

# ON THE HILL

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*Br. Zachary Wilberding, OSB, right, shares music with offender Chad Sobolewski, middle, during a Sunday evening Mass in March. Both Sobolewski and Raymond Benefiel, left, will receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion on Easter.*

## Prison Ministry: Monk's internship puts him face to face with Christ

"Jesus always chose the poor. He went out to prostitutes and tax collectors," says Br. Zachary Wilberding, OSB, coordinator of the Catholic prison ministry at the Branchville Correctional Facility. "I think Jesus is very much present in prison."

Three times a week, Br. Zachary heads over to Branchville, an all-men medium security prison about 20 miles from Saint Meinrad Archabbey, to visit Christ.

"The mission is to do what Jesus asked us to do in the gospel. He said, 'When I was in prison, you visited me,'" says Br. Zachary. "We're there to visit Christ in the offenders, and that means helping them know that Christ is in them and Christ is among them. And that's very important."

Br. Zachary helps lead a Bible study and a Catholic faith information group and finds priests to celebrate Mass on Sunday evenings. He also coordinates a rosary devotion on

Monday afternoons. His involvement in prison ministry began five years ago when he was on an internship with the prison chaplain. Before that, Fr. Sean Hoppe, OSB, celebrated Mass at Branchville for about 15 years.

During Br. Zachary's internship, the prison chaplain asked him to start a class to help Catholic inmates learn about their faith. The Catholic faith information group was started on Friday evenings with three to four men the first year. By that time, Fr. Sean had left on sabbatical and Br. Zachary took over recruiting priests to celebrate Mass at the prison on Sundays.

One of the men who participated in the Catholic faith information group when it first started has since been released from prison. His father called Br. Zachary to tell him how much the group helped his son and he asked if there was anything he could do to volunteer.

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# Monks' Personals

**Archbishop Daniel Buechlein** was honored in a book titled, *Handbook on the Conformity Review Process*. He had served as founding chairman of the original Ad Hoc Committee for the Implementation of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* from 1994-2002.

**Fr. Harry Hagan** published a poem and homily in *Benedictines* and an essay in *Horizon*.

**Br. John Glasenapp** was asked to help lead a program along with a local rabbi on Christian and Jewish sacred spaces. The program will be offered at The Cloisters museum located in the Bronx in conjunction with an exhibition at the Yeshiva Museum.

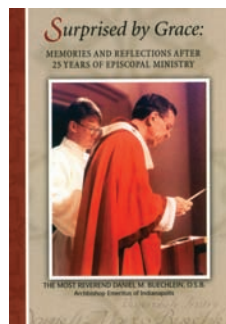
**Fr. Thomas Gricoski** will attend a conference on the philosophy of Edith Stein at King's University College in Ontario in June.

**Br. Hugh Ernst** is now assigned to work in the monastery archives.

**Fr. Godfrey Mullen** will become rector of St. Benedict Cathedral in Evansville, IN, in June, succeeding his confrere Fr. Gregory Chamberlin, who is retiring.

**Fr. Harry Hagan** and former monk Fr. Keith McClellan collaborated on a booklet, *Eternal Glory of the Skies*, translations of Latin hymns for Ordinary Time at the Liturgy of the Hours. Fr. Keith, an editor and author at Abbey Press for more than 15 years before joining the Diocese of Gary, translated the famous hymns for Vespers based on the days of creation. Fr. Harry translated the hymns for Lauds, Daytime Prayer and Compline. The booklet is available in The Scholar Shop. +

# Archbishop Daniel writes memoir



*Surprised by Grace: Memories and Reflections After 25 Years of Episcopal Ministry*, written by Indianapolis Archbishop Emeritus Daniel Buechlein, OSB, is available for sale.

The book includes the archbishop's memories and reflections, plus

photos of his childhood, family and life in the ministry.

Archbishop Daniel is a monk of Saint Meinrad Archabbey. He returned to the monastery following his retirement from the archdiocese in 2011.

The book costs \$15 per copy and is available at the Saint Meinrad Archabbey Gift Shop and The Scholar Shop bookstore, on the Saint Meinrad campus.

You can also place an order by sending your name, address, telephone number and check (\$15 plus \$5 for shipping) payable to Criterion Press Inc. to Criterion Press Inc., P.O. Box 1717, Indianapolis, IN 46206-1717.

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# Fr. Harold remembered for his ministry to sick



Fr. Harold Hammerstein

Fr. Harold Hammerstein, OSB, age 89, a monk and priest of Saint Meinrad Archabbey, died on January 18, 2013, at the Little Sisters of the Poor in Evansville, IN, after a long illness. He was a jubilarian both of profession and priesthood.

Fr. Harold was born in Evansville on October 13, 1923, to Frederick and Esther (Taylor) Hammerstein, and was given the name Frederick John Jr. at his baptism. After completing his elementary education at St. Benedict Grade School in Evansville, he entered high school at Saint Meinrad, where he continued his education through college.

He joined the monastery as a novice on August 5, 1943. Soon after professing his simple vows on August 10, 1944, he was assigned to the Collegio di Sant' Anselmo, Rome, Italy, for his theological studies. His solemn vows as a monk of Saint Meinrad were received at Einsiedeln Abbey, Switzerland, on September

8, 1947. He was ordained to the priesthood at Einsiedeln on July 10, 1948.

Upon his return from Rome, Fr. Harold taught theology in the Major Seminary for one year, as well as serving as assistant athletic director. He worked as assistant campus director of the Minor Seminary for five years, and for a number of years taught special Latin in the Minor Seminary.

From 1968 to 1974, Fr. Harold served as the Catholic chaplain of the federal penitentiary at Terre Haute, Indiana.

Following this, he began a three-year assignment as pastor of St. Augustine Parish, Leopold, Indiana, a responsibility that included the missions of St. Mary, Derby, and Sacred Heart of Jesus, Perry County. In 1978, he moved to Evansville, where he assisted at St. Benedict Parish (now Cathedral) and other parishes as needed.

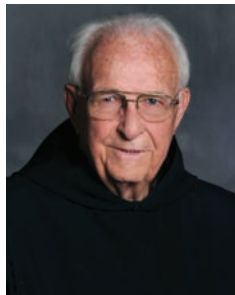
Fr. Harold was a bit of both a landmark and a legend to the East-Siders in his birth city. In 1986 the *Evansville Press* ran a full-page feature detailing the daily five-mile walk he and his niece, Jane Ann Reinitz, would take. Ms. Reinitz was a high school Latin teacher, and it was rumored that she and her uncle would converse in that ancient tongue.

Many Evansville Catholics came to know Fr. Harold through his many years of presiding at the six o'clock Sunday morning Mass at St. Benedict's, the earliest Sunday Mass in the city. He was known and appreciated for not adding unnecessary flourishes to the celebration, as well as his preference to let the word of God speak for itself.

But it was Fr. Harold's devotion to the sick and dying that won him a well-deserved, lasting place in the heart of so many Evansville families, spouses and children. Fr. Harold took seriously the words he heard at his ordination, "You are a priest forever," and so considered himself always on call to those in need – no matter the time, weather or previously scheduled activities.

