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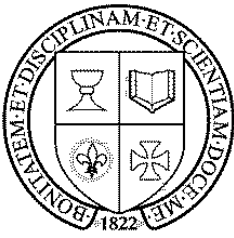
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Greetings from the Superior General and from the Editor of the Annals

Dear Confrères and Basilian Lay Associates:

“Religious communities are called by the Holy Spirit to follow Christ in a special way, each in its own manner: there is a variety of gifts from the one Holy Spirit, and many sorts of service to be done for the one Lord.” (*Basilian Way of Life*, 2)

This introductory passage from our Congregation's basic constitutional document speaks of the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the service done for our Lord. I think this is a fitting way to describe what lies between the covers of our annual publication of the *Basilian Annals*: we see in their contents that the Holy Spirit is powerfully alive within our Community, guiding us in all that we do, and especially all that we do in and through our apostolic ministry. As you read and reflect upon this year's record, I invite you to take a moment to sense the Spirit and work in our lives. For this we give thanks to God. And I thank, on your behalf, Father Jack Hanna CSB, who edited and published this important account of a year in the life of the Basilian Fathers.

Fraternally, in Christ,

George Smith, CSB
Superior General

Dear Brother Basilians and Basilian Lay Associates, Apreciados Hermanos, Chers Confrères,

Here is our yearly record of our ministry, our living and our dying during the year 2013. Our Congregation is truly blest because it was founded by 10 very different individuals. We are still true to the charism of our founders: individuality! This quality, along with a desire to be part of a community, a dedication to prayer and ministry make us who we are. Basilians are not cut from one mold and that is the blessing of being part of this remarkable religious family. Read through the following pages and you will know this is true. It was a pleasure to put this booklet together. Espero que pasen un rato agradable repasando los *Anales Basilianos* de 2013. J'espère que vous apprécierez la lecture des *Annales* des Prêtres de Saint Basile de 2013.

In the Lord's peace,

Jack Hanna, CSB
Secretary / Treasurer General

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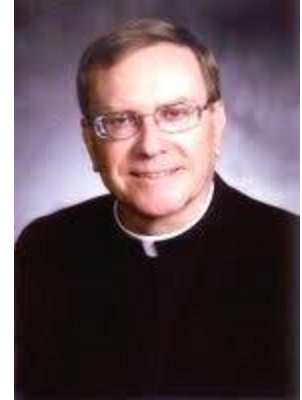
Professed September 15, 1963

As the only one remaining from the Canadian Novitiate class of 1962/63, I feel a trifle exposed in looking back over the time between then and now. So let me limit what I want to say to three very brief statements:

The first is that I have had a wonderfully happy life as a Basilian and want to thank you all, my confrères, for your kindness and for the openness and generosity which you have shown me from the first day I crossed the threshold of the novitiate in September of 1962 until now.

The second is that over all these years I have been acutely aware of my own failures and shortcomings as a Basilian - now more than ever - both in the work which was given me to do in the community and in the living of our common life. I ask pardon from each and every one of you for any disappointment or injustice you may ever have suffered from "what I have done or what I have failed to do".

The last is simply to express my gratitude to you, my God, for the grace of inviting me through your Spirit "to know you, the one true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent".



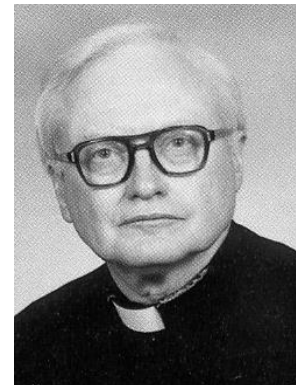
Leo Dennis Burns, CSB

Professed August 15, 1953

Looking back over the past 80 years of my life, one can see the grace and the hand of God in drawing me and guiding me to join the Basilians.

I thank God for the wonderful faith-filled parents and grandparents who taught me by word and by example to know, love and serve God and to put that faith and love of God into practice by family prayers, Mass attendance and a generous service of God through our Catholic community and through others.

In 1940 I enrolled in St. Francis de Sales parish and school in Detroit where we enjoyed the ministry of dedicated and holy priests and the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary who taught the Catholic faith, principles and life by word and example. They encouraged the students to consider the priesthood and religious life. I admired and loved them very much as models of religious life who were excellent and caring Catholic teachers.



My mother and my uncle were Catholic teachers who demonstrated for me that teaching young people was a noble and worthwhile vocation. They showed me that it was important to dedicate one's life, time and energy to passing on the acquired wisdom of the past and, at the same time, challenging the young people to know, love and serve God, his Church and especially Christ in our neighbors.

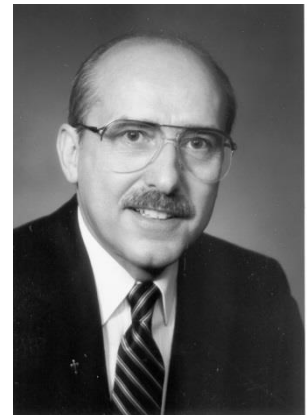
All of these subtle and barely discernible promptings, attractions and inclinations of divine grace which I experienced during my elementary school days seemed to coalesce in my life during my days at Assumption College School in Windsor. Here I found a group of dedicated and happy Catholic men committed to serving God, his Church and his people as Catholic priest-teachers. They enjoyed their Catholic faith and their vocations as Catholic teachers, handing on the values and ideals that Jesus had come on earth to give to his people. These priest-teachers cared especially for the Catholic youth, the leaders of the Church and of Society in the years to come. These men were the Basilian priests and scholastics. These were the men I came to admire because of their Catholic ideals and lifestyle. These were men who seemed to embody and live the values, the ideals, the faith and the goals that I had been hoping to live, cherish and imitate. These were the men who drew me to join the Basilians.

James Neil Carruthers, CSB

Professed August 15, 1953

Ordained December 15, 1963

I was born in Windsor, ON on February 7, 1935 and baptized at Holy Name of Mary Church. I attended Sacred Heart School under the direction of the Sisters of St. Joseph of London. I met the Basilians at Assumption High School and in 1952 entered the novitiate at Rochester, N.Y. There were eight from Assumption who entered that year including Ernie Vadnais, Bud Pare and Leo Burns. After that year, I was appointed to Assumption University of Windsor for my undergraduate years. After graduation, I stayed on to teach at Assumption High School for three years.



The next years were filled with surprises – first year theology at the Grand Seminaire de Quebec, second and third year at the Seminaire St. Sulpice in Paris (opening the Maison St. Basile with Father Wally Platt as Superior was historic and an enriching life experience), and one year at the Faculty of Theology of St. Michael's College for ordination on December 15, 1963 in St. Basil's Church. We were thirteen in the class and the last group to be ordained as a class. Archbishop George Flahiff was the ordaining Bishop.

The teaching years – twelve at St. Michael's College School (French) ten at the Faculty of Theology, University of St. Michael's College with classes at the Faculty of Education, University of Toronto (Theology and Religious Studies) and ten at the Institute of Pastoral Education and Ministry at Assumption University (Pastoral Theology). For six years, I was part of the Basilian Institute of Spirituality founded to preach retreats and give theological updating courses.

I was elected to the General Council as Regional Representative in 1992 to replace Frank McCabe who was dying of cancer. At the Chapter of 1993, I was re-elected as Regional Representative and in 1997 as Second Councillor. It was a privilege to serve in both capacities.

After retiring from teaching and serving on Council, I worked in various ministries, mainly preaching retreats and parish missions. In 2010, I was asked to serve as Superior of Anglin House. This was the most rewarding and challenging ministry of my Basilian life.

It has been a very good life and I want to thank the confrères for making it so.

Mario O. D'Souza CSB

Professed August 2, 1988

Autobiography can be the alluring field where the unrestrained seeds of the ego can bloom merrily, reminding me of Steinbeck's aphorism, in *East of Eden*, "show me the man who isn't interested in discussing himself; show me!" The invitation to religious autobiography should be bracketed, on the one end, by recalling the chilling contingency of one's own sinfulness, and, by the redemptive mystery of God's grace, on the other.



I joined the Congregation in 1984, associated with the Basilian Fathers of Calgary. The fact that that house, indeed any Basilian presence in Calgary, is no more is a cause of great sadness. And yet, religious life is undoubtedly a sub-pilgrimage of the Christian life; we acknowledge the markers of that journey, but we must not look back. While Strawberry Island and I never really *bonded*, it was the site, mosquitoes and bats notwithstanding, of enduring friendships. I remember one year, David Zapalac and I were paired as *sharing partners*, and as the terms of reference were rather fluid, I brought our eagerness to a screeching halt by declaring, quite truthfully, that I had to go and iron my shirts. Strawberry Island gave us, who did not have the benefit of having been undergraduates' together, memories that have endured.

Basilians confirm that we don't tend to celebrate ourselves, that we are slow with the proverbial horn; that is surely one of our strengths, and what attracted me to the Congregation. I recall the first day that I arrived at the University of St. Michael's College in late August of 1984, to live there while studying at the University of Toronto. That first evening, I joined the house for evening prayer. Cardinal Flahiff was in residence, and I knew who he was. At the end of prayers, each Basilian came up and introduced himself—there were three canonical houses on that campus—and so did Cardinal Flahiff, who introduced himself as "Father Flahiff." While I always addressed him as, "Your Eminence," that act of holy simplicity moved me greatly.

Anniversaries are about time, and time sets its own terms. The loss of a younger brother during this time has dimmed the sun's brightness somewhat, and taken away some of its warmth. But this pilgrimage of religious life continues in God's time, where joys and sorrows are inextricably woven together, and where one strives, in Cardinal Newman's words for the Christian disposition, where, "our duty and our pleasure are the same, when what is right and true is natural to us, and in which God's service is perfect freedom."

Michael John Anthony Fallona, CSB

Professed September 1, 1963

There was a crooked man, and he went a crooked mile;
He found a crooked sixpence against a crooked stile;
He bought a crooked cat, which caught a crooked mouse;
And they all lived together in a little crooked house.

Anonymous nursery rhyme in *Mother Goose Tales*, 1765

The first line, plus the five "crookeds," pretty well describe, at least in its latter course, my becoming a Basilian priest. From very early on, my goal in life was to be a priest. Although I might have chosen differently, I never did: not in the beginning, nor the middle, nor the end.



My parents, both high school teachers in London Ontario, were very happy and supportive when I first broke the news. My siblings were, or would all become, scientists, following my parents' vocation. My parents had me baptized "Michael," but I was not (or at least was not regarded as) an angel, much less an archangel!

So on to an Honors BA in Philosophy at the University of Western Ontario and beginning Theology at St. Peter's Seminary, also in London. Nearing the end of two years: uncertainty! Father McCorkell at PIMS would accept me for an MA there. But that was not to be.

I knew of the Basilians and that they were teachers since as Father Joe O'Donnell, CSB was a Londoner. Fathers Wey and Coughlin suggested that I live at 95 St. Joseph Street continuing my theology in 1961–1962. Then I entered the Basilian novitiate with first profession September 1, 1963 at Pontiac MI. I spent two years as a scholastic teaching at SMCS, on to finish Theology and an MA (Theology) from USMC in the U of T and Ordination July 3, 1967 (Bishop Nelligan at St. Michael's, London.)

Throughout our lives as Basilians, we regularly encounter crooked miles. For example, despite serious illness (a crooked mile), with Father Jack Gallagher (advisor) and Father Wilfred Dore (encourager), I completed a Ph.D. in Theology from USMC in the University of Toronto. The grace of God and the prayerful support of my confrères made another crooked mile straight.

This is not meant to be a biography but the road which, for me began straight and smooth, became crooked somewhat. Eventually however, with prayers, and by the grace of God I still here. God and the prayers of confrères carried me through the straight miles even early on, and the later crooked miles. For this I am very grateful to Him and to all who supported me and continue to support me.

I know that there are some young, and not so young, men who are perhaps “crooked men” right now walking a more or less “crooked mile” as they pursue their desire and their goal to become Basilian priests. With God, we will not fail them!

Robert H. Glass, CSB

Professed August 15, 1963

The last 50 years have gone by quite fast. Almost all of my appointments have been a joy, but especially my days at St. Thomas High School. Living in community life has been enjoyable especially with the change to smaller communities. I find I am challenged in smaller communities — it’s harder to hide. Community life continues to be challenging, even more so since I was appointed Superior of the St. Thomas High School house 5 years ago.

After 46 years of teaching, I am no longer in the classroom. I have shifted to the post of Assistant Dean of Students, a job I really enjoy. While I am still working with students and that is what I love, I have come to realize it was time for me to leave the classroom.

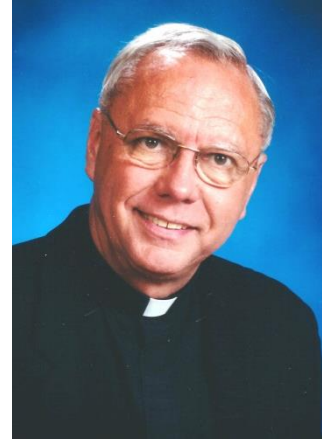
I am reflecting on all the things that have happened in my life. Seeing former students and their sons reinforces my opinion of the importance of the Basilian apostolate in the classroom. I am a better prayer now than I was earlier in my life, but I am still not very good and am still working on that.

The Basilians have been ministering for 114 years in Houston; this ministry is paying great dividends to the Church and to city of Houston. I am honored to have played a part in that story. God willing I will have several more years to serve.



Jack Haldeman Hanna, CSB

Professed September 15, 1963



My Basilian vocation began with my family and it was nurtured at St. Rose of Lima Parish and School in Houston, TX. At St. Rose, I came in contact with the parish priests and I was taught by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet; both the priests and the sisters taught by example and made me think that being a priest and a religious was a fairly happy way of life. On Sundays, Basilian priests from St. Thomas High School came to St. Rose to assist the parish priests and that is how I first met the Basilians. Father John Sheehan, CSB was a regular at our Sunday masses; my parents liked him and so did I.

When it came time for high school my parents wanted me to go to St. Thomas and so that it what I did. It was a fortunate decision for me. At St. Thomas I made some life-long friends and I met some wonderful Basilians who were my teachers. I was taught by Walter Scott,, Bob Duggan (*"The quality of mercy is not strained ..."*), Jim Jordan, Bill Sheehan (*he taught me Geometry, the only math I ever really understood*), Bob Matzinger, Bob Power and Jim Wilson (*they gave me my start in Spanish*), Don Cooper, Wilf Canning (*"O tempora, O mores ..."*), Jack Wick (*Is that a true story?*), Carl Belisch and Jim Farge (*my debate coaches*) and many others. By the time I was a senior, I had decided that I wanted to be a Basilian.

When it came time for me to graduate, my family still owed some money for my tuition. Father Carl "Bucky" Allnoch called me into his office. He knew that I had been accepted to go to the novitiate and so he made a deal with me. He told me that if I worked in the summer and paid off some of the tuition, that would be enough. But he made me promise that I would come back to St. Thomas as a Basilian and teach there. I thought that this was a good deal and, naturally, I said that I would do that. I taught as a scholastic at Andrean High School in Merrillville, IN and later I taught Spanish and served as Campus Ministry for 9 years at the University of St. Thomas in Houston TX. Finally, true to my promise to Bucky Allnoch, I taught at St. Thomas High School for 30 great years.

I have had some personal difficulties during my time in the Basilians and, without fail, the Basilian General Council and individual members of the Congregation have supported me and shown me compassion and understanding. In 2013, I was asked to take on the task of being Secretary / Treasurer General and this was another gift from the General Council and the Congregation to me. I have been blest to have spent 50 years as a Basilian. I thank God for his love and his mercy.

Howard Joseph Keon, CSB

Professed August 15, 1953

I was finishing my final two years in Aeronautical Engineering at the University of Toronto from 1945 to 1947 while staying at Teefy Hall at St. Michael's College while my brother Jim was a Basilian staying at the old St. Basil's Seminary on St. Mary's Street. Often we went out for walks and I asked him about Basilian life and what he did. I was interested in the spiritual side of his life, his prayers and so forth.



In the summer of 1951 both of us were on holidays at home in Owen Sound at the same time and went for walks every day. One day, out of the blue, Jim told me, "I think you should become a priest." He wanted me to enter the Novitiate a few weeks later on August 5, 1951. I thought this was a good idea but I couldn't because I was still a member of the Canadian Air Force. While in Owen Sound for Christmas in 1951 I met a girl I had gone out with and explained that our relationship was all over. When I got back to Camp Borden I spoke to the priest who was the Catholic chaplain. He said he would see what he could do in getting me out of the Air Force. He was able to accomplish this in mid-March 1952. I applied and was accepted into the Novitiate August 5, 1952. In the meantime I attended Jim's ordination on June 29, 1952. I was almost 32 years of age when I entered the Novitiate, and I thought I might have some difficulties because of my age.

This was not the case. I enjoyed the Novitiate very much because it seemed to me that I was starting life all over again. I could have stayed there the rest of my life. I had come to realize that before this I was not satisfied with my life which didn't seem to be very good at all. My novice master, Father John McGuire was born and raised in Owen Sound where I lived from the age of three. This was another reason why I felt right at home there.

I made my first profession of vows with the Basilian Fathers on August 15, 1953, 60 years ago. After teaching at Assumption High School in Windsor for one year right after the Novitiate I enjoyed my four years in the Seminary also very much. I had discovered that God had called me to religious life with the Basilian Fathers. This is where I was meant to be.

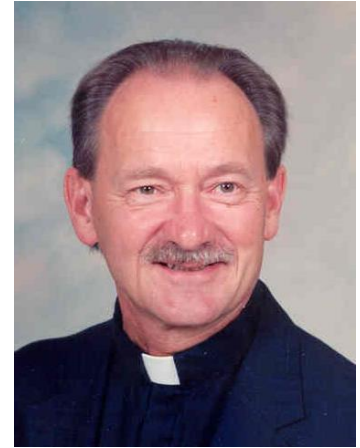
Donald Edmund Kuder, CSB

Professed August 15, 1953

Ordained December 15, 1963

One of my nieces, who was studying Education at the time, asked me: "Uncle Don, what kind of teacher are you?" Without much thought, I simply replied: "A good one."

However, this question returned to me as I began to look back at sixty years of religious life and fifty years of priesthood. But now the question is different: "What kind of priest am I?"



Priesthood really came alive for me in the late 1980's when I realized that priests were needed to live out the Paschal Mystery, not only in their own authentic priestly lives, but also alongside of and within the many burdens of the day. For me, this was expressed by a young man who appeared at my office door one day and, without preamble, simply said: "Father, I have AIDS. Would you please teach me how to pray?"

This young man, Justin, was the first in a long line of people who made it clear to me that Jesus wants to become incarnate not only in our words and actions, but also in our fears and our insecurities. Through priests, God wants nothing more than to embrace the human condition.

So, not only Justin, but also those who followed, presented me with something about which I knew basically nothing: their suffering as human beings. This became the reason for my ordination and my ministry.

What kind of priest am I? I don't feel that I can give a good answer to that question. I will leave the answer to Justin and to others that I have tried to serve.

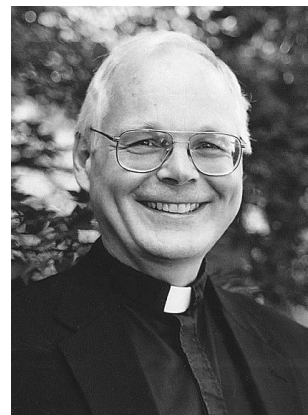
For myself, I can only thank God for the gifts of Profession and Ordination. I thank him, too, for his abiding presence in my life, making possible whatever good I have attempted to do. I ask for his continued presence in my life, in the lives of all Basilians, and in the lives of all men and women everywhere.

Father Donald Kuder, CSB entered eternal life on Saturday, March 1, 2014.

Douglas Lorne Mosey, CSB

Professed August 15, 1963

I was a student at Detroit Catholic Central High School from 1958 to 1962. Almost all of my teachers and athletic coaches were Basilian scholastics or priests. I got to know them well in the classroom and on the athletic fields. They were approachable and were excellent teachers. My admiration for them continued to grow. When I was asked in senior home room to write my after graduation plans, I replied that I would like to become a Basilian priest. I entered the novitiate on August 14th, 1962 and made first profession the following August 15th, the Assumption of Our Lady.



I entered the community at the time of Vatican II. In the novitiate we were encouraged to ask for a copy of the *Missale Romanum* because the Holy Mass would always be celebrated in Latin. Little did any of us realize the great changes that were about to effect the Church and our community. The formation program was changed radically in 1965 and the course of community life has been greatly influence by the Chapter of 1967. While many external things have changed in our community, the fraternal love for one another remains constant.

While I have served “outside the community” for the past twenty years in the work of priestly formation as the president-rector of Holy Apostles College and Seminary, I thank God for the ongoing support and love extended to me by the community. Some 250 priests have been ordained from Holy Apostles over these twenty years for many dioceses and religious communities in the United States and Canada. Our Basilian Founders had a great commitment to the formation of future priests and I am most grateful to God and the community for the opportunity to serve in the spirit of our founders.

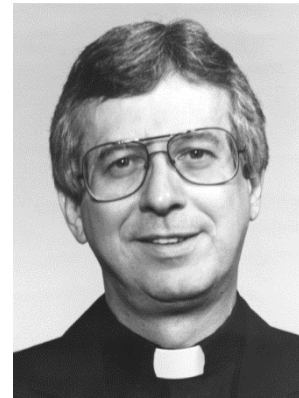
In a very special way I extend my thanks to the Superior Generals and their Councils over these past twenty years for their support and permission to continue in the work to which the Lord has called me. I join with all of you in the continued prayer that God will bless us with many vocations to advance the mission of our community in the many places that we serve so well.

Ulysse Ernest (Bud) Paré, CSB

Professed August 15, 1953

As I look back on my life as a Basilian and as a priest, I see how in Divine Providence, Assumption Church, Assumption High School and Assumption University and the Basilian Fathers have been intertwined in my life.

I was baptized at Assumption Church in Windsor and raised in a house facing the Basilian farm where Father Lajeunesse and the scholastics laboured. I attended Assumption High School before entering the Novitiate in 1952. After a year at St. Michael's High School I was appointed to study Latin, French and Greek at St. Michael's College. I then taught a year at Assumption High School and a year at St. Charles in Sudbury. I was ordained in Windsor after studying Theology in Quebec and Paris.



I then spent nine years at St Thomas More College teaching Biblical Literature, serving as Chaplain and then as Superior until 1977 when I was elected as Second Councillor to the Congregation. In 1981 I was elected Superior General.

Some of the features of my administration as Superior General: I served two years as President of the Canadian Religious Conference; with Jim Hanrahan I co-founded the Basilian Lay Associates; I gathered the Former Basilians into a fellowship that continues until today and it was during my years that the Basilian Apostolate in Columbia came into being.

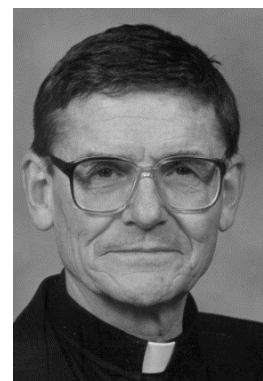
My next appointment in 1981 was to Assumption University as President. There I founded the Institute for Pastoral and Educational Ministry and was Chair of the Board of the University of Windsor for two years. Now I am living a placid and grateful retirement in Windsor. In all of this, I have said "I". Of course I am grateful to each confrere who collaborated, encouraged and supported all of the above. To God be the glory and thanks.

Father Ulysse (Bud) Paré, CSB entered eternal life on Tuesday, March 25, 2014.

Alexander Leo Reilly

Professed September 12, 1953

Over the last sixty years, I have been part of the exciting times that the church has lived through. Karl Rahner called it the diaspora and predicted that Christians would have to be mystics to survive. For me the diaspora has been the stripping away of things that seemed certain and secure. Naiveté would be another name for it.



The year that I was ordained, 1962, was the end of big novitiate classes and the coming of “new breed” Basilians, for whom my newly-ordained status was not particularly impressive. In five years of high school teaching, students wore away at my illusions that I knew everything. A year in Edmonton in 1967 with Bob Montague and Jim Daley provided great relief.

Philosophy has always been my consolation. I was glad when Reg O’Donnell in 1968 took me under his wing to edit an important medieval text. Ten years as a book editor at the Pontifical Institute ended in 1983. Some work in therapy followed. A year at Assumption in 1986 ended with no further prospect.

Then came my translation to the warm, accepting Latino community at Sainte Anne de Detroit where I spent the next twenty-five years. I have kept up my interest in philosophy and hope at age nearly 79 that my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of each day are a continuing part of God’s plan.

Keven Jude Storey, CSB

Professed August 14, 1988

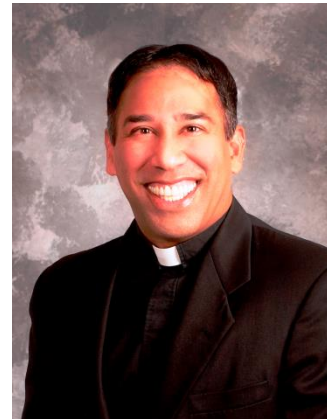
I am surprised that 25 years of vows have passed so quickly. When I was a young student, I was drawn by the ordinary spirituality of the Basilians at Michael Power High School, and I find that continues to be the quality that most people find appealing about the Basilians.

I initially wanted to be a high school math teacher and in my 25 years of vows I have taught math for only 7 years. The other years have been spent in parish ministry, serving in Colombia, in vocation work and now as the president of St. Thomas High School and as a member of the General Council. They have been wonderful years and I have had many wonderful experiences.

