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Pregnancy resource center marks 40 years in Lafayette



Erik Roe, president of Matrix's board of directors, speaks at its annual banquet.

Matrix's life-saving mission

By Sarah L. Murphy
The Catholic Moment

WEST LAFAYETTE — Saving lives with experience, stewardship and prayer is how Melissa McAtee defines Matrix LifeCare Center's success in its mission.

"I am consumed with endless gratitude: gratitude for the founders of

this mission, for the individuals who came before me and persevered in the calling of saving lives, and for all who have given their time, talent and treasures to make Matrix LifeCare possible," said McAtee, who is CEO of the nonprofit pregnancy resource center.

McAtee read Matrix's mission and vision state-

ments to nearly 470 attendees at its recent annual banquet, which also celebrated its 40 years in the Lafayette community. The banquet was held in the Purdue Memorial Union in West Lafayette.

"We believe that all people, from conception to natural death, are made

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Noticing Pentecost

We are now spying the “see motorcycles” messages on highway signs. Last fall we saw “watch for deer” notices. This Sunday is the “watch for the Holy Spirit” celebration of the Church’s birthday.

Bunching these ideas together seems corny. But how often do you or I begin our day intending to notice the Spirit? How often do we reflect on its presence at the end of our day? Somebody should have formed this year-round awareness in us. If not, we can teach ourselves.

We say “I believe in the Holy Spirit” in both the Apostles’ and Nicene Creeds. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC), Second Edition (n. 686) tells us that in “the Son’s redeeming Incarnation, the Spirit is revealed and given, recognized and welcomed as a person.”



Bishop
Timothy L.
Doherty

Just how are we to recognize the Spirit’s presence and effects? This ability is an important focus of confirmation preparations. Also, it is central to the celebration of baptism.

Again, I refer you to the CCC, especially the section on virtues that begins at n. 1803. We have a recognition primer at numbers 1830 through 1941. In particular, the seven *gifts* of the Holy Spirit are listed. And the traditional *fruits* of the Spirit follow: charity, joy,

peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, chastity. These are manifestations of the Spirit: We should look for them around us and aspire to live them.

Please read the CCC footnotes: The above lists are taken from Scripture passages! I only mention this because there are still people, even misin-

formed Catholics, who say that the Catholic Church does not teach from the Bible. There are 30 pages of Scripture citations in the Index paired with numbers of the paragraphs based on them.

To underline the importance of the names for virtues, fruits and gifts, let me repeat an observation from philosophers: The aboriginal Florida Indians did not see Christopher Columbus’ “Niña” arriving because they did not have a word for “ship.” What a joy for us, then, to have a Bible-based vocabulary that helps us to witness the Spirit’s assistance.

Don’t have a Catechism at home? The whole CCC is online under beliefs and teachings at the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Web site: <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/index.cfm>

And before I forget to say it, Happy Birthday!



May 20 Pentecost Sunday Cycle B Readings:

- 1) Acts 2:1-11
- 2) 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Galatians 5:16-25
- 3) Gospel: John 20:19-23 or John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Monday, May 21

- 1) James 3:13-18
- 2) Gospel: Mark 9:14-29

Tuesday, May 22

- 1) James 4:1-10
- 2) Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

Wednesday, May 23

- 1) James 4:13-17
- 2) Gospel: Mark 9:38-40

Thursday, May 24

- 1) James 5:1-6
- 2) Gospel: Mark 9:41-50

Friday, May 25

- 1) James 5:9-12
- 2) Gospel: Mark 10:1-12

Saturday, May 26

- 1) James 5:13-20
- 2) Gospel: Mark 10:13-16

The texts of Scripture readings for the Mass for every day of the week are linked to the diocesan Web site at www.dol-in.org.

The **Sisters of Providence** of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods will offer a “**Forgiveness Retreat**” from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 2, in the Providence Hall Community Room at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods. Facilitator Sister Ann Sullivan will explore the themes of inclusive love and forgiveness through the lens of the Gospels and the contributions of counselors, family and friends. Participants will learn how people can be hurt by those who may not be aware of



their feelings and how forgiveness is a key to freedom of spirit. The person who gains the most from forgiveness is the one who does the forgiving. Sister Ann said people have a desire to be forgiven and in other cases,

sometimes people have a difficult time forgiving others. “The inability to forgive, or refusal to be forgiven, is one of the most crippling and challenging issues in life,” Sister Ann said. “Our need to forgive and be forgiven has at its roots a deep hurt which has festered for sometimes months, or even years. We assume that hanging on to the hurt somehow punishes the one who has hurt us, when in fact, it may be devastating to us, to our family and those around us.” Cost to attend the

retreat is \$45 per person, which includes lunch. Registration deadline is May 25. Register online at events.sistersofprovidence.org or by calling 812-535-2952 or e-mailing jfrost@spsmw.org. The Sisters of Providence, a congregation of nearly 300 women religious, with more than 200 Providence Associates, have their motherhouse at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, located just northwest of downtown Terre Haute. For more information, visit www.spsmw.org.