The funeral liturgy was celebrated on January 23 in the Archabbey Church, with burial in the Archabbey Cemetery. +

## Fr. Stephen, builder and priest, dies



Fr. Stephen Snoich

Fr. Stephen Snoich, OSB, age 83, a monk and priest of Saint Meinrad Archabbey, died on January 6, 2013, in his infirmary cell. He was a jubilant of profession and priesthood, and a participant in the Rush Religious Study on Aging and Alzheimer's.

Fr. Stephen was born in Shenandoah, PA, on June 24, 1929, to Stephen and Anna (Lesousky) Snoich, and was given the name John Joseph at his baptism. After completing studies at Roosevelt Elementary and J.W. Cooper High schools in Shenandoah, he studied for one year at St. Joseph College in Philadelphia.

He then qualified as a journeyman carpenter and worked in the Philadelphia area for 10 years, including construction work at Temple University. He entered the novitiate at Saint Meinrad in 1956, and professed his vows as a brother on April 7, 1957.

The monastery was quick to take advantage of Fr. Stephen's skill and experience. His first major project as a monk was overseeing the construction of the St. Jude Guest House.

In 1962, Fr. Stephen was assigned to Saint Meinrad's new foundation at Oceanside, CA, St. Charles Priory (now Prince of Peace Abbey), and supervised the construction of the guest house there. He transferred his stability to St. Charles when it became an independent priory in 1969.

The following year, he asked to change his stability back to the house of his profession. Returning to Saint Meinrad, he completed college, began studies for the priesthood, was ordained on March 12, 1972, and received a Master of Divinity degree from Saint Meinrad Seminary in 1973.

For the first five years after his ordination, Father served as supervisor of the monastery buildings and manager of the campus laundry, in addition to assisting regularly in weekend parochial duties.

In September 1977, he was appointed associate pastor of St. Benedict Church, Evansville, IN, an assignment he held until 1993. During that time, he also served as confessor for the Little Sisters of the Poor at St. John's Home for the Aged.

In 1993, Fr. Stephen was assigned as infirmary chaplain at Monastery Immaculate Conception, Ferdinand, IN. In 2004, he became pastor of St. Augusta Parish, Lake Village, in the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana. He ministered there until early October 2012, when failing health necessitated his return to the monastery infirmary.

Fr. Stephen's work as a builder was recalled when it was learned that a long-time friend of the Snoich family, grateful for their friendship, named him a major beneficiary in her will. Her unexpected generosity enabled the Archabbey to build a three-bedroom house on its grounds, allowing monks to host their visiting families, or themselves enjoy days of vacation or recollection.

Fr. Stephen's first major assignment as a monk was managing the construction of the monastery's guest house. A half-century later, he was delighted to proclaim the Gospel at the abbatial blessing of The Ravens house on November 1, 2012, just 10 weeks before his death.

The funeral liturgy was celebrated on January 10 in the Archabbey Church, with burial in the Archabbey Cemetery. +

## Sign up for the e-newsletter

If you'd like to receive brief updates on what's happening at Saint Meinrad, you can sign up for a free e-newsletter. Every few weeks, you will receive a newsletter in your e-mail's inbox.

To sign up, go to the "Newsletters" link on the bottom of the front page of the website: [www.saintmeinrad.edu](http://www.saintmeinrad.edu). Or, send an email to [news@saintmeinrad.edu](mailto:news@saintmeinrad.edu) +

## EVENTS ON THE HILL

### May

*Rosary pilgrimage at Monte Cassino Shrine each Sunday.*

### May 3-5

*Guest House Retreat: "From Our Hands to Our Hearts" by Br. Zachary Wilberding, OSB.*

### May 11

*Graduation for Seminary and School of Theology.*

### May 17-19

*Guest House Retreat: "The Biblical Story of David: Tales of an Over-Liver" by Fr. Eugene Hensell, OSB.*

### June 9

*Einsiedeln Society Dinner.*

### June 14-16

*Guest House Retreat: "Padre Pio: A Godly Man of Compassion" by Fr. Noël Mueller, OSB.*

### June 17-21, June 26-30, July 8-12

*"One Bread, One Cup" youth liturgical leadership conferences.*

### July 1-5

*Guest House Retreat: "Bringing to Life the Word of God in Song" by Fr. Columba Kelly, OSB. (First Session)*

### July 5-7

*Guest House Retreat: "Praying the Bible: Lectio Divina" by Br. Zachary Wilberding, OSB.*

### July 8-12

*Guest House Retreat: "Bringing to Life the Word of God in Song" by Fr. Columba Kelly, OSB. (Second Session)*

For more information, contact Mary Jeanne Schumacher at (812) 357-6501 or visit our website [www.saintmeinrad.edu](http://www.saintmeinrad.edu)

# Seminarians, Carmelite nuns share international interests

For the last two years, Saint Meinrad's international students have spent the Saturday before Ash Wednesday at the Carmelite Monastery in Terre Haute, IN. Both communities have a very international population that served as a starting point for the newly formed tradition.

The Carmelite community has 16 members and represents five countries of origin. This semester, Saint Meinrad has 43 students born outside the United States and five students who are first-generation Americans. The Saint Meinrad seminary community represents 20 different countries of origin.

This year's event was held on February 9. The day started with a multilingual Mass with the nuns. During the Mass, 12 languages were represented through music, readings and prayer.

After Mass, the students enjoyed lunch with the nuns, and both the nuns and seminarians shared their heritages through music, stories and dance.

This new tradition builds on Saint Meinrad's long-standing relationship with the Carmelites in Terre Haute. Fr. Vincent Tobin, OSB, and Archabbot Lambert Reilly, OSB, currently serve as regular confessors for the nuns each month. +



The Korean seminarians and nuns sing a traditional Korean song together. Photo courtesy of Terre Haute Carmel.



Seminarian Meril Sahayam, from the Diocese of Palayamkottai in India, shows his skill on the violin.

# Vatican II exhibit on display in Archabbey Library this year



Artifacts and documents from the Second Vatican Council are among the items on exhibit this year in the Archabbey Library.

Throughout this year, the Saint Meinrad Archabbey Library is hosting an exhibit titled “The Second Vatican Council: Looking Back After Fifty Years.”

More than 2,300 Roman Catholic bishops from all over the world gathered for the Second Vatican Council, and the exhibit focuses particularly on those from Indianapolis, Louisville and Evansville.

The Council was held from 1962 to 1965 and brought together various ideas that had been brewing for more than 100 years. The liturgical movement was promoted by Pope Pius X (†1914) in his call for early and frequent Communion and for the return to Gregorian chant.

Modern printing made available the writings of the early and medieval Church. Pope Leo XIII (†1903) called for a commitment to social justice that grew during the early 20th century.

The exhibit contains documents, photographs, artifacts (chalices, liturgical garments, bishops’ Vatican passports, etc.), newspaper and magazine articles, and books and journals. Some of the items are from regional bishops who participated in the Council.

The exhibit was developed by Saint Meinrad monk Fr. Harry Hagan, OSB. “Unlike Councils before, which focused on doctrinal or disciplinary issues, this Council focused on the life of the Church, and it defined the Church as ‘the People of God’ and its mission as ‘the universal call of holiness,’” he noted.

The exhibit is free and open to the public. For library hours, call (812) 357-6401 or (800) 987-7311, or visit the library’s website: [www.saintmeinrad.edu/library/hours/](http://www.saintmeinrad.edu/library/hours/) +

## Use your IRA to make a gift – and save taxes

If you’re over age 70½, tax laws now allow you to make charitable gifts through your traditional or Roth IRA, through the end of 2013. Gifts must be made by the IRA custodian directly to the charity and may not exceed \$100,000.