I am grateful to the community for seeing qualities and talents in me that I would not have seen in myself. I am intrigued by the increase in vocations in the Houston area over the past few years; this has been a wonderful sign of God’s grace and favor. I know that it is not because I am living any differently than I have lived before or because the Basilian community is any more vibrant than it was a few years ago. I trust that God is blessing us with vocations and that it is our responsibility to use this blessing for the good of the church.

I look forward to the next 25 years and while I don’t have any certain idea of what I will be doing during that time, I believe that I will be as happy and blessed as I have been over the first 25 years.

Thanks be to God.



Joseph Ian Boyd, CSB

Ordained December 15, 1953

Looking back over fifty years as a Basilian priest, I am struck by how little there is to say about it. My vocation was a straight forward matter. Though I expressed an interest in becoming a priest when I was in high school, my father advised me to go to university first. That was the way, he explained, that things were done in his native Nova Scotia, where you did you think of beginning studies for any profession until you had received your Arts degree.



The choice of the Basilian community was a fairly obvious one. Five of my older brothers and sisters had been educated by them. My brother Leo was the exception. After his years in the Canadian army during World War II, he had joined the Oblates. As much as I admired him, that was not my choice. Both of us wanted to be priests. But he wanted to be a missionary, and I wanted to be a teacher.

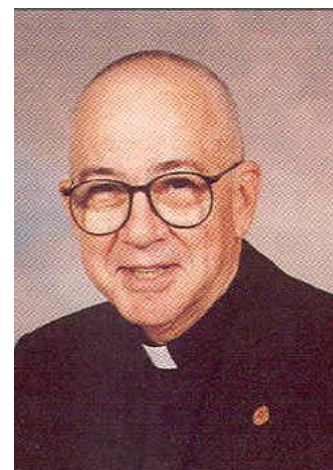
And so it happened. I was ordained in 1963. After completing an M.A. at the University of Toronto, I began to teach at St. Thomas More College in the University of Saskatchewan. Doctoral studies took me to the University of Aberdeen in Scotland, and I then returned to Saskatoon where I taught for some thirty years, before coming to Seton Hall University in New Jersey, where I have been for the last fourteen years.

My main academic interest has always been G.K. Chesterton – I grew up reading him, and my father was a subscriber to Chesterton’s magazine *G.K.’s Weekly*. In 1974 I founded the *Chesterton Review*, and I have been editing that journal ever since. I have always regarded my Chesterton work as an extension of my Basilian vocation as a teacher, and I am grateful to the community for the support which has made that work possible.

Robert William Crooker, CSB

Ordained June 29, 1953

Father George Flahiff, CSB who was a member of the general Council at the time, preached the ordination retreat before we received the subdiaconate. The practice was that retreatants met with the retreat master one-on-one during the course of the retreat. When I met with Father Flahiff, I expressed misgiving that I had entered the Basilians against his advice. The best he could say was, “Well, Bob, I hope I was wrong.” After 60 years I continue to nourish that hope.



As far as my theological training goes, I had hoped to continue my studies specializing in sacramental theology. Father V. L. Kennedy, CSB had encouraged me in this wish, but as young men do, I answered him indiscreetly in a way that led him to conclude my mind was better adapted to the lesser discipline of church law. He then persuaded the Superior General of this. Perhaps this was divine punishment for my being an impetuous young man.

I was ordained in Houston by Bishop W. J. Nod on June 29, 1953 while the 16 non-Texan Basilians were ordained at St. Basil's Church. This was the second last year of the tradition of ordaining Texans in Texas.

After my fourth year of Theology I studied Canon Law at the Gregorian University in Rome from 1954 to 1957. Upon returning to teach canon law at St. Basil's Seminary, I had not finished my thesis after three years. Father Don McNeil, CSB, superior of Michael's College asked me, even though I was formally attached to the Institute, to give one of a monthly series of talks to the gathered confrères. It so happened that Father George Flahiff, the Superior General, heard about this and he called me into his office to lay down the law that I should finish the thesis. He asked me if it would help if he put me under a formal precept of obedience. I said that I was as willing to obey without as with such a precept. He then told me to finish it but not take on any extra tasks except ordinary Sunday work. I did as I was told and was able to wrap up the thesis shortly thereafter.

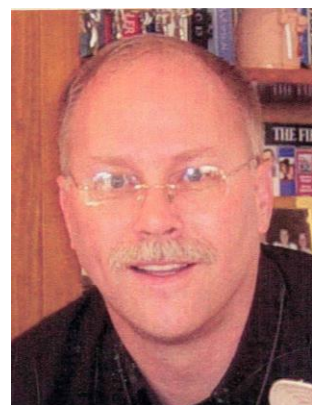
Administering the last sacraments to my mother in 1984 was one of the most meaningful moments of my priestly life. I was able to do this for a woman who had been so important in my life and had done so much for me.

My vision of the priesthood has not changed that much. I still believe what I believed about the priesthood when I was ordained. Something I learned along the way is that especially in religious life, if you want to be happy, you have to be ready for the unexpected. I can honestly say that I have never regretted being ordained, which is a mercy of God, because, sad to say, this is not the case for every priest.

Sean Michael Garrity, CSB

Ordained August 13, 1988

My priestly life began with my father's mysterious dedication to attend Mass. As a child, a teenager and a young adult I learned the Eucharist was a needed experience in my life for personal reflection and expression. As long as I can remember the Celebration of the Eucharist gave me peace. It was always the one experience in my life that brought things together. The priests from my grade school years, the Basilians at St. Pius X High school, Albuquerque and those of Assumption High school, exemplified a true reverence of the Eucharist and the personal relationship priests can have for God's love for his people.



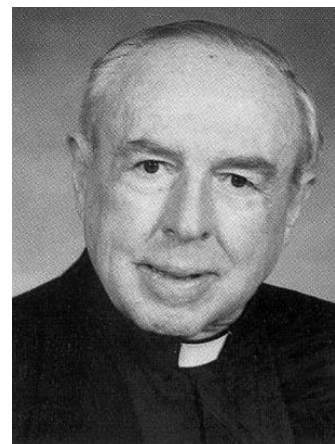
When I was ordained in my home parish of St. Paul of the Cross Parish, Park Ridge, Illinois and Bishop Rodriguez seated me in the presider's chair after ordaining me during the Celebration; it confirmed in me that the Eucharist is to be welcoming and personal. The most significant events of my priesthood are always celebrating the Eucharist with a congregation that expresses a love for the celebration. The Eucharist is evangelization; an intimate expression of one's self and a personal experience of God's love. Living with Father Art Roberts CSB for 11 years were defining years for my identity as a priest. His honesty about life always spilled into his celebration of the Eucharist and into its expression of love for everyone. I strongly identified with his passion, honesty and intimacy that he shared at every Eucharistic celebration, and with his family and friends. I see him and many Basilians of his era as genuinely honest, chaste and holy men; who truly believe in the Eucharist and a life of virtue.

The important assignments of my priestly life may have little importance to some but were life changing for me. My first assignment at St. Theresa's Parish in Sugarland, Texas was unbelievably affirming because of the people. The way I have always been received by the people of God, at every parish I've been blessed to serve, has been amazingly humbling. To be so respected and cared for by so many, when even being a priest I am not worthy to be. I pray to God that he allow me to return their goodness with as much reverence and love as possible in the life I have left to share. Bishop Ramirez CSB showed me more confidence and trust than I ever had in myself and through him I learned about gifts I would never have realized. God uses us even when those who should love us and support us are stuck in the cycle of systemic paradigms that are inhuman and blinding. Our future is dependent on how well we will start loving our brothers and stop participating in the systems within our community that separate us from one another.

George Edward Beaune, CSB

Ordained June 29, 1953

I cannot remember what I wrote ten years ago on my golden jubilee but I want to share some thoughts that have been with me over the past ten years. Most of these thoughts have been with me for 60 years and are the fruit of my nine years in France, three years of Bethany House of Intercession, my involvement in various renewal movements and my daily reading: the Bible, the *Diary of St. Faustina*, and *Our Lady's Words to Priests (M.M.P.)* I am extremely grateful for all the Lord's blessings and I continue to pray daily for perseverance and fidelity until see him face to face.



During the past ten years the devotion and the message of Divine Mercy has been growing in importance and I try to spread it everywhere. Jesus told St. Faustina that she was his secretary and her mission was to prepare the world for his second coming. Jesus gives us the grace to read the signs of

the times and if we have eyes to see and ears to hear we can see that Mary tells us that we are living in the end times and that we must consecrate ourselves to her Immaculate Heart, the only safe refuge. We do not know the day not the hour but we must be prepared every day!

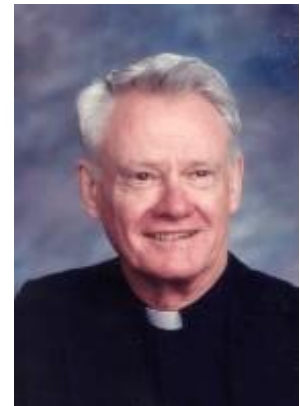
Now, I want to say a word about the future of our Community as I see it. I keep my eyes on Jesus, the perfecter of our Faith and pray for his second Coming (*2 Peter 3*). I pray for the outpouring of his abundant mercy before the extinction of our community and many other communities. Which will come first? I believe that it is his second coming in glory. Maranatha, Come Lord Jesus! In the meantime: "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances. This is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (*1 Thessalonians 5:16*)

Joseph Allan Quinn, CSB

Ordained December 15, 1963

Little did I think that I would have lived so long as to have the opportunity to write this short reflection; little did I realize how rich and meaningful my life would be and continues to be.

I will begin with the English department at the University of Windsor. It was a great department in which to work. I am particularly grateful for the many summers I was able to spend in England as part of the University's overseas program, for many years as the director of the English section. We began the program at Corpus Christi College, Oxford, and later moved to University College in London. I was amazed then and still am that I was paid a good salary to do what I love to do, read books, go to the theatre, and talk about both. I enjoyed my teaching career, and am grateful to the community for the opportunity it afforded me.



In the 1980s, Jack Dougherty, Bob Howell and I founded Chelsea House as an experiment in a new way to live community life. That was an exciting and challenging time. We formed a close relationship with the local Basilian Lay Associates and opened the facility to minister to others by offering days of reflection, week-end retreats and other programs. Bob Howell left Chelsea House to go to the seminary as spiritual director. With the untimely death of Jack Dougherty it was decided to sell the property. I regret the passing of Chelsea House, but I am appreciative to have been a part of its all too brief history.

I retired from the English department in 1993 and almost immediately was asked by Bob Barringer to be a part of the leadership team for the Basilian synod. During the three years of the synod process I worked daily with Dick Elmer and Ray Schulte. It was an exciting and challenging time for me. I had spent my university career avoiding administration, only suddenly to find myself immersed in it. The synod process was a great opportunity for me to learn more about the entire congregation.

I am grateful for the many years in which I was involved with the Basilian Lay Associates. It was a privilege for me to know so many of them and to have shared so many meaningful moments in our lives.

For many years I was a presenter for Marriage Encounter; later I became the spiritual advisor for the Windsor/Essex Central Council of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. I served on the Canadian National Spirituality, Education and Strategic Planning committees. I have been and continue to be a presenter on Centering Prayer for Contemplative Outreach. For the past few years I have had the privilege of being the co-director of Marie Rose Place, a small retreat centre sponsored by the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary. I am once again privileged to be working with Sister Janine Rocheleau SNJM, whom I met and worked with many years ago at Chelsea House.

I am enjoying my life. I find joy and purpose in the opportunities God gives me and look forward to the surprises of the future.

Cecil Harold Zinger, CSB

Ordained December 15, 1963

I am thankful to God for 50 years of joyful priesthood in the service of the Church. I am grateful too for the gift of serving Christ as a teacher for 53 years, for the many blessings and friendships formed with students, alumni, staff, and parents.

I will always be grateful for the gifts of music, gardening, and the 45 years of chaplaincy to the Sisters of St. Peter Claver. I owe a great debt of gratitude to my confrères, my brother and sisters, and all my devoted Zinger and Wiesner families.



The General Archives of the Basilian Fathers Cardinal Flahiff Centre, Toronto ON

James K. Farge, CSB, Director

Michelle Paradis, Archivist

The death of Basilian Archivist Father James Rent on March 2, 2013 brought routine accession and organization of new materials into the archives to a halt during much of the year. Father Kevin Kirley, CSB, however, generously stepped in to answer queries about deceased confrères and to provide information requested by the General Council.

In late summer the General Council asked Father James Farge, CSB to assume a supervisory role as Director of Archives, and the decision was made to employ a non-Basilian archivist on a part-time basis. Fathers Tim Scott, Jack Hanna, and James Farge interviewed and hired Michele Paradis, one of the archivists of the Archdiocese of Toronto, who will divide her time between the Basilian Archives (three days a week) and the Archdiocesan archives (two days a week).

Ms. Paradis began work in mid-October of 2013, first familiarizing herself with the archives and the computerized files, reading the history of the Congregation, and setting up procedures for consultation. Throughout this process, meetings with Father Kirley were constant and helpful. In November she began to find materials for confrères, notably to locate and scan photographs for Father Chris Valka, CSB and novice Kevin Mannara to use on the St. Basil's Parish web site. She organized and labelled materials from the late Father Victor Brezik, CSB and the late Father Tom Mohan, CSB

The Archivist's Office was moved from the second floor of the Flahiff Centre to a more convenient location on the first floor next to the archive workroom and the archive storage room. Ms. Paradis' very wise precaution in setting up a data logger of temperature and humidity in different parts of the archive storage room proved useful when some air conditioning equipment broke down. Ms. Paradis will be designing a web site and blog to make information about the Basilian Archives more accessible. These and many other activities have been reported on a weekly basis to the Director of Archives. As always, confrères are invited to send material from local communities and from parishes and educational institutions to the General Archives of the Basilian Fathers, care of Ms. Michelle Paradis.



Archivist Ms. Michelle Paradis

Basilian Office for Peace and Justice

Cardinal Flahiff Centre, Toronto ON

Bob Holmes, CSB, Coordinator

Sowing Seeds of Peace

In 2013 I was invited to speak and offer presentations on Gospel Peacemaking in variety of settings: universities, high schools, parishes, community groups, conferences and panels. Six one-day retreats were facilitated for high school students. Young people today are becoming more and more aware of issues of justice and peace, especially when they touch on the environment. This is a rich ministry in which I have been privileged to have a role as Basilian Coordinator for Peace and Justice.

Walking the Talk

Taking the next step, learning how to get involved, students and teachers, youth and adults have participated in Gospel Peacemaking workshops led by our Basilian Centre for Peace and justice. D & P (Development and Peace) Youth groups in British Columbia and Ontario, teacher candidates at York University, adult groups confronting local justice issues and religious groups seeking to be more active have all benefited from our Gospel-based nonviolence trainings. The Basilian Peace and Justice Pilgrimage to the Holy Land was another involvement opportunity for 15 pilgrims in July 2013. For youth, Camp Micah, a week-long leadership camp in August was an effective catalyst for walking the talk.

Networking

Communication is at the heart of Gospel Peacemaking so networking is essential. *Stirrings*, our Basilian Social Justice Newsletter, is important in networking with Basilians, BLAs and Former Basilians. The JustPeace Network of educators grew out of the experience of our Basilian Peace and Justice Pilgrimage and involves teachers and chaplains in many of our Catholic schools. The network is served by an electronic newsletter and members of the Just Peace Network collaborated on many of the retreats and trainings mentioned above. It has been important also to network and collaborate with D & P, Pax Christi, KAIROS, Canadian Religious Conference justice and peace committee, etc. Our Basilian Human Development Fund, which is served by this office as staff, also connects Basilians to a network of real people involved in doing justice and making peace.

Christian Peacemaker Teams (CPT)

The ministry of Coordinator for Peace and Justice is considered a half-time position. My other half-time ministry is with the Christian Peacemaker Teams (CPT). This is also a Basilian ministry as the Basilian Fathers are sponsors of CPT. In March 2013 I led a 10-day CPT delegation to Palestine. For a week in July, and again for 10 days on October, I joined the CPT Aboriginal Justice Team in New Brunswick accompanying the Mi'kmaq First Nations in their defense of their treaty rights to refuse "fracking" on their traditional territorial land. In November and December I served with the CPT Palestine Team in Hebron. In Ontario several CPTers often collaborate with our Gospel Peacemaking retreats, workshops and trainings.

Office of Promoter of Vocations (Canada / U.S.A.)

Cardinal Flahiff Centre, Toronto ON

Norm Tanck, CSB, Director

The Congregation of St. Basil ended 2013 with 30 young men in Initial Formation in Canada, the United States, Mexico and Colombia. Of that number there were eight Basilian Associates. Through the working of the Holy Spirit and the witness and invitation of confrères and Basilian Lay Associates they were attracted to our way of life and supported in their discernment. Visibility, hospitality, personal contact and the promoting of Religious Life and the Basilian Fathers in our schools and parishes and the witness of individual Basilians played an important role in their desire to consider being a Basilian.

Norm Tanck, CSB, the Promoter of Vocations in Canada and the United States, visited several of the local houses around the community and gathered the superiors/rectors, pastors, principals, campus ministers in Houston and Toronto and invited them to consider how they could work together to promote vocations in those cities. The groups in Houston discussed how they could be more visible and hospitable and how they could work together to help support young men in their vocational discernment. The establishment of a House of Studies on the campus of St. Thomas University and the four Basilian Associates living with the community at St. Thomas High School gave a higher profile and visibility to our young men in discernment and formation in the Houston area. The STHS community continued its program of inviting groups of 15-20 juniors to the Basilian house for dinner, evening prayer and a presentation on what it is to be a Basilian. STHS sophomores spend a day away in small groups doing community service that includes Mass and lunch at Dillon House. The Houston area Basilians also provide an annual Vocation Weekend.

The Basilian group in Toronto talked about their presence and visibility on the campus of University of St. Michael's College and St. Basil's Church. Colourful banners to identify St. Basil's Church as a Basilian parish were made for the church's main entrance. The Toronto Basilians also talked about reaching out to the young adult population that surrounds them in downtown Toronto and some inroads have been made in connecting with young Catholic adult groups.

During the year resources were sent to the community to help celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life in February and The World Day of Prayer for Vocations in April. Some Basilians ministering in parishes placed notices in their parish bulletins prompting prayer for vocations and included a prayer in the General Intercessions. They also wrote about their person vocation stories in parish publications. Some parish priests and those assigned to parishes for Sunday Ministry used the occasion to preach about vocations and/or tell their vocations stories. Vocation segments have been built into parish Faith Formation programs and the syllabus for parish schools which include visits by Basilians. St. Anne's Parish in Houston TX and St. Kateri Tekakwitha in Rochester NY have parish Vocation Committees and Assumption University's Campus Ministry started a men's vocation discernment group.

We are grateful for all the efforts to promote vocations to the Basilian Fathers and for all the initiatives to identify potential candidates for our way of life and to invite them to come and see. And, of course, we are grateful for the continuing prayers for vocations to the religious life and the priesthood by our all of our confrères and Basilian Lay Associates.

Anglin House in the Cardinal Flahiff Centre Toronto ON

Members: Joseph Walsh (Superior), Daniel Callam (Assistant Superior), Claude Arnold, Robert Crooker, Martin Dimnik, Michael Fallona, Norman Fitzpatrick, Brian Higgins, John Hurley, Roland Janisse, Donald Furlong, Howard Keon, Owen Lee, Kenneth O'Keefe, P. Wallace Platt, Dennis Rowan, Peter Swan, Vincent Thompson, Robert Whyte, John Wilson.

Associated Members: Leo Burns, Charles Principe

Deceased Members (2013): Hugh Foley, Robert Madden, Thomas Mohan, James Rent, John Stortz.

The local councillors elected were Wallace Platt and, until his death, Thomas Mohan. At the year's end Father Kenneth Decker joined us to do rehab for a hip replacement.

The members of Anglin House and Orsini House gather for daily Mass in the fourth floor chapel of the Cardinal Flahiff Center. Some Loretto and St. Joseph sisters are often in attendance, as are Basilan Lay Associates from St. Basil's Parish. They often stay afterwards to visit with house members. Michael Fallona is the efficient and considerate sacristan. The Eucharist is a high-point of every single day.



Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name ...

Father Joe Walsh, CSB, Superior of Anglin House, presides at a Sunday Eucharist

On First Friday retreat days, there is exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the smaller Anglin House chapel and a presentation in the larger chapel. Among the presenters in 2013 were Tom Rosica, who on several Fridays filled us in on the ever-changing situation in the Vatican; the inspiring and articulate members of Tom's Salt and Light staff; Jim Carruthers, who spoke on religious life; Bill Irwin, who spoke on praying the Psalms; Tim Scott, who applied Pope Francis's *Evangelii Gaudium* to our lives; Dan

Callam, who gave us a rousing account of a debate he engaged in recently in Texas with a Protestant pastor; and Mike Lehman, who spoke on his ministry to the SMCS Buzzers.

Doctor Peter Barreca, M.D., visits the residence every two weeks. There are five nurses and nineteen assistant staff members for nursing, dietary needs, physiotherapy, chiropody, barbering, housekeeping, recreational activities, plant maintenance, and security.

Some of the events planned for the house by Maria Teixeira have been St. Patrick's Day, Halloween, and Christmas parties, special lunches, bingo and other games, and day visits to Centre Island, High Park, Harbourfront and Henry Carr Farm. Among the movies screened in the downstairs refectory have been such Oscar fare as "Argo", "The King's Speech" and "Lincoln".

There were four Canadian Federal by-elections in November, 2013 to fill vacant seats in the House of Commons in Ottawa. Candidates for the three main parties in our riding, Toronto Center, addressed the residents of Anglin House and some of Orsini House after the ten AM daily Mass at the beginning of their campaigns. Five days later Elections Canada came to Anglin house to receive our votes, two weeks before the actual Election Day. The voting process was slow but most of the confrères at Anglin House and some from Orsini House were able to take advantage of this opportunity to vote in the comfort of our home.

Leo Burns resides at Fellowship Towers, 877 Yonge Street in Toronto, less than two kilometers from Anglin house. He frequently attends daily Mass with his confrères at Anglin house.

Publications:

Father Owen Lee wrote a eulogy for the late Emmet Robbins, his former student and departmental chairman, published in *Thalia: Delighting in Song*, from the University of Toronto Press. Three essays from his *Wagner's Ring: Turning the Sky Round* have been reprinted in the Longborough (England) Festival Opera programs. A DVD "Interview with Father Owen Lee" was screened at meetings of the Wagner Societies of Washington and Toronto.

Basilian Fathers of Assumption Church Windsor ON

Our local community has experienced another year of challenges and transition. After three years of very active ministry here in the parish as well as Assumption University, Chris Valka moved to his new assignment as pastor of St. Basil's in Toronto. **Bill Riegel, Dan Chui** and **John Callaghan** all remain fully committed to parish life and ministry. We gather each day for Morning Prayer and for meals. The capital campaign for the restoration of the Church remains a concern.

The ministries continue with more and more lay people assuming leadership roles. The parish finances remain solid under the watchful eye of Sister Lise Jolie, SNJM, the Business Manager, and our Parish Finance Committee. The Parish Council was reconstituted with new members and remains a good place for discussion and planning. The Pre-Baptismal and Pre-Marriage Teams have also been revitalized with

new leadership. Sister Connie Harrington, SNJM oversees all children's programming including sacramental preparation. Marilyn Morrison continues in her Bereavement Ministry in preparing each funeral with the families. The Basilian Lay Associates continue to grow in number (12) and are a very real source of support and prayer for the entire Basilian Family.

The liturgical and sacramental life of the University of Windsor students remains in the parish. The 7:30 pm Sunday Eucharist is University-centered. Students are also part of the parish's RCIA Programme. Thomas Dula, Campus Minister, takes an active role in this as well. While the sale of the Assumption University building impacts both the student life and the life of our parish, with Campus Ministry we hope to remain a strong Catholic presence.



The parish gathered in the fall to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving for Bill Riegel's 40th year of Ordination with Gordon Judd preaching. A parish reception followed the Mass organized by the Basilian Lay Associates of the area.



The Curial Community Toronto ON

In 2013, the Curial Community became something of a diaspora with the sale of the house on Palmerston St. Its three occupants transferred to small apartments near the Cardinal Flahiff Centre. The future of the Curial House will be determined by the General Council following the 2014 Chapter.

David Katulski serves as the rector of the Curial community and he continues his service as a chaplain in the Knights of Malta. He also works in collaboration with the staff of St. Joseph's College School as celebrant for both daily and special occasion Eucharists, assists with staff professional days, and offers retreats for the staff twice a year. He also continues his ministry to the Daughters of St. Mary of Leuca, leading monthly days of retreat for the sisters.

George Smith serves as Secretary-Treasurer of the Canadian Conference of Religious (CRC), as Chair of the Ontario Collaborative Housing Project for Religious (OCHPR), as a member of the Board of Directors of Canadian Catholic Congregational Management (CCCM), and as a member of the Board of Directors of Becoming Neighbours which is a collaborative ministry among religious to refugees and new immigrants in Canada. George particularly enjoys his priestly ministry at Holy Rosary Church in Toronto where he presides on Saturday evenings when he is in town.

Timothy Scott serves on the theological commission of the Canadian Religious Conference and on the national dialogue between the Roman Catholic Church and the Lutheran Church in Canada. He also serves on the Board of Holy Name of Mary School for girls in Mississauga.

Publications

“Pope Francis and the Periphery” CRC Bulletin Vol. 11. No. 1

Associated members

Joe Redican is retired from school administration. He splits his time between Toronto where he lives on Toronto Island and counsels recovering addicts and alcoholics, and Detroit where he lives at Cristo Rey House and serves as chaplain at Cristo Rey High School.

