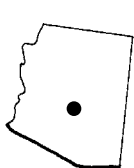


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REPORT

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PRIESTLY REJUVENATION



The first Priests' Retreat for 2004 in the United States District was hosted at Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat Center in PHOENIX, from April 19th to April 24th, with 31 priests in attendance from both the districts of the United States and Canada.

The retreat master was Bishop Tissier de Mallerais, who gave several conferences centering on the Seven Gifts of the Holy Ghost, which took a tangible course, as the bishop demonstrated how the SSPX's founder, Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre, actualized these Gifts. In particular, the bishop gave four conferences on the Gift of Fear, which served the clerical attendees as an *"inducement to make a greater effort"* in the spiritual life.

The annual Priests' Retreats are crucial as they allow the priests to undergo a spiritual rejuvenation through a much-needed break from their usual hectic pastoral schedules in the peace and silence of the retreat center. A further benefit is the consolation of making a retreat with such a large number of priestly confreres in the apostolate of saving souls. Truly after retreating into the desert (which ironically, the Phoenix retreat center can offer both spiritually and naturally) from the "worldly affairs" of pastoral life, the priest can return to his duties spiritually refreshed and with these words of the Mass on his lips: *"Ad Deum qui laetificat juventutem meam."*



With Bishop Tissier de Mallerais and the USA District Superior, Fr. John Fullerton, at the head table (to the right of the photo), the various priests in attendance take their meal in thoughtful reflection, as a spiritual work is read to them by Fr. Paul Kimball.

A panoramic view of the retreat center complex and the priests in attendance. The recently completed Spanish-style arched gallery now connects the formerly separate conference rooms, dorms and retreat chapel.



REGIONAL REPORT



MINNESOTA

St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary in WINONA, is bursting at the seams with a total of 56 students, ranging from deacons to those in the “pre-seminary” humanities program. Likewise, on February 2nd (Candlemas), the seminary witnessed the tonsuring of 6 young men by Bishop Tissier de Mallerais, while 22 young men took the cassock, which is the largest class to date at St. Thomas Aquinas to take the habit.

A few days before the ceremonies on Candlemas, Mr. Michael Davies paid a visit to the seminary and gave an interesting conference on January 30th on the topic of Fr. Adrian Fortescue, famous for his erudite literary works on the Liturgy. Upon his return to his home in England, Mr. Davies plans on working furiously on his final volume of the current three-volume set of *Apologia Pro Lefebvre* (available from Angelus Press).



An impressive shot during the Pontifical Solemn High Mass on Candlemas of the 22 young men kneeling before the altar in preparation to receive the cassock from Bishop Tissier de Mallerais.

Following a seminary “custom”, the 22 new seminarians (in front wearing the cassock) and the six newly-tonsured seminarians (amongst those wearing surplices in the third row) frigidly pose for a picture after the ceremonies in the Minnesota winter.



With his characteristic Welsh wit, Mr. Michael Davies keeps priests and seminarians alike entertained during his conference on Adrian Fortescue.



After the conference, Mr. Davies agreed to give autographs to copies of his various literary works, which have numbered at least a couple dozen over the past 30 years.

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District Superior

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MAY 1, 2004

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

Everywhere today, we hear men speaking about the prevention of crime. Whether it be domestic violence, sexual abuse, extortion or war crimes, many think they can prevent crime by enacting more laws, by increasing security or simply by force. Sometimes what they say can be good; the only trouble is it is too late. To prevent crime, timely action is necessary. If we wait till the criminal has developed, then we have an almost impossible task before us. But if we begin with the child and by careful training so shape nature that the criminal instincts are gotten under control then success may be hoped for.

Train their [youths'] hearts. Frequently the decision of a man's destiny, the ruin of his character, or a grave danger threatening him, may be traced to his childish years when his heart was spoiled by the fond flattery, silly fussing and foolish indulgence of misguided parents. This impressionable little heart became accustomed to see all things revolve and gravitate around it, to find all things yielding to its will and caprice, and so there took root in it that boundless egoism of which the parents themselves were later to become the first victims. (Pius XII, *Guiding Christ's Little Ones*)

All men are the creatures of God, and are made to His image and likeness. Their striving for natural and supernatural perfection can be accomplished only in accordance with the principles of morality that bear God's blessing. Belief in this morality is really the only true way of preventing crime and thus bringing to the world true peace.

