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REPORT

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ST. PEREGRINE'S CHURCH REMODELING

Under the direction of the pastor, Fr. Markus Heggenberger, St. Peregrine's Church in WESTLAKE (CLEVELAND), OH has undergone several recent remodeling projects which have improved the chapel's interior.

The church was constructed originally as a temporary shed structure for a Protestant group in 1917. By the 1940's, it was apparent to the occupying Protestants that the building was no longer just temporary, so they replaced the original shallow roof with the current pitched one. In August 1983, the church and accompanying rectory were purchased by traditionalist Fr. Roger

Sullivan, formerly of the Camden, NJ diocese, who on Archbishop Lefebvre's advice began offering the True Mass for faithful in the local area in 1982. Fr. Sullivan passed away on October 24, 1991, and following his wishes, the parish requested the Society of St. Pius X to take over the chapel, which it has cared for ever since.

Of the most recent improvements, the first was done just after last year's Easter, when the nearly 60-year-old plaster ceiling was professionally repaired and repainted in just five days. The next project, undertaken in April of this year, was the renovation of the flooring in the sanctuary, sacristies and nave. Again, the pastor consulted and hired an accomplished family-owned contractor team to spearhead the remodeling.

During the week of April 19-23, with the aid of parishioners, the contractor removed the red carpet in the sanctuary and sacristies, and the wooden altar was moved off the predella, which was subsequently dismantled. A new predella was constructed, and then tiled along with the rest of the sanctuary with a pattern of marbled beige porcelain tile. A small side sacristy was similarly tiled and the vesting sacristy was re-carpeted. The end of the week saw the completion of the newly-tiled floors and predella, as well as the re-staining of the wainscoting in the sanctuary and the construction of a new matching Communion rail.

After the Sunday High Mass of April 25th, the entire parish assisted in removing objects from the nave, pews and all. The next day, the red carpet in the nave was removed and the floor decking replaced to rectify uneven sections caused by old floor joists. In addition to the construction and installation of a modesty rail for the front pews, the pew arrangement was reconfigured, increasing the space to accommodate four extra pews, which will allow up to twelve extra seats.

The remodeling work ended on April 30th, just in time for Sunday, May 2, when five children at the chapel received their Eucharistic Lord for the first time.



The sanctuary (before the remodeling began) which had red wall-to-wall carpet and a short Communion rail.



Here we can see even the young helping to remove the pews from the chapel after the Sunday High Mass.

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Dear friends and benefactors,

Helping families educate their children, especially by the running of schools, has long been a priority of the Society of St. Pius X.

There are currently 25 schools throughout the United States District. The District Department of Education, under the direction of the First Assistant, Fr. Gerard Beck, is working hard to improve the teaching in our schools, the formation given, and even the discipline in place—everything related to the education of the children. For a number of years now those priests who are principals of our schools have met each summer to strengthen, through their experience, the work being done. Teachers' meetings and retreats have also been organized, and this year, for the first time, regional teachers' seminars will be held across the country to help unify the minds and work in our schools. There is still much to do, but over the years much progress has been made.

One of the main objectives of our schools is obviously to arm and to protect our youth from the corruption of the world. The students receive a moral formation in accordance with the teachings of the Catholic Church. This moral formation must be, according to the directives laid out by Pope Pius IX, grounded in doctrine, on the mysteries and commandments of our Catholic Faith:

In these schools especially, all children of every class of the people, even from their tender years, are to be carefully instructed in the mysteries and precepts of our most Holy Religion, and carefully formed both to piety and moral virtue, and to religious and civil culture: and in these schools religious doctrine in particular ought to hold so primary and dominant a place in instruction and education, that all other kinds of knowledge which are there imparted to the young, should plainly appear to be merely accessory to this. *Quum non sine* (July 17, 1864)

Religious and moral formation is the most obvious, but not the singular, goal of our schools. We also strive to give the children an intellectual and cultural formation. For some parents, this goal would seem to be of relatively little importance. The constant teaching of the popes on education, however, stresses the contrary.

The youth need to be enlightened, to have their minds led towards the Truth—not just the divine truth of Revelation, but natural truths as well. They must learn to apply themselves in order to discover and love the beauty of truth, to recognize and avoid error and false opinion, and to acquire, above all, a judgment that is properly formed.

This formation takes work—hard work. It involves the study of languages—one's mother tongue firstly, but when possible, other languages as well, especially Latin, the language

of the Church. It involves likewise the study of the liberal arts. Through literature, for example, we come to know the whole of the created world, and human nature with both its weaknesses and beauty. We learn to judge what is right or wrong, true or false. It is a whole formation based on Christian philosophy and on divine revelation, a formation enlightened by them and leading to them.

... it has to be given to youth entrusted to Catholic schools, an instruction in letters and sciences, fully in accordance with the special requirements in our time, but at the same time, strong and deep... Pope Pius XI, *Divini ilius Magistri* (December 31, 1929)

One of the great failures of the current public education system is the deterioration of general education. Today's youth come out of high school and even college, with very little knowledge or understanding of world history (even the history of their own country!), of geography, of the great works of literature... Their comprehension is limited, as is their ability to reason. This is attested to even by official assessments of schools today.

