



Ordinations



On June 17, five days after Pentecost, His Excellency Bernard Fellay conferred the Sacrament of Holy Orders on sixteen men: eleven to the diaconate and five to the priesthood. Before a crowd of several thousand, with around fifty priests in attendance, Reverends Laurent Desautard, Jonathan Loop, Pierre Roy, Theresian Xavier, and Brother Augustine, OSB, became priests—as Bishop Fellay called them, “instruments of sanctification.”

His Excellency, recalling the problems in the modern Church and the crisis of the priesthood, spoke, in his sermon, about the lack of faith and the lack of understanding of the priesthood itself. It is only through the eyes of faith that people can perceive the reality of the priesthood because of the supernatural character that the priest then carries, and because of the union shared between God and the priest.

“We assist at something, my dear brethren, which is breathtaking,” His Excellency said. “God, God Himself, is choosing amongst human beings certain

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St. Anthony of Padua Chapel in Charlotte, NC, holds a "Fundraiser for a Priest"

On Pentecost Sunday, 2011, St. Anthony of Padua Chapel in Mt. Holly, North Carolina, held a "Fundraiser for a Priest" (for Rev. Theresian Xavier, who was ordained this past June). A piano concert was held after Mass, followed by an outdoor festival. Gourmet coffee and homemade pastries were sold to parishioners as they listened to a piano concert performed by some of the chapel's accomplished pianists. At the outdoor festival, hotdogs, kebabs, ice cream cones, ice pops, cookies, lemonade, cold drinks, used books, religious goods, hand-carved walking sticks made by some of the chapel's Eucharistic Crusaders, and other hand-made items were sold. Free games and live music were provided by parishioners, and greatly added to the festivities. The event raised \$3,000 from sales and donations which went to assist Fr. Xavier in paying off his remaining seminary tuition.



EDUCATION SEMINARS

Among the many myths of education, the three-month summer vacation is most prominent. Regardless of the validity of that idea, this summer was not one of ease and relaxation for language arts teachers across the Society's United States District.

The first signs of a demanding summer manifested themselves on the grounds of St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary the week after the ordinations. Thirty principals and priests stayed at the seminary for the annual principals' meeting. The language arts curriculum was their primary focus of discussion.

Miss Ann Marie Temple and Dr. Matthew Childs spoke to the principals about what the district was recommending to the schools for their language arts programs. Under the direction of Fr. Gerard Beck, First Assistant to the District Superior, the two, along with other teachers, formed a committee to bring together a balanced curriculum focused on developing reading and writing, as well as greater reasoning and creativity in the schools.

Miss Temple centered her lectures on the teaching of grammar and composition, and the proper use of textbooks and teacher guides and notebooks. Dr. Childs, on the other

hand, spoke specifically about literature: fiction, poetry, and drama.

Nonetheless, since the program is based on an integration of the formal study of grammar and composition with the study of the great literary works, the two speakers continuously incorporated the thoughts of the other into their own lectures.

Fr. Hervé de la Tour, who also has been assisting the progress of the language arts curriculum, spoke to the principals about assimilating other sciences into the language arts, primarily the study of nature. The idea was that in order to create well-rounded minds no one subject matter should ever be disconnected entirely from the others.

The language arts, however, were not the only matters of discussion. Fr. Michael McMahon, headmaster of Notre Dame de La Salette Boys Academy, helping to formulate a religion curriculum, offered ideas and outlines for creating a stronger religion curriculum within the schools.

The District Superior, Fr. Arnaud Rostand, also led a discussion on the district's social networking policy. The goal was to furnish an official rule regarding social networks within the Society's rectories and schools.

BOOK REVIEW

Pope John's Council by Michael Davies

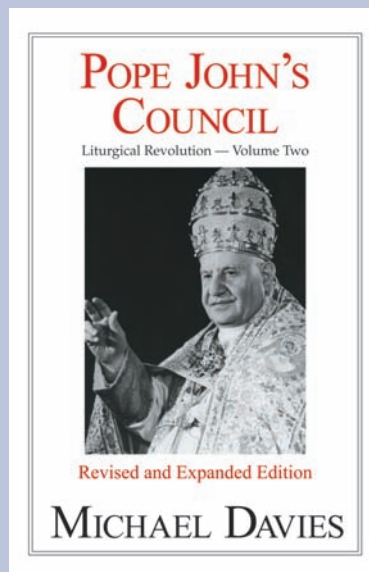
Reviewed by **Fr. Dominique Bourmaud, FSSPX**

Positioned between *Cranmer's Godly Order* and *Pope Paul's New Mass*, Davies offers us an overview of the revolution which took place at the Second Vatican Council.

Perhaps less poignant than Wiltgen's *The Rhine Flows into the Tiber*, this history is systematic and pregnant with most of the protagonists of the drama: the two conciliar Popes, the irreconcilable Archbishop Lefebvre, the Rahners, Ratzingers, and other Rhine *periti*, without forgetting the media, omnipresent in the shade of St. Peter's.

