# ANGELUS BUILDING COMPLETED



The finished building and parking lot, as seen from the front entrance on Forest, showing its proximity to Regina Coeli House.

he mild Fall in Missouri this year enabled outside work to continue uninhibited well into December, so that all the exterior work, including the parking lot and landscaping could be finished. The interior finish to the practical new building, including painting and floor coverings was finished in the last couple of weeks before Christmas, thanks to excellent coordination and rapid progress of the work. The delighted Angelus staff were poised to begin their move immediately after Christmas.



Work on the ductwork in the main storage, shipping and handling area.

Taping the dry wall in what has now become the main entrance area to the Angelus offices



Landscaping over the buried drainage system, as seen from the Regina Coeli House parking lot.







Laying of gravel in the parking lot, in preparation for the pouring of cement.



The finished exterior aspect of the building, before the pouring of the cement parking lot.



Installing a direct telephone connection between the Regina Coeli House (left), and the Angelus building in the background.



The interior doors all lined up along the side of the shipping and handling area to be stained, before being installed.

### **Society of Saint Pius X**

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

It pains me, as we celebrate the great mystery of the Incarnation, the dwelling amongst us of the Word made flesh, full of grace and truth, to inform you of the latest horror of the post-conciliar church. However, it is my duty to do so, that the understanding of the gravity of the crisis in the Church might motivate us to seek after the holiness of the saints, which is the only satisfactory answer.

#### **R**AMADAN

You have probably heard of the Pope's request that Catholics fast on December 14, the last day of the Muslim fast of Ramadan, to pray for peace together with the Muslims. As if our divine Savior, God made man, were not the source of all grace, all merit and every good work; as if fasting without Christ, but by whom no man goes to the Father (Jn 14:6), could be pleasing to God; as if St. Paul were no longer right when he said that the Catholic Faith comes first, then the grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom all merits and good works flow: "For by grace you are saved through faith, and that not of yourselves, for it is the gift of God; Not of works, that no man may glory. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus in good works..." (Eph 2:8-10). It was to emphasize the futility of such fasting without Faith in the divinity of the one true Mediator, Our Lord Jesus Christ, that the Society recommended not to keep any special observance on this day, but rather to prepare liturgically for the Christmas celebrations by the fasts of the Ember days and Christmas Vigil, so solidly based upon the Faith as they are. Such was, in effect, the best way to make reparation for the scandal and for the implicit denial of the Faith contained in the recommendation of partaking in a Muslim religious observance.

#### Assisi II

However, the greatest tragedy is that the Pope has requested, as a reaction to the terrorist attack of September 11, not a time of penance for the sins of Catholics, nor for the apostasy and moral perversion of the West that merited such a chastisement, but instead another Assisi, another reunion of all the world's religions to pray together to all their false gods for peace. This prayer meeting, that is supposed to procure "authentic peace", is but a repetition of the disgraceful meeting of October 27, 1986, which manifestly produced no such peace. To those who attempt to justify such ecumenical meetings by the legalistic argument that each group prays separately, there is not just the obvious fact that all participants are morally united in time and place for their prayers and that they gather together for the final prayer ceremony. John Paul II himself stated very clearly on November 18, at his proclamation of this inter-religious meeting, that it was to be a "common invocation" just like that of 1986.

#### CONFLICT, VIOLENCE & HATRED?

The Pope further indicated the special intention of this meeting: "Above all else, we would like to bring together Christians and Muslims, to proclaim to the world that religion must never become a

motive for conflict, hatred and violence". Preposterous statement, if ever there was one, and one which is a denial of the entire history of the Church, not to mention that of Islam, entirely based as it is on hatred and violence, and one which forever reduces truth to the level of a subjective, personal opinion, having no meaning outside of one's own personal consciousness.

