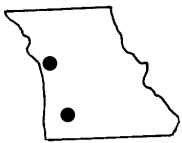


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REPORT

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SHOW-ME CATHOLIC TRADITION



MISSOURI

Bishop Bernard Tissier de Mallerais recently made a "whirlwind tour" of the "Show-Me" state of Missouri, conferring the Sacrament of Confirmation at Queen of All Saints Church in **SPRINGFIELD** on April 11th and St.



A sacristy side shot of His Excellency giving Confirmations in Kansas City.



Servers wash the bishop's hands during the Confirmation ceremony as Fr. Dean, on the left, assists. This was His Excellency's second visit to Queen of All Saints in Springfield.

Vincent de Paul Church in **KANSAS CITY** on April 12th. While Springfield saw 11 of its parishioners confirmed as soldiers of Christ, Kansas City had 40 step forward to be confirmed "*with the Chrism of Salvation*". On both occasions a banquet was held afterwards in honor of His Excellency and to celebrate with the new confirmands.

The following day (April 13th), Kansas City was also blessed to have His Excellency, with the assistance of the District Superior, Fr. John Fullerton, as Deacon and the pastor, Fr. Dean, as Subdeacon, celebrate a Solemn High Mass for Palm Sunday.



Standing in front of the imposing structure of St. Vincent's, the confirmands and the bishop pose for a photograph after the lengthy Confirmation ceremony and High Mass.



The confirmands pose with the bishop and the servers on the steps to the entrance of Queen of All Saints in Springfield.

The faithful enjoy the dinner held after Mass in a nearby hall in Springfield. There were 85 people on hand for the dinner.



Also connected with Palm Sunday (the beginning of Holy Week), is the Altar of Repose for Holy Thursday, once again decorated in a regal manner in the Crypt Chapel at St. Vincent's, which is larger than some of the smaller chapels in the United States!



REGIONAL REPORT



GEORGIA

One of the more recent Society churches to be built is St. Michael's Church in ATLANTA (ROSWELL), GA. The latest addition to the chapel is a set of pews which

were acquired this past December.



A shot of the interior of St. Michael's Chapel showing the new pews installed in time for Christmas.



A close-up of the main altar decorated for Christmas.

AURIESVILLE PILGRIMAGE

The pilgrimage to the Shrine of the North American Martyrs will take place on June 14, 2003. For details please contact St. Ignatius

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Father John Fullerton
District Superior

J.M.J.
JUNE 1, 2003

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

In his encyclical of 23 September 1950, *Menti Nostrae*, Pius XII, in speaking about the need of the time, says "We deem it the chief duty of Our supreme ministry to do Our utmost to help to make the work of pastors and priests daily more efficacious in encouraging the faithful to avoid evil, to overcome dangers and to acquire perfection. This is all the more necessary in our days when people and nations, as a result of the recent war, are not only harassed by serious material difficulties but are suffering in the depths of their souls while the enemies of Catholicism, becoming bolder, owing to the state of civil society, are striving with deadly hate and subtle snares to separate men from God and Jesus Christ."

In our time the enemies of Catholicism are no longer merely subtle in their snares and hatred but wage war openly. Nowhere is the attack greater than that waged upon the priesthood. The enemy knows that if the shepherd can be struck the sheep will be scattered and become easy prey.

Nor is this a new tactic. In the Middle Ages, certain heretics attacked the priesthood by teaching that its powers originated with the faithful rather than with God. More recently, the Church has witnessed a different trend among those who have extended the notion of the priesthood of the laity beyond legitimate bounds, with a consequent diminution of the significance of, and respect for, holy orders.

We must not forget that Jesus Christ is pre-eminently a priest. He became the perfect mediator between God and man by the fact of his Incarnation. Thus He would and has offered the perfect sacrifice for our redemption. But this perfect sacrifice was confined in time and place to the first Good Friday on Calvary. So in order for this divine plan of salvation to become a reality and be extended to many down through the ages and across the world, Christ instituted holy orders as a means for the continuation of His priestly work.

Thus the priest is raised to the high honor of announcing the eternal truths that came from the lips of Jesus Christ, and of dispensing the sacraments, those infallible means of divine grace, to the faithful. It is his duty to go before his flock in virtue and holiness of life and make respectable and worthy of reverence the office which he exercises. St. Pius X once wrote:

To bring about the reign of Jesus Christ in the world, nothing is more essential than a saintly clergy who, by their example, their preaching and their learning will be the guides of the faithful.