Although no charitable deduction is allowed, you can avoid the tax you would otherwise pay on required distributions.

Giving from your IRA, rather than from other assets, may be especially appropriate if you use the standard deduction rather than itemizing your deductions. It might also be a good choice if you don’t need all of your required minimum distribution or you wouldn’t be able to deduct all of your charitable contributions because of deduction limitations.

Here are some opportunities available through this legislation:

**Increase Your Annual Giving**—IRA funds are heavily taxed whenever you draw them out, at rates as high as 35%. You can divert the tax collector’s “take” from your IRA to Saint Meinrad.

For example, suppose you’re in a 25% tax bracket and normally send us a check for \$1,000 every year. Instead of writing a check, you could instruct your IRA trustee to send us \$1,333. If you had withdrawn \$1,333 from your account, the tax would have been \$333 in a 25% bracket. That \$333 now can be used to assist our programs—all paid for by the IRS.

**Annual Distribution Gifts**—Under these rules, IRA gifts will count toward mandatory annual distributions required of individuals over age 70½. That means IRA gifts can reduce your 2013 taxes.

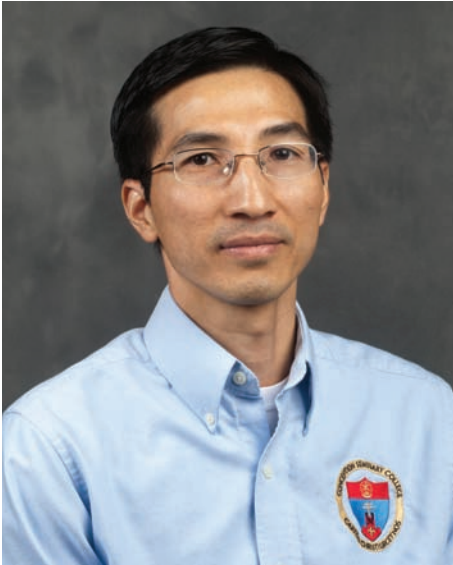
For example, Harold must withdraw at least \$20,000 from his IRA this year, even though he doesn’t need the money for living expenses. Harold now can direct that the \$20,000 be paid to Saint Meinrad from his IRA prior to taking any distribution and reduce his federal taxes by \$5,600 in his 28% tax bracket.

**Major Gifts**—Lydia had planned to leave Saint Meinrad Archabbey and Seminary and School of Theology most of her IRA at her death, but says she would prefer to see her gift at work during her lifetime. Now Lydia plans to direct a \$100,000 gift from her IRA this year.

For more information, please contact your IRA administrator directly. You may also contact Barbara Balka, director of planned giving, at (800) 682-0988 or [bbalka@saintmeinrad.edu](mailto:bbalka@saintmeinrad.edu). +

# MEET STUDENT:

## Linh Bui



**Linh Bui**  
**Hometown: Bethany, OK**  
**Diocese: Archdiocese of Oklahoma City**

**Q. What attracted you to the priesthood?**

The infinite love of God. When I was a teenager in Vietnam, I doubted God and the Church’s teaching. However, God never abandons me. I experience that God loves me unconditionally as a sinful man, even though I am unworthy. I wanted to be a witness of His love to let people know that God always loves us, no matter who we are.

**Q. Who influenced you to begin study for the priesthood?**

In 1990, I met Fr. Anathasius Lam Nguyen, the associate pastor of my parish, An Hoa in Vietnam. He lived a simple life with great love; he loved God and others, especially the poor. A humble priest, he served others with a zeal for love and was not concerned about money or status.

**Q. What were you doing before you came to the seminary?**

After graduating from Long Beach University in California with a Bachelor of Science degree in computer science, I worked as a claims assistant at WorkMed Benefit Services, a third-party

administrator for workers’ compensation claims. I helped the claims manager and assisted the Information Technology Department in computer-related fields.

**Q. Favorite saint and why?**

St. Paul is my patron saint. His conversion to Jesus is an example for me to follow; through his weaknesses and by letting Christ make him strong, St. Paul experienced the redemption and love of Christ. His preaching about Christ and the kingdom to all people is also an example for me. By serving God’s people, he is his own witness of his preaching, even as he faced obstacles, adversaries, captivities and even death.

**Q. Favorite Scripture verse and why?**

“He must increase; I must decrease” (John 3:30). Sometimes my ego is too big for me to have room for Christ in my life. This message from Scripture reminds me that Christ should increase within me and, through my humility, He will continue to increase in the lives of others. My ministry is not self-centered, but Christ-centered.

**Q. Hobbies?**

I like playing sports, such as ping pong, volleyball, soccer and swimming. I also like fishing and listening to Vietnamese music and harmony music.

**Q. What aspect of seminary life has been most rewarding?**

It is my relationship with God and with the seminary community. Thanks to community Mass and prayers, I have more time with God. Living in the community, we also eat together. I feel that I am living

in a family. The formation staff is an example to follow; they teach me and lead me closer to God and help me to serve others. Seminarians are my brothers, who always offer me support. Each seminarian is a unique gift from God to me.

**Q. What aspect of seminary life has been most challenging?**

There are two challenges. The first is balancing life and the four aspects of formation: the spiritual, academic, human and pastoral – there are many activities and requirements that need to be fulfilled. I try to avoid focusing too much on some aspects to the neglect of others. A second and equal challenge is language. While English is my second language, sometimes I am not able to express clearly what I want to say as well as I am able to do in Vietnamese.

**Q. Best advice you’ve heard in seminary?**

“Same call, different men.” God chooses the weak and makes them strong in bearing witness to Him.

**Q. Other comments?**

Leaving my house and my job to enter the seminary, I thought I did everything as a favor for God and to make Him happy. However, after being in the seminary, I recognize that God has actually been doing me a favor and making me happy.

I have received abundant grace and blessings, which are much more valuable than those I gave up. Although life in a seminary is demanding and challenging, I have experienced joyful and peaceful moments that I have never had before. +



The Most Rev. Joseph Tobin, archbishop of Indianapolis, was officially welcomed at Saint Meinrad Archabbey on January 21. He was the principal celebrant at Mass on the Solemnity of St. Meinrad.

# PRISON

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“It was just at that point that we decided to start a rosary devotion,” states Br. Zachary. “This man and a buddy of his began to conduct a rosary devotion every Monday afternoon and that’s still going.”

Then, about a year ago, the men wanted more of a specific Bible study, so a Monday evening Bible study group was started.

Currently, the prison has four Catholic activities at Branchville. There is Mass on Sunday evening, rosary devotion on Monday afternoon, Bible study on Monday evening and Catholic faith information group on Friday evening.

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**Br. Zachary Wilberding, OSB  
Coordinator of the Catholic prison  
ministry at the Branchville  
Correctional Facility**

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As the ministry activities have grown, so have the numbers of participants. They usually have 30-35 men at Mass on Sunday, 20-25 men at the Catholic faith information group and about 12 at the rosary and at the Bible study. About 40 men of the 1,400-inmate population attend at least one of the Catholic activities offered.