If it is certainly true that our holy religion, unlike Islam, teaches us: "forgive those who trespass against us" (Mt 6:12), "love your enemies: do good to them that hate you; and pray for them that persecute and calumniate you" (Mt 5:44), regardless of the false religion to which they might presently adhere. However, it most certainly does not teach us to love the evil of the false religion of Islam, but rather to hate its errors with all the vehement conviction of our Faith and of our love for the truth. As for conflict and violence, religion has always been, and will always be, a motive for those who believe in objective truth. To deny this is to deny the sanctity of the martyrs of the early centuries, who were certainly in conflict with paganism. It is to deny the Crusades and the sanctity of those who gave their lives in these violent conflicts for the Faith and against the Muslims, and of those who preached them, such as St. Bernard and St. John Capistrano.

#### ST. PIUS X AND PIUS XI

Although the Church permits tolerance in those circumstances (only) in which it is for the common good, it repeatedly and solemnly condemns the modernist concept that religion cannot be a source of conflict, being really but a subjective feeling, every time the anti-modernist oath of St. Pius X is recited:

Fifthly, I hold most certainly and profess sincerely that faith is not a blind religious feeling bursting forth from the recesses of the subconscious, unformed morally under the pressure of the heart and the impulse of the will, but the true assent of the intellect to the truth... (Db 2145).

It is no wonder that Pope Pius XI had this to say about interreligious meetings, even when the purpose was not that of common prayer as at Assisi:

Congresses, meetings, and addresses are arranged, attended by a large concourse of hearers, where all without distinction, unbelievers of every kind as well as Christians, even those who unhappily have rejected Christ and denied His divine nature or mission, are invited to join in the discussion. Now, such efforts can meet with no kind of approval among Catholics. They presuppose the erroneous view that all religions are more or less praiseworthy, inasmuch as all give expression, under various forms, to that innate sense which leads men to God and to the obedient acknowledgement of His rule. Those who hold such a view are not only in error; they distort the true idea of religion, and thus reject it, falling gradually into naturalism and atheism. To favor this opinion, therefore, and to encourage such undertakings is tantamount to abandoning the religion revealed by God. (*Mortalium animos*, §2)

A stronger condemnation of John Paul II's ecumenical meetings, in the name of Vatican II, could hardly be imagined.

#### **ARCHBISHOP LEFEBVRE**

Truly, as Father Dormann puts it, "The 'Assisi Event' is no mere random occurrence, but it touches the very substance of divine revelation and worship as set down in Scripture, namely the First Commandment" (Part I, p.10). It is no wonder that Archbishop Lefebvre had this to say in 1986, words that he would certainly repeat now:

It is the first article of the Creed and the first of the Ten Commandments that are publicly insulted by he who is seated on the Seat of Peter. The scandal for Catholic souls is incalculable. The Church is shaken to its very foundations...Is John-Paul II going to continue to publicly destroy the Catholic Faith, in particular at Assisi, with the assembly of different religions that is supposed to take to the streets of the city of St. Francis, and with the division amongst the different religions of the chapels and the Basilica, that each one might practice its own worship for peace, as it is conceived by the U.N.?

Truly the crisis in the Church has not improved one iota, notwithstanding the availability of the Indult Mass, the nomination of certain "conservative" prelates, and the efforts to induce traditional Catholics to sign an agreement. It is a crisis of the Faith, which is not being preached or professed. Assisi is but the most obvious sign of this betrayal of the Faith. It is the personal initiative to apply the principles of Vatican II by he who holds the supreme authority and responsibility to profess the Faith in the Church, initiative that is repeated many times every day throughout the post-conciliar church. This is what made Archbishop Lefebvre write on January 29, 1990:

The current Pope and bishops no longer hand down Our Lord Jesus Christ, but rather a sentimental, superficial, charismatic religiosity, through which, as a general rule, the true grace of the Holy Ghost no longer passes. This new religion is not the Catholic religion; it is sterile, incapable of sanctifying society and the family. (*Spiritual Journey*, p.9)

#### THE ANSWER-HOLINESS

Given the conflict that this modernism has created amongst Catholics who strive to be faithful, and the violent oppression of Tradition in the name of religion, it is very easy for us to become distracted by the politics of the combat. However, the essential has never changed. We will only be able to work towards the sanctification of society and the family if we continue our struggle for our own sanctity. Is not this the whole purpose of our Masses, frequent Confessions and Communions, devotions and meditations, that it be no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me, and that the life that I now live in the flesh I might "live in the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and delivered himself for me" (Gal 2:20)?

