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## Regina Coeli Report

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# La Salette Boys Master the Courts

When Notre Dame de La Salette Academy, Georgetown, Illinois, came out of its February Fever, the academy had reclaimed mastery of the basketball court.

It has become a custom, during the month of February, for La Salette Academy to compete with Blessed Virgin Mary Academy, Syracuse, New York, and with St. Mary's Academy, St. Marys, Kansas, on the basketball court.

Over the past years, La Salette, as a school, has shown itself a force on the court to be reckoned with. But in 2011, St. Mary's and BVM, in their respective matches, took the victories away from La Salette.

For the 2011-2012 academic year, however, La Salette repossessed both trophies.

BVM was the first to fall at home against La Salette on February 4. After defeating La Salette the previous year, 58-48, BVM was in for a fight as La Salette had come "to recover" the trophy which the two schools have been trading off regularly through the years. La Salette won the trophy

back by a matter of six points by defeating the home team, 36-40.

In playing host to boys of La Salette and to Fr. McMahon and Fr. Dailey, BVM, over that weekend, provided an opportunity for multiple brotherly competitions. The first was a poetry "joust" in which three students from both schools composed and presented poems to Our Lady. John Vennari, editor of the *Catholic Family News*, awarded the first place to La Salette and second to BVM.

The school also hosted ping pong matches. La Salette claimed the victory there as well. But BVM would not allow La Salette to sweep all competitions in their own home. And in the game of the intellectual masters, chess, BVM held her own and won.

Two weeks later, on February 18, it was St. Mary's Academy's turn to travel to La Salette for the annual *Corona Mariae* basketball game.

St. Mary's had, for the first time, the previous year, de-

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# Interview with the Superior General



In lieu of the regular letter, we here reprint selections from DICl's interview with the Superior General after the recent General Chapter.

*DICl : How did the General Chapter go? How was the mood of the meeting?*

Bishop Fellay : It took place in a rather hot atmosphere, since July is a particularly hot month in the Valais! But in a very busy schedule, where the members of the Chapter were able to freely exchange ideas, as it befits such a working meeting.

*DICl : Were you able to discuss the relations with Rome? Were there any forbidden questions? The dissensions manifested within the SSPX these last months, have they calm down?*

Bishop Fellay : That makes for quite a few questions! Regarding Rome, we went to the very heart of the issues, and all the capitularies were able to study the complete file. Nothing was left aside and there were no taboos among us. It was my duty to exhibit with detail all the documentation exchanged with the Vatican, something which was rendered difficult by the obnoxious climate of recent months. This made it possible for us to conduct direct discussions which have cleared out the doubts and dissipated any misunderstandings, resulting in peace and unity of hearts, which of course is something to rejoice about.

*DICl : How do you foresee the relations with Rome after this Chapter?*

Bishop Fellay : All ambiguity has now been resolved among us. Very soon we will convey to Rome the position of the Chapter, which has been the occasion to specify our road map insisting upon the conservation of our identity, the only efficacious means to help the Church to restore Christendom. As I told you recently, "if we want to make fruitful the treasure of Tradition for the benefit of souls, we must both speak and act" (cf. interview of 8 June 2012, DICl #256). We cannot keep silent when facing the rampant loss of faith, the staggering fall of the number of vocations, and the decrease of religious practice. We cannot refrain from speaking when confronted with the "silent apostasy" and its causes. Doctrinal mutism is not the answer to this "silent apostasy" which even John Paul II denounced already in 2003.

Our approach is inspired not only by the doctrinal firmness of Archbishop Lefebvre but also by his pastoral charity. The Church has always considered that the best testimony to the truth is to be found in the early Christians' unity built in prayer and charity. They had "but one heart and one soul," as we read in the Acts

of the Apostles (cf. Acts 4, 32). Such a common ideal is also our watchword, *Cor Unum* being the name of the internal bulletin of the SSPX. Hence we distance ourselves resolutely from all those who have tried to take advantage of the situation in order to drive a wedge turning Society members against each other. Such a spirit does not come from God.

