CAROLINIAN YOUTHFUL ACTIVITIES

wo of the SSPX's chapels in the state of NORTH CAROLINA, St. Anthony of Padua in Mt. Holly (Charlotte) and Holy Redeemer in Wake Forest (Raleigh), combined recently for some events that were intended to assist in forming the parishes' youth, the future of Catholic Tradition.

GIRLS' CAMP

The first series of events involved the young ladies, consisting of a camp followed by a production of Shakespeare's tragedy, *Macbeth*. The girls' camp (which focused on true femininity) began on Sunday, August 10th on the grounds of St. Anthony's Chapel in Mt. Holly and included a visit to the nearby historic Benedictine Belmont Abbey, where the girls received some professional coaching for their upcoming play from the college's drama director. On Wednesday, the camp's third day, the girls made a three-hour drive over the scenic Appalachian mountain range, crossing over into the neighboring state of Tennessee. There in Mountain City, the girls camped



The girls happily pose on the outdoor staircase of one of Belmont Abbey's historic buildings. The monastery was founded in 1873, and before the establishment of the Charlotte diocese, its abbot was the local ordinary.



Attending one of the daily Masses offered in the open shed, a treat for the young ladies who are accustomed to weekend Masses only!

Here a girl guides a blindfolded camper to pour water into a bottle held by another!



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out on the grounds of the Freedom Mountain Academy (where a work-study-adventure program is hosted) which afforded them many fun activities, including a 17-mile biking trip down a mountain via an old railroad line (now a state walking and biking trail), daily Mass in a wood and hay barn, and an eight-mile walk to the Gentry Creek Falls located near Laurel Bloomery, TN.



The girls prepare for their downhill biking trip.



Here Fr. Novak and the girls converse with the director of the Freedom Mountain Academy (wearing the hat), whose scenic grounds made for perfect camping...



...and exploration of the large gardens on the property that the academy students tend as part of their educational curriculum.



The pastor of the North Carolina missions, Fr. Kenneth Novak, gives a mini-sermon to the young ladies before offering Mass. Noticeable behind the cross is the thick morning mountain mist, which still had not cleared.

MACBETH

Returning on Friday to the Charlotte, NC area, the camp concluded on Sunday, August 17th with a wonderful rendition of *Macbeth* in St. Anthony's basement parish hall that included a full stage and scenery constructed by parishioners and even sound effects! The play was such a success that it was taken "on the road" to Holy Redeemer in Wake Forest for a second performance in a local Italian restaurant on Sunday, September 28th.



The witches make their stunning prophesy to Macbeth (second from left) with Banquo at his side (far left).



The famous dinner scene where the murdered Banquo's ghost (in white forefront) appears to Macbeth (on the far right) and cannot be seen by anyone else including Lady Macbeth (second from right).

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

One of the things that always strikes me most in visiting our priories, schools and chapels throughout the District, is the numerous young families and the many children — and I can see that there stands the future. It is mainly through educating the youth in a profoundly Catholic manner that we will best work towards restoring everything in Our Lord Jesus Christ.

But this is for no one an easy endeavor, particularly for you parents, since educating is "the art of arts, the science of sciences", according to St. Gregory Nazianzen. If this is so, then we all, parents especially, need to learn this art and science. Many believe that just because they are parents, they know how to bring up children as if this were an infused knowledge or ability. But as a matter of fact, like any other science, it is not and thus we have to learn it. Even if one has natural talent in this area, it remains a skill which we must learn to improve on, and thus we must be humble enough to acknowledge this fact.

Education is a matter of developing all the faculties of a child in order to enhance all his abilities so that he becomes an adult. We are talking about physical education, intellectual education and moral education. Physical education means simply to develop good health and good physical conditions for the body to grow; intellectual education means, of course, to raise the intellect to the highest level possible according to each individual's capacity. But it is important to specify that it is not merely the acquiring of a certain level of knowledge or level of academic studies (this is important but not sufficient) — It is mostly and above all to form minds turned towards the Truth and steeped in a Catholic spirit. By moral education we refer to the training of the will (which is not an easy task); that is to develop virtues (good habits), so that the will can follow the light given by a well-formed intelligence.