In this regard, I would like to present you the following words from one of my fellow priests, Father François Pivert, from his magazine *Le combat de la foi*:

Let us not kid ourselves. It is not the Catholic idea of holiness that God wants to save, nor even the memory of it nor even respect for it; it is its practice. For God never separates (how could He?) the Faith from its practice, perfect Faith from perfect practice. Consequently, just as we find it normal to consider that traditional Catholics have received in the present crisis the mission to maintain the profession of the Faith in all its purity, so likewise must we find it normal to have at the same time received the responsibility for the practice of the holiness of the Catholic life in all its perfection. (No. 134, p.5)

Let the beginning of this new calendar year be a reminder for us. Complacency in our comfortable life style is the biggest enemy to our spiritual life and to religious and priestly vocations, as well as to our defense of Holy Mother Church. The integral profession of our Faith is not enough to overcome this complacency. We must renew our efforts to strive for perfection and to accomplish the will of God in everything by deepening our interior lives. There could be no better response to the scandal of Assisi.

May the Divine Infant and His Holy Mother obtain this grace for all us of during this year to come.

Peter R. Scott Father Peter R. Scott

## REGIONAL REPORT

IDAHO

The Society's chapels united together the young and the old, and sometimes the very young and the very old. The oldest parishioner of

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION in POST FALLS is the vibrant 97 year old Mr. Frank Rock, who chose to live next to the church so that he could assist at as many of the Masses and Offices as possible.

From left to right, Father Patrick Crane, Father Paul Morgan, Mr. Frank Rock and Father François De Champeaux (who returned to France in August, and was replaced by Father Chazal).





#### NORTH DAKOTA

The faithful of ST. MICHAEL'S in BIS-MARCK (Mandan) continue their work of beautification of their church, and are now able to have the ceremonies that were not possible before they purchased their church.



The bright colors of their newly refinished altar cannot be seen in black and white. The parishioners recently purchased matching statues of the Sacred and Immaculate Hearts to complete the altar.



The magnificent statue of the pieta in its permanent place in the side chapel. The parishioners made the base, the lighting and painted the chapel.



The choir sings during the Corpus Christi procession as Father Morel, visiting from the Seminary, goes around the outside of their church building.



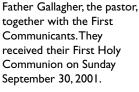
after the procession for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament immediately after the Corpus Christi procession.



One of last year's newly ordained priests, Father Dennis McDonald, gives his first blessings at the Communion Rail after Mass on Sunday August 12.



Father Gallagher leads the parishioners from St. Michael's past the Mandan City Hall in downtown Mandan for the International Rosary March on Sunday October 7.





#### **PENNSYLVANNIA**

The feast of Christ the King is the high point of the year for **OUR LADY OF FATIMA** in **PITTSBURGH** (Carnegie). A lengthy procession of the Blessed Sacrament follows the High

Mass, to proclaim the social Kingship of Our Lord Jesus Christ. After lunch the all day activities continues with an All Saints day party. This year, in addition, the girls of the St. Joan of Arc Society (JAS) from the Pittsburgh and Girard (OH) chapels put on an excellent and entertaining presentation of Milne's "The Ugly Duckling".



The procession leaves the church property in its beautiful country setting, to head towards a nearby park.



Back on the church property, Father Beck prepares for outdoor Benediction at the altar erected in honor of Our Lady of Fatima.



Following themselves. He



The girls wh



Father Beck gives Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at an out door altar on a neighboring property erected in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus by the parishioners from Father Beck's other chapel of Our Lady of Sorrows chapel in Girard (Youngstown), OH, many of whom came for the occasion.



the dinner the "saints" had the opportunity to present ere are most of the 48 participants, dressed in costume.



no made up the cast of "The Ugly Duckling" in costume outside the Pittsburgh chapel (school) building.



