each for grades 6-8 next year, depending on the final enrollment numbers.

Both schools will likely utilize portable classrooms.

Faculty will also be added at both locations to meet the needs of the increased enrollment.

As both pastors oversee the physical preparations at their respective schools, Father Scornaienchi and Father Saylor are actively collaborating on many other details.

For instance, they have agreed on a uniform schedule of tuition that will accommodate families with children in both schools simultaneously.

They are also discussing fundraising at each school.

"We have some good things going, and they have some good things, and we want to see what

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activities we can both work on together," Father Scornaienchi said.

Bishop Mark is saluting this synergy between the two schools.

"Our students deserve the most modern learning environment possible, and I know that the Saint Therese campus of ACCS and Saint Rose of Lima School will provide that," said the Bishop in a Friday, February 14, media release. "I am grateful to both pastors for their vision and leadership in finding a solution that ensures my commitment to available, accessible, and affordable Catholic education for families in Altoona-Johnstown."

By coincidence, this collaboration comes on the heels of Bishop Mark's announcement that the 20 Catholic elementary schools in the Diocese would be organized into geographic quadrants.

That model is based on a recommendation from a committee the Bishop appointed to study the future of Catholic education.

Certainly the quadrant plan will require schools in the same geographic region to work in concert, so this alliance between the two Altoona schools could be considered a small example of what the committee had in mind and a sign of the cooperation that needs to happen in the future.

"I believe this is very important," Father Scornaienchi said. "We have started collaborating together, and this is just the first step toward an ultimate goal of having very strong Catholic education in the Altoona area."

Added Father Saylor, "Whatever we need to do, we'll do. It's about what's best for Catholic school students here in Altoona."

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