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From the desk of the President

Thank you for your support

As the lead headline declares, our Paulist capital campaign in conjunction with our 150th anniversary has surpassed our goal of \$12 million. Originally we had hoped to raise \$10 million, but the positive response as the initial foundations became involved encouraged us to set our sights even higher. The entire Paulist community is grateful to so many generous benefactors like you, who believe in the mission of service that we offer to the church in North America.

This issue of Paulist Today highlights someone who has been involved in this mission for more than six decades. It was a wonderful celebration on a Friday evening this past spring when many came to our mother church to honor Father Jim Lloyd on the occasion of his diamond jubilee as a priest. Yes, we gathered in the very space where he was baptized as a child and later ordained to the priesthood

In order to continue our Paulist mission, not only do we need financial resources but we also have to recruit new members for our community. Father Dave Farnum, our new vocation director is up to that challenge. We need a proactive stance and as he notes, "We need to be keenly aware of vocations in our midst and act upon it." During his tenure as the director of the University Catholic Center



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Campaign passes goal

A Future Brighter Than Past: The Campaign for the Paulist Fathers has exceeded its goal of \$12 million to support the capital, programmatic and endowment of the Missionary Society of St. Paul the Apostle.

"I can not find sufficient words to express my gratitude not just to my Paulist brothers but to our benefactors who have generously shared their financial resources with us," said Paulist president Father John F. Duffy. "This campaign shows that in the spirit of Father Hecker (founder of the Paulist Fathers), we will continue to be able to read the signs of the signs of the times and meet the needs of the church in the modern age."

The Paulists have given the Word of God a voice by engaging the culture of North America with faith for the past 150 years. The success of the campaign is but one indicator that the varied ministries of the Paulists are vital and vibrant in today's society.

The campaign began in the fall of 2006, with each of the more than 30 Paulist foundations being given a goal according to their history of giving to the annual Paulist appeal, their Sunday collections and other factors. The campaign funds will go to the support of senior Paulists; the education and formation of Paulist

seminarians; the continuation and expansion of Paulist mission work; and the various other Paulist ministries.

"The campaign underscores the fact that our particular charism is needed by the church," Father Duffy said.

The campaign funds will also "lay a foundation on which the Paulists can continue to build in the future," according to Adam Dawkins, executive director of the Paulist Office for Financial Development, who mentioned that each Paulist foundation also received a large percentage of the funds it raised to help support the local community.

"This success speaks volumes about the level of support for the Paulist Fathers, and the level of affection that people have for them," said Mr. Dawkins. "Paulist ministries have touched so many lives, and the campaign reflects that people want to give back and equip the Paulists to continue ministering to the next generation."

The last Paulist capital campaign was conducted in 1986, a "quite extraordinary" amount of time between such events, according to Mr. Dawkins.

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Father Lloyd celebrates 60 years

By Stefani Manowski

As a youngster growing up in the Church of St. Paul the Apostle in New York City, James B. Lloyd thought all priests were Paulist.

"Why wouldn't they be?" he said, his deep, bold voice possessing perfect comedic timing.

With the Paulist ministry in interfaith relations, there was in fact probably no other kind of priest he could be, being born the only son of an Irish Catholic mother and a Jewish father. The original surname of the Lloyd family was Rosenbloom, but Father Lloyd's father found it difficult to get work as a dancer in the theater in New York and changed the name.

"That started me in the Paulist Fathers," said Father Lloyd, who received the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, first Communion, Confirmation and Holy Orders at St. Paul.

After high school, the future Paulist attended the City College of New York and St. Francis College in Brooklyn before graduating with a bachelor's degree in philosophy from Catholic University in Washington, D.C. It was at St. Francis where Father Lloyd first felt the call to the priesthood.

"My father wanted me to be a physician," Father Lloyd recalled. "But I liked probing people about God. At the time, the Paulists had the explicit intention of converting America; that was the specific reason I wanted to become a Paulist. I wanted to be a proselytizer."

It was ironic that a man who entered the priesthood to convert America received his



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Father James B. Lloyd at the May Mass celebrating the 60th anniversary of his ordination.

first priestly assignment in South Africa after his ordination in May 1948. The Paulists had a ministry based in Johannesburg for 30 years when they went on missions throughout the southern part of the African continent.

After seven years there, Father Lloyd was assigned as the director of the Paulist Information Center in New York for 10 years while also hosting a television program on NBC titled "Inquiry" for 15 years.

"We had Bill Buckley, Mother Teresa, Jackie Gleason and Norman Mailer on," Father Lloyd

said. "It was great fun."