The activities are open to any of the men, even men without a church affiliation. Over the years, there have been 12 baptisms at the prison and Br. Zachary has set up a formation program to help men get ready for baptism.

“I think one of the things that we do that’s important is try to help the men feel like they have some dignity,” says Br. Zachary. “And one man told me, ‘These are two hours that feel like I’m not in prison in a good way. In a way that says I’m in a place where people respect each other and people care about each other.’”

Jesus healed people and upheld their dignity and that’s what Br. Zachary is trying to do. But he doesn’t do it alone.

“We really have this great team of volunteers and the men know it,” he says. “The offenders are very aware of how many people involved at Saint Meinrad are also working to help them. In fact, we have two men who are preparing to join the oblate program while in prison.” An oblate pledges to live out Benedictine values in his or her life in the secular world.

Br. Zachary depends on volunteers, including Saint Meinrad students and co-workers, to keep the four programs running. He says they are running at full capacity and can always use more volunteers. In fact, one of his main goals for the future of the prison ministry is to get more volunteers.

Prison ministry also helps Saint Meinrad seminarians gain essential hands-on ministry experience. Every year, three or four first-year theology students help with the prison ministry program as part of their pastoral formation.

“I think for me and for everyone that helps with the ministry, it’s a real source of happiness and joy and I’m very grateful to do it,” says Br. Zachary. “I thought this was a one-semester internship with the chaplain. That’s why, in many ways, I think God is behind all of this, because one thing after another kept presenting itself to be done and it kept working out. I had no idea that I would be involved in this at the level I am now. It’s a very happy surprise.” +



*Branchville Correctional Facility offender Allen Richter prays the Lord’s Prayer during a Sunday evening Mass at the facility in March.*



*Offender Kevin Head bowed his head to pray at the start of an evening Mass at the Branchville Correctional Facility during a Sunday in March. Head wore a white vestment because he served at the Mass.*



*Branchville Correctional Facility offenders line up to take Communion or receive a blessing from Archabbot Justin DuVall, OSB, during a Sunday evening Mass at the facility in March.*

# Alumni Reunion will feature new Homecoming event



*The Reunion Mass is celebrated at each Reunion, with special prayers for deceased alumni during the past year.*

This year's annual summer gathering of alumni will include a new homecoming event on Saturday, July 27, just prior to the Reunion. The Homecoming will allow for alumni with families to experience Saint Meinrad in a new and fun way.

There will be activities for both adults and children, including a scavenger hunt, a presentation on "Fitting the Pieces of Prayer into Family Life" by Fr. Anthony Vinson, OSB, bread-making with Br. John Mark Falkenhain, OSB, and a pizza party with karaoke.

"The Homecoming is geared toward alumni with families, and because it takes place on a Saturday, we hope this will be an incentive for parents and grandparents to bring their children and grandchildren," says Tim Herrmann, director of alumni relations.

"Additionally, Holiday World and Splashin' Safari in nearby Santa Claus is very accommodating toward groups, and we have worked out a special ticket pricing for our Homecoming attendees if they choose to go to Holiday World on Friday, the 26<sup>th</sup>, or Sunday, the 28<sup>th</sup>," he notes.

Following the Homecoming, the 85<sup>th</sup> Alumni Reunion will be held on July 29 and 30 with events such as a day of recollection, golf scramble, several workshops, time for prayer and Mass, socializing, and the awarding of the Distinguished Alumnus Award.

## HOMECOMING SCHEDULE

The Homecoming begins Saturday, July 27, with breakfast at 8 a.m. and a tour of the Saint Meinrad campus at 10.

At 11 a.m., Fr. Anthony Vinson, OSB, will give the first presentation on "Fitting the Pieces of Prayer into Family Life." At the same time, there will be children's indoor and outdoor activities and arts and crafts.



*Fr. Anthony Vinson*

Fr. Anthony serves as the pastor of St. Boniface Parish in Fulda, IN, and St. Meinrad Parish in St. Meinrad. Previously, he was director of Youth and

Young Adult Formation for Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology. He maintains work in the seminary as a spiritual director and also assists with the monastery vocation office.

At 1:30, there will be a scavenger hunt around the Saint Meinrad campus. All are encouraged to participate as you explore different aspects of the campus.

At 3 p.m., Br. John Mark Falkenhain, OSB, will host a bread-baking presentation for all ages.



*Br. John Mark Falkenhain*

Br. John Mark has been a monk of Saint Meinrad since 2002. At present, he works with vocations and formation in the monastery and teaches part time in the Seminary and School of Theology.

One of his contributions to the monastic life is making bread every day for the monks to enjoy at breakfast.

At 4:30, the Anticipation Mass for Sunday will take place in St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel. The principal celebrant and homilist will be President-Rector Fr. Denis Robinson, OSB. Dinner will immediately follow Mass.

At 8 p.m., a pizza party with karaoke will begin at the UnStable.

## ALUMNI REUNION SCHEDULE

### Monday's Events

The Reunion begins Monday, July 29, with a golf scramble at 10 a.m. at nearby Christmas Lake Golf Course. Interested golfers can pay the \$29 green fees at the course.

Also that morning, Fr. Eugene Hensell, OSB, will present a day of recollection: "The Year of Faith: Experiences of Faith in the Life and Ministry of Jesus."



*Fr. Eugene Hensell*

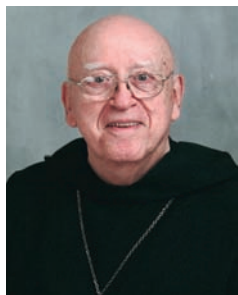
Fr. Eugene is a monk of Saint Meinrad Archabbey and has taught Scripture for over 25 years. Currently, he is in much demand giving biblical retreats to laity, religious groups and clergy.

The second part of the recollection will be held following lunch on Monday afternoon.

At 3 p.m., retired Archabbot Bonaventure Knaebel, OSB, will give a presentation that scratches at the surface of one of Saint Meinrad's most-visited locations – the



Archabbey Cemetery. Archabbot Bonaventure will share with attendees some history on the cemetery and tell stories of a few of his confreres buried there.



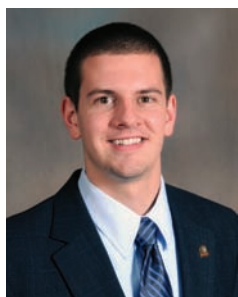
*Archabbot Bonaventure Knaebel*

Archabbot Bonaventure is a native of southeast Indiana. He made his profession in 1938 and was ordained in 1943. From 1955 to 1966, Archabbot Bonaventure

served as the fifth abbot and second archabbot of Saint Meinrad.

Prior to his election, he taught mathematics in the minor seminary and also served as assistant manager at Abbey Press. Upon the election of Archabbot Gabriel Verkamp in 1966, Archabbot Bonaventure served in Peru, South America, for 13 years.

At 4 p.m., Tim Herrmann will give a brief overview of some of the ways the Alumni Office is engaging alumni through technology – such as Facebook and the alumni website. He will ask for feedback and ideas to continue understanding what works and what doesn't in Saint Meinrad's Alumni Association when it comes to technology.



*Tim Herrmann*

Tim serves as the Director of Alumni Relations at Saint Meinrad and was a college intern for Saint Meinrad's One Bread, One Cup program. A graduate of the University of

Dayton with a bachelor's degree in communication management, he worked for his fraternity, Beta Theta Pi, after college before taking his current position.