Tom Rosica is in his eleventh year as founding Chief Executive Officer of the Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation and Television Network in Canada, a position he began in late 2002, following World Youth Day 2002 in Canada. In addition to the work at Salt and Light, he serves as President and Vice-chancellor of Assumption University in Windsor. He divides his time between the two institutions which have benefitted from one another in advancing their missions. As well, he is frequently called on to give lectures, conferences and retreats in Canada, the United States and beyond.

Tom served as Assistant spokesperson at the Holy See Press Office for the papal transition in February-March. He performed similar duties during Pope Francis’ visit to Rio di Janeiro in July. He is a member of the Communications Commission of the Canadian Catholic Conference of Bishops and is a Consultor for the Pontifical Council for Social Communications. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the University of St. Thomas in Houston Texas, the Board of Trustees of St. Thomas Aquinas College in Nashville Tennessee, and the Board of Trustees of St. John Fisher College in Rochester New York.

Awards

Meritorious Service and Life Membership, Italian National Press Association, March 2013
Arbor Award of the University of Toronto, September 2013

Publications

“The Call to Sainthood” Novalis, 2013

Many articles in Catholic and secular publications, including *l’Osservatore Romano*, *Globe and Mail*, *Windsor Star*, *Winnipeg Free Press*, *Catholic Herald* (England), *Zenit International New Service*, *London Tablet*, *Catholic Press in Canada*, and *CNN Belief Blog*.

Frassati House Toronto ON

Frassati House on Sackville St, Toronto, started the year 2012 as the Basilian Scholasticate with five members: Fathers Ken Decker , Rector, Bob Holmes, Norm Tanck, Andrew Leung and Mr. Warren Schmidt, a scholastic in his final year of Theology at USMC's Faculty of Theology, Toronto School of Theology. Father Neil Hibbard is associated with Frassati House and frequently joins the community for dinner and an evening of delightful conversation.

The membership of the house changed in July when Andrew Leung was appointed to Toronto's St. Michael's College School House on Oriole Parkway and Warren Schmidt was assigned to the Basilian community at St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish in Rochester for the Supervised Pastoral Ministry stage of his initial formation. Jack Hanna moved into the Sackville St House during the summer of 2013 when he was appointed Treasurer / Secretary General of the Basilian Fathers.

During January 2103 Frassati hosted two seminarians who lived with the community while doing community service as part of their "Spiritual Year" before starting formal seminary training at St. Augustine's Seminary. In the summer of 2013 Frassati house was blessed to provide a place to live for four Basilan Associates as they took part in the Basilan Associate Summer Experience. The Basilians enjoy inviting guests to dinner and look forward to provide lodging to confrères when they are in town for visits or Congregational meetings.

Ken Decker served as Rector of Frassati House and Master of Scholastic(s) and as Pastor of St. Basil's Parish for the first half of 2013. Later, when the scholastic, Warren Schmidt, left for his Deacon Year at St. Kateri, Ken remained. In July a new pastor was assigned to St, Basil's but Ken stayed on Parochial Vicar. Ken's spirituality, sense of order and his many talents and skills help make the house a comfortable place to live a good community experience.

Bob Holmes continued his ministry as Basilian Coordinator for Peace and Justice and his work with the Christian Peacemaker Team both in Palestine and with the Aboriginal Justice Team in Canada. He gave several talks, retreats and workshop in the Toronto area and beyond. The stories of his travels and adventures enrich dinner conversations and challenge the community to be attentive to the needs and concerns of the poor and alienated.

Norm Tanck continued in his position as Promoter of Vocations for the Basilian Fathers and in October he was also appointed the Coordinator of Associates. He served on the Chapter Preparatory Committee and in the fall was appointed to the St. Michael College School and Assumption University Boards. Along with the other members of the house he helps preparing the evening meal and enjoys providing pre-dinner hospitality to dinner guests.

Andrew Leung served the Congregation as Coordinator of Associates, the Church as a full-time assistant at St. Basil's Parish until his move to St, Michael's College School in the fall and the local community as house bursar. He coordinated the Basilian Associate Summer Experience which used Frassati House as its home base. The community looked forward to the Chinese meals that were provided when it was his turn to cook.

Jack Hanna serves the Congregation as its Treasurer and Secretary General. He has been helpful in translating Basilian material into Spanish. His attentiveness to the physical condition of the house and to the needs of the community along with his wit and humor are a much appreciated addition to the community. This past winter he used his great Texas winter weather expertise and purchased a snow-blower for Frassati House which he became adept at using.

Warren Schmidt completed his fourth year of Theology and earned a M.Div. from USMC's Faculty of Theology in 2013. While a student he served as chair of the Faculty's Liturgy Committee, helped out with the catechetical program at St. Basil's Parish and with the Refugee ministry through Becoming Neighbours and the FCJ Refugee Centre. Warren's wide range of knowledge and diversity of interests guaranteed that there would always be something to talk about at dinner.



Neil Byron Hibberd is attached to Frassati House and lives in Chartwell Avondale Retirement Residence, in the east end of Toronto where he is revered as the "Earl of Avondale." His outgoing personality and pastoral sensitivity and wide range of interests and knowledge allow him to be an active and appreciated resident and a welcome addition when he joins the members of Frassati House community for dinner. He is a regular contributor to *Stirrings*. Neil helps out with liturgy in five area churches. Summer golf, walks along the nearby boardwalk, theatre, good fiction, movies and a sizable, lively correspondence occupy his leisure hours.

Basilian Fathers of Henry Carr Farm Beeton, ON

Members: Alphonse de Valk (Rector), Gerald Dillon, Raymond Jackson,
Thomas McReavy,

Associated: J.R. Stephen LaCroix

At the present time Henry Carr Farm has four Basilians, all are in their eighties. Our first task is to help the two local diocesan priests in their ministry of two parishes with five churches and six growing Catholic Schools. New subdivisions pop up each year in the neighbouring towns. A Basilian goes out every Sunday to help celebrate a parish Mass. We also help out with Confessions, in four Catholic schools, twice a year. Some also participate in special devotions in various parishes. One confrere goes out to his old home parish at Christmas and Easter and three weeks in the summer to help at a mission of the First Nations. (Cape Croker).



At home we celebrate a daily Mass with homily in our Chapel, seven days a week. Neighbours and friends changing from day to day attend these celebrations including morning prayers. Once a week we have a Holy Hour with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

We welcome school classes for one day retreats run by their supervisor/teacher. A Basilian celebrates Mass and hears confessions for the group. At other times other adult groups make use of our basement meeting room, Chapel and library.

Henry Carr Farm's internal and external changes include the following. After Father Tom Mohan's retirement on August 1st (who had done the cooking for many years) we acquired a cook for evening dinners. She is employed Monday to Friday and also prepares ready to cook meals for the weekends. In August we added cleaning personnel to the Farm. This includes laundry of bed and towel linens plus bathroom and kitchen cleaning/disinfecting.

As for outside changes, in July we removed one large ash tree with branches overhanging the house. Other trees were pruned in order to eliminate the risk of tree damage to the house. It proved providential when Ontario had a severe ice storm in December. Also, in August we arranged for a new roof and shingles over the oldest section of the house which consists of the Chapel through to the kitchen area. The roof over the Chapel had begun to leak. In September we acquired a new, more efficient, wood burning stove replacing the antique stove in use until now. Also in late summer we renovated Father Mohan's old bedroom. Renovations and repairs were made to bathroom including walls, floor and new fixtures. The room is ready for a new confrere!

In November our rented property was provided with new eaves troughs and trees were removed to prevent snow accumulation on hydro lines. All this happened in the early winter, just in time to avoid damage by Ontario's worst ice storm in decades.

Henry Carr Farm is the beneficiary of the help of friends and neighbours often because of the connection of our Business Manager, Janice Hutchison and our Farm Supervisor Greg Hickey. Farm equipment is regularly maintained through the generous offerings. Horse training and medical attention is generously provided by Veterinarian Dr. Michael S. Corradini. Assistance to grooming and care is given by trained volunteer persons; Tree cutting is still being carried out for use in the house stove and for the spring Maple Syrup production. A wood splitting machine is loaned to us by Dr. Corradini. A neighbouring farmer rents fields and continues to plant crops at the Farm. There are 38 acres of the Farm planted each year. The rest is bush, ponds and rented property. (97 acres total)

Father Gerry Dillon

I have had a good year at the Farm in 2013. It started with the celebration of my 50th Anniversary as a Priest along with Father Leo Reilly and our friend Larry Carney. *Time flies!* One of my interests for the rest of the year was "Life in the Spirit" seminars and Charismatic prayer groups. The Toronto Archdiocese has been active in this area in recent years. I also tuned into Marian Devotion such as the 33 Day Consecration to Jesus through Mary, and Father Gobbi's Marian Movement of Priests. We have

monthly meetings at the Farm on the first Saturday of the month. I thank God for the blessings we have received this year.

Father Tom McReavy

I am 88 years old and still enjoying fairly good health. I exercise at a fitness club two and sometimes three times a week. I am living at Henry Carr Farm, which is a Basilian owned property about 50 miles north of Toronto. At the present time I am not involved with any of the animals or fowl but enjoy looking at them. From our home here on the Farm we have an excellent view of the landscape and occasionally see deer, fox and other animals from the nearby forest. We also see many different kinds of birds and it is a challenge to identify them.



Holy Rosary Parish Toronto ON

The Basilians appointed to Holy Rosary are **Jim Stenberg**, Associate Pastor and **Don Lococo**, Pastor. **Doug Hilmer** resides here and teaches in the Toronto Separate School Board. He celebrates Sunday liturgy each week. Until mid-December, **Jack Gallagher** also lived here and helped out extensively in the parish ministry before he left for Edmonton at the end of 2013.

As a Basilian community, we meet daily for evening prayer and supper. Otherwise, the chaotic nature of parish work does not lend itself to the same kind of community life of our educational houses.

The parish life at Holy Rosary is marked by an ongoing evolution away from the affluent Forest Hill parish that Holy Rosary was in the past. We are now a varied mosaic of multi-ethnic members, many of whom are Filipino.



This past year, we sponsored an Iraqi refugee family, supported the financial needs for Kenyan children whose parents were victims of AIDs, and offered many weekly community activities including “Out of the Cold”, prayer groups and community offerings like AA, Al Anon, and other non-parish gatherings.

We offer a variety of Sunday liturgical types, from contemporary music on Saturday to formal sung liturgies on Sunday. Our Sunday choir is the best among the Churches on the Hill, directed by Master Choir Director Fred Mooney. During 2013, we offered mass each day at 7:15 A.M. and 12:10 P.M. With Jack Gallagher moved out, we have had to cancel the 7:15 mass. In our hall, we offer a full catechetical program for students who do not attend Catholic schools preparing them for the sacraments and educating them in the fundamentals of the Catholic faith.

O'Connor House Windsor ON

Age and illness took their toll on the O'Connor House community in 2013. **Ken McKernan** joined Fathers **George Beaune** and **Art Hathaway** at Devonshire Seniors' Residence. **Moe Pierce** spent some weeks at Essex County Hospice before he died in August. **Bud Paré** and **Q. Johnson** moved to Amica where they joined **Fred Zakoar**. Bud and Q have begun to celebrate a weekly Eucharist there.

Q. continues to celebrate the Eucharist on Friday and Sunday at Devonshire Seniors' Residence, **Joe Quinn** is there on Tuesday, the other days are covered by **George Beaune**. **Marvin LaBute** acts as house bursar and is the official greeter to visitors; his plan is to move to Orsini House in Toronto in February 2014. **Paul McGill** ministers to Corpus Christi Parish and to the students at the University of Windsor. **Franklin Mizzi** continues his marriage and family counselling service. **Bernard Pinsonneault** is busy filling in on both sides of the border for priests who wish to take a holiday.

Joe Quinn is the co-director of Marie Rose Place and the Spiritual Advisor for the Windsor/Essex Society of St. Vincent de Paul. **Paul Rennick** oversees the O'Connor House staff. We provide hospitality on Friday evenings to the area Basilians. We continue to hope the poet was correct when he wrote: "Grow old along with me, the best is yet to be."

Orsini House in the Cardinal Flahiff Centre Toronto ON

Members: John Reddy, superior, Wilfrid Janisse, 1st councillor, Kevin Kirley, 2nd councillor, Denis April, Jim Carruthers, Chris Iredale, Gerry Lalonde, Tom Mailloux, Jim McConica, Leo Reilly, Gordon Walker, Joe Walsh. In residence: Juan Carlos Rojas.

Associated: Joe Hunt, Ted Johnson, Gord Kennedy, Tom Rosica, Leo Walsh



Back row: Jim Carruthers, Gerry LaLonde, Joe Walsh, Juan Carlos Rojas, Don Finlay, Leo Reilly, John Reddy, Gordon Walker
Front row: Denis April, Kevin Kirley, Wilfrid Janisse, James McConica, Chris Iredale

Denis April went on a three-week trip to France with his brother, Emile (diocesan priest in Saskatoon), to meet their sister, Lorraine (superior general of a small community) in the Auvergne region (Clermont-Ferrand, not far from Lyon). They were going to travel together in Spain and Portugal, but unfortunately Denis got phlebitis on the way to France, so they were limited to short trips in the general area. They had a chance to spend an afternoon with Michel Deglène and Bernard Buisson in Annonay. There were also in 2013 a couple of trips to the sunshine province (Saskatchewan) – one in the summer to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the arrival of his sister's community in Canada; the other was to Saskatoon to celebrate Christmas with his brother and a number of close relatives.

Jim Carruthers celebrated two anniversaries this year, 50 years of ordination and 60 years of profession. He celebrated in Windsor at Assumption University with family, friends and confrères (see p. 4). He is helping out at St. Basil's Church, is on the Boards of St. Michael's College School and Assumption University, and in the Fall he preached a retreat to the Good Shepherd Sisters, Toronto.

Don Finlay was local superior for Orsini House until June 30, 2013, when he was succeeded by John Reddy. While failing eyesight has curtailed much of his pastoral activity, Don continues to serve as Chaplain to the Ontario section of the Knights and Dames of Malta. He is also sacristan for the main chapel of the Cardinal Flahiff Basilian Centre, 95 St. Joseph Street, Toronto.

Kevin Kirley assumed responsibility for the day-to-day work of the Basilian archives with the death of Father Jim Rent (2 March 2013). He continued until the appointment of a new archivist by the General Council in September 2013. Kevin is also the representative of the *Coins-for-Life* apostolate among the confrères in Orsini and Anglin Houses.

James McConica continues to direct the Collected Works of Erasmus from his office at the Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies. In September he enjoyed an extended rail holiday through the Prairies and the Rockies with a godson from Toronto, in celebration of the latter's 21st birthday.

Published work: The Keenan Lecture, "Is there a Catholic Humanism?" was published by St. Thomas More College.

Honours: Doctor of Sacred Letters, *Honoris Causa* from the University of St. Michael's College

John Reddy had been living at the Oriole Parkway house for five years prior to his move to Orsini House in the summer of 2013. In March he had the opportunity to preach the retreat for the Basilian Community of St. Thomas High School. It was a lovely time to be away from Toronto and enjoy the spring weather in the south. He continues his role as chaplain at St. Michael's College School, a ministry he thoroughly enjoys. To facilitate his roles as chaplain at the school and superior of Orsini House, he spends Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the school and the other days at the Basilian Centre. The confrères of Orsini House have made him very welcome, for which he is most grateful.

Gordon Walker joined the Orsini House Community in September 2011, coming from Kelowna, BC. He has found the local community welcoming and friendly. His daily walk takes him to the ManuLife Centre, Bay and Bloor streets, where he enjoys shopping for himself and for the confrères who are unable to get out. Gordon is a dedicated supporter of the *Coins-for-Life* apostolate.

Joe Walsh lives in Orsini House, but since July 2013 he has been superior of Anglin House, one floor up at 95 St. Joseph Street. "Most of the time," he says, "it is not a big job." During the year he was able to spend time in Chicago and a ski week with the four adult children and their families of his brother, Bill, a Basilian for three years in the 1950's. His diversions are skiing in Collingwood, Ontario, and occasionally golf.

Juan Carlos Rojas came up from Medellín, Colombia, to study English at the GEOS Languages School in Toronto, 2 July to 20 September 2013. He stayed at Orsini House during this time and for the rest of the year. Juan Carlos gained sufficient fluency in English to preside and preach a homily once a week at our Community Mass.

Joseph Hunt, attached to Orsini House, Toronto, has had pastoral ministry in the Archdiocese of Paris since 2005. He is serving in the parish of Notre Dame de l'Immaculée Conception de Clignancourt. (See p. 72)

Basilian Fathers of St. Alphonsus and St. Clare Edmonton, AB

2013 was a year of transitions for our local community. **Mark Gazin** was appointed to the Archdiocese of Vancouver after four years of service in Edmonton. He left Edmonton on June 30th, after numerous farewell gatherings in both parishes.

From then until just before Christmas **Bob Kasun** worked alone which he found a good challenge. At the same time, Bob was taking a rather heavy course for certification for teaching English as a second language. He often remarked: "It's a good thing I'm still only 29." The parishioners, aware of the situation, were generally quite extraordinary in not laying heavy demands on the pastor, and everything worked out just fine. Bob confesses that it's not the first time he has discovered that the less available he is, the better things go!

Just before Christmas **Jack Gallagher** arrived from Toronto. He has been a big help and is ready, willing and anxious to do anything that needs doing. The sick and shut-ins have never been more visited. Both congregations already greatly appreciate him.

Of the various ministries we have attempted in the service of the poor of the area and beyond, the one that has worked most successfully to date is our English Language Classes for temporary foreign workers and other new arrivals in Canada. Classes are offered at the beginner, intermediate and advanced levels. The teacher-facilitators are ordinary people from the pews who speak English reasonably well themselves. The classes have been received and the teachers are enthusiastic about what they are doing. The school is still rather small; in the fall, there was a core group of about 30 to 35 students on Saturday mornings for a 10-week term. Even more surprising and wonderful was that the Sunday morning congregation increased a bit as a result of the classes.

Clarence Watrin is associated with our house. Presently he lives at Way of Holiness Retreat Centre in Hinton, AB. We see him quite often, however, as he stays with us for an overnight or for a day, as he is either going to, or coming from, preaching a retreat anywhere in the world.

Certificate awarded: Father Bob Kasun, A.C.E. Certificate for Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages, Edmonton, 2013.

Basilian Fathers of St. Joseph's College Edmonton AB

As in 2012, the year 2013 brought significant change to the community at St. Joseph's College. In early July, **Dave Bittner** left Edmonton after eighteen years' teaching and ministering at the College, to take up a new appointment as Director of the new Scholasticate in Houston. All of us who remain in Edmonton wish Dave every blessing on his new and important ministry, even as we grieve his departure. In terms of tenure the most senior member of the Basilian contingent at the College at the time of his departure, Dave made many significant contributions to both the College and the local community; he will be missed.

All, however, is not lost, as **Maurice Restivo** was appointed to take Dave's place, first as a member of the Campus Ministry team and eventually, once immigration formalities are taken care of, as a member of the teaching faculty of the College. Due to his being granted a partial sabbatical, which among other things took him to Hebron as a member of a Christian Peacemaker Team, Maurice was not scheduled to arrive until early January 2014. Maurice will bring to his new role considerable experience both as a pastor and as a professor, and is a most welcome addition to both our local house and the staff of the College.

Among the continuing members of the local community, **Brian Inglis** continues his run as Pastor of Our Lady of the Foothills parish in Hinton. He has now been ensconced in the foothills of the Rockies for fifteen years, and is a fixture in and around the Hinton community. Brian also continues to be very active in the Jasper Deanery of the Archdiocese and is a regular participant in many Archdiocesan functions, including the annual Assembly of Priests in May and the Priests' Retreat in the fall. When not engaged in pastoral activities, he continues to mine the beauties of the classical piano repertoire.

Terry Kersch completed his second full year as President of St. Joseph's College at the end of June. During his second year in office, and continuing into his third, Terry has continued to guide the planning process for the new women's residence; the last hurdle was crossed in November, when financing arrangements were finalized and site preparation was begun (which unfortunately required removal of the beautiful stand of trees immediately behind the College building). As of this writing, plans are for the official ground-breaking to take place in late January 2014. In addition to his College responsibilities, Terry is also very active in Retrouvaille, serving on the international board of directors and as a program leader. He also continues to lead tours to the Holy Land, and is on track for a return to the blue skies of Alberta with an updated pilot's licence.

Glenn McDonald was appointed Rector of the local community following Dave Bittner's move in July. In addition, he continues to serve as Chaplain of the College community, collaborating with Ms. Brittney White, the Director of Campus Ministry, on a variety of programs. In his role as Chaplain, he spends a considerable amount of time one-on-one with students and others who are seeking pastoral services. He also coordinates the assignment of ministers and presiders for the College liturgies. Glenn also taught at the College for the first time during the Fall Term of 2013, and was thus able to re-discover the joys (and sorrows) of reading and grading student papers. In his spare time, he is also Chair of the Basilian Finance Committee, and will be a delegate to the General Chapter to be held in Rochester, NY in July of 2014.

With Dave Bittner's departure, **Don McLeod** became the senior member of the local community, in terms not of age (that honour goes to Brian Inglis), but of continuous service at the College and residence in the house. Don continued to teach through the Winter Term of 2013; however, at the end of that term he withdrew from teaching so as to be able to devote the majority of his time and energy to his role as Director of Healthy Aging and Eldercare for the Congregation. He has also undertaken two projects on behalf of the College, including serving as co-chair of the steering committee for the development of an updated Identity and Mission Statement for the College – a project scheduled for completion by the summer of 2014. In addition, in the late summer he accepted an invitation from the Superior General, Father George Smith, to serve as one of his four appointees to the Collegium of the University of St. Michael's College. Following a lengthy hiatus due to a medical complication, he has once again been cleared to fly the friendly skies, and hopes to conclude his private pilot training by spring. Finally, along with Glenn, he will be a delegate to the Chapter of 2014.

All told, once again we of the community of St. Joseph's College have had a year full of both changes and challenges. As in the past, we have been blessed in many ways, not least in having the privilege to serve in an institution and an Archdiocese both of which value and affirm our ministry. With the projected opening of the new women's residence in July of 2015, as well as ongoing reflection on our ministry in Edmonton, we look forward to continued growth and development of the College's and the local Basilian community's roles in the University and Archdiocesan communities.

The Basilian Fathers of St. Michael's College School Toronto ON

This past year of grace (2013) saw changes at 5 Oriole Parkway as we bade a fond farewell to **John Reddy** and **Joe Redican** who moved on to work for the Kingdom of God in other capacities.

Just as fondly the 5 Oriole Parkway community welcomed **Andrew Leung** who accepted the office of rector of the community and once again began working in the high school apostolate as a seventh and tenth grade science teacher at St. Michael's College School. Andrew continues carrying the good news of Jesus Christ to the Chinese community at St. Agnes Parish, Markham as well as moderating intramural soccer at St. Michael's College School.

John Malo continues to minister to God's people in his role as Director of Pastoral Counseling, 7th and 8th grade guidance counselor, chaplain and sometimes coach of the St. Michael's Rugby teams, 9th grade religion teacher, and Vice President of St. Michael's College School. John's ministry continues to include going to the 9th Grade outdoor education experience in September. He has accepted the will of the wider Basilian community as a capitulant to the Chapter 2014.

Bill May carries on the work of God as a teacher of 9th, 10th, 11th grade religion, Moderator of Prefects at St. Michael's College School and sometime presider for the television Mass from St. Basil's Church. This year he had the great blessing of assisting at both the seventh and eighth grade outdoor education. Bill

is always available to the young thespians of St. Michael's College School who may be in need of advice developing characters from page to stage. He has had the great good fortune of assisting the alumni theatre troupe, *Dreamtheatre Productions* production of "The Fantasticks" in the role of Henry, the old actor. Bill also continues offering his services to the Basilian Community as a member of the Finance Committee.

Though without light and heat for nine days in December due to a massive ice storm, the Oriole Parkway community survived and thrived due to the kindness of other local Basilian communities and friends.

Basilian Fathers of the University of St. Michael's College St. Basil's Collegiate Parish Church Toronto ON

Members: Daniel Callam, Martin Dimnik, Mario D'Souza, James Farge, William Irwin, Michael Lehman, T. Allan Smith, Christopher Valka

Associated Members Living Apart: Douglas Mosey, Walter Werbylo

Basilian Novice: Kevin Mannara

Transitions:

Kevin Mannara entered the Basilian novitiate after living in the community last year as a Basilian associate while he completed his doctoral studies from Chicago Theological Union.

Martin Dimnik suffered a slight stroke in December. After treatment at Providence Healthcare, he has moved to Anglin House to continue his recovery.

House Administrations:

Superior: Mario D'Souza; First Councillor: Allan Smith; Second Councillor: William Irwin

House Appointments:

Novice Master: William Irwin; Treasurer: William Irwin; Sacristans: James Farge, Martin Dimnik; Cellarers: Mario D'Souza, Daniel Callam; Kitchenettes: Michael Lehman, Allan Smith; Librarian: Daniel Callam, Mario D'Souza; Guest Master: Christopher Valka; House Maintenance: Mario D'Souza; Windle Common Room: Daniel Callam, Martin Dimnik, Michael Lehman; Car Maintenance: James Farge, Allan Smith

Members:

Daniel Callam on 1 July was appointed assistant to Joe Walsh, the superior of Anglin House. Dan continues as volunteer in the library of the Pontifical Institute. He also has occasional liturgical assignments and sits on the boards of *Catholic Insight* and *The Chesterton Review*; for the latter he reviews films and, rarely, books.

Martin Dimnik has continued his study of the Monomakh Dynasty. Ill health has of late curtailed his academic research.

