College student documents monastic life, creates iPad application

Western Kentucky University photojournalism graduate Sam Oldenburg of Owatonna, MN, recently spent three and a half months completing a capstone multimedia project on the monastic community at Saint Meinrad.

Oldenburg says the idea for the project came from the growth he saw while living in an apartment with four other men at WKU’s Catholic Campus Center.

“I wanted to look at what an experience like what I had and valued would look like on a larger scale,” says Oldenburg.

He began talking with Br. John Mark Falkenhain, OSB, in February and, after the project was approved, he made three visits to Saint Meinrad to document the daily life of the monastic community.

“The community welcomed me with open arms and overwhelming hospitality,” says Oldenburg. “From Br. Zachary giving haircuts to Fr. Germain working in the wood shop, Br. Martin molding ceramics, or the novices brewing beer and cleaning toilets – all of the men were willing to share their stories and their time with me.”

The project is presented as an Apple iPad app and includes 21 short stories at different locations throughout the grounds, 26 minutes of audio, 76 pictures and four videos.

“It is my hope that people who use the Brothers app will come away from it with not only a better understanding of monastic life, but also with an appreciation for how all of us can be living out Benedictine values in our daily lives,” says Oldenburg.

To view the project, search for the Brothers app in the iTunes App Store or visit www.samoldenburg.com/brothers

Oldenburg graduated from WKU in May and plans to seek employment as a picture editor or a student media advisor.
Monks’ Personals

Fr. Timothy Sweeney will begin a one-year appointment as sacramental minister of St. Isidore Parish, Bristow, IN, beginning July 3, 2013.

Fr. Guy Mansini returns to the monastery from serving as pastor of St. Isidore Parish, Bristow, IN. He continues as professor of systematic theology in the Seminary and School of Theology and as abbey forester.

Fr. Barnabas Gillespie is assigned as an adjunct priest for St. Meinrad Parish and St. Boniface Parish, Fulda, beginning August 13. He will be the regular sacramental assistant for Fr. Anthony Vinson when he needs to be absent.

Fr. Anthony Vinson will become the director of pastoral formation in the Seminary and School of Theology, beginning in the fall semester. He will remain as pastor of St. Meinrad Parish and St. Boniface Parish, Fulda.

Br. John Mark Falkenhain presented at the May regional meeting of the National Religious Vocation Conference on interviewing for vocation director.

Fr. Columba Kelly gave a workshop on chant at The Ascending Voice III, an international symposium and choral festival of sacred a cappella music, held May 9-11 in Malibu, CA.

Br. Silas Henderson and Br. John Mark Falkenhain also attended and sang at one of the Vespers services.

Fr. Mark O’Keefe will serve as pro prior while Fr. Prior Kurt Stasiak is on sabbatical from July to November.

Archabbot Justin DuVall gave a presentation on Benedictine spirituality as part of a series of lectures at Corpus Christi Parish at the University of Toledo on April 22.

Br. John Mark Falkenhain will be presenting the monastic study days at the Benedictine Monastery of Pannonhalma, Hungary, in August. His presentations will be on research on perseverance in priesthood and monastic life with implications for initial and ongoing formation.

Br. Terence Griffin dies on May 5

Br. Terence Griffin, OSB, a monk of Saint Meinrad Archabbey, died on May 5, 2013, in the monastery infirmary. He was 84. He was a jubilarian of profession and a participant in the Rush Religious Study on Aging and Alzheimer’s.

Surviving are two sisters.

Br. Terence was born in Bellevue, PA, on February 15, 1929, to Dennis and Julia (Rodgers) Griffin. He was given the name Daniel Rodgers at his baptism. He attended North Catholic High School in Pittsburgh, PA, and then attended Robert Morris Business School, affiliated with Duquesne University.

Before joining the monastery, he worked at the Pittsburgh Forging Company in Coraopolis, PA, for four years, and at the Pittsburgh Coke and Chemical Company in Neville Island, PA, for the next five years.

Br. Terence was invested as a novice in 1959, professed his simple vows on May 7, 1960, and his perpetual vows in 1963.

His assignments included 17 years as an assistant in Saint Meinrad’s Business Office and seven years working with the comptroller of Abbey Press.

It was during this time that Br. Terence began to be a familiar figure at the Chapel of our Lady of Monte Cassino, located a mile north of the monastery. During the Sundays of May and October each year, he would faithfully assure that microphones were plugged in, song sheets were distributed, and the monk giving the homily that Sunday knew exactly when and where to deliver his message.

In 1984, he began what amounted to a second career, working as an assistant and general factotum in the monastery’s Health Services and Infirmary. An entire generation of monks benefited from his gentle, quiet care and attention. Indeed, even when not officially on duty or specifically assigned, Br. Terence...
would often be seen carrying meal trays, picking up laundry, and helping with various odds and ends.

In 2001, while continuing to work in the infirmary, Br. Terence began assisting with the newly established Abbey Caskets. Again, he proved himself a tireless and faithful servant, managing clerical details and often transporting caskets to local funeral homes.

He had also served on the Abbot’s Council and as assistant secretary of Saint Meinrad Archabbey Corporation.

