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# Priestly Ordinations

Fr. Nicholas Gardner, home-school graduate, met his vocation on a retreat. In the winter of 2002, Fr. Gardner was on an Ignatian retreat when he received a postcard from heaven. "Suddenly I was struck by the fact that God might want me to be a priest," Fr. Gardner said, "which previously seemed laughably absurd."

It was not that he abhorred the thought of a vocation. His parents had raised him and his siblings with a great respect for the Faith, for their catechism, and for the religious life. His brothers and his sisters helped sow the vocational seed by their examples. The soil was prepared, as it were, by everyone at home.

"If parents criticize priests and nuns, they shouldn't be surprised if their children shun those vocations," he said. "My siblings have given me a fine example of true Catholic charity and sacrifice, while I have proven again the story of Gideon's army: that God chooses the weak to show forth His glory. No one expected to see me become a priest." The examples of priests around him also served to lead him towards the altar. Fr. Christopher Hunter and Fr. Patrick Crane, both of whom had served as his mission pastors, were two whose examples greatly impacted the young man. While Fr. Gardner was not yet convinced of his vocation, Fr. David Hewko put the final touches to his decision to enter the seminary.

"He was instrumental in helping me take the final step to cut ties to the world, and give my life to God," Fr. Gardner said. "His example and encouragement inspired me, and he successfully shot down my final objection, by assuring me that if God wanted me to be a priest, He would make me good enough to do His work."

Once in the seminary the tables were turned on Father. He entered with the idea, he said, that he was "doing something generous by 'giving my life' to God." He found that that was not the case. God, on the other hand, was being generous with him.

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# Letter from the District Superior



Dear Faithful,

"For God so loved the world, as to give His only-begotten Son: that whosoever believeth in Him may not perish, but may have life ever-

As we begin the year 2013, I would like to wish you a most holy New Year, a year placed under the protection of Our Lord and His Blessed Mother, a year rooted in the Faith, a year during which we may meditate these words of Saint John: "For God so loved the world, as to give His only-begotten Son." It is true that we live in "bad times," meaning difficult times. Apostasy is everywhere; states all over the world have rejected God, refused to bend to His natural law, even furthering the rebellion against His natural law. The agenda of the Anti-Christ is moving along, and we cannot see the end of the tunnel.

Apostasy is also within the Church Herself: "They have uncrowned Him," as Archbishop Lefebvre himself would say. Our Lord Jesus Christ, His Divine rights, the unique role of His Church, the Catholic Church in the salvation of souls: these basic principles of our Faith have been put "under a bushel." Indeed, there are many reasons to lift up our souls toward Our Lord Jesus Christ and His Blessed Mother, and to remember His words of hope: "For Thou art my patience, O Lord: my hope, O Lord, from my youth" (Psalm 70:5).

"For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of glory? Are not you, in the presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming? For you are our glory and joy" (I Thess. 2:19-20). There is, therefore, no reason to lament, lose peace of soul, or to cease in our pursuit of holiness. On the contrary, the worse the situation, the more we ought to thank God for the graces received; the more we ought to offer ourselves to His Divine Love; the more we ought to keep our supernatural hope, joy and peace.

In this regard, and to help you, my dear faithful, to keep things in the right perspective, I would like to encourage you regularly to attend, whenever possible, spiritual retreats, particularly Ignatian retreats. There we have the royal way to keep our spiritual life awakened, revived; and therefore there we have a precious help to keep up our hopes, joy, and peace of mind and soul, even in the worst

A retreat will help you to deepen your Faith, to approach the circumstances of your life with a greater understanding of God's Divine Plan. You will know Our Lord Jesus Christ a little more, and that is a treasure in itself! Our Lord Himself, in a retreat, will show you your miseries, your sins, your weaknesses, not to draw you to despair or discouragement, but, on the contrary, to express and manifest His Mercy—the Mercy of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. A retreat will revive in you a more profound faith, a true thirst for sanctification. It will give you a better sense of what can be done for the reign of Christ in our world, and you will return to your daily life, your duties, with a renewed strength.

I cannot find, indeed, the right words, words strong enough to explain how important and valuable a retreat is for your spiritual life, and even for maintaining sanity in this world. Therefore, for the salvation of your souls and for the spiritual good of your families, I beseech you to make sure to attend a retreat this year. For some this may take some sacrifices, but the rewards will be beyond compare. "Come to Me all you that labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you" (Matt. 11:28).

A good retreat is what I can wish you best at the beginning of a New Year, for your souls, for your families. It is a grace from Heaven, which I wish for you with my whole heart.

With my prayers and blessing, in the Immaculate Heart of Mary,

Father Arnaud Rostand



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"I found that I had never really lived until I entered the seminary," Fr. Gardner said. "This life is a gift from God, not

Only in the seminary did he find his true life-aspirations. "Before the seminary I had a love of politics, and wanted to run for office, to try to further Catholic principles and the glory of God," Fr. Gardner said. "But time and experience in political campaigns made me realize that I could do more for souls and God's glory as a priest. Ultimately, God gave me the grace to see that living for myself would bring nothing but sadness, while living for God would bring a true and lasting happiness."

