Prayer: it’s not easy

VENICE (CNS) - Even though it is in the nature of every human being to seek God, creating the kind of inner state necessary for prayer is difficult, Pope Benedict XVI said. “Prayer is first and foremost a matter of the heart where we experience God’s call and our dependence on his help to transcend our limitations and sinfulness,” the pope said May 11 at his weekly general audience.

Pope Benedict’s catechesis was the latest in a new series of audience talks about prayer. Prayer is an inner activity, ‘a way of being before God,’ and not a series of formulas, words and gestures, he said. Because prayer is rooted so deeply in the individual’s inner being, it is ‘not easily decipherable’ and is ‘difficult,’ he said. Prayer is a privileged moment for self-giving, and putting oneself before ‘the invisible, the unexpected, the ineffable,’ and for that reason ‘the experience of prayer is a challenge for everybody, a grace to be invoked and a gift from God,’ he said.

St. Agnes School to change focus
Beginning in September, St. Agnes School in Lake Placid will offer a 12-month childcare and early education program for its students ages three and older. St. Agnes Primary School will have an engaging full day academic program for students in kindergarten through third grade, said Father John Yonkovig, pastor of St. Agnes Parish, who will serve as co-principal of the school. He will be working with Madonna Barney and Catherine Bemis.

HONORING MARY DURING THE MONTH OF MAY

St. Mary’s School students and staff along with participants in Tiemann’s prayer the rosary and blessed Mary with the annual May Crowning May 16. Pictured here are eighth graders Heather Ryce and Brianna Vesel as they crown the Our Lady of Fatima statue outside the church.

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Once again, our annual week- end retreat has arrived, well at least two-outa-three and a half days.

Nearly all of our Fathers are spending Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday weekends in various retreats throughout the country, preparing for the new liturgical year. The challenge facing priests today is not so much the quantity of priests, but the quality of priestly life.

We cannot predict how all will turn out, we do know that priest or no priest, the work of the Church must go on. The hungry must be fed. Those suffering must be comforted, and God’s Word must be proclaimed and explained.

Evangelization, it seems, is our most important priority. The Church must be prepared to meet people where they are today and respond to the needs they have.

The Church’s heart is concerned that there are not enough priests for the future. This is the assurance we have been promised. By faith in Jesus, we begin to live in that “place” right now, not fully; to the extent that we allow ourselves to be shaped by this life, we see a transformation in our own life.
New financial aid, scholarships established at IHC

In recent weeks, five families and a promi- nent alumna have made substantial gifts to humana- nize IHC’s educational experience. In addition, five schools to expand financial aid and develop new oppor- tunities for students at all grade levels.

These programs provide aid to IHC students with financial need, as well as to high school students who are determined to attend IHC.

One of the programs included in this initiative is the “100 Stars Scholarship Fund,” which is designed to provide an education at IHC for students who are determined to attend IHC.

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Sister Eileen Murray: A Joyful ‘Family’ Reunion

By John Makley

Before deluting them she insists on the issue of this morably messy romantic comedy because it's periodically successful but perpetually single at its heart.

Rachel (Jennifer Aniston) - a woman with a crush on the 70-year-old Saint Joseph's Home in Ogdensburg's Mark Ruffalo (Colin Egglesfield).

The Grey Nuns loved me and cared for me and it is because of them that I am where I am today. Dex was a child of the Brusos, and I was lucky to have met him.

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To bring good out of evil, we need God!

Lately, the Twobees decided to formally establish a new ministry of "table servers." Other churches don't have government, so that they them- selves could devote themselves entirely to prayer and preaching. They im- pressed them- selves on me- n's in the re- structuring of both liturgical and commu- nity life under the authority of the "rock of Peter".

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Because of the shortage of priests, the role of deacons and commissioned ministry lay ministers is emerging as an even more integral point of the Church of the 21st cen- tury. The Holy Spirit is ur- gently calling more and more faithful Catholics to assume a new level of leadership in the life of their local parishes. In conjunction with the beatification of Pope John Paul II, there are signs of a "Second Spring", a new flow- ering of faith and works within a re-structuring of both liturgical and communu- nity life under the authority of the "rock of Peter".