He was known and admired for his beautiful tenor’s voice, which was often part of a three- or four-part harmony. His duties in church were not limited to his voice, for even though many of our guests could not sing as well as he, he made sure they were supplied with hymn sheets and worship aids.

The funeral Mass was celebrated on May 8, followed by burial in the Archabbey Cemetery.

Archbishop Emeritus Daniel Buechlein honored

Archbishop Emeritus Daniel Buechlein, OSB, of Saint Meinrad Archabbey, was honored on April 21 for founding Bishop Simon Bruté College Seminary.

In 2004, then-Archbishop Daniel established the seminary on the campus of Marian University in Indianapolis at a time when seminaries were being closed across the country. The seminary started with six seminarians and today it has more than 30 from nine dioceses across the United States. It has also moved to a former Carmelite monastery about a mile from Marian University.

On April 21, Indianapolis Archbishop Joseph Tobin, CSsR, honored Archbishop Emeritus Daniel for having the courage and foresight to establish the college. He announced that the seminary’s dining hall, currently under construction, will be named Archbishop Daniel Buechlein Hall at its blessing.

Saint Meinrad Archabbot Justin DuVall, OSB, attended the event, along with the seminarians and faculty of Marian University and supporters of the seminary.

New books written by faculty

A book of hymns for the Liturgy of the Hours in Ordinary Time has been translated from the original Latin by Fr. Harry Hagan, OSB, and Fr. Keith McClellan.

According to the authors of Eternal Glory of the Skies, “These translations build on the poetry of the original text while opening new doors for the Christian imagination. They have been translated in the hope that they will be used in prayer.”

The book is available at The Scholar Shop bookstore, located on the Saint Meinrad campus, or at the website http://store.saintmeinrad.edu.

Fr. Harry, a Benedictine monk of Saint Meinrad Archabbey and a teacher of biblical poetry in the Seminary and School of Theology, translated the hymns for Lauds, Daytime Prayer and Compline.

Fr. Keith, a priest of the Diocese of Gary, IN, and a former editor and author at Saint Meinrad’s Abbey Press, translated the hymns for Vespers.

The cost of the softcover book is $6.95.

In his book, Dr. LaMothe questions the ways in which psychoanalytic and psychodynamic theorists and clinicians have historically relied principally on a two-person psychology to understand psychosocial development and practice.

While this has many benefits, two-person perspectives often overlook a central need and struggle in human life, namely, community. Relying on the Scottish philosopher John Macmurray, Dr. LaMothe carefully defines the concept of community, differentiating it from the notions of sociality and intersubjectivity.

The book was published in May 2013 by Jason Aronson Press.

Eight ordained deacons in April

Eight seminarians studying at Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology received the order of deacon from the Most Rev. Joseph Tobin, archbishop of Indianapolis, in the Archabbey Church on April 6.

The new deacons are Daniel Bedel, David Marcotte, Benjamin Syberg and Timothy Wyciskalla, all of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis; Gwang-Woo (Elijah) Cho and Chul-Min (Michael) Moon, Diocese of Busan, South Korea; Mauricio Abeldano Flores, Diocese of Memphis; and Xavier Raj Yesudasan, Diocese of Palayamkottai, India.

Other members of the fourth-year class were ordained in their respective dioceses.

In the Catholic faith, a deacon can preach, baptize, witness marriages, offer Communion to the sick and aged, and perform other ministerial duties. The newly ordained deacons are transitional deacons, meaning they are preparing for ordination to the priesthood. Many Catholic dioceses also have permanent deacons, who carry out the same role, but are not studying for the priesthood.
Two monks celebrate anniversaries

The Benedictine monks at Saint Meinrad Archabbey celebrated the 25-year jubilee of priesthood ordination for Fr. Julian Peters, OSB, and the 70-year jubilee of monastic profession for resigned Archabbot Bonaventure Knaebel, OSB, on May 26.

Fr. Julian is a native of Toledo, OH. He earned a bachelor’s degree from Saint Meinrad College in 1982 and entered the monastery that year.

He made his first profession on August 6, 1983, and professed solemn vows on August 15, 1986. After earning a Master of Divinity from Saint Meinrad School of Theology, he was ordained a priest on May 7, 1988.

Fr. Julian did graduate studies at the University of Notre Dame, earning a Master of Science in administration. Currently, he serves as director of the Permanent Deacon Formation Program and as a formation dean in Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology.

Previously, Fr. Julian served as administrator at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis and the interim director of liturgy in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Office of Worship. He also served as administrative assistant to the president-rector of Saint Meinrad School of Theology, associate dean of students for Saint Meinrad College and director of alumni relations at Saint Meinrad.

Fr. Julian is also an instructor for liturgy practicum, master of ceremonies for liturgies at Saint Meinrad, and secretary to the archabbot, the archabbot’s council and the monastic chapter.

Archabbot Bonaventure was born in New Albany, IN. He professed his monastic vows on August 6, 1938, and was ordained to the priesthood on June 5, 1943.

He attended minor and major seminary at Saint Meinrad, and then earned a Master of Science degree in 1946 from The Catholic University of America. He served as archabbot of the Saint Meinrad community from 1955 to 1966. He was the first Hoosier native to lead the monastery and, at 36, one of the youngest Benedictine abbots.