Father Lloyd's next assignment was as president of St. Peter's College in Baltimore, where he served for three years.

On the academic front, Father Lloyd would receive a master's degree in clinical counseling from Iona College in New Rochelle, N.Y., and after his stint in Baltimore, returned to New York City to earn a doctorate in psychology while still preaching and facilitating retreats and parish missions.

Father Lloyd then went on to direct Iona's Graduate School of Counseling, where he trained priests, religious and even rabbis for 20 years.

"We combined psychology and religion as a stepping stone to God," he said, noting he also served as a chaplain to the New York Police Department for 21 years.

Today, Father Lloyd still holds a license to practice in the State of New York, and continues the private practice he had for many years. He also ministers to the Sisters of Light, who work with women facing crisis pregnancies; and runs a chapter of Courage Apostolate, a ministry begun by Servant of God Terrance Cardinal Cooke to homosexuals who wish to live a life of chastity.

"Mass every day sustains me," Father Lloyd said, 87. "That is what keeps me going. Everything stems out of that. I am priest because I like it, and that in itself sustains me. The priesthood is full of rewards, and is terribly fascinating."

Support and vocations keys to success

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at the University of Texas, he indeed was intentional in promoting vocations to the priesthood. In fact one of our novices, Jimmy Hsu, is recent graduate of that school.

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Various studies have been conducted as to what factors might lead someone to enter the seminary. The one consistent theme is that a person has been encouraged to do so by someone active in their parish. In fact during the nine years that I was in Texas, I saw the results of a program titled, "Called By Name." Persons were encouraged to place names in a basket of someone they thought might make a good priest. In some cases it was a decisive moment in a discernment process which resulted in beginning formation for the priesthood.

Again I want to express our gratitude for the wonderful response that we received to our capital campaign. I would also ask that you pray for vocations to the Paulist community and if you know someone who might be a good Paulist, encourage him to consider this possibility. Finally may this year dedicated to St. Paul be filled with many blessings for you.

John F. Duffy, C.S.P.

Father John F. Duffy, C.S.P., president

Capital campaign a success

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"Eventually the resources from the last campaign are depleted, and the time comes to replenish them," he explained. "We give thanks to God for the many blessings he has given us through our supporters; these generous

benefactors are remembered in the daily prayers and Masses of the Paulist community. The Paulist Fathers depend on the prayerful generosity of so many to continue to give the Word a voice. Without their support, the ongoing mission of the Paulists would not be possible."

Loving the priesthood, Paulists

*Father Dave Farnum
is new vocations director*

By Stefani Manowski

When one person told Dave Farnum the Paulists would be a good fit for him, he tucked the suggestion in the back of his mind.

When a second person told Dave Farnum the Paulists would be a good fit for him, he began to wonder.

When the third person told Dave Farnum the Paulists would be a good fit for him, he took the hint.

"I didn't know about the Paulists, but thought there might be something to this," said Father Farnum, who is in the first few weeks of his new post as the Paulist vocations director based in New York City.

After growing up the youngest of five children in Providence, R.I., the future Father Farnum attended Providence College. He had taken two years off from his studies as a priest for the Diocese of Providence at St. Mary's Seminary and University in Baltimore and was working as a director of development for cancer research at The Johns Hopkins University and Hospital.

"Let me tell you, that was good preparation for the priesthood," Father Farnum chuckled. "Everyone preparing for the priesthood should get a lesson in fund raising!"

The future priest got in touch with and visited vocations director John F. Duffy, who is now president of the Paulist Fathers.

"I really liked the mission direction statement," Father Farnum said. "It sounded so modern to me, and their priorities fit my personality, and I liked the connection with American culture."

Upon visiting St. Paul's College in Washington, D.C., "I knew within an hour that this was the group for me," he recalled. "There was a great comfort level; I felt part of the group."

Ordained at the age of 37 on May 22, 1999, Father Farnum's first assignment was as associate director of campus ministry at the University Catholic Center at The University of Texas in Austin, where he had spent his diaconate year.

"It was a culture shock for this New England kid to be living and working in Texas," he recalled. "The state is enormous, there is no water nearby, and it is hot, hot, hot. I also went from a predominantly



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Father Dave Farnum is the new Paulist vocations director.

Democratic state to a very Republican state."

But the Paulists had been in Austin for 100 years, and Father Farnum found a great legacy and respect for the Paulists.

Father Farnum began serving as associate pastor at Old St. Mary's parish in Chicago in 2001, just when the parish was moving to a new worship space.

"It is a challenge to move a church," he said, "but it was also fun. We were establishing a new home for the faith community, which had its own joys. Plus there was the friendliness and kindness of the Midwest folks."