It is his duty, and woe to him if he fall short of it, for a terrible judgement will await him.

The enemies of Christ know too well the importance of His priesthood and they lay in wait to pounce upon it and try to diminish its dignity at every opportunity. If one priest is guilty of a fault, possibly grave, what happens? What is said? At once a cry goes up: "See what sort of people these priests and Religious are!" One priest sins, therefore all sin. And why is the same rule not applied to the laity and every other class of persons? Or why is this rule not also applied in the opposite case? If one priest does a good and generous deed why is it not said: "See what sort of people those priests and Religious are!"

The priest's dignity is sublime and godlike, but he is not an angel and therefore is still subject to the same weaknesses and passions as other men. If, unfortunately, his behavior should not correspond to the high office he holds, we should not forget that he is still the min-

ister of Jesus Christ and the dispenser of the mysteries of God. A diamond is still a diamond whether set in fine gold or in a base metal. Once a priest, neither his defects nor his sins can take away or lessen his dignity, simply because it is not his but Jesus Christ's.

Often, forgetting his true dignity, we are tempted to put the priest in the place of the Church, and attach ourselves to him rather than to the Church; we follow the man rather than Jesus Christ, the minister rather than Him whose minister he is. Some proclaim themselves followers of this priest, who is nice and makes them feel good, while others of that priest who is eloquent, talented and very handsome. St. Paul tells us of a similar problem among the Corinthians.

You Corinthians are divided on account of us ministers of Christ. But in the name of Heaven, how are you to judge of us? You can judge of us only as to our office. You should consider, not our talents, our learning, our eloquence, or other natural gifts, but only the office and the power which we possess as ministers of Christ and dispensers of the mysteries of God.

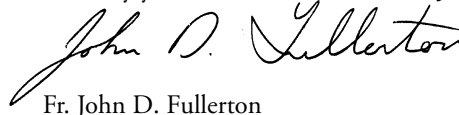
On the other hand, many others consider the priest as merely a glorified social worker. It is true that the priest is for the people; but it is also true that he is for God. No one is ever a priest solely for himself. They forget that Christ's saving work is continued through His priesthood inseparably united to Christ Himself in the Holy Eucharist. As mediators between God and man they must dispense the divine gifts. Nowhere is this mediation seen more clearly than in their eucharistic ministry, wherein the priest offers mankind through and with Christ to God, and where he brings God to men in return.

Humanly speaking the priest sets out upon a lonely journey. He must remain in the world to avail those for whom he has been ordained yet not become of the world, else his life will obscure the brightness of the divine image he is called to reflect, not only by what he does but also by what he is. His ordination makes him a servant of the Eucharistic Christ, and his heart must accept this destiny, for no other fulfillment shall ever be given him.

The priesthood is a great sign of contradiction, for it is a living declaration of the dependence of man upon Christ, and especially of the priest himself upon Christ. To acknowledge this is to go against the pride of fallen human nature and to do so as a way of life is very difficult as seen by the lack of vocations. Grace is a gift, not a compulsion, and many reject it. Others have the seed of the divine vocation smothered by the weeds of worldly cares, weeds perhaps cultivated in their very homes and by the very parents who should be solicitous for the true happiness of those whom they impede.

The priesthood truly is a great gift to all of us. By showing it the proper respect we will not only show God our gratitude but also help to make its work more efficacious in saving souls. To this I remind you of the ordinations to take place in Winona on June 21st, where two deacons will be raised to the sacred priesthood and four subdeacons to the diaconate. Any who have gone have not regretted making the effort and many continue to do so year after year. I look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely yours in the Sacred Heart of Jesus,



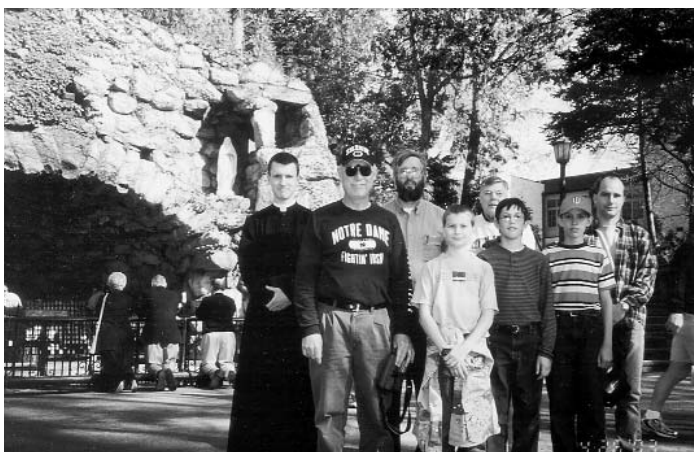
Fr. John D. Fullerton



INDIANA

The Altar servers of St. John Fisher Church in FORT WAYNE, IN made a recent trip with their fathers to the campus of the University of Notre Dame for an annual spring football game.