An education that prescind from morality and religion is deprived of its best and principal part, neglects the noblest faculties of man, is deprived of the most efficacious and the most vital forces, and results in bankruptcy, by mixing uncertainty and error with truth, vices with virtue, good with evil. Today the best educators realize it, feel it and strive to remedy past errors by perfecting their methods and sometimes by striving with great pains to renew their education. But there is only one true morality and one true religion as there is but one fundamental and substantial truth, which is God; one revealed truth which is Christ; one truth only that is preserved and taught without errors and omissions, which is the Catholic Church. It was not a Catholic thinker who said, "Catholicism is the greatest and holiest school of respect that the world has ever seen (Guizot, quoted by Dupanloup, *L'Education*, I, p. 113)." (Pius XII, *Integral Formation of the Adolescent*.)

If we hope to train and shape the child successfully we must first understand him correctly. To do this we must take man as he is – a fallen creature. He is not only liable to commit evil, but he is even prone to it and that even from his youth. "There remain, therefore, in human nature the effects

of original sin, the chief of which are weakness of will and disorderly inclinations." (Pius XI, *Christian Education of Youth*.)

In asking ourselves, then, how we are to go about this great work of rehabilitating nature, we must above all be determined to influence growing youth. "The education of man begins at the cradle; and the first school, which nothing can replace, is that of the domestic hearth. 'No matter how early one begins, it is never too early to mold the character and habits of the child,' pagan wisdom once said (Plutarch, *De Educat. Puerorum*, n. V.). As in the sciences, likewise, proportionally, in life everything depends on first principles." (Pius XII *Integral Formation of the Adolescent*.)

Moreover, we must remember that such influence will be possible only if we succeed in gaining youth. Every youth must be convinced of the good of morality, its necessity, its place in life, its temporal and eternal effects. Relationships of respectful obedience and well-balanced love should exist between young people and their authorized elders. Love guided by reason and reason enlightened by faith will teach adults the proper balance between weak indulgence and sharp severity, between thoughtless yielding to children's requests and impetuous correction for childish faults. Youth prefer consistency rather than sentimentality from those who are training them. They also respect the justice in a set norm of behavior and they find stability in the sanctions of rewards or punishments for their violations.

"With love guided by reason and reason enlightened by faith, the home education will not be subject to those deplorable extremes that so often imperil it: alternating weak indulgence with sharp severity, going from culpable acquiescence which leaves the child unguided to severe correction that leaves him helpless. On the other hand, the affection shown by parents, to which there is corresponding confidence on the part of the child, distributes with equal moderation because it is master of itself, and with complete success because it has the child's love, due praise and merited correction. 'Try to make yourself loved,' St. John Bosco used to say, 'and you will be obeyed.'" (Pius XII, *Educational Influence of St. John Bosco*)

Encourage them [youth] and tell them that Church and society expect great things of them and that there is much good to be done and that many noble undertakings await them.

Religious, honest, cultured, frank and industrious: such, on leaving school, we desire those young people to be whom their families and society have entrusted to you; or better, whom God has confided to you, since, before even being of the family and of society they are of God, of Christ and of the Church. (Pius XII, *Union of Italian Teachers*)

Another point that is going to help in attaining this purpose is to bring Christ more into our whole social structure. The principles Christ taught are able to guide every man rightly; His example is powerful to move; His grace is sufficient to inspire.

