

The background of the cover is a photograph of two men in clerical attire (priests) and two young men in a courtyard. One priest is on the left, smiling, and the other is in the center, also smiling. The young men are in the foreground, looking towards the priests. The setting is a stone building with arches and a hanging lantern.

# the Herald

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—Pope Benedict XVI

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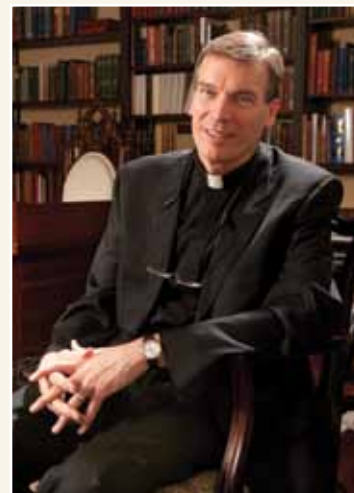
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## FROM THE PRESIDENT-RECTOR

### *Dear Friends,*

Christ's Peace! As you read through *The Herald*, I invite you to keep in mind these words from Pope Benedict XVI: "...only where God is seen does life truly begin. Only when we meet the living God in Christ do we know what life is. We are not some casual and meaningless product of evolution. Each of us is willed, each of us is loved, each of us is necessary... There is nothing more beautiful than to know Him and to speak to others about our friendship with Him."



At Kenrick-Glennon Seminary, through the gift of a lively faith, we have been given the grace to know Him and to taste and see the beauty of living day by day in real friendship with Jesus. The seminary is a place that fosters conversations about Him. We learn as disciples to speak of His love freely. Our community lives in and through a lively faith, ever surprised by the Gospel and the beauty of friendship with Jesus.

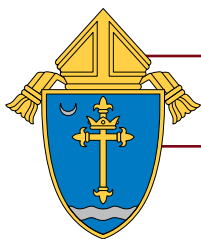
We humbly desire to let the Holy Spirit write history through our hearts. We believe in the power of prayer and the triumph of Jesus' love. Like Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, Blessed John Paul II, St. Mary and St. Joseph, the first apostles, and all of the saints throughout the ages, we are humbly aware that the beauty of friendship with Jesus makes all the difference.

Be assured that we will keep you in our prayers as we also request your prayers. May we all grow in our calls to holiness. We are all called to seek first the kingdom of God, then everything else will be given. May we rest and abide always in this truth.

In the Risen Heart of Jesus,

**Father John Horn, S.J.**

President-Rector



## FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

### *Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,*

This year brings many exciting transitions for Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. We began the 2011-2012 academic year by welcoming a new administrative team led by the President-Rector – Fr. John Horn, S.J. Fr. Horn brings his many years of experience as an administrator, educator, priest, and spiritual director to the seminary.

Most importantly, Fr. Horn brings a deep love of his own vocation to the priesthood and a vision for integrating spiritual formation into all aspects of seminary life. There is nothing more vital than ensuring that each future priest has the ability to listen to God's voice in his own heart.

The seminary also is adapting to a new, yet temporary, home at the former St. Mary's Convent in Richmond Heights. This relocation has allowed the seminarians, faculty, and staff to operate off site while construction continues on the Shrewsbury campus. We are pleased by the tremendous progress of the renovations and construction and so thankful for the generous gifts we have received through the Faith for the Future campaign.

The seminary continues to be blessed by the support from the faithful of the Archdiocese of St. Louis and other dioceses around the nation. We are also blessed to have an abundance of seminarians. At the present time, we serve 113 students who are enrolled in either the Kenrick Pre-Theology or Theology programs of seminary formation or the Cardinal Glennon College program for collegiate seminary education.

More than 2,700 of our alumni have been ordained to the priesthood in the Roman Catholic Church. Our alumni-priests continue to provide invaluable service to the Church as beloved sons, chaste spouses, spiritual fathers, spiritual physicians, and good shepherds.

Please join me in praying for our priests and seminarians as they embrace Christ in their own hearts and help lead others into deeper communion with Him.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

**Most Rev. Robert J. Carlson**

Archbishop of St. Louis



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# Seminary Welcomes NEW RECTOR

*There is nothing more beautiful than to know Him and to speak to others about our friendship with Him. - Pope Benedict XVI*

**O**n July 1st, Fr. John Horn, S.J. began his term as President-Rector of Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. Fr. Horn has been a priest for 26 years and a Jesuit for 35 years. He brings more than 30 years of experience in Catholic education, spiritual direction, pastoral ministry, and administration.

Most recently, Fr. Horn was the Co-Founder and Director of Program Development at the Institute for Priestly Formation (IPF), located on the campus of Creighton University. During his 17-year tenure at IPF, he oversaw faculty and promoted curriculum review and design, taught theology and spiritual direction, and served as Program Director for The Spiritual Exercises for Diocesan Priests and Seminarians.