With God's grace and the constant help of the Blessed Virgin, Fr. Gardner conquered the temptations to abandon the seminary. "Whenever there was an obstacle to proceeding in the seminary—and many seemed absolutely insurmountable—a visit to Our Lady's Chapel solved everything," Fr. Gardner said. "It is her motherly care that has brought me to this blessed life."

To thank the Star of the Seminary for her assistance, and before leaving for his post in Nicholville, New York, Fr. Gardner made a pilgrimage to Mexico City to the shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

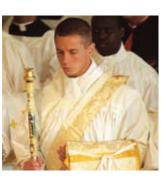
#### Fr. Scott Graves

Fr. Scott Graves was no stranger to the fight between Catholicism and atheistic materialism when he entered the seminary. He had grown up in the bay area of San Francisco in a strong Catholic family, who, Fr. Graves said, owed their strength in their faith to the energy of his grandfather Dr. Alfred Graves, who taught catechism for over 50 years where he lives in southern California.

(Top right) Fr. Nicholas Gardner holding the vestments for his ordination

> (Far right) Fr. Juan-Carlos Iscara with the newly ordained Frs. Nicholas Gardner and **Scott Graves**

(Bottom right) Fr. Scott Graves celebrates his first Mass





As a graduate of the public school system, as well as having attended college, he saw first-hand the problems of the modern world. "I graduated from a California public high school, which taught me how to read and write, speak coherently, and not much else," Fr. Graves said. "I was blessed with a literature teacher who made us think, study philosophy, and put our ideas in order. I was also blessed by a good group of friends, striving to live the virtuous life."

"Truly the only lasting thing I retain from my time in school is compassion for the students." Father continued. "for they are faced with an impossible task of trying to save their souls in the face of the full onslaught of sin and the world."

After graduating from high school, he entered the University of California, Davis, to study chemistry. He stayed for a year before he abandoned the world for the King of Heaven. But even that did not come easily.

His college year was spent facing trial after trial, temptation after temptation. At the same time, Father lost one of his dear friends. This caused him to pause and contemplate "where I was and where I was going."

"And then there was the old idea of entering the seminary, ignored for many years but still there," Fr. Graves said. "Turning these ideas in my head constantly, I went to Sunday Mass, and by the end of the Mass my decision was clear. God first."

From that moment, he turned his face towards the northeast, towards Winona. There was no turning back. With the experiences he had had, he knew his vocation lay in opposing the world and in striving to assist souls in need.

"I saw good souls fighting just to keep natural virtue, and falling. I saw Catholics lose their faith because of bad priests or no priests. I knew myself how much I needed the



sacraments," Fr. Graves said. "And I thought, what can be done? Who will go and work for the salvation of souls? It took a long time before it occurred to me that I might go, that I might be called."

Now Fr. Graves is stationed in Post Falls, Idaho.

#### Fr. Anthony Haynos

Fr. Anthony Haynos, from Paxico, Kansas, comes from a family of religious. Two of his uncles are priests: Fr. James Haynos with the Society of St. Pius X, and Fr. Matthew with the Benedictines in France. One of his aunts is a Carmelite nun, Sister Mary Mechtilde.

These vocations in his family, along with the respect and esteem the Haynos family showed for the clerical and religious life, planted the seed in Fr. Haynos's soul. Later, Fr. Ramon Anglés, then rector at St. Mary's Academy, said, in sermon, that if one truly saw a need for religious vocations, that may be a sign of one's own vocation.

"At first that struck me as ridiculous—everybody probably thinks that, since it is just so obvious," Fr. Haynos said. "Afterwards I began to reflect on it almost fearfully. Did that mean I had a vocation? That went on sporadically for a bit until in ninth grade I read a passage from *With God in Russia*, in which the author speaks of the joy he had as a priest bringing the sacraments to people who had been deprived of them for years behind the Iron Curtain. That made me see the priesthood more from its good side and in its beauty rather than considering only the sacrifices it entailed."

From that moment onward, he took the idea of having a vocation seriously. These moments were buttressed by the Catholic environment at St. Mary's and, in particular, by his involvement in the Knights of the Immaculata, a sodality at the Academy, which gave him a special devotion to Mary. "Something," Father said, "that is indispensable for any religious, and especially for the priest."

In the seminary, the ignorance of what sorrows lay in store for him hounded Father's steps. But these temptations taught him greater confidence in God, for who really knows the future? he asked himself.

"By entering the religious life, and especially, I think, the priestly life in these times, you sign a blank check and you have to keep signing it every day; this grates on us—we like to be masters of our own destinies," Fr. Haynos said. "We really have to have a great confidence in God and our Mother that they will carry us through and then leave everything up to them."

