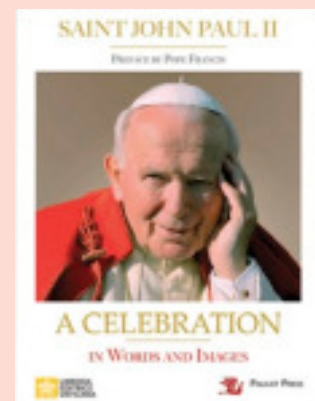


**Faith for the Heart:
A "Catholic" Spirituality
By Thomas H. Groome**

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**Saint John Paul II:
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Preface by Pope Francis**

In 2020, we are celebrating the centennial of the birth of St. John Paul II on May 18, 1920. This new book uses photos and St. John Paul's own words to trace his historic years as pope from 1978 to 2005.

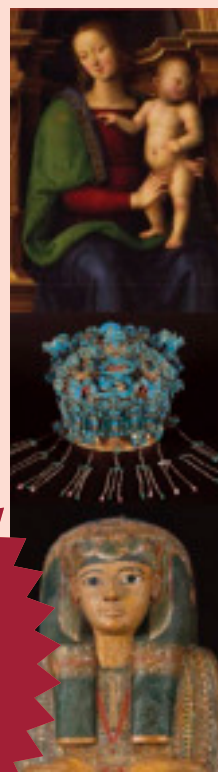
In the preface, Pope Francis writes, "It is right to remember this great holy witness of the faith that God has given to his Church and to humanity. He was a great witness of mercy, and throughout his pontificate he called us to this characteristic of God." ➔

**Vatican Museums:
100 Works Not to be Missed**

This illustrated art book showcases 100 masterpieces that present the legacy of culture, history, and beauty that the popes have stewarded for centuries.

The Vatican Museums are a complex of diverse collections, including Egyptian, Etruscan, Greek, Roman, paleo-Christian, Renaissance, and Modern.

The artworks have been selected by specialists: archaeologists, art historians, architects, historians, and anthropologists who have each chosen the works they consider universal and definitive in their field. ➔



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Landings International

is the Paulist Fathers' parish-based, small-group ministry that helps to welcome back Catholics who have been away from the Church. To help welcome these "returning Catholics" during the pandemic, Landings has released a "Virtual Landings" guide.

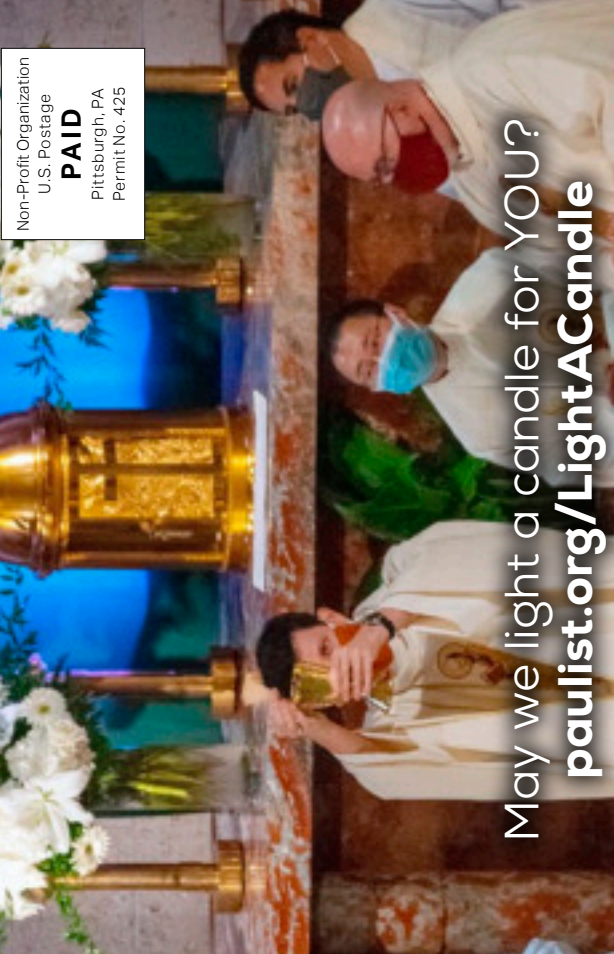
**VIRTUAL
Landings**

Through this new format, parishes may offer Landings while complying with social distancing requirements. Virtual meetings also may prove to be a great tool for people who are homebound or have limited mobility.