**Q:** How do you feel about your new role as President-Rector of Kenrick-Glennon Seminary?

**A:** I am thrilled and very humbled by the call. As I begin this new ministry, I am confident in the Father's providential care. I feel a personal sense of the rightness in the fit, especially after my 17 years of service with diocesan seminarians and priests at the Institute for Priestly Formation.

**Q:** How will your experiences at IPF influence your leadership at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary?

**A:** IPF embraces the call to have "spiritual formation be the integrating principal for all formation; human, academic, and pastoral." This impelling truth of spiritual formation as the "integrating principal" will guide my decisions and, hopefully,

govern my leadership at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. I hope that our seminarians will fall in love with God and learn how to abide in God's love. Then, in parish life, they can help their people find and fall in love with God, especially in the mystery of suffering and Jesus' desire to comfort them.

**Q:** How do young men discern their vocation and how do seminaries help in this process?

**A:** Those discerning a vocation learn to focus on their inner heart's deepest desires. They learn to listen for God's voice in the patterns of their thoughts, feelings, and desires. The most essential steps in discernment are first listening for Jesus' Spirit and then exercising the courage to receive His love. The seminary helps young men discern through the affirmation and assessment of their readiness, willingness, and ability to serve lovingly in an intimate companionship with Jesus' Spirit.

**Q:** Can you tell us something about your own discernment and formation experiences?

**A:** The beauty of priesthood has captivated me since I was a child. Despite my desire to be a priest, I ran away from the idea in high school and college. I was afraid of what I would be "giving up" – specifically a wife and children. My conversion of heart occurred when I joined a prayer group and learned to pray in a more personal manner. I heard God say, "I want what you have always wanted." When my desires met God's desires, a fire of love began to burn in my heart. This fire began to consume me and complete my joy.

**Q:** Why did you become a Jesuit?

**A:** One of the initial reasons I joined the Society of Jesus is that I felt called to serve in many different ministries and apostolic services outside of parish life. I also identified with St. Ignatius' understanding of the Holy Trinity as intimately laboring in all of creation to love me and to love each individual. This identification led to a deeper communion with the Trinity through the eyes of St. Ignatius and, with that, came a better understanding of my vocation.

**Q:** Do you have any hobbies or special interests?

**A:** I enjoy numerous activities, including walking, swimming, intramural sports, listening to music, and reading. I especially enjoy classical music as well as Motown.

One of the most recent books I have read is "The Mystery of Joseph" by Fr. Marie Philippe Dominique. The book points to St. Joseph's growing acceptance of his poverty-of-spirit in a vulnerable receptivity to Mary's love. He discovers a great personal need to receive wisdom from on high through her. It is in this so-called "place" where his humanity, Mary's love and the Father's glory all meet. It is awesome to be held by this mystery of grace and to identify with St. Joseph.

**Q:** What do you think of St. Louis so far?

**A:** St. Louis is wonderful and the Midwest is a great place to live. There is great warmth and hospitality in this richly Catholic city. The people in this city have such a strong and lively Catholic faith. It is quite unique. I spent two years in St. Louis studying philosophy at St. Louis University, so I feel at home here.

**Q:** What else would you like to share with the Kenrick-Glennon Seminary family?

**A:** I want to encourage each person to ask daily for the gift of faith to deepen in our hearts. Each of us needs to exercise our faith by choosing to be a child in our Father's arms. I pray that the desire to abandon everything to the Father's providential care comes more alive in each of our hearts. If we surrender everything to Him, we will find Him desiring to do everything for us.

I would also like to add special thanks for the warm welcome and your pledge of continued prayerful support. Be assured of my prayers of gratitude as we walk together into a future full of hope for Kenrick-Glennon Seminary.



Fr. Horn speaks to new seminarians during the first day of orientation.



Fr. Horn celebrates his 25th anniversary of priesthood with his great-nieces, Elisabeth and Charlie.



Fr. Horn and his parents at his Ordination in 1985.



Fr. Horn greets Curtis Hecker (Theology I – Wichita) as he arrives for orientation in August.

1952 ~ Born, Columbia, PA

1974 ~ B.A., Political Science, Loyola College in Baltimore

1976 ~ M.A., Government, Georgetown University

1976 ~ Entered the Society of Jesus

1985 ~ M.Div., Theology, Weston School of Theology

1985 ~ Ordination to the Priesthood

1986 ~ M.A., Christian Spirituality and Graduate Certificates, Contemplative Spiritual Direction and Retreat Ministry, Creighton University

1994 ~ D.Min., Pastoral Theology, Emory University



# ORDINATION *News*

This past spring, 16 alumni of Kenrick-Glennon Seminary were ordained to the Priesthood. In addition, 16 seminarians were ordained transitional deacons. The entire seminary community rejoices in these ordinations and offers thanks to God for giving each of these men the grace to respond to His call.

## ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

**BISMARCK** • June 29, 2011  
Fr. Jason Signalness

**COLORADO SPRINGS** •  
June 18, 2011  
Fr. Carlos Gallardo

**KANSAS CITY, KS** • May 28, 2011  
Fr. Barry Clayton

**MEMPHIS** • June 4, 2011  
Fr. James Clark

**OMAHA** • June 4, 2011  
Fr. Andrew Syring  
Fr. Kevin Vogel  
Fr. James Weeder

**ROCKFORD** • May 21, 2011  
Fr. Joseph Jaskierny  
Fr. Johnson Lopez

**SPRINGFIELD, IL** • May 28, 2011  
Fr. Brian Alford

**ST. LOUIS** • May 28, 2011  
Fr. Timothy Foy  
Fr. Anthony Gerber  
Fr. Michael Grosch  
Fr. Henry Purcell

**WICHITA** • May 28, 2011  
Fr. Marco DeLoera  
Fr. John Fogliasso

## ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

**BISMARCK** • June 24, 2011  
Rev. Mr. Gregg Hochhalter

**KANSAS CITY, KS** • May 21, 2011  
Rev. Mr. Oswaldo Sandoval

**KANSAS CITY/  
ST. JOSEPH** • May 21, 2011  
Rev. Mr. Kevin Drew  
Rev. Mr. Benjamin Kneib  
Rev. Mr. Ian Murphy

**OMAHA** • May 27, 2011  
Rev. Mr. Gregory Carl  
Rev. Mr. James Netusil

**PEORIA** • May 22, 2011  
Rev. Mr. Joel Phelps

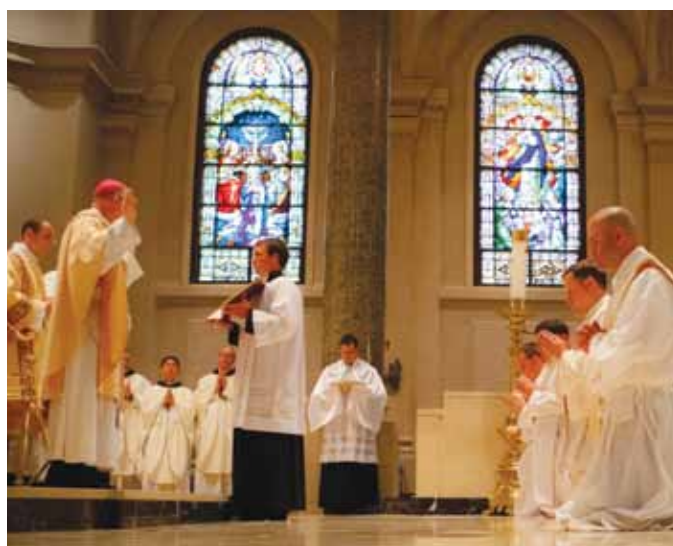
**ROCKFORD** • May 21, 2011  
Rev. Mr. Timothy Draper

**SPRINGFIELD, IL** April 30, 2011  
Rev. Mr. Zachary Edgar

**ST. LOUIS** • May 6, 2011  
Rev. Mr. Daniel Anstoetter\*  
Rev. Mr. Fadi Auro  
Rev. Mr. William Dotson  
Rev. Mr. Brian Fallon  
Rev. Mr. Daniel Shaughnessy

**WICHITA** • May 27, 2011  
Rev. Mr. David Voss

\*Studies at the North American College  
in Rome



Above: The four ordinands lay prostrate at the foot of the altar in the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis as the congregation prayed the Litany of the Saints.

Middle left: Fr. John Fogliasso celebrates his first Mass.

Bottom left: Bishop Michael O. Jackels prays over the ordinands in the Diocese of Wichita.

Below: Fr. Anthony Gerber receives the sacred chalice and paten from Archbishop Robert J. Carlson during his Ordination.



## Dignity of the Priesthood

Fr. Henry Purcell, Class of 2011—St. Louis

**G**rant, we pray you, Almighty Father, to these your servants, the dignity of the priesthood. From the moment Archbishop Carlson prayed these words this past May 28, my life changed dramatically: I became a priest.

For seven years, I prayed and discerned at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary to prepare for ordination. I sought to grow in holiness because the faithful deserve a holy priest. I learned pastoral skills so I could lead the faithful to our Lord. I frequently went before our Lord and asked if truly He desired me to be a priest. In a single moment, my prayer and discernment were realized as I received the dignity of the priesthood.

In these first months, my greatest privilege has been offering the Holy Mass. I am very honored to be able to tell someone that he or she will be remembered at the altar the next time I offer Mass. Standing at the altar, I lay upon it all of my prayers and intentions and beg for the great blessings of our Lord to pour down upon those whom I serve. I try to lay myself upon the altar

as well in union with Christ, remembering that at Mass especially I act in His very person.