With that confidence in God, Fr. Haynos was sent to his first assignment at St. Thomas More in Sanford, Florida. From the rectory there, he will, on the weekends, move out to the mission chapels in Miami and Davie, Florida.

(Right) Fr. Anthony Haynos giving his first blessing to his parents

(Middle right, left to right) Fr. Christopher Polley and Fr. John Mark McFarland

(Bottom right) Frs. Andrew, Scott Graves, and Nicholas Gardner holding their vestments in preparation for their priestly ordinations

(Below clockwise) Celebrating their first Masses, Fr. Anthony Haynos, Fr. John Mark McFarland, and Fr. Christopher Polley















#### Fr. John Mark McFarland

Fr. John Mark McFarland was fairly new to traditional Catholicism when he entered the seminary in the fall of 2006. In fact, only two years previous had he attended his first Latin Mass in September 2004.

Growing up with the *Novus Ordo* Mass, he attended Pope John Paul II High School in Boca Raton, Florida. Even though the name of the school suggested Catholicism, it did very little to sow the seed of a vocation. The religious atmosphere of the school was essentially non-existent. It was, as a matter of course, a nominally Catholic school, and nothing more.

Following his graduation, Fr. McFarland attended the University of Maryland where he got a degree in history. Even at this time, he had no serious thought of a vocation. That started coming in September 2004 when he attended his first Latin Mass.

Even at that point, Father said, nothing stood out as a singular moment when he realized he was being called to the priesthood. Instead, the calling came slowly and quietly through the noise of the world around him.

His vocation was fully sown when he realized that souls were being damned due to the immorality in the world and that he, like all Catholics, had a duty to work for the salvation of all men.

"As I came to realize the situation in the Church and in the world, I realized that souls were going to hell by the millions and that God was forgotten," Fr. McFarland said. "I wanted to do as much as I could to help the situation."

The answer for him lay in the priesthood, where he could employ the graces of the Mass and the sacraments towards the sanctification of souls.

Once ordained, Father was sent to St. Mary's Academy and College for his first year as a priest. There he teaches theology to the academy seniors and college apologetics.

#### Fr. Christopher Polley

Fr. Christopher Polley, growing up in southern Maine and not attending any of the Society's schools, saw very little of the Society and daily Mass. At first his family attended the Latin Mass at an indult parish. Only shortly before graduating from home-school did Fr. Polley and his family find a Society mission some distance away.

Yet, this distance from the Society did not hinder his vocation and his love for the Mass, which, he said, is one of the things that drew him to the seminary. As a boy, whenever it was possible, he served Mass and sometimes worked in the sacristy at the parishes he attended. While these were not necessary signs of his vocation, they gave him, by his closeness to the liturgy, a love for the Mass.

Nonetheless, what Father believes preserved him in his vocation was his homeschooling. Not being near any Society school, or any other traditional Catholic school,



Fr. Polley's family had three options: public school, *Novus Ordo* Catholic school, or home school. And so, he and his siblings began homeschooling under the patronage of the guardian angels.

"I credit my homeschooling with providing an environment in which I was able to preserve my Catholic Faith," Fr. Polley said. "I have little doubt that had I attended either the local public school or the 'Catholic' school of the *Novus Ordo* parish, I would have been dragged along like so many others to the loss of my religion."

After graduating, Father saw no real future for him in college. He had no desire to take up any other studies. For him the most logical "college" was St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary. All other studies outside that school, he viewed as a serious threat to his vocation.

While in route from childhood to manhood and into the seminary, the events fell into place that allowed him to enter easily. But Christ demands that His servants and His future "brothers" have a taste of His own life of the cross and of abandonment. For Fr. Polley that came in the form of members of his immediate family entering into sedevacantism.

"Naturally this made vacations somewhat difficult, but the greatest part of this cross was the loss of support psychologically," Fr. Polley said. "In hindsight God was asking me just how devoted I was to this vocation; how willing was I to leave all, pick up my cross, and follow Him."

But his love for God and the Mass prevailed.

"For me the draw was my love of the Mass, and my appreciation of the value of the power of the confessional," Fr. Polley said. "I loved to be close to the altar and wanted to be even closer than I had been before. And as for the confessional, I really appreciated how magnificent it was to be returned to friendship with God by the absolution from the priest and aspired to spread this great gift, this sacrament, if I could."

For his first apostolate as a priest, Fr. Polley was assigned to St. Philomena School in Queensland, Australia, where he teaches religion and assists at the school.

### Fr. Steven Reuter

Fr. Steven Reuter found the graces of his vocation coming from every angle of his life. Some came from home. Others came from his schooling and his travels. And still more came from the examples of priests. Living just outside of Post Falls, Idaho, and graduating from Immaculate Conception Academy, Father was surrounded by Catholicism.