The boys were joined by first year seminarian Mr. Michael



The men and boys of St. John Fisher pose for a picture in front of the Our Lady of Lourdes grotto where the students of Notre Dame pray during their final exams.

Kretschmer who was home from St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary for a vacation. Perhaps the sight of a cassock once again and a group of devoted Catholics dedicated to the true Mass served as a reminder of just what made this Catholic University great in the past and what it needs for a return to that standard.



The Altar servers and their fathers mimic the statue of Moses in front of the library on the campus of the University of Notre Dame. Because of Moses' hand position, the statue is dubbed "We're number one Moses".



MINNESOTA

Once again in the spotlight, St. John Vianney Chapel in LONG PRAIRIE (ROUND PRAIRIE), MN recently had "new" Stations of the Cross erected in time for Ash Wednesday (March 5th). The almost 100 year-old Stations were saved from a "church renovation project"

(of a different sort from that which St. John Vianney has seen over the past few months), stored in a basement for about 20 years, and recently acquired by a parishioner who donated them to the chapel.



An image of the 6th Station: "Veronica wipes the face of Jesus". Each station is a three-dimensional bas-relief in full color.

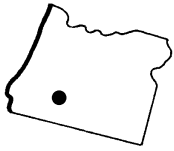


The Stations as they appear in St. John Vianney Chapel.

An image of the 12th Station: "Jesus dies on the cross". The small wooden cross found below the pedestal of each Station is present to fulfill Church law which prescribes the presence of a wooden cross for each station in order to commemorate "by the wood of the cross Thou hast redeemed the world".

TEACHERS WANTED

There are schools of the Society of Saint Pius X that are looking for generous traditional Catholics to fill teaching positions. Any persons interested can contact the District Superior at: Regina Coeli House, 2918 Tracy Ave., Kansas City, MO 64109. Tel: 816-753-0073. Fax: 816-753-3560.



OREGON

Under the pastoral care of Fr. Christopher Hunter, St. Theresa Chapel in **KLAMATH FALLS (KENO), OR** has been progressing steadily over the past few months, from obtaining a new church building and constructing a new altar, to increasing the number of regular parishioners from 30 to 40 souls. Though this chapel receives Mass only once a month (sometimes twice if they are lucky), the younger generation has been kept active with regular catechism classes for those who are of First Communion and Confirmation age, while the adults now have a bookstore to patronize for solid, Catholic reading material.



An image of the new altar simply decorated for Easter, complete with tabernacle to reserve the Blessed Sacrament.



The children of the chapel posing with their "spoils" from the Easter Egg Hunt held after the Easter Sunday Mass.



No, it is not the All Saints Day party: it is the Children's Saints Pageant during Christmastide! The children had to give background information on their saint from which Fr. Hunter and parents had to guess who they were. Sources say that at least one "saint" stumped everyone, including Father!

INTERNATIONAL NEWS



SWITZERLAND

On April 5th, the International Seminary of Saint Pius X in Ecône, had 9 ordinations to the major order of Subdiaconate and 10 to the minor orders of Exorcist and Acolyte, of whom 1 was an American. Presently there are 54 seminarians at Ecône between the 2nd and 6th years of seminary formation.

After the ordination ceremony (performed by Bishop Tissier de Mallerai) the new Subdeacons, Exorcists/Acolytes pose with Fr. Sylvain Lamerand, who preached their ordination preparation retreat, in front of the famous bronze statue of St. Pius X in the seminary's courtyard.





Lest one should forget, the Eastern European apostolate is also active in Poland and Belorussia. Here is a view of its headquarters in Warsaw and its beautiful little chapel.



LITHUANIA

In the land of the “Hill of Crosses”, Fr. Eric Jacqmin and his collaborators have been laboring hard for the salvation of souls and in many unique ways. From visiting sympathetic diocesan Lithuanian priests (most of whom are quite old), to battling the intrigues of the local bishops, to holding press conferences for major news sources or investigating the possibility of gaining airtime on the national television station, the apostolate for spreading Catholic Tradition in Lithuania has been immense and fatiguing, but very fruitful and rewarding.