My life has been blessed greatly by the priesthood. I look forward with joy to discovering how this “dignity of the priesthood” will manifest itself in my life.



Fr. Henry Purcell celebrates his First Mass.

## Developing A Culture of Vocations

Fr. Chris Martin, Class of 2006—St. Louis  
Vocation Director, Archdiocese of St. Louis

**W**hen I was assigned as the Vocation Director for the Archdiocese of St. Louis, I began praying: *What do you want of me Lord? What do YOU want to see in the vocation office?* One idea kept coming back to me – A Culture of Vocations.

A culture where it is natural, not unusual, for young men and women to discuss openly the possibility of becoming a priest or religious. An environment in the Church where families, parishes, and schools collaborate and make real spiritual discernment part of everyday life. Where the question, “*What do I want to be when I grow up?*” goes hand-in-hand with, or is even surpassed by the question, “*What does God want me to be when I grow up?*”

We all have a vocation. God calls out to each of us at every moment of every day. No exceptions. He calls us to fulfillment. He calls us to peace. He calls us to joy. Unfortunately, we have convinced ourselves that self-fulfillment is possible, that peace is merely the absence of war, and that joy is synonymous with physical pleasure. But true, authentic joy and happiness can only be found when such things are put to death. God alone suffices to quench our thirsts. To quote St. Augustine, “*Our hearts are restless until they rest in You.*”

So how do we begin to develop and foster a “culture of vocations?” It begins by praying that we may be individuals, families, schools, and churches that have a generous heart of love for God. If we begin there, all else will follow.





# Fruitfulness of Marriage and the Priesthood

By Dr. Ed Hogan, Director, Pontifical Paul VI Institute of Catechetical and Pastoral Studies;  
Associate Professor of Systematic Theology, Kenrick-Glennon Seminary

I had a student once who was contemplating a religious vocation. She felt especially drawn by the Missionaries of Charity. One day, she said to me “*I think I might be called to religious life. But I’d also like to be a mother...I don’t know.*” I tried to cut through the knot in her heart very simply by saying: “Claire, there’s a reason they called her *Mother Teresa.*”

Every woman is called to be a mother, and every man is called to be a father. The real discernment begins when you sort out *what kind of* motherhood or fatherhood you are called to. That’s why I ask every potential seminarian I interview about his desire to be a father. When God calls a man to the priesthood, He doesn’t *take away* his desire to be a father, He *transforms it*. That’s why there’s a role for both priests and lay people in the work of the seminary – because the seminary is called to play a role in that transformation.

In his *Theology of the Body*, Blessed John Paul II spent a good deal of time and energy explaining the complementarity of marriage and celibacy. The truth of that complementarity came home to

me in a profound way when my good friend, Fr. Joseph Jiang, baptized our youngest daughter. I often explain it to seminarians and priests this way:



“As parents, we give life to our children in a way that you can’t. As a result, *you need us*. At the same time, starting with Baptism, continuing with the Eucharist and all the sacraments, and flowing into every nook and corner of their life and ministry, priests give life to our children in a way that we can’t. As a result, *we need you.*” If there is to be life in the Church – both natural and supernatural life – we need each other.

One of the clearest examples of how marriage and celibacy go together can be

seen in how the Holy Family provides a “school” for the priesthood. Mary’s love for God at the Annunciation was celibate, spousal, and fruitful. Joseph’s love for

Mary throughout their lives was celibate, spousal, and fruitful. Christ’s love for the Church, consummated at the Last Supper and on the Cross, was (and is) celibate, spousal, and fruitful. The call of the seminarian is to learn how to love from the Holy Family.

In an important way, then, the seminary is called to take a man to “the School of Nazareth.” In the School of Nazareth, a man learns from St. Joseph’s celibate, spousal, and fruitful love for Mary as she brings forth the

(physical) body of Christ. In the School of Nazareth, a man learns from Christ’s celibate, spousal and fruitful love for the Church as she brings forth the (mystical) body of Christ through Baptism, and the (sacramental) body of Christ in the Eucharist.

We invite you to pray for every seminarian, that the words of Pope Paul VI will find an echo in his heart: “How I would like to return to my childhood and attend the simple, yet profound, school that is Nazareth!”



# Fishing for Souls in Alaska

Fr. Joe Classen, Class of 2003 – St. Louis

Another busy weekend was over. Masses at both the parish and the Coast Guard base had been celebrated. Two children were baptized, a few houses were blessed, hospital visits were made, and many other matters had been attended to. In the midst of it all, a brown bear with three cubs stole the salmon I caught for dinner, a whale rib bone was given to me as a housewarming gift, I discovered a drunk guy passed out behind the rectory, a 90 lb. halibut attempted to drown me, and a bald eagle was trying to kill my pet squirrel. Welcome to St. Mary's Parish on Kodiak Island, Alaska!