Please learn more at: landingsintl.org

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Our New
Paulist Father



From the Desk of Fr. Eric: When, When, *WHEN?*

Dear friends,

It is my honor to introduce to you for the first time in The Voice: Paulist Fr. Paolo Leonardo Puccini!

Fr. Paolo was ordained a priest at St. Austin Catholic Parish in Austin, TX, on Saturday, July 25, 2020. His Mass of Thanksgiving ("First Mass") was held on Sunday, July 26, also at St. Austin's, a parish served by our missionary society since 1908.

Is there any question that the musical number we Paulists decided to perform for Fr. Paolo at his virtual ordination reception that Saturday night would be a version of the 1962 pop song "Quando, Quando, Quando?" ("When, When, When?")

"When" is the dominant question to so many parts of life during the COVID-19 pandemic. When will it be safe for people to gather indoors? When will it be safe to go back to school? **And, in Fr. Paolo's case, when will there be the ordination?**

Fr. Paolo's patience, humility, and trust were exemplary since the moment his ordination, originally scheduled for May at the Church of St. Paul the Apostle in New York City, was postponed. Austin was chosen as the replacement location so that Fr. Paolo's immediate family in Houston could travel by car to attend. But, even in Austin, there was even concern up to the last moment due to the high number of COVID-19 cases in Texas.

Usually, Paulist Fathers from all over the country travel to our Ordination Masses to show support. But, this year, it was only prudent for just one out-of-town Paulist to make the trip: Paulist Fr. Evan Cummings, Fr. Paolo's seminary classmate and our 2019 ordinand. Fortunately, the six Paulist Fathers who live in our Austin rectory and Paulist Fr. Ruben Patiño of nearby Horseshoe Bay, TX, were able to take part in the Ordination Mass.

But, even though relatively few people could be physically present in the church on July 25 and July 26, thousands of people were able participate via our live, television-quality broadcasts of both the Ordination Mass and First Mass. We were especially pleased to be able to provide the broadcasts for Fr. Paolo's family members in Colombia (including his grandmother) and in Italy.



Newly ordained Paulist Fr. Paolo Puccini and Austin Bishop Joe Vásquez (center) with Fr. Paolo's parents, sister, brother and sister-in-law following the Ordination Mass on July 25.



Paulist Fr. Eric Andrews appears via video at the Ordination Mass on July 25.

Fr. Rich so exemplified the Paulist charisms of welcome, outreach, mercy, and inclusion.

His sudden loss is still profoundly felt by the novice classes he shepherded, including Fr. Paolo's novice class. While you pray for the repose of the soul of Fr. Rich, please ask you to also pray for the novices Fr. Rich was guiding this year: **Ben Chisholm, Noah Ismael and Chris Malano.** (This wonderful trio is slated to make their first promises this autumn!)

Even in these difficult times, we are called to trust in the Lord and have hope that all adversity will lead to new life.

In that spirit, we are more focused than ever on our goal to build a new, right-sized **Paulist House of Mission and Studies** in Washington, D.C., that will be a home for our seminarians, novices, formation team, and the offices of Paulist Evangelization Ministries and Landings International. This new building will be built on land we own adjacent to our former seminary building.

I am pleased to announce that we will break ground for the new building this fall!

The creation of our new House of Mission and Studies is the heart of our comprehensive fundraising campaign, "Hope for the Future." Mindful of the personal losses suffered by so many during the pandemic, the campaign has been on pause since the spring. But, as the "new normal" of 2020 has settled in, we are restarting this important effort.

To learn much more, please visit: paulist.org/future. If you are financially able to make a gift or a pledge to the campaign at this time, we would be very grateful for your support.

If you would like to make a memorial gift in honor of Fr. Rich that will be used to create spaces for novices in the new House of Mission and Studies, please visit: paulist.org/FrRichMemorial.