Currently, he works part time in Saint Meinrad’s Development Office and provides pastoral assistance in local parishes.

Other assignments have included teaching in Saint Meinrad’s high school and college, assistant spiritual director at Saint Meinrad School of Theology, assistant manager at Abbey Press, and eight years as a missionary at Saint Meinrad’s mission in Huaraz, Peru.

Archabbot Bonaventure has served as pastor at Sacred Heart Parish, Jeffersonville, IN, and St. Michael Parish, Charlestown, IN. He has been administrator of the Benedictine monastery in Morelia, Mexico; Corpus Christi Abbey in Sandia, TX; and St. Michael Parish in Bradford, IN. He also served as a chaplain at St. Paul Hermitage, Beech Grove, IN.
Fr. Scott Carroll dies two days after ordination

Fr. Scott R. Carroll, 46, lost his battle with cancer on May 10, just two days after Bishop Leonard P. Blair ordained him a priest for the Diocese of Toledo at the family home in Maumee, OH. Fr. Carroll was a member of this year’s deacon class that graduated on May 11.

Survivors include his father and stepmother, Robert and Connie Carroll; and two brothers, Tim and Patrick Carroll.

Though Fr. Carroll had hoped to be ordained with his four Toledo classmates at the end of June, the severity of his illness was such that the decision was made to ordain him sooner.

Fr. Carroll earned a master’s degree in educational administration from the University of Dayton and a master’s degree in history and a bachelor’s degree in education from the University of Toledo.

Before entering the seminary, Fr. Carroll taught social studies for 18 years at Swanton (Ohio) Middle School. He began his studies at Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in the fall of 2006.

He served his pastoral internship year at Norwalk St. Paul Parish, along with summer assignments at St. Paul and St. Joseph parishes.

He earned a master of arts in Catholic Thought and Life and a Master of Divinity from Saint Meinrad.

The funeral Mass was held on May 14 at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral in Toledo, with burial in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Maumee.
Renovations complete: St. Martin Center and new UnStable now open

Kleber Gym, the yellow brick building below the Archabbey Library, is the newest renovated building on the Hill. The gymnasium has been renamed the St. Martin Center, and the UnStable has moved from Marty Gym into the newly renovated space.

“Only before-and-after photographs can do justice to explain the detail that was taken to make this such a lovely place.”

Pat Clark
Director of Physical Facilities

“[The UnStable] was a gift of the senior class. It was what we were known for,” says Fr. Stephen Lintzenich of St. Mary Catholic Church in Evansville, IN – another member of the class of ’70. “It was just a great gathering place and a lot safer than people going off campus.”

Over the last 43 years, the UnStable has served as a place for students and their guests to get pizza and beer. It had changed very little until April of this year. The 88-year-old Marty Gym was determined to be structurally unsound and so the pub was relocated to the newly renovated St. Martin Center.

In the St. Martin Center, the basketball court on the second level remains. The floor was refinished and relined for basketball, volleyball and badminton. The floor also has a cover so the facility can now be used for banquets with seating for 300 people.
The porch area of the second level was enclosed for additional seating, a bandstand and restrooms for the UnStable.

The lower level of the St. Martin Center is the main location for the UnStable. There is a new kitchen and appliances, a newly refurbished donated pool table, seating and restrooms.

Other notable changes include serving areas on both floors, XM Radio, seven flat-screen plasma TVs, polished stained concrete flooring throughout the building, handicap accessibility on both levels, new electrical services, emergency generator services, addressable fire alarm and sprinkler systems, high efficient modular boilers and HVAC systems, energy-efficient windows and doors, Roman blind window treatments, and LED lighting systems for the interior and exterior.

The exterior of the building features new sidewalks and landscaping, two outdoor charcoal grills, two outside patios, and new parking facilities on the west and north sides of the building.

Although the look and feel of the UnStable has changed, it will still serve as a place where students will create friendships and memories, just as it did for the College Class of 1970.

“It was a lot of hard work, but it was a lot of fun,” says Hess. “It was something I know I was very proud of and I am very proud that it is still in operation.”

The floor of the basketball court on the second level was refinished and relined for basketball, volleyball and badminton. It also has a cover so the room can be used for banquets.
President-Rector Fr. Denis Robinson, OSB, announced several new appointments in the Seminary and School of Theology.

**Fr. Guy Mansini, OSB**, was appointed professor of systematic theology. He has taught in the Saint Meinrad College and Saint Meinrad School of Theology since 1984.

Fr. Guy received a bachelor’s degree from Saint Meinrad College, a Master of Divinity from Saint Meinrad School of Theology, master’s degrees from Indiana University and Marquette University, and a sacred theology degree from Gregorian University. He also serves as the Archabbey’s forester.

**Fr. Anthony Vinson, OSB**, will return to the school staff in the role of director of pastoral formation. He will continue his work as pastor of St. Meinrad and St. Boniface parishes.

Fr. Anthony holds a bachelor’s degree in public relations from Northwest Missouri State University and a Master of Divinity from Saint Meinrad School of Theology.