The latter fabricated the myth of the New Pentecost with so much success that, during forty years of steady destruction, all authorities repeated the monumental absurdity that, as Catholics were leaving once-full churches, the Holy Ghost was "renewing" what was visibly ceasing to exist! Other clear-sighted editors affirm that the product marketed by the Church is no longer the same as it was prior to Vatican II.

Davies offers us an interesting portrayal of the forces at work at Vatican II: the liberal Catholics imbued with a



false ecumenism, the divided and dissident Protestants, the Communists, and the Masons. He delves deeply into the enigmatic Paul VI, an intransigent disciple of Jacques Maritain's *Integral Humanism* (with a precious appendix on Maritain's *de facto* promotion of Marxism). The book concludes with a study of the liturgical Decree and its betrayal by the post-conciliar Commission under the ill-famed Bugnini.

Although the liturgy represents but a short portion of this second volume of the "*Liturgical Revolution*," and although the author swept quickly over the central battles on religious liberty and the Church, we can say with assurance that *Pope John's Council* will remain a classic for anyone wishing to understand the present ecclesiastical crisis,

thanks to his constant reference to post-conciliar authors like Baker, Bouyer, Santamaria, von Hildebrand, G. Kelly, Lefebvre, and Ratzinger.

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of them whom He's going to transform. Yes, really. He's going to change them. He's going to touch their souls, to imprint in them something which only they can have—the character of the priesthood."

What makes the priesthood so spectacular, Bishop Fellay continued, is the relationship between Christ and His priest. The priest, becoming another Christ, partakes in the hypostatic union.

"This is precisely what makes Jesus a priest," His Excellency said. "A priest is a mediator, someone who is in the middle between God and man. And as He is a partaker of both, as He is God and man, He has both in Him. And so He can really be and is the only one who stands there ambassador of God towards man, ambassador of man to God, mediator who was sent by the Father to save us....This union of the priest with the High Priest, with our Lord Jesus Christ, is beyond any understanding."

Because of this union and because of his purpose, the sanctification of souls, the priest is a man above all men. He, the man who "deals with eternity," is, as Bishop Fellay said, "the most important man on earth."

"If there is one who is presiding over the destiny of human beings, of humanity," Bishop Fellay said, "it is the priest, chosen by God Himself and who daily, daily stands in front of God, of the infinite majesty of God, renewing the sacrifice of our Lord Himself, and, I may say, dealing with God about the salvation of souls, offering to God a sacrifice which is worthy of God, which is the only one that can really repay and repair for the sins of man."

But these things are ignored, forgotten, or simply not understood by many in the Church today. This loss of the priestly identity, which has led to so many problems, is a sign of the loss of knowing God.



"My dear brethren, I think we can say it comes from the lack of a sense of God. Modern man no longer knows who is God. They are turning to imagination; they invent their gods; they make something with their little heads. They no longer accept this objective God who is our creator, who is outside of our little world, who is infinite, almighty, eternal, who is our creator, who is divine providence, who at any moment and at all times remains the sovereign, who is in control of everything, who knows everything, who dictates everything, who is infallible in His providence—almighty God."

By not knowing God, man ignores or does not know himself and his own actions, sinful or virtuous. Furthermore, man does not understand the need for his own sanctification.

"And when we understand that, we understand better the place of the priest, who has to deal every day with this drama, yes, with the eternal destiny of man," Bishop Fellay said, "to whom has been given the powers to open heaven, to free the souls who are in the bonds of sin, in the claws of the devil. That's why we have priests—to be saved, to go to heaven. And if we don't have them, woe to us. We cannot estimate enough the gift God is giving us today by giving us some more priests."

"It's really impressive, my dear brethren, to see how, to see this action," Bishop Fellay continued. "We have to think, we have to realize it's God Himself, personally, the Third Person of the Most Holy Trinity, who is coming into each one of them and who is going to transform them into this holiness and who is going to supernaturally strengthen

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them for this superhuman fight against the fallen angels, this fight to save souls."

Adding to that, His Excellency gave a brief update of the Society's relations with Rome. He said the difficulty comes from the two currents within Rome: a conservative side that says one thing and the progressive side that says the contrary.

The progressives prevent the Pope, Bishop Fellay said, from accomplishing any good. They block him and paralyze him. And so, His Excellency called for patience and prayer. He pleaded that all keep away from rumors that only create unease and stir up frustration and false illusions of tranquility.

Instead of rumor-mongering, His Excellency asked the clergy and the laity to double their efforts in the Rosary Crusade. "We are not going to expect good things for the Church through human deals. No, we expect it with supernatural means. And precisely prayer is one of the mightiest that we can have," Bishop Fellay said.

"The well-prayed rosary—we can be certain of that—is a very, very powerful means. Sister Lucy of Fatima dared to say that the Blessed Virgin Mary gave a special efficaciousness to this prayer in such a way that the Rosary would be the solution to all problems, to any problems."



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