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## RECTOR'S CORNER

Dear Brother Priests and Friends of Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary:

It is my sincere hope you are experiencing the abundant blessings of Our Lord Jesus Christ in this new year full of hope and promise. Since Easter is a season of rebirth, it is appropriate to reflect upon the renewal that occurred within the Seminary community this year thus far.

Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary has been celebrating the 175th Anniversary of its founding during the 2006-2007 academic year with a closing Mass to be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Rigali and our priest alumni on May 3, 2007, followed by a Gala celebration scheduled for May 4, 2007. This celebration leads to the year-long bicentennial celebration of the establishment of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in 2008. Since

the founding of the Seminary by Bishop Francis Patrick Kenrick, third Bishop of Philadelphia (later Archbishop of Baltimore), in 1832, Saint Charles has helped thousands of seminarians to discern their vocation and to be prepared for priestly life and ministry.

In a continued effort to improve the Seminary's facilities and programs, we are moving forward with our refurbishment of the Immaculate Conception Chapel, which is located in the Theology Division building. A central component of the Seminary's

Spiritual Formation Program, the Chapel is in dire need of modernized mechanical, electrical, and life safety systems as well as repairs to the roof and heating and cooling systems. The Chapel will also be painted anew

may truly proclaim Jesus as the Way, the Truth, and the Life. These men are a great gift to the Church, and the faithful support that you show for them is truly appreciated by all members of our community.



THIS PLAQUE LOCATED IN THE OLDE CITY SECTION IN DOWNTOWN PHILADELPHIA MARKS SAINT CHARLES SEMINARY'S FOUNDATION IN THE EARLY NINETEENTH CENTURY.

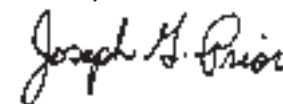
In other news, I am greatly pleased to announce that the Fifth Annual *Saint Charles Seminary Classic* will be held at Philadelphia Cricket Club on Monday, April 23, 2007. As in the past, the outing promises to be an enjoyable day for all who participate. Among the numerous opportunities to support this event are: sponsorship, golfing, advertising, and attending the awards dinner. This year's event will benefit the previously described project to refurbish Immaculate Conception Chapel. Please contact the Seminary's Office for Institutional Advancement at 610-785-6231 for further information.

which will greatly improve the aesthetics of the sacred place. The goal of this endeavor complements the Seminary's long-range plan of further advancing its national reputation of excellence as a center of priestly formation and religious education.

Each day I am privileged to witness our seminarians on their journey of faith as they discern the call of Our Lord. In them I find the greatest sense of renewal — renewed hope for the future of our beloved Church. They seek, through every means afforded them, to grow in holiness so that they

In closing, I kindly ask that you continue to remember the Seminary and our seminarians in your prayers as we continue to move forward. I am confident that, with our Savior as a guiding light, Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary will continue to prosper in the fulfillment of its mission.

Sincerely in Christ,



Reverend Monsignor Joseph G. Prior  
Rector

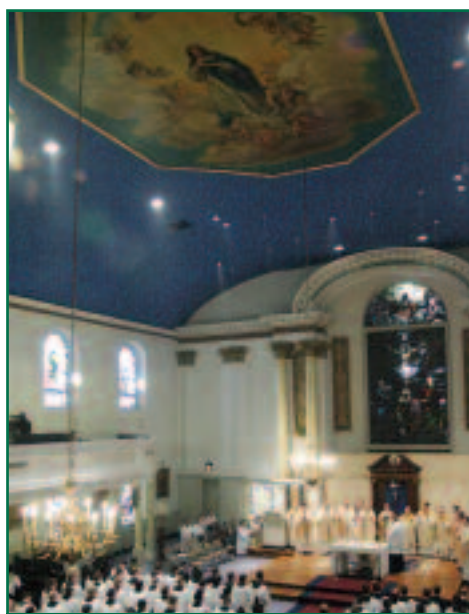
## THE SEMINARY COMMUNITY CELEBRATES THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY

BY REV. MR. JOHN DONIA, IV THEOLOGY, ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

Throughout this jubilee year, the Saint Charles Seminary community has observed in various ways the 175th anniversary of the seminary's establishment. The opening celebration was held on Sunday, September 17, 2006, when the community gathered for the celebration of the Eucharistic Liturgy at Old Saint Mary's Church. Saint Mary's, which is located at Fifth and Locust Streets in Philadelphia, was the original location of the seminary. It was here that Bishop Kenrick housed the pioneer group of seminarians when he founded the seminary in 1832. Monsignor Joseph G. Prior was the celebrant and homilist of the Liturgy, which was attended by seminarians, faculty, and friends of the seminary. After the Mass, all returned to Overbrook for a celebratory cook-out in Saint Therese courtyard.

On the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, who is one of the seminary's patron saints, the current and former members of the faculty assembled for Evening Prayer and dinner. It is most fitting that during this milestone year the seminary acknowledges the ministry of this faithful and

devoted group who have prepared men for priestly service after the heart of Jesus.



OPENING MASS FOR THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY TRACED THE SEMINARY'S ROOTS BACK HERE TO OLD SAINT MARY'S CHURCH.

All members of the alumni will be invited to join in celebration on Thursday, May 3 when His Eminence, Cardinal Justin Rigali will celebrate the Annual Alumni – Jubiliarian Mass in the Chapel of Saint Martin of Tours. The Mass will be followed by a dinner reception, which, as always, will be a joyful opportunity for all former students to reunite and share memories and camaraderie.

The final event commemorating the seminary's anniversary will be a formal Gala to be held on Friday, May 4 at the seminary. The Gala, which is being chaired by Monsignor Arthur Rodgers, Regional Vicar for Montgomery County and pastor of St. Matthias Church in Bala Cynwyd, will serve as a fundraiser for the seminary's endowment fund. All priests and benefactors alike are invited to this formal celebration, which will surely be a grand festivity and will help to continue the mission of Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary for many more years. For more information on these events, please contact the Office of Institutional Advancement at 610-785-6231.

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHAPEL: THE HEART OF THE THEOLOGY DIVISION

BY JONATHAN HASCHKE, II THEOLOGY, DIOCESE OF LINCOLN

The Immaculate Conception Chapel is at the heart of the seminary life in the Theology Division of Saint Charles. This magnificent chapel, dedicated on December 12, 1875, continues to provide men aspiring to the priesthood of Jesus Christ with a fitting place for worship. Each morning the seminarians make a pilgrimage to the chapel to greet our Lord present in the tabernacle and prepare for the communal prayer of the Morning Prayer, led by the transitional deacons in their last year of priestly formation, and Mass, celebrated by a member of the Priest-faculty or administration. At the end of day we gather again for Evening Prayer, again led by the deacons. Our daily encounter with our Lord in Holy Communion and Scripture and our communal celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours provides the spiritual food we need to follow our vocations.

A highlight of the seminary year is the celebration of Midnight Mass on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, December 8th. The liturgy begins with a candlelight procession of seminarians from both the College and Theology Divisions. It is a time that each of us can implore our Blessed Mother for her watchful protection and intercession as we pursue

God's call in our lives.

Of the sacred art within the Immaculate Conception Chapel, the paintings above the altar were the gift of Mr. Francis Anthony Drexel, the father of one of Philadelphia's own saints, St. Katharine Drexel. A large painting after the manner of Michelangelo's original Madonna and Child graces one of the side



THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHAPEL HAS SERVED AS THE HEART OF SEMINARY LIFE FOR OVER 131 YEARS.

altars, where the seminarians now offer prayers to Our Lady. Opposite from this painting is a depiction of St. Charles Borromeo, our seminary patron, giving first Holy Communion to St. Aloysius Gonzaga. Adjacent to this altar, relics of various saints are displayed, and often exposed for veneration, reminding us of all who have gone before us to provide us examples of holiness and the Christian life. Finally, the Chapel's architecture and stained-glass windows contribute to the sacred environment that leads the seminarians to adoration, prayer and a greater love of God.