In 2004, Father Farnum found himself back in Austin, this time as director of campus ministry at the University Catholic Center.

"That's why you never burn bridges," he said with laughter in his voice. "I really enjoy the relationships I built with the college students and the friendships I made. The college students are optimistic, faith seekers and full of life and energy and humor. Their spirit is contagious."

Expecting to be in Austin for six-to-eight years and thinking he had more to accomplish at the university, Father Farnum's first response to becoming vocations director was "no." Then

he reconsidered.

"I love the priesthood and I love the Paulists," said Father Farnum, now 46. "I realized my becoming vocations director would give me the opportunity to tell of my love for this religious order and the ordained priesthood."

Father Farnum's goals for the vocations office fall under two categories: reactive and proactive.

"Men seek us out and request information, and we respond," he said. "We help them with their discernment."

On the proactive side, Father Farnum is focused on discovering ways to build on past successes.

"We need to actively identify young men and suggest they investigate a call to the priesthood," he said. "We need to raise visibility and awareness so more people want to consider the priesthood. We need to help people become aware of the vocations right in front of them, and we need to do a good job of telling the story of the Paulists and inviting people to participate in that ever-expanding story. We need to be keenly aware of the vocations in our midst and act upon it."

"We can no longer be passive about this," Father Farnum continued. "We have to take the initiative."

*By Sister Susan Wolf, S.N.D.
PNCEA Executive Director*

PNCEA online conference is success



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Sister Susan Wolf, S.N.D., PNCEA executive director (left); Father Frank DeSiano, C.S.P., Paulist Fathers first consultant; and Father Tony Krisak, PNCEA director of online services, prerecord Father DeSiano's keynote session for Proclaiming Christ 2008. More than 600 people attended the first-ever PNCEA online conference for evangelization.

Nearly 600 people from 106 U.S. dioceses attended Proclaiming Christ 2008, Sharing the Gift of Our Catholic Faith, the first national online conference for Catholic evangelization in the United States. The Paulist National Catholic Evangelization Association (PNCEA) sponsored this historic event which took place from Sept. 16-18.

Not knowing how many people would want to try an online conference on Catholic evangelization, PNCEA set a goal of 300 attendees. Registrations exceeded the goal a month before the conference.

Shannon Loughlin of the Diocese of Rochester said: "Using technology in ministry is one of my interests. I believe it is an excellent tool for evangelization, especially for reaching young adults."

The innovative gathering over the Internet included four prerecorded presentations: A People Gathered and Sent by Bishop Sam Jacobs from the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux; American Catholics Today by Mary Gautier, Ph.D., from the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate, Georgetown University; Reaching Today's Inactive Catholics by Paulist Father Frank DeSiano, C.S.P.; and Models of Evangelization in American Catholicism by Father Timothy Byerley, Ph.D., from Camden, New Jersey.

Daily prayer experiences prepared by Father Anthony F. Krisak, PNCEA director of training and online services, stimulated faith-sharing around the experience of God's presence in the everyday events of life, hope in Jesus Christ, and the difference faith makes in one's life.

The faith-sharing and discussions were done by posting text messages. Attendees were also able to visit exhibits hosted by 20 ministry groups and publishers who displayed resources and programs related to Catholic evangelization.

Proclaiming Christ 2008 was an exciting and pioneering three-day event that raised enthusiasm for Catholic evangelization across the country, stimulated faith-sharing, facilitated discussions, and provided new ideas and resources to help ministry leaders advance the evangelizing mission of Christ in parishes and dioceses.

"I live in an area that is two hours driving from most conferences and meetings in our diocese," said Sister Ellen Orf of the Diocese of Jefferson City. "The online format has put me in touch with such rich resources and the hopeful spirit of so many of you who are participating."

Proclaiming Christ 2008, Sharing the Gift of Our Catholic Faith was supported by a grant from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Catholic Communication Campaign and PNCEA donors.



Personalizing the Pauline year

By Father Tom Ryan, C.S.P.

Director of the Paulist Office for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations

As we enter more deeply into this yearlong celebration to mark the second millennium since the birth of the apostle Paul, we might ask: What was his major theme? And how might that give particular focus to efforts undertaken by local congregations as well as by individual Christians?

In *The Dictionary of Paul and His Letters*, the editors ask if there is a central organizing principle in Paul's theology and ministry. They then proceed to examine a variety of themes: the primacy of grace; the cross as an event related to our need and recovery; the missionary mandate to both proclaim and live out the saving truth found in Jesus.