Mario D'Souza continues as Superior and as Dean of the Faculty of Theology and serves on the many committees that come with that office. He is a member of Boards of St. Michael's College School and the Association of Theological Schools in Pittsburgh. As the *Basilian Fathers Chair in Religion and Education* he organized the 2013 annual seminar attached to this chair; the theme of the 2013 Seminar was: *Religion and Education and Theological Research*. Father D'Souza served on two search committees: The Presidential Search Committee, St. Michael's College School, and The Search Committee for the Chief Librarian, University of St. Michael's College. He is an Associate Member School of Graduate Studies and Cross Appointed in the Department of Leadership, Higher and Adult Education OISE/UT. He is a member for the Centre for the Study of Ministry, Toronto School of Theology. He is a founding member Centre for Inquiry on Social Justice and Liberal Education, St. Michael's College, Toronto.

Publications (Mario D'Souza)

Chapters in Books:

"The Distinctiveness of Catholic Education." In *Discipline, Devotion and Dissent: Jewish, Catholic, and Islamic Schooling in Canada*. Edited by Graham P. McDonough, Nadeem A. Memon, and Avi I. Mintz. Pp. 45-72. Waterloo, Ontario: Wilfred Laurier University Press, 2013.

"The Miniaturization of Human Identity: The Human Subject as the Foundation for Leading and Learning Amidst Diversity." In *Leadership and Religious Schools: International Perspectives and Challenges*. Edited by Michael T. Buchanan. Pp. 33-52. New York. London: Bloomsbury, 2013.

Articles in Refereed Journals:

"Tradition in the Context of Religious Education."
Religious Education Journal of Australia 29, 2 (2013): 9-15.

"The Paschal Mystery and Catholic Education."
The Heythrop Journal. LIV (2013): 846-858.

"Religion, Education, and Democratic Community: Two Questions."
Canadian Journal of Education 35, 4 (December 2012): 137-164.

"The Spiritual Dimension of Catholic Education."
International Studies in Catholic Education 4, 1 (March 2012): 92-105

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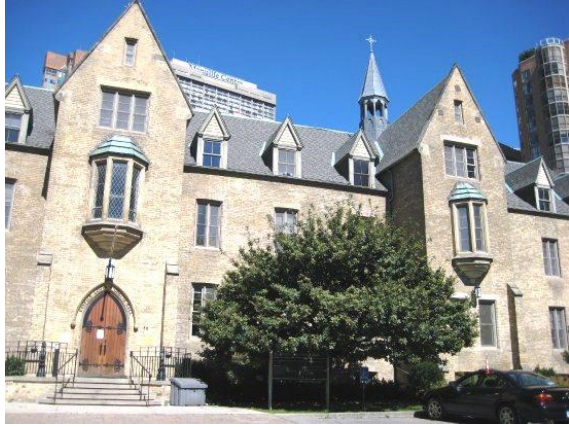
"Research in the Philosophy of Education: Using Bernard Lonergan and Jacques Maritain as Lenses." The Basilian Fathers Chair in Religion and Education Annual Lecture, 25 May 2013

"Jacques Maritain's Philosophy of Education and the Development of an Interreligious Disposition." The Annual Meeting of the Canadian Jacques Maritain Association. Faculty of Theology, University of St. Michael's College 9 November 2013

James Farge remains, on a volunteer basis, the Curator of Rare Books and Special Collections at the Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies. Most of his time, however, is devoted to a five-year project to re-catalogue about 20,000 books in the general collection in order to bring the whole collection of approximately 100,000 books into the Library of Congress system. In the process he labels each book and, as needed, repairs and cleans them. Father Dan Callam contributes two hours a day to the project.

Jim continues to act as secretary of the Institute's Board of Directors and is on its Finance Committee. For the fourteenth year he staffed the exhibition and sale of PIMS publications at the International Congress of Medieval Studies at the University of Western Michigan held in May – an event which draws 3,000 students and professors each year. He continues to serve on the Editorial Board of the University of Toronto's *Collected Works of Erasmus* project which has published 58 of its projected 87 volumes.

In April Jim completed a ten-year research project which has involved, each year, a month's research in the *Archives nationales* in Paris, discovering and photographing documents of the *Parlement de Paris* (the Supreme Court in France) during the reign of King Francis I (1515–1547). They reveal the Court's practice of the traditional Catholic religion and its attempts to suppress the nascent Protestant



Reformation. In all, it meant examining over 150,000 pages of manuscripts (written in Middle French) and photographing over 4,000 of them. He has completed the transcription and annotation of the 1,200 documents and hopes to see publication of them in early 2015, the fifth centenary of Francis I's coming to power. Jim has also put final touches on two book chapters, one entitled "Humanism, Scholasticism, and the Origins of the Collège de France" to be published in a *Festschrift*, and the other a "Historical Introduction" for a *Brill's Companion to John Mair*, a Scots philosopher at the University of Paris in the sixteenth century.

Toward the end of the year the Congregation appointed Jim Farge as the Director of the General Archives of the Basilian Fathers. It is a supervisory position, because a part-time professional archivist has been engaged to access in-coming materials and to provide help to anyone seeking information about past Basilians and Basilian institutions.

Jim is in Father Callam's regular "line-up" to preside at Sunday Masses at Anglin House, and he celebrates in St. Basil's Parish every Tuesday. In the USMC local community Jim serves as sacristan for the three small chapels used by the priests of the house.

Bill Irwin, house bursar, taught courses in biblical Hebrew poetry (spring) and Psalms (fall) for the Faculty of Theology. In Advent he gave two talks at St. Basil's parish on "The Sacred Mysteries of Advent" and "Advent's Liturgies of Hope." Every six weeks or so when asked, he celebrates the daily Mass televised from St. Basil's. A late bloomer, he was appointed at eighty to be novice master for Kevin Mannara. The novitiate began at St. Michael's in July of 2013 and, God willing, will end just in time for the Chapter of 2014.

Michael Lehman has stepped back from active ministry for a few months. He had completed twenty-five years of service to Catholic education and most recently with the Toronto Catholic District School Board. He has also been actively involved in adult faith development. Now he is discerning what the next steps will be for him in Catholic education and in the Community. Michael continues to be involved in retreats and days of reflection for administrators, teachers and students throughout the GTA and continues as chaplain to the St. Michael's Buzzers Junior A hockey team. He remains in close contact with his large family and visits as often as he can.

Thomas Allan Smith began his seventh year as Registrar of the Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies in July 2013. In addition to his regular administrative duties, from January through October he was occupied with preparations for the Institute's Convocation, at which nineteen Licenses in Mediaeval Studies, two Diplomas in Manuscript Studies, and three Doctorates in Mediaeval Studies *honoris causa* were awarded. For the Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures at the University of

Toronto, he taught a course on Mediaeval Russian Literature, for which he translated several medieval Russian texts. For the Faculty of Theology, University of St. Michael's College, he taught History of Christianity II (843-1648) and Origen. Between April and September, he participated as an examiner in four doctoral defences. He continues to serve as director of five and co-director of two doctoral dissertations. He translated Sergius Bulgakov's treatise, "Sophiology of Death," and began a study of the same. His review of Scott M. Kenworthy, *The Heart of Russia. Trinity-Sergius, Monasticism, and Society after 1825*, appeared in the *Toronto Journal of Theology* 29/1 (Spring 2013).

Associated Members of the Basilian Fathers of USMC:

Douglas Mosey continues as president-rector of Holy Apostles Seminary in Cromwell, Connecticut, U.S.A.

Walter Werbylo is working and living at St. Augustine's Seminary of Toronto as an assistant professor of New Testament and a member of the formation faculty. He teaches New Testament courses and is one of six priests who serve as spiritual directors for the seminarians and who give various talks on matters concerning the spiritual life and priestly formation of the seminarians. Living at the seminary are eleven priests who work at full-time ministry in the seminary. There are 48 seminarians living in the seminary in either years 1 through 4 of theology or in the initial spiritual year, plus six seminarians doing their year of internship in a parish and coming to the seminary every month for two days of discussion and input regarding their pastoral work.

Basilian Novice:

Kevin Mannara says that the highlight of 2013 was graduation from Catholic Theological Union in Chicago on May 16th when he was granted the degree of Doctor of Ministry. Kevin's mother was present to share the occasion. The final thesis project, under the direction of Father Gil Ostdiek, O.F.M., was entitled *That All May Be One: How shaping a church building can shape a community when parishes consolidate*. Kevin was able to explore two areas of great personal interest, namely, the development of worship space and the current phenomenon of parish consolidations. Kevin's concentration was in liturgy with particular interest in the place where liturgy happens and its role in forming a worshipping community.

In July Kevin began his novitiate year in Toronto with Bill Irwin, CSB, as novice master. He has been getting to know more about the Basilian Way of Life, especially through the Basilians he encounters.



St. Basil's Collegiate Parish Church, USMC Toronto ON

Chris Valka joined the USMC community this year as the Pastor of St. Basil's Parish. **Ken Decker**, former Pastor, remained with him as an Associate Pastor and continued to reside at Frassati House. Chris has enjoyed serving as Pastor, though there has been a lot to learn as this is his first assignment with such responsibilities. Mid-fall, Ken Decker moved to part-time status and was away for two months due to hip replacement surgery.

During 2013 the USMC community stepped up their own participation at St. Basil's. Dan Callam, Jim Farge and Bill Irwin have all celebrated sacraments multiple times each week. The community has also transferred its community Mass from Saturday mornings to the 10:30 Sunday Mass in order to be more connected to the parish.

Chris has continued the ministry of generations of Basilians at St. Basil and has brought his special energy to the parish and the campus. St. Basil's Parish has created and filled two new positions: Social and Community Coordinator focusing on young adults in the core of Toronto and a contract Wedding Coordinator position to help manage the many wedding at St. Basil's. The physical space has also seen changes with renovations in the sacristy, meeting rooms, and the creation of a sound-proof reconciliation room out of the two original confessionals. A new sound system was also installed in the church. The parishioners and Basilians in Toronto alike have enjoyed seeing new life continue in their lovely old church!

Basilian Fathers at Catholic Central High School Novi, Michigan

Apart from those rare moments during any given month when the local confrères pause to sit, sip, and try to remember their middle names, we otherwise live lives that are packed with plans and crowded with incident, making it necessary that we swerve and pirouette in order to avoid bumping into each other as we rush breathlessly from one class to the next appointment, from one game to the next function, from scores of emails to the next community Mass. Who has more fun than we do?

Rich Ranalletti rejoined us in June to begin his regimen of chemotherapy, but soon arrived at the peaceful decision to embrace the excellent care and comfortable setting of Angela Hospice. We have all been richly blessed with Rich's gifts of faithful acceptance and patient waiting on God's will. On All Saints Day, we were further blessed by the arrival of Associates Oscar Carbajal and Kaleb Ferrer. Not only did they assume their responsibilities in the school's Campus Ministry program, but they have also brightened our days with their youthful charm and eagerness to experience and learn from our way of life.

Part of this way of life at the school is to hold on to the conviction that Mary Alma Mater never shifts her gaze from her beloved Shamrocks, especially while they continue to wrestle with the ongoing suffering that accompanies repeated tragedies and loss. A senior's hockey accident that has left him paralyzed below the waist, and the always untimely deaths from illness or traffic accidents of young alumni from the Classes of 2009, '10, '11, and '12, have brought the Catholic Central family together over and over again in mutual love and support, as we grow ever closer through these difficult and why-so-many experiences of our imperfect world.

Our remarkable students continue to excel in their studies, pursuits, and competitions – academic, athletic, artistic, and musical – very often reaching the state finals (or near equivalent), and even winning them. They bested their own record from last year (again) by fundraising over half a million dollars for the school's tuition assistance program during the exhaustingly exuberant annual DRIVE. Just when we think that they have given us more than enough reason to be proud of them, they inquire into spiritual matters and some also accept the invitation to attend our annual religious vocation discernment retreat.

Dick Elmer is Second Councillor, and serves as President Emeritus and Alumni Chaplain at the school. He assists at various parishes on weekends, when needed. **John Huber** is First Councillor, and serves sleeplessly as Principal of the school. He assists at St. Fabian Church on weekends. **Dennis Kauffman** is house Sacristan, leads the School Improvement Team, helps the Student Activities department to mold teenage exuberance into young adult responsibility, and keeps watch as Moderator of both the Senior Class and the Dads' Club. He assists at Our Lady of Victory Church on weekends.

Ed Kline lives nearby in a residence for assisted living. His pastoral ministry at the school includes celebrating Mass and hearing confessions at weekly student retreats. **Rob Moslosky** keeps us solvent as house Bursar, and unravels the mysteries of online labyrinths in the school's IT department. **Jim O'Neill** is school Chaplain, teaches in the Science department, and boasts an all-sports wardrobe as Moderator of Athletics. We happily entrust him with looking after the maintenance of our house and grounds, because he is the only confrère who is bold and daring enough to look squarely into the eyes of

two very loud and voracious monsters that lurk in the surrounding woods – one of them chews grass rapaciously and the other greedily gobbles snow. He assists at St. James Church on weekends – Jim, not the monster.

Ray Paramo leaves neither clause nor participle dangling as Editor-in-Chief of the school's *Aluminator* magazine, and is very close to leaving no stone unturned in his peripatetic mission to set foot on every spot on earth. And if Wagner's *Ring Cycle* happens to be on stage there, so much the better. **Jeff Thompson** is Superior of the local house, serves (and begs) as President of the school, and smiles piously as Moderator of the Mothers' Club. Always looking for something more to meddle in, he also performs the roles of graduate student, guest-master, gardener, kitchen liaison, and supplier of household essentials, both the dry and wet varieties. He assists at St. James Church on weekends.

John Wheeler continues unhesitatingly to explode the boundaries of retirement with his many activities and commitments. At home, with the assistance of our two Associates, he ensures that munchies and fizzies are always available in plentiful supply. His pastoral ministry extends from school to hospitals and other healthcare facilities. When not singing with the school's Alumni Glee Club, he listens to other stars singing while he ushers at the Detroit Opera House and Orchestra Hall. He assists at St. Priscilla Church on weekends and, during the snowbird months, at Light of Christ Church in Clearwater, Florida.



John Huber, Dennis Kauffman, Jim O'Neill, and Jeff Thompson serve on the Board of Directors of Detroit Catholic Central High School. John Huber also serves on the Board of Trustees of Detroit Cristo Rey High School. Jeff Thompson also serves on the Collegium of the University of St. Michael's College. John Wheeler serves on the Board of Governors of Assumption University.

Honors and Degrees:

Jefferson M. Thompson, CSB
Master of Science in Catholic School Leadership
Madonna University, Livonia, Michigan, 5 May 2013

Basilian Fathers at Christ the King St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish Irondequoit NY

The Basilian Community at St. Kateri welcomed **Warren Schmidt** in July. Warren is here for his Diaconate pastoral year and has entered fully into the life of the local community and the parish. The local community keeps a regular schedule of prayers and meals. Basilians do their own cooking, and the community enjoys good and healthy fare. On Monday afternoons we gather as a community for prayer and faith-sharing around the up-coming Sunday scriptures. Oftentimes community business is discussed after Morning Prayer or around the dinner table in the evening. We held the requested Chapter Preparation community meetings which were very lively and insightful. During the spring and summer, a number of improvements were made to the rectory which included painting, installation of new carpet and flooring in various places, and installation of bookshelves and a closet in the guest room which became Warren Schmidt's room.



**Paul English
Dennis Noelke
Joe Trovato
Warren Schmidt
Morgan Rice**

Each Saturday evening about 14 priests serving in area parishes gather for dinner at a different rectory. The Basilians host one of these dinners every three weeks at one of the three regularly-used sites of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha (SKT) Parish: Christ the King (CTK), St. Cecilia (SC), or St. Margaret Mary (SMM). The CTK house also hosts the monthly meeting of the Rochester Basilian Lay Associates.

Paul English is in his second year as Pastor of St. Kateri Tekakwitha. He is involved in regular parish duties as well as the implementation of the parish Strategic Plan started under Norm Tanck, CSB, supervising Warren Schmidt during his Diaconate year and participation in an ongoing “new pastors” group offered by the Diocese of Rochester. He also serves as spiritual director for one priest, two religious and two diocesan seminarians in 2013. Paul is also in his 7th year on Basilian General Council. He participates in regular General Council meetings, carries the portfolios for Basilian Pastoral Ministry, Latin American Apostolate, Ongoing Formation. He has made several trips and visits to Mexico and Colombia as well as travelling in North America.

On the personal side, Paul feels blessed to be part of such a happy and good Basilian local community and has derived many blessings from weekly faith sharing times. He spent some time on retreat at the Abbey of the Genesee and makes frequent visits with his aging mother in Syracuse. He has had opportunities for short vacations and enjoys being part of the Knights of Columbus golf league during the spring and summer. Paul also serves on the Board of Trustees of Aquinas Institute and is a member of the Board's Executive Committee.

Dennis Noelke serves as the rector of the local community and continues as a parochial vicar for the parish. He works closely with Sarah Mancini, Director of Liturgy and serves as the staff member of the Eucharist and Sacraments Pillar Team which is part of the parish's strategic plan. In addition to ministry at the parish, Dennis spends six to eight hours a week at Aquinas Institute as the Priest Chaplain. He is available to students, faculty, and staff. He visits and speaks to classes in both the high school and the junior high, presides at all-school and class Masses, and celebrates the Sacrament of Reconciliation. He is a member of the school's Campus Life Team.

In February, Dennis put his cooking skills on display, participating in the chili cook-off sponsored by the parish Knights of Columbus. He won his category for his White Chicken Chili entry. In a more serious venture, Dennis facilitated the faculty-staff retreat at St. Thomas High School, Houston in October.

Despite living in Rochester, Dennis continues to serve on a number of Toronto based boards including St. Michael's College School Board, of which he is chair, as well as the school's Foundation Board. He also is a member of the board of Catholic Religious Self-Insured Retention Program (CRSIRP) and of Detroit Catholic Central High School, Novi, MI. In November he was elected as a member of the Chapter Steering Committee. Dennis enjoys being back in Rochester and especially re-connecting with friends from his previous 14 years living and ministering here.

Morgan Rice assists with the evangelization component at Saint Kateri Parish and continues to work with parish youth including altar server trainings and involvement at Saint Kateri School. He speaks to different classes, teaches line dancing, dresses up as St. Nicholas, or simply joins the principal, Sr. Kay Lurz, S.S.J., to greet children as they arrive in the morning. In February he cooked an award-winning Texas chili for the Knights of Columbus annual chili cook-off. In late July Morgan attended a gathering of recently-ordained Basilians at the Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre in Niagara Falls, Ont. In November he along with Warren Schmidt, Eduardo Rivera, Alex Petric, and Ian Gutgold attended the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis, Ind., as part of a Basilian Vocation Team. Morgan serves as a member of the Preparatory Committee and as chair of the Steering Committee for the 2014 Basilian Chapter. At the diocesan level, Morgan participated in the Muslim-Catholic Alliance as well as a committee reviewing the diocesan policy for pastoral care of those in hospitals and senior living facilities.

Warren Schmidt mentions as one of the highlights of 2013 his profession of perpetual vows on September 12 and his ordination to the Diaconate on September 13 in the Basilian Chapel of the Cardinal Flahiff Centre, Toronto. In August, he moved from Frassati House in Toronto to St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish in Irondequoit, NY, to begin his diaconal ministry. Warren graduated with a Master of Divinity degree from the University of St. Michael's College in November. Over the summer, he completed his M.Div. thesis, entitled *A Core Pneumatology of Confirmation and Chrismation: Ritual Origins, Development, and Ecumenical Implications*. Life at St. Kateri brings Warren great joy as well as varied ministerial opportunities and learning experiences. He is grateful for this to the local and broader Basilian community as well as to the people of St. Kateri. He will be ordained a priest in May, 2014.

Joseph Trovato, though retired, continues parish ministry as an active senior priest by helping with liturgies, funerals, weddings, baptisms, hospital visits, RCIA presentations, and spiritual direction. Joe also serves as the chaplain to the Irondequoit Police Department and the Pope Pius XII Council of the Knights of Columbus.

The Basilian Fathers of Dillon House Houston TX

Members: Phil Acquaro, Carl Belisch, Jim Blocher, Wilf Canning, Mitchell Dowalgo, Bill Frakenberger, Bob Klem, Don Kuder, Paul O'Connor and Bill Sheehan. The Dillon House confrères living at St. Dominic's Village are Jim Gaunt, Roy Oggero, Bob Ritz, Art Roberts, and Joe Roussel.

One of the joys of Dillon House is the sense of truly being at home. The pleasant surroundings and the hospitality of the community create a comfortable environment. We have become a popular place to stay for confrères and guests visiting Houston. The variety of our visitors brings a breadth of knowledge and interest, which engages us in discussion long after our guests have left.

The community continues to serve as part of a program for sophomore students at St. Thomas High School. The students have a service day at a local kitchen serving the poor. Afterward, we welcome the young men to our house for a visit and some of the confrères talk about their lives as Basilians. Then they are invited to the chapel for prayer before they return to the St. Thomas.

The Dillon House community continues to serve the needs of the local Church. We regularly provide sacramental ministry to the Carmelite Monastery, the Dominican Sisters, St. Dominic's Village, St. Anne's Parish and the University of St. Thomas. Some confrères regularly assist at other parishes in Houston and often fill in as substitutes in parishes outside Houston.

Presently there are 10 Basilians living at Dillon House, and nearby at St. Dominic's Village, there are 5 Basilians who are members of our community. We have been striving to find creative ways to bring the community together on occasion. One evening in the fall the Dillon House confrères joined the Basilians at St. Dominic's for community Mass, dinner, and the election of our chapter delegates. We also celebrated Christmas on the Feast of Epiphany and the confrères from St. Dominic's came to Dillon House to join the festivities of Mass, a social and dinner.

Phil Acquaro (*second counselor*) has healed well from his knee surgery. He has been helping at St. Anne's Parish and occasionally assists at St. John Chrysostom Ruthenian Catholic Church.

Carl Belisch is very generous in providing sacramental ministry in the Houston area and several times a year at a parish in Dallas. Carl also helps with the house bookkeeping and is present to welcome the students from St. Thomas High School. He has finished his term as first counselor in September.

Jim Blocher continues to work at the Archdiocesan tribunal with marriage annulment cases. He has assisted on youth retreats and is one of the Basilian hosts for the visiting sophomores from St. Thomas High School.

Wilf Canning regularly celebrates Mass for the Dominican Sisters. He also assists with the ministry to students from St. Thomas High School.

Mitch Dowalgo (*superior*) regularly provides sacramental ministry in the city. He often prepares meals for the house and experiments in the kitchen with the confrères acting as willing test subjects. He is in the process of setting up his loom.

Bill Frankenger regularly helps out at St. Anne's Parish and with Mass and confessions at the University of St. Thomas. His generosity is extended in the house and is a great assistance in the sacristy and kitchen.

Bob Klem is an animator of the community. He loves to celebrate and welcome people to our house for celebrations. He will cook, decorate, and bring playfulness to our gatherings. It is believed that he can drive blindfolded to Costco. Bob also has been generous in driving confrères to appointments.

Don Kuder has been going through treatment for cancer and with it has come the difficulty of radiation and chemotherapy. Don meets these challenges with steady patience and faith. He continues to serve as our sacristan and gives beautiful attention to the chapel during the different season. Don finished his term as second counselor in September.

Paul O'Connor (*first counselor*) retired from his chaplaincy position at the Veterans' Administration Hospital in the Bronx, NY and joined our community. He brings his wit, which fits well in our house. He regularly helps at St. Maximillian Kolbe Parish.

Bill Sheehan continues with some of the work he has done in the Vatican Library. He returned to Rome this year for a visit and to work with library matters. Bill's knowledge of the Vatican provided the community with information and insight during the election of Pope Francis.

Dillon House confrères at St. Dominic's Village:

Jim Gaunt regularly hears confessions and at times celebrates Mass. He had a setback with a broken ankle but it is mending well with the help of physical therapy.

Roy Oggero had some rough moments with his health this year. After his last hospital stay, Roy moved to St. Dominic's village. He continues to inspire and many come to visit and pray with him.

Bob Ritz is a prayerful presence to the people of St. Dominic's. He regularly attends Mass with the retired diocesan clergy and maintains a regular schedule for prayer.

Art Roberts helps with Masses at the Village. He also leads theological presentations and discussions with the residents. As always, Art enjoys the company of people. If he is not in his room, there is a good chance he can be found playing bingo.

Joe Roussel is regularly concelebrates Mass at the Village. He is often found in the entranceway of St. Dominic's talking with people. This year he took a break and spent Christmas in Albuquerque.

Basilian Fathers of East Rochester

(Serving St. John Fisher College)

Rochester NY

The Basilian Fathers of East Rochester is de facto a retirement community and we continue to serve St. John Fisher College and the Diocese of Rochester in many different capacities. In the past year God has blessed the House with relatively good health. Perhaps the high point of the year was the reception of a young Associate, **Ian Gutgold**, into our Community. The Basilian Fathers continue to Host the Basilian Lay Associates for dinner once a month.

The members of the Community are as follows:

Father T. Paul Broadhurst is retired from St. John Fisher College where he served for many decades as a Professor of Theology and Religious Studies. Father continues to keep himself abreast of the many different activities going on at the College.

Father Albert Cylwicki is a member of the Campus Ministry Team and continues to teach in the Math Department at the College. He serves on the boards of St. John Fisher College as well as Aquinas Institute. Al serves the House as a Counselor. In addition, he keeps busy by celebrating Mass at different Parishes in the Diocese. He alternates summers between a Parish in New Jersey and one in San Diego, CA.

Publications (Al Cylwicki): Eight mini-homilies “Searching the Scriptures” in *The Family Digest Quarterly*.

Awards (Al Cylwicki): Inducted into the Aquinas Hall of Fame, April 26, 2013.

Father Leo Hetzler is retired from St. John Fisher College where for decades he taught in the English Department. Father Hetzler serves the House as Guest master; he continues to host the Combat Infantry Association at the House and also hosts the Chesterton Society meetings. Father Hetzler is also involved in Prison Ministry.

