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A CONNECTICUT CHRISTMAS CADEAU

The 80 faithful of ST. LAWRENCE CHAPEL in HARTFORD, CT believe in Divine Providence, but they really did not expect that after fifteen years of patient waiting, and of assisting at Masses in various rented halls and motel rooms, they would receive a permanent building for their chapel. But this Christmas they were able to enjoy the extraordinary gift of a spiritual home for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. The former synagogue, in an excellent neighborhood close to Hartford, along with two acres of land, became available at a very reasonable price last year. After close towards the end of November, the first Mass was celebrated on December 3, 2000, by the Pastor, Father Gerardo Zendejas.

However, the one large room presently has to perform the double function of area for the celebration of Mass and for parish activities. Consequently the Blessed Sacrament cannot presently be reserved in the new building.



The front entrance to the new St. Lawrence chapel.



Father Zendejas recites the prayers for the blessing of the chapel before the celebration of the first Mass on the First Sunday of Advent.



The adjoining land, upon which it is hoped to eventually erect an additional building.



At the elevation of the first Mass. The parishioners are not complaining about the absence of pews, for they are so happy to have their own chapel, even if the present set up of the altar is temporary, due to lack of funds.

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass.



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Dear friends and benefactors of the Society of Saint Pius X,

Allow me to continue last month's considerations. The great difficulty in coming to terms with the present crisis in the Church is to understand how it could be possible for such error and compromise on questions of Faith to enter into the highest positions in the Church, for did not Our Lord say to St. Peter, and through him to his successors: "*I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not*" (Lk 22:32). Is it possible to resist bad prelates and a bad Pope without saying that the Church has failed, that it is no longer indefectible? Is not such a resistance a denial of the very nature and structure of the Church, and consequently of its indefectibility? Can we say that we believe in the Church and its authority without actually here and now submitting is everything to those who wield that authority? Can we admit that the Church is indefectible and at the same time that the practical universality of prelates, together with the Pope and the Roman Curia, push the ecumenical errors of the Second Vatican Council? The sedevacantists deny it, and basing themselves on the indefectibility of the Church's authority come to deny its visible hierarchical institution (and hence, of course, its indefectibility), namely the Pope, the bishops and that there are even any Catholic faithful outside of themselves.

The misunderstanding here lies in the meaning of the term "indefectible". What do we mean when we call the Church indefectible? The catechism tells us that it means that the Church will last until the end of time as Christ founded it, that is without any substantial change. The Popes have repeated the "*everlasting*" (Leo XIII, Db 1955) nature of the Church, rock solid until the end of time (Vatican I, Db 1794), without which Our Lord's words "*the gates of hell shall not prevail against it*" (Mt. 16:18) would not be true. However, that indefectibility does not necessarily lie in any particular exterior function of the hierarchy. If this were the case, the great western schism, with up to three parallel Popes at one time could not have existed, nor would the stringent limitations on Papal infallibility defined by Vatican I exist. The fact that the Pope is not always infallible means by definition that he can fail, as a person as a teacher, for as long as he does not use the fullness of Papal authority to which infallibility is attached.

Most people have a very legalistic view of the Church, and consequently of its indefectibility, which is why they find it impossible to conceive that three Popes and so many prelates could have defected from the full and complete profession of the Faith, and find themselves bound either to either accept all the modernist changes, or to reject the entire

hierarchical Church, as the sedevacantists do.

Dr. Ludwig Ott in *Fundamentals of Catholic Dogma* explains, to the contrary, the true nature of the Church's indefectibility:

The intrinsic reason for the indefectibility of the Church of Christ lies in her inner relation with Christ, who is the Foundation of the Church (I Cor 3:11) and with the Holy Ghost, who dwells in her as essence and life-principle (p. 297).

The indefectibility thus primarily consists in the divine life infused into the Church's members through the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and the sacraments, and is in no way tainted by the human defects, imperfections and failures of members of the visible hierarchy, as high as they might be. Pope Pius XII points out in his magnificent 1943 encyclical *On the Mystical Body of Christ (Mystici Corporis Christi)* that although the Church's hierarchy was instituted by Christ, it is not on such juridical structures that its indefectibility is founded:

Although the juridical principles, on which the Church rests and is established, derive from the divine constitution given to it by Christ and contribute to the attaining of its supernatural end, nevertheless that which lifts the Society of Christians far above the whole natural order is the Spirit of our Redeemer who penetrates and fills every part of the Church's being and is active within it until the end of time as the source of every grace and every gift and every miraculous power (§ 63).