In the end, the editors conclude, the most adequate and meaningful candidate for the award of "the organizing principle in Paul's theology" is reconciliation. It provides the most coherent picture and is the most suitable umbrella under which Paul's preaching and practical community building can be set.

The term had a pre-history in the political and familial realm, generally referring to the coming together of two parties or spouses who had become estranged from one another. Interestingly, the language of reconciliation is virtually absent from the Old Testament, and within the New Testament literature it is used only by Paul - and then in only a few passages: 1 Cor. 7:11; Rom. 5:10-15; 2 Cor. 5: 18-20; Eph. 2:11-18; Col. 1: 20-22).

It is not only his invocation of the theme but the way he works with it that is noteworthy: he turns the tables of expectation. In ordinary human circumstances, the one who causes the alienation is the one who is responsible for initiating and pursuing the reconciliation. But when Paul looks at humanity alienated by its own sin from God, he realizes that we humans cannot effect this reconciliation. God must bring it about.

And God does - through the God-man Jesus. In Paul's reflection, reconciliation demands that the strong become weak so that the weak can become strong. God, the strong one, reaches across the barrier that we had established by becoming one of us: "While we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom 5:8).

The pattern of Christ's reconciling death is to shape our community attitudes and actions. This demands more of the strong. It is not a

matter of who is right; it is a matter of being rightly related together.

Paul sees God's work of reconciliation in Christ as an exchange. He died so that others might live. He became poor so that others might become rich. "All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself, and gave us the ministry of reconciliation" (2 Cor 5:18).

This ministry of reconciliation involves the same self-emptying on our part for the sake of others. Paul develops his theology in the midst of the real-life situations he experiences with the communities he founded.

The Corinthian community was particularly trying. Some in the community preferred other teachers to Paul; others question whether Paul has any special authority to teach them; still others suspected him of defrauding them in his great collection for the church in Jerusalem. Paul's situation is painful.

How does he respond? By taking a risk and making himself vulnerable to his readers. By making himself appear foolish so that others might become wise with the mind of Christ. By manifesting in his own living the death of Christ so that others might live. By modeling to the Corinthians that they are called to live a reality larger than their small hurts and misunderstandings - they are called to share in God's work of reconciliation in the world.

In this Pauline year, what if we were to engage in this ministry of reconciliation as Paul did with the Corinthians? Is there, for example, a family member, a colleague, a confrere whom we're avoiding? Or suppose we were to identify those who are marginalized in our own contexts, both within and outside our community.

What role does race, nationality, religion, language, and life-style play in this naming of the "other"? What prejudices, if any, inspire the naming? How might we personally cross boundaries to transform the "us" and "them" into a "we" as Paul did in Corinth?

What made this boundary crossing possible was their common belief that God was calling them to live reconciled with one another and all humanity. Two thousand years later, that's still our belief. Are we ready to take a risk, make ourselves vulnerable, and chance looking foolish? It's the divine pattern revealed in Jesus and embraced by Paul. And now God has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

Where shall we begin?

BustedHalo.com® busts out new look

By Bill McGarvey
BustedHalo.com Editor-in-Chief

I was skeptical ... I have to admit it. Before I took over as editor-in-chief of BustedHalo.com four years ago, all my work experience had been in the secular realm as both a magazine editor and a musician. So when friends approached me about working for a Catholic organization I confess that I had my doubts. Beyond the fact that I was a practicing Catholic, I really wasn't sure what I had to offer. It wasn't until I came into contact with the Paulist mission that it began to make sense. Like St. Paul, this small community of priests believed in their bones that in order to preach the Good News you had to be where people are and speak in a language they understand. The message doesn't change but the mediums with which it is communicated always will. Recent studies only confirmed what we already knew: the vast majority of young adults in the early 21st century aren't in church. If you want to talk to them, there's little doubt where to find them though, they're on the Internet.

It sounds so obvious and yet soon after I started it became clear that – in the Catholic Church – BustedHalo.com® was the only place on the Web that really spoke to the experiences of 20 and 30-somethings in a language they understand. No one else seemed to understand that this generation of "spiritual-but-not-religious" types yearned for a deeper connection. No one else was able to provide the lens that allowed these young adults to see their experiences and the questions they asked in a spiritual context. BustedHalo.com® is the only place that fills that critical gap in the Church's outreach.

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World Youth Day
Mike Hayes reports live from World Youth Day 2008, in Sydney, Australia.

Ann Rice Interviews
Bill McGarvey's exclusive interview with novelist Ann Rice, about her career, her return to Catholicism, and her new book. **'Pure Sex, Pure Love' Relationships Column**
Dr. Christina Whelan examines the many dimensions of love and dating through a Catholic women's perspective.