May the God of all mercies and the healing power of his Son Jesus be with you all!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Eric

Fr. Eric Andrews, C.S.P.
President, The Paulist Fathers

sity of Texas. Not only will he feel at home, but he will be able to easily connect with parishioners, especially the many young adults who worship there.

Staying connected to each other, and to all of you, has been our highest priority during the pandemic.

This was critically important during the outbreak of the coronavirus at St. Joseph's Seminary in Washington, D.C. (where our formation community is in temporary residence). Five Paulists were impacted by the outbreak at the seminary, including Paulist Fr. Richard Colgan, our esteemed and beloved director of novices. The virus took Fr. Rich's life on May 25.

We are so grateful for the outpouring of prayers and support we received on June 5 and June 6 during Fr. Rich's unique and heartfelt virtual wake, Funeral Mass and burial.



Fr. Rich with the 2019 Paulist Novices.



To make a contribution, please use the enclosed envelope or visit: paulist.org/give



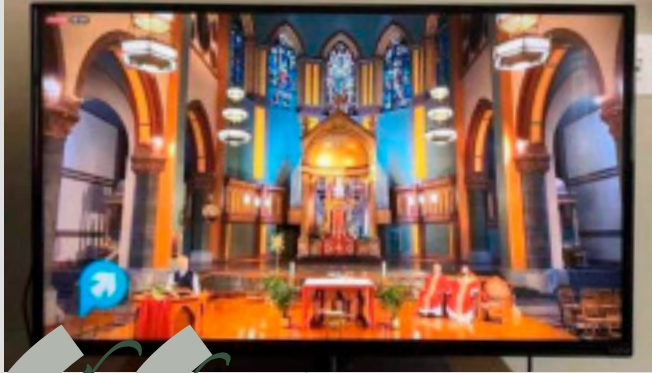
"Silver Lining in This Cloud": Online Masses

As the COVID-19 pandemic reaches its sixth month in the United States, the Paulist Fathers continue to offer numerous Masses online each day.

The daily Mass broadcasts begin in the wee hours with the morning liturgy from St. Patrick's Catholic American Parish in Rome and conclude with the 12:10 p.m. (Pacific) Mass at Newman Hall - Holy Spirit Parish in Berkeley, CA.

On Sundays, Paulist Fathers offer approximately 15 online Masses. They begin with the 9 a.m. Masses at Old St. Mary's Church in Chicago and Immaculate Conception Church in Knoxville, TN, and continue to the 5 p.m. Mass at the Church of St. Paul the Apostle in New York City.

For a list of our online Mass locations and times, please visit: paulist.org/WatchMass



Thank You **Fr. Joe Ciccone!! We really loved hearing your message. I just want you to know that you are well loved by some Buckeyes, my three children who are all either alumni or students of The Ohio State University. We turned onto the Church of St Paul the Apostle during the quarantine because of this reason. It truly has been such a gift. As a mom, being able to share Mass with my children while I am in PA, one is in CT, one in OH and one in PA, has been a silver lining in this cloud. Anyway, just wanted you to know that you are loved, you have touched these young people and that we are watching! Your Paulist brothers are all fantastic and genuine and helping us through this pandemic.**
— *Jean Overstrom*, May 22, 2020



Remembering Regis Philbin

Famed television host Regis Philbin entered eternal life on July 24, 2020, at the age of 88. Regis was baptized at our mother church, the Church of St. Paul the Apostle in New York City.

We have fond memories of the night in December, 2013, when Regis proclaimed the Scripture passages during "A New York Christmas to Remember" at St. Paul's. It was an evening of carols, puppetry and more that was broadcast on CBS on Christmas Eve that year.

That night, after Regis was introduced, he said:

I just wanted to tell you how happy I am to be able to do this tonight. You know, my mother was born on 59th Street and this was her Church. And, all through her life, even though we moved away, she would say to me, 'Those Paulist priests were the best we ever met.' And she loved them all very much. Just for your information, I was baptized in that font back there. I couldn't get in it tonight but I took a good, long look at it.

— *Regis Philbin*

Regis Philbin in December, 2013, at "A New York Christmas to Remember"



Photos by Tom Walton.