In his family, his grandparents paved the way for his vocation with "great sacrifices, in the post-conciliar years, to find a priest who had kept the faith." His parents, following their example of "fighting the good fight," taught him, by their example, that the truths and sacraments



(Left) Bishop Tissier de Mallerais ordaining Fr. Christopher Polley

(Below left to right) The first blessings of Fr. Steven Reuter and Fr. Scott Graves

(Bottom) Fr. Steven Reuter celebrating his first Mass







of Catholicism are worth the sacrifices to achieve them. While he was yet a young boy, his parents would drive the family several hours to and from Sunday, as well as Wednesday, Mass. After a while Fr. Reuter's parents moved the family to Post Falls so that Fr. Reuter and his siblings could attend a Catholic school.

At school, it was his teachers, two in particular, he said, who opened his soul to the calling of God by teaching him beauty and truth. "I remember well the literature professor telling me that when life becomes difficult, poetry will save your life," Father said. "I did not know what he meant at the time but later the poems which I learned haphazardly came back to me, giving me a healthier perspective of life."

His philosophy teacher, primarily through his teachings on true friendship, demonstrated the truth and the beauty of reality, and the falsehood and the ugliness of "the illusory world which we create around ourselves."

"From these two classes I am convinced of the saying of Dostoyevsky that beauty will save the world," Fr. Reuter said, "or with Rev. Fr. de Chivré, that we need an apostolate of beauty. Being in this jungle has only convinced me of this reality."

Two graces that finally hammered home his vocation came in the form of two journeys. The first was to Europe in 2004. While originally he had not figured Lourdes and Fatima into his schedule, the Blessed Virgin had other plans. And Father found his journey ending on a pilgrimage to Lourdes and Fatima. In thanksgiving for his Mother's care, Father requested a set of vestments made for him in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes.

The second grace came from a request from a priest. One of the priests at Immaculate Conception asked Fr. Reuter to drive him to a hospital in Spokane where he was to administer extreme unction. When the priest and his driver finally arrived at the woman's bedside, she had already died. With this in his mind and the conversation of the priest still echoing through his head, Father applied to the seminary.

"This event explains why I wanted to be a priest," Fr. Reuter said. "As an old priest once said in sermon: 'Without the priest, who will witness your marriages, baptize your children, absolve your sins, and lead you to your final resting place?"

Fr. Reuter was captured by the fatherhood of God, as he noted on his ordination card with the words "Abba, Father." "This fatherhood of God expresses itself in all its tenderness in the cross by which He destroys in us all that is not an image of His Son," Fr. Reuter said, "and by which He seeks to create in us that filial dependence lost to us in Adam and regained in Christ."

On August 15, Fr. Reuter headed south to the Dominican Republic, where he himself can provide the fatherly care of God to bring souls into "that spirit of adoption by which we cry 'Abba, Father.'"

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# New Chapel in Anchorage Alaska

Parishioners of St. Therese, Patroness of Alaska Mission in Anchorage, Alaska, commemorated the Feast of Christ the King with the blessing of a new chapel, solemn high Mass, and a Eucharistic procession. For the first time in ten years, parishioners of St. Therese had the opportunity to assist all together at one Sunday Mass. The Mass was well attended by parishioners and guests, almost filling up the seating capacity and indicating that the SSPX's Alaskan mission will soon need to start planning for an even larger, permanent chapel.

The parish's history dates back to 1986, when Frs. Daniel Couture and Walter Ranger, then stationed in Post Falls, Idaho, approached the families of Dr. Donald Martins and Mr. Hugh Bradley with the idea of having the traditional Latin Mass said in Anchorage. With the support of several other parishioners, Fr. Couture said the first Mass in the gymnasium of a local elementary school. Mr. Bradley then offered a space at his local Catholic bookstore for the priests' use for future Masses, and Fr. Couture chose St. Therese, Patroness of Alaska, as the chapel's patroness.



Frs. Ranger and Couture, who served as pastor, took turns visiting the chapel once a month and provided the parish with the sacred vessels, vestments, altar linens, Mass cards, and statues that are still in use today. Mr. Bradley expanded the chapel in 1987 in order to accommodate the increasing number of faithful.

Fr. Couture was transferred in 1988 and Frs. Christopher Hunter, Peter Katzarof, and John Peek (+RIP) were assigned as pastors over the succeeding years. The priests came for regular monthly visits, and the parish welcomed various visiting priests during the summer months. The Blessed Sacrament was reserved at the chapel and the parish grew steadily until finally, in 2002, Fr. Hunter decided that two Sunday Masses were necessary in order to accommodate the growth.

In the fall of 2011, preparations began for the move to a larger space, provided by parishioner Mr. Michael Mosesian, to have a new chapel built in order to meet the parish's increasing space needs. After gaining the approval of Fr. Rostand during his visit to St. Therese for Palm Sunday of 2012, construction began in earnest. After many months of labor and thanks to the time and generosity of parishioners, the new chapel, which seats approximately one hundred, was completed in October.