In addition to the supernatural fight for the Faith, there is also the natural and cultural struggle against the “Americanization” of Lithuania, through McDonald’s and the like, which according to Fr. Jacqmin, the Lithuanians are steadfastly resisting “with their good, solid conservative character!”

Of course, living in a Baltic country that is geographically, and in some ways culturally near Russia, Father Jacqmin cannot but help to ponder the message of Our Lady of Fatima. According to him,

“Russia is prepared for conversion. After a century of darkness, there is an enormous thirst for a sound and holy spirituality. Even the “good” Orthodox (I mean, of good will) have understood the sin of Communism and the Orthodox Church’s collaboration with that regime. Now the whole world is slipping down the slope of Liberalism, ten times more dangerous than Communism. But the Russian souls—I repeat, of good will, who have had an historic lesson—are ready to receive the merciful grace of conversion.”



From left to right, the Eastern European apostolate’s two new Oblate Sisters, Sister Ignatia (a Ukrainian) and Sister Maximiliana (a Pole)

Fr. Anselm Ettelt (a German) and, standing to his left, Brother Maximilian (a Pole) pose before some of the 440 books that the Eastern European version of Angelus Press is selling.



Fr. Karl Stehlin, the District Superior of Poland and most of the Eastern European apostolate, in the priory’s library, which was recently organized by its new Lithuanian pre-seminarian, Kazimierz. Just like in the States, the priests welcome the priory community life after the strenuous efforts spent in the missionary field.



SSPX SUMMER CAMPS (2003)

The proper priory must be contacted to obtain the necessary forms and other essential information.

POST FALLS, ID

Fr. Crane will be hosting
a boys camp in July.

(For further inquiries, please contact the priory.)

Immaculate Conception Church

PO Box 206

Post Falls, ID 83877-0206

208-773-2231 tel

208-777-8891 fax

VENETA, OR

Camp Wilani (girls camp):

Sunday, June 22-Saturday, July 5, 2003

Saint Thomas Becket Church

PO Box 847

Veneta, OR 97487-0847

541-935-8608 tel

541-935-4120 fax

BROWERVILLE, MN

Flandrau State Park, New Ulm, MN

Boys camp: June 30-July 8, 2003

St. Peter's Priory

820 St. John's Avenue N.

Browerville, MN 56438-0000

320-594-2221 tel

320-594-7168 fax

LOS GATOS, CA

Boys summer camp: July 6-July 19, 2003

Girls summer camp: No camp this year

Saint Aloysius Gonzaga Camp & Retreat Center

19101 Bear Creek Road

Los Gatos, CA 95033-9546

408-354-7703 tel

408-354-7369 fax

RIDGEFIELD, CT

Camps for boys and girls: July, August 2003

*(For more information, please contact
the Ridgefield priory.)*

Saint Ignatius Retreat House

209 Tackora Trail

Ridgefield, CT 06877-2499

203-431-0201 tel

203-431-0202 fax

RETREAT SCHEDULE

June-December

ST. IGNATIUS RETREAT HOUSE

209 Tackora Trail, Ridgefield, CT 06877

(203) 431 0201

Men's 5 day Ignatian: June 23 - 28, July 21 - 26,
Aug 25 - 30, Oct 13 - 18,
Nov 17 - 22