It is in fact the enemies of Catholicism who see exclusively the external structure and who accuse the Catholic Church of "*ecclesiastical formalism*". This is Dom Aelred Graham's term in *The Teaching of the Catholic Church* (Vol II, p. 730, Ed. Canon Smith, 1947), and here is his commentary:

The reason for this power of survival lies, not in the Church's juridical elements, but in the indestructibility conferred upon her by the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit and of Christ himself. The visible hierarchy, the elaborate Church organization, being inseparable from human imperfections, though a part of Our Lord's plan from the beginning, have not in themselves the stuff of immortality. This they derive from the sources of grace and divine life within, the hidden riches of the Mystical Body which constitute the veritable "mystery of the Church."

The principal error of the sedevacantists, who attach indefectibility entirely to the exterior hierarchical structure, is likewise that of ecclesiastical formalism. With a little more appreciation of the life of grace received through the sacraments, with a little more understanding of the human weakness to which we are all subject, they would see how the

Church continues through and despite the defects of its members, whether they be defects of Faith or Charity, or uncontrolled passions of anger, envy or concupiscence. They would likewise understand a little more the interior suffering of those struggling against modernism infecting their own minds, such as the Pope, and the torment of those orthodox priests and faithful struggling against modernism in the *Novus Ordo*. If we do not agree with their prudential miscalculation, and their subsequent compromises, we cannot accuse them of not being a part of the Mystical Body of Christ, we cannot refuse to pray for them, united as we are at the altar, at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, to Christ Crucified, for as long as their Masses are offered validly by those who profess the Faith in union with the Catholic Church. Likewise by standing up against and condemning these defects in the hierarchy, by refusing to accept the abuse of authority destroying the very sacramental and supernatural life it was instituted to defend and promote, we in fact defend the Church's true indefectibility, as is our duty before God.

Nevertheless, as we enter this New Year, let us be wary of our own grave responsibility of maintaining in a precise a manner as possible, all the exterior aspects of the Church's life, which are in no way extrinsic to its supernatural mystery. This means perfect fidelity to the Magisterium, legitimate obedience to the hierarchy, awe and respect for the

priesthood, the consecrated state and the holy vows of religion, careful attention to every detail in the celebration or assistance at Holy Mass and in the administration and preparation of the sacraments, unshakable devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Nothing is unimportant, accessory, simply human or readily modifiable in all these details of ecclesiastical institution. Father Calmel, O.P. has this to say:

That is why we will do all in our power to prevent these means from being perverted or annihilated, as has been done by revolutionary maneuvers since Vatican II. In our resistance, we are assured of being faithful to the Church, for whatever the modernists try to tell us, it wishes to maintain the means that are necessary for it to accomplish its function of mediation. And it wishes to perform this function of mediation in order to live in charity, that Our Lord reside in her by the indwelling of love and by the eucharistic presence. (*Mystères du Royaume de la Grace*, I, pp. 126-127).

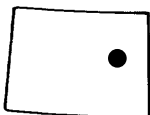
These times of confusion can be for us times of peace and calm, if such is our Faith in the mystery of the Church, a supernatural, indefectible mystery that we cannot see, but which we adhere to with all our mind, will and heart.

Yours faithfully in Christ Our Lord, Our King and Our Sovereign High Priest,

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REGIONAL REPORT



COLORADO

On Sunday October 1, Father Joseph Pfeiffer celebrated High Mass at **ST. ISIDORE'S** Catholic Church in **WATKINS** (Denver), to commemorate the completion of the 80 foot steel and stone bell tower. More than 250 parishioners from Our Lady Help of Christians in Denver and Annunciation Chapel in Fort Collins came to celebrate this event. The 2,000 pound bell was rung for the first time at the consecration at Mass. Following Mass there was a large pot-luck picnic, a sale of used Catholic books, and friendly games of football, softball and volleyball.



In the unfinished church Father Pfeiffer blesses the 25th (Mr. & Mrs. Tim Bauer & Mr. & Mrs. Leon Gaydosh) & 50th (Mr. & Mrs. Gene Linnebur) anniversaries of 3 couples who are have been particularly active and generous supporters of the Society's school and church in the Denver area.

Cars parked in front of the almost completed exterior façade of St. Isidore's.