*DICl : What are your thoughts on the appointment of Archbishop Mueller as Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith?*

Bishop Fellay : It is nobody's secret that the former bishop of Regensburg, where our seminary of Zaitzkofen is located, does not like us. After the courageous action of Benedict XVI on our behalf, in 2009, he refused to cooperate and treated us like if we were lepers! He is the one who stated that our seminary should be closed and that our students should go to the seminaries of their dioceses of origin, adding bluntly that "the four bishops of the SSPX should resign"! (cf. interview with Zeit Online, 8 May 2009).

For us what is more important and more alarming is his leading role at the head of the Congregation for the Faith, which must defend the Faith with the proper mission of fighting doctrinal errors and heresy. Numerous writings of Bishop Mueller on the real transubstantiation of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ, on the dogma of Our Lady's virginity, on the need of conversion of non-Catholics to the Catholic Church... are questionable, to say the least! There is no doubt that these texts would have been in the past the object of an intervention of the Holy Office, which now is the very Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith presided by him.

*DICl : How do you see the future of the SSPX? In the midst of its fight for the Church's Tradition, will the SSPX keep to the same knife's edge?*

Bishop Fellay : More than ever we must maintain the knife's edge traced by our venerated founder. It is not easy to keep, yet absolutely vital for the Church and the treasure of its Tradition. We are Catholic, we recognise the pope and the bishops, but above all else we must keep intact the Faith, source of God's grace. Therefore we must avoid all that may endanger the Faith, without trying to become a replacement for the Church, Catholic, Apostolic, and Roman. Far from us the idea of establishing a parallel Church, of exercising a parallel magisterium!





This was well explained by Archbishop Lefebvre more than thirty years ago: he did not wish to hand down anything else but what he himself had received from the Church of two millennia. This is what we want also, following his lead, so that we may effectively help “to restore all things in Christ.” It is not us who will break with Rome, the Eternal Rome, mistress of wisdom and truth. Nevertheless, it would be unrealistic to deny that there

is a modernist and liberal influence in the Church since the Second Vatican Council and its subsequent reforms. In a word, we maintain the faith in the primacy of the Roman Pontiff and in the Church founded upon Peter, but we refuse all which contributes to the “self-demolition of the Church” acknowledged by Paul VI himself since 1968. May Our Lady, Mother of the Church, hasten the day of its authentic restoration!



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feated La Salette in a buzzer-beater shot, 36-35. La Salette was itching to have the Corona Mariae back—and it was their homecoming as well. Much rested on this game.

The previous night, February 17, the students of La Salette entertained their guests with a musical performance and with refreshments. The next day, before the big game, the two schools joined together in a dodgeball tour-

nament, which was followed by an alumni basketball game and then the junior varsity game.

In the final match, the La Salette Lions and the St. Mary's Crusaders vied for the trophy. This year, which ended as a very good year for La Salette, saw the trophy return to La Salette after a 49-45 victory over St. Marys.



# National Religion Test Winners

A District-wide religion test was administered to all 8th- and 12th-grade students in SSPX schools in March. Congratulations go out to the following:

## Best Scores – 12th Graders:

John Crowell	
(La Salette Boys Academy, Olivet, IL)	96%
David Curtis	
(La Salette Boys Academy, Olivet, IL)	94%
Isaac Dailey	
(La Salette Boys Academy, Olivet, IL)	93%
Jonah Garno	
(La Salette Boys Academy, Olivet, IL)	93%

Winners received \$1,500, \$1,250, and \$1,000 respectively toward future tuition in an SSPX institution of higher learning, or toward a SSPX-sponsored pilgrimage.