Pastry chef Sister Petra Nielsen, OSF, above right, and sous chef Sister Lucia Richardson, OSF, recently offered a baking class on creating Viennese Strudel at St. Boniface Parish, Lafayette. During Advent, Sister Petra also led a class to make German Christmas



Stollen. Father Tim Alkire, pastor of St. Boniface, said that the classes are one of the many ways the “Theology of the Body” of St. John Paul II can be lived — and enjoyed. (A dispensation was given for the calories.) (Photos provided)

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25 years a priest: 'What I hoped it would be and more'

By Caroline B. Mooney
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CARMEL — Reflecting on his ordination 25 years ago, Father Richard Doerr said he felt "that this was what I was supposed to do with the rest of my life. The priesthood has been what I hoped it would be and more."

"The lasting friendships I've made are great," he said. "I've got very dear friends who had me baptize their children — those kids are now getting married. You're with people who have invited you into their lives. It's rewarding to be able to mentor people through the seasons of their life and know I've made a difference."



Father Richard Doerr

Born Feb. 21, 1966, in Cape Cod, Father Doerr is one of six children. His father, Christopher, served in the Air Force, was a Vietnam veteran, and worked as an airline pilot and pharmacist. His mother, Kathryn, was a homemaker. The family moved often with the Air Force before settling in Pendleton, close to where his parents grew up. They attended St. Ambrose Church, Anderson.

"My dad was determined that all six of his kids go to college with no debt — he paid for it," he said. "Both my parents made that commitment. They instilled a deep faith, work ethic and sense of service for our country in our family."

Father Doerr attended Purdue University, where he was a member of the Glee Club. While on a tour with the group in Scandinavia, one Sunday while in the hills of Norway the young man missed Mass for the first time.

"I had a sense of divine absence," he said. "The Glee Club director was Protestant, but he apologized to me because he knew I had missed Mass. He had our bus stop at a fjord, and led us in singing 'Ave Maria.' It was a very dramatic moment for my vocation. Even a Protestant understood the importance of that moment. I felt a greater appreciation for what I had as a Catholic, being able to share the Eucharist. I came back a very

different young man and started going to daily Mass.

"No one had ever mentioned the priesthood to me, and I can pinpoint the Scandinavian trip as a defining moment," he said. "But my vocation had been building for years from the good example of my family."

He was ordained on June 5, 1993, by Bishop William L. Higi at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception in Lafayette.

His first assignment was associate pastor of St. Louis de Montfort Parish, Fishers. In 1995, he was named associate pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Muncie, and in 1996, he was named associate pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Carmel. He became pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish in 2004.

In 1997, Father Doerr founded the Frassati Society of Young Adult Catholics with his brother, Father Brian Doerr.

In the last 10 to 15 years, 18 young men and women from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish have entered religious life.

"At OLMC, we have a substantial service to the poor," Father Doerr said. "In my time as pastor, in addition to vocations, we have started the Merciful Help Center and the Trinity Free Clinic. I am most pleased that we are giving people of great means the chance to stand shoulder to shoulder with people of no means."

"Living out the priesthood and the parishes I've been in, each is different and I've never wanted for something to do," Father Doerr said. "The diversity of the ministry is exceptional — helping people in their lives, working with young adults and with converts. Of course, I love the sacraments and being able to be present during the greatest moments of people's lives and the saddest, from First Communion to funerals."

The priest has developed a reputation for being available to help addicts and their families throughout the trials of addiction, a ministry that is close to his heart.

"The priesthood offers a sense of diversity each day," he said. "I have my collar on



Father Doerr at a COMMUNITY Care Day in Anderson (Photo provided)

as I'm helping others. There's a sense that you represent the hope of the Church for somebody on the outside who may not always come to church, but I hope one day they will."

Msgr. John Duncan, who retired in 2012, was pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel from 1987 until 2004, when he was named senior associate at the parish.

"Father Richard is a very dedicated priest," Msgr. Duncan said. "He sets his sights on an objective and pours everything into achieving those goals. He's extremely kind, particularly to people in trouble or with heartaches."

The men met when Msgr. Duncan was diocesan vocations director and Father Doerr was a seminarian at St. Meinrad Seminary.

"When I went on seminary visits, Father Richard was very solicitous. The best term for him would be faithful generosity," Msgr. Duncan said. "The last four or five years, I had two major surgeries, and again, he made sure my needs were met."