The Chapel truly is at the heart of what priestly formation is all about. The Second Vatican Council teaches us that the Mass is the source and summit of the Christian life. How much more true this is for men preparing to minister at the altar and serve the people of God. Time spent in personal prayer before our Lord in the Most Holy Eucharist is where we can more clearly hear His call. As we prepare for its upcoming renovation, we are ever mindful of the role of Immaculate Conception Chapel in the formation of so many wonderful priests over the past 130 years for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and throughout the world.

## ALUMNI ALERT! ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO PRIEST ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OBSERVES THE SEMINARY'S 175TH ANNIVERSARY

BY REV. MR. MICHAEL MARRONE, IV THEOLOGY, ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

"Congratulations and thank you. The 175th anniversary of the founding of Saint Charles Seminary this year is a special time to express congratulations and thanks to all our alumni," exclaims Father Zachary William Navit, President of Saint Charles Borromeo Priest Alumni Association. "Our alumni — faithful and zealous priests of Jesus Christ — live each day the Seminary's motto and go forth to sow the seeds of the Gospel. Our alumni are to be congratulated for living the mission entrusted to them through Saint Charles and thanked for continuing to give of themselves in service to God's people."

How will the alumni observe this Anniversary Year? "Two annual events for our alumni are even more important this year: our Alumni Appeal and our Mass for Alumni and Jubilarians," notes Father Navit. This year's Appeal, with a goal of \$100,000, will provide scholarships and financial aid to seminarians. In addition to funding the publication of *The Brook*, this year's Appeal will fund another publication: an Alumni Directory which will include contact information for



THE TRADITION OF THE MIDNIGHT MASS ON THE FEAST OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, DECEMBER 8TH, REMAINS A LONG-STANDING TRADITION.

and be sent to all priests who attended Saint Charles for College, Pre-Theology, the Spirituality Year, or Theology. Donations to

the Appeal also help the Association to stay connected to its beginnings: the Priest Alumni Association was founded in 1973 to raise funds for the renovation of Immaculate Conception Chapel that occurred at that time. Some of this year's Appeal contributions will be used to assist the Seminary in the needed refurbishments and repairs to Immaculate Conception Chapel. This year's Mass for Alumni on Thursday, May 3, 2007 at 4:00 PM in Saint Martin Chapel will honor the Jubilee Classes of 1947, 1952, 1957, 1985 and 2007; this Mass will also be the 175th Anniversary Year Closing Mass. "How appropriate that the Mass closing the Seminary's Anniversary Year is the Mass where we alumni annually thank God for the gift of priestly ministry and celebrate the good works of our brothers in Christ," observes Father Navit. "Our alumni are the living legacy of Saint Charles Seminary, the sowers who for 175 years have gone forth from Saint Charles to sow the seed of the Gospel. To them we rightly offer congratulations and thanks!"

## PRIEST ALUMNI APPEAL

Sincere appreciation is extended to all who answered the call of the Annual Priest Alumni Appeal last year. Thanks to your generous support, the Seminary received over \$108,000 in contributions to offset costs associated with necessary refurbishments to the Immaculate Conception Chapel. From last year's Seminary Appeal, nearly \$60,000 of that contribution

went toward that effort. As in years past, the Alumni Appeal benefited the Priest Alumni Scholarship Fund, seminarians in need of financial assistance, and the operating expenses of the Priest Alumni Association.

This year, funds will again be designated to offset costs associated with necessary refurbish-

ments to the Immaculate Conception Chapel. The Seminary community is ever-grateful for the steadfast and faithful support you show for your alma mater. Please contact the Office for Institutional Advancement at 610-785-6231 for more information.

## ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO SEMINARY ANNUAL APPEAL

The entire Seminary community is deeply grateful to all who have shown their faithful support by contributing to the Annual Appeal. The Seminary is also very pleased to acknowledge that this year's contributions have increased over last year's, owing to your generosity. We are, however, still under our goal of \$2.5 million.