## Best Scores – 8th Graders:

Simon Lorona	
(Our Lady of the Angels Academy, Arcadia, CA)	99%
Justin Meech	
(Immaculate Conception Academy, Post Falls, ID)	96%
Brandon Johnson	
(Our Lady of the Angels Academy, Arcadia, CA)	94%
Maisy Goulart	
(St. Mary's Academy, St. Marys, KS)	94%

Winners received \$500 (1st Place), \$350 (2nd Place), and \$200 (3rd Place) toward future tuition in an SSPX school.

## Schools scoring the highest:

12th Grade:	
La Salette Boys Academy (Olivet, IL)	84%
8th Grade:	
Our Lady of the Angels Academy (Arcadia, CA)	90%

La Salette has ranked first on the 12th-grade exam every year since the exam was implemented seven years ago. Our Lady of the Angels has ranked first on the 8th-grade exam five out of the seven years.



# Book Review: Iota Unum

Fr. Dominique Bourmaud

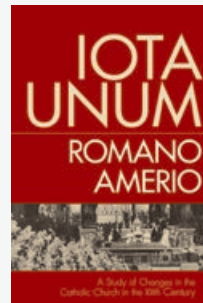
This book, according its subtitle, provides “a study of the changes of the Catholic Church in the XXth century.” At the time of its first publication in 1985, that is, twenty years after the close of the Council, Archbishop Lefebvre did not hesitate to call it the best book written on Vatican II and its legacy to the Church.

The author, chosen as episcopal theologian involved in the Preparatory Commission of the Council, speaks with the authority of an eyewitness and the independence of a retired layman. Although we know the mind of Amerio from the outset, rather than forcing us into his camp, he sets with method a proper line of argumentation so as to let the open-minded reader draw his own conclusion. For this, he expounds largely the history surrounding what he calls a Church crisis.

This is a thorough survey of all aspects of the ecclesiastical reforms produced since the last Council which, after having undermined the bastions of sound philosophy and theology,

affected virtually all areas of liturgical, sacramental, and social life. It even includes unpleasant subjects such as somatolatria, abortion, and situation ethics. This all-around diagnostic by a relentless physician’s eye could truly be called a dictionary of modern errors, an encyclopedia of the Church crisis.

Worthy of mention are his great insights into the pontificate of Pope Paul VI and the democratization of the Church. But the

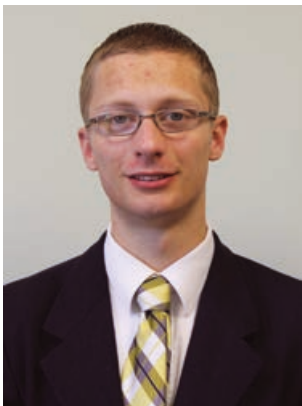


epilogue deserves also a special mention which I will let the patient reader of the previous 700 pages discover for himself!

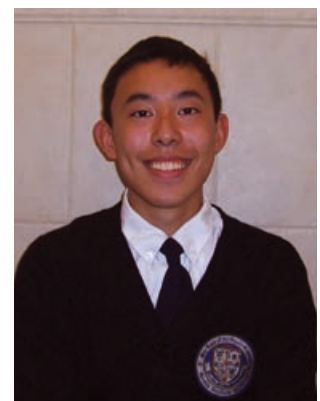
We make ours the remark of a Roman critic: “In an era of undeniable crisis, the greatest gift that an elder of the faithful can make to his Church is to speak clearly.”

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Below (Clockwise): David Curtis, Isaac Dailey, John Crowell, Jonah Garno



Below (Clockwise): Simon Lorona, Justin Meech, Brandon Johnson, Maisy Goulart







# Graduation, Corpus Christi, and First Holy Communions

At the end of May and during the first couple of weeks of June, Society of St. Pius X academies across the country released their students—some for the summer and others forever. Having prepared their graduates to meet the

world and “fight the good fight” as mentioned by St. Paul, the priests, religious, and teachers at these academies bade farewell to their academic children as they left their Alma Mater to search out and accomplish their vocations.

(Right) The senior class raised the funds for and built a sign for their school, Blessed Virgin Mary Academy in Syracuse, New York.