In March of this year, I answered the request from Archbishop Carlson to consider helping out in the Archdiocese of Anchorage for a while, and, I got the job. There were many reasons that I desired to serve in the *Great Land* of Alaska. But much more than just feeling a great sense of kinship with the people here, I've always had a desire to try my hand at "mission work."



While St. Mary's on Kodiak is a well established parish...it's the only one. People have come to this island from all over the world to work in the fishing industry, as it is the mighty backbone of this city. The parish community is a direct reflection of this cultural diversity, as it is a mix of Native Alaskans, Filipinos, Samoans, Hispanics, Russians, Vietnamese, Chinese, Japanese, Africans, Polish, Turkish, etc. Another significant portion of the population is represented by Coast Guard families, as Kodiak is home to the largest base in the U.S.

While many of the folks here place a great deal of importance on their Catholic faith, it is very challenging to minister to them. Language and literacy issues, vast cultural differences, lack of basic catechesis, and most specifically, work-related demands keep quite a few of our people from more fully embracing and living their faith. The greatest challenge of all though, has been to "accept people where they are," as my brother priests have advised. Things are far from ideal in many ways. One has to implement some unique approaches to minister in this unique place. There are many of God's children idly drifting in the seas of humanity. As a "fisher of men," I'll be doing all I can to fill the Kingdom of Heaven with an abundant catch of souls from Kodiak Island!

**For more information about Fr. Classen's ministry, please visit his website at [www.HuntingForGod.com](http://www.HuntingForGod.com).**

## Renewed Alumni Relations

On **February 6, 2012**, alumni from across the nation are invited to gather for Alumni Day as the Classes of 1985 and 1961 celebrate their silver and golden jubilees. The upcoming reunion will include a Holy Hour with Confessions, Mass, and a banquet with enjoyable skits and entertainment. It promises to be a true celebration of the priesthood and of renewed fraternity among the seminary's alumni-priests. Special thanks are owed to the Alumni Committee members:

Fr. Thomas M. Fangman, Class of 1992 – Omaha  
Msgr. Carl A. Kemme, Class of 1986 – Springfield, IL  
Msgr. Robert A. Kurwicky, Class of 1985 – Jefferson City  
Fr. Christopher M. Martin, Class of 2006 – St. Louis

Fr. Thomas M. Molini, Class of 1985 – St. Louis  
Msgr. James J. Ramacciotti, Class of 1985 – St. Louis  
Fr. Robert J. Rayson, Class of 1999 – Peoria  
Fr. Richard L. Stoltz, Class of 1974 – St. Louis

# Renovations and Relocations

By Randy Rathert, Program Manager, Archdiocese of St. Louis

Construction at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary's campus is progressing on schedule and on budget. The scope of this historic project, made possible by the generosity of the Faith for the Future supporters, includes necessary building updates and repairs, remodeled student rooms and common areas, extensive library renovations, and additional faculty offices and classrooms.

The interior of the building has undergone a transformation in preparation for the construction that is just beginning. BSI Constructors has been working on the abatement of hazardous materials and demolition since mid-June. Interior partitions have been removed, old radiators are gone and dust is everywhere! In addition, work on the foundations for the eastward expansion and the new tunnel connecting the library and auditorium has commenced and mechanical, electrical and plumbing work is underway.

The project team, including the seminary's administration, Cannon Design, BSI Constructors, and SSC Engineering, under the leadership of Archbishop Carlson, has successfully refined the project in a manner that achieves the project goals effectively and efficiently. This good stewardship will allow the seminary to accomplish an expanded scope, including renovations to the convent building.

One of the most significant blessings in this project has been the temporary relocation of the seminary community to the former St. Mary's Convent in Richmond Heights. This move has shortened the duration of the project schedule, saved money and averted disruption to the formative environment of the seminary.

The Franciscan Sisters of Mary and SSM Health Care have been extremely gracious in permitting the seminary to temporarily take up residency in their facility. Others deserving thanks include Washington University for providing classroom space at the former CBC High School and Concordia Seminary for permitting students to park on and utilize their campus. The seminary is blessed to be the recipient of such a generous outpouring of support from these organizations as well as our many benefactors from the Archdiocese of St. Louis and other dioceses.

Please visit the seminary's website  
for frequent updates and construction photos!  
[www.kenrick.edu](http://www.kenrick.edu)



Seminarians help each other unpack in August at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary at St. Mary's.



Construction crews dig a new tunnel which will add an accessible path of travel from the auditorium to the library, elevator and restrooms.



This room is a mockup of a typical theologate living space. The mockup process allowed the project team to test various materials and methods and identify cost savings that will be incorporated into other areas of the project.

### Support Our Seminarians

**K**enrick-Glennon Seminary is grateful for the tremendous support received through annual contributions, Faith for the Future pledge payments, the Annual Catholic Appeal, company matching gifts, and bequests. Each and every contribution to the seminary helps to ensure the quality of the seminary's programs in spiritual, human, intellectual, and pastoral formation.