Men's Seminar: July 7 - 11

Women's 5 day Ignatian: July 14 - 19, Aug 4 - 9,
Nov 10 - 15, Dec 15 - 20

Women's Third Order: Sept. 15 - 20

ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA CAMP & RETREAT CENTER

19101 Bear Creek Road, Los Gatos, CA 95033

(408) 354 7703

Men's 5 day Ignatian: Aug 18 -23,
Sept 22 - 27, Oct 20 - 25

Women's 5 day Ignatian: June 9 - 14, Sept 8 - 13,
Nov 10 - 15

Women's Marian Retreat: Oct 6 - 11

OUR LADY OF SORROWS RETREAT CENTER

750 E. Baseline Road, Phoenix, AZ 85042

(602) 268 7673

Vocations: June 9-21

Men's 5-day Ignatian: Oct 20 - 25

Men's Seminar (virtues): Nov 17 - 22

Women's 5 day Ignatian: Oct 6 - 11, Nov 10 - 15

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS SEMINARY

R.R. 1, Box 97 A-1, Winona, MN 55987

(507) 454 8000

Men's 5 day Ignatian: July 7 - 12; July 14 - 19

Doctrinal Session: July 30 - Aug. 3

Confraternity of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

This organization, centered in Albuquerque, was established to promote the total consecration as slaves to Jesus and Mary, as taught by St. Louis Marie Grignon de Montfort. In particular, it encourages the faithful to renew their consecration every year, with the 33 day preparation described by St. Louis de Montfort. This year's preparation is due to start on Monday, May 26 and the consecration will be done on June 28. There will be a public ceremony and Mass for the consecration at Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel in Albuquerque. The confraternity members invite other traditional Catholics to ask their priests to organize similar ceremonies in their own churches. Additional information can be obtained by calling (505) 292-6291 or (505) 897-3435 or by writing to the Confraternity of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, 12540 Elyse Pl. SE, Albuquerque, NM 87123.

YAG 2003

The 2003 Society of St. Pius X **YOUNG ADULT GATHERING**, sponsored by St. Isidore Catholic Church (Denver, CO), will be **Thursday, August 21 through Monday, August 25** inclusive. The event is for men and women 18 years of age and up. Attendance for the 2003 Gathering will be limited to 125. Please make a reservation by phone, fax, or letter with Mrs. Alicia Gomez, 22282 E. Ridge Tr. Dr., Avora, CO 80016; phone: (303) 617-1653; fax: (303) 766-0950. Please give your full name, current address and phone number when reserving.

Saint Pius X Pilgrimage Co.
is organizing the following pilgrimages
(accompanied by a SSPX priest)

THE ROOTS OF OUR TRADITION PILGRIMAGE (June 26-July 9, 2003)

Ordinations at Econe, and visiting Milan, Florence, San Giovanni Rotunda, Pompeii, Monte Cassino, Orvieto, Rome and more.

CHRIST THE KING PILGRIMAGE IN MEXICO (October 20-27, 2003)

Visiting Mexico City, Puebla, Guadalajara, San Miguel Allente, Jalisco.

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE THROUGH FRANCE (May 2004)

Visiting La Sallette, Lourdes, Mont Saint Michel, Lisieux, Paris and more.

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EUCHARISTIC CRUSADE

MONTHLY INTENTIONS: June-August

June For the Catholic priesthood and vocations
July Renewal of spiritual life by the spiritual Exercises
August Defense of life; against abortion

U.S. DISTRICT TREASURE - March 2003

Treasure sheets returned	606
Morning offerings	16,017
Masses	8300
Sacramental communions	6467
Spiritual communions	12,055
Sacrifices	44,317
Decades of the Rosary	80,217
Visits to the Blessed Sacrament	7186
15 minutes of silent meditation	6421
Good examples	20,576

The 27 active chapters for March were, in order of the greatest number of treasure sheets returned, down to the least:

St. Mary's Academy, St. Marys, KS (148)	Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Fort Worth, TX (8)
Immaculate Conception, Post Falls, ID (74)	Our Lady of the Rosary, Buffalo, NY (7)
St. Thomas Becket, Veneta, OR (42)	Queen of Angels, Dickinson, TX (7)
St. Vincent de Paul, Kansas City, MO (38)	St. Peter Chanel, Hilo, HI (7)
Our Lady Immaculate, Oak Park, IL (30)	Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Nappanee, IN (5)
Our Lady of Fatima, Sanger, TX (27)	Our Lady of Sorrows, Baton Rouge, LA (5)
St. Jude's, Philadelphia, PA (18)	Our Lady of Fatima, Salt Lake City, UT (4)
Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God Syracuse, NY (16)	Lor Lady of Lourdes, Honolulu, HI (4)
Our Lady of Sorrows, Girard, OH (14)	St. Michael the Archangel, Farmingville, NY (3)
St. Pius X, Cincinnati, OH (13)	Saint Michael's, Sacramento, CA (1)
St. Therese, Madison, WI (12)	Saint Therese Cahpel, Nicholville, NY (1)
St. John Vianney, Long Prairie, MN (10)	Corpus Christi, Edmonds, WA (1)
St. Thomas, Carson City, NV (9)	St. Ignatius, Ridgefield, CT (1)
Jesus and Mary, El Paso, TX (9)	

Orbis Vacations is organizing the following two Heritage Tours for the upcoming year 2003
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