(Below ) Fr. Jackson and John Bascom, valedictorian.





(Top) There were 49 high-school and 32 college graduates from St. Marys, Kansas on May 26th.

(Above) A beautiful sawdust motif for Corpus Christi.

(Upper Right) Corpus Christi procession in Syracuse, New York.

(Right) Corpus Christi procession in north Texas at Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

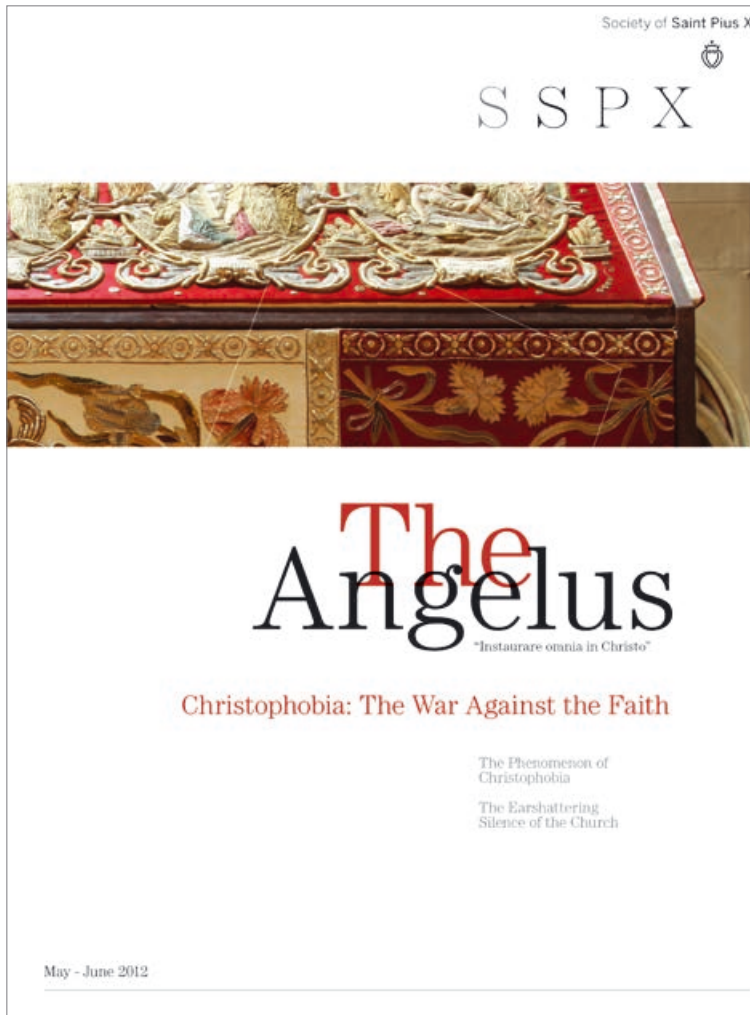




(Clockwise) First Holy  
Communicants in  
Wisconsin, Syracuse,  
Pennsylvania, and  
Saint Marys, Kansas.







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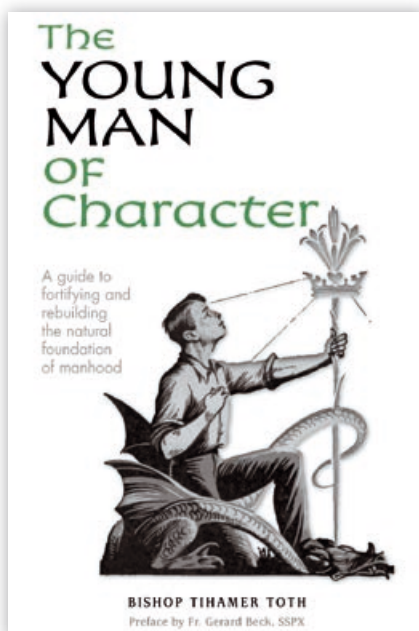
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October 19-21, 2012  
Airport Marriot,  
Kansas City, Missouri