The Catholic Church has always strived to provide a good general education at all levels, from elementary school through college, for this is essential to becoming a truly educated Catholic and citizen. The learning required is not easy; it demands real intellectual effort from the students, a personal initiative that we find more and more difficult to obtain from them. But it is imperative that our schools continue to be diligent in giving, even perfecting this intellectual and cultural formation.

Another aspect of education that cannot be overlooked is the education of the will. It is as important as the formation of the mind – perhaps more so.

In education, if one neglects the will, focusing all efforts on the cultivation of the mind, he will transform this instruction into a dangerous weapon in the hand of the wicked, because such intellectual arguments, when added to malicious penchants of the will, may give them a force against which it is impossible to resist. Leo XIII: *In mezzo*, June 26, 1878

There is nothing more disappointing and even frightening than a weak, apathetic youth. It is the modern environment that creates such feeble human beings, especially by sloppy education.

The only answer to this very real danger is to implement discipline in both home and school—strong discipline, especially as regards duties. At home, it is not easy for parents to be constantly after their children to keep their rooms tidy, to take their homework seriously, to be on time, to

SPOTLIGHTS ON S

ST. PADRE PIO ACADEMY, RIDGEFIELD, CT

St. Padre Pio Academy in RIDGEFIELD, CT held a History Fair on May 5 in which the various grades participated with professional-style costumes and props. Amongst the other historical events highlighted in these pictures was the high school's recitation of G.K. Chesterton's *Lepanto*.



In this blast from the past, the fourth and fifth graders are seen here in Civil War vintage clothes during a dress rehearsal for the school's History Fair.

The fourth and fifth graders reenact the Little Round Top action, fought during the Battle of Gettysburg between regiments from Alabama and Maine.



The second and third graders were treated to an outdoor pizza party for writing more Jog-a-Thon fundraising letters than any of the other classes in the school.



The sixth graders have their photo taken with Fr. Michael Goldade following their presentation on Medieval Europe. Also present at the fair (though not pictured) was Fr. Jordan Fahnstock.



The kindergarten and first graders gave a presentation on Ancient Egypt complete with their own pyramid!

Dickinson, Texas, Holy Name Society

On Sunday, January 3, Queen of Angels Church in DICKINSON, TX held an induction ceremony for the Holy Name Society during the High Mass celebrated by the pastor, Fr. Geraldo Zendejas. After Mass, a banquet open to all men and boys of the parish was held in the hall. During the banquet, Fr. Zendejas raffled off three prizes of devotional items.



During the induction ceremony, Fr. Zendejas pins the insignia of the Holy Name Society (featuring the crest of the Dominican Order which has charge of the confraternity) on the men's suit lapels.



The men of the Holy Name Society occupy the front pews during the High Mass.

SSPX ACADEMIES



Fr. Portugal (center) and Mr. Hough (left) proudly show the checks they just received from the female reporter at the local Channel 45 (KSTC).

\$2500 CHECK FOR LONG PRAIRIE, MN, ACADEMY

St. John Vianney Academy in **LONG PRAIRIE, MN** was named the top winner amongst 14 Minnesota High Schools in Toyota's "Drive For Education Contest." The students were required to write an essay explaining how they would employ the winnings, which was a \$2500 grant. From St. John Vianney Academy, students from the high school, and two from grade school, submitted their essays to the contest. The Toyota Regional Representative said that of the 300 schools which submitted essays, only 14 were chosen. He was impressed that St. John Vianney Academy won after entering the competition for the first time as many other schools have entered often without winning. Over the past 21 years, Minnesota Toyota Dealers have donated in excess of \$400,000 to schools in the state. The \$2500 check was presented to the principal, Fr. Adam Portugal and vice-principal, Mr. George Hough during the televised game of the Minnesota State High School Hockey Tournament in St. Paul, MN.

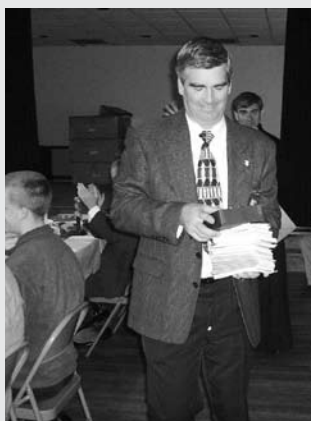
HALFTIME FOR LA SALETTE ACADEMY

On St. Patrick's Day (March 17), the boys from Notre Dame de La Salette Academy in **OLIVET, IL** were invited to sing the national anthem and perform at halftime during the 2010 National Junior College Championships.

Led by the academy's music teacher, Mr. William Boyer, the St. Melchior Schola sings during the halftime session.



The Holy Name Society men pose with Fr. Zendejas and the servers after Mass.