Following Vespers in the Archabbey Church, a reception and dinner will be held to honor alumni from the high school, college and ordination/theology classes of 1963, 1973, 1988 and 2003.

Afterward, live music will be provided by The Messengers (1969 College Class).

### **Tuesday's Events**

Very Rev. Denis Robinson, OSB, president-rector of Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology, will give a presentation on "Who, What, When, Where and Why: The New Evangelization" at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, July 30.

This presentation seeks to center the New Evangelization in parish, diocesan and individual lives – giving us insight and a plan to move forward in the Year of Faith.



*Fr. Denis Robinson*

Fr. Denis, a monk of Saint Meinrad Archabbey, is the 14<sup>th</sup> president-rector of Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology. He is a member of the American

Academy of Religion, American Catholic Historical Association, Blessed John Henry Newman Association, Catholic Theological Society of America and the American Benedictine Academy.

He holds doctorates in both philosophy and sacred theology from the Catholic University of Leuven. He has authored numerous articles and has contributed to several theological texts.

The annual meeting of the Alumni Association will be held at 11 a.m.

Alumni can choose from two workshop sessions in the afternoon. Beginning at 1 p.m., Fr. Mark O'Keefe, OSB, will offer "Making Tough Decisions about Medical Treatments."

In today's world, so many diseases can be cured, and so many people can be helped to return to normal living even after the most serious illnesses. But, at the same time, these medical advances have made morally good decision-making even more complicated for sincere Catholics.

In this presentation, Fr. Mark will look at the resources that the Catholic moral

tradition and official teaching have to offer about such questions as withholding and withdrawing medical treatments, the use of artificial nutrition and hydration, and advance directives.



*Fr. Mark O'Keefe*

Fr. Mark is a monk of Saint Meinrad Archabbey, and he teaches moral theology and spirituality in the Seminary and School of Theology. He has served as

president-rector of the seminary and as a pastor. He is the author of several books on spirituality and morality.

The second workshop session will be a health and wellness presentation with Ann Rohleder and Jill Memmer. They will lead three 20-minute sessions on: "Effective Exercise for Progressing Through Life," "Arranging Your Plate" and "A Healthy Mind for a Healthy Soul."



*Ann Rohleder*

Ann is the director of health service and wellness at Saint Meinrad Archabbey. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing from the University of Southern Indiana.

She is a certified personal fitness trainer and a YogaFit level 3 instructor.



*Jill Memmer*

Jill Memmer is a Certified American College of Sports Medicine Health Fitness Specialist with a health and fitness degree from Purdue University. She has been a health educator since

2002. As the Saint Meinrad wellness coordinator, she provides wellness coaching, personal training, group fitness classes, and wellness presentations and programs.

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# Six seek seats on Alumni Board

Six alumni are candidates for approval as members of the Saint Meinrad Alumni Association Board of Directors. Instructions to approve the slate are located at the end of this article.

## PRE-1973



Fr. Joseph L. Ziliak, O'62 ('50-58), is a priest of the Diocese of Evansville, IN. He enrolled at Saint Meinrad Minor Seminary in 1950. He completed high school and

college at Saint Meinrad and, in 1958, he graduated with a bachelor's degree in philosophy.

Fr. Ziliak then studied theology at the University of Innsbruck in Austria, and completed work for a Licentiate degree in Sacred Theology (STL). He was ordained in Innsbruck on April 7, 1962.

In 1966, he completed work on a master's degree in English literature from the University of Notre Dame.

He was a founding member of the faculty at the Magister Noster Latin School and served as vice-rector. While there, he taught English, history and German.

Fr. Ziliak provided weekend help at Nativity Parish, Evansville; St. Clement Parish, Boonville; and St. Wendel Parish, Evansville, before being named administrator of St. Nicholas Parish, Santa Claus, (1970-1980); pastor of Nativity Parish, Evansville (1980-1987); and pastor of St. John the Baptist Parish, Newburgh (1987-2012). He served as dean of the Newburgh Deanery from 1995-2012.

In the Diocese of Evansville, he was named director for radio and television from 1964-1966 and vicar for seminarians from 1966-1968. He also served a term on the Council of Priests, and one year as president of the group.

In 1968, he was named editor of the *Southwestern Edition of the Criterion* and

was the founding editor of *The Message* from 1970-1987 and associate publisher from 1987-1992.

Fr. Ziliak served on the Board of Directors for the Catholic Press Association of the United States and Canada and as a U.S. representative to World Councils of the Catholic Press in Ireland, India, Brazil and Germany. He has also served on Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology's Board of Overseers and the Communications Advisory Board.

Fr. Ziliak retired as pastor of St. John the Baptist Parish in 2012. He serves as a member of the Priests' Retirement Trust Board and chairs the Diocesan Evangelization Team.

Fr. Ziliak is seeking approval for his first term on the Alumni Board.

## 1974-1988



Dr. Lanny K. Hollis

Dr. Lanny K. Hollis, C'80 ('76-80) and T'86 ('82-86), has been an educator within the Diocese of Cleveland, OH, for the past 25-plus years. Having taught

social studies, theology, Spanish and Latin, Dr. Hollis has also served in numerous administrative positions and is currently the associate principal of Cleveland Central Catholic High School.

In addition to a Saint Meinrad bachelor's degree in psychology and Master of Theological Studies, Dr. Hollis also holds advanced degrees in religious studies from Indiana University, educational administration from Ursuline College, Spanish language and English instruction to speakers of other languages from the University of Southern Mississippi, along with a doctorate in urban education from Cleveland State University.

Currently, he dedicates his energies to his urban high school; leadership in special education and second language learning;

adjunct teaching in the Cleveland area in pastoral ministry, theology and Spanish language; maintaining long-distance friendships with many of his Saint Meinrad friends and commuting to Toledo where most of his family lives.

Dr. Hollis is seeking approval for his first term on the Alumni Board.



Msgr. James K. Ramer

Msgr. James K. Ramer, T'86 ('80-86), is a priest in the Diocese of Peoria, IL. A native of Roseville, IL, he attended St. Ambrose College in Davenport, IA, for two years and

served in the U.S. Army from 1966-69 in the finance office of the Third Infantry Division in Wuzburg, Germany.

He was promoted to the JUMPS (Joint United Military Pay Section) of the Finance Office when military pay was based at Fort Benjamin Harrison, IN.

Following military service, he graduated from Holiday Inn Food and Beverage University in Memphis, TN, and was employed in that profession for several years.

After earning a bachelor's degree at Saint Meinrad College in 1982, Msgr. Ramer graduated from Saint Meinrad School of Theology and was ordained for the Diocese of Peoria on May 24, 1986. While in theology school, he was a member of the Spiritual Direction Team.

He has served in parishes in Bloomington, Quad Cities, the Champaign/Urbana area and Princeton. He was named a monsignor in 2007. Currently, Msgr. Ramer is pastor of Our Lady of the Lake Church in Mahomet.

Msgr. Ramer is seeking approval for his first term on the Alumni Board.

## 1989-PRESENT

Deacon Alan Carter, T'13 ('07-13), earned his master's in Catholic philosophical studies from Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in 2009 and will receive his Master of



Deacon Alan Carter

Divinity in May 2013, just a week before being ordained on May 18 as a priest for the Diocese of Lexington, KY.