## Speakers

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Bishop Bernard Fellay,  
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U.S. District Superior, SSPX  
Fr. Juan-Carlos Iscara, SSPX  
Fr. Daniel Themann, SSPX  
Fr. Albert, O.P.  
Dr. John Rao, Professor of  
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Christopher Check,  
VP, the Rockford Institute  
Joshua Hayes, Professor of  
History, La Salette  
Andrew Clarendon, Professor,  
St. Mary's

## Topics

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The Catholic Church: Heir of the  
Roman Empire  
Scriptural Foundations of  
the Papacy  
St. Catherine of Siena  
The Great Western Schism and  
the Lesson for Today  
The History of Papal Infallibility  
St. Pius X: History and Biography  
The SSPX and the Spirit of  
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The Papacy of Pius XII  
The Question of Collegiality  
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N.B.: If you are looking for Gregorian Masses (i.e., 30 consecutive Requiem Masses) or a novena of Masses, prior to sending your request and check, please contact the District Office at 816-733-2500 to see if a priest is available to accept the Masses.

Checks should be made payable to the SSPX (in U.S. currency) and sent to: District Secretary, Regina Coeli House,  
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**Please include a separate note outlining the Mass intentions.  
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## Youth Pilgrimage

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## Pilgrimage for the 25th Anniversary of the Episcopal Consecrations

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WOMEN: Oct. 15-20, Dec. 10-15

### Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat Center

750 E. Baseline Road, Phoenix, AZ 85042 • (602) 268-7673

MEN: Oct. 8-13, Dec. 10-15 (Marian)

WOMEN: Sept. 18-22

MATRIMONY: Oct. 24-27

THIRD ORDER: Nov. 12-17 (Mixed)

### St. Aloysius Gonzaga Retreat Center

19101 Bear Creek Road, Los Gatos, CA 95033 • (408) 354-7703

MEN: Sept. 10-15, Oct. 22-27, Dec. 13-16

WOMEN: Oct. 1-6, Nov. 12-17, Nov. 29 - Dec. 2

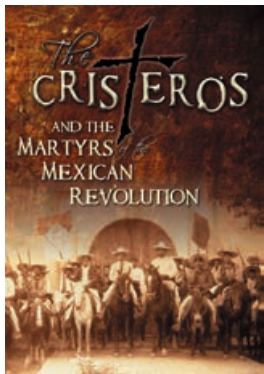
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## Carmelite Third Order

Notice to all Carmelite Third Order members and prospective members in the United States and Canada. Fr. Gregory Post, who is in charge of the Carmelite Third Order in this area, is now putting together a list of all the tertiaries. If you are a Carmelite tertiary, or would like to consider becoming one, please send Fr. Post the information on your status in the Third Order.

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## The Cristeros



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## Rosary Crusade National Tally



The District Office has published a tally of the rosaries said throughout the USA for the intentions of the Rosary Crusade. The total below is based on the tallies turned in by the chapels and individuals who do not attend an SSPX chapel.

Grand Total: 4,538,237

## Eucharistic Crusade

### Monthly Intentions

**July:** For Religious and Priestly Vocations  
**August:** That Families be United  
**September:** For Fallen-Away Catholics to Return

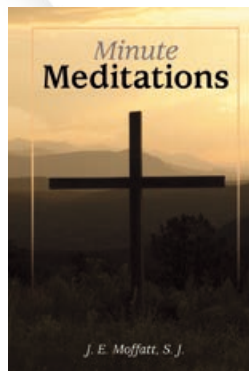
### U.S. DISTRICT TREASURE (May 2012)

Daily Offering	14,534
Masses	5,203
Sacramental Communion	4,733
Spiritual Communion	14,701
Sacrifices	24,832
Decades of the Rosary	62,294
Visits to the Blessed Sacrament	4,411
15 minutes of silent meditation	4,385
Good Example	14,903
Number returned	501



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