**Fr. Patrick Cooney, OSB**, will step down as a formation dean this year and will continue teaching canon law.

Fr. Patrick holds a Bachelor of Science degree in electronic technology from Purdue University and a Master of Arts and Master of Divinity from Saint Meinrad School of Theology. Fr. Patrick will continue as manager of the UnStable and Jack’s Coffee Shop.

**Fr. Julian Peters, OSB**, will take up the responsibilities of director of liturgy and chair of the Liturgy Committee. He will continue his work as formation dean, Latin instructor and director of the Permanent Deacon Formation Program.

Fr. Julian earned his bachelor’s degree from Saint Meinrad College and earned a Master of Divinity at Saint Meinrad School of Theology. He completed graduate studies at the University of Notre Dame, earning a Master of Science in nonprofit administration.

**Fr. Dong Uk Kang**, a priest of the Diocese of Busan, South Korea, and an alumnus of Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology, will return and take up new responsibilities as formation dean for the house of St. Luke. He will also be working on a doctorate in preaching.

**Fr. Brendan Moss, OSB**, will take on new responsibilities as a member of the faculty and will step down as director of pastoral formation. He continues his work as director of enrollment and as formation dean.

Fr. Brendan earned a bachelor’s degree in English from Saint Meinrad College and a Master of Divinity degree and certificate in supervision from Saint Meinrad School of Theology. He also holds a Doctorate of Ministry in preaching from Aquinas Institute.

**Br. Jacob Grisley, OSB**, will take up new responsibilities as associate director of Group Accommodations with residence in St. Bede Hall. He will be working with groups and other programs connected to the Group Accommodations office.

Br. Jacob holds a bachelor’s degree in chemistry from Saint Meinrad College. He will continue his work at Abbey Press.

**Dr. Kevin Schemenaur** will join the faculty as assistant professor of moral theology. Dr. Schemenaur was most recently a professor at Marian University in Indianapolis.

Dr. Schemenaur holds a Master of Arts in historical and systematic theology from The Catholic University of America and a doctorate in moral theology/ethics with a minor in philosophy.

**Fr. Joe Moriarty**, a priest of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, will step down as director of spiritual formation and take on the role of associate director of spiritual formation. Fr. Joe has served as director of spiritual formation for the last eight years and as sacramental minister of Our Lady of the Springs Catholic Church in French Lick, IN, and Christ the King Catholic Church in Paoli, IN.

In July, Fr. Joe will begin a new assignment as vice rector of Bishop Simon Bruté College.
Fr. Peter Marshall has been appointed the director of spiritual formation. Fr. Peter graduated from Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology and was ordained in 2009 for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. He also received a certificate in spiritual direction and directed retreats from Creighton University in 2010.

He has served as associate pastor of St. Barnabas Parish and St. Pius X Parish, as administrator of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Parish and chaplain of the St. Joseph of Arimathea Society of the Anglican Ordinariate.

In July, he becomes sacramental minister at Our Lady of the Springs Catholic Church in French Lick, IN, and Christ the King Catholic Church in Paoli, IN.

Sr. Jeana Visel, OSB, a Ferdinand Benedictine sister, has joined the Seminary and School of Theology as the full-time director of assessment and orders documentarian.

Sr. Jeana just completed a Master of Arts degree in religious studies from St. John University, Collegeville. During her time at St. John’s, Sr. Jeana worked in a graduate assistantship in campus ministry as director of faith formation and assistant director of liturgy and worship. She taught high school theology for five years (2006-2011) at Providence High School in Clarksville, IN. From 2007 until 2009, Sr. Jeana was a presenter and spiritual director for Saint Meinrad’s “One Bread, One Cup” youth liturgical leadership conference.

Dr. Tom Walters, professor of religious education, is retiring after 30 years of service to Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology.

Dr. Walters began teaching at Saint Meinrad in 1983. He held the position of academic dean from 1986-1995 and again from 2002-2010.

While at Saint Meinrad, Dr. Walters taught courses on becoming a teacher and educating youth, as well as the American Catholic identity and sharing the light of faith in a media culture. He was considered a professor of catechetics.

His learning and educating did not stop in the classroom. He has completed 16 research surveys and reports since 2006, in the areas of effective catechetical leaders and the spirituality of lay ministers. He has surveyed diocesan directors of religious education and catechetical leaders for various dioceses. Most recently, he conducted a national survey of diocesan vocational directors.

Dr. Walters has contributed to numerous publications in the areas of catechetics and ministry formation and has participated in over 175 workshops or lectures.

He is the 2012 recipient of the C. Albert Koob Merit Award, granted by the National Catholic Educational Association for making a significant contribution to Catholic education. He received the Called and Gifted Award from the Association of Graduate Programs in Ministry in 2007 for outstanding leadership and contributions to graduate ministry education. In 2004, Dr. Walters received the F. Sadlier Dinger Award to honor outstanding leaders in catechetical ministry.

He holds a bachelor’s degree from Our Lady of LaSalette Seminary, a Master of Arts from the University of Detroit, and master’s and doctorate degrees from Wayne State University.

Dr. Walters has been given emeritus status on the school’s faculty and will retain his faculty office.

Sign up for the e-newsletter

If you’d like to receive brief updates on what’s happening at Saint Meinrad, you can sign up for a free e-newsletter. Every few weeks, you will receive a newsletter in your e-mail’s inbox.