"He works really, really hard and took well to OLMC," he said. "It's like running a city — there's more than 100 ministries. Father Richard is very astute in recognizing talents and choosing the right people to run different ministries. He is very supportive of them."

"He has a great devotion to our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Liturgy is his single most important priority,

along with the spiritual formation of people through liturgy," Msgr. Duncan said.

"Father Richard has a deep sense of humor," he said. "He can take the most difficult circumstance and find something comical. He's been blessed with a lot of insight. It's hard to imagine he's been ordained 25 years now. He's very loyal and faithful to the Church."

"He's very dedicated to Catholic education," Msgr. Duncan added. "He eats lunch with the grade school on a regular basis — that's important for him."

"The Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School community is abundantly blessed by Father Richard's pastoral care," said Sister Maria Benedicta Mantia, OP, principal of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School. "The amount of time and energy he invests into the school is unfathomable. He considers the school to be an integral ministry of the parish, and his presence in the school is certainly felt."

"In a time when priests are clearly stretched by a multitude of duties, it humbles me to see how attentive Father Richard continues to be to the daily needs of the school," she said. "Because of him, families can remain confident that they are sending their children to a Catholic school which holds its students to high academic standards and challenges them to grow more deeply in their relationship with Jesus Christ. I can honestly say that Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

continues to be a thriving school because of the tremendous support it receives from Father Richard."

"I am forever grateful to him for helping me to understand what it means to be a faithful and holy priest."

Father Joshua Janko met Father Doerr while he was a seminarian and has felt his support ever since.

"Father Richard is among several priests who exemplify to me a love of our Catholic faith and the vocation of the priesthood," he said. "I am forever grateful to him for helping me to understand what it means to be a faithful and holy priest."

"St. John Marie Vianney said once, 'A priest is not a priest for himself. A priest is a priest for you.' To me, Father Richard emulates this quote from the patron saint for all the world's priests," Father Janko said. "Father Richard, thank you for 25-plus years of service to the Church. Thank you for being my friend and my priest. *Ad multos annos.*"

Paige Miller met Father Doerr when she was in RCIA 21 years ago.

"He has become a very special person in our family," she said. "My three sons all went to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School, are servers and Knights of the Temple. He has been such an influence on their lives and has had a huge role in mentoring them. He's also been a mentor to me in my faith. We have great conversations — he's always willing to answer any questions I have. He's such a huge presence, and such a joy to be around."

"Father Richard is very serious, but has a warmth about him," Miller said. "When my mother — who wasn't Catholic — had lymphoma, I asked for his prayers. He came to the hospital and prayed with her. He truly walks the faith and is always evangelizing. He brings a joy to faith, and is very relatable. He is the full package and does everything wholeheartedly."

Scouts, leaders recognized at annual awards night

ZIONSVILLE — The Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting (DCCS) recently honored adults and youth from across the Lafayette diocese at the 30th annual Bishop's Scout Recognition Night, held at St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish.

The evening included the celebration of Mass, a dinner, remarks by Bishop Timothy L. Doherty and presentation of awards.

The dinner was prepared by Boy Scout Troop 358.

Youth awards

Seventeen Scouts were recognized for earning the "Ad Altare Dei" Award. This year's recipients included: Griffin Burke, Billy Busse, Jack Keller, David Klemm, Adam Kuntz, Nicholas Maucere, Andrew Russell and Logan Seller, of St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish, Zionsville; Spencer Baldwin, Nathan Brown, Nicholas Brown, Jackson Elshire, Mitchel Elshire and Quinn Elshire, of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Carmel; Colby Koppelman, of Our Lady of the Lakes Parish, Monticello; and Luke Cloran and Jak Kolb, of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Carmel.

One Scout was recognized for earning the Pope Pius XII Award, the highest religious award earned by Boy Scouts. This year's recipient was Matthew Heath of St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish.

Matthew also earned the "Pillars of Faith" Award, for having completed all four levels of Boy Scout religious awards.

Five Girl Scouts were recognized for earning the "Mary, First Disciple" Award. This year's recipients included: Olivia Weintraut, of St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish, Zionsville; and Ella Henry, Kaitlin Riley, Abigail Suppinger and CeCe Swisher, of St. Lawrence Parish, Lafayette.

The highest Girl Scout award, "Spirit Alive," was earned by three girls: Chiara Cradick, Mattelyn Hand and Julia Kramer, of St. Maria Goretti Parish, Westfield.

Julia and Chiara also earned the "Pillars of Faith" Award, for having earned four age levels of religious awards.

The final youth awards were the Pope Paul VI

National Catholic Unit Excellence Awards, which were presented to Troop 202 of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Troop 125 of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish and Crew 125 of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish.