If we stop to reflect for a moment that these ideals and doctrines of Christ, for example, His teaching on the necessity and value of the spiritual life, on the dignity and sanctity of human life, on the duty of obedience, on the divine basis of human government, on the sacramental character of matrimony and by consequence the sanctity of family life-if we stop to reflect, let Us repeat, that these ideals and doctrines of Christ, which are in fact but a portion of the treasury of truth which He left to mankind, were confided by Him to His Church and to her alone for safekeeping, and that He promised that His aid will never fail her at any time, for she is the infallible teacher of His doctrines in every century and before all nations, there is no one who cannot clearly see what a singularly important role the Catholic Church is able to play, and is even called upon to assume, in providing a remedy for the ills which afflict the world today in leading mankind toward a universal peace. (Pius XI *Ubi Arcano*)

It is a great pity and misfortune that, instead of making progress in this area, we moderns are really going backward. Ease, pleasure and plenty are the advertised needs and the accepted goals today. Half-truths and soft living have invaded education disguised as modern "progress." Because of the increase in youth's softness of moral fiber and widespread juvenile delinquency, we must realize the need for motivated self-discipline and sound character formation in their training. If a child is allowed to have his own way too easily, he will grow up without self-control, and the result will be, in too many cases, crime. If you have a young horse, as yet untamed, and do nothing to tame him, like putting a bit in his mouth, you will labor hard, and perhaps in vain, to make him gentle. And this self-control is necessary for us all; without it we adults give bad example and cause scandal in our young.

Train the character of your children. Correct their faults, encourage and cultivate their good qualities and coordinate them with that stability which will make for resolution in after life. Your children, conscious, as they grow up and as they begin to will and think, that they are guided by a good parental will, constant and strong, free from violence and anger, not subject to weakness or inconsistency, will learn in time to see therein the interpreter of another and higher will, the will of God, and so they will plant in their souls the seeds of those early moral habits which fashion and sustain a character, train it to self-control in moments of crises and to courage in the face of conflict or sacrifice, and imbue it with a deep sense of Christian duty. (Pius XII, *Guiding Christ's Little Ones*)

Our youth should enjoy a certain freedom from care and have a moderate youthful mirth, nevertheless they must be trained to restrain their desire to indulge in many of the things they might look at, hear, taste or touch. Youth must be taught to accept correction, respect their elders and face privations with a sense of obedience and duty. Self-centered egoism in youth training must yield to a respect for the rights of oth-

ers, even to self-sacrifice for others. The Church insists on spiritually motivated self-control, not for the suppression of personality, but for its perfection. For their own good, young people must learn to control unreasonable requests for independence, to lessen costly desires for possessions, to guard against sexual stimulation, to curb disrespectful tempers, to refrain from soft living. They must learn to be content with the family income and to stir themselves from excessive laziness while attending to their duties. Young people should be expected to practice self-control, at least within the capacity of their temperament and their age.

With the current of false thinking and loose living so powerful in the world the only alternatives for the growing youth of today are Christ or chaos, self-discipline or unhappiness.

Of course at the bottom of many crimes is a lack of charity. Social life in general is at a low ebb on this account, namely that charity is so weak. People respect and please others for policy's sake, but that is all. If policy suggests, on the other hand, a lie, or a dishonest act, or worse, they think nothing of injuring their best friends. The criminal will reach his end, even if he has to kill an innocent person or persons in doing so. Rich men often care nothing for the sufferings of the poor, influential men turn a deaf ear to the cries of the oppressed.

On the other hand, where true love for God reigns in the heart there good deeds are performed, not bad ones. These good deeds which show our love by our willful submission to His most holy will. "*If you love me keep my commandments.*" (John XIV, 15)

His will is the only true solution to crime prevention and it is imperative that we conform to His will in all things. The Oratio of Pope Clement XI shows the extent of this conformity: "*Volo, quod vis; volo, quia vis; volo, quomodo vis; volo, quamdiu vis.*" "*I will what Thou willest; I will because Thou willest; I will in whatever manner Thou willest; I will for as long as Thou willest.*" Likewise St. John Eudes, who said: "*The accomplishment of the divine will is the sole end for which we are in the world.*"

We all need to be concerned with preventing crime; not only by the proper training of our youth but also by striving to root out sin from our own souls through practicing virtue in submission to His most holy will. Thus in our souls will "*His Kingdom come and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.*"

Sincerely yours in Jesus and Mary,



Fr. John D. Fullerton



CALIFORNIA

If the resurgence of the traditional Mass is a sign of the times, then St. Michael's Church in CARMICHAEL (SACRAMENTO), CA has the right idea with the installation of a new 900lb solid granite sign in front of its church. Designed by a parishioner, made of black "Galaxy" Italian granite, and engraved with the church's name, the words "Traditional Latin Mass" and the logo of the SSPX, the sign will be an enduring testament to the Rock of the Faith taught, preserved and defended by the True Mass.