Father Thomas A. Kane, C.S.P., director of Paulist Reconciliation Ministries, has helped produce a new DVD series titled *A Living Faith: Themes from the Catechism of the Catholic Church*. *A Living Faith* is a thought provoking series of presentations and discussions of essential Roman Catholic themes taken from the new Catechism of the Catholic Church. It is an excellent resource for practicing or returning Catholics who want to gain a better understanding of their faith.

A Living Faith can also be of assistance to clergy and religious education directors seeking to gain an understandable theological perspective on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The content of the series is designed to be meaningful for all Catholics, and indeed for anyone sincerely interested in understanding the Catholic faith.

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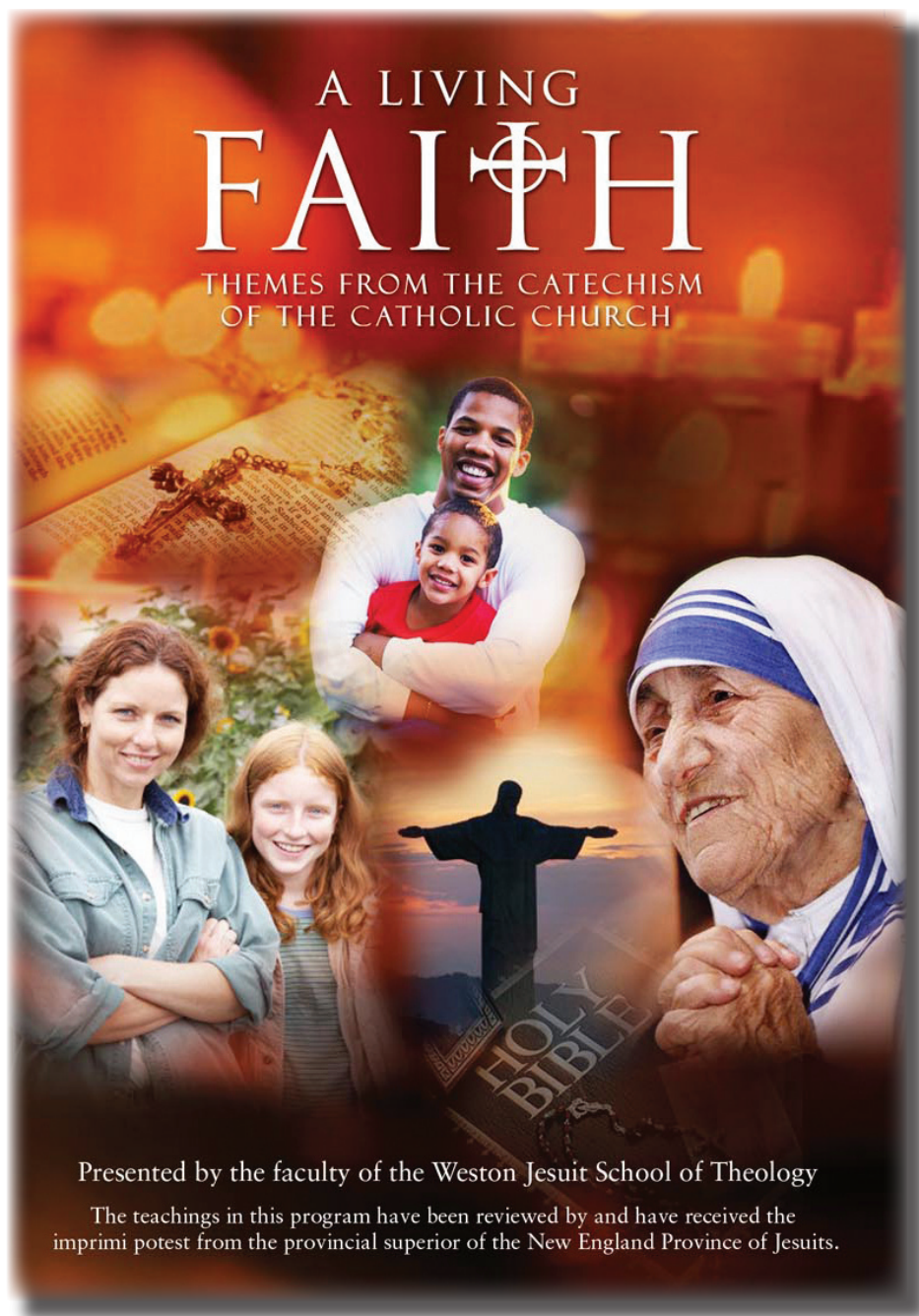
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