Adult awards

The **Father James McKeown Award** is unique to the Lafayette diocese. It is named after a deceased priest who served as director of Scouting for the diocese. Recipients of the award must be 18 years old or older and actively involved for at least two years in Catholic Scouting.

This year's recipients included:

- Tara Ascoti, of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Carmel. The mother of three sons, she has been active in Scouting, starting as a den mother and then moving into Boy Scouts. She has served on boards of review for Scouts earning their "Ad Altare Dei" religious emblems. She encourages all Scouts, including her sons, to earn their religious emblems. In her parish, she also coordinates the Scouts' service project of working at fish fries.

- David Haas, of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Carmel. He has been active in various positions in Scouting with his sons, both Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. He has attended religious emblems training and works with Scouts on their "Ad Altare Dei" Awards as well as other emblems. He has served as the religious emblems counselor. Along with the Scouts, Haas works at his parish's fish fries and on other service projects in his parish and community.

- Brian Zawadzki, of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Carmel. This Scoutmaster is very involved in Scouting — Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts — with his five children. He helps with Scout Sunday, has boys participate in Scout's Own or attend Church when on campouts, and encourages Scouts to earn their religious emblems. When his oldest



Bishop Timothy L. Doherty with Matthew Heath, one of the evening's award recipients

son was working on his "Ad Altare Dei" Award, Zawadzki attended each session to encourage his son to complete the requirements. He also is an active volunteer in his parish.

The **St. Elizabeth Seton Award** is presented to adults who have given a minimum of five years of active service to promoting Catholic Scouting and have contributed to the spiritual development of Catholic members of national organizations serving girls (Girl Scouts or Camp Fire Girls).

This year's recipient was Theresa Green, of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Carmel. This co-leader is the religious emblems counselor for her troop and encourages both Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts to earn their religious emblems. She helps coordinate Scout Sunday and reads the names of girls receiving religious emblems. She also assisted Scouts during the Priest Book signing at church. Green also is involved with Bible study and Christ Renews His Parish at her parish and is an active volunteer in the school.

The **Bronze Pelican Award** is presented to men and women who have contributed to the success of Catholic Scouting for a minimum of five years, through fostering Catholic identity in Boy Scouting, promoting religious recognition programs and providing spiritual experiences for Boy Scouts.

This year's recipients included:

- Randell Bruns, of St. Maria Goretti Parish, Westfield. This Eagle Scout has been in Scouting since he was young. He counsels the boys working on their religious emblems both in the Cub Pack and the Boy Scouts. When camping, he encourages them to participate in Scout's Own. As advancement chairman, he set up the Troop Tracker computer program for his Boy Scout Troop. He also has received the Father James McKeown Award and is a member of the Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting.

- Kevin Kiser, of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Carmel. This den leader, for 15 years, has been the religious emblems chairman for his pack. He helps organize Scout Sunday for the Cub Scouts and encourages them to earn their religious emblems. Two of his sons are Eagle Scouts. Kiser is an active volunteer in both his parish and community. He also has received the Father James McKeown Award.

- Douglas Lowery, of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Carmel. This Boy Scout committee chairman makes sure that policies are followed by the troop, such as having Scouts attend Mass or other church services when they are on field trips or camping. He encourages all Scouts to earn their religious emblems. Both of his sons have earned the "Ad Altare Dei" Award. He organizes service projects for the Scouts to help serve the parish and helps maintain the building where the troop meets. He also is active in his wife's Girl Scout troop with their daughter.

- Mark Maucere, of St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish, Zionsville. He organizes Scout Sunday and serves as the district committee chair for the North Star District. He has helped with "Ad Altare Dei" Award classes and did a wood badge project to promote religious emblems. He now is preparing to help with a group working on the Pope Pius XII Award. Maucere has attended religious emblems

training and also has received the Father James McKeown Award.

The **St. George Award** is the highest national Catholic adult award in Boy Scouting. Recipients must be 18 years old or older and have given a minimum of 10 years of service to Catholic Scouting. This can be awarded to men or women, in Catholic or non-Catholic troops, who have made a significant contribution to Catholic relationships and is intended to recognize recipients' outstanding contributions to the spiritual development of Catholic youth in the program of Boy Scouts of America.

This year's recipients were:

- Paul Haydock, of St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish, Zionsville.

This assistant Scoutmaster has been involved in the Scouting program as a youth and as a dad. Both he and his son are Eagle Scouts. He serves as the religious emblems coordinator for his troop and did the same when he was with the Cub Scouts. He helps with Scout Sunday and encourages Scouts to earn their religious emblems. Through his facilitation of classes for "Ad Altare Dei" and Pope Pius XII awards, he has guided eight Scouts to earn the "Ad Altare Dei" Award, and one Scout to earn the Pope Pius XII and "Pillars of Faith" awards. Haydock also has received the Father James McKeown and Bronze Pelican awards.