If you have not had the opportunity to make an offering to the Annual Seminary Appeal, or you did not receive an Appeal mailer, please know that **contributions for the**



OCTOBER'S FIRST ANNUAL APPEAL KICKOFF HELD AT THE ANTHONY CARDINAL BEVILACQUA THEOLOGICAL RESEARCH CENTER AT THE RYAN MEMORIAL LIBRARY.

**2006-2007 fiscal year will be accepted through June 30, 2007.**

Your tax-deductible gift helps to enhance the many resources needed for priestly training and enables the Seminary to form holy, educated, and dedicated priests to serve in the likeness of Our Lord.

Gifts to the Annual Appeal may be made payable in the form of check or credit card by using the enclosed envelope. Please call the Seminary's Office for Institutional Advancement at 610-785-6231 for more information.

## VISIT OF ARCHBISHOP PIETRO SAMBI, APOSTOLIC NUNCIO TO THE UNITED STATES

BY BENJAMIN ROBERTS, II THEOLOGY, DIOCESE OF CHARLOTTE

On February 16, 2007 the Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary Community was privileged to welcome Archbishop Pietro Sambì, the Apostolic Nuncio to the United States. As Nuncio, Archbishop Sambì is the official representative of the Holy Father to the bishops and the government of this country. His most recent assignment before coming to the United States was as Apostolic Nuncio to Cyprus and Israel, and Apostolic Delegate to Jerusalem and Palestine.

With Cardinal Justin Rigali and Cardinal Anthony Bevilacqua, nearly one hundred and fifty seminarians, the lay faculty and priests of the seminary in attendance, Archbishop Sambì celebrated Holy Mass in St. Martin's Chapel. In his homily, the Archbishop spoke of visiting Caesarea Philippi and the large rock formations there and reflecting on how it was in that place that our Lord said to St. Peter, "You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church."

At the conclusion of the Mass he spoke of the hope he felt at seeing so many young men in the seminary, and meeting young people at the March for Life in

Washington who are so devoted to Christ. The Archbishop also playfully commented that if the choir of the Sistine Chapel were to disappear, that the Schola of Saint Charles Seminary would be a more than fitting replacement.

Following the liturgy, a Rector's luncheon was held in the refectory. As it was the Archbishop's first visit to the Seminary, he generously granted a "free day" for the seminarians' enjoyment at some later date. This was met with thunderous applause. After the meal, the Archbishop gave a brief lecture in the auditorium of Vianney Hall. Though the Archbishop wrote his doctoral dissertation on a colleague of Saint Charles Borromeo and has served in various capacities in the diplomatic service of the Holy See, he chose to speak to the seminarians and faculty about his experience as nuncio in Jerusalem. He shared a memory



CARDINAL JUSTIN REGALI, ARCHBISHOP OF PHILADELPHIA, ARCHBISHOP PIETRO SAMBI, THE APOSTOLIC NUNCIO TO THE UNITED STATES, DURING A MASS IN SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS CHAPEL ON FEBRUARY 16, 2007.



ARCHBISHOP SAMBI, WHO SERVED AS THE PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT AND HOMILIST, EXPRESSED FEELINGS OF HOPE IN THE MANY SEMINARIANS.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

BY GREGORY A. REICHLIN, III THEOLOGY, DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

Saint Charles Seminary's 21st annual Concert before Christmas, entitled "Gloria in Excelsis Deo," was a mid-year high point of Saint Charles Seminary's year long celebration of its 175th Anniversary. About one half of the seminary community was involved in the production, as singers, instrumentalists, ushers, decorators of Saint Martin's Chapel, and technical coordinators. Several of the musical selections highlighted the rich tradition of sacred Christian music. Reflecting on the history of Saint Charles Seminary, one may imagine the excitement when some of these "traditional" Christmas hymns and carols were sung for the first time in the seminary halls and chapels. The concert opened with the Saint Charles Seminary Schola, directed by Dr. Theodore Kiefer, performing several ancient Gregorian chants and works of sacred polyphony, including *Rorate Caeli*. The first act ended with various small groups singing familiar 19th century Christmas carols, such as *The First Noel*, *Hark the Herald Angels Sing*, and *Silent Night*.