It has become evident that the mission is ready for a permanent church in which to worship Our Lord. Even though Mass is usually only offered over the fourth weekend of every month, parish life at St. Therese continues in between the regularly scheduled visits, and the number of parishioners continues to grow. The parish has a schola, altar servers, and catechism classes. This is despite the fact that many parishioners drive great distances to assist at Mass—no small thing in Alaskan winters! Parishioners make regular daily visits to the Blessed Sacrament, and there are recitation of the Rosary and votive Vespers of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Sundays when no Mass is offered. As mentioned, the number of Masses increases during the summers thanks to visiting priests. In recent years, the parish has benefited from having the full Holy Week Liturgy and, in the fall of 2011, even received Fr. Duverger when he came to preach full five-day men's and women's Ignatian

Although the SSPX's Alaska Mission is not, perhaps, the most visited or most well-known chapel in the SSPX, it has a rich 26-year history, fervent and generous parishioners, and a new location in which to continue to grow and welcome new members to Tradition. With God's help and this strong foundation, the parish will continue to grow and thrive.





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View of the commons area of the new chapel

(Above left) New additions of the schola and organ area

(Above middle) Mrs. Kazuko Bradley, wife of the late Mr. Hugh Bradley (RIP, 1989), the owner of the property at which the old chapel was located

(Above right) Construction on the new kitchen

(Left) Mike Mosesian working on new concrete floor

# The Immaculate Conception Academy and Parish

One of the great experiences one receives at Immaculate Conception Academy is the bi-annual trip to Rome in the Junior and Senior year. An Italian dinner is held to help raise money for the trip on the feast of St. Michael, September 29th. Many have said this is the highlight of the parish life in Post Falls, Idaho. The mothers prepare an authentic homemade lasagna dinner which is then served by the boys who will be participating in the trip. The boys also prepare various Italian songs which are sung during the evening. A wonderful evening is had by all who attend. T

On September 30, another parish event is the annual alumni soccer game. The alumni come back every year

to try to put the undefeated ICA high school boys on the defeated list. This year it was a hard fight by all, ending in a 6-6 tie.

As part of the curriculum at Immaculate Conception Academy a new class was added to help develop the allaround man. It is a shop class where our high school students will learn wood working and, last semester, automotive mechanics.

On October 6, Immaculate Conception parish had its annual Rosary March in downtown Coeur d'Alene. Over 600 parishioners were in attendance along with the local media who covered the event.

## Annual Rosary March in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, attended by over 600 parishioners



# Book Review: Mother Love

Fr. Dominique Bourmaud

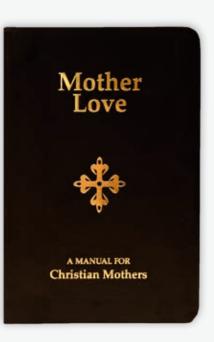
Here is a deluxe edition of an old prayer book addressed to family mothers. The embossed black leathered cover and the gilded edges make it quite attractive. The sharp new typesetting and the soft beige-colored paper, enhance the reading of this 370-page book. In sum, a pretty book for a prettier content.

As you open the book, you discover a gold mine of prayers and information about the role and mission of the mother. There are two very distinct sections. The first offers a palette of devotions and prayers. Besides the usual daily prayers, we discover a first mini-catechism of what she should teach her children—the longer "Catechetical Instructions" is in the second section. There is also a very thorough examination of conscience, the Stations of the Cross, and two ways of following Mass, including the Mass for the Dead. Then comes a set of prayers for special needs of a Christian mother. Joined to this is a plethora of devotions to saints like St. Augustine; and special litanies to St. Monica, St. Anne, and St. Aloysius, etc. What comes as a surprise is a chapter on *The Confraternity of Christian Mothers* with all the requirements and rules for the participants.

The second section is shorter and deals exclusively with instruction for the training of children. In it you will discover

how a "Christian mother should combat in her child the (triple) concupiscence." By way of example of the soundness of the author's advice, we give this tidbit touching on the combat against the flesh: "Children should always be cheerful, not only at play and during their recreations (which should be freely allowed, though not to excess), but at their tasks also, and even in their little ailments....They should be taught to look upon them as a portion of the penance which God imposes for their sins. They should recall that at the earliest age, Jesus Christ endured the same or similar sufferings, and that they show Him great love if, being no better off than He, they are satisfied, and willingly bear what He endured."

There you are told what prayers and catechetical instruction to teach, what principles to instill in your children, and how to prepare them for the sacraments. There is even a chapter on rewards and punishments, and another on how a mother should work in harmony with her husband, pastor and teacher in education. All in all, *Mother Love* is really what it looks like—a gold mine, a mix of spiritual and sensible wisdom placed at the service of this greatest of all endeavors, the art of arts, the rearing of Christian gentlemen and ladies!



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# 2013 Youth Pilgrimage Sponsorship Requests

Dear Readers.