As we approach Advent, the seminary invites you to prayerfully consider supporting our future priests with a financial contribution. Contributions of any amount are greatly appreciated. If you have been especially blessed this year, you may wish to join or renew your commitment to the Kenrick-Glennon Society with a gift of \$100 or more. Gifts to the seminary touch the lives of our seminarians every day – days filled with reflection, study, prayer, and growth. Please remember our seminarians in your prayers and offerings this year.



### CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

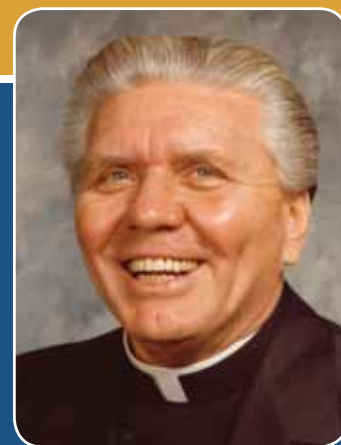
**Will you be celebrating Christmas in the Archdiocese of St. Louis this year?**

If so, you are invited to join with others in contributing to the seminary through the parish collection on Christmas Day. This Christmas Collection allows the faithful to participate in the mission of the seminary in a unique way and provides tremendous support for the seminary's annual operations.

## A TRIBUTE TO MSGR. LOUIS MEYER

Msgr. Louis F. Meyer, one of Kenrick-Glennon Seminary's most dedicated alumni, died on May 14th after an illness. Msgr. Meyer was well-known in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, especially as a result of his work in building the Archdiocese's sports programs through the Catholic Youth Council.

Msgr. Meyer and his fellow alumni from the Class of 1944 established the Peter Richard Kenrick Lecture at the seminary after deciding that they wanted to "contribute to the development of future priests and bishops." Together, they created the Peter Richard Kenrick Chair of Pastoral Theology Endowment to perpetually fund the lecture series and provide lasting support to their beloved seminary. The generosity of Msgr. Meyer and his classmates will continue to enhance pastoral formation at the seminary for years to come.



*Msgr. Louis Meyer*



# COMMUNITY *Notes*

Transformation seems to be the predominant theme at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary this fall. Not only is the seminary being housed in the former St. Mary's Convent while the renovation project is underway, there have also been some changes in the faculty and administration. Three of our most recent additions include Bishop Edward M. Rice, Fr. James Knapp, S.J., and Mrs. Joanne Criscione. We must also give a special "thank you" to several individuals who have contributed great services to our community: Fr. Michael J. Witt, Msgr. Timothy P. Cronin and Fr. Edward J. Richard, M.S.



## Bishop Edward M. Rice

Bishop Edward M. Rice, Auxiliary Bishop of St. Louis, has returned to the seminary to head Cardinal Glennon College as Bishop in Residence for the 2011-2012 academic year. "Every day, for almost 25 years, I have prayed for the 'spiritual renewal of the priesthood.' Day in and day out, as the weeks rolled into months and into years it has been my daily petition." Besides being the pastor of a parish, Bishop Rice has worked with seminarians and those considering the priesthood as a spiritual director, vocations director, and Director of Cardinal Glennon College from 1995-2001. Bishop Rice's presence assures a high degree of continuity, stability and effective leadership for the seminary community.

## Fr. James Knapp, S.J.



Fr. James Knapp, S.J. comes to the seminary from St. Louis University High School where, among other things, he served as a much sought-after spiritual director for our seminarians. Fr. Knapp brings his teaching and administration experiences to the seminary as well as his experiences as the pastor of two Yup'ik Eskimo villages on Nelson Island in Alaska. A well-known moral theologian, he has a special expertise in Blessed John Paul II's "Theology of the Body." In his new role, Fr. Knapp will serve as a full-time spiritual director with residence at the seminary.

## Mrs. Joanne Criscione, M.S.W.

Mrs. Joanne Criscione, M.S.W. has been named the Assistant to the Coordinator of Human Formation Services. Mrs. Criscione has a great love for the Church and the priesthood as well as a remarkable ability to integrate personal growth counseling with faith, contemplative prayer, and discernment. Mrs. Criscione will work with Dr. Sue Harvath as a resource for seminarians in the area of human formation. In her new role, Mrs. Criscione will assist seminarians in fostering wellness and in developing the skills they will require to become healthy, holy priests.