It would be a mistake to believe that these abilities could develop by themselves, without being guided or helped. Because of original sin, the body and soul of every newborn child are weakened. The body needs to be taken care of in order to grow up properly and the mind needs to be educated, in order to be corrected by good natural principles and by the true Faith. Also, the will being weak needs to be strengthened and trained. Therefore, to believe that children can be raised without being corrected in all

their weaknesses and faults is to deny, in practice, original sin and its consequences in us.

That is one of the reasons why the Church has received the mission to teach all nations; to teach the Revelation, to teach how to practice the Faith, to teach how to live saintly lives, and therefore, how to educate. Consequently, the Catholic Church has always built schools, universities, etc. to fulfill this duty and it is the obligation of the priests to help and advise parents in educating their children.

I would like to express my support of all those who work in the education field of the Society of St. Pius X — particularly the priests, brothers, and various sisters who give their lives, time and efforts in educating the children of our faithful — and also to the teachers and all those who assist in any way in our schools, dedicating themselves for the good of the students. I commend as well the parents, of course, who make so many sacrifices in order to place their children in true Catholic schools.

I would also like to thank the generous benefactors of our schools in particular. Schools are very expensive to run and we absolutely depend upon your help. Thank you sincerely for your generosity and kindness.

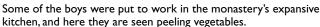
The final goal for every one of us is of course Heaven. Thus it is also our duty to lead the children entrusted to us there, and in so doing, to deserve a place in Heaven ourselves. On this point we will certainly be judged, as St. John Chrysostom wrote: "The parents who will raise in a Christian way their children, will be rewarded. They will be harshly punished if they neglect that education." Knowing that this work is not easy, but bearing in mind that by educating our children we contribute to the restoration of all things in our Lord Jesus Christ, let us be generous in undertaking this great task.

With my blessing and prayers, in the Immaculate Heart,

Fr. Arnaud Rostand

VISITING THE BENEDICTINES

The next series of events involved the parishes' young men, who made a trip across the United States to the Benedictine Monastery of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Silver City, NM. There they would not only become acquainted with monastic life, but even assist in a practical way to help restore it. Befittingly then, the boys departed Mt. Holly, NC on Wednesday, September 3, the Feast of Pope St. Pius X, whose motto was "to restore all things in Christ," which is also the goal of every monastery, especially during this current ecclesiastical crisis. Arriving at the monastery, the boys were immersed in the Benedictine rule of "ora et labora" (pray and work) wherein the day is divided up into periods of prayer and silent manual labor, thereby ordering every aspect of daily life for one's sanctification. In addition to attending the canonical hours of the Divine Office chanted publicly, the boys were also privileged to serve the conventual Mass (the daily public Mass that the entire community attends), after which they assisted during the manualia periods with the continuing construction and expansion of the monastery. In fact, the monastery will also be expanding spiritually







Once a week the monks take a recreational walk through the expansive mountainous area, during which all are allowed to talk freely.



Here 2 young men assist Br.Vincent in cutting cinder blocks for the walls of the monastery buildings, including archways as seen in the background. The cinder blocks are subsequently filled with steel rebar and concrete, creating a strong and durable structure.



Here a group of boys along with one of their fathers prepare an area in a cloister for pouring a new concrete walkway. The cinder block boxes hold dirt in which greenery will eventually be planted as seen in monasteries around the world.



Fr. Novak (on left) and some of the young men converse with Dominican, Fr. Albert (center in white habit), "on loan" from his own monastery in Avrille, France. Part of the Dominican's charism is to assist other religious orders when in need, which the Benedictine's have had since the death of Fr. John of the Cross, which left the monastery with a single priest, Fr. Cyprian.

in June, when two of its monks currently studying at the SSPX's seminary in Winona, MN, will be ordained to the priesthood. This will be a first for Our Lady of Guadalupe Monastery and the realization of a dream. It was Archbishop Lefebvre who urged the Fr. Cyprian, the present prior, to establish a Benedictine community in the United States after he was forced to leave the Abbey of Sainte Madeleine du Barroux in France because of Dom Gerard's compromise with the *Novus Ordo* following

the 1988 Episcopal Consecrations.

After a brief stop in the Midwest (see the Soapbox Derby below), the young North Carolinian men returned to their native state on Sunday, September 14.

It is hope that all of these young men and women will put to good use the lessons they learned during their Catholic-filled excursions.