Born and raised in Lexington, Deacon Alan earned a bachelor's degree from Washington & Lee University, studying politics, religion and philosophy. He was the director of an information technology practice at a management consulting firm for a little over a decade before entering the seminary.

While at Saint Meinrad, Deacon Alan served his class as representative to the Seminary Pastoral Council during his first and last years. He has also been the manager of the school's coffee shop. Deacon Alan has led roughly 20 Confirmation and other youth retreats in the last three years, providing catechesis to young people throughout the region and offering formation and learning opportunities for other seminarians who joined him in leading these retreats.

Pastoral care and counseling are among his ministerial interests. Deacon Alan has completed two clinical internships at a pastoral counseling center in the Archdiocese of Louisville, and he anticipates receiving Saint Meinrad's two certificates in supervision this spring (pastoral care and homiletics). He recently joined the first cohort of Saint Meinrad's Spiritual Direction Certificate program.

Deacon Alan is seeking approval for his first term on the Alumni Board.



Betsy Dunman

Betsy Dunman, T'01 ('94-01), has been a theology teacher at Trinity High School in Louisville, KY, for 10 years and recently ended a six-year term as department chair.

She earned her Master of Theological Studies from Saint Meinrad School of Theology, a master's degree in systems safety management from the University of

Southern California and a bachelor's degree from Murray State University, Murray, KY.

Dunman worked for over a decade in the defense industry on various U.S. Navy programs before returning to school to obtain her theology degree.

Dunman is a member of the Archdiocese of Louisville's Vocation Advisory Team and is an advocate and assessor for the Tribunal in Louisville. She is a lector at St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church in Louisville and serves as a lector and extraordinary minister of Holy Communion at Trinity High School.

She has served on the Saint Meinrad Advisory Board for Youth and Young Adult Ministry and was the coordinator of religious education at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Louisville.

She has presented at the National Conference on Catholic Youth Ministry and the Ohio Catholic Education Association Conference. Dunman and her husband, Leo Walsh, have four adult children.

She is seeking approval for her first term on the Alumni Board.



Mark Spratt

Mark Spratt, C'99 ('95-99), is a senior manager in the Deloitte Human Capital practice. He has more than 11 years of consulting experience, helping clients align their business strategy with their

requirements for organizational structure, talent and learning.

He holds dual master's degrees from University of Southern California in public administration and social work. His clients have included Google, Universal Music Group, The Walt Disney Company, Sun Microsystems, Genentech, State of California, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Deutsche Bank, Southern California Edison and Nissan.

In addition, Spratt is also Deloitte's corporate team captain for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Team-In-Training and is a member of the University of Southern California's Alumni Association Board of Governors.

Spratt is seeking approval for his first term on the Alumni Board.

Candidates for the board are elected as a slate for approval. Alumni can submit their approval or disapproval by email to [alumni@saintmeinrad.edu](mailto:alumni@saintmeinrad.edu), by calling the Alumni Office at (800) 682-0988 or by voting on the alumni website at <http://alumni.saintmeinrad.edu>. Voting ends July 26. +

**LAKE INSTITUTE** *Cont. from page 16*  
on the relationship between their religion and their philanthropy.

For more than 10 years, the Institute has offered a place where clergy and laity of all faiths can openly discuss issues of money, faith and giving; donors can discern how their personal values influence their philanthropic action; and academicians can study the intersection of faith and giving. The Institute translates research findings into practical training for practitioners and parishes.

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# ALUMNI ETERNAL

**Fr. Leonard L. Alvey, O'58 ('46-52)**, of the Diocese of Owensboro, KY, died on November 24, 2012.

**Mr. Fred E. Behrman O'66 ('54-55)**, of Belleville, IL, died on February 22, 2012.

**Fr. Odilo Burkhardt, OSB O'50 ('40-50)**, a founding member of Blue Cloud Abbey, Milbank, SD, died on December 30, 2012.

**Fr. Edward V. Chmely O'41 ('38-40)**, of Charleston, SC, died on October 7, 1998.

**Msgr. Bernard E. Christman Jr. O'59 ('53-55)**, a retired priest of the Diocese of Ogdensburg, NY, died on November 11, 2011, in Indian Harbor Beach, FL.

**Fr. Theodore T. Cilwick O'43 ('39-43)**, of the Diocese of Charleston, SC, died on January 23, 2010.

**Mr. Albert G. Dauby O'42 ('30-31)**, of Tell City, IN, died on December 26, 2012.

**Fr. Guy Fregeau O'82 ('80)**, of the Diocese of St. Augustine, FL, died on July 8, 2002.

**Dr. Joseph E. Hartung O'54 ('50-52)**, of Fayetteville, GA, died on June 2, 2012.

**Mr. James E. Hayden O'66 ('62-66)**, of Louisville, KY, died on January 12, 2013.

**Msgr. Clinton Hirsch O Feb. '45 ('33-44)**, of the Diocese of Evansville, IN, died on November 25, 2012.

**Fr. Edward J. Hussli O'67 ('61-64)**, of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, WI, died on November 18, 2012.

**Mr. Charles P. Jansen O'68 ('62-68, '71)**, died December 1, 2012, in Australia.

**Sr. Theresa M. Jarvis, SSSF (S'97)**, of Campbellsport, WI, died on October 22, 2012.

**Fr. Matthew J. Kish O'43 ('37-43)**, of the Diocese of Gary, IN, died on November 22, 2012.

**Fr. Raymond L. Kuper O'64 ('52-60)**, of the Diocese of Evansville, IN, died on November 13, 2012.

**Mr. Thomas J. Latsko O'64 ('52-54)**, of Aiken, SC, died on November 24, 2012.

**Mr. Charles P. Lettelleir O'55 ('44-46)**, of Rochester, MN, died on August 3, 2005.

**Mr. Robert L. Long O'66 ('54-63)**, of Sacramento, CA, died on November 26, 2012.

**Mr. Robert J. Lueken O'58 ('46-47)**, of Ferdinand, IN, died on December 27, 2012.

**Mr. Francis J. "Pat" Mellen O'39 ('28-29)**, of Henderson, KY, died on February 27, 2012.

**Mr. Dennis J. Noone Jr. O'56 ('44-52)**, of Naples, FL, died on January 4, 2013.

**Jack Okon O'70 ('66-70)**, of Indianapolis, IN, died on November 29, 2012.

**Mr. John S. Roush PDP ('12)**, of Vienna, WV, died on November 1, 2012.

**Mr. John C. Rueff Jr. O'64 ('51-53)**, of Louisville, KY, died on May 10, 2012.

**Mr. Timothy P. Ryan C'95 ('91-95)**, of Indianapolis, IN, died on December 30, 2012.

**Fr. Jeldo J. Schiavone O'52 ('48-52)**, of the Diocese of Lafayette, IN, died on November 20, 2012.

**Mr. Joseph A. Sorrells T'89 ('84-85)**, of Nashville, TN, died on August 10, 2012.

**Mr. Charles A. Stevens O'60 ('51-52)**, of Teutopolis, IL, died on December 11, 2012. +

## ALUMNI REUNION *Cont. from page 9*

The Reunion Mass will be held at 3:30 p.m. in the Archabbey Church, with Bishop Anthony Taylor O'80, of the Diocese of Little Rock, AR, as principal celebrant.