Father Joe Lanzalaco serves the House as Local Superior. Joe is the Director of Campus Ministry at St. John Fisher College and is Chaplain for the Carmelite Sisters. Joe is also the area coordinator for the Basilian Lay Associates.

Father Jack Lee works at various sites around the area. Jack works with the Native Americans in Canandaigua, NY and the Light House at Charlotte on Lake Ontario. Jack is an active member in different archeological societies.

Father Joseph Mitrano serves the House as a Counselor. Joe also volunteers his time at the Development Office at St. John Fisher College and assists in Campus Ministry when needed. Governor (Guv) is Father Mitrano’s dog and a recent addition to the House. Guv serves the House by chasing away squirrels and cats.

St. John Fisher College is proud to host the 2014 General Chapter of the Basilian Fathers. President Donald Bain continues to be open to hiring any Basilian qualified to work at the College.

The Basilian Father of Las Cruces Las Cruces, NM

The Basilian Fathers of Las Cruces, New Mexico include **Michael Cerretto, Sean Garrity, David Klein, Ed Heidt, Don Hyatt, Ricardo Ramírez, and David Sharp**. Ricardo is the retired bishop of Las Cruces and continues to live and help out with ministry in Las Cruces. In June, he preached the Superior General's retreat in Ontario, Canada and was honored with a retirement party in Toronto. He is asked to preach many priests' retreats.



From left to right, are Ricardo Ramírez, David Klein, Michael Cerretto, Ed Heidt and Tim Scott.

Michael Cerretto, David Klein and **Ed Heidt** live in two houses on Vista Place in Las Cruces. Besides serving at a parish in El Paso, Michael has an office at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Cathedral. Dave does hospital ministry at the two local hospitals. Ed takes care of building and maintenance of the two houses on Alta Vista Place. However, the Basilians are lucky to have Michael Muñoz and René García who are knowledgeable, and generous friends who help with house repairs, maintenance and yard work.

In June of 2011, **Sean Garrity** ended his six year tenure as pastor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Cathedral. The new pastor, Father Bill McCann, arrived in August and moved into the house that Sean and Ed lived in which is the designated residence for the pastor of the cathedral. Father Bill, however, decided to build a new rectory on the grounds of the Cathedral property. Construction began in May, 2013 and was completed in December, 2013.

The Basilian Fathers then purchased from the diocese the house at 1652 Alta Vista Place and own both houses at 1652 and 1682, with 1682 being the mailing address for the Basilian Fathers of Las Cruces. Various repairs were done to the 1652 house and Ed Heidt moved in there in mid-January while Michael and David remain at 1682. This move back to 1652 gives more room for visitors and friends to stay. The casita that Ed lived in at 1652 is now being renovated into a small chapel thanks again to the help of friends. One of the deacon candidates for the diocese is an artist and he is designing an altar, ambo and tabernacle. Two lady artists from the parish who work in stained glass are doing the windows. Michael, Dave and Ed celebrate a community Mass at the Saint Albert the Great Newman Center each Monday, the pastor's day off.

Sean Garrity spent most of 2013 living at Cameron House in Rosharon, Texas and working in the parishes there. He returned to Las Cruces to celebrate his anniversary in August. He then went to be pastor at St. Francis Xavier Parish in Albuquerque, New Mexico. He assists with his siblings in the round the clock care of his mother who recently had radiation on a brain tumor. The parish is in the barrio and Masses are celebrated in Spanish and English. Sean looks forward to celebrating Mass in Spanish this coming summer and hopes to have a Cristo Rey High school opening in the grade school building by 2015.

David Sharp continues to dwell in the desert and enjoys walking the hills and arroyos of Arizona, and welcoming the rising sun each day. The various birds and animals provide ever-changing company and amusement, and the rocks and geological formations provide stability and continuity. Visiting with the elderly citizens of Wickenburg and ministering to their needs continues to be a rewarding (and oft challenging) ministry. The fall and spring meetings with the confrères in Las Cruces are always enjoyable, and provide lots of sharing and laughter.

Don Hyatt continues to live and minister in Sierra County, north of Las Cruces, in Monticello and Truth or Consequences, both part of the diocese of Las Cruces. He often replaces the pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church and helps out in local missions.

Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church / Cameron House Angleton / Rosharon, Texas

Members: David J. Zapalac (Pastor), Juan Carlos Rojas Ramos, and Charles E. Lynch III (Parochial Vicars)
Associated Member: Robert J. Matzinger

Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church / Cameron House experienced many changes in 2013. In July the Basilian Fathers ended their many years of service at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Manvel, Texas. At that time Father Charles Lynch became parochial vicar at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Angleton, Texas serving the needs of the parish with Father Maurice Restivo serving as pastor. In October Father David J. Zapalac was assigned as pastor of Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Angleton, replacing Father Maurice Restivo, who was assigned to St. Joseph College in Edmonton, Alberta. In July Father Seán Garrity moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico to be pastor of St. Francis Xavier Parish. Also in July Father Thomas V. Ponzini, the new pastor assigned by the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston to Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Manvel, took up temporary residence at Cameron House. In October he moved to Manvel to be closer to Sacred Heart parish.



Near the end of October, **Father Charles Lynch** suffered a stroke which affected his speech. In November he moved to Dillon House in Houston, Texas to undergo speech therapy. He completed his therapy in December and returned to Cameron House, just in time to help with all the Advent reconciliation services within our Southern Deanery.

Father Charles E. Lynch continues to serve Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church by celebrating daily Masses and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. He serves the Spanish Legion of Mary organization at our parish and makes calls and visits to our parishioners, updating our census records.

Father Robert J. Matzinger is a member associated with Cameron House who lives and serves as a priest in residence at St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Church in Houston, Texas.

Father Juan Carlos Rojas Ramos is originally from the Basilian community in Colombia. He studied English in Toronto in 2013 and, after a long process he finally got his visa at the end of 2013. He was able to come and serve our Spanish speaking community as well as celebrating the Mass in English. Everyone at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church is excited about his arrival and glad to have a young priest who is fluent in Spanish.

Father David J. Zapalac serves as pastor at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Angleton and as dean of the Southern Deanery of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. He is also a member of the Human Development Grants Committee.

Basilian Fathers Scholasticate Houston TX

Members: David Bittner (*Director of Scholastics*), Kittisak Chooklin, Hoc Nguyen, Steven Huber, Richard Wahl

The Basilian Fathers Scholasticate in Houston officially came into being at the April 2013 meetings of the General Council. David Bittner was appointed the Director of Scholastics and Timothy Scott was charged with finding a house for this new community near the campus of the University of St. Thomas. The kind assistance of Dr. Robert Ivany, the President of UST, led to the leasing of two small town houses on the campus. Tim also contacted Basilian Lay Associate Mary Murphy and her friend, Joanne Edmundson, who had previously arranged for the furnishing of Dillon House, to do the same work for the new Scholasticate.

In the spring of 2013, Tim Scott, Dave Bittner, Mary Murphy, and Joanne Edmundson toured the town houses to determine the basic decorating needs of each. Vince Dulock, who had previously received a donation to purchase the chapel furnishings, joined them on this tour. Based on the configuration of

each house, it was decided that the Chapel and Community Room/Library would be in one, while the TV Room, Dining Room and Kitchen would be located in the other.



When Dave Bittner returned to Houston in July, the transformation of the rooms was quite dramatic. The completely empty rooms of the May 24 tour had become the beginnings of a community home. Dave and Richard Wahl moved in during the summer. The chapel furniture, vestments, etc. were installed by Vince Dulock and the three novices (soon to be scholastics) shortly afterwards. The first liturgical usage of the chapel was Morning Prayer on August 6, the Feast of the Transfiguration.

The novices moved most of their clothing and books into their new rooms before going away on retreat before profession. Following profession, on August 15, the Solemnity of the Assumption, they were able to spend a few days of visiting with family and friends before settling in to life in the Scholasticate.

The inauguration of the Scholasticate was celebrated on Sunday, September 15. George Smith, the Superior General, blessed the

Scholasticate during a Mass in the house chapel attended by Kevin Storey, Mary Murphy, Joanne Edmundson, and the members of the house. This was followed by an Open House for all Basilians, Lay Associates, and friends.

Community Life

Morning Prayer takes place at 7:00 am, followed by Mass. Evening Prayer is at 5:30 pm, followed by dinner. Each of us cooks dinner one day each week. Our Community Evening each week is Thursday, beginning with Mass at 5:00 pm. For dinner that evening, we either order in, or we go as a house to one of the local restaurants. On Sundays, the Scholasticate community has an open invitation from the Basilian community at the University of St. Thomas to join them for Evening Prayer, social, and dinner. On top of this, we hold a regular community meeting on the first Monday of each month, following dinner.

The academic program for our scholastics is provided by St. Mary's Seminary and the University of St. Thomas. Their formation as religious takes place under Basilian auspices. Much of this formation takes place informally, during dinner conversation at home, the sharing of stories from Basilian history, and during visits to other Basilian houses in the Houston area. The formal aspect of this formation is centered on daily Mass, especially the Thursday Community Mass. Richard Wahl and Dave Bittner take turns celebrating and preaching at this Mass. In addition, Dave meets with the scholastics on Thursday afternoons for reflection on various aspects of our lives as Basilian religious.

Ever since October of 2013, the scholastics have participated in a weekly formation experience with the associates at St. Thomas High School. The program has alternated between STHS and the Scholasticate, beginning with the host community's Community Mass followed by social, dinner, and concluding with the formation session itself. Most of these sessions have consisted of a faith sharing on the Gospel for the following Sunday. In place of the faith sharing at the Scholasticate on November 14, Tim Scott made

a presentation on Pope Francis and religious life, followed by an open discussion among the participants,

The first ever house Christmas celebration took place on Sunday, December 22. Following Evening Prayer, everyone went to our favorite local Japanese restaurant for dinner. Following this, we returned to the TV Room for a gift exchange. The evening was a great celebration of the first four months of our community life. However, there was also a bittersweet quality to the celebration, since it marked Oak Chooklin's last day as a Scholastic. While we were very sorry to see Oak go, we were happy with him that he had already found a teaching job in a local Catholic elementary school.



Profession 2013

Kittisak (Oak) Chooklin
Hoc Nguyen
Steven Huber

Individual Members

Dave Bittner moved to the Scholasticate following 18 years at St. Joseph's College in Edmonton. Besides re-acclimating himself to the Houston weather, Dave has been very much involved with setting up the Scholasticate. He has also served the community as the Chair of the Chapter Preparatory Committee and as a member of the Finance Committee. His ministerial involvements outside the Scholasticate have been with the Chapel of Saint Basil on the UST campus and St. Anne's Church. He hopes to begin teaching introductory Theology courses at UST soon. Prior to his arrival in Houston, he completed a dive vacation to the Big Island of Hawaii and to Beqa Lagoon Resort in Fiji. He now has 521 dives in his log book, and hopes to add some Texas dives to his log book in the near future.

Oak Chooklin studied philosophy at the University of St. Thomas during this semester. Beyond these studies, Oak offered tutoring sessions at St. Thomas High School, and occasionally volunteered in the sacristy at St. Anne's Church. He occasionally volunteered teaching Ikebana (Japanese flower arranging) at Tachibana School, is located near the campus of the University of St. Thomas. Oak sought dispensation from temporary vows in December of 2013. Oak is still a good friend to all of us.

Hoc Nguyen is a first year student in the M.Div. program at St. Mary's Seminary, and is also receiving weekly lessons in Spanish and in New Testament Greek. His ministerial involvements during this first semester have included weekly tutoring session in Chemistry at St. Thomas High School, serving at the Chapel of St. Basil, participating in the activities of the Celts for Life (UST pro-life student group), and singing in the Saint Basil Gregorian Chant Choir. Hoc played soccer and volleyball at St. Mary's Seminary during the fall term. In addition, he has gone golfing from time to time, and is beginning to develop an interest in gardening.

Steven Huber is studying philosophy at the University of St. Thomas with the view toward beginning his theological studies at St. Mary's in Fall, 2014. His ministerial involvements during this semester have involved singing in the 10:30 am Sunday Mass Choir at the Chapel of St. Basil, leading the choir for the monthly Life Teen Mass at St. Anne's Church, and membership on the St. Anne's Vocation committee. Steven is a member of the Bass section of the Galveston-Houston Archdiocesan Choir, which provides choral music for major archdiocesan events. In his free time, Steven enjoys practicing his piano and singing skills, and also enjoys going to see the Houston Symphony perform.

Richard Wahl, the Assistant Director of Scholastics and House Bursar, continues to serve as a judge in the Archdiocesan Tribunal. In addition, he celebrates Sunday Masses and Wednesday evening Masses at the Catholic Student Chapel at Rice University on a regular basis. For leisure, Richard runs on a fairly regular basis, and walks to work about once each week. He also enjoys attending performances of the Houston Symphony, as well as professional theater. His most remarkable experience of 2013, however, was his wonderful pilgrimage to Ethiopia.

St. Anne Parish Houston, Texas

Al Sinasac

As Rector and Pastor, Al works tirelessly to shepherd, guide and nurture the ever growing community. With his patience and kindness he ministers to the many needs of the parish. He has brought in many confrères to help with the mass schedule and other liturgical celebrations. While juggling calendars he still makes time to offer Basilian hospitality in the rectory for a variety of gatherings to celebrate and express gratitude to parishioners and confrères. He works out at the gym and can be seen tooling about the city on his bike on sunny afternoons.



Jay Walsh

Jay continues to be a very active in the life of the parish. He serves with many ministry groups giving enlightening talks, offering his guidance, spiritual support, and a joke or two. He is very popular with the golfers and anglers. He will have to take a respite from the afternoons on the greens and put away his tackle box while he recovers from a hip replacement. We pray he recovers quickly.

René Espejel

René has immersed himself in the Hispanic Community here in the parish. He has dedicated a great deal of his time and energy to continuing many of the customs and traditions of the people of Latin America. Almost every morning he can be seen jogging through the neighborhood keeping himself in shape.

Tom Maillioux

In the Spring Tom left the parish to go to Orsini House in Toronto to live among confrères and be close to his family. We pray God be with him on his return to his native land, Canada. With much gratitude we said farewell to Father Tom for now and wish the best for him as he continues his ministry to the people of God. Father Tom has influenced the lives of many as a celebrant of the Sacraments, spiritual director, counselor, teacher, friend and confrère. All those who have come to know Father Tom are very grateful for all that he has given to our community of St. Anne. He has touched with the profound expressions of his faith and the devotion to his vocation as a priest of the Congregation of St. Basil.

Matilda and Dony

Matilda the beloved mascot of the parish brought joy to all she met. She was always the best dressed at all the parish events. You would see her regularly in the Hispanic Ministry building keeping watch over the goings on from her window. When she would see Al come out of his office there was a mad dash across the parking lot to greet him. Matilda passed away in the fall and will be missed by many.

Dony makes sure the rectory runs to her likings. She greets visitors with her aloof meow and lets them know when it's time for guests to leave. She is quite a conversationalist and is sure to tell Al when it's time for him to leave his office and come home to the rectory.

St. Basil's Novitiate Sugar Land TX

Father Vince Dulock is the Director of Novices and **Father Bob Duggan** is his assistant. The three novices that entered the Novitiate in August 2012 are **Oak Kittisak**, **Hoc Nguyen** and **Steven Huber**. Father Tom Rosica did the opening retreat and shared some of his experiences of the Synod in Rome. Oak is a convert from Buddhism from Thailand; Hoc is a Vietnamese American born in Vietnam and raised in Canada and Steven is from Albuquerque, NM from St. Pius X High School, a former Basilian school.

The second semester of their novitiate the novices did one day of outside the Novitiate ministry. Steven and Oak worked at Catholic Charities in Richmond and Hoc helped at St. Thomas High School with campus ministry and tutoring. . These three young men continued their study of spirituality, the vows, sacred Scripture, prayer and the Basilian Way of Life as well as praying the entire Liturgy of the Hours and meditating twice a day. On Friday nights they had beer and pizza and watched an inspiring film selected by the novice director and discussed it afterwards. They also did the cooking on the weekends as well as house cleaning and laundry. They showed themselves to be very responsible, obedient and serious young men. They also continued to attend the talks and workshops at the Texas Inter-Community Novitiate program together with other novices from other Texas religious communities.

The novices and Father Vince spent a week at Lebh Shomea, a contemplative retreat center on the Kennedy Ranch near Sarita, TX, which is run by the Oblate Fathers, in preparation for vows. Father Doug

Mosey did the pre vow retreat for the novices. In August the novices made their First Vows at St. Basil's Chapel at the University of St. Thomas and our Superior General Father George Smith received their vows. Father Vince Dulock preached. They were all assigned to the new Scholasticate at the University of St. Thomas where Oak and Steven will do pre-theology taking required philosophy courses and Hoc will commute to St. Mary's Seminary where he is in first year theology.

After the taking of vows, since there were no novices for the 2013-2014 novitiate, Vince Dulock took a sabbatical and did some traveling as chaplain on a pilgrimage following the footsteps of St. Paul in Turkey and Greece in September as well as a chaplain on a cruise to South America from San Diego in November. In April he accompanied a group of priests to Vietnam and China. In March 2014 Vince will do a weeklong retreat for the Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament in Victoria, Texas.

Bob Duggan continues to do his fine work helping at a local parish, St. Angela Merici, as the de facto pastoral vicar. He helps with weekend and daily masses and does some teaching in the parish. Vince and Bob continue the Liturgy of the Hours and daily mass at the Novitiate and dine with the priests next door at the Basilian Fathers Mission Center as well as keeping up the novitiate house until the arrival of several novices expected for August. The house needs some major leveling which is to take place before the arrival of new novices in the late summer of 2014.

St. Joseph's Mission Center Sugar Land, Texas

Father John Boscoe serves as Director of the Mission Center; he is ably assisted by Mr. Al Ewer. The principle work of St. Joseph's Center is the support of Basilian priests and their apostolic endeavors in Mexico and Colombia. To meet these financial obligations, on-going mail solicitations are used as well as direct appeals to parishioners in Canada and the United States that also attempt to enlighten the faithful to their responsibility as members of the universal Church.

In 2013, 46 appeals were made in 17 dioceses. It should be noted that this work was only possible due in no small way to the generosity of Frs. Jess Owens, Robert Seguin, Dan Porter, Jim Stenberg, Paul English, Paul Walsh, Tim Scott and Thomas Dugan. It is estimated that the total income from these appeals will be \$135,000. Income from mail solicitations for 2013 is \$140,000. We were blessed as beneficiaries from various bequests totaling \$333,000 to bring our income to a total of \$608,000 for the calendar year of 2013.

Direct support for apostolic works in Mexico for the same period totaled \$216,000 while support to Colombia totaled \$251,000. In addition St. Joseph Center has paid medical insurance for Basilians working in the two countries at a cost of \$73,310 and the Community Tax totaled \$33,300. We are very proud of the wonderful work that our Basilian brothers are doing in Latin America and we take great delight in the knowledge that this work is encouraged and supported by the entire Congregation.

Associated with the Mission Center

Father Jamie Abercrombie, since July, 2013, has been a priest in residence at Holy Rosary Church, Rosenberg, Texas. He assists the pastor by celebrating daily Mass and weekend Masses, especially at the mission church of St. Wenceslaus, Beasley. In the fall of 2013 Jamie had three weddings at Our Lady of Guadalupe where he first began to serve in 1974. Being in the Rosenberg area he has had the opportunity to visit and minister to people he has known for many years.

Father Tom Sepúlveda, was appointed pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Rio Grande City in the Diocese of Brownsville in July, 2012. The parish is located near to the Rio Grande River. The town has a population of approximately 15,000 persons, 97% of whom are Hispanic. The parish was established in 1860 by the Oblates of Mary Immaculate and the parish school was begun in 1868. Both parish and school continue to thrive. There are six weekend Liturgies, with 700 children receiving catechetical instruction, 250 First Communion, 125 Confirmations, 180 Baptisms and 20 Marriages. This year 255 students are enrolled in the parish school. They come from Rio Grande City, the city of Roma (15 miles west) and 50 children who cross the international border each day from Tamaulipas (Mexico). Due to the size and activity of the Parish, the bishop has also appointed a young diocesan priest as assistant pastor. The young priest has proven to be a tremendous help.

Basilian Fathers of St. Thomas High School Houston TX

Members: Robert Glass (Superior), Patrick Fulton, Albert Gaelens, James Murphy, Ronald Schwenzer, Kevin Storey. Richard Wahl was transferred to the new Houston House of Studies in July and Les Schaefer is still in residence at St. Dominic's Center for health care.

The St. Thomas High School community had seven Basilians in residence during the past year until July. Since August, four Basilian Associates were assigned to our residence. They are Omar Garza, Alex Petric, Eduardo Rivera and Will Trumble. The school enrollment beginning in August 2013 totals 740 students with tuition at \$13,775 and about 25 percent receiving some tuition assistance as a result of a number of fund raising activities during the year.

Robert Glass was appointed Superior in September 2010. Bob taught Modern World History to sophomores during the 2012 -2013 school year, but due to some medical problems, he was not available for any teaching activities during the Fall Semester of this academic year. He has now become the Assistant Dean of Students. He still serves as Chaplain to the Mothers Club and Tom's Moms. He is on the Board of Directors for the school and offers the Friday morning Mass at school. He also attends the Annual Fall meeting of the Knights of the Holy Sepulcher.

Patrick Fulton is the Principal of St. Thomas High School and serves as the 1st Councillor of our local community and offers the school morning Mass on Wednesdays. Patrick is a member of the Board of Directors at the Regis School and also on the Board of Duchesne Academy as of September. Patrick is chair of the Working Group on Secondary Education as well as being a member of the Chapter Preparatory Committee.

Albert Gaelens is retired from school activities but still keeps track of deceased St. Thomas Alumni and attends wakes of alumni and family members. He coordinates the Basilian assignments for parish Mass requests on Sunday and two convents on weekdays. He is also available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesdays for the students at school during their lunch periods and also at local parishes as needs arise for Reconciliation and Masses.

James Murphy has been very much involved in various activities during the year. He teaches 10th grade Theology and works in Campus Ministry on various school retreats and offers the morning school Mass on Thursdays. As an assistant Drama Director, Jim helped stage two plays during the year, *Fiddler on the Roof* and *The Mouse That Roared*. Jim also has helped the Athletic Department as the announcer at various sporting events. Jim is also a member of our local house council and was elected to represent St. Thomas at the 2014 General Chapter.

Ronald Schwenzer is retired from ordinary school activities. He is working with the Advancement Office and others to help raise funds to purchase the public school property contiguous to our current campus to meet the needs of our growing enrollment. Ron celebrates Mass on Mondays in the school chapel and helps with parish ministry, especially at St. Anne's. He continues to trim the bushes on the school campus and looks after the backyard of our residence. He oversees the kitchen, the menu and does the grocery shopping for the house. As a member of the University of St. Thomas Board of Directors, he serves on the Academic Affairs Committee and the Student Affairs Committee.

Kevin Storey is the President of St. Thomas High School. He meets with major donors to help raise the funds necessary to make the purchase of the of the adjoining HISD Law Enforcement School property a reality by June 4, 2014. Kevin also serves on the Board of Directors of Incarnate Word Academy, a sister school of St. Thomas. Kevin continues to serve on the General Council and holds the portfolios of High Schools and Vocations. He continues to run and helped out with the Cross Country team at St. Thomas.



Ron Schwenzer
Eduardo Rivera
Patrick Fulton
Will Trumble
Al Gaelens
Bob Glass
Jim Murphy
Alex Petric
Kevin Storey
Omar Garza

Richard Wahl was transferred to the new Basilian Fathers Scholasticate on the University of St. Thomas campus in July but continues as Adjutant Judicial Vicar at the Metropolitan Tribunal; teaches the Introduction to Canon Law course at St. Mary's Seminary and Basic Canon Law for the Permanent Diaconate program of the Archdiocese.

Associates:

Omar Garza began living with us at the beginning of January 2014 and started working for Campus Ministry at the University of St. Thomas with Father Michael Buentello. He is originally from Corpus Christi, TX; he attended Texas A&M University and graduated with a degree in Anthropology and Religion. Between March and July 2013 he acted as live-in-residence case manager for Mother Theresa Transition House in Corpus Christi. Omar discerned his call to the Basilians with Father Kevin Storey, spending weekends visiting and discovering the Basilian Way of life before petitioning to be an Associate.

Alexander Petric joined the St. Thomas High School community in August 2013, taking up duties as Assistant Campus Minister and Technology teacher. He had spent the first half of the summer with Canadian Basilians in Windsor and Toronto, after graduating from the University of Windsor with an Honors Bachelor's degree in Mathematics in June 2013. Alex's teaching schedule was one class of Java Programming in the Fall Semester. He also helps to organize school Masses, retreats and activities to promote vocations from the student body.

Eduardo Rivera became a Basilian Associate during his Freshman year at the University of St. Thomas in the Spring of 2011. In July 2013 he lived at Frassati House in Toronto with three other associates and the local community there; he worked in soup kitchens around Toronto. Eduardo began living with the Basilian Community at St. Thomas High School in the fall of 2013. He will graduate from UST in May 2014 with a degree in Philosophy and Theology and a minor in Classical Languages. He enjoys living in community and tutoring students at St. Thomas High School.

William Trumble joined the Basilian community as an Associate at St. Thomas High School in November 2013. He was raised in Houston, TX in St. Vincent's parish and attended Bellaire High School. Will began discerning the call to become a religious priest and in February of 2013, he attended a vocation Weekend facilitated by Father Kevin Storey. He then applied to become a Basilian associate. Currently Will is a student at U.S.T. studying Philosophy with a minor in Physics; he will graduate in May 2014. Will tutors at STHS and helps out with Campus Ministry here and UST.