- Christine Lowery, of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Carmel.

She is the leader of her daughter's Girl Scout troop and has guided the girls to earn their religious awards. Being a committee member of both the Boy Scout troop and the Venture Crew, she encourages them to earn their religious emblems. She has helped facilitate sessions for boys earning the "Ad Altare Dei" Award. She also helps organize and plan Scout Sunday and the awards presentation and encourages all Scouts to attend.

Bishop Doherty also was presented with the **DCCS 2017 and 2018 Quality Diocesan Unit Awards**.

Information and photo provided by the DCCS.

Matrix carries on life-saving work in Lafayette area

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in the image and likeness of God," McAtee quoted from the statements, and that Matrix exists "to provide education, support and resources" including pregnancy testing and ultrasounds, prenatal classes, baby supplies and other free resources "that empower individuals to make life-affirming decisions before, during and after pregnancy."

She told banquet attendees that Matrix had been blessed with an ultrasound machine in 2012 and has provided nearly 2,500 life-saving scans since then.

In February 2017, a bus outfitted as a mobile medical unit was delivered to Matrix and the staff named it "Amber."

It received a new ultrasound machine in April, and during the last week of that month, Amber was on Purdue University's campus and "we saved our very first life in the mobile unit," McAtee said.

This type of mobile unit, also known as a "Stork Bus," also provides free pregnancy tests and sexually transmitted disease testing.

Cathy Clark, Matrix LifeCare's nurse manager and a speaker at the banquet, said, "We don't ever charge anyone for our services, but we do need that help that everyone has been so generous to give over the years so that we can continue with our many ultrasounds."

Matrix's mission, services and dedicated staff have impacted the Greater Lafayette community.

McAtee said that in 2017, Matrix "provided free of



"I am consumed with endless gratitude," Melissa McAtee told those attending Matrix LifeCare Center's annual banquet. She is the CEO of the nonprofit organization that has served the Lafayette community for 40 years.

(Photo by Sarah L. Murphy)

cost: 487 pregnancy tests, 354 life-saving ultrasounds, 1,253 counseling hours, 338 sexually transmitted disease tests and woman well exams, 687 prenatal classes, 103 parenting classes, including teen parenting and fatherhood, and we had approximately 14,300 inbound calls from people who needed us."

Matrix also has a client care team of volunteers teaching a program called "I Decide for Me" about healthy relationships and making good decisions. McAtee said the program has been taught in local public high schools to nearly 1,000 students.

Four clients of Matrix LifeCare Center shared their stories during the banquet.

Roshanta and John Holcomb went to Matrix when they learned Roshanta was pregnant with their daughter. They credited Matrix's education classes with preparing them for pregnancy, childbirth and parent-

hood.

"I was excited — afraid, but excited — that I had some answers early on, so when she got here, I felt better prepared. We felt like we could really do this," Roshanta Holcomb said.

"They say no baby comes with an instruction booklet," John Holcomb added, "but I would say this is close, pretty darn close."

Morgan Reames is a young mother of three who also was present to give a client testimony about the "most loving, welcoming place I could have found."

"Any mom looking at that positive pregnancy test and they don't know what to do: Make that phone call," she advised. "Matrix is so open and welcoming, and you'll want to go there."

Reames said the staff fosters a judgment-free environment and she is grateful to those who give to Matrix.

"Whether that be financially supporting them, giving up their time or gener-

ously just praying over their ministry, I just want to say thank you to those who keep Matrix thriving," she said.

From the welcome by Father Gregory Allard of St. Alexis Orthodox Church in Battle Ground to the closing worship music, prayer was an ever-present theme throughout the evening.

"Our greatest need," said Lorri Weigand, "is for you to pray for us. You never know the battles that people are facing and we need the right words to share and the courage to share it."

She is Matrix's registered diagnostic medical sonographer and when asked what she thought the center needed most, she said prayer for "everybody in this ministry."

Roshanta Holcomb said that the staff made her feel like family because "they pray for you and they pray with you and I appreciate it."

Prayer supports more than the staff, clients and the

work they do together; prayer is also a part of developing technology and reproductive health care that fully respects life.

"Through God's intercession, timing and research, we have innovative ways for the pro-life movement to be stronger while forming a culture that doesn't see the need for abortion, but the value of a human life and all life itself," McAtee said when introducing Cathy Clark to speak about Natural Procreative Technology (NaPro).

"This is a new approach to women's health care that embodies the best principles of medicine and superior treatments to women and challenges mainstream medicine which relies on contraception, *in vitro* fertilization and abortion," Clark said. "This is the first women's health care to network natural family planning with reproductive health monitoring and maintenance. NaPro fulfills our mission at Matrix to its fullest, to provide support before, during and after pregnancy. This model provides life-affirming care."