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Bishop Terry R. LaValley has announced that the Diocese of Ogdensburg has received approval to issue Charitable Gift Annuities in the State of Florida effective April 24, 2011. The Diocese has been seeking Charitable Gift Annuities in the State of New York since 1993. Friends of the diocese who now have permanent residence in Florida can remember their North Country parish or other Ogdensburg diocesan institution or program through a Charitable Gift Annuity issued by the Diocese of Ogdensburg.

While the regulation of Charitable Gift Annuity varies from state to state, all states that regulate Charitable Gift Annuities require the maintenance of financial reserves, annual audits with the attorney general of the state, and compliance with other regulatory requirements. In the reason the Diocese of Ogdensburg had to apply to the State of Florida for authorization to issue them in that state, Charitable Gift Annuity is described generally as a transaction in which an individual or institution makes a charitable contribution in exchange for an income tax deduction and the charity’s promise to make fixed annuity payments to one or more life annuitants.

The donor of a Charitable Gift Annuity receives an income tax deduction in the year of the gift and the next five years, up to 50% of their adjusted gross income. A Charitable Gift Annuity is an annuity issued by the Diocese of Ogdensburg, any parish, Cathedral Catholic school or Catholic institution or program in the Diocese of Ogdensburg. Fixed interest rates with fixed payments for the participant and spouse/ survivors. Many people have lost money or investments that they were using for retirement or estate planning.

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VENICE (CNS) - In an interview with the Vatican, Jesuit Father Riccardo Patry, assistant director for pastoral care of the diocese of Venice, said the Tridentine Mass can only be used with "authorization and approval." This is so, he said, because the Tridentine Mass is "an unusual, very precious, almost unique liturgical form" and because it is "very popular" among Catholics worldwide.

"This is a natural response to the desire of many Catholics who want to pray in this ancient and beautiful form of the Roman rite, which is the most popular form of the Tridentine Mass today," he said. "But there are also many who are unfamiliar with it and do not understand it, which is why it is necessary to have the approval of the local diocese.

"As a priest, I have always been a defender of the Tridentine Mass, but I have also been a promoter of the new rite because I believe that it is important to have both forms of the Mass, and that they should be used in a balanced way," he said. "The new rite is more modern and easier to understand, while the Tridentine Mass is more historic and beautiful. Both forms are necessary, and we should strive to use them in a balanced way, so that all Catholics can have access to the form of the Mass they prefer."
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TO PERSONAL DESCRIPTIONS OF MIRACLES

 Vatican Museum. We attend the Vatican's famous tapestry room, the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica. We have dinner at a restaurant recommended by our Italian tour guides.

February 27: Rome and Assisi. Morning tour to the Colosseum, Roman Forum and Palatine Hill. Afternoon tour to Assisi. We visit the Papal Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi, see the tombs of St. Francis and St. Clare, and visit St. Damiano Church where the Lord spoke to St. Francis.

February 28: Assisi. Morning visit to the Basilica of St. Francis and the Church of St. Damiano, where the Lord spoke to St. Francis. We tour the Pope's summer residence in Castel Gandolfo and have lunch at the Vatican. The afternoon is free to explore Assisi.

March 1: Rome. Morning visit to the Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica. Afternoon free time for shopping or exploring St. Peter's Basilica and the Vatican Museums.

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Budget debate is not which party wins or which powerful interests prevail, but rather how those who are jobless, families and vulnerable people are protected,” the bishops said.

They also expressed concern about the social costs of substantial cuts to food and nutrition, affordable housing, health care and other essential services to poor persons.

“Such measures could lead to a large increase in the number of individuals and families who are food insecure,” the bishops said.

The bishops pointed to the need to assure access to “affordable, life-affirming” health care and leave more elderly, working families and poor people without the assurance of affordable and affordable health care,” the bishops said.

“Cost-cutting proposals should not simply shift the burdens of the poor, working families and vulnerable people to be protected.”