The evening's reception and banquet will honor alumnus Fr. Joseph Voor O'50, as the recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award. (See related story on Page 13.)

After dinner both evenings, the Alumni Commons and the UnStable will be open for socializing.

In this issue, alumni will find registration forms for both the Homecoming and Alumni Reunion. Or, visit the website to register online:

<http://alumni.saintmeinrad.edu>.

Share stories or pictures from past reunions on our Facebook page at [facebook.com/SaintMeinradAlumni](https://facebook.com/SaintMeinradAlumni). +



*Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Siegel of the Diocese of Joliet celebrated the opening Mass of the spring semester for the Seminary and School of Theology on January 28.*

# Alumnus Fr. Joseph H. Voor to be honored at summer Reunion



Fr. Joseph H. Voor

Tuesday, July 30.

Fr. Voor, 87, has been a priest in the Archdiocese of Louisville for more than 62 years. Over those six decades, he has held an exemplary record of service.

“Fr. Voor’s years of ministry and service as a priest, teacher, pastor and national leader have been marked by his humility,” says one nominator. “One might say that in each of these venues of ministry, his fingerprints remain on many projects and accomplishments for which he never sought credit.”

Fr. Voor developed strong family values at a young age. His mother died of pneumonia shortly after giving birth to him in 1925, and he and his father went to live with his relative, Christine Lampe, and her six children. After Mr. Lampe died, when Fr. Voor was 4 years old, he went to live with an uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard H. Voor Sr. and their six children. Then in 1943, Fr. Voor’s father was killed in an accident. He always had his extended family to fall back on and look to for support.

“Fr. Joe is like the rock of our extended family,” states one of Fr. Voor’s family members in a nomination letter. “Always present, ready, willing and able to be the spiritual light that we all need.”

Fr. Voor grew up in St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Louisville and was educated at St. Xavier High School for two years, then St. Mary’s College and Saint Meinrad Seminary. He was ordained in 1950 and was initially assigned to the Cathedral of the Assumption in Louisville.

Fr. Joseph H. Voor O’50 (’46-50) will be the 22nd person to receive Saint Meinrad’s Distinguished Alumnus Award. The award will be conferred at the Alumni Reunion banquet on

Within a year, he was sent to The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., where he received a doctorate in psychology.

Fr. Voor was a faculty member at Bellarmine University in Louisville from 1956-1975 and was the university’s first professor of psychology. While there, he served as director of the guidance office, director of housing, director of the school’s Upward Bound program and as a chair in the psychology department, all while teaching a full load of classes.

In 1972, Fr. Voor returned from a sabbatical at the University of Michigan to establish the parish council system for the Archdiocese of Louisville, a structure that is still in place today.

At the same time he was launching the council system, Fr. Voor was elected first president of the National Organization for the Continuing Education of Roman Catholic Clergy Inc. He was also serving as director of continuing education of clergy of the Archdiocese of Louisville from 1971-1982.

Fr. Voor served as president of the National Guidance Council in 1973. He has been a prison chaplain for more than 20 years, as well as a chaplain for the Serra Club of Louisville, Knights of St. John and has been involved with the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Council since 1978 as both a team priest and in local leadership.

He has received an honorary degree from the Knights of St. John and the Pope John XXIII Medal from the National Organization for Continuing Education for Clergy.

Fr. Voor has served as the senior associate at St. Brigid and St. James parishes since his retirement in 1995. He remains active as a national committee member of the Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Fr. Voor also served as a member of the health panel for a number of years in the Archdiocese of Louisville.

He continues to remain physically active, playing golf and tennis at least once a week. +

## 2013 Phonathon proves to be successful

Each spring, seminarians take part in the Alumni and Friends Phonathon hosted by the Development Office. This year, seven evenings in February and March were devoted to the Phonathon. The entire student body participated and, by the end of the last evening, they had made calls to more than 3,500 alumni and nearly 1,000 friends. Their efforts helped to raise more than \$27,000.

Fr. Tobias Colgan, OSB, vice rector of the school, explains, “The Phonathon is important for several reasons: it helps us reconnect with our alumni, it gives our alumni the chance to talk with a current student about the happenings on the Hill, it gives students an opportunity to practice speaking with our benefactors, and it raises money to support the mission of the school.”

“I’m grateful to the students for sacrificing one of their evenings to help with the Phonathon,” says Associate Director of Annual Giving John Huether C’74, who organizes the event. “Many have never done this kind of work before and find it fun talking with alumni and hearing their stories of being here on the Hill—it’s a good experience for the callers and for the people they reach.”

On the last two evenings, the Friends Phonathon included a “thank-a-thon,” giving students an opportunity to speak directly with Saint Meinrad’s donors and personally thank them for their recent generosity.

Alumni can make gifts to the 2012-13 Alumni Annual Giving Program until June 30. +

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# ALUMNI NEWS

**Fr. Timothy Alkire C'81 ('78-81)**, pastor of St. Boniface Church in Lafayette, IN, blessed dozens of pets during the parish's annual Blessing of the Animals on October 3. A photo in the diocese newspaper *The Catholic Moment* showed him blessing a family's English springer spaniel.

**Fr. John Appiah C'94 ('90-94)**, associate pastor of All Saints Church in Knoxville, TN, and a medical mission team spent several days last August in his homeland of Ghana, providing treatment to nearly 3,000 patients. This was his third medical missionary trip to the African nation.

**Fr. Eric Augenstein T'04 ('00-04)** has been appointed vocations director for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. His predecessor, **Fr. Eric Johnson T'02 ('96-02)** is now the administrator of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in New Albany and chaplain of Our Lady of Providence Junior/Senior High School in Clarksville.

**Fr. Thomas Bailey, OSB, T'04 ('96-04)**, of Marmion Abbey, Aurora, IL, spent 11 weeks in Kyiv, Ukraine, studying Russian last summer, including cultural visits to Lviv and Odessa.

**Fr. David Boettner C'90 ('87-90)**, pastor of Sacred Heart Cathedral in Knoxville, TN, returned November 19 from a four-month sabbatical. While away, he studied theology and Scripture at the Pontifical North American College in Rome and walked on a 600-mile pilgrimage through France and Spain.

**Mrs. Sandra Bierly LDC ('02)**, of New Albany, IN, was honored with the 2012 Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara Respect for Life Award on October 7. She is a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish.

**Fr. William P. Burks T'86 ('81-86)**, pastor of St. Pius X Church in Louisville, KY, received the Distinguished Pastor Award from the National Catholic Education Association on April 2.

**Fr. Joe Campbell T'99 ('94-99)**, a priest of the Diocese of Knoxville, has begun celebrating Mass on Norris Lake during the summer season. On average, 22 boats with about 130 people participate in the marine Masses.

**Mr. Charlie Gardner O'73 ('65-70)** retired at the end of December as executive director for spiritual life and worship and director of liturgical music for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.

**Fr. Lewis Hejna O'81 ('78-81)**, of Springfield, MO, has been appointed part-time chaplain of Springfield Catholic High School. He continues as pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish, Springfield, and St. Joseph Parish in Billings, MO.

**Fr. J. Ronald Knott O'70 ('64-70)**, a priest of the Archdiocese of Louisville and director of Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology's Institute for Priests and Presbyterates, has founded a website for dioceses that facilitates the networking of its priests: [www.PriestToPriest.net](http://www.PriestToPriest.net). The free service allows the priests within a diocese to stay informed, interact with each other and build community. He also developed the same idea for permanent deacons at [www.DeaconToDeacon.net](http://www.DeaconToDeacon.net).