Erik Roe, president of Matrix's board of directors, appealed to the banquet attendees for generosity to build a firm foundation, quoting 1 Timothy 6 about relying on God rather than wealth, "so as to win the life that is true life."

"You know that Matrix is not a place that simply enriches lives; Matrix is a place that saves lives," Roe said. "Matrix LifeCare takes those that have very little hope of survival and it saves them."

Campus Minister

St. Francis of Assisi Parish & Newman Center

St. Francis of Assisi Parish and Newman Center at Ball State University is searching for a spirit-centered, enthusiastic individual to lead its Catholic campus ministry and to develop an innovative team approach to campus and young adult ministry. We are looking for a person who has a clear call to campus and young adult ministry. The candidate should have the ability to develop and implement a plan for campus ministry, which would include faith formation, facilitating retreats and spiritual programming, recruiting student leaders, event planning, managing a budget, leading our resident intern program, and more.

Job summary:

Under the direction of the Pastor, the Campus Minister will collaborate to lead the Catholic student ministries, outreach and events serving all students of Ball State University. Such programs include support for liturgical celebrations; retreats, service, faith formation, spiritual, and evangelization programs; and social gatherings. The Campus Minister is to create an environment where the Newman Center becomes home to the students' spiritual and intellectual lives, apostolic mission, and Christian maturity.

Candidate should be a practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church and have previous experience working in either a campus and/or church setting. A bachelor's degree is required, with a preferred focus in a field of study related to ministry.

Interested parties should send their resume, plus 3 letters of reference, to tedmondson@parish.dol-in.org by June 1, 2018.



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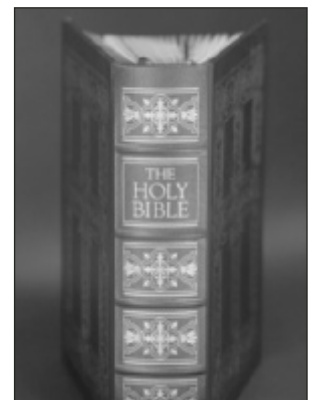
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Ultreya/Lafayette

LAFAYETTE — The Lafayette Cursillo community will sponsor an ultreya, a coming together of the Cursillo community, at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 19, in the lower level of the parish hall at St. Lawrence Church. All Cursillistas and friends are welcome to attend. Those attending are asked to bring a snack or beverage to share. For more information, contact Jeff and Marlene Jarboe at 765-567-2216 or jmj357mmj@gmail.com.

Ultreya/Fishers

FISHERS — The Cursillo community of Holy Spirit Parish in Fishers and St. Simon the Apostle Parish in Indianapolis will host an ultreya on Saturday evening, May 19, at Holy Spirit. Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 p.m., followed by a pitch-in dinner in the social hall and the ultreya. All Cursillistas and friends are encouraged to attend. Those attending are asked to bring a side dish or

KIDS' PAGE ANSWERS

Pentecost: (in the order of the puzzle)

Peter	James (the lesser)
James	Jude (Thaddeus)
Thomas	John
Philip	Simon
Bartholomew	Andrew
Matthew	

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dessert to share. Holy Spirit Parish is located at 10350 Glaser Way; for directions, visit the Web site at www.hspgeist.org. For more information, e-mail cursillo.hsp@gmail.com or call Susie Shereda at 317-341-5300.

SEED presentation

MUNCIE — Deacon John Etter will be guest speaker at the next gathering of SEED (Seeking Evangelization through Eucharistic Devotion) on Thursday evening, May 24, at St. Mary Church, 2300 W. Jackson St. Adoration will begin after

the 5 p.m. Mass. Deacon Etter will speak at 7 p.m., followed by Benediction. A light reception then will be held in Saint Elizabeth House. Deacon Etter will speak on "How This Ex-Cop Ended Up in Prison Ministry and the Lessons Learned." All are welcome to attend.

Eucharistic adoration

DEMOTTE — All are invited to join in Eucharistic adoration from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, June 1, at St. Cecilia Church, 334 15th St. SW. Refreshments and the opportunity for conversation will follow. The evening is sponsored by St. Cecilia's Young Adults.

Legion of Mary

LAFAYETTE — All are invited to join the Legion of Mary for the celebration of Mass at 9 a.m. on the first Saturday of each month in the chapel at Franciscan Health Lafayette Central. The Mass will be followed by Legion of Mary prayers and recitation of the rosary. All are invited to also join in a holy hour for America at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month in the chapel.