Bishops urge Senate to protect needs of the poor

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By Janice Shoen

Diocesan Life Development Office

Bishop Terry R. LaValley has announced the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations and the Office of Insurance Regulation has authorized the Roman Catholic Diocese of Ogdensburg to issue Charitable Gift Annuities in the State of Florida effective April 28, 2011. This will be the first time in the history of the Diocese of Ogdensburg the diocese has been issuing Charitable Gift Annuities in the State of New York since 1993.

The Diocese of Ogdensburg—diocesan church, any parish, Catholic school or Catholic institution or program through a Charitable Gift Annuity issued by the Diocese of Ogdensburg. The donors of the diocese who now have permanent residence in Florida can remember their North Country as part of their religious, charitable and financial concerns.

While the regulation of Charitable Gift Annuities varies from state to state, all states that regulate Charitable Gift Annuities require the maintenance of financial reserves, annual filings with the attorney general and establishment of a Charitable Gift Annuity program. The Diocese of Ogdensburg is a member and follows the suggested rates of the American Council on Gift Annuities.

The Council deals with all aspects of a Charitable Gift Annuity and meets periodically to establish suggested annuity rates that will result in fair and attractive rates to charities realizing a 50% actuarial residuum from the charitable income deduction and the charity's promised to make fixed annuity payments to one or two life annuitants.

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The Diocese of Ogdensburg Charitable Gift Annuity Program can help alleviate deferred financial investments in order to support the participation in programs, parishes, schools and institutions of the Diocese of Ogdensburg.

Mass for the Catholic Daughters of the Americas at St. Matthew’s Church.

May 21 – 11:00 a.m., Planting Day and Process at St. Margaret of O’ Cleary Academic in Ogdensburg. Mass at the 48th Anniversary of St. Margaret of O’ Cleary Church, Ogdensburg. 1:30 p.m., Mass for the Catholic Daughters of the Americas at St. Matthew’s Church. 5:15 p.m., Confirmation at Holy Family Church in Watertown.

The Diocese of Ogdensburg has scheduled sessions for Protecting God’s Children: Adults. Pre-registrations are required in order to participate. Participants may pre-register at www.maskof_church.org, selecting the registration button and following the directions. All employees and volunteers who participate in church sponsored activities, with minor are required to participate in this training. Further information may be obtained by calling Donna Lou Cuneo, 315-391-2000 ext. 400. Announcing a new program.

May 26 – 5:30 p.m., St. Patrick’s Church, Watertown

May 18 – 6:00 p.m., Confirmation for St. Mary’sinity at St. Mary’s, Constableville; St. Mary’s, Southport; St. Mary’s, Watertown; St. Patrick’s, Ogdensburg; St. John’s, Adirondack; St. James, Northville.

May 19 – 6:00 p.m., Confirmation for St. Cecilia’s, Adirondack; St. John’s, Adirondack at St. Cecilia’s Church.

May 20 – 6:00 p.m., Confirmation for St. Cecilia’s, Adirondack at St. Cecilia’s Church.

May 21 – 3:00 p.m., Installation Mass for the Catholic Daughters of the Americas at St. Matthew’s Church in Syracuse.

May 22 – 10:30 a.m., Confirmation for St. Vincent of Paul, Cape Vincent; St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Black River and St. Vincent of Paul Parish, Massena. 1:30 p.m., Mass and Confirmation at St. Vincent of Paul Convent in Cape Vincent.

May 23 – 9:45 a.m., Episcopal Council Meeting at the Bishop’s Residence in Ogdensburg. 6:00 p.m., Confirmation for St. James, Gouverneur and Sacred Heart, Edwards at St. James Church.

May 24 – 4:30 p.m., Gathering with children and their tours at Waterfall Park in Herkimer.

May 25 – 11:00 a.m., Confirmation at St. Patrick’s Church in Watertown.

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To bring good out of evil, we need God!

There is good news, however, in a recent survey conducted by the Pew Research Center’s Forum on Religion and Public Life. The survey reveals that while a majority of Americans believe that the nation is moving in the wrong direction, a significant number of respondents also report feeling hopeful about the future.

In his letter to the Thessalonians, St. Paul wrote, “The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.” This message holds a powerful message for those who seek to bring good out of evil.