**Fr. Peter Marshall T'09 ('04-09)** and **Mrs. Mary Schaffner T'10 ('06-09)** presented a day of reflection at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House in Indianapolis, IN, on October 20, 2012, on "The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola."

**Fr. Adam Mauman T'10 ('05-10)**, a priest of the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana, celebrated a special Mass at St. Catherine of Alexandra Church on December 14 in the Nix Settlement community. He is a descendant of the Nix families who started the parish in the 1800s. More than 50 Nix relatives attended the Mass and reception that followed.

**Deacon Stephan Phelps LD'12 ('10-12)**, an assessor for the tribunal in the Archdiocese of Louisville, has led a revision of the documents used by the archdiocese in the marriage annulment process.

**Msgr. Bernard Powers O'52 ('41-46)**, a priest of the Diocese of Owensboro, led the Advent Day of Prayer held on December 13 at Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center.



**Linus Mundy O'73 ('61-66, '89)**, retired publisher of Abbey Press, St. Meinrad, IN, has received the 2013 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Association of Catholic Publishers.

The honor recognizes his many years of dedication to working professionally in the Catholic book publishing industry and his accomplishments that have advanced the industry.

At Abbey Press, Mundy served as publisher and associate editor, developing and promoting products, most notably CareNotes, a line of pastoral care booklets, and *Marriage Magazine*.

He also worked at St. Anthony Messenger Press, Cincinnati, OH, where he was instrumental in developing their flagship magazines. He also was involved in the start-ups of *Catholic Update*, *Homily Helps* and *Youth Update*.

The award was presented March 8 at the 2013 Mid-Atlantic Congress in Baltimore, MD.

**Fr. Joe Rascher O'81 ('77-81)**, pastor of St. Mary Catholic Church, Trenton, IL, is one of the presenters who gave a seminar on the Ministry of Presiding at Prayer for Deacons and Lay Leaders last August.

**Fr. David Sanchez T'02 ('99-02)** has begun offering a 10 p.m. candlelight Mass on Sundays at Holy Name Church in Louisville, KY. The late-evening service is attracting college students and those who work during the day.

**Mr. Jack Tuinier C'96 ('92-96, '02-04)** has been named the pastoral associate and the director of religious education at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, Santa Claus, IN.

**Fr. Paul Weberg, OSB C'98 ('94-98)**, an Army chaplain, was sent to Botswana, Africa, this past summer to aid and counsel U.S. troops and members of the Botswana Defense Force who were conducting humanitarian assistance, peacekeeping efforts and other operations. He is a member of Marmion Abbey in Aurora, IL.

**Mrs. Donna Wenstrup LD'12 ('07-11)** is the new director of religious education at St. Margaret Mary and St. Patrick parishes in Terre Haute, IN.

Glenmary Home Missioners priests **Fr. Aaron Wessman T'12 ('08-12)** and Fr. Steve Pawelk concelebrated Mass on September 16, 2012, as the Most Rev. Richard Stika, bishop of the Diocese of

Knoxville, dedicated the altar at the new Blessed John Paul II Mission in Grainger County.

**Fr. William Wargel O'65 ('53-65)**, a retired priest of the Diocese of Evansville, IN, has published a book, *Christians: Friends for Christ*. To order a copy, send \$16.50 to Fr. Bill Wargel, P.O. Box 85, Celestine, IN 47521.

**Fr. William David Willett O'79 ('75-79)**, pastor of St. Denis Catholic Church in Fancy Farm, KY, and St. Charles Catholic Church, Bardwell, KY, was a recipient of a 2012 Sophia Award. The award is given by the Diocese of Owensboro to honor senior citizens who have given generously to the local Church.

The annual priest tennis tourney in the Diocese of Belleville, IL, was held June 25. Among the participants were **Fr. Jerry Wirth O'68 ('62-68, '71)**, **Fr. Leo Hayes O'61 ('55-61, '71)**, **Msgr. Carl Scherrer O'73 ('69-73)**, **Msgr. Jim Buerster O'79 ('75-79)** and **Fr. Andy Knopik O'83 ('75-79)**.

**Msgr. John Wright O'62 ('52-58)** recently reflected his 50 years of priestly ministry and 30 years of military service in an article in *The Criterion*, newspaper of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. He began his Navy service in 1967 and traveled all over the world. He currently provides part-time sacramental assistance in parishes in the Diocese of San Diego. +

## Alumnus named auxiliary bishop of Atlanta



Auxiliary Bishop  
David P. Talley

On January 3, Pope Benedict XVI named Atlanta priest Monsignor David P. Talley as the newest auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. He is a member of the Saint Meinrad ordination class of 1989.

As auxiliary bishop, he joins Archbishop Wilton Gregory and Auxiliary Bishop Luis R. Zarama in leading the archdiocese.

Bishop Talley was ordained a bishop at Atlanta's Christ the King Cathedral on April 2. He was born in Columbus, GA, on September 11, 1950, and raised as a Southern Baptist. At the age of 24, he converted to Catholicism.

He studied at Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology, earning a Master of Divinity degree, and was ordained a priest for the Atlanta archdiocese in 1989. He has a licentiate and doctorate in canon law from the Gregorian Pontifical University in Rome.

Bishop Talley had been pastor of St. Brigid Church in Johns Creek, GA, since 2011. He has served as pastor or parochial vicar at four other Georgia churches.

He has also been the archdiocese's vocations director, chancellor and judicial vicar of the metropolitan tribunal. Pope John Paul II named him a prelate of honor in 2001. +



Most Rev. Joseph Tobin, archbishop of Indianapolis, installed the Ministry of Acolytes to seminarians Michael Cronin and Thomas Dunn, along with 18 others, on February 7.

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## New fundraising course offered for Catholic leaders



What do you do when the landscape of religious giving is drastically changing? How do you inspire generosity during difficult economic times? Where do you find the training and tools to meet the needs of your Catholic parish or organization?

This fall, Lake Institute on Faith & Giving, in partnership with Saint Meinrad's Institute for Priests and Presbyterates, is offering a new program on religious fundraising. The four-day course leads to an Executive Certificate in Religious Fundraising (ECRF).

The course will be held September 9-12, 2013, on the Saint Meinrad campus. Catholic priests, deacons, lay ministers and other Church leaders are invited to participate.

The purpose of the ECRF is simple – to provide clergy and development personnel who serve faith-based organizations with expertise in fundraising principles and practices.

There is no intentional fundraising training program that focuses exclusively on the needs, challenges and opportunities of people serving religious

congregations. ECRF offers a balanced exploration of congregational cultures, generosity and the fundamentals of fundraising.

The ECRF program introduces Catholic fundraisers to additional and advanced training resources, addressing the continuing education needs of clergy and other leaders who aspire to make a difference.

This new opportunity is intended to strengthen pastoral leadership in resource development. Participants will learn core fundraising principles and explore the rituals and practices that foster generosity, with the educational and theological rigor that addresses the needs of faith leaders.

As part of the Indiana University School of Philanthropy, Lake Institute on Faith & Giving is dedicated to helping people of faith think creatively and reflectively

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