MINNESOTA

On Saturday September 2, H.E. Bishop Williamson solemnly blessed the new **SACRED HEART CHAPEL** of the Sacred Heart Novitiate of the Sisters of the Society of Saint Pius X in **BROWERVILLE**, much to the delight of the Sisters, who had waited nearly ten years for this day. The bishop consecrated its impressive marble altar in the presence of four priests, two deacons, twenty-one sisters and many faithful who had come to witness these ceremonies, a true foretaste of heaven.

The previous evening the relics to be enclosed in the altar were venerated in an all-night vigil held in the Novitiate's old,

provisional chapel. On the morning of the 2nd they were translated to the new chapel, in a solemn procession of the clergy, accompanied by the Sisters, singing the antiphons to the holy martyrs, from the ceremonial.

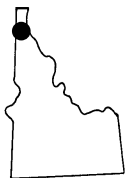
Now the interior work continues with the installation of a confessional, the furnishing of the sacristy, and the completion of the basement, which will provide necessary rooms for the community. The Sisters hope one day to install stained glass windows. Meanwhile the Novitiate is growing in an encouraging way, with several young ladies joining in mid-September to try their vocation as a postulant. May God draw many more vocations.



The procession of relics leaves the old chapel on the way to the new chapel.



The bishop sprinkles the exterior walls of the new Sacred Heart chapel with holy water.



IDAHO

The feast of Christ the King has long been a very important one for the faithful of **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** in **POST FALLS**. This year was no exception, with pilgrims from Oregon and Kansas joining up with the souls from Northern Idaho, Eastern Washington, Western Montana and southern Canada who came for the great day. An enormous tent was erected on the grounds adjacent to the church, with over 1,000 chairs placed inside. Still the back of the tent had to be raised to accommodate the overflow crowd. In his sermon, Father Morgan spoke of the importance of proclaiming the Social Kingship of Christ, and likened Archbishop Lefebvre to St. Joan of Arc, concluding with the practical measure that we can accomplish to promote it. After a lengthy outdoor process the procession returned to the crowded tent to make the act of Consecration of the world to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.



Father Morgan, accompanied by Fathers Crane and De Champeaux, leads the procession away from the tent and around the town of Post Falls.



The bishop preaches the homily, accompanied by Father Kimball, the Novitiate chaplain.



The words of consecration of the Pontifical High Mass that followed the consecration of the altar. It was the very first Mass to be celebrated in the new chapel.



A group photo of the Sisters, Bishop, priests and clergy on the steps of the main entrance into the newly blessed Sacred Heart chapel.

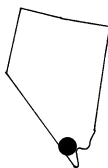


A close up of the imposing seven foot diameter medallion sculpture of the Sacred Heart, the work of Brother Marcel from St. Thomas Aquinas seminary. The medallion adorns the façade of the chapel and bears witness to all who pass by, that here, at least, Christ reigns as King.



Traffic had to be blockaded to allow the procession to go through the center of town. The Dominican Sisters follow the Blessed Sacrament, and are followed in turn by parishioners with banners of all kinds.

NEVADA



On the feast of Christ the King, Sunday October 29, Father Christopher Brandler instituted the Holy Name Society at **OUR LADY OF VICTORY** in **LAS VEGAS**. Thirteen men generous came forward to make the solemn pledge to honor the Holy Name of our Divine Savior, by keeping the commandments, sanctifying the Lord's Day, avoiding all improper language, insisting that their dependents do likewise, remonstrating with those who use the name of God in vain, and thus providing leadership to their families and to the parish.



Father Brandler, surrounded by the men of the Holy Name Society after Mass in the church of Our Lady of Victory.



CALIFORNIA

The parishioners of **OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS** in **ARCADIA** had a busy Fall. It began with the solemn celebration of the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, with a public Rosary procession. Then came the All Saints' party on Saturday October 28, at which no less than 35 "saints" starred, and tried to stump Father Ward, the pastor, at guessing who they were. Father Ward selected the five best presentations, and awarded them a \$10 gift certificate from the bookstore. After this the children played the game of "soul bags". Bags of candy were hidden around the parish hall, each contained the name of a deceased parishioner of Our Lady of the Angels. After finding a bag, the children had to pray for the repose of the souls, before tasting the delights contained therein. After this came musical chairs, which the older children had to play with books on their heads, to everybody's amusement.

The following day, feast of Christ the King, our Superior General, H.E. Bishop Fellay visited to solemnize this great feast also.



Some of the members of the Altar and Rosary Society around their new banner. On average twenty ladies attend the monthly meeting.