My name is Marcela Diaz. I attend Jesus and Mary Chapel in El Paso, Texas. I am 19 years old. As a proud graduate of Jesus and Mary Academy and current community college student. I think it's important for young Catholics to experience their true Faith outside of their usual environment such as their homes and parishes. Catholic history should be learned through books but it should also be imprinted on our hearts by relating past events to our own lives and making our own history. Traveling to Europe has been a lifelong dream. This would be a truly amazing Catholic experience and a blessed opportunity to fortify my faith and meet fellow traditional Catholics. I am currently working part-time and hope to save at least half of the money for the trip. However, I would be humbly grateful for a generous sponsorship.

Marcela Diaz (El Paso, Texas)

My name is Victor Xavier Diaz. I am 17 years old and am from El Paso, Texas, where I attend Jesus and Mary Chapel. I am looking forward to going on this pilgrimage because it would be a great experience of living my faith like never before. This would be my first time attending a pilgrimage and it would be a tremendous opportunity to visit places with such a historical value where our faith has so much meaning. I would also get to spend time with fellow young Catholics and live our Catholic faith when it is so hard to do so in these times where the world has so many evil influences. I am currently working, while attending college. A sponsorship would be greatly appreciated.

Victor Xavier Diaz (El Paso, Texas)

My name is Chris Aubuchon. I attend Mass and school at St. John Vianney Academy in Long Prairie, Minnesota. I would like to go to Europe on the Youth Pilgrimage, not only to see the great beauty of the land, but also to see the many churches and cathedrals of the three formerly greatest Catholic countries of the world. But since my family and I are rather poor we would only be able to pay some of the expense. I will pray for you and carry your intentions with me on this pilgrimage. I will also be praying that my school will have many vocations to the religious life.

Chris Aubuchon (St. Francis, Minnesota)

My name is Rose McClanahan and I am a 17-year-old senior at St. John Vianney Parish Academy in Long Prairie, Minnesota. With three kids attending college this coming year, my parents cannot afford to send me on this pilgrimage. I have saved a minimal amount of money but I still need assistance. My senior class has a special mission: to obtain the grace of vocations for our school, which has not produced any vocations yet. Please help us to fulfill this mission! Five hopeful hearts are anxiously awaiting your helping hands!

Rose McClanahan (Melrose, Minnesota)

My name is Patrick McClanahan. I am a senior at St. John Vianney in Long Prairie, Minnesota. I am having difficulty raising money because I am from a poor family and my school already exhausts all of the fundraising opportunities in the nearby communities. I can only afford a small portion of my own money for the pilgrimage because I plan to attend St. Mary's College after I graduate. Going on this pilgrimage will be one of the most

We will gladly accept donations at any time. Also, please note for whom the donations are intended if you want them earmarked for a particular student. We encourage you to add any intentions that you would like the youth to take as they make their pilgrimage. Thank you very much for your generosity.

If you would like to sponsor any of these students for either whole or part of the funds needed, please make checks payable to SSPX and send them to:

Fr. Patrick Rutledge Attn: 2013 Youth Pilgrimage 11485 N. Farley Rd. Platte City, MO 64079 beneficial experiences in my life. I will pray for vocations, especially my own and for my benefactor.

Patrick McClanahan (Melrose, Minnesota)

My name is Michaela Talley, I am 18 years old and I attend St. John Vianney Academy and Church in Long Prairie, Minnesota. I have been attending St. John Vianney for 12 years and in all that time, not one religious vocation has been produced from our parish. If I am blessed with the funds to go, my pilgrimage will be offered for the intention of religious vocations and in gratitude for the charity of my benefactor(s). This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for me that will, I trust, benefit me spiritually and help broaden my views as to what may lie ahead for me in the future. Fiat voluntas Dei!

Michaela Talley (Long Prairie, Minnesota)

My name is Joseph Blansett, a freshman from Saint Thomas Becket Academy located in Veneta, Oregon. My school is giving its students the wonderful opportunity to go on the Chartres Pilgrimage. As the cost of the pilgrimage is beyond my ability, I am seeking benefactors to help me. I am also doing fundraising with fellow classmates trying to raise money. I would love to go for the remarkable religious experience, and the once in a lifetime opportunity to see the wonders of Europe. For anyone who is able to help me go on this pilgrimage, I will remember their intentions, especially at the major shrines I will be visiting.

Joseph Blansett (Veneta, Oregon)

My name is Lucian Blansett. I am a 17-year-old high school student at St. Thomas Becket Academy in Veneta, Oregon. This year my classmates and I are trying to participate in a lifetime opportunity, which has motivated my classmates and I to do whatever it takes to make it happen. However, the expenses of the trip are a bit costly and although we will be doing fundraising to come up with as much money as possible, many of us are still in need of financial support from a generous benefactor. All donations would be a tremendous help and I will offer special prayers for all of my benefactors while on this pilgrimage. Thank you for your general consideration.