Several men of the parish carefully wrestle the solid piece of granite into grooves made on the inside walls of the pedestals.



Having successfully positioned the elegant sign, the men and boys pose proudly beside their newest addition to the church complex. Seen attached to the rear of the church is another recent project, the new sacristy.



The finishing touches are then put on the enclosure wall that will encompass a garden around the sign.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Our Lady Queen of Peace Church in VERNON has been a priory for the Canadian District since the summer of 2001, and so for the past year, efforts have been made to renovate and thereby beautify the church.

One of the major projects recently completed was the installation, restoration and highlighting of the new altar for the sanctuary. Having located an altar in the closed church of St. Dorothy's in Dorothy, MN, the prior, Fr. Dominique Boulet, had it transported by U-Haul to Vernon. Upon arrival, it was discovered that the altar was covered with layers of flaking white paint, which needed to be completely removed. After months of patient work with toothbrushes and paint remover, the last smudges of old paint were finally removed from the last crevice, and the work of restoring any nicks and dings was then performed.

Br. Marcel of St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary arrived soon after and began to work his artful talent on the altar. Within two weeks he had completely transformed a formerly bland white altar into a strikingly colorful one using painted marbled hues of red, grey and tan, and highlighted tastefully with gold leaf, which he taught some parishioners how to apply (as he had to return to the seminary).



The last of the five pieces of the newly arrived altar is put into place in Our Lady Queen of Peace. The top of the altar's reredos is 15 ft tall, which is just right for the sanctuary's vaulted ceiling.



The finished product: a well-balanced and decorative High Altar for the priory and parish, completed in time for the celebration of Christmas!



Br. Marcel is shown here on scaffolding marbleizing the center niche of the reredos, while the red columns have already been completed. Even from up close, one has difficulty recognizing that these painted areas are actually not marble!



HIGH MASS

St. Thomas The Apostle Pro-Cathedral

WILMINGTON, NC

JUNE 27, 2004

At noon on Sunday, June 27th, Fr. Kenneth Novak will once again celebrate a High Mass at historic St. Thomas the Apostle Pro-Cathedral in Wilmington, NC (cf. Oct. 2003 issue of the *Regina Coeli Report*).

Join the SSPX for High Mass in a church built in 1848 that has historical connections with **Cardinal James Gibbons**, **Fr. Thomas Price** (co-founder of the Maryknoll Fathers), Confederate spy-woman **Rose O'Neal Greenhow**, **Fr. James Corcoran** (the only American among 100 theologians called by Rome to the

First Vatican Council), and **St. Katherine Drexel** (who was a benefactress and one-time owner of the church).

Confessions will be at 10:30am and a barbeque will follow the Mass. Way of the Cross and Compline to be held in the early evening.

For information, contact **Mr. Ron Mueller** at 252-522-2431 or: rmueller@esn.net. If outside North Carolina, please register with him by **June 19th** the number of meals your party will be eating.

HOLY LAND

From March 10th to the 19th, Fr. Carl Pulvermacher, O.F.M.cap., longtime friend and associate of the SSPX, led a pilgrimage organized by the St. Pius X Pilgrimage Co. to a plethora of places in the Holy Land. Twenty-three pilgrims made the trip to the Holy Land, which included a laborious 2 a.m. trek up Mt. Sinai in Egypt to see a magnificent sunrise. Amongst the many shrines visited in Israel was Bethlehem's Nativity chapel (where one may kiss the spot where Our Lord was born), the Golgotha chapel (where one may touch the stone that held the Cross), the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre (where the Sepulchre and Stone of Anointing may be venerated), and the town of Tabata (where Our Lord gave the Primacy of the Church to St. Peter).



Amongst the many devotions that were made, the pilgrims were privileged to make the Way of the Cross in the Footsteps of Our Lord.