Saints of all sizes gathered together in the church basement for a photo, before presenting one at a time, the life of their saint.



Bishop Fellay, accompanied by Fathers Ward and Hawker, carried the Blessed Sacrament in public procession through the streets of Arcadia.



The "saints" of Our Lady of the Angels play musical chairs.



The Bishop during the talk in the church basement that followed the ceremony, during which he demonstrated his skill as a story teller, telling of several remarkable incidents.



The statue of the Immaculate Heart of Mary leads the Rosary procession through the surrounding neighborhood.



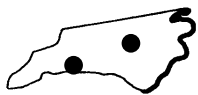
During a solemn High Mass on Friday December 8, Father David Nichols makes his life-long engagement in the Society of Saint Pius X in the presence of Father Charles Ward at Our Lady of the Angels.



Father Lawrence Novak, visiting from St. Aloysius Gonzaga retreat center, together with the teachers and the Academy students (K-8) in St. Michael's church.



The pizza party celebration with which the students were rewarded for their hard calculations to raise funds.



NORTH CAROLINA

No sooner had the faithful of **ST. ANTHONY'S** in **CHARLOTTE** taken possession of their new church, then they wanted to celebrate the liturgical year in all its glory. On the feast of Christ the King, the Pastor, Father Kenneth Novak, led the parishioners in an outdoor procession to the nearby St. Joseph's church in Mt. Holly, the oldest standing Catholic church in the state (1843). Bishop Curlin, who denied the use of this church for the final benediction, is the same bishop who allowed a Yom Kippur service to be held in a Catholic church, with the Torah enshrined at the tabernacle!



The faithful follow the Blessed Sacrament as they leave St. Anthony's church on the feast of Christ the King.



A police car led the way, assuring the safety of the fervent Catholics who participated in the procession.



The four acre property has also been much appreciated for outdoor activities, such as this first parish picnic, which was held on September 30, 2000.



Amongst the many activities for the children was horse-riding, thanks to the efforts of the parishioner who brought these horses for the occasion.



The basement parish hall is also used for performances, by more or less willing performers!

The Way of the Cross was erected by Father Novak at **HOLY REDEEMER** in **RALEIGH** (Wake Forest) on September 24, 2000, thus completing the conversion of this former warehouse in to a Catholic Church.



Father Novak blessed the crosses and images together before erecting them on the church walls.



As a part of the ceremony the priest and faithful follow Our Lord on the fourteen stations of the Way of the Cross. Father Novak is here on the first station.



Father Novak returns to the altar.



HAWAII

The faithful of **ST. PETER CHANEL** mission in **HILO** (Big Island) decided not only to do a Rosary procession on the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, Saturday October 7, but also to invite other Catholics from the parishes in town to also participate. It was well attended, and encouraged the all-powerful prayer of the Rosary for the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.



The procession through the main street, with the mission banner held by one of the faithful.



The faithful carefully surround the statue of Our Lady of Fatima.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

EASTERN EUROPE

Father Stehlin sends the following update from Warsaw, written on the feast of St. Francis Xavier. He is very grateful for the generous donations received during his October visit to the U.S., which amounted to more than \$50,000.

Allow me at the end of this Holy Year to thank you with all my heart for the your generosity in the service of the Immaculata, of the Catholic Missions, for the salvation of souls. Your prayers, your sacrifices, your financial support, your love to Our Lord and to Our Lady, all that may be rewarded by Him with the abundance of Divine Graces and finally with everlasting happiness....

Our General Superior honored us in November 2000 by establishing himself the Seminary of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in **LVOV, UKRAINE**, for the Byzantine catholic candidates of Priesthood in the Catholic Tradition. Opened in November, 8 seminarians entered immediately this institute, which is under the leadership of the Priestly Society of Saint Josaphat, established in September this year by Fr. Schmidberger as a Union of traditional Greek-catholic priests, whose spiritual authority is Our General Superior. There are in this moment about 12 priests, 7 of them already took their solemn engagement as members of the Society of Saint Josaphat, 5 others as aspirants. They are parish priests, who want to conserve Catholic Tradition among their faithful. They fight against Charismatic groups and Ecumenism, which in Ukraine means dialogue with the schismatic orthodox, to whom the Byzantine Catholics are invited to return!! Their apostolate will be simi-



Bishop Fellay, Father Stehlin and some of the aspirant seminarians at the Seminary of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Lvov.