To sign up, go to the “Newsletters” link on the bottom of the front page of the website: www.saintmeinrad.edu. Or, send an email to news@saintmeinrad.edu.

The website, On The Hill, is also available on the Web: www.saintmeinrad.edu/onthehill.
Many of Saint Meinrad’s monks work on or near the Archabbey campus, teaching in the Seminary and School of Theology, giving retreats, composing music and doing other work. However, several monks live and work away from the Hill—serving in parishes or doing ministry in other areas.

For more than 10 years, Fr. Edward Linton, OSB, has been pastor of St. James Catholic Church on the near south side of Chicago. In this article, he talks about his ministry there.

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Fr. Edward volunteered for the assignment as pastor after Chicago’s Cardinal Francis George asked then-Archabbot Lambert Reilly, OSB, about providing a Benedictine pastoral presence in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

“As Chicago parishes go, St. James is kind of small. We have about 400 registered parishioners,” says Fr. Edward. But the most apt description of St. James is “diverse.”

The parish is diverse on several levels: ethnically, economically, age-wise. When Fr. Edward arrived in 2002, he found that the parish served a wide range of people and needs. The poorer section of the neighborhood depended on the parish food pantry, students from a nearby college needed campus ministry, and younger families wanted religious education for their kids.

At first, Fr. Edward felt overwhelmed by his assignment, but decided to build on what was already in place. He modeled his approach on that used by his confrere Fr. Eric Lies (†2012), who often worked with other monks on their public reading and speaking. “He never criticized the job you were doing. He always looked for what was good and said, ‘If you want to make that better, this is what I would recommend.’”

He began with the food pantry, which was serving 300 families a month out of a trailer in the church parking lot. “Now we’re serving about 1,600 families in a beautiful building across the street,” he says. “And we’ve been honored two times as being the most outstanding food pantry in the city of Chicago.”

A similar thing happened with campus ministry. “When I came here, there were a couple of students, maybe, who would come to the Mass on Sunday and were involved in the parish,” he recalls. “But there were really no programs that the parish was offering the students.”

Today, about a quarter of the parishioners are college students and the parish has a deacon who serves as a campus minister. Another goal of Fr. Edward’s has been to ensure that the parish embodies a Benedictine character. He’s done this in a couple of ways, beginning with a focus on community.

The large rectory where he lives offered plenty of space, so Fr. Edward invited some young men who were students at the nearby college and active parishioners to live there and form a community.

Together they pray Morning Prayer, attend Mass and eat together. They also pray Evening Prayer as a group once a week.

“This community has really become a strength for the parish, because these young men do so many things I couldn’t do,” Fr. Edward says. They’ve also become a valuable support for him. Several “alumni” of the rectory community have also entered the seminary. “They are studying for the priesthood in Chicago, in Spain and beyond. One has joined the Peace Corps and I have celebrated several of their weddings.” Fr. Edward says proudly. “I know that what they received here at the rectory and from the monks who regularly visit have shaped them immensely.”

In a related venture, he has partnered with St. John’s University, a Benedictine school in Collegeville, MN, to participate in their Benedictine Volunteer Program. Recent graduates of St. John’s volunteer for a year of service in a Benedictine place, which now includes St. James Parish. “These students and the Benedictine volunteers have really helped me establish what I think is a very strong Benedictine presence here.”

Fr. Edward believes he has also brought the Benedictine affinity for organization and order to the parish. St. Benedict wrote a lot about organization in his Rule for monks, he explains. “Because if you’re going to build community, people need to know how they can plug in, how they can get involved.”

A page on the parish website about the food pantry provides a perfect example. Five different volunteer opportunities are listed, each with the duties and time commitment spelled out. There are...
regular occasions to help out and one-time opportunities, such as during the parish’s Thanksgiving Day dinner for senior citizens or the Christmas luncheon for the homeless.

But reaching out to those in need is more than just a list of tasks. “We don’t have a food pantry or a senior ministry just because there’s a need in the neighborhood,” says Fr. Edward. “We have a need to follow Christ. We have a need to live the Gospel.”

Fr. Edward also shares his Benedictine heritage in a personal way, inviting monks to visit the parish. And, a few years ago, he brought a busload of parishioners to Saint Meinrad for the weekend.

“Not only were they overwhelmed by the beauty of the place, but – more than that – they were awestruck by the hospitality,” he says. Perhaps more importantly, they learned that the support of the monastic community is what allows Fr. Edward to minister to a busy, growing parish on the south side of Chicago.

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Books, Saint Meinrad logo shirts, hats, jackets, hoodies and more.
Mr. Richard L. Alexander O’54 (‘45-49), of Carrollton, GA, died on December 16, 2012.

John “Jack” E. Bauer SPH (‘40-41), of Taylorville, IL, died on May 14, 2013.

Deacon Joseph B. Bergen PDP ’03 (‘99-03), of Richmond, VA, died on February 3, 2012.

Mr. Anthony C. Berger O’42 (‘30-31), of Newburgh, IN, died on December 7, 2005.

Mr. Maurice N. Bradford O’55 (‘44-47), of Newton, AL, has died.