The Basilian Fathers at the University of St. Thomas Houston TX

In the year of 2012 we lost Father Pat Warden, Father Jack Whitley, and Father James Keon. Then in 2013, Father Bob Crooker left us to go to Anglin House, Toronto and Father Anthony Giampietro left for a new assignment in California. As a result, we are five Basilians, with one long-time permanent resident diocesan priest, Father Janusz Ihnatowicz, who has spent 45 years at U.S.T. In spite of our reduced numbers we were buoyed up by the arrival of the Scholasticate on the U.S.T. Campus in August, 2013; we often meet together for conversation and for meals. Under their director, Father David C. Bittner and his assistant, Father Richard Wahl, we began with three scholastics who are now two, **Hoc Minh Nguyen and Steve Huber.**

There are a great number of young people from the University who are interested in the Basilians; this is a powerful sign that the Holy Spirit is enriching the Basilian Fathers with vocations. Associates Will Trumble, Eduardo Rivera, Alex Petric, and seven students were on retreat on Feb. 16; in January we had a special Mass for Basilians of UST for the feast of Thomas Aquinas.

Scholastic Hawk (Hoc Minh Nguyen), living at the Scholasticate and Omar Garza, graduate of Texas A&M University, are assisting Mike Buentello in Campus ministry. All of us serve the UST community with daily Masses, helped by other Basilians (Dave Bittner and Bill Frankenburger) as well as a diocesan priest Father Dempsey [Rosales Acosta](#) who teaches Theology here.

We were blessed in 2013 by the visits of Robert Barringer, José Jaime Del Toro, James K. Farge, Jack Gallagher, Anthony Giampietro, Don Lococo, Daniel Porter, Tom Rosica, George Smith and Chris Valka. Wilf Canning and Jim Blocher are regulars for Sunday supper.



**In the
Chapel of Saint Basil,
left to right:
Eduardo Rivera,
associate,
Will Trumble,
associate,
Steven Huber,
scholastic
Omar Garza,
associate,
Jeffrey Huber,
candidate,
Father Ted Baenziger**

Monday September 2, 2013 we had our annual Labor Day gathering for Basilians; there were about 35 persons for a celebration of Eucharist and a meal. The annual Campus ministry Chili Cook-Off is also a terrific occasion for celebration. The U.S.T. Basilians attend local Basilian gatherings as well, especially at St. Thomas High School and St. Anne's Parish.

As many in the Congregation know, a change is coming: there is a plan to build on the site of the current Basilian Residence a new residence to house both priests and scholastics. Work should begin in June 2014. In the same complex, both the Scholasticate and the Residence for Basilian Priests, both on the faculty of U.S.T. and retired, will be in a prominent place on the campus.

Father Pat Braden is only 89 years old (2013) and remains very active. He is still a member of the Board of U.S.T. and rides his bicycle to the physics lab just about every day of the week. He cares for Nero, the Black Labrador who weighs in at 105 lbs. or 48 kg.

Father Mike Buentello ran the marathon in February 2013 and continues running, although a shoulder operation slowed him down for a while in the fall, and will keep him out of the marathon for 2014. He continues to cook barbecue with students, alumni, friends and family, and to direct Campus Ministry (lots of retreats for students and faculty!), not getting much time for fishing. He still keeps in touch with Catholic Central and we receive visits from alumni and friends all the time, which is great for Ted and George who are alumni themselves. Mike serves on many committees and on the Board.



**Mike Buentello, George Hosko, Pat Braden, Bob Crooker,
Anthony Giampietro, Ted Baenziger, Joe Pilsner**

Father Joe Pilsner continues as Dean of Arts and Sciences, serving on many committees and on the Board of U.S.T.

Father Ted Baenziger, the only full-time Basilian faculty member (French), recently named to the Board of U.S.T., is also in Faculty Leadership (senate and faculty council). He also continues to serve the Catholic French-speaking community of Galveston-Houston as 'pastor' (31st year). For the second time he was delegated by Daniel Cardinal DiNardo as vicar for Confirmation in May 2013. The parish meets twice a month on the UST campus for catechism (120 children) and Mass. Ted also serves the American Orchid Society as a certified judge. The past summer he went for the first time to Colombia to stay with Basilians there, both in Cali and in Bogotá, and he judged orchids at an international show in Buga, Colombia. Presently he is working with two Genetics professors and students on a scientific project concerning orchids. He is also on the board of the Semiotic Society of America.

Publications:

Ted Baenziger's chapter on "Women Saints" will appear in the Catholic University Press edition of *John Paul II on Women* in the summer of 2014.

Father George Hosko (soon to be a young 75) is in the Doherty Library much of the time. Otherwise he catches all the news about politics and keeps us informed.



Los Padres Basilianos en Colombia

Parroquia Nuestra Señora de la Asunción, Assumption Parish, Cali, Valle, Colombia

Castellano: La Casa Basiliana en Cali, Valle, Colombia es una casa de formación para los jóvenes que inician su camino de discernimiento como Candidatos. Ellos vienen a vivir un año con nosotros para experimentar nuestra vida basiliana antes de pedir oficialmente ser admitidos como postulantes en la vida religiosa. La casa basiliana en Cali es también la residencia de aquellos basilianos que realizan su ministerio en la parroquia Nuestra Señora de la Asunción y el Instituto con el mismo nombre INSA. Durante el último año académico [enero a diciembre] tuvimos la presencia de cuatro candidatos residiendo en la casa: Edilson Gómez, Anderson Usuga, Alejandro Zuluaga y Sergio Gil. Ellos fueron acompañados por los miembros profesos Francisco Amico y Rafael Lopera. Los Candidatos Basilianos se preparan para dar el paso a la universidad tomando cursos en el INSA diseñados con este propósito. También apoyan el trabajo pastoral en la parroquia los fines de semana mientras que los sacerdotes se dedican a atender y acompañar la comunidad parroquial y educativa.

El Padre Leónidas López, sacerdote diocesano con experiencia amplia en EE.UU. apoyó con su ministerio en la parroquia y como maestro de inglés en el Instituto. Los Basilianos en Cali tenemos la dicha de compartir nuestra labor de evangelización y pastoral con las Hermanas, Hijas de las Misericordias en el barrio Andrés Sanín, las Misioneras de la Caridad de la Madre Teresa en el barrio Puerto Mallarino y las Hermanas Basilianas ubicadas en el barrio Siete de Agosto. En dichos barrios hay una capilla que las hermanas atienden.

INSA ha llegado a ser en Colombia una institución educativa reconocida por su excelencia académica con su rico currículo y su proyecto educativo genuino por el trabajo que se hace desde y con cada una de las familias que participan de la comunidad educativa. INSA ha obtenido un nivel de muy superior en las pruebas obligatorias del estado para entrar en la universidad. La mayoría de nuestros estudiantes ingresan a cursar estudios superiores. Francisco Amico sirve como Rector y Rafael Lopera como Director del Instituto durante el último año académico 2013. Además el Padre Rafael Lopera continúa como miembro de la mesa directiva del Grupo Cristianos por La Paz.



Durante la novena de Navidad, el Padre Oscar Gómez y el escolástico Carlos Gutiérrez acompañados de los postulantes residentes en la Casa Annonay en Bogotá vinieron a Cali para apoyar en la animación de la misión dirigida específicamente al sector más pobre de la parroquia conocido como “la Playa” donde viven la mayor población afrocolombiana que participan de la parroquia. La presencia de estos Basilianos fue muy apreciada por el sector. Los Basilianos queremos y esperamos, con la gracias de Dios, seguir apoyando la construcción del reino de Dios que Jesús nos invita a realizar desde nuestra misión profética como discípulos y misioneros haciendo parte de este pueblo colombiano que este año ha iniciado un proceso de paz con la esperanza que este llegue a un buen fin.

English: The Basilian House in Cali, Valle, Colombia is the home of initial formation for the candidates – young men who come to live with us for one year to experience our life before deciding to continue on as postulants in religious life. It is also the residence for those Basilians who minister at the parish, Nuestra Señora de la Asuncion and the school, Instituto Nuestra Señora de la Asunción, or INSA. During the academic year in Colombia, [January thru December] there were 4 candidates in residence, Edilson Gomez, Anderson Usuga, Alejandro Zuluaga and Sergio Gil together with the professed members, Francisco Amico and Rafael Lopera. Father Leonidas Lopez, a diocesan priest with extensive experience in the United States, assisted us with ministry. The candidates prepared themselves for university studies with specially designed courses at the INSA and assisted with pastoral duties on weekends while the priest members attended to parish and school. The Basilians in Cali share their work of preaching and teaching with the Sisters, Hijas de las Misericordias in the barrio of Andres Sanin, with the Missionaries of Charity in the Barrio Puerto Marllarino and with the Basilian Sisters in the Barrio Siete de Agosto. Each barrio has a chapel which the sisters administer.

INSA has become a school in Colombia recognized for its academic excellence and its rich curriculum. It is unique because of its work and commitment to the entire family of the students enrolled. It has excelled in the annual obligatory state exams for grade 11 [the last year of high school] and all graduates go on to higher studies. Francisco Amico has served as Rector and Rafael Lopera as Director or Principal of INSA during this academic year of 2013. Father Rafael Lopera also continues on the international board of Christian Peace Makers.

During the Christmas novena, the postulants together with Father Oscar Gomez and scholastic Carlos Gutierrez came from Bogota to assist in a mission in an extensive poor area of the parish. “la Playa” which is home to mainly Afrocolombians. The presence of these Basilians was most appreciated by the people. We hope, with God’s grace, to continue in the building of the kingdom of God that Jesus invites us to realize with our prophetic work as missionaries and disciples with our Colombian people. This year Colombians began dialogues of peace with all anti-government groups; we pray will come to a satisfactory end.

Casa Annonay, Postulantado Basiliano - Basilian Postulancy, Bogotá, DE, Colombia

Castellano; Los hermanos en la casa Annonay se enfocan en tres dimensiones vitales: la formación religiosa y comunitaria de los jóvenes Postulantes, los estudios filosóficos, los cuales se realizan en la Universidad Sergio Arboleda y la pastoral o proyección a la comunidad local de la parroquia. Durante el año 2013, la casa Annonay inició como postulantado con cuatro jóvenes que venían de la casa de formación en Cali. Ellos son: Arley Camelo, Wilson Tovar, Andrés Valencia, Luis Suarez y en el año 2014 tendremos tres postulantes más: Anderson Usuga, Alejandro Zuluaga y Edison Belisario Gómez.

Compartimos juntos las oraciones de la mañana, tarde y noche al igual que todas las comidas del día. Una vez por mes se tiene una visita de una pareja de psicólogos que acompañan el proceso de crecimiento comunitario y los postulantes se reúnen individualmente con la Dr. Sonia Clavijo para equilibrar sus procesos desde lo psicológico. Cada postulante cuenta con un Director Espiritual, que ocasionalmente comparte con la comunidad en alguna fiesta patronal, para así generar un ambiente de confianza y familiaridad. En cuanto a sus estudios formales, los postulantes toman sus clases de filosofía, de lunes a viernes en las tardes, en la Universidad Sergio Arboleda. Con la universidad se ha tenido un convenio hace más o menos cinco años, permitiendo tener un pensum propio, llenando

así con los requisitos de la Congregación. Para muchos de los postulantes es su primera experiencia universitaria, así que se convierte en una gran oportunidad de crecer en disciplina y en academia. El escolástico Carlos Gutiérrez continúa sus estudios teológicos en la Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana en el Seminario Mayor de la Arquidiócesis.

A nivel pastoral, la comunidad local cuenta con cuatro comunidades de base que cumplen ya doce años de acompañamiento de parte de los Basilianos. Los postulantes van cada martes a una de las cuatro comunidades y cada mes nos reunimos con todas las personas en la casa Basiliana en Asamblea. Con ellos se trabaja el plan pastoral de la Arquidiócesis así permite hablar un mismo lenguaje con la Iglesia Local. Celebramos cada domingo la Eucaristía en la capilla San Miguel del "Chorro de Quevedo" ubicada en la zona colonial, es el lugar donde se celebró la primera Eucaristía en la ciudad de Bogotá. Se cuenta con aproximadamente cien fieles que participan en la misa de 9:00 am cada domingo. Se nota allí también la formación en una liturgia excelente fruto de la entrega de los Padres Basilianos. Durante el año vivimos a nivel de postulante dos retiros espirituales, uno para Cuaresma y otro para Adviento.

El padre Oscar Fernando Gómez, prestó su servicio como capellán de la ESFOR (escuela de formadores) de la CRC en el primer semestre del año. También el colabora con algunas Eucaristías en parroquias cercanas y sigue en la Comisión de Nuevas Generaciones de la CLAR, y al mismo tiempo como Director de Vocaciones de nuestra Congregación en Colombia.

English: The formation of the young brothers in the Casa Annonay focuses on three vital dimensions: community and religious formation of postulants, philosophical studies at Sergio Arboleda University and pastoral or projection to the local community of the parish. During the year 2013, Casa Annonay began as the postulancy with four young men who came from the house of formation in Cali: Arley Camelo, Wilson Tovar, Andrés Valencia, Luis Suarez. In 2014, we will have three more candidates: Anderson Usuga, Alejandro Zuluaga and Edison Belisario Gómez.

Together we share the morning, noon and evening prayers as well as all meals of the day. Once a month, there is a visit from a married couple who are psychologists that accompany the process of individual and community growth. Each postulant meets individually with Dr. Sonia Clavijo. Each young man has a Spiritual Director, who occasionally shares a meal with us on a community feast day, which helps to create an environment of trust and familiarity. In terms of their formal studies, the postulants take classes in philosophy, from Monday to Friday in the afternoons, in the Universidad Sergio Arboleda. The University and the Congregation have an agreement which allows us have our own particular program, thus fulfilling the study requirements of the Congregation. For many of the postulants, this is their first university experience, a great opportunity to grow in discipline and in academia. Our scholastic in residence, Carlos Gutiérrez continued his theological studies in the Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana located in the major seminary of the Archdiocese.

As pastoral commitments, the local community has four base communities which have met faithfully for the past twelve years accompanied by the Basilians. Each Tuesday, the postulants go to one of the four communities and each month we meet with all in the Casa Annonay. At these sessions, we study the pastoral plan of the Archdiocese thus helping us to be in step with the plan of the local church. We celebrate Sunday Eucharist in the chapel San Miguel de "Chorro de Quevedo" located in the colonial area of Bogota, where the first Eucharist was celebrated in Bogotá. There are approximately one hundred faithful attending mass at 9:00 am each Sunday. The excellent liturgical celebration is a result of the insistence of the Basilians over the years of the importance of this area of our life. During the year we shared two retreats, one during Lent and the other during Advent.

Father Oscar Fernando Gómez served as chaplain of the ESFOR (school of formation) of the CRC during the first half of the year. Also he helps with Eucharistic celebrations in nearby parishes and forms part of the Committee of “New Generations” of HPLC, and at the same time is Director of Vocations for our Congregation in Colombia.

La Parroquia de San Basilio, St. Basil’s Parish, Medellín, Antioquia, Colombia

Castellano: El año empezó con la primera profesión de seis jóvenes en la parroquia de Nuestra Señora de Egipto en Bogotá. Después de su profesión tomaron tiempo para visitas familiares y en seguida vinieron a la Parroquia San Basilio en Medellín para formar parte de la comunidad aquí juntos con padre Pedro Miguel Mora Medina, CSB, el párroco, padre Roberto Seguin, CSB, el maestro de escolásticos y padre Juan Carlos Rojas Ramos, CSB que estaba terminando sus estudios en la Universidad de Antioquia en el cuatro semestre de economía. En la mitad del año recibió un nombramiento para Canadá y se fue a Toronto.

Los escolásticos estudiaron filosofía en la Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana todas las mañanas y en la tarde dedicaron su tiempo a los estudios y trabajos en la parroquia. Ayudaron en la casa con diferentes trabajos domésticos. Camilo Díaz, CSB dedicó mucho tiempo cuidando el carro de la parroquia y acompañó a los acólitos y ayudó en la catequesis para la primera comunión. También tocó la guitarra y cantaba para las liturgias. James Yáñez, CSB acompañó el taller San Basilio y fue catequista para la confirmación. Eduard Padilla, CSB era el Sacristán de la parroquia, acompañó en la liturgia con música y canto, y era un catequista para la primera comunión. Javier Higuera, CSB era el jardinero y un catequista para la primera comunión y canto en las liturgias de la navidad. Carlos Rodríguez, CSB acompañó las hermanas misioneras de Jesús y María en el programa del comedor por niños y niñas y personas ancianas. También era catequista de la confirmación. Andrés Timiná, CSB acompañó el grupo juvenil y trabajaba en la biblioteca de la casa y otros programas de la parroquia. PADRE Pedro dedicó mucho de su tiempo a la administración de la parroquia y el trabajo pastoral. PADRE Roberto acompañó los ministros de la Palabra y de la Eucaristía y el trabajo pastoral. PADRE Juan Carlos, también, ayudó en el trabajo pastoral de la parroquia hasta que salió para Canadá.

Todos participaron del programa de las pequeñas comunidades y reunimos cada 15 días con sus líderes. En la navidad invitamos los miembros de las pequeñas comunidades y todos los que ayudaron en los diferentes ministerios de la parroquia a una cena especial de lechona. Hemos sido bendecidos con muchos voluntarios y miembros de las pequeñas comunidades que fortalece el trabajo parroquial y contribuyen a una vida parroquial maravillosa. La parroquia sirve el barrio Olaya Herrera y los edificios de Mirador de Calasanz y Colinas de Calasanz. En los principios del año abrimos un nuevo centro para clases de confecciones con más maquinas, donadas por la Fundación “Populorum Progressio” del Vaticano. Terminando el año construimos un nuevo salón parroquial para actividades y asambleas parroquiales.

English: On January 2nd of 2013 six young men took their first vows at the parish church of our Lady of Egypt in Bogotá after which they took vacations and then came to Medellín to be part of the parish community here along with Father Pedro Miguel Mora Medina, CSB, the pastor and Father Roberto Seguin, CSB the director of scholastics and Father Juan Carlos Rojas, CSB who was finishing his fourth semester at the University of Antioquia before being assigned to Canada where he took up residence in the middle of the year.

The scholastics all studied philosophy in the Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana in the mornings and dedicated the afternoons and evenings to studies and work in the parish. They all helped around the house with daily house chores. Camilo Diaz, CSB dedicated much of his time taking care of the parish car, working with a parish choir and playing the guitar and singing for the parish liturgies. James Yanez, C.S.B accompanied the Taller San Basilio and was a catechist in Confirmation preparation. Eduard Padilla, CSB was the parish sacristan and catechist for first communion and also played the guitar and sang for parish liturgies. Javier Higuera, CSB took care of the gardening in the house and on the church property as well as catechizing in the first communion program and singing in the liturgies at Christmas. Carlos Rodríguez, CSB helped the Missionary Sisters of Jesus and Mary with programs in the dining room for children and seniors and was also a catechist for confirmation, Andrés Timiná, CSB worked with the youth group and participated in different parish programs. Father Pedro dedicated much of his time to the administration of the parish and all of the different parish programs. Father Bob accompanied the lectors and ministers of the Eucharist.



San Basilio colombiano

We all took part in the small base communities on a weekly basis and met with the leaders of the different communities every two weeks. At Christmas we invited the members of the small base communities and all of those who helped in the different ministries of the parish to a special dinner of “lechona”. We have been blessed with volunteers and members of the small base communities which fortify the work of the parish and make for a wonderful parish life. The parish serves the neighborhoods of Barrio Olaya Herrera, Mirador de Calasanz and Colinas de Calasanz.

At the beginning of the year we opened a new center for the Industrial Sewing Program with additional machines donated by the Populorum Progressio Foundation of the Vatican. At the end of the year we completed a new parish hall for parish gatherings and other activities.

Los Padres Basilianos en México

Integrantes: Padre Alejandro Romero CSB; Padre Daniel Porter CSB; Padre Roberto Rojas CSB; Padre Pablo Walsh CSB; Padre Jess Owens CSB; Padre Alberto Ferrara CSB; Padre Tomás Dugan CSB; José Alberto Juárez CSB; Alejandro Estrada CSB; Javier de la Rosa; Arturo Juan Jerónimo.

En enero la comunidad asistió a la Basílica de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, y como es acostumbrado se celebró la eucaristía con los hermanos presentes, sacerdotes y formandos. Asimismo los jóvenes escolásticos empezaron actividades en la universidad. En Tehuacán se tuvieron una serie de retiros con el motivo del mes de la familia en la diócesis. Fue coordinada por el padre Roberto Rojas CSB en conjunto con las Hermanas Violetas.



En febrero, los escolásticos empezaron con la preparación de la Misión de semana santa en coordinación con los miembros de la pastoral Universitaria de la Universidad Popular del Estado de Puebla (UPAEP). Mientras que la Parroquia de San Lorenzo inició el Camino de Conversión con miras a vivir la Cuaresma-Pascua como una renovación bautismal.

En marzo, los escolásticos continuaron con los retiros de preparación a la Misión de semana santa. Se acordó que la experiencia de Semana Santa fuera en Tepexilotla, una comunidad ubicada en la sierra negra de Puebla. Los hermanos en la Parroquia de San Lorenzo, se coordinaron para acompañar a las diferentes comunidades rumbo a la Semana Santa: Beto Rojas y Tomás Dugan (Centro de San Lorenzo), Pablo Walsh (El Carmen), Jess Owens (Santa Cecilia), Alberto Ferrara (San Juan Diego) y Daniel Porter (Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe-Porvenir).

En abril y mayo se llevó a cabo la misión de semana santa en Tepexilotla y en San Lorenzo se tuvo la



celebración de la Semana Santa. Se cerró la experiencia de esta Semana Santa con un retiro de Pascua para jóvenes. El ciclo escolar terminó y la comunidad parroquial culminó el año pastoral con la celebración de los sacramentos de Iniciación. A finales del mes de mayo, la comunidad en México, celebró el retiro anual, dirigido por el PADRE Alfonso López, Misionero del Espíritu Santo y contamos con la grata presencia del padre Tim Scott CSB, además de los hermanos candidatos: Javier de la Rosa y Arturo Jerónimo.

En el verano los jóvenes del Escolasticado tuvieron actividad en la parroquia de San Lorenzo dando temas y talleres así como un retiro para los ministros. En este periodo se convivió con las personas de la parroquia así como una cercanía con los padres que viven en Tehuacán. Los ministros de San Lorenzo se mostraron contentos con la llegada de los formandos. Después de este periodo la comunidad en Tlalpan regresó para reanudar clases y la comunidad parroquial inició el año pastoral con la formación continua de los ministros.

En septiembre las clases en la Universidad se reanudaron. Arturo y Javier empezaron su experiencia comunitaria en Tlalpan, Javier de la Rosa continuó los estudios en la Universidad Pontificia en filosofía junto con José Alberto Juárez, CSB y Alejandro Estrada Pérez, CSB. Arturo Jerónimo empezó en el Instituto Filosófico-Teológico Interreligioso de México (IFTIM) con los estudios en Teología. Los hermanos en Tehuacán continuaron su labor en la Parroquia como en diferentes servicios a la Diócesis: PADRE Beto Rojas, CSB es el Responsable de la Pastoral Familiar y Vida Consagrada; PADRE Alberto Ferrara, CSB es el Responsable del Ministerio de Liberación (exorcista diocesano) y coordinador de las Eucaristías con los enfermos).

Durante octubre y noviembre, los jóvenes del Escolasticado tuvieron una participación en los diferentes acontecimientos de la Universidad Pontificia (UPM) y el Instituto Intercongregacional (IFTIM). Por otro lado, la Parroquia de San Lorenzo vio el levantamiento del techo del nuevo Templo Parroquial. Como celebración mayor en Tehuacán se festejó el día en que la comunidad Basiliana se conformó de manera oficial.

En diciembre, concluidas las clases, se pidió a la comunidad en Tlalpan el reunirse en Tehuacán. Esta vez se tuvo una semana de trabajo con las comunidades de la parroquia de San Lorenzo en el festejo de las posadas así como algunas labores dentro del noviciado. También se tuvo una comida navideña con las religiosas que trabajan en la parroquia, las cuales son las hermanas misioneras del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús de Jalapa (o hermanas azules) y Ángela quien es una hermana Italiana que se hospedó en San Lorenzo a mediados del año. Los hermanos tomaron un período de vacaciones para reunirse nuevamente para celebrar el día de San Basilio, el 2 de enero de 2014.

The Basilian Fathers in México

Members: Father Alejandro Romero CSB; Father Daniel Porter CSB; Father Roberto Rojas CSB; Father Paul Walsh CSB; Father Jess Owens CSB; Father Alberto Ferrara CSB; Father Thomas Dugan CSB; José Alberto Juárez CSB; Alejandro Estrada CSB; Javier de la Rosas; Arturo Juan Jerónimo.

In January the community gathered at the Guadalupe Basilica as usual, and the Eucharist was celebrated by the Basilian priests and the men in formation. Likewise the young scholastics started activities at the university. In Tehuacán a series of retreats was held celebrating the Family Month in the diocese. The retreats were organized by Father Roberto Rojas, CSB along with the Violeta Sisters.

In February the scholastics started with the preparation of the Holy Week Mission in coordination with the members of the pastoral team of the Universidad Autónoma del Estado de Puebla (UPAEP). San Lorenzo Parish began the "Way to Conversion," a way of living the Lent-Easter time as a baptismal renewal.