Bishop Fellay gives his blessing at the end of a public conference that he gave in the Ukraine last October.

lar to that of the priests of the diocese of Campos in Brazil: to conserve and provide a traditional clergy, to help the traditional religious congregations to survive and develop, and especially to keep the flame of the integral Catholic Faith ahead amongst the faithful (each priest has about 300-2000 faithful). One of these priests, Father Lubomir, has already been thrown out by his bishop. Now, he celebrates the Divine Liturgy in a small chapel, the faithful stand outside, every Sunday between 200-

Bishop Fellay assists at the Holy Liturgy celebrated by Father Warnl, Superior of the Society of Saint Josaphat.



500, depending on climate conditions. Next Spring we want to help him to build a church.

It will be our task to help Ukraine to form new generations of traditional priests, penetrated by the ideal which has been transmitted to us by our venerated founder, Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre. Three Society priests will now regularly (once a month each) visit that seminary to give lectures and spiritual training. Hopefully next year the number of those seminarians will increase to 15-20, because we have already many candidates, who have to wait until the construction of the seminary will be finished.



Bishop Fellay blesses the new Seminary of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Lvov.

The Congregation of the Basilian Sisters of Divine Mercy were equally established by Our General Superior. They count already 3 postulants, and a couple of other girls are waiting for admission. Up to this moment the sisters live in a small rented house, or rather hut. Unimaginable, how they get all into that small place! Because of these further vocations these sisters need a new building and we are now looking around to find an adequate place.



Bishop Fellay, Fathers Warnl and Stehlin and the Basilian sisters and their three postulants.

In **POLAND**, in spite of the terrible crosses, which are a necessary part of any apostolate blessed by Our Lord, our vocations grow up: in September the first Polish brother postulant took the cassock and received his new name: Brother Maximilian (his patron is Saint Maximilian Kolbe). Another Pole, Br Honorat is a novice in the Traditional Capuchin order in Morgon. With the help of God next summer will be ordained the first Society priest of Poland, Rev. Mr. Leszek Królikowski from Gdynia. Two other Polish seminarians study in our Seminary in Zaitzkofen, as well as 2 Lithuanians, who will be subdeacons and deacons this year; finally there are 2 other seminarians coming from Latvia and Estonia. The sisters' vocations are all in the noviciate of the Oblates of the Society of Saint Pius X: 3 Polish and 3 Ukrainian postulants and novices. Deo Gratias!

These graces are certainly granted because of your generosity and prayer, your missionary zeal on one hand, but also due to the fact, that Eastern Europe was subject to religious persecutions up to the end of the 80s; and these vocations are certain-

ly the fruit of suffering of many good Catholics in the communist era.

When Saint Maximilian Kolbe started his Militia Immaculatae, his main apostolate consisted in printing a newsletter "the Knight of the Immaculata", which developed from 5000 copies in 1922 to the incredible number of 1 500 000 in 1938. Through this means he succeeded to get more than 800 vocations in his "City of the Immaculata" and more than a million faithful joined the Militia. In a similar way, however much more modest, we want to touch the Novus Ordo Catholics through our newsletter and books. This year we had the consolation to double the number of copies, which are sold in the bookstores, newsletter stands and libraries all over Poland. Our articles are discussed at the universities, the seminarians and priests in the seminaries pass them from hand to hand, although it is strictly forbidden to read 'lefebvrst literature' (but it is, of course, allowed to read any Protestant, Jewish etc. literature). Due to this apostolate the number of our faithful increases in our chapels, especially in Lublin, where the assistance has tripled since last summer! Deo et Immaculatae Gratias!

The constructions of our churches in Poland are going on in Lublin, where we build in this moment the Church of Our Lady of Fatima. We have to be very discrete, because the bishop there is one of our worst enemies. If he knew about the construction, he would certainly do everything to block it. So we will announce the project only, when it will be ready, approved by the town council, which hopefully will take place before Easter. Unfortunately the construction of our Church in Gdansk has been once more blocked, probably somebody has denounced to the bishop our project. However, the negotiations seem to go a good way, so hopefully we will be able to begin once more with the construction of the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Gdansk next spring. It is clear, that the devil foresees the immense benediction of that church for the northern area of Poland, and therefore he will do all to hinder it.

In the **BALTIC STATES** the regular presence of a Society Priest (Fr. Brucciani goes there twice a month) is of a great benefit: we can print our Lithuanian bulletin regularly. For the first time faithful living in the country can be visited; conferences are given in the major cities; the faithful start to attend regularly the Holy Mass in our two chapels in the capital Vilnius and the city of Kaunas. We hope that with the priestly ordination of the first Lithuanians in 2002 we will be able to open the first priory for the Baltic States. May the Immaculata grant us this grace!