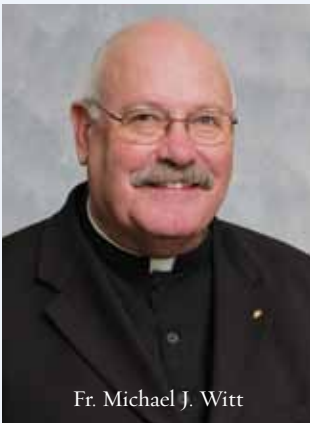


## A *Special* THANK YOU

In July, Msgr. Timothy Cronin began his assignment as pastor of St. Elizabeth of Hungary parish in St. Louis. The seminary is grateful for Msgr. Cronin's 10 years of service in leading Cardinal Glennon College and for his continuing association with the seminary, especially as a member of the faculty. Leadership and priestly formation can be challenging, yet Msgr. Cronin often said that working in the seminary is some of the most meaningful and rewarding work God has given to him. Msgr. Cronin played a major role in reestablishing the College's free-standing philosophy degree program and in attracting distinguished philosophy professors who are equally committed to forming holy priests. He has been a model of fidelity to prayer, discretion and good Irish humor. The seminary owes a deep debt of gratitude to Msgr. Cronin for his ongoing dedication to forming young men for the priesthood.



Msgr. Timothy Cronin



Fr. Michael J. Witt

Fr. Michael Witt served as Interim President-Rector during the 2010-2011 academic year. He currently serves the seminary as Associate Professor of History and the Archdiocese of St. Louis as Director of the Office of the Permanent Diaconate and pastor of All Saints Parish. With his calm and charitable demeanor, Fr. Witt steered the seminary through many construction meetings, financial details, and the logistics of moving the entire seminary community to another location. Fr. Witt has stated, "I take up my new assignments with gratitude in my heart and fond memories of the last year. But most of all, I appreciate the humane atmosphere of charity and mutual concern which prevailed throughout the year." The

seminary is grateful for Fr. Witt's leadership and continued service as a faculty member.



After 15 years at the seminary, Fr. Edward Richard has returned to his beloved Louisianans — this time as a pastor. Fr. Richard manifested the missionary character of his religious congregation by leaving his southern home to form men for the priesthood in St. Louis. His expansive intellect and penetrating insight have served him well in the formation of men. Fr. Richard — the scholar, the musician, the outdoorsman — made a generous gift of himself to the seminary community. Unfailingly faithful to the Truth and the Church's Magisterium, Fr. Richard is a model of integrity and humility. Most importantly, he showed in his daily life what it means to be a holy priest.



Fr. Edward J. Richard, M.S.

## Changes in Duty

- Mary Ann Aubin** – Director of the Library  
**Dr. John Gresham** – Academic Dean while retaining his position as Associate Professor of Systematic Theology  
**Fr. Donald E. Henke** – Vice Rector for Administration and Finance while retaining his teaching duties in Moral Theology

## New Arrivals

- Mr. Alden Bass** – Adjunct Professor  
**Dr. Horst Buchholz** – Adjunct Professor  
**Mr. Brian Cross** – Adjunct Professor  
**Fr. Eric Fechner** – Adjunct Professor  
**Dr. Lawrence Feingold** – Adjunct Professor  
**Dr. Shawn McCauley-Welch** – Continuing Part-Time Associate Professor of Moral Theology  
**Rev. Mr. Joseph Meiergerd** – Registrar  
**Fr. Paul Niemann** – Adjunct Professor  
**Miss Beth Rath** – Adjunct Professor  
**Fr. Peter Ryan, S.J.** – Director for Spiritual Formation (beginning January 2012)  
**Fr. Jason Schumer** – Adjunct Professor and Formation Advisor  
**Fr. David Skillman** – Adjunct Professor  
**Fr. Randy Soto** – Associate Professor of New Testament Scripture  
**Fr. James Swift, C.M.** – Director of Worship and Professor of Systematic Theology  
**Sr. Mary Cora Uryase, R.S.M.** – Assistant to the President-Rector

## Departures

- Msgr. Henry Breier** – Adjunct Professor  
**Fr. Jay Harrington, O.P.** – Associate Professor of Sacred Scripture  
**Fr. Gregory Lockwood** – Adjunct Professor  
**Dr. Ryan Madison** – Assistant Professor of Philosophy  
**Fr. Thomas McDermott, O.P.** – Vice Rector for Kenrick, Director of Spiritual Formation and Assistant Professor of Spiritual Theology  
**Fr. John O'Brien** – Academic Dean  
**Fr. Samuel Weber, O.S.B.** – Director of the Institute of Sacred Music

# SEMINARY *Life*

## SUMMER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

### Camp Kateri Tekakwitha • Luke Doyle, College IV – Kansas City, KS

**S**caling a rock wall, leaping from a high-ropes course, riding a zip line, and teaching the truths of our faith—I must say that I was blessed to serve in a very unique way this summer!

I worked alongside four of my brother seminarians at Camp Kateri Tekakwitha, a “high adventure” summer camp located at Prairie Star Ranch in Williamsburg, Kan. The camp is a tremendous tool for building the young Church in the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kan. The 2,000 attendees, ranging from fifth graders to high school seniors, encountered a world where Christ reigns in the hearts of the staff members, in the exciting activities and in the overall atmosphere.