Fr. Scott R. Carroll T’13 (‘06-13), of the Diocese of Toledo, died on May 10, 2013.

Mr. Alfred G. Delker O’49 (‘41-44), of Timonium, MD, died on March 5, 2013.


Mr. William C. Holden O’55 (‘47-49), Highland Park, PA, died on December 27, 2012.

Mr. Robert T. Hughes O’64 (‘52-53), of Erie, PA, died on January 13, 2013.

Mr. Clyde J. Kuester O’40 (‘28-36), of Evansville, IN, died on April 11, 2010.


Deacon Raymond K. Linden PDP 03 (‘99-03), of Prince George, VA, died on April 15, 2013.

Mr. Jerome “Jerry” Maag Sr. O’54 (‘42-47), of Kansas City, MO, died on December 21, 2012.

Mr. John “Jack” Mahoney O’70 (‘58-61), of Greenville, SC, died on June 17, 2012.

Fr. Roberto “Chino” Quant T’91 (‘85-91), of the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, died on May 6, 2013.

Mr. Timothy Roemer T’91 (‘86-87), of Highland Park, IL, died on December 19, 2012.

Dr. Patrick J. Ryan O’44 (‘32-38), of Apts, CA, died on March 24, 2013.

Fr. George J. Schroeder O’42 (‘40-42), of the Diocese of Peoria, died on April 11, 2013.

Sr. Estelle Scully, SP, (S’04), of St. Mary-of-the-Woods, IN, died on March 20, 2013.

Mr. John Staid O’75 (‘67-69), of Baton Rouge, LA, died on October 15, 2011.

Mr. Richard Stemle O’59 (‘48-49), of Louisville, KY, died on February 12, 2013.

Mr. John “Jack” Thompson SPH’50 (‘46-50), of Newburgh, IN, died on March 17, 2013.


Mr. Stephen J. Vargo O’71 (‘59-63), of Millersville, MD, died on May 9, 2006.

Mr. Robert F. Will O’67 (‘55-57), of Haubstadt, IN, died on April 5, 2013.

Alumni obituaries are also posted at this link: www.saintmeinrad.edu/alumni/obituaries/.

Alumni will qualify for the mug by making a gift of $200 or more or by making a first-time gift of $100 or more.

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September 5, 2013
Jasper and Lincoln Hills Alumni & Friends Dinner

September 19, 2013
Evansville Area Alumni & Friends Dinner

September 24, 2013
Indianapolis Area Alumni & Friends Dinner

October 17, 2013
NW Ohio Area Alumni & Friends Dinner

October 20-21, 2013
Alumni Board Meeting
Evaluations

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GRADUATION

Matthew Schmitz, Diocese of Crookston;
Zachary Weber, Diocese of Green Bay.

Receiving Master of Arts (Theology) degrees were:
- Jenna Cain, Indianapolis, IN;
- Jeremy Goebel and Melissa McNabb, Evansville, IN;
- Ryan Hillman, Kokomo, IN;
- Joel Padgett, Loogootee, IN;
- Kenneth Stammerman and Andrea Willinger, Louisville, KY;
- Michael Loner, Jasper, IN;
- Gabriel Payne, Lombard, IL.

Receiving Master of Theological Studies degrees were:
- Susan Herrick, Lexington, KY;
- Carley Knapp, Dale, IN;
- Jerome Regan, Franklin, TN;
- Deacon Charles Schauber, New Castle, DE;
- Mary Diane Valentine, St. Peters, MO;
- Jillian Vandermarks, Bloomington, IN;
- Margaret Whitsett, Goshen, KY.

Receiving Master of Arts (Pastoral Theology) degrees were:
- Rev. Hao Nguyen, Diocese of Phan Thiet, Vietnam;
- Amanda Roth, Franklin, IN.

The Seminary and School of Theology also awarded certificates in supervision to Deacon Francis Louis Agnoli, Louisville, KY, and Deacon Alan Carter, Diocese of Lexington, in homiletics; and to Agnes Kovacs, Santa Claus, IN, and Deacon Alan Carter, Diocese of Lexington, in pastoral ministry.

The Most Rev. Patrick Pinder O’79, archbishop of the Archdiocese of Nassau, Bahamas, celebrated Mass the morning of graduation. At left is Emmanuel Udoh of Owensboro.

Seminarians Nick Brown, Christopher Droste, Anthony Mullek and Br. Victor Schninstock, OSB, wait for graduation to begin.

Timothy Santos sings with the Schola during graduation.

Seminarian Robert Healey, Diocese of Tulsa, congratulates classmates on their graduation.

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Fr. Jaime Barona T’98 (’94-98) and Fr. Edward J. Thein O’79 (’71-75) are among the nine priests who were named monsignors in the Archdiocese of Atlanta earlier this year.

Fr. Patrick Beidelman T’98 (’94-98) has been named executive director of the Secretariat for Spiritual Life and Worship in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. He succeeds Charles Gardner O’73 (’65-70), who retired in December.

Deacon Vince Bernardin PDP ’05 (’01-05), Fr. Brian Emmick T’12 (’06-12), Mr. Jeremy Goebel T’15 (’11-13), and Fr. Joseph Ziliak O’62 (’50-58) are among the 10 members of the Diocesan Evangelization Team formed in the Diocese of Evansville.

