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Fr. Matthew Colle ordained July 2

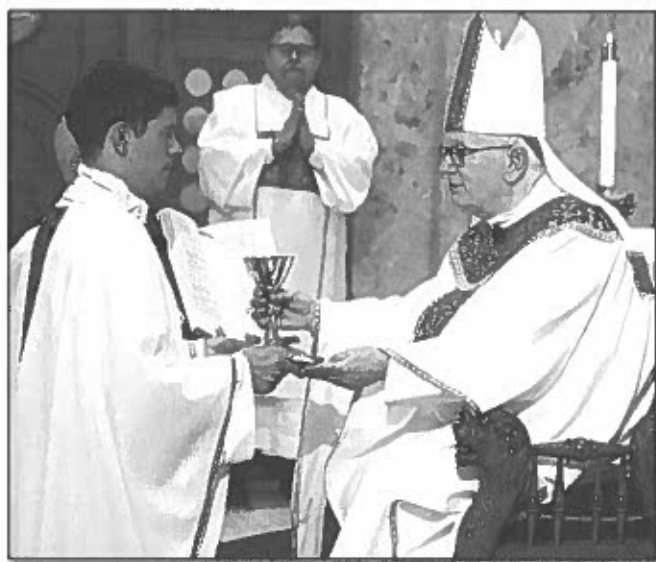
BY JEFF KUROWSKI | THE COMPASS

ALLOUEZ — It didn't take long for Deacon Matthew Colle to realize how nice it was to be home in the Diocese of Green Bay. On June 19, his first full day back after concluding his final year of studies at the Pontifical North American College (NAC) in Rome, the Luxemburg native enjoyed some familiar comforts.

He started the day by attending the Kewaunee County Breakfast on the Farm. He then served as deacon at Mass celebrated by Fr. Daniel Schuster at St. Mary Church in Luxemburg. A eucharistic procession followed the Mass.

In the afternoon, Deacon Colle, the son of Mike and Sue Colle, helped his father harvest hay on the family farm. The three hours of work included an opportunity to drive the tractor, he said. He closed the day sitting on the porch, overlooking the fields, praying evening prayer.

"Just to be back in the Wisconsin air and have the green around is one of my



SAM LUCERO | THE COMPASS

Bishop David Ricken presents newly ordained Fr. Matthew Colle with a chalice and paten at the ordination Mass on July 2, 2022, at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Green Bay.

favorite pastimes," he said. "(That day) I was able to see the people of the parish who are so supportive."

Deacon Colle was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop David Ricken at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 2, at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Green Bay. He looked forward to "seeing all these different people from parts

of my formation come together and celebrate."

One special guest was his niece, Adeline, who is nearly two months old. She will be traveling from Idaho with her parents, Michael, Fr. Colle's older brother, and his wife, Megan.

Our full story appears in the July 1 issue.

FRANKLY, FRANCIS



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In our catechetical journey on old age, today we will meditate on the dialogue between the risen Jesus and Peter at the end of John's Gospel (21:15-23). ...

In the course of Jesus' discussion with Peter, we find two passages that deal precisely with old age and the passage of time: the time of testimony, the time of life. The first passage is Jesus' warning to Peter: when you were young you were self-sufficient, when you will be old, you will no longer be so much the master of yourself and your life. You're telling me; I have to go around in a wheelchair, eh? But that's how it is, that's life. With old age you get all these illnesses and we have to accept them as they come, don't we? We don't have the strength of youth! And your witness, Jesus says, will also be accompanied by this weakness.

+ Pope Francis, June 22, 2022

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The Compass wins 19 Catholic press awards

BY SAM LUCERO | THE COMPASS

ALLOUEZ — The Compass received 19 journalism awards from the Catholic Media Association on July 7, including top honors as Best Weekly Diocesan Newspaper produced by one to five full-time editorial staff members.

The awards were announced during

the organization's annual convention held this year in Portland, Ore.

"From pictures of local valedictorians to pictures of those seeking water in Africa. From spotlighting a new bishop to the latest light from the Vatican. It's all here in this well put together, informative and enlightening publication that seems to cover it all," said the judges.

Sue Simoens, graphic design & sales specialist, and Amy Kawula, advertising & marketing manager, earned first place for Best Promotional House Ad and second place for Best Annual Report, Catholic Nonprofit Organization, for the Catholic Charities supplement.

Our full story appears in the July 15 issue.

5 THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Throne of Wisdom

BY PATRICIA KASTEN | THE COMPASS

- 1 Aug. 22 is the Queenship of Mary. In this the 70th anniversary year of Britain's Queen Elizabeth II on the throne, let's look at Mary's throne.
- 2 Mary is a throne herself — the Throne (Seat) of Wisdom, or *Sedes Sapientiae* in Latin.
- 3 This Marian title dates to at least the 11th century and was used by St. Bernard of Clairvaux.
- 4 The title is also found in the 16th-century Litany of Loreto.
- 5 St. John Henry Newman said Mary has this title "because the Son of God, who is also called in Scripture the Word and Wisdom of God, once dwelt in her, and then, ... was carried in her arms and seated in her lap in his first years."

The Supreme Court decision: A new day for life

My Brother and Sister Confirmands:



BISHOP'S CORNER

Bishop David Ricken

As you probably know, last Friday, on the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, the Supreme Court overturned the Roe v. Wade decision, eliminating the federal right to abortion. This is a monumental decision, one that I and countless pro-lifers have been praying for nearly 50 years! This decision will lead to fewer babies suffering the cruel fate of abortion and, hopefully, lead to new opportunities for our nation to come together in support of life, whether of the unborn, their mothers or any other person.

First and foremost, I want to thank God that this scourge on our nation has finally been lifted. The legal right to abortion has hung over our country like a dark cloud for nearly 50 years, bringing immense suffering to many people. The concept of choice, supported in

Roe v. Wade, is built on a false notion of freedom. It seeks to build the advantage of one person on someone else's disadvantage, which is not a path to freedom and justice. This "choice" has horrible consequences for mothers, fathers and children, who have never gotten a chance at life. Again, I am grateful that there is new light shining through the darkness on this issue.

While I am grateful for this new day for life, I also recognize that our work is not done. There will still be many places in this country where abortion is legal and there will be people who fight to make abortion more accessible. Even in places where abortion is illegal, there will be attempts to go around the law. Most importantly, there will still be women who find themselves in difficult circumstances and feel that abortion is their only option. So as Catholics and pro-lifers, how should we approach this new post-Roe world? I want to offer a few suggestions.

First, as with everything, we begin with prayer. ...

Read the entire column in the July 1 issue.

Local SNAPSHOT



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The Diocese of Green Bay joined Christians of other denominations at Lifest 2022, held July 7-10 at the Sunnyview Expo Center in Oshkosh. At the Christian music festival, the diocese offered worship services as well as children's/family events.

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