In March the scholastics helped organize the retreats for the Holy Week mission. It was agreed to have the Holy Week experience in Tepexilotla, outside of Tehuacán, a community located on the Sierra Negra of Puebla. The brothers at the San Lorenzo parish celebrated with the different communities during Holy Week: Father Roberto Rojas and Thomas Dugan at the San Lorenzo temple, Father Paul Walsh at El Carmen chapel, Father Jess Owen at the Santa Cecilia chapel, Father Alberto Ferrara at the San Juan Diego chapel and Father Daniel Porter at Our Lady of Guadalupe chapel in El Porvenir.



During April and May, the Holy Week Mission was held at Tepexilotla and in San Lorenzo the community in Tehuacán had a Holy Week celebration. The Holy Week experience was closed with a wonderful Easter Retreat for young people. The academic year came to an end for our students and the parish community celebrated the Sacraments of Initiation. At the end of May, the community in Mexico held its annual retreat, directed by Father Alfonso López, a Missionary of the Holy Spirit. We were happy to welcome Father Tim Scott, CSB along with the candidates Javier de la Rosa y Arturo Jerónimo.

During the summer months, the men in formation had activities at the San Lorenzo parish; they were occupied in giving some conferences, workshops, and a retreat for the ministers. We shared a sense of unity with the parishioners as well as enjoying community with the Basilian fathers at Tehuacán. The parish ministers of San Lorenzo were happy to spend time with our men in formation. The parish community of Tehuacán began another pastoral year with the continuing formation of those in ministry.

In September the classes were resumed. Arturo Jerónimo and Javier de la Rosa started their community experience in Tlalpan. Javier continued his studies at the Universidad Pontificia in Philosophy along with José Alberto Juárez, CSB and Alejandro Estrada, CSB. Arturo began at the Instituto Filosófico-Teológico Interreligioso de México (IFTIM) with Theological studies. Besides their ministry in the parish, the Basilians in Tehuacán also made contributions to the diocese. Father Roberto Rojas is the Director of the Family Ministry and Consecrated Life, Father Alberto Ferrara is the director of the Liberation Ministry (the diocesan exorcist) and he serves as the coordinator of Eucharistic celebrations with the Anointing of the Sick.

During October and November, the young men of the Scholasticate participated in different events at the Universidad Pontificia (UPM) and the Instituto Intercongregacional (IFTIM). The community at San Lorenzo parish celebrated the construction of the dome of the new church building. In November, the Basilian community day was celebrated in Tehuacán.

Once again, in December, the community from Tlalpan met together in Tehuacán. They celebrated the Posadas with the San Lorenzo parish community and did some house chores at the novitiate. Also a Christmas dinner was held with the religious sisters that work at the parish, who are the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus from Jalapa (or Blue Sisters) and Sister Angela who is a religious from Italy who has been at San Lorenzo since mid-year. We ended the year with a joyous celebration of St. Basil's Day on January 2nd.

Maison St-Joseph, Collège Sacré-Coeur Annonay, France

L'année 2013 fut particulièrement difficile avec le décès du Père Jean Roure, CSB le 23 juin en soirée, après un an de séjour en Maison de retraite médicalisée à St-Joseph de Varagnes, maison sous la tutelle des Soeurs Trinitaires. C'est tout un pan de l'histoire de la Maison St-Joseph qui est parti avec Jean, qui était arrivé pour la dernière fois ici en 2005. Et du coup, le Père Michel Deglène, qui a vécu 40 ans avec Jean à Villeurbanne (paroisse du Coeur-Immaculé de Marie), à Lyon (paroisse Ste-Jeanne-d'Arc), à Villevoisance (paroisse Ste-Claire d'Annonay-Vocance) s'est senti et se...sent toujours bien seul (il... allait voir Jean tous les jours ou presque à la maison de retraite).

Le Père René Robert, CSB est toujours à la maison de retraite "Mon Foyer" (depuis 2006). Son année a été difficile avec les ennuis de santé de son frère cadet Serge qui a eu de gros problèmes cardiaques et qui ne descendra sans doute plus jamais à la maison qu'il possédait au Chambon-sur-Lignon (Haute-Loire) à 70 km d'ici. René continue de concélébrer la messe presque chaque jour, avec le Père Joseph Fanget, prêtre diocésain, qui fait fonction d'aumônier de la maison, sans en avoir le titre! La santé de René - bientôt 89 ans - se maintient tant bien que mal, avec des jours de forme et des jours... sans! Mais l'esprit est toujours très vif et René accueille volontiers tous les visiteurs, en particulier, les confrères de passage qui n'hésitent pas à aller le rencontrer (Père George Smith, Père Tom Rosica, Père Tim Scott, Père John Wheeler, Père Joseph Hunt).

Le Père François Morfin, CSB est désormais bien installé à Aubenas depuis octobre 2012, à la Villa Ste-Marthe, maison de retraite qui appartient à l'institut des Soeurs de St-Joseph, et qui est jumelée à la maison médicalisée St-Joseph tout près. François a pris ses repères dans cette nouvelle maison qui compte une trentaine de pensionnaires, dont beaucoup de prêtres diocésains âgés. Il a apprivoisé aussi la ville d'Aubenas, sa médiathèque en particulier. François a sans doute plus de difficultés pour se déplacer, pour parler, pour utiliser ses bras, mais globalement il ne va pas si mal. Par contre, François a vécu une très dure épreuve en décembre dernier avec la mort de son neveu Vincent emporté par un cancer à 36 ans (il était marié et père d'une petite fille de 3 ans), dont les funérailles ont été célébrées à Roiffieux, où habitent Monique (la soeur de François) et Pierre Misery, les parents de Vincent.

Le Père Michel Deglène, CSB - qui va sur ses 78 ans - continue d'assurer quelques ministères sur la paroisse Ste-Claire (messes dominicales à Notre-Dame un dimanche sur 2, messes en semaine le mardi et le vendredi à St-François, aumônerie catholique de la maison de retraite protestante de Montalivet, tout près de chez nous, parfois quelques funérailles), tout en assumant toujours l'intendance de la maison (achats, entretien, réparations, jardin, préparation des repas du soir et du dimanche...) et le suivi de notre employée au jour le jour. Mais, Michel trouve les journées parfois bien longues, surtout les jours sans soleil en hiver, car il ne voit pas grand monde quand il ne sort pas de la Maison St-Joseph. Michel a beaucoup travaillé cet automne, avec notre "conseiller" Jean-Claude Alliol, pour obtenir la prolongation de l'habilitation de notre cimetière basilien, après le passage d'un hydrogéologue et une montagne de paperasses avec la mairie d'Annonay. On va sans doute pouvoir ramener notre Père Roure pour l'inhumer dans notre cimetière du Collège aux beaux jours (il repose pour l'instant dans le caveau des prêtres d'Annonay au cimetière communal, avec l'aimable autorisation de notre évêque de Viviers).

Quant à moi-même, **Père Bernard Buisson, CSB**, je vis ma dernière année comme enseignant d'histoire-géographie-éducation civique au Collège du Sacré-Coeur. Ma retraite Education nationale - impérative à 65 ans accomplis - commencera le 1er septembre 2014. Finis... les copies à corriger, les cours à préparer, les réunions chaque année plus nombreuses, les rencontres de parents, les élèves à canaliser. Je resterai largement présent au Collège Sacré-Coeur après la rentrée 2014 pour continuer d'assurer le service de la tutelle basilienne en participant au conseil de direction, au conseil pédagogique, à l'équipe d'animation pastorale (je reste le prêtre accompagnateur), à l'organisme de gestion, à l'accompagnement au quotidien ou presque de notre directeur Michaël Bouvier. Mais cela va me libérer de nombreuses heures chaque semaine, que notre évêque, le Père François Blondel, a déjà commencé de remplir (on s'est vu, il y a 10 jours à St-Peray) par sans doute quelques tâches paroissiales augmentées sur la paroisse St-Christophe-les-Annonay (où je suis déjà prêtre auxiliaire et où je risque de devenir... curé "in solidum" pour seconder le curé "modérateur", le Père Jean-François Beal), mais j'ai obtenu 6 mois "d'année sabbatique" à la française pour souffler un peu, faire le grand ménage dans mes 3 pièces et pour laisser la tutelle diocésaine de l'enseignement catholique qui me valait une multitude de réunions à Viviers. Je vais en profiter pour commencer à me reposer, sur les conseils de beaucoup de confrères qui craignaient ... un "burn out" pour moi, afin d'être aussi plus présent sur notre Maison St-Joseph!

Collège Sacré-Cœur

On commence d'ailleurs de réfléchir sérieusement à l'avenir de cette maison: reprise d'une partie par le Collège Sacré-Coeur pour y aménager des bureaux pour les professeurs, projet d'y rebâtir peut-être l'école primaire de Montalivet dans le parc dans un horizon 3-5 ans, car il est bien



évident que cette Maison St-Joseph est désormais bien grande pour les 2 Basiliens que nous restons à y vivre en permanence (tant que nous restons à peu près en forme, avec Mme. Salique, notre cuisinière et employée à tout faire, cela peut encore durer un peu, mais ce ne sera pas... éternel, loin s'en faut! Ainsi vont les choses au berceau de la communauté basilienne à Annonay.

Le Collège Sacré-Coeur se porte bien avec 726 élèves en cette année scolaire 2013-2014, des travaux qui vont débuter bientôt pour construire un ascenseur, un nouvel espace d'accueil et de vie scolaire, la réfection des façades nord-ouest, nord et nord-est dès l'été prochain. Cela suivra l'équipement en informatique de toutes les salles de classe qui a été réalisé durant l'été 2013. Et nous avons été particulièrement heureux des 100% de réussite au DNB (Diplôme National du Brevet) - à la session de juin 2013 - de nos 175 élèves de 3ème (plus de 68% avec une mention!).

Maison St-Joseph, Collège Sacré-Coeur Annonay, France

2013 was a particularly difficult year with the passing of Father Jean Roure the evening of June 23, following a stay at the Retirement facility St-Joseph de Varagnes, under the care of the Trinitarian Sisters. We lost a witness of our history at Maison St-Joseph with his departure; he had returned to us in 2005. Suddenly, Father Michel Deglène, who lived 40 years with Jean in Villeurbanne (paroisse du Coeur-Immaculée) at Villevoisance (paroisse Ste-Claire d'Annonay-Vocance) found himself quite alone. Michel had visited Jean practically every day at the retirement centre.

Father René Robert has lived at the retirement house "Mon Foyer" since 2006. His year was a difficult one with the health problems of his younger brother Serge, who will no longer be able to visit their house in Chambon-sur-Lignon about 70 km away. René continues to concelebrate almost every day with Father Joseph Fanget, who is de facto chaplain at the Centre. René's health is reasonably good and varies from day to day - he is almost 89. He is in great spirits and happily welcomes visitors, including confrères who are always willing to visit (Fathers George Smith, Tom Rosica, Tim Scott, John Wheeler, and Joe Hunt).

Father François Morfin has been installed in Aubenas since October 2012 at the Villa Ste-Marthe, a retirement facility belonging to the Sisters of St. Joseph and attached to a nearby medical centre. He is settling in to this new house that has about thirty residents, including many retired diocesan priests. He also has gotten to know Aubenas and its high-tech library. François has difficulty moving about, speaking, and using his arms, but on the whole he does all right. However, it was very hard for him to lose his nephew Vincent to cancer. He was only 36 and had a wife and 3-year-old daughter. The funeral was celebrated in Roiffieux, the home of Vincent's parents, Monique (François' sister) and Pierre Misery.

Father Michel Deglène who is nearing 78 years of age, continues to preside and preach occasionally at paroisse Ste-Claire (Sunday masses at Notre-Dame, daily masses at St-François, Catholic chaplaincy at the Protestant retirement centre at Montalivet). He also handles house duties at Maison St-Joseph (purchases, housekeeping, repairs, the garden, preparing the evening and Sunday meals) and following up on the house employee. Still, Michel finds the days long, particularly those without sunlight in the winter, for he doesn't see a lot of folks if he doesn't go out. He has worked closely with our advisor Jean-Claude Alliol to regain the use of our Basilian cemetery. This required the visit of a hydrogeologist and a mountain of paperwork at the mayor's office. We will probably be able to bring back the remains of Jean Roure to bury them in the College cemetery when the fine weather returns (his remains are currently in the diocesan mausoleum through the kindness of the bishop of Viviers).

As for myself, **Father Bernard Buisson**, I am in my final year as a history/geography/civic education teacher at College du Sacré-Coeur. My obligatory retirement at age 65 will begin September 1, 2014. Finished... with homework to correct, classes to prepare, ever more frequent meetings, parent meetings, students to direct. I will continue to be present at the school in the context of the Basilian oversight by participating in the administrative and teaching councils, the pastoral team, the finance committee, and whatever else can assist our principal Michaël Bouvier. The retirement will free several hours each week, which our bishop, François Blondel has already begun to fill up. There are new pastoral responsibilities at St-Christophe-les-Annonay (from assistant priest I fear I will be named parish priest 'in solidum' to assist the priest "moderator" Jean-François Béal). I have been given a six-month

“sabbatical” to catch my breath, clear out my three rooms and conclude the diocesan catholic education oversight that required numerous meetings in Viviers. I hope to begin to rest a bit, upon the advice of several confrères who fear I may “burn out” and so that I can be more present at our Maison St-Joseph.

We have begun to reflect seriously on the future of Maison St-Joseph. Part of it has been taken over by the College to set up offices for the teachers. There is also the possibility of rebuilding the primary school of Montalivet in the park over the next 3-5 years. It is obvious that Maison St-Joseph is very large for the two remaining Basilians, though we’re more in less in good shape with Mme. Salique our cook and all-around assistant. This can last for a while, but our situation is not “eternal”; far from it. This is the way things are in the cradle of the Basilian community in Annonay.

College Sacré-Coeur

The College Sacré-Coeur is doing well with 726 students in this academic year 2013-14; work will soon begin on an elevator, a new reception and study area, and new outer walls. This follows the installation of internet equipment in all classrooms in 2013. We were particularly happy that all students passed the DNB (Diplôme National du Brevet) at the June 2013 session. Of our 175 students in 3ième, over 68% received an honorable mention.



**Maison
Saint-Joseph,
Annonay**

Note from the Editor: There are five Basilians currently in France. Père René Robert and Père François Morfin are in retirement in the Ardèche. Père Michel Degléne and Père Bernard Buisson live at Maison Saint-Joseph in Annonay.

Père Joseph Hunt, attached to Orsini House, Toronto, has worked in pastoral ministry in the Archdiocese of Paris, and has been in the parish of Notre Dame de l’Immaculée Conception de Clignancourt since 2005. The parish is located in the northern part of Paris, in the 18th arrondissement, just behind Sacred Heart Basilica at the base of the Hill of Montmartre. Joe lives at the rectory with four other priests; they pray together at noon and take the noon meal together. Joe celebrates daily mass in the parish and coordinates the preparation of adults for Baptism and Confirmation as well as preparing families for infant Baptism. He prepares couples for Matrimony and goes to the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal for the weekly celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. He ministers to homeless people who come to the parish on Saturday morning for breakfast and he works with various parish committees and teaches Catechism. Although there are no accommodations for visitors at the parish, Joe is always happy when confrères who are in Paris phone him or stop by for a visit.

Rochester NY Area – Basilian Lay Associates

Coordinators: Father Joseph Lanzalaco, CSB and Suzanne and Tom Grout

The Rochester Area has 11 Lay Associates and 4 persons in the Come and See Program.

The Basilian Fathers at Christ the King generously allowed us to hold monthly meetings during the “school year” at their rectory. A guest speaker from the local area spoke to us about a topic of their choice. These meetings help our continued spiritual and community growth. Also, the Basilian Fathers of East Rochester generously continued to invite us to join them each month during the “college year”. These meetings consist of Evening Prayer, social and dinner on the last Thursday. These gatherings have continued to be a time of prayer, sharing and celebration.

The Basilian Fathers at Christ the King graciously hosted an outdoor Labor/Labour Day celebration for all Basilians and Lay Associates in the Rochester area and invited guests. This gathering brings us all together for friendship and celebration at the end of summer and the start of another school year.

Norm Tanck, CSB, lead a Day of Reflection on discipleship for the Lay Associates in Rochester during Lent.

Also, Father Norm led the Lay Associates from Southwest Ontario, Toronto and Rochester in a retreat at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada, on September 6 to 8, 2013. His topic was “From Sea to Sea: A Journey of Discipleship”. Twenty-one Lay Associates and Come and See Participants were able to attend.

Toronto ON Area Basilian Lay Associates

Coordinators: Father Joe Walsh, CSB and Sharon McGhie and Anastasia Oehlert

At our regular meeting on 4 June, 2013, we thanked Sharon McGhie for her service as our BLA Lay Coordinator over the past three years. We welcomed our new Lay Coordinator, Anastasia Oehlert, who has agreed to assume this position. In 2013 had eighteen BLA members and six new “Come and See” members. We are blessed with having our monthly gatherings preceded by Mass and usually concelebrated by our Ordained Coordinator, Father Joseph Walsh, CSB

In February, we were invited to Frassati House for a lovely afternoon where we enjoyed a luncheon. We also attended in February a dinner at Brennan Hall at St. Michael’s College hosted by the Basilian Fathers of University of St. Michael’s College. In March, we attended the Basilian Spring Area meeting at the Flahiff Centre. In April, Father Daniel Callam, CSB was our Principal Celebrant and guest speaker; in his presentation he spoke about priestly celibacy in the Church.

May 4, 2013 was a half-day of Recollection led by Father William Irwin, CSB who was also our Mass celebrant. Those who attended appreciated his talk on the Holy Spirit. In June, our guest speaker and Principal Celebrant of our Mass was Father William May, CSB. Rosemary McCormick, a long-time BLA, passed away on June 26; she will be missed.

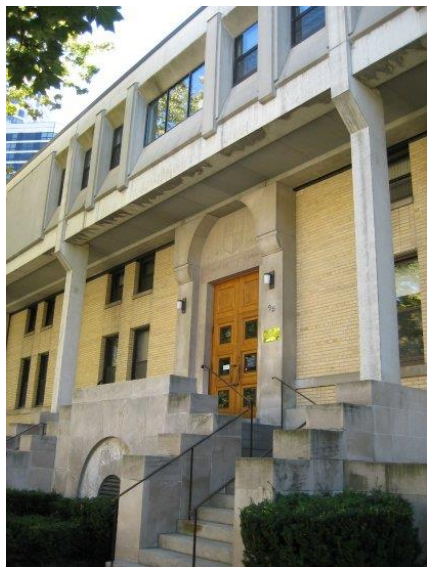
Saturday, July 6th, 2013, BLAs and Basilian confrères celebrated the Episcopal Ministry of Bishop Richardo Ramirez, CSB at the Cardinal Flahiff Basilian Centre. Archbishop Michael Miller, CSB and Bishop Ronald Fabbro, C.S.B were concelebrants and present for the following celebrations and meal.

Our annual retreat was held September 6th and 7th at the Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga. In September BLAs attended the Profession of Perpetual Vows of Warren Roger Schmit, CSB and his ordination to the Diaconate.

After the October Mass we welcomed our six new “Come and See” members with our “Meet and Greet” social. On October 19th the Commitment and Recommitment ceremony of the BLAs was held at Mass at St. Basil’s Church. November 4th was our second gathering, also a “Meet and Greet” time. Father Joe Walsh, CSB was our celebrant and homilist. We continued our social aspect of getting to know each other.

On November 22nd BLAs were invited to the Flahiff Centre to celebrate with the confrères the Feast of the Presentation hosted by the Basilian Fathers of Holy Rosary, Frassati House and Orsini House.

December 3rd was our final gathering for the season. After Mass in the Flahiff Centre Chapel, we regrouped downstairs to celebrate the Christmas season with food and drink. December 14th was our Christmas caroling for the Basilians at Anglin House. Also in December, many BLAs attended the funeral of Father Thomas Frances Mohan, CSB. A message from the Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper stated that “...the contributions of Father Mohan have made an indelible mark on the social fabric of Canada.”



Cardinal Flahiff Basilian Centre

Houston TX Area Basilian Lay Associates

Coordinators: Don Kuder, CSB, Jay Walsh, CSB, and R. Roy Mendoza

The Houston Area Lay Associates have 53 members, 3 new members, and 3 “Come and See” Candidates discerning. One member resigned and Lay Associate Rita Fason passed away.

We began our year with the Feast of St. Basil on January 2, 2013 at St. Anne with Father Sean Garrity as Celebrant with Lay Associates’ First Commitments and one and three year Re-commitments.

We meet monthly January to June. We had as our “Meet a Basilian” Fathers Mitch Dowalgo, Norm Tanck, David Bittner, Paul O’Connor, Jay Walsh, along with Novices Hoc Nguyen and Steven Huber. We also had the Basilians of Dillon House speak to us on “Healthy Aging.” At our meetings we have a social time in which members bring refreshments or full dinners are served.

We were invited to attend and participate in the Houston Area Basilian Meetings in March at St. Anne. The Lay Associates were also invited to attend the Memorial Day Mass and Celebration at St. Thomas High School and the Labor Day Mass and dinner at the University of St. Thomas.

On Monday, May 20, 2013 we had a farewell dinner for Father Tom Mailloux as he returned to live in Toronto. The event was very well attended and we were pleased to have Most Reverend Joseph A. Fiorenza, Archbishop Emeritus of Galveston-Houston, who is a close friend of Father Tom, in attendance. In June we said farewell to Father Jay Walsh as our Ordained Coordinator; he had served for over 9 years. We gave him a traditional dinner of barbeque with all of the trimmings. In September we were pleased to welcome Father Don Kuder as our new Ordained Coordinator. In August the Lay Associates hosted a reception at the University of St. Thomas for first vows of the Novices to Scholastics.



**In November 2013
the University of St. Thomas was the
setting of our Annual Day of Prayer.**

**Father Don Kuder and
Father Phil Acquaro
led this beautiful day of prayers and
talk. Over 40 members attended.**

Our annual Christmas Celebration was held at St. Anne and we were very pleased to have over 95 Basilian Fathers and Lay Associates attend.

The Houston Area Basilian Lay Associates continue to thrive and embrace our beloved Basilian Fathers and all Basilian causes.

Southwestern Ontario Basilian Lay Associates

Coordinators: William Riegel, CSB, Anne Marie Handsor

We are thrilled and blessed to announce that 2013 brought new life and several new members to the Basilian Lay Associates in Southwestern Ontario. Under the guidance and leadership of Marie Anne Seguin, John and Angela D'Amore and Denise Callaghan and several Basilians, we had a wonderful year of discernment for a group of 12 to 15 people. In November, nine new members made their first commitment as a BLA; namely Patricia Marino, Andy Matos, Emmanuel and Evangeline Franco, Mary Beth and Owen Swain, Rose and Ricardo Portillo, and Mary Rose Te. Three other members of our "Come and See" group are still in the discernment period and have decided to wait until this coming November to make their commitment; namely Gerald Handsor, Tom Hebert and Gloria Ymana.

We have a very lively and diverse group in Southwestern Ontario. We are grateful that we continue to have the four originals with us much of the time to guide us and keep us on the right path. We meet monthly on the third Thursday of each month. We always have enjoyable and spiritual prayer and reflection and many times we go way past our meeting times. Now that Father Bill Riegel has generously offered us his rectory for our meetings, we will be keeping the meetings to an hour and a half because Bill has such a huge job and so little help at this time.

We were immensely blessed this past year with the presence of Father Daniel Chui. He came to share with us last January and was at most of our meetings throughout last year and also this January and February. Due to his poor health at this time, he is back in Toronto and we continue to pray ardently for a miracle. He is always a bright light in our group and we cannot wait to see him back with us again. We celebrated many joyous events this past year, including Father Beaune's 60th anniversary of priesthood. We also celebrated Father Riegel's 40th anniversary. I can't remember two more joy filled celebrations. Both celebrations packed the Freed Orman Centre where there was much laughter, joy and sharing.



Assumption Church, Windsor

We were saddened by the closure of O'Connor House and we continue to pray for all the Basilians who have lived there. We celebrated with the priests at O'Connor House this past January for a farewell gathering organized and prepared by Father Paul McGill. Talk about a wonderful evening! The best! Great camaraderie!

We continue to pray for the BLA groups in Rochester, Toronto and Texas. We have started a small prayer group of BLAs on Saturday afternoon between 4:15 and 4:45, just before 5:00 Mass. We pray for all Basilians and the restoration of our parish, Our Lady of the Assumption. If any of the BLAs in other areas want to join with us in prayer at that time each Saturday, we would be delighted. We look forward to another year of prayer and get-togethers with our Basilian Community.

Joseph Paul Shannon, CSB

May 27, 1920 - January 2, 2013

Joseph Paul Shannon was born in Houston, Texas, on May 27, 1920, the son of Edward Lawrence Shannon and Mary Margaret Schlasser. After graduating from St. Thomas High School in Houston in 1938, he entered the Toronto Novitiate on August 5, 1938 and professed first vows on August 15, 1939. Following first profession he was sent to Assumption College in Windsor, Ontario, where he earned his B.A. in Modern Languages from the University of Western Ontario in 1943. While earning his degree, he also taught German and American History at Assumption College School.



As a scholastic, Joe taught for a year at St. Thomas High School in Houston and a year at Catholic Central High School in Detroit, Michigan. In the summers, he attended the University of Detroit, taking education courses. He then returned to Toronto for his theological studies. He was ordained a priest on June 29, 1948 by Bishop C.E. Byrne in Houston.