Mr. Frank Bougher C’88 (’84-88), along with his business partner, John Minnich, is becoming the fourth-generation owner of his family’s business in Fort Wayne, IN – Riegel’s Pipe and Tobacoo.

Fr. William P. Burks T’86 (’81-86), pastor of St. Pius X Church in Louisville, KY, was a 2013 winner of the National Catholic Educational Association’s Distinguished Pastor Award.


Mr. Joe Chandler C’96 (’92-96) is the new principal of Willowridge High School in Houston, TX. He had been serving as principal of Garcia Middle School since 2011.

Mr. Daniel Conway O’75 (’67-75) has written a novel, Father Turiddu: The Savior of the City, about an 81-year-old priest who saves his city from a domestic terrorist threat. It was published by Riverwood Press.

Fr. Jay Davidson O’64 (’52-60), pastor of St. Anthony Catholic Church in Evansville, IN, spoke at the annual rally of Congregations Acting for Justice and Empowerment (CAJE) on March 14.

Deacon Mark H. Desmond O’77 (’73-76) is vice president of mission integration for the Kentucky market of Catholic Health Partners and will lead mission integration at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah, KY.

Ms. Lisabeth Dunman LD’01 (’94-02) is the director of religious education for Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Louisville, KY.

Fr. Jim Farrell O’75 (’67-71), director of Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House and pastor of St. Pius X Parish in Indianapolis, IN, has recorded four CDs of guided meditations to help listeners focus on positive elements in their lives.

Maureen Grant LD’12 (’04-12) married Paul Reichardt on June 16, 2012, and they are living in Indianapolis, IN.

Fr. Bob Gross T’07 (’03-07) is chaplain at Loras College in Dubuque, IA, and vice rector of St. Pius X Seminary there.

Fr. Tim Hepburn T’93 (’88-93), vocations director of the Archdiocese of Atlanta, was a speaker at a healing service held as part of the Eucharistic Congress held in Atlanta May 31-June 1.

Ms. Emily Herr LDC (’11-13), coordinator of religious education and youth minister for St. Joseph Parish, Dale; Mary Help of Christians Parish, Mariah Hill; and St. Nicholas Parish, Santa Claus; was featured in a “People of Faith” profile in The Message, the diocesan newspaper published in Evansville, IN.

Mr. Alan Hoffman O’72 (’60-64) and Mr. Gayle Uebelhor O’65 (’53-61) have been the facilitators for seven core teams involved in the strategic planning process under way in the Diocese of Evansville.

Fr. John Hollowell T’09 (’04-09) was the keynote speaker at the 2013 Sanctity of Life dinner held March 14 in Indianapolis. He is pastor of Annunciation Parish in Brazil, IN, and speaks regularly on the topic in blogs, articles and on YouTube.

Mr. Edward Huff LD’01 (’99-01) is manager of the Pastoral Care Department at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah, KY.

Fr. James Bacik O’62 (’54-56), a senior priest of the Diocese of Toledo, has been named the 2013 recipient of the Rev. Charles Forsyth Award for outstanding leadership in campus ministry.

The Forsyth Award is the most prestigious award the Catholic Campus Ministry Association (CCMA) confers on a campus minister. Fr. Bacik has been a campus minister and adjunct professor of humanities at the University of Toledo for 30 years. He retired as pastor of Toledo Corpus Christi University Parish in July 2012.

While at Corpus Christi, he led various initiatives, such as establishing a chair of Catholic studies at the University of Toledo, overseeing the building of a new church and parish facility, organizing the Christian Leadership Program, and promoting an extensive Christian service program for students and permanent parish members.

The award was presented at the CCMA national convention in January.
Mr. Philip Johnson LD’12 (’08-12), of Monticello, TN, was ordained to the permanent diaconate on April 20 by the Most Rev. David Choby. He is assigned to Good Shepherd Parish in Decherd, TN.

Fr. Carl McCarthy C’91 (’89-91) facilitated a program on Catholicism at SS. Joseph and Paul Catholic Church in Owensboro, KY.

Fr. Josh McCarty T’09 (’04-09), of the Diocese of Owensboro, gave a presentation on “Media and the New Evangelization” at the 25th RSVP Vocation Appreciation dinner, hosted by the Knights of Columbus in Washington, IN.

Mr. Joseph Miller O’75 (’67-71) is a registered nurse and case manager at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis, IN.

Fr. Glenn O’Connor O’80 (’74-80), of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, gave the invocation at the April 21 Toyota Grand Prix of Long Beach race.

Deacon Michael O’Keefe O’74 (’65-74) is pastoral associate at St. Athanasius Parish in Roseville, MI.

Fr. Thomas Petri, OP C’00 (’96-97), of Washington, D.C., is vice president and academic dean of the pontifical faculty of the Immaculate Conception School of Theology at the Dominican House of Studies.

Dr. Michael Prosser O’61 (’51-54), of Charlottesville, VA, has authored Social Media in Asia, which will be published in 2013 by Dignity Press. He also co-edited Finding Cross-cultural Common Ground, which was published by Dignity Press this year. Several of his other books have been translated into Chinese and published there.