In what has become a yearly tradition during the intermission of the concert, a group of "toy soldiers" led the audience in singing a rendition of *The Twelve Days of Christmas*. A free-will offering totaled over \$4000, which contributed to the 2008 planned restoration of the Immaculate Conception chapel in the Theology Division.

The second half of the concert featured a mix of traditional hymns and modern compositions. After another excellent performance by the Schola, several individuals and small groups displayed their talents to the audience, highlighted by the singing of the popular contemporary work *The Nativity Carol* by members of the transitional deacon class. The medley finale ended with the hymn *Angels We Have Heard on High* and its refrain "Gloria in Excelsis Deo."

The community is especially grateful to the seminary rector, Monsignor Joseph G. Prior, to the Office of Institutional Advancement for its help in distributing tickets, to all the performers

and crew, and especially to the directors and planners of this year's concert, Mr. Brian Kean and Mr. Greg Reichlen from the class of III Theology and Mr. John Weber and Mr. Eugene Ritz of the class of II Theology. The Seminary's gift to the Church in its preparation for the Christmas season left all who participated inspired and filled with a spirit of joy in anticipation of the celebration of one of the central Mysteries of our faith, the Incarnation.



"TOY SOLDIERS" ENCOURAGED AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION IN THE SINGING OF THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS.

## THE 53RD ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE

BY ANTHONY ROSSI, II THEOLOGY, ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

On Sunday, October 29, 2006 Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary once again opened wide its doors to the public for the 53rd Annual Open House. Over 560 guests arrived to the campus to view the stimulating works of art, symbols of the Archdiocese's rich history, and the beauty of our grounds. Two of the more popular



THE CHAPEL OF SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS ALWAYS DRAWS GREAT ATTENTION DURING THE ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE.

stops were our magnificent chapels – the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception in the Theology Division, and the Chapel of Saint Martin of Tours in the College Division.

Other points of interest included the newly renovated Ryan Memorial Library, which features over 150,000 volumes and precious historical works, and the Eakins Room, which houses the Seminary's collection of portraits and artifacts, many from the late Philadelphia artist Thomas Eakins.

Two tours are offered every year during the Annual Open House. From classrooms to common rooms, The Seminarian Life Tour allows visitors to trace the steps of a day in the life of a College Division student or Theologian.

The Sacred Arts Tour showcases our beautiful paintings, which include the portraits of each of the Archdiocese's Bishops and Archbishops, and the many statues and liturgical objects that the Seminary is blessed to own, display, and use. Two noteworthy items, which many visitors find fascinating, are the mon-

strances used by Dennis Cardinal Dougherty and Saint Charles Borromeo.

Each year the seminary is honored to welcome a diverse group of visitors. Some of our guests are passers-by who see the sign out along City Line Avenue and come in to see what lies behind the great black fence and gates. But you will



VISITORS, BOTH YOUNG AND OLD, WERE AMAZED AT THE MANY HISTORIC AND SPIRITUAL ARTIFACTS ON DISPLAY.

also find among our visitors members of the Serra Club, parishioners from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, and neighboring dioceses, as well as family and friends of our dedicated seminarians.

At the end of the tour the visitors sat down in our Refectory to speak with some of the seminarians, who spend nine months each year dedicated to the Formation process. After six to eight years they become priests serving in the many archdioceses and dioceses throughout the world. Following a round of refreshments, the day's events concluded with a Solemn Evening Prayer celebrated by the Rector in Saint Martin's Chapel. The Seminary community is very thankful to all who took

the time to come out and see the campus, meet our seminarians, and spend some time viewing the great treasure of the Philadelphia Catholic region. We encourage all who were not able to attend this year's Open House to visit next year to enjoy and participate in the life of Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary. All are welcome!