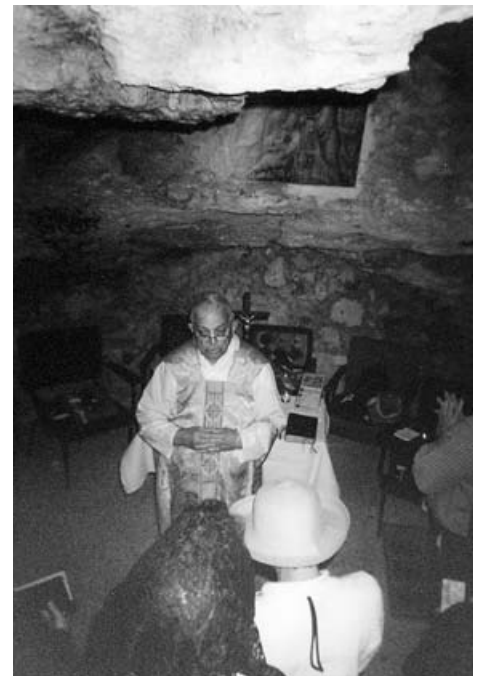
Standing in front of one of the entrances to the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre, the Holy Land pilgrims pause for a photograph with Fr. Carl and one of the coordinators, Mr. Robert DiCecco (right, front row).



Getting up all 7498 ft of Mt. Sinai must have been quite a task for Moses, because the pilgrims had to use camels for most of the leg up, and there was no path (which includes over 3700 steps, carved by a monk and called the "steps of repentance") in his day!



But then, seeing a burning bush that was not consumed by fire must have been quite a sight (after all, it was a manifestation of Almighty God)! Here preserved near the peak, is that very bush, still miraculously green and alive to this day!



Fr. Carl gives a brief sermon during the Mass he said in the house of St. Ann, mother of Our Lady.

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF
THE NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS
IN AURIESVILLE, NY**

Saturday, June 12 at 9:00am at Lock 10

Walk in the footsteps of the North American Martyrs along
New York State's Mohawk River!

For more information, please contact:

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EUCCHARISTIC CRUSADE

MONTHLY INTENTIONS: May-July

May For Catholic schools.
June For vocations
July For Christian Families.

U.S. DISTRICT TREASURE - February 2004

Treasure sheets returned	596
Morning offerings	14,562
Masses	6,447
Sacramental communions	5,273
Spiritual communions	11,415
Sacrifices	33,619
Decades of the Rosary	4,697
Visits to the Blessed Sacrament	4,563
15 minutes of silent meditation	5,753
Good examples	14,717

The 31 active chapters for February were, in order of the
greatest number of treasure sheets returned, down to the
least:

YOUNG ADULTS GATHERING

The Young Adults Gathering will be held in Estes Park,
CO, from August 19-23. For more information, please
contact:

Saint Isidore's Church
PO Box 367
Watkins, CO 80137
303-344-9300 tel

2004 SSPX SUMMER CAMPS

BROWERVILLE, MN

Boys Camp: June 27-July 5

Sibley State Park, New London, MN
Saint Peter's Priory, 820 Saint John's Avenue N.
Browerville, MN 56438
320-594-2221 tel 320-594-7168 fax

LOS GATOS, CA

Boys Camp: July 18-31

Saint Aloysius Gonzaga Retreat Center
19101 Bear Creek Road, Los Gatos, CA 95033
408-354-7703 tel 408-354-7369 fax

RIDGEFIELD, CT

Boys Camp (ages 9-14): July 31-Aug. 10

Camp Olmsted, Scandia/Warren, PA
Saint Ignatius Retreat House, 209 Tackora Trail
Ridgefield, CT 06877
203-431-0201 tel 203-431-0202 fax

POST FALLS, ID

Boys Camp (ages 9-14): July 14-July 22

Saint Maries, ID
Immaculate Conception Church
PO Box 206, Post Falls, ID 83877
208-773-7442 tel 208-773-8070 fax

VENETA, OR

Girls Camp (ages 8-15): June 20-July 3

Mrs. Eileen Allen: 541-935-1237 tel

RETREAT SCHEDULE

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(203) 431-0201

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18-23 (Third Order), Dec. 13-18

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Nov. 18-21 (weekend)

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Men's & Women's: Oct. 27-31 (Matrimony),

Dec. 28-January 1 (Marian)