Chapter president, Mr. Mark Sonnier happily takes away his winning raffle prize.



A view of the parish hall during the breakfast banquet, which several ladies of the parish graciously prepared.

ST. ISIDORE'S CHURCH FLOURISHES

Since becoming a priory in mid-August of 2009, the Denver-area chapel of St. Isidore's Church has definitely seen the fruits of having three resident priests. Two parish apostolates that have particularly seen visible growth over past few months, are the Archconfraternity of St. Stephen and the Eucharistic Crusade.

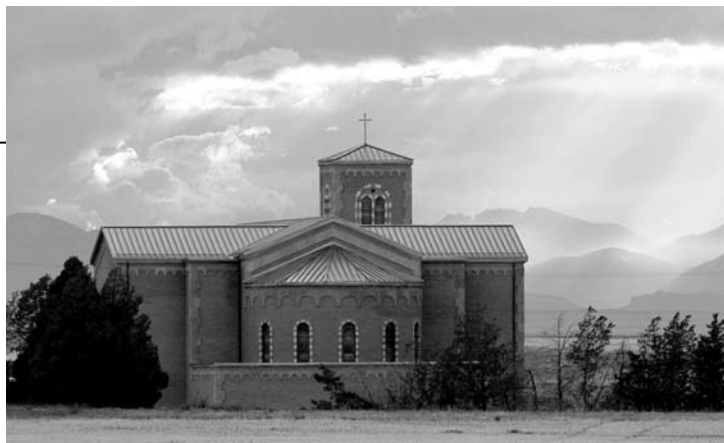
On December 26, the feast of St. Stephen, a large number of altar servers at St. Isidore's were initiated into the Guild (23 braved a Colorado blizzard to make their engagement). In addition to the President, six Masters of Ceremonies, three Senior Acolytes, and 13 Junior Acolytes received their medals during the ceremony. Five Postulants were also present, expressing their desire to be admitted to the Guild upon completion of their training. A second Guild ceremony was held on March 19th, the feast of St. Joseph, with ten additional men and boys being enrolled into the Archconfraternity. Many more men and boys of the parish are currently studying how to serve and will be joining the ranks soon.

On Sunday, December 27, the feast of St. John the Evangelist, the Denver chapter of the Eucharistic Crusade held a ceremony in which 14 children were enrolled as new Pages, and 14 were promoted to the rank of Crusader. The new chaplain, Fr. Richard Boyle, remarked that it was:

...a glorious occasion to see so many young children eager and ready to make sacrifices and offer their prayers for the salvation of souls! How fitting it was, also, to have the ceremony on the feast of St. John the Evangelist. Our Lord had a particular love for St. John because of his great purity and innocence. The same is true for this young group of Eucharistic Crusaders who strive, by their innocence, to gain this special love from God as well. Their sacrifices and prayers will gain abundant graces from Our Lord Who uses these children as His special soldiers to convert souls and save the Church.

A few months later, the chapter received a further influx of members during a ceremony held on the feast of the Annunciation, March 25, raising the previous total of 30 members to 45 in less than six months.

A view of the second group being enrolled into the Guild during a ceremony held on the feast of St. Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



Having made his promise to serve "*reverently, intelligently and punctually*," a new member of the Guild receives the cord of his rank from Fr. Boyle on St. Stephen's Day.



A few of the newly-enrolled members seen recessing out of the church after the High Mass in honor of the Protomartyr, St. Stephen, patron of altar servers.



The large group of men and boys who were enrolled stand in front of the high altar for a picture with Fr. Boyle.



After Mass, the second group of new Guild members had their picture taken in the middle of a thick snow fall.

The children process into the church with their Eucharistic Crusade insignia draped over their right arms.



Fr. Boyle receives the profession of the Crusaders.



The group of happy Denver Crusaders has their picture taken on the church's snow-covered front porch.



(Left) Then he vests them with their scapular-shaped insignia.



(Center) Fr. Boyle's Crusaders are eager to answer his questions during a meeting!



The 15 new Crusaders pose with others, though on a warmer day than the December ceremony!



During the second ceremony, the Crusaders process into the church led by two flag bearers.

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 Dec. 13-18 (Women's Marian)

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 (Weekend)

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EUCCHARISTIC CRUSADE

MONTHLY INTENTIONS

- July:** The family, the source of holiness for children
- August:** Justice in the world through the reign of Jesus Christ
- September:** Catholic schools and the education of youth

U.S. DISTRICT TREASURE (March 2010)

Daily Offering	12,849
Masses	4,802
Sacramental Communion	4,129
Spiritual Communion	8,896
Sacrifices	27,487
Decades of the Rosary	65,292
Visits to the Blessed Sacrament	4,721
15 minutes of silent meditation	4,718
Good Example	17,830
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 United States of America District

BISHOP BERNARD FELLAY

Ft. Worth, TX	October 12
Albuquerque, NM	October 13
Las Vegas, NV	October 14

BISHOP ALFONSO DE GALARRETA

Post Falls, ID	October 30th
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