## BELLA: FIGHTING FOR LIFE THROUGH THE CHANGING OF HEARTS

BY ZAKARY SPITZ, PRE-THEOLOGY II, DIOCESE OF OKLAHOMA CITY

Bella-Bella, my bella! The seminary community enjoyed a pleasant surprise, as we gathered together in the College Division Auditorium for a special advanced screening of the Toronto Film Festival's People's Choice Award Winner, *Bella*. We came for a movie, but we left with a reminder of what life is meant to be. A first feature for up-and-coming director Alejandro Gomez, *Bella* is a film with a simple title and yet profound message: life is beautiful and precious. The film is classified as a romantic drama, but romance is not even the tip of the iceberg. Viewers will experience a beautiful testimony to the sanctity of human life from the start.

The movie depicts two people who work together at a Mexican restaurant. Their relationship grows, when Nina (Tammy Blanchard), a young, single waitress, is fired for coming in late for work several days due to morning sickness. José (Eduardo Verastequi), the restaurant's chef, watches the scene unfold and rushes after Nina. He becomes her sole confidant and tries to comfort Nina through her crises at hand—being alone, unemployed, and pregnant. To help stabilize Nina's world, José brings her into his own. He introduces Nina to his family and reveals secrets from a mysterious past, which helps to uncover José's tenderness and passion for her and the child she is carrying.

*Bella* is a movie with the power to change the way you think. It is a love story in the truest sense; different from what is generally portrayed in contemporary cinema. Every detail features the struggles of the everyday person, and how that person can make a profound impact in this ordinary world. Your thinking will change, and so will your heart. The producers of this film are currently searching for a distributor with the courage to allow this pro-life message to be heard. If you are given the chance to support this extraordinary film, please consider the impact it can have on the changing of many hearts in the fight for the sanctity of life.

## CONTINUING THE TRADITION: ANNUAL FORTY HOURS DEVOTION AND ST. CHARLES DAY

BY GERALD SOUZA, III COLLEGE, ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON



FORTY HOURS OF DEVOTION CAME TO A CLOSE WITH A BENEDICTION IN THE CHAPEL OF SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS ON NOVEMBER 3, 2006.

Each November at St. Charles begins with the annual Forty Hours devotion, when life at the Seminary takes on a new dynamic as classes are put on hold and the Blessed Sacrament is exposed continuously for almost three days. This devotion, which was brought to the archdiocese by St. John Neumann, is undoubtedly the pinnacle of the Seminary's devotional life. Beginning on the Solemnity of All Saints, the devotion continues during the Feast of All Souls and the Memorial of St. Martin de Porres, a time that seminarians use to engage in deep personal prayer, examining their own relationship with the Lord and praying for the intentions of friends and family. Holy Hours are assigned to each seminarian and to each class to ensure that

Solemnity of All Saints, officially opening Forty Hours with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. On the following day, the Feast of All Souls, Mass was celebrated by Bishop Peter J. Jugis of Charlotte. The Mass for the Memorial of St. Martin de Porres was celebrated by Bishop Joseph F. Martino of Scranton. Forty Hours closed that

someone adores the Blessed Sacrament day and night.

Archbishop John P. Foley, President of the Pontifical Council for Social Communications, celebrated the Eucharist on the

closed.

The following day, the fourth of November, the Seminary celebrated its patronal feast of Saint Charles Borromeo. Seventeen men from the class of II Theology, representing 11 dioceses and religious orders, were instituted into the Ministry of Reader by Cardinal Justin Rigali within Mass on this day. The "Upper Side — Lower Side" Football Game, a venerable St.