The chancellor reads the riddle that will decide if the suitor prince is worthy or not.

#### **OHIO**

The parishioners of ST. PIUS X in CINCINNATI are continuing their ongoing work to improve their church and rectory facility.



The newly erected hand painted statue of Our Lady of Grace that stands in the courtyard between the church and rectory.



Men of the parish installed a new stone of the paschal lamb, with the inscription in Latin "to restore all things in Christ", at the base of the main steps leading up into the church.



Painting and finishing of the stairway going up to the altar boy sacristy.



#### **TEXAS**

Several years ago the faithful of OUR LADY OF FATIMA in SANGER purchased a small old house to complete the entire city block, which now consists of church, school building and rectory and a couple of vacant lots. However, it was only recently that this old house was demolished.



The cleared lot, with the school building to the right and the rectory in the background.



Father Katzaroff, the pastor, regularly teaches adult catechism on First Saturdays, when he has a little extra time. Here he is teaching in the parish hall on September 1.

The faithful of OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL in FT. WORTH (North Richland Hills) celebrated the feast of Christ the King, October 28 with special solemnity. After a procession around the church property, during which the choir sang hymns, they returned to the church for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Afterwards they gathered in the parish hall for a covered dish dinner, followed by an All Saints Day party. Father Katzaroff, the pastor, successfully guessed the names of 17 of the 20 saints portrayed.



Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament back inside the church.



Father Katzaroff processes with the Blessed Sacrament back into the church.

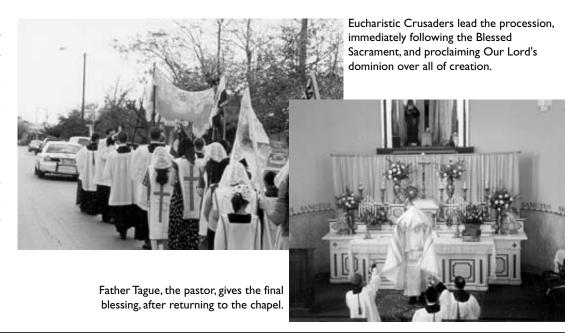


Father Katzaroff takes notes as one of the "saints" present his life in the parish hall.

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The Brothers and faithful of JESUS AND MARY in EL PASO, received many graces from their solemn celebration of the feast of Christ the King. A procession of the Blessed Sacrament, led by the Eucharistic Crusaders, followed the High Mass. The choir led the faithful in the singing of the Pange Lingua and other age-old Catholic hymns. Benediction took place at three separate altars during the Procession, which ended with a final benediction in the chapel.





#### **OREGON**

ST. THOMAS BECKET in VENETA also maintained its custom of solemn celebration



The procession leaves the church, with the pastor, Father Lawrence Novak, carrying the Blessed Sacrament.



An altar was sent up in the indoor-outdoor gym facility, normally used by the school students for gym activities and ball games. Here it was that the consecration of the human race to the Sacred Heart was renewed, as is prescribed for the feast of Christ the King.

of the feast of Christ the King. The procession walked the shortest block possible, about one mile long, given the spread out nature of this rural town.



The Eucharistic Crusaders headed up the procession following the Blessed Sacrament.



Some of the Saints from the All Saints day party that followed.

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#### **ARIZONA**

As every year, last September the Brothers of the Society gathered at OUR LADY OF SORROWS RETREAT HOUSE in PHOENIX from all over the U.S., 12 in num-

ber, to assist at their annual retreat, which was preached by Father John Young. At the end of the retreat, they stayed on at the retreat house for the ceremonies, namely for the two postulants to receive the religious habit, taking the names of Brother Vincent and Brother Gabriel Marie respectively, and to begin their novitiate on September 28, and secondly for the Brothers' renewal of vows on the feast of St. Michael the Archangel.



Father Young together with Fathers Joseph and Timothy Pfeiffer and the Brother retreatants in the retreat house conference room.



Four of the brother renew their vows in the main church of Our Lady of Sorrows on Saturday September 29.



The District Superior, Fathers Pfeiffer, and the brothers in front of the main sign in the parking lot after the Mass for the renewal of vows.