As a Basilian, Joe had the following appointments:

St. Basil's Novitiate, Toronto, ON (1938-1939)
Assumption College, Windsor, ON (1939-1943)
St. Thomas High School, Houston, TX (1943-1944)
Catholic Central High School, Detroit, MI (1944-1945)
St. Basil's Seminary, Toronto, ON (1945-1950)
Our Lady of Guadalupe Church (1950-1951)
Mt. Carmel Church, Wharton, TX (1951-1957)
St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Angleton, TX (1957-58)

Mt. Carmel Church, Wharton, TX (1958-1963)
Basilian Fathers of Angleton, TX (1963-1970)
Mexico (1970-1971)
Bay City (1971-1987)
Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, Bay City (1987-1992)
Casa Sacerdotal, Mexico City (1992-1993)
St. Joseph's Center, Sugar Land, TX (1993-2009)
St. Dominic's Village, Houston TX (2009-2013)

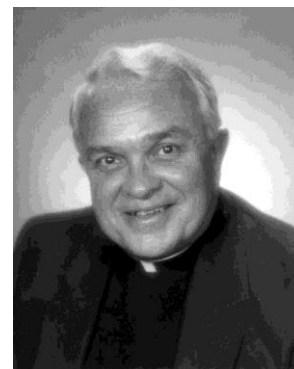
Following ordination, Joe immediately went to the Texas mission churches, where he devoted his entire career to the service of the underserved Mexican communities. He both read and spoke Spanish. Of special interest was his work in Bay City, where he was far more than the church Pastor. He was involved in social justice programs before they had the name. Large numbers of Basilian scholastics spent their summers being driven around Texas in Joe's bus to places where they could help the local citizens. As beloved as he was by his parishioners, he was a problem for his superiors who tried to get some control over his many projects. The thought of retirement was not part of Joe's vision. He wheedled every moment he could before he gave in to the realities of age and diminished abilities.

Joseph Paul Shannon died peacefully at St. Dominic's Center in Houston, Texas on January 2, 2013. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers and his sister, Sr. Carmelita of the Congregation of the Incarnate Word. Visitation took place at St. Anne's Church, Houston, prior to the Mass of Christian Burial on January 8, 2013. Most Rev. Vincent M. Rizzotto, retired Auxiliary Bishop of Galveston-Houston and graduate of St. Thomas High School, presided at the Mass and Father Vincent Dulock, CSB, Director of Novices at St. Basil's Novitiate in Sugar Land, Texas, preached. Burial immediately followed at the Basilian plot at Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery in Houston.

Robert Joseph Madden, CSB

June 18, 1928 – February 16, 2013

Robert Joseph Madden was born in Detroit, Michigan on June 18, 1928, the son of the late Patrick Henry Madden and Mary Agnes McKnight. He was baptized in Gesu Parish and attended the parish grammar school from 1934 to 1942. He was a member of the Class of 1946 of Catholic Central High School, then on Belmont Avenue. Following high school graduation, he entered the Rochester Novitiate on August 5, 1946 under Novice Master Father Wilfred Sharpe, CSB. He professed his first vows on August 15, 1947.



Following first vows, Bob lived at Holy Rosary Seminary while studying at St. Michael's College. He earned his B.A. in English from the University of Toronto in 1952. He began his theological studies at St. Basil's Seminary in 1952 and concurrently pursued graduate studies leading to an M.A. in English from the University of Toronto and the S.T.B. in 1955. He was ordained priest in St. Basil's Church on June 29, 1955 by Bishop Francis Allen.

As a Basilian, Bob had the following appointments:

St. Basil's Novitiate, Rochester, NY (1946-47)
Holy Rosary Seminary, Toronto, ON (1947-49)
St. Michael's College, Toronto, ON (1949-52)
St. Basil's Seminary, Toronto, ON (1952-56)
St. Michael's College, Toronto, ON (1956-57)
Assumption University, Windsor, ON (1957-60)
University of London, London, UK (1960-63)

University of St. Michael's College, Toronto, ON (1963-73)
St. Basil's College, Toronto, ON (1973-79)
Newman Centre, Toronto, ON (1979-82)
St. Mark's College, Vancouver, BC (1982-84)
University of St. Michael's College, Toronto, ON (1984-2010)
Anglin House, Toronto, ON (2010-13)

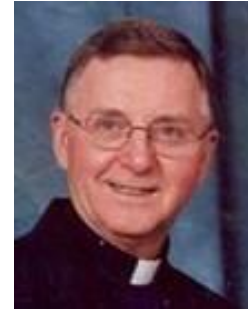
Following ordination, Bob began his career as a university teacher of English. He moved to Windsor for three years in 1957. While there, he was Moderator of Scholastics in 1959-60, the first of many opportunities he had to work with younger Basilians. After earning his Ph.D. in London, he returned to St. Michael's College for ten years, holding the office of Superior from 1967-73. In 1973 he was asked to take on the challenging role of Rector of St. Basil's Seminary and Director of Formation for a six-year term. He had an outstanding term as rector during these difficult years. Upon completing his term, he then moved to the Newman Centre for three years, followed by a term as Principal of St. Mark's College in Vancouver, BC. He returned to St. Michael's in 1984, where he served for another twenty-six years, first as teacher and later as Director of Alumni. Finally, in 2010, he moved across the street to Anglin House, from where he still maintained contact with the St. Michael's Community and alumni.

Robert Joseph Madden, CSB died peacefully at St. Michael's Hospital on February 16, 2013 after a brief struggle with pancreatic cancer. Bob was predeceased by his parents and by his brother, Father John Madden, CSB. Visitation was on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at the Cardinal Flahiff Basilian Centre Chapel. A wake service was held that evening at 7:30 P.M. Father Kenneth Decker, CSB preached. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Wednesday, February 20, 2013 at St. Basil's Church. Father George T. Smith, CSB, Superior General, was the principal concelebrant and Father William Irwin, CSB preached. Burial followed immediately in the Basilian plot at Holy Cross Cemetery in Thornhill, ON. Father James Carruthers, superior of Anglin House, led the Rite of Committal.

James Edward Rent, CSB

May 25, 1936 - March 2, 2013

James Edward Rent was born on May 25, 1936 in Halifax, NS, one of two sons of William G. Rent and Bertha M. Donnolly. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Patrick's Church in Halifax, NS. He attended St. Patrick's Boys' High School in Halifax where he was President of the Student Council and editor of the school newspaper. He entered the Richmond Hill Novitiate on August 5, 1953 and made his First Profession on August 15, 1954. He was ordained priest by Bishop James M. Hayes in St. Catherine's Church, Halifax, NS on December 11, 1965.



Following first profession, Jim began his university studies in Toronto in Latin, French and Greek, earning the B.A. in Latin and Honours French from the University of Toronto in 1959. He then went to St. Charles College in Sudbury for two years, where he taught Latin, French and Religion. His pre-ordination theological training was split between France and Canada.

Jim's ministerial life had three major phases: teacher, pastor, and archivist. In each setting Jim strove for excellence. He was an excellent teacher and devoted to his students. His achievements as a pastor stand among his most memorable accomplishments. He was at various times given the most difficult of parochial assignments and he attempted to address the challenges of Vatican II in each parish where he served. With the discovery of cancer, Jim was appointed to Orsini House in 2005. While undergoing treatment, he took on the position of Congregational Archivist. As with all of his assignments, he immersed himself in the work and became an integral part of the group of professional archivists who work in the Toronto area. He continued his work until a few days before his death.

As a Basilian, Jim had the following appointments:

Richmond Hill Novitiate, ON (1953-1954)
St. Michael's College School, Toronto, ON (1954-1955)
St. Basil's Seminary, Toronto, ON (1955-1958)
U. of St. Michael's College, Toronto, ON (1958-1960)
St. Basil's Seminary, Toronto, ON (1960-1961)
St. Charles College, Sudbury, ON (1961-1963)
Maison St. Basile, Paris, France (1963-1965)
St. Basil's Seminary, Toronto ON (1965-1966)
St. Mary's College, Sault Ste. Marie, ON (1967-1980)

St Charles College, Sudbury, ON (1966-1967)
St. Anne's Church, Houston, TX (1980-1984)
Renewal, Rome and Santa Barbara, CA (1984-1985)
St. Basil's Church, Ottawa, ON (1985-1988)
Basilian Fathers of Sault Ste. Marie, ON (1988-1999)
St. Gerard Majella Church, Sault Ste. Marie, ON (1999-2002)
St. Rose of Lima Parish, Fall River, NS (2002-2005)
Orsini House, Toronto, ON (2005-2013)

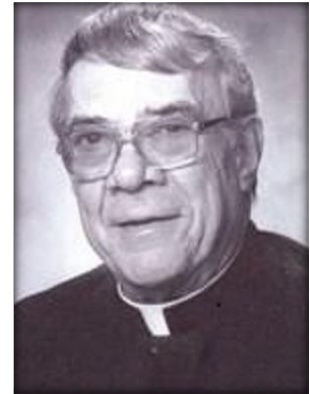
James Edward Rent died in his room at Anglin House on March 2, 2013. He succumbed to a virulent cancer that had afflicted him for a number of years. Jim was predeceased by his parents and his brother, William. Visitation and Evening Prayer of the Dead took place on March 5, 2013 at the chapel of the Cardinal Flahiff Centre. Father Kenneth Decker, CSB was the homilist. The next day, the Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in the same chapel. Father George Smith, CSB, Superior General, presided and Father James Farge, CSB preached. After the Mass, the body was interred in the Basilian plot at Holy Cross Cemetery in Thornhill, ON. Father James Carruthers, CSB, Superior of Anglin House, led the Rite of Committal.

John Jerome Stortz, CSB

April 28, 1925 – May 28, 2013

John Jerome Stortz was born in Welland, Ontario, on April 28, 1925, son of Agatha (née Goetz) and Edward Stortz. After receiving much of his education in public schools in Welland, he registered as a boarder at Assumption College School.

John, known as “Jack,” entered the Tweedsmuir Novitiate in August of 1944, in the first class under Father John McGuire. He took his first vows on August 15, 1945, and was appointed to St. Michael’s College, where he received his B.A. in 1948. As a scholastic, Jack taught at Catholic Central and St. Thomas High School where he also coached. In 1950 he attended the Ontario College of Education, where he qualified for his High School Assistant Certificate. Following an additional two years of theology at St. Basil’s Seminary on St. Joseph Street, Toronto, and teaching at St. Michael’s College School, Jack was ordained by Cardinal McGuigan on June 29, 1953.



He was appointed to St. Paul’s High School in Saskatoon and in 1959, Father John Mullins requested Jack’s assistance in 1959 to establish the Science Department at Michael Power High School in Toronto, Ontario. During this time was received into the order of the Knights of Malta. Jack was appointed to St. Charles High School in Sudbury. He then attended Queen’s University for a summer course in Honours Biology, and later obtained his Professional Guidance Counsellor’s Certificate. He served as Head of the Guidance Department at Assumption College School – a position he held until retiring in 1990.

As a Basilian, Jack had the following appointments:

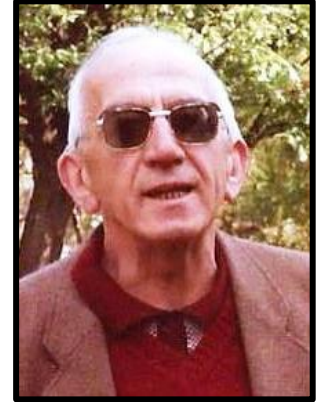
St. Basil’s Novitiate, Toronto, ON (1944 – 1945)
U. of St. Michael’s College, Toronto ON (1945 – 1948)
Catholic Central High School, Detroit MI (1948 – 1949)
St. Thomas High School, Houston TX 1949 - 1950
Ontario College of Education, Toronto ON (1950 – 1950)
St. Michael’s College School, Toronto ON (1951 – 1954)
St. Paul’s High School, Saskatoon SK (1954 – 1959)
Michael Power High School, Toronto ON (1959 – 1967)
St. Charles High School, Sudbury ON (1967 – 1978)
Assumption College School, Windsor ON (1978 – 1990)
O’Connor House, Windsor ON (1990 – 2012)
Anglin House, Toronto ON (2012 – 2013)

John Jerome Stortz died suddenly but peacefully in his room at the Basilian Retirement Home, Anglin House, on Tuesday, May 28, 2013. Joseph Walsh, CSB, presided at a Prayer Service on Thursday, May 30, 2013 in the Chapel of the Cardinal Flahiff Basilian Centre, and Warren Schmidt, CSB, gave the eulogy. David Katulski, CSB, presided, and Joseph Redican, CSB, preached at the Mass of Christian Burial on Friday, May 31 in the Chapel of the Cardinal Flahiff Basilian Centre. Burial took place in the Basilian plot at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery, in Thornhill, Ontario.

Jean Félix Roure, CSB

December 29, 1925 – June 23, 2013

Jean Félix Roure was born on 29 December 1925, in the Ardèche, France, the third son of Célestine Roure and Adrienne Mouraret. He entered the Basilians in Annonay as a "*juvéniste*" in 1937 and he studied at Collège Sacré-Cœur. He made his novitiate in 1945-46 with Félix Pouzol as Master of Novices. He professed first vows on 1 September 1946 along with René Robert. He was ordained with Marcel Lextraire in 1951 in Viviers by Bishop Alfred Couderc.



After ordination, Jean began a long and fruitful career at Collège Sacré-Cœur where he taught and served as Treasurer and as Superior. He travelled to Canada and the United States in 1966 and 1967 as a delegate to the pre-Chapter Meetings and the General Chapter.

In 1973, Jean and Michel Deglène began to serve in parish ministry in the Archdiocese of Lyon where Jean was also involved in hospital ministry. In 1995 Jean and Michel returned to serve in parishes in the Ardèche.

Jean celebrated this 50th Anniversary of Ordination in October of 2001 in Villevoisance. In 2005, he returned with Michel Deglène to retirement at Maison St-Joseph. He entered a nursing facility, St-Joseph de Varagnes in Annonay in 2012, where he spent the last year of his life. While his last few weeks were spent in a state of semi-consciousness, he rallied to receive Sacrament of the Sick, Absolution, and the Eucharist. He died the evening of June 23, 2013.

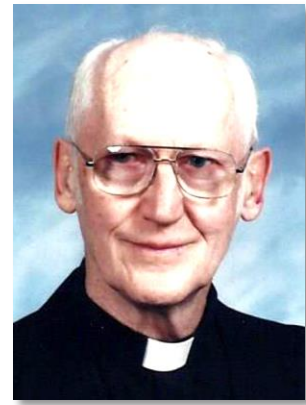
As a Basilian, Jean had the following appointments in the Congregation.

Collège Privé du Sacré-Cœur, Annonay (1951-1972)
Cœur Immaculé de Marie, Lyon (1973-1986)
Sainte Jeanne d'Arc, Lyon (1986-1995)
Paroisses de la Vallée, Ardèche (1995-2005)
Maison Saint-Joseph, Annonay (2005-2013)

His funeral was celebrated in the church of St-François d'Annonay; Father Timothy Scott, the representative of the Superior General, presided, along with Père Jean-François Béal, the representative of the Bishop of Viviers, and Père Bernard Buisson, CSB, rector of Maison St-Joseph. 19 other priests concelebrated, including Father Joe Hunt, CSB, who came from Paris.

Hugh McMahon Foley, CSB

July 4, 1925 – July 23, 2013



Hugh McMahon Foley was born in Chatham, Ontario on July 4, 1925, one of three children of Vincent and Edith (née McMahon) Foley. In 1937, the Foley family moved to Toronto, where Hugh enrolled in grade nine at St. Michael's College School. Hugh was an excellent student and gifted athlete. He played football and hockey with the Junior A *St. Michael's Majors*. Hugh entered the Basilian Novitiate in 1942 and was professed in the Congregation of St. Basil in 1943. After studies at the University of St. Michael's College (B.A. 1947) and St. Basil's Seminary, he was ordained a Priest in the Congregation on June 29, 1950. Hugh received his M.A. at the University of Detroit Mercy in 1957, and a Masters of Education in 1969 at Indiana University.

During his life, Hugh taught history, geography, English and religion, and was also a guidance councillor. A gifted athlete, he coached football, hockey, and baseball. Hugh was an Associate Pastor at Holy Spirit Parish, London, ON., and Assistant Pastor at Assumption Church, Windsor, ON.; St. Pius X Parish, Calgary, AB.; St. Mary's Church, Owen Sound, ON.; and at St. Basil's Church in Ottawa, ON.

Hugh reflected back on his 70 years of Priestly ministry, "God has always been with me and leading me, and He is my best friend. I have been what God wanted me to be, and do, and God has helped me grow in many, many ways. Thanks be to God."

As a Basilian, Hugh had the following appointments:

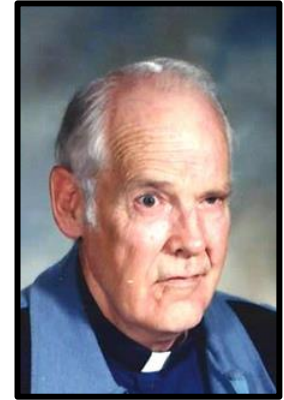
Tweedsmuir Novitiate, Toronto ON (1942 – 1943)
St. Basil's Seminary, Toronto ON (1943 – 1946)
U. of St. Michael's College, Toronto ON (1946 – 1947)
St. Basil's Seminary, Toronto ON (1947 – 1951)
Assumption College School, Windsor (1951 – 1966)
St. Pius X Church, Calgary, AB (1966 – 1967)
St. Basil's Church, Ottawa ON (1967 – 1968)
Graduate Studies, Indiana University (1968 – 1970)
St. Joseph's High School, Ottawa ON (1970 – 1972)
St. Mary's College, Sault Ste. Marie ON (1972 – 1978)
St. Mary Church, Owen Sound ON (1978 – 1979)
St. Charles College, Sudbury ON (1979 – 1980)

Bishop O'Dowd High School, Oakland, CA (1980 – 1981)
St. Basil's Church, Toronto ON (1981 – 1984)
St. Michael's College School, Toronto ON (1984 – 1986)
Galilee Community, Arnprior ON (1986 – 1988)
Holy Spirit Parish, London ON (1988 – 1990)
U. of St. Michael's College, Toronto ON (1990 – 1991)
St. Mary Church, Owen Sound ON (1991 – 1991)
St. Basil's College, Toronto ON (1991 – 1993)
Holy Spirit Parish, London ON (1993 – 1994)
New Retirement Community, Toronto ON (1994 – 2008)
Anglin House, Toronto ON (2008 – 2013)

Hugh McMahon Foley died peacefully in his room at the Basilian Retirement Home, Anglin House, on Tuesday, July 23, 2013. Rev. Jim Carruthers, CSB, presided at a Prayer Service Friday, July 26, 2013, in the Chapel of the Cardinal Flahiff Basilian Centre, and Rev. Wallace Platt, CSB, gave the eulogy. V. Rev. George T. Smith, CSB, presided at the Mass of Christian Burial on Saturday, July 27th, also in the Chapel of the Cardinal Flahiff Basilian Centre. Rev. Kenneth Decker, CSB, preached. Burial took place in the Basilian plot at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery, in Thornhill, Ontario.

Maurice Louis Pierce, CSB

April 28, 1925 – August 27, 2013



Maurice Louis Pierce, one of four children (predeceased by his brother, James B. Pierce, as well as two sisters, the late Anne Marie Cimonetti, and Elizabeth Pierce), was born in St. John, New Brunswick on August 25, 1930, to Mary (née Mullaney) and Louis Pierce.

Maurice, known affectionately as “Moe,” attended St. Peter’s Grade School and St. Vincent’s High School in New Brunswick. He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from St. Thomas University in Chatham, New Brunswick, in 1951, and in 1974 Moe graduated from Queen’s University in Kingston with a Bachelor’s Degree in Education.

On August, 1952, Moe entered the Richmond Hill, Ontario Novitiate and was professed in the Congregation of St. Basil. After studies at the University of St. Michael’s College, Mo was ordained a Priest in the Congregation of St. Basil on June 29, 1957. Besides his Basilian appointments, he worked in jail ministry in Kingston, Ontario, became involved with the Cursillo, Alpha, A.A., and Bible Study groups. He also became a huge fan and advocate of the Serendipity program, and promoted their group dynamic techniques enthusiastically. At age 65, Moe began Chaplaincy work in high school. During the summers, he worked with the Apostleship of the Sea as a cruise chaplain.

As a Basilian, Moe had the following appointments:

St. Basil’s Novitiate, Richmond Hill(1951-1952)
St. Basil’s Seminary, Toronto (1952-1953)
St. Michael’s College School, Toronto (1953-1954)
St. Thomas High School, Houston (1954-1955)
St. Basil’s Seminary, Toronto (1955-1958)
St. Mary’s College, Sault Ste. Marie 1958-1959)
St. Thomas High School, Houston (1959-1960)
St. Mary’s College, Sault Ste. Marie (1960-1965)
St. Mary Church, Owen Sound (1965-1970)
Prince George, B.C. Diocese (1970-1971)

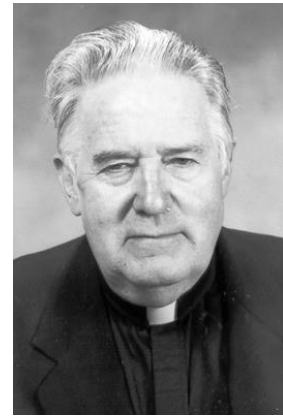
St. Mary’s College, Sault Ste. Marie (1971-1972)
Ontario College of Education, Kingston (1972-1973)
St. Mary’s College, Sault Ste. Marie (1973-1977)
Michael Power High School, Toronto (1977-1985)
Holy Name of Mary School, Mississauga (1986)
Philip Pocock High School, Mississauga (1986-1992)
Michael Power High School, Toronto (1992-1998)
O’Connor House, Windsor (1998-2013)

Father Maurice Pierce died peacefully at the Windsor-Essex Hospice in Windsor, Ontario on Tuesday, August 27, 2013. Rev. Joe Quinn, CSB, Superior of O’Connor House, presided at a Prayer Service on Thursday, August 29, 2013 and preached. V. Rev. George T. Smith, CSB, Superior General, presided at the Mass of Christian Burial on Friday, August 30, at Our Lady of Assumption Catholic Parish, in Windsor, ON. Rev. Bill Riegel, CSB and Rev. Joe Quinn, CSB and other Basilians concelebrated. Burial took place in the Basilian plot at in Windsor, Ontario.

Thomas Francis Mohan, CSB

August 4, 1929 – December 8, 2013

Thomas Francis Mohan was born on 4 August 1929, the seventh of ten children. His father, Peter Mohan, was from County Monaghan, Ireland. His mother, Anne (née Nesbitt) was from London, Ontario. He attended Holy Rosary Elementary School and then De La Salle College in Toronto, St. Jerome's College in Kitchener, St. Michael's College School, Assumption University (now the University of Windsor) and the University of Toronto.



Young Tom Mohan entered the Richmond Hill Novitiate in September 1950. He was drawn toward the Basilian life because of his respect for the Basilians at St. Michael's College School. He was ordained in 1959 at St. Basil's Parish in Toronto. Tom served in and administered Basilian schools and he founded two Separate School Board schools in the Toronto area. In 1981 he went to Calgary as an Associate Superintendent of the Calgary Roman Catholic School Board. Later, as Chaplain for the Canadian Catholic School Trustees for 25 years, Tom had the opportunity of writing and assisting in the writing of papers on education which were delivered to the Canadian Federal Government.

As a Basilian, Tom had the following appointments in the Congregation:

St. Basil's Novitiate, Richmond Hill ON (1950 - 1951)
Assumption College, Windsor ON (1951 - 1954)
Aquinas Institute, Rochester NY (1954 - 1955)
St. Basil's Seminary, Toronto ON (1955 - 1959)
Assumption College, Windsor ON (1959 - 1960)
Michael Power High School, Islington ON (1960 - 1973)
Father Henry Carr Catholic Secondary School, Etobicoke ON (1973 - 1978)
Don Bosco Catholic Secondary School, Etobicoke ON (1978 - 1980)
Father Henry Carr Secondary School, Etobicoke (1980 - 1981)
Basilian Fathers of Calgary, Calgary AB (1981 - 1993)
St. Michael's College School, (Toronto ON (1993 - 2000)
Father Henry Carr Farm, Beeton ON (2000 - 2013)
Anglin House, Toronto ON (2013)

In September, 2000, Tom Mohan retired to Father Henry Carr Farm - of which he was Rector from 2005 until 2011 - to conduct retreats and to assist in the parishes in the area. In his last year, failing health forced Tom to move from Henry Carr Farm to Anglin House. He found the move difficult; he missed pastoral life of the country and the farm.

Tom was admitted to Princess Margaret Hospital in Toronto and died peacefully on Sunday, December 8, 2013. The Wake Service was celebrated in the chapel of the Cardinal Flahiff Centre, Toronto; Father Joseph Walsh, CSB, the Superior of Anglin House, presided and Father Mohan's nephew, Patrick McConkey gave the eulogy. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in St. Basil's Church, Toronto; Father George T. Smith, CSB, Superior General, presided and Father William Irwin, CSB gave the homily. In a message read at the end of the Mass, Prime Minister Stephen Harper of Canada stated that "... the contributions of Father Mohan have made an indelible mark on the social fabric of Canada." Following the Mass, Father Joseph Walsh conducted the graveside ceremonies.

Basilian Family Deaths – May they rest in the peace of Christ

The sister of Patrick Braden, CSB, Kathleen Eichelberger, died on July 6, 2013
The brother of James Blocher, CSB, George D. Blocher, died on December 14, 2013
The brother of Mario D’Souza, Melvyn D’Souza, died on February 6, 2013
The sister of Jack Gallagher, CSB, Sister Muriel Gallagher, SP, died on June 8, 2013



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Congregation of St. Basil Community Count – December 2013

Ages of Basilians	Number of Basilians
20 – 29	6
30 – 39	12
40 – 49	7
50 – 59	27
60 – 69	32
70 – 79	62
80 – 89	50
90 – 99	8

**As of December 31, 2013, in the Congregations there were
3 Bishops, 189 Priests, 1 Deacon and 11 Scholastics
204 professed members and 1 novice**

France – 5 Canada – 96 USA – 83 México – 8 Colombia – 12