Healthy Families Fun Fair and NICU reunion

LAFAYETTE — The Franciscan Health Center for

Women & Children will host the eighth annual Healthy Families Fun Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 2, on the Franciscan Health Lafayette East campus, 1701 S. Creasy Lane. The goal of the fair is to inspire families to lead an active and healthy lifestyle. The event is free and will feature fun, kid-friendly activities at every booth. Activities include: a bike helmet fitting and free bike helmets for children (while supplies last; sizes vary from toddler to teen); door prizes for adults and children; all children 18 and younger also can enter to win a bike; adult health screenings; healthy eating tips and activities; various games and activities for families and children; and the Race for Kids 5K and Kids Dash to benefit the NICU and pediatric therapy. Race registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with the free Kids Dash at 9 a.m. and 5K race starting at 9:15 a.m. In addition to the Fun Fair, Franciscan Health will host a reunion for NICU (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit) "graduates." Families with children who were treated in the Home Hospital or Franciscan Health NICU are invited to come and share their experiences with other families and to visit with the NICU physicians and nurs-

es who cared for their child. A group photo will be taken at 11 a.m. NICU grads who would like to be in the photo are asked to check in at the North registration booth by 10:45 a.m. For more information, call 765-502-4688 or visit franciscanhealth.org/funfairlafayette.

"Diabetes: Doing Better Together"

LAFAYETTE — The Franciscan Healthy Living Center will continue its "Diabetes: Doing Better Together" meetings, with the next scheduled session from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, June 12, at the center. The topic will be "Numbers That Count"; participants will learn about numbers that are vital for their health. The group meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Each meeting is open to all patients, community members who have diabetes, family members and friends. All meetings are free. Registration for each meeting is requested by calling the center at 765-428-5850 or by visiting FranciscanHealth.org. The center is located in the lower level of the Lafayette Heart Institute, 1116 N. 16th St.

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The Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana is currently seeking candidates for the position of Controller at our Chancery office in Lafayette. The controller performs all the financial and accounting duties as needed for the efficient operation of the Central Administration of the diocese.

Some of the essential functions of this position include performing general accounting duties necessary to produce financial statements for the Finance Council, the Lafayette Diocesan Foundation Board, and for the annual audit; producing statements of activity and general ledgers for each department and sub-department and send to the designated persons; doing an ad hoc financial analysis as directed by the Executive Director; and checking the integrity of the annual budget and uploading it to the general ledger.

A bachelor's degree in accounting or finance is preferred with extensive finance or accounting experience required. Non-profit accounting experience strongly preferred. Familiarity with Microsoft Office applications, particularly Excel and Word. Possess respect for and ability to uphold Catholic Church teaching is desired.

Qualified candidates should submit their resume to Jeanne Lausten, Director of Human Resources, at jlausten@dol-in.org.

HAPPENING ... IN THE DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE-IN-INDIANA

Rosary at the grotto

ALEXANDRIA — All are welcome to come to the grotto at St. Mary Church in Alexandria to pray the rosary at 7 p.m. on the 13th of each month from May through October. Join the Daughters of Isabella in reciting the rosary as Our Lady of Fatima requested. Those attending are encouraged to bring their rosaries, lawn chairs, family and friends. If raining, bring umbrellas; in case of stormy weather, the rosary will be prayed inside the church.

Better Breathers Club

LAFAYETTE — The Franciscan Healthy Living Center continues its Better Breathers Club monthly meetings, with the next meeting scheduled from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 13. The center is located in the Lafayette Heart Institute Building, 1116 N. 16th St., on the campus of Franciscan Health Lafayette Central. The Better Breathers Club is a program of the American Lung Association. Designed for patients and community members to learn ways to better cope with COPD and other respiratory issues, it provides support and education to those who participate. The club is open to all patients and community members who have COPD, lung diseases, asthma, emphysema, chronic bron-



chitis or other respiratory issues. The meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month. June's meeting will be a "Game Day" with club members; light refreshments will be served. The meetings are free, but registration is encouraged. To register, call the Franciscan Healthy Living Center at 765-428-5850.

Golf outing

LAFAYETTE — Knights of Columbus Assembly 249 will host a golf outing on Friday, June 22, at the Battle Ground Golf Club. Lunch will be served at 11 a.m., followed by a shotgun start at noon. The day also will include dinner and prizes for first-, second- and third-place teams, closest to the pin, longest putt and longest drive. Cost is \$100 per person. All proceeds will benefit Matrix LifeCare Center and St. Ann Parish's soup kitchen. Co-sponsors of the outing include Twin City Dodge, Mecko's Heating and Cooling, and Thieme and Adair CPAs. Registration forms are available online at www.facebook.com/kcassembly249/. Forms also are available by e-mailing Jeff Schu-

maker at jnschumaker@frontier.com or from any fourth-degree Knights of Columbus member. Registration deadline is Sunday, June 10.