Needless to say, that we count on you for our future projects in Poland, Ukraine and the Baltic States. You can be sure, that thousands of faithful in these countries offer daily the Holy Rosary in your intentions. In heaven you will certainly appreciate these prayers of those unknown faithful, whom you had once helped through your donations to build a seminary, a church, a convent, a school for them, for the vocations, for the children."

Donations may be sent directly to Father Stehlin in Warsaw. However, if you want to have a receipt of donations for tax purposes, send the check to the Society's U.S. District Office, with the memo 'for Poland' or 'for Eastern Europe' or 'for Fr. Stehlin'.

RETREAT SCHEDULE

JANUARY-APRIL 2001

ST. IGNATIUS RETREAT HOUSE

**209 Tackora Trail
Ridgefield, CT 06877
(203) 431 0201**

Men's 5 day Ignatian: February 5-10 & April 16-21
Men's 5 day Marian retreat: March 12-17
Women's 5 day Ignatian: January 15-20 & March 26-31

OUR LADY OF SORROWS RETREAT HOUSE

**750 E. Baseline Road
Phoenix, AZ 85040
(602) 268 7673**

Men's 5 day Ignatian: February 5-10 & March 5-10
Women's 5 day Ignatian: January 15-20, February 19-24
& March 26-31
Women's 3 day Marian: March 15-17
Teacher's 4 day retreat: April 18-22

ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA CAMP & RETREAT CENTER

**19101 Bear Creek Road
Los Gatos, CA 95030
(408) 354 7703**

Men's 5 day Lenten retreat: March 26-31
Women's 5 day Marian retreat: March 12-17

EUCCHARISTIC CRUSADE

MONTHLY INTENTIONS for January - March 2001

January The development among young people of Catholic education, and in particular of the teaching of the Catechism.
February Reparation for the number of abortions to diminish
March Unity in Catholic families

U.S. DISTRICT TREASURE OCTOBER 2000

Treasure sheets returned	375
Morning offerings	9925
Masses	4501
Sacramental communions	3838
Spiritual communions	7427
Sacrifices	25,495
Decades of the Rosary	47,400
Visits to the Blessed Sacrament	4940
15 minutes of silent meditation	3288
Good examples	13,450

The 20 Active chapters for October 2000 were: St. Mary's Academy, St. Mary's, KS; St. Jude's, Philadelphia, PA; Our Lady of the Rosary, Buffalo, NY; St. John Fisher, Fort Wayne, IN; Our Lady Immaculate, Chicago, IL; Our Lady of Fatima, Salt Lake City, UT; Our Lady of Lourdes, Honolulu, HI; St. Peter Chanel, Hilo, HI; St. Therese, Nicholville, NY; Our Lady of Sorrows, Girard, OH; St. Therese, Madison, WI; St. Vincent de Paul, Kansas City, MO; St. Michael's, Bakersfield, CA; Immaculate Conception, Post Falls, ID; St. Peregrine's, Cleveland, OH; St. Michael's, Bismarck, ND; Jesus and Mary, El Paso, TX; St. Ignatius Retreat House, Ridgefield, CT; St. John Vianney, Long Prairie, MN; Corpus Christi, Nashville, TN.

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE: July 1-12, 2001

Mr. & Mrs. Robert di Cecco will be taking pilgrims to visit some of the better known Marian shrines in France, including the chapel of the Miraculous Medal, Lourdes, La Salette, Our Lady of the Bleeding Willow in Vinay and Our Lady of Laus. They will also visit Lisieux, the Basilica of St. Martin and the Popes' palace in Avignon. The price is \$2,085, all included. If interested call (203) 261 1133 or e-mail st-pius-x-pilgrimage@snet.net.

The following message is from the parents and family of Matthew Sowada, the Seminarian who passed away unexpectedly in October: *"With deep gratitude we acknowledge the St. Pius X parishioners for having Masses offered and especially the priests for saying Masses for the passing into eternal life of our beloved son and brother, Matthew Sowada. He was a first year Seminarian in Winona, Minnesota. We thank you for your many prayers, telephone calls and cards of condolence in our time of intense grief and sorrow. May God bless you all"*. Mr. & Mrs. Leo & Norma Sowada, Clint and Rachel.