This summer, I allowed the Holy Spirit to work through me as my brother seminarians and I joyfully witnessed to the Catholic faith and encouraged those around us to strive for holiness in their lives by seeking Jesus above all else. Whether I was serving the Mass, teaching about vocations, leaping from the power pole, or winning the weekly seminarian dance off, I was humbled to see the Holy Spirit using me as an instrument to build the Kingdom of God.



Kansas City seminarians help lead young Catholics during Camp Kateri Tekakwitha, a premium summer adventure camp.

### Institute for Priestly Formation • Charlie Harris, Theology II – St. Louis



Seminarians from the Archdiocese of St. Louis at the Institute for Priestly Formation.

**H**ow often have you thought, “Gee, wouldn’t it be neat to just spend 10 weeks in some other city and come back spiritually renewed?” Omaha may not immediately come to mind (but I think you should check it out) yet God offered me a lot through the Institute for Priestly Formation (IPF) on the beautiful campus of Creighton University!

IPF was like a spiritual boot camp: they broke me down in a way during my 10-week experience with all of the classes and conferences, communal liturgical life, eight-day silent retreat, frequent spiritual direction, and apostolic service throughout the city. But in the end, I was built up better and closer to Christ.

My classmates and I attended IPF with 175 other amazing seminarians from all across the country. All of us helped form a community of fellowship and prayer. This prayerful environment was one of the best gifts from IPF. As I came to learn through the program, God the Father wishes to reveal to me in new and greater ways just how much He loves me. I also have to be ready and open to receive that love. It was my brother seminarians and environment of the program that gave me the basic things I needed to enter into every meditation with peace and joy.

IPF was a much-needed retreat that helped me refocus and reconsecrate my formation as a priest for Christ and His Church.



**Q:** Who has been the most influential person in your discernment process?  
Who is most supportive of your formation and how has he/she demonstrated that support?

Joe Kelly, Theology I - Springfield – Cape Girardeau

From the day I told my dad in kindergarten or first grade that I wanted to become a priest, he has been a huge support. My dad taught me how to pray the Rosary, read the Bible, and serve Mass. He taught me about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and took me to daily Mass often. My dad's example and guidance has helped me to discern the call to the priesthood, but first and foremost, he has taught me how to be a holy man of God



Michael Holmquist, College III - Colorado Springs

The most influential person in my discernment process is my pastor from Ave Maria Parish in Parker, Colo. who confirmed me and brought me into the Church through RCIA. He was my first spiritual director when I began discerning for the priesthood. Fr. Gus has been an ever-steady presence for questions, advice and prayer.



Rev. Mr. Dan Shaughnessy, Theology VI - St. Louis

My mother has been the most influential person in my discernment due to her quiet, serene, and steadfast prayer life. She had many people praying for me and my receptivity to a priestly vocation years before I entered seminary. Only after I entered seminary did I make this discovery. She said she always felt strongly that Jesus was calling me to be a priest. To this day, she simply prays that I will be a holy and faithful priest.



Max Guilford, College III - Belleville

My father has been the most influential person in my discernment since the day I was born. He even named me Max Christian because he wanted my name to mean great follower of Christ. My father has always encouraged me to consider the priesthood. Now that I am going into my second year of seminary, I am glad he kept pushing me. Because of my father's love for his faith, I am now studying to be a Catholic priest.





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## CALENDAR of Events

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### NOVEMBER

**Saturday, November 5** Convivium Dinner Auction ..... 5:00 pm • The Cedars

### DECEMBER

**Saturday, December 17** Fall semester ends

**Sunday, December 25** Christmas Day

### JANUARY

**January 8 – 13** Seminary retreats

**Tuesday, January 17** Spring semester begins

**Monday, January 23** Pro-Life March ..... Washington, DC

### FEBRUARY

**Monday, February 6** Alumni Day ..... 2:00 pm • Cardinal Rigali Center

**February 17 – 19** 40 Hours of Devotion

**Wednesday, February 22** Ash Wednesday

### MARCH

**March 22 – 25** Institute for Priestly Formation Spring Symposium



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*Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and to the praise of God the Father, we cultivate the human, spiritual, intellectual and pastoral gifts of candidates for the diocesan ministry.*

*To this end, we commit ourselves to a responsible and effective stewardship of resources, carrying on our recognized tradition of service to the Church.*

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The background of the cover is a photograph of two men in clerical attire (priests) and two young men in a courtyard. The two men in clerical attire are standing and smiling, while the two young men are seated in the foreground, looking up at them. The setting is an outdoor courtyard with stone arches and a large lantern hanging from the ceiling.

# the Herald

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There is nothing more beautiful than  
*to know Him* and to speak to  
others about our *friendship with Him.*

—Pope Benedict XVI