The Carolinians pose with their pastor (second from left) and 2 fathers in one of the cloisters under construction.



During the trip, the group stopped at Jesus and Mary Priory in El Paso, TX. Here one of the Carolinians matches his chess skills against those of Fr. Peter Katzaroff.



SOAPBOX DERBY

Having left the monastery a few days earlier, the boys travelled back to the Midwest and arrived in Kansas City, MO for a rest on Friday, September 12th. The next morning, Saturday, September 13th, the young men made the two-hour drive to St. Mary's, KS to enter their well-constructed Carolina Blue Bomber in the 5th annual St. Mary's Soap Box Derby Car races which attracted participants from across the United States.

Charlotte's "Carolina Blue Bomber" is made ready for its run. Note the large pig iron window weight strapped along the fuselage.



A full view of the racing hill...



...which ended at the traffice cones and under the watchful care of the local police; perhaps to prevent speeding?

CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

These are the dates for the chapels in the United States of America District

BISHOP TISSIER DE MALLERAIS:

Syracuse, NY	Feb 8
Nicholville, NY	Feb 9
Boston, MA	Feb 12
New Orleans, LA	Feb 13
Kansas City, MO	Feb 15
Mukwonago, WI	Feb 22
Post Falls, ID	May 24
Edmonds, WA	May 25
Charlotte, NC	May 27
Denver, CO,	May 28
Ridgefield, CT	June 14
Long Island, NY	June 16
Dickinson, TX	June 21
San Antonio, TX	June 22

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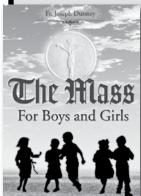
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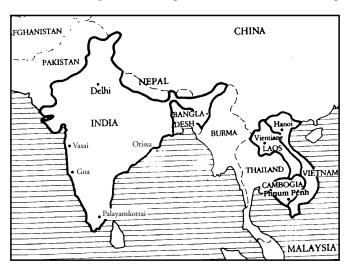
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INDIA

In conjunction with some news about the SSPX's mission in India, we first go to Immaculate Conception Church in Post Falls, ID. Here on July 18th, American Fr. Joseph Pfeiffer gave a conference on the Society's ongoing work on the Subcontinent, where he is stationed at the Priory of the Most Holy Trinity in Palayamkottai, located in the Tamil Nadu province. Returning to India itself, on August 20th, Bishop Richard Williamson confirmed four young men as Soldiers of Christ.

Indeed, in the province of Orissa (one of the poorest in India), a violent persecution against Catholics has been waged



by groups of militant Hindus for the past year which both national and international authorities have willfully ignored. The atrocities have included the murdering of priests, nuns and laity (even burning them alive), the desecration and destruction of churches, homes, and even entire Catholic villages. These extensive acts against the Church have caused the local bishop to compare this modern day persecution to that of the Early Christians. Nonetheless, the SSPX's apostolate continues to flourish in this country, and on August 15th, a second priory was established at Vasai (near Bombay) with Fr. François Chazal as its prior.



After giving his conference about the SSPX's missions in India, Fr. Pfeiffer chats with parishioners at Post Falls.



A young Indian Catholic man is anointed by Bishop Williamson during the administration of confirmations. Fr. Pfeiffer is assisting to the left.



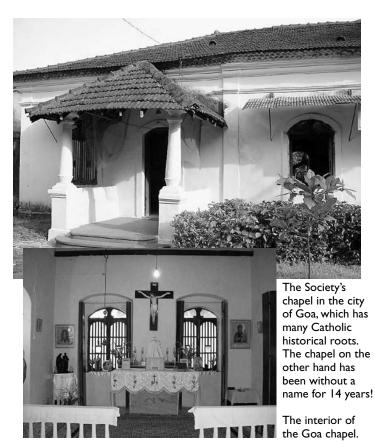
Fr. Chazal incenses the Evangelarium before he chants the Gospel during the Solemn Mass that followed the confirmations.





Bishop Williamson poses with the four confirmands and various parishioners after the ceremonies performed in extremely sultry weather!

In gratitude for his visit, Bishop Williamson is presented a painted porcelain plate depicting images of Goa by Mr.Tito Fernandes who hosted the bishop and two priests at his residence.



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