Fr. Christopher Rhodes T’12 (’05-08), associate pastor of the Basilica of St. Joseph Proto-Cathedral in Bardstown, KY, was a speaker at the March 16 day of reflection celebrating Black Catholic faith and culture, sponsored by the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. He also serves as a chaplain for the Kentucky Army National Guard.

The Most Rev. David L. Ricken O’80 (’76-77), of the Diocese of Green Bay, conducted a blessing of animals and farm implements at St. Edward Church in Mackville on March 21.

Msgr. Steven Rohlfis O’76 (’68-71), a priest of the Diocese of Peoria and rector of Mount St. Mary’s Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD, was elevated to the rank of protonotary apostolic by Pope Benedict XVI in February.

Dr. Steven Schoen C’86 (’84-86) is an assistant professor in the Communication Arts Department at Florida International University in Miami.

Fr. Donald Senior, CP, O’67 (’65-67) has retired as president of Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, where he served for 23 years. He plans to return to the faculty to teach.

Fr. Richard Sparks, CSP, O’76 (’68-72, ’95) moved to San Francisco, CA, in January, where he serves on the staff of Old St. Mary’s Cathedral in San Francisco and does parish missions, workshops and retreats.

Sr. Mary Lois Speaks, OSU, SS’84 (’73-84) is celebrating 50 years as an Ursuline Sister of Mount Saint Joseph, Maple Mount, KY. She provides spiritual direction and outreach in the Raywick, KY, area.

Dr. C. Carney Strange O’73 (’61-69) has been named professor emeritus at Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH, where he has been a member of the Higher Education and Student Affairs faculty since 1978.

Fr. Frank Torres O’81 (’74-76) gave a presentation on the history of the papacy at a Lenten program on March 13 at St. Mary of the Lake Parish in Gary, IN.

Fr. Daniel Whelan T’04 (’93-03) and Fr. James Bromwich T’98 (’93-96), priests of the Archdiocese of Louisville, are Sons of St. Philip Neri in Fort Wayne, IN, a community working toward oratory status. The Sons of St. Philip Neri is a private association of Catholic faithful with a juridic personality with intentions of someday becoming an oratory recognized by the pope. Both priests are chaplains at St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Fr. Bob Williams O’68 (’62-68; 71), pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Delphi, IN, recently traveled to Central America for a 10-day pilgrimage to shrines of martyrs of the Salvadoran Civil War. He was also nominated for the 2012 Person of the Year award given by the Anderson newspaper, The Herald Bulletin.

Fr. Michael Yadron O’82 (’74-76), pastor of St. Thomas More Parish in Munster, IN, gave a Lenten mission in March for the Merrillville cluster parishes.

Dcn. Frank J. Zolinski C’72 (’68-72) was ordained to the permanent diaconate by the Most Rev. Dale Melczek on June 1 at Holy Angels Catholic in Gary, IN.

Alumni: What’s new?

Have you done service with your parish or in your community? Went on a trip with classmates? Received an award? Produced a piece of art? Ministered to high school or college students in a unique way?

The Alumni Board and Alumni Office encourage alumni to share their stories and what they’re doing in their communities. Send us a photo and a brief overview of your story to alumni@saintmeinrad.edu with the subject “Alumni Updates.” Or, mail it to: Saint Meinrad Alumni Office, 200 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad, IN 47577.

All stories will be considered for publication in this newsletter and on Facebook. Thanks for sharing your happenings with us!
49 earn master’s degrees from Saint Meinrad

From left, Andrea Willinger, Joel Padgett, Melissa McNabb, Ryan Hillman, Jeremy Goebel, and Jenna Cain wait to receive their Master of Arts (Theology) degrees.

Graduates of Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology were awarded master’s degrees on May 11. Graduates accepted their diplomas from the Rt. Rev. Justin DuVall, OSB, archabbot of Saint Meinrad Archabbey and chairman of the school’s Board of Trustees.

The graduation address was given by the Most Rev. Patrick Pinder, archbishop of the Archdiocese of Nassau, Bahamas, an alumnus of Saint Meinrad.

Receiving Master of Divinity degrees were:
- Julio Barrera, Diocese of Owensboro;
- Nicholas Brown, Archdiocese of Louisville;
- Alan Carter, Diocese of Lexington;
- Fr. Scott Carroll and Chris Mileski, Diocese of Toledo;
- Christopher Droste, Diocese of Evansville;
- Oswald Ferguson, Archdiocese of Nassau;

Receiving Master of Arts in Catholic Philosophical Studies degrees were:
- Mark Bernhard and John Honiotes, Diocese of Joliet;
- Brandon Bigam, Terrence de Silva and Christopher Larmour, Diocese of Lexington;
- Michael Conner, Archdiocese of Indianapolis;
- Joseph Curry, Diocese of Tulsa;
- Colby Elbert and Joseph Stoverink, Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau;
- David Farrell, Archdiocese of Louisville;
- Stephen Hart, William Burmester and Robert Smith, Diocese of Little Rock;
- John McLaughlin, Diocese of Toledo;
- Edwin Nalagan, Archdiocese of Oklahoma City;
- Jerry Pratt, Diocese of Evansville;

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