Lucian Blansett (Veneta, Oregon)

My name is Elizabeth Britt and I am a sophomore at Saint Thomas Becket Academy, a Society school in Veneta, Oregon. I am a sixth child of ten and I want to go on this pilgrimage, first to deepen my faith and second to increase my knowledge of all the places that we will visit and have studied in our history class. My fellow students and I are fundraising to help achieve this goal. Any sponsors or donations would be greatly appreciated. I will offer my communions for all of my sponsors and I will remember them in my daily rosary. Thank you and

Elizabeth Britt (Veneta, Oregon)

My name is Bernard Casis. I am a sophomore in St. Thomas Becket Academy. The reason I want to go to Europe on the pilgrimage is the profound religious experience offered. Also, I want to go and see the sites that Spain, France, and Portugal have to offer; especially the Covadonga Cave where Pelayo held out against innumerous odds along with the miraculous springs of Lourdes. Fundraisers will be held throughout the period of preparation, but there is not enough time. Therefore, I am asking for your help. As a small recompense, I will bring your intentions with me on the pilgrimage. May God reward your generosity.

Bernard Casis (Veneta, Oregon)

I am a junior attending St. Thomas Becket Academy and Church in Veneta, Oregon. When I heard from my parish priest that he would allow my high school to go on this pilgrimage, I gratefully thanked God for this opportunity to view numerous holy sites such as Lourdes, Covadonga and Fatima, and especially to gain an abundance of spiritual benefits. But, in order for me to seize this opportunity I need your help. I will do fundraisers to make this trip possible. I hope and pray that God and Our Lady will touch your hearts to sponsor me for this pilgrimage.

Mary Casis (Veneta, Oregon)

My name is John Collins and I am a freshman attending St. Thomas Becket Academy in Veneta, Oregon. This year my school has given us classmates the great opportunity to take part in the annual Chartres Pilgrimage.

# 2013 Youth Pilgrimage Sponsorship Requests

The tour before the pilgrimage itself will allow me to see some of the Catholic sites that I have learned about in my history classes, namely Fatima and the sites of the Spanish Reconquista. In order to go on this pilgrimage and see these beautiful sites, I am seeking your help. I will work hard to make this trip happen for me. I hope that you will consider sponsoring me for this pilgrimage.

John Collins (Veneta, Oregon)

My name is Bridget Murphy. I go to St. Thomas Becket Academy in Veneta, Oregon. I am the youngest of nine children, some of my siblings have gone on this pilgrimage and have returned with God in their eyes. I wish to experience this as well but I need assistance. I will fundraise what I can but if by chance I am sponsored, the sponsors can rest assured that every day on the pilgrimage I will pray for them.

Bridget Murphy (Veneta, Oregon)

My name is Marianne Palmeri and I come from a family of ten children. At the time of the pilgrimage I will be 17. I attend St. Thomas Becket Academy in Veneta, Oregon. As I progress toward my senior year, I realize that God and the faith are what will keep us young Catholics strong in this modern-day battle against the world. And I would love, for myself and others, to obtain many graces from this pilgrimage I am fundraising. If out of the generosity of your heart you will act as my benefactor, you and your intentions will become mine, through and after the duration of the pilgrimage.

Marianne Palmeri (Veneta, Oregon)

My name is Elizabeth Short. I am the fifth of seven children and attend Saint Thomas Becket School as a freshman. My older sister, Veronica, went on the pilgrimage in 2010 and returned very enthusiastic and refreshed in our Catholic faith. I would like to go to strengthen my faith and to receive the graces and indulgences possible. Plus, my class and I are studying that part of Europe in History class and would like to see the historical sites. However, to fulfill this, I need sponsorship. I will be doing my own fundraisers to fulfill the rest of the cost. I will pray personally for my sponsors while on the pilgrimage. God bless you and all my spon-

sors in Jesus through Mary! Elizabeth Short (Noti, Oregon)

My name is Kendra Spindler. I am 16 years old and one of eight children. I attend St. Thomas Becket Academy in Veneta, Oregon. I am in eleventh grade and have been hearing of the Chartres Pilgrimage for many years. Some of our school's alumni have been on this pilgrimage, and their stories of walking along side many Catholics is amazing. This opportunity for Catholic youth to walk the same paths of so many saints is inspiring. I believe that this will be an adventure that I would be privileged to experience. Please know that any sponsors will be remembered in my prayers as I visit all the religious sites. Be assured of my prayers for you and your family. God bless you.

Kendra Spindler (Veneta, Oregon)

My name is Matthew O'Neill. I am from Assumption Chapel in St. Marys, Kansas. I am asking for a sponsor or sponsors to help me pay to go on the Youth Group Pilgrimage. I would like to go not only to pray for the grace to know my vocation in life, but also for the incredible experience of being out of the U.S. Also, I am willing to pray throughout the entire trip for any intention of my sponsor(s). I am working towards this trip but no doubt will need a sponsor. Thank you and may God bless you for your generous donation; it will be greatly appreciated and put to good use.