The new novices together with their novice master, Father Timothy Pfeiffer, about to enter into the retreat house chapel to serve Holy Mass.



A well-earned recreation in 105 degrees of heat. The brothers realize that it is not easy to compete with the Fathers Pfeiffer when it comes to basketball.

# INTERNATIONAL NEWS

#### **MEXICO**

Padre Samuel Bon, Prior of St. Athanasius Priory in GUADALAJARA, sends the following update, together with his gratitude for the financial help of bother Mexican and American benefactors. He can hardly believe that the school is already a reality, but the first wing of the school building is now completed, and will allow an enrollment of up to 80 children. There are presently already 41 children involved in the elementary

grades. He is now planning to build three new churches, one in Guadalajara, Jalisco, and one each in Leon, Guanajato and Colima, Colima, in each of which the Society has about around 60 faithful. Any help would be much appreciated. The faithful there are making a big effort to raise the funds, since on November 24 they celebrated a Mexican festival that raised \$US1,200.00 for the new constructions.



The newly finished school wing at St. Athanasius Priory in Guadalajara.



#### **POLAND**

Father Stehlin, superior of the Society's missionary apostolate in Poland, the Baltic countries, and the Ukraine, brings us the following report:

"...In the past 5 years we have opened 10 chapels in Poland, 3 in Lithuania, 2 in Estonia. Mostly young people convert to Catholic Tradition, so that there are many very young families and a good number of vocations. The first Polish priest was ordained this year in June, the first polish religious brother made his vows in September. Next year, with the grace of God, two deacons from Lithuania and one from Estonia will be ordained priests. Seven seminarians from Eastern Europe are studying in the Society's Seminary in Germany, and two Polish and three Ukrainian sisters belong to the Society's Oblate Sisters.

Within the last 3 years about 15 priests with thousands of faithful of the Byzantine Catholic Church in the Ukraine have joined up with Catholic Tradition. Some of these priests had suffered in the Gulags during the Communist persecution. The Society of Saint Josaphat was founded for these priests, under the care and protection of the Society's Superior General. Most of them are still working in parishes, since the bishops are afraid to expel them, for they know that many faithful would follow them. Last year Bishop Fellay opened the underground Seminary of the Immaculate Heart of Mary for Byzantine rite vocations. Every month, we spend one week there giving classes. There are now seven seminarians in second year and six in first year. The discipline of the Seminary is practically identical to that of a monastery. The Society of Saint Josaphat obliges future vocations to celibacy, which means a quasi-monastic life for

the Eastern rite seminarians. Their fervor is a very edifying example for us.

The Congregation of the Basilian sisters of Divine Mercy, established by Bishop Fellay last year, has already increased to ten sisters. In the coming months, we will help them to build a novitiate, as we helped to build the Seminary, with its beautiful chapel. From time to time I preach Ignatian retreats to the traditional faithful in the Ukraine. As last year, this past summer retreat reached a marvelous participation of 100 faithful....It was one of 13 retreats preached in the countries under our care...

As you can imagine, the apostolate in these former communist countries is full of crosses and difficulties. Many faithful are persecuted by the modernist clergy. University students are threatened with expulsion because they are altar boys in our chapels. The enemies try to place obstacles in our way whenever we want to open a chapel or build a new one.

But all these sacrifices are channels of new graces and conversions. In Cracow and Lublin we have moved to more appropriate and larger chapels. The number of faithful increases slowly, but steadily. The renovations of the Bajerze manor are ongoing. Next Spring we will be able to open a regular retreat house there....It is planned that in a few years this manor with its beautiful park will become a Seminary.

At the beginning of this year we founded the Christus Rex movement for young men aged 16 - 28, to form a spiritual army of knights in the service of Christ the King. The are already 50 young men, in the larger cities of Poland, who gather for regular weekends of study and prayer. Their activities take place

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especially in Czestochowa, where they distribute flyers to thousands of pilgrims and help to sell traditional literature in our bookstores....A similar movement was established for the girls: the Crusade of the Immaculata. The girls' apostolate consists in attracting people to devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, to make known the message of Fatima, to form young girls to a honest Catholic life and prepare for true Catholic motherhood...."