A WALK THROUGH TIME: EACH YEAR SEMINARIANS MAKE THEIR SOLEMN PROCESSION FROM THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHAPEL TO THE SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS CHAPEL BEFORE THE CLOSE OF DEVOTION



THE UPPER SIDE'S 10-GAME WINNING STREAK WAS ON THE LINE DURING THIS ANNUAL GRIDIRON TRADITION.

evening, with a Solemn Procession from Immaculate Conception Chapel in the Theology Division to the Chapel of Saint Martin of Tours in the College Division. After Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction, the Blessed Sacrament was reposed and the devotion was officially

Charles Day tradition, was played that afternoon. For the first time in a decade, the college men defeated the theologians, by a score of 41 to 27. After the spirited competition, the seminarians enjoyed a formal dinner in honor of the patronal feast day. Following the meal, the rector, Monsignor Joseph G. Prior, encouraged the men to emulate the example of St. Charles, with each seminarian receiving a book on the life of St. Charles as a gift.

The festivities of Forty Hours and Saint Charles Day, which are always celebrated with great reverence and mindful of the Seminary's great tradition, provide a most appropriate opportunity for the seminarians to pray and grow in fraternity. It is for this reason that many seminarians, past and present, remember these sacred days as the highlight of the Fall Semester each year.

## RELIGIOUS STUDIES DIVISION UPDATE

The Catechetical Institute, the new non-credit adult religious education program, has been receiving wonderful feedback in its inaugural year. The program is very user-friendly, designed for busy Catholics looking for a refresher course in the faith, and for catechists and Catholic school teachers in need of certification through the Office for Catechetical Formation. Classes meet four consecutive Wednesday evenings, with two sessions in the fall and two in the spring. Summer sessions run

four consecutive evenings, Monday through Thursday. Topics include Scripture, sacraments, doctrine, morality, prayer, apologetics, and church history. The cost is \$50.00 per session. Registrations for Summer 2007 courses are now being accepted online at [www.scs.edu](http://www.scs.edu). Click on Religious Studies.

The alumni of the Religious Studies Division Master of Arts Program are forming a new RSD Alumni Association. Alumni were invited

to participate in a day of recollection in March. Future events are being planned, including a Summer Family Picnic in August. The Association hopes to become involved in evangelization efforts in the Archdiocese, as well as fundraising and promotion of the Religious Studies Division programs. Alumni are encouraged to keep their contact information up-to-date in the Religious Studies Office.

## FACULTY UPDATES

### **Reverend Stephen J. Dougherty, M.A., M.Div.**

Attended the Guest House "Workshop on Human Development and Addictions." As a member of a team from St. John Vianney Center, he spoke at and helped to facilitate a "Wellness Workshop" for the priests of the Metropolitan Archeparchy of Pittsburgh, Byzantine and in September for the priests of the Archdiocese of Detroit, Michigan, May 2006.

Also, as part of a team from the Center, he spoke at and helped to facilitate a Workshop on "Cybersex Addiction" for the priests and permanent deacons of the Diocese of Stockton, California, November 2006.

### **Reverend J. Brian Bransfield, B.A., M.Div., M.A., S.T.L., S.T.D.**

Delivered four addresses on "Pastoral Approaches in the Sacrament of Penance: Perspectives from Moral Theology" at the Annual Convocation of Priests for the priests of the Diocese of Austin, Texas from October 9-11, 2006.

Lectured on "Contemplating the Wounded Side of Christ: The Path to Grace and Virtue" during a retreat for Second and Third Year Theology Seminarians at Notre Dame Seminary School of Theology, New Orleans, Louisiana from January 5-10, 2007.

### **Cait Kokolus, B.A., M.A., M.S. Director of Library Services**

Was elected to the Board of Directors of the American Theological Library Association for a three year term.

### **Deacon Daniel N. DeLuca**

Received the Excellence in Teaching Award from Saint Joseph's University for "Demonstrating Teaching Excellence in the Adult and Graduate Programs of the University."

### **Dr. Elizabeth Nagel, B.S., M.A., S.S.L., S.S.D.**

Awarded publication by Paulist Press of a book entitled "Be a Blessing", October 2006.