Matthew O'Neill (St. Marys, Kansas)

My name is Kayla Bohuslav and I attend the SSPX chapel in Saint Marys, Kansas. I am a homeschooling student and presently enrolled in Our Lady of Victory homeschool program. I would love to go on the May 2013 pilgrimage as something to add to my studies and for my spiritual growth, hoping to become stronger in my faith through this experience. I have a part-time job and plan to work towards the trip, however, any sponsored amount will be most appreciated. Thank you and God's blessings to you all.

Kayla Bohuslav (St. Marys, Kansas)

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# Pilgrimage for the 25th Anniversary of the Episcopal Consecrations

#### June 17-29, 2013

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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 U.S. District Office accepts Mass stipends for SSPX (or its associate) priests. The stipend is \$20 per Mass or \$200 for a novena of Masses. If you wish to have celebrated a Gregorian Mass (i.e. 30 consecutive Masses), please first contact the District Office at (816) 733-2500 to see if a priest is available to accept the Masses. The faithful may, of course, request Masses of their pastors without passing through the District Office.

Checks should be made payable to the SSPX (in U.S. currency) and sent to: District Secretary, Regina Coeli House,

11485 N. Farley Road, Platte City, MO 64079.

Please include a separate note outlining the Mass intentions.

Please note: we cannot promise specific dates for the celebration of the Masses.

# Youth Pilgrimage

#### May 10-21, 2013

To Portugal, Spain, and France, including the 3-day SSPX Chartres Pilgrimage. Join Fr. Patrick Rutledge on this year's Youth Pilgrimage visiting Lisbon, Fatima, Santarem, Braga, Santiago de Compostela, Oviedo, Covadonga, Loyola, Lourdes, and participate in the 3-day SSPX walking pilgrimage from Chartres to Paris. Trip includes daily Mass, participation in the walking pilgrimage, overnights, sightseeing, and most meals.

\$2,945 per person in double occupancy with air from Philadelphia (includes estimated air taxes and surcharges).

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## Canada Retreat Schedule

#### Our Lady of Mount Carmel Academy

2483 Bleam's Rd, New Hamburg, Ontario N3A 3J2 Must be 17 years or older | Limited to only 12 retreatants

MEN: June 30-July 5, Aug. 5-10

#### St. Joseph's Center, St. Cesaire, Quebec

Transportation provided from the Montreal airport.
Must be 17 years or older | Limited to only 12 retreatants

MEN: Feb. 18-23 (French), June 3-8, July 29-Aug. 3 (French), Oct. 14-19

WOMEN: Feb. 11-16 (French), July 1-6, July 22-27 (French), Aug. 12-17, Oct. 7-12

Registration forms are available from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Academy 2483 Bleam's Rd, New Hamburg, Ontario N3A 3J2
Tel: (519) 634.4932 | Fax: (519) 634.9395 | Email: olmc@netflash.net
A \$50 deposit is required to register, and the forms should be sent to
Our Lady of Mount Carmel

## U.S. Retreat Schedule

#### St. Ignatius Retreat House

209 Tackora Trail, Ridgefield, CT 06877 • (203) 431-0201

MEN: March 11-16, May 13-18, July 15-20, Sept. 16-21, Nov. 11-16 WOMEN: Feb. 11-16, April 15-20, June 10-15, Aug. 19-24, Oct. 14-19, Dec. 9-14

#### **Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat Center**

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

MEN: Feb. 11-16 (Ignatian), April 24-27 (Virtues), Oct. 7-12 (Ignatian), Nov. 11-16 (Third Order), Dec. 9-14 (Marian)

WOMEN: March 12-15 (Virtues), May 13-18 (Marian),

Sept. 16-21 (Ignatian) MATRIMONY: Oct. 23-26

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

MEN: Feb. 18-23, April 1-6, May 13-18, Aug. 26-31, Sept. 9-14, Oct. 21-26, Dec. 12-15 (Weekend)

WOMEN: March 11-16, April 22-27, Aug. 19-24, Sept. 30-Oct. 5, Nov.

21-23 (Weekend)

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#### Monthly Intentions

January: For the Heads of State and Governments

February: That the Spirit of Penance be widespread in Souls

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

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Daily Offering	16,179
Masses	5,650
Sacramental Communions	5,026
Spiritual Communions	16,162
Sacrifices	28,016
Decades of the Rosary	65,884
Visits to the Blessed Sacrament	5,126
15 minutes of silent meditation	4,940
Good Example	17,414
Number returned	533



E-mail: eucharistic-crusade@sspx.org

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Date: August 5-13, 2013

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Cost: \$150 each for the first two girls, \$120 for each thereafter in

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Please send written registrations postmarked March 1st or later, to the Sisters of the Society of Saint Pius X, 540 West 8th Street, Browerville, MN, 56438. Information needed: name, age, date of birth, address and telephone number of each camper. Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope. Notice of acceptance will be sent out with forms and other information in mid-April.

Tel: (320) 594-2944