## SOCIETY OF SAINT PIUS X COVERLET

Our Lady of Sorrows Academy in Girard, OH, has produced some magnificent full color 48" x 60" coverlets, ideal to place on a sofa or hang from the wall. They feature imagines of Saint Pius X and Archbishop Lefebvre, and the coasts of arms of the Archbishop and the four bishops of the Society. They are made of 100% Jacquard woven cotton, are preshrunk, colorfast and machine washable. \$70 for blanket, plus \$5 shipping and handling. Orders to be made by calling Father Beck at (816) 753 0073. Proceeds to benefit Our Lady of Sorrows Academy.

### 2002 PILGRIMAGES, to be Accompanied by priests of the Society of Saint Pius X

Globus Travel is planning two pilgrimages for 2002:

1) Tour of the *Shrines of Colonial Mexico*: April 13-20.

8 day tour, visiting the shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City, and the most important shrines and Catholic monuments of central Mexico.

2) Tour to Ireland *In the footsteps of St. Patrick*: May 30-June 11.

12 day tour of Ireland, to visit the places sanctified by foundations made by St. Patrick, and other historical marks.

Call (800) 290 3876 or e-mail <u>info@globusvacations.com</u> for more information.

**Saint Pius X Pilgrimage Co.** is organizing the following pilgrimages for 2002:

- 1) Italy: June 30-July 12. The theme is "Eucharistic Miracles in Italy", and it will include Loretto, Lanciano, San Giovanni Rotondo and Rome. \$2,495 all included.
- 2) Mexico: October 14-19. The theme is "Our Lady of Guadalupe", and it will include Mexico City.

If interested in more information, call (203) 261 1133 or e-mail <u>st-pius-x-pilgrimage@snet.net</u>.

#### ST. RAPHAEL'S LEAGUE

Helping marriage-minded single traditional Catholics from Society chapels to meet. The next bulletin will be available in late January from St. Raphael's League, 36 Glenview Drive, Belleville, IL 62223-1313 or StRaphaelsLeague@yahoo.com.

#### **EUCHARISTIC CRUSADE**

### MONTHLY INTENTIONS: January – March

January For peace to reign in Catholic families

February For abortion to be prohibited.March For youth to preserve purity

#### U.S. DISTRICT TREASURE - OCTOBER 2001

Treasure sheets returned	436
Morning offerings	10,559
Masses	4379
Sacramental communions	3402
Spiritual communions	7648
Sacrifices	17,029
Decades of the Rosary	52,079
Visits to the Blessed Sacrament	5799
15 minutes of silent meditation	4433
Good examples	16,956

The 23 active chapters for October 2001 were, in order of the greatest number of treasure sheets returned, down to the least:

St. Mary's Academy, St. Mary's, KS (183)

Our Lady Immaculate, Oak Park, IL (33)

Immaculate Conception, Post Falls, ID (29)

St. Vincent de Paul, Kansas City, MO (15)

St. Therese, Nicholville, NY (14)

Our Lady of Fatima, Sanger, TX (13)

Our Lady of Sorrows, Girard, OH (11)

Our Lady of Lourdes, Honolulu, HI (11)

Jesus and Mary, El Paso, TX (10)

St. John Fisher, Ft. Wayne, IN (9)

St. Peter Chanel, Hilo, HI (6)

Our Lady of the Rosary, Buffalo, NY (5)

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Ft. Worth, TX (5)

St. Michael's, Bismarck, ND (5)

St. Joseph's, San Antonio, TX (5)

St. Michael's, Bakersfield, CA

St. Anthony's, Charlotte, NC

St. Botolph's, Boston, MA

Our Lady of Fatima, Salt Lake City, UT

St. Pius X, Cincinnati, OH

St. Jude's, Philadelphia, PA

St. Mary's Assumption, St. Louis, MO

St. Joseph & Immaculate Heart of Mary, Colton, CA