Save the date/Car show

LAFAYETTE — Knights of Columbus Council 456 will host its eighth annual charity car show on Saturday, July 7, at Central Catholic Junior-Senior High School, 2410 S. Ninth St. The Knights have raised more than \$35,000 with the car show, which has become one of the largest shows in the area. The day will include food, music and family fun. The Knights always welcome new sponsors and donors for the event. For more information, call Matt Lewis at 765-532-6945.

Golf outing

OXFORD — Knights of Columbus Council 9400 will hold a golf outing on Saturday, July 28, at the Oak Grove Country Club in Oxford. Cost is \$40 per person. The four-person scramble will include a shotgun start at 1 p.m. A meal will be served following golf. The outing will include longest drive and closest to pin prizes. Proceeds will benefit Benton County Special Olympics, local food pantries and Life Teen. Hole sponsorships are available for \$25 for personal or \$50 for business sponsorships.

REST IN PEACE



Please pray for the repose of the souls of our departed brothers and sisters in the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana.

Jessie McFadden, 91, died April 17. **Tekla Olga Kaulins**, 96, died May 1. Both were members of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Carmel.

Sigrida Heathcote, 76, died May 5. She was a member of St. Ambrose in Anderson.

Robert E. Schroeder, 88, died May 3. He was a member of Holy Family in Gas City.

Names of the deceased are provided at the request of parishes in the diocese desiring to provide this information.



For more information or to register, call Tom Etter at 765-385-2185 or 765-385-2713.

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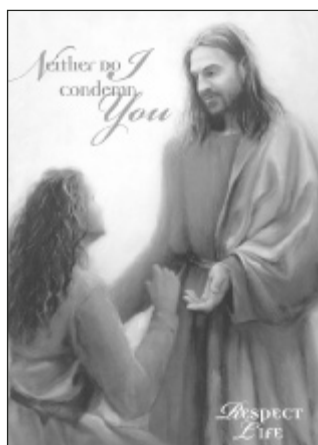
Married couples in the Lafayette diocese and Indianapolis area are invited to restore, renew and rekindle their marriages through Marriage Encounter Weekends and Sharing Circles.

Those wishing to make a first-time (or another) weekend may apply at www.wwme.org. Upcoming weekends to be held in Indianapolis include Oct. 19-21. Couples who already have participated in a Marriage Encounter Weekend are invited to join monthly Sharing Circles. For more information, e-mail kenannme@comcast.net.

Women who have had an abortion often struggle with questions:

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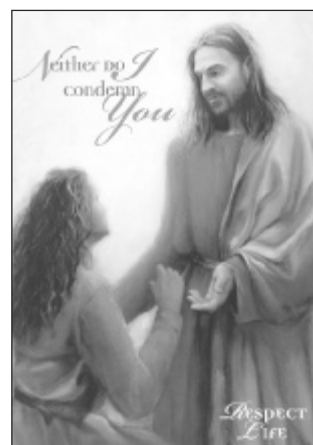
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¿Podrá perdonarme mi hijo?
¿Podré perdonarme a mí misma?
¿Alguna vez se acabará este terrible dolor?
¿Es posible la sanación?**

El Proyecto Raquel dice que la respuesta a todas estas preguntas es Sí.



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St. Patrick Parish in Oxford recently celebrated First Communion. Back row from left are teacher Danette Lukaszka, first communicant Louie Pyke and pastor Father Robert Klemme; front from left are servers Ava Lukaszka, Brennan Lukaszka and Sara Etter. (Photo provided)



Children at Sorrowful Mother Parish in Wheatfield recently received their First Communion. Father Paul Cochran, pastor, celebrated the Mass. (Photo provided)



St. Charles Parish in Otterbein recently celebrated First Communion. Front row from left are Jack Klemme, Jacob Lohmeyer and Kady McGinnis; back from left are Hope Rush, Hannah Wetli, teacher Brooke Wetli, pastor Father Robert Klemme, Samantha Klemme and Ava Hands. (Photo provided)



Children at Immaculate Conception Parish in Portland recently received their First Communion. Father Robert Moran, pastor, celebrated the Mass. (Photo provided)

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The kindergarten class at St. Lawrence Catholic School in Muncie recently hosted a “Movie Night” fund-raiser. Proceeds benefited Animal Relief Fund (A.R.F.) of Muncie. Students donated pet food, bleach for cleaning, and cash. They also recently made friends with Teller, a retired service dog from A.R.F. (Photo provided)



Children of St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Peru recently participated in a crowning of the Blessed Mother. The children brought up flowers to put in vases during the celebration. At left: Kaylene Kirk (left) placed the crown on the statue of Mary, the assistant was Johnathon McCain, and the person who carried the crown was Izabella Colelli. (Photo provided)