Delivered a Founders' Day lecture on "Being a Blessing" for the Salesian Communities (OSFS) of Delaware, October 18, 2006.

Participated in a double workshop for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, *Catholic Life Congress 2006*, entitled "Scriptures of Advent: Preparing the Way of the Lord in Every Season of Life", November 4, 2006.

### **Dr. Carmina Magnusen-Chapp, B.A., M.A., Ph.D.**

Was elected Vice President of the Board of Directors of the Society for Catholic Liturgy at the conference at Mary Immaculate, Northampton from September 21-23. (<http://www.liturgy society.org/>)

### **Reverend Monsignor Kevin T. McMahon, A.B., S.T.B., S.T.L., S.T.D.**

Spoke on the "Ethics in Catholic Health Care," at the Conference on Authentic Catholic Healthcare sponsored by the Natural Family Planning Network and the Philadelphia Catholic Medical Association, Langhorne, Pennsylvania, March 4, 2006.

Planned and gave presentations at a workshop for the Priests of the Diocese of Scranton on Catholic Moral Teaching in the Ministry of Priests from May 15-19, 2006.

Lectured on "End of Life Issues in Long Term Care Facilities," In Service to Medical Staff of Holy Family Manor, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, May 31, 2006

### **Reverend Gregory J. Fairbanks, H.E.D., M.A.**

Spoke on the Catholic Church and Freemasonry, on IHS Network (In His Sign Network) WTMR 800 AM, May 16, 2006.

Gave the Keynote Presentation: "The drafting process of 'Economic Justice for All': How the document was formed during the 2006 Social Justice Institute: "Economic Justice for All" at the University of St. Thomas in Houston, Texas, June 3, 2006.

Spoke on the topic of Pope Benedict XVI's address at the University of Regensburg, Germany during **Live@Issue – Channel 10 with Steve Highsmith** on WCAU-TV NBC 10; "Islam and Catholic Relations", October, 1, 2006.



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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**FIFTH ANNUAL ST. CHARLES SEMINARY CLASSIC**

Monday, April 23, 2007  
 (11:00 a.m. at Philadelphia Cricket Club)

**175TH ANNIVERSARY ALUMNI JUBILEE EUCHARISTIC  
 CELEBRATION AND RECEPTION**

Thursday, May 3, 2007 (4:00 p.m.)

**175TH ANNIVERSARY CLOSING GALA**

Friday, May 4, 2007 (7:00 p.m.)

**BACCALAUREATE MASS AND CONCURSUS**

Friday, May 18, 2007

**RELIGIOUS STUDIES DIVISION COMMENCEMENT  
 AND CONFERRAL OF DEGREES**

Thursday, May 24, 2007 (4:30 p.m.)

**ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE FOR ST. CHARLES BORROMEEO SEMINARY CANDIDATES**

**DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG**

Saturday, May 19, 2007

**DIOCESE OF LINCOLN**

Friday, May 25, 2007

**ARCHDIOCESE OF  
 PHILADELPHIA**

Saturday, May 12, 2007

**DIOCESE OF TRENTON**

Saturday, June 2, 2007

**DIOCESE OF KNOXVILLE**

Friday, May 18, 2007

**ARCHDIOCESE OF  
 OKLAHOMA CITY**

Saturday, May 12, 2007

**DIOCESE OF SCRANTON**

Saturday, May 26, 2007

**DIOCESE OF TYLER**

Saturday, June 15, 2007

**ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD FOR ST. CHARLES BORROMEEO SEMINARY CANDIDATES**

**DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN**

Saturday, June 2, 2007

**DIOCESE OF KNOXVILLE**

Friday, June 2, 2007

**DIOCESE OF SCRANTON**

Saturday, June 2, 2007

**DIOCESE OF CAMDEN**

Saturday, May 19, 2007

**ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA**

Saturday, May 19, 2007 (10:00 a.m. at the  
 Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul)

**DIOCESE OF TRENTON**

Saturday, May 19, 2007

**DIOCESE OF CHARLOTTE**

Saturday, June 2, 2007