In the midst of challenges and conflicts, we can find solace in the teachings of Jesus and the wisdom of the apostles. By focusing on the love and forgiveness that Jesus demonstrated on the cross, we can begin to transform the world around us.

As we reflect on the events of the last year, let us be encouraged by the hope and promise of the Gospel. By working together as a community, we can overcome the challenges that face us and bring good out of evil. In the words of St. Paul, “We believe that the God who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Christ Jesus.”
A joyful ‘family’ reunion

Sister Eileen Murray, a Grey Nun of the Sacred Heart, was reunited with Ben Bruso, whom she cared for as a child at St. Joseph’s Home in Ogdensburg, where their lives intersected more than 70 years ago. Sister Eileen Murray, a native of Ogdensburg, is an elder of St. Joseph’s Home for Children.

“Ben was one of the boys in the charge and in a case of so many things, it is a case of so many things, it is in case something happened, the arranged to have a corner of our dormitory blocked off with sheet and she had her bed, a desk and a trunk set up inside of her room,” said Bruso. “I can remember many a night when one of the boys would need help and she was there and calmly and lovingly.”

“Her loving presence comforted him when he was 5 and he had his tonsils removed. He remembered struggling as an older man had marked off on his face until he heard Sister Eileen’s voice calmly telling him that he was okay.”

For many of the children, St. Joseph’s was a place where they lived until the age of 12, often until the age of 15, when their families could not care for them. The boys who were orphaned or whose parents were at war and religious congregations were no longer needed, some nuns were released from their vows. Women who were at war and religious congregations were no longer needed, some nuns were released from their vows. Women sisters’ friends and families, including a mass and a special dinner with her sisters’ friends and family, was held at the congregation’s Motherhouse in Yardley, Pa.

Bruso, a 2011 graduate of the University of Notre Dame and a retired elementary school teacher, is the son of the late Brizio and Theresa Bruso. He was 5 when his adoptive father died and the family moved to Fantasia. Ben and Bruso’s mother, Mary, worked in counterintelligence and he worked in counterintelligence and as an interpreter. After his retirement from the Army in 1968, he continued working as a civilian in counterintelligence and security. Although life had separated them, Sister Eileen and Ben Bruso remained in each other’s hearts, thoughts and prayers. In 1986, he called the Yardley Motherhouse in search of Sister Eileen. She contacted him and they met in Ogdensburg, where he lived for more years.

By John Mulderig

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**40TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER**

Potsdam – Ganymede Chapel Right to Life Dinner is set for April 26 with a buffett dinner and program.

**Date:** May 25

**Place:** Brennan Room at St. Joseph's

**Contact:** Father Doug DeWitte. Please call 518-385-3125 or e-mail dboyce@northcountrycatholic.org.

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**ANNUAL SPRING SALE**

North Country Catholic, 701 Broadway, Plattsburgh, New York 12901

**Date:** May 1

**Place:** St. Mary’s Church, Jefferson

**Contact:** Phone 315-788-8480; website: www.liferight.org.

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**NEW FINANCIAL AID, SCHOLARSHIPS ESTABLISHED AT IHC**

In recent weeks, four families and a prominent local business have given substantial gifts to Immaculate Conception High School that will foster a new IHC scholarship program to expand financial aid opportunities for families who will be imparting to seniors. These programs provide aid to students with financial need, as well as students with particular academic promise.

The gift from the Spoon Family Foundation will study in the health sciences.

Ms. DeLosh-Smith, are part of the DeLosh family, including the DeLosh Scholarship, to be awarded to all financial aid candidates for the 2009-2010 academic year, and is notable for her dedication to the arts. Ms. DeLosh-Smith serves as co-principal, overseeing the education of all students and families and is notable for her dedication to the arts. Ms. DeLosh-Smith serves as co-principal, overseeing the education of all students and families. St. Agnes School has an amazing history of love and care.

For more information or to support the school for whose students are eligible to apply for partial or full financial aid, please call 518-753-0773.

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**BLESSED SACRAMENT ACADEMY**

**Date:** March 25

**Place:** St. Mary’s Church, Jefferson

**Contact:** Phone 315-788-8480; website: www.liferight.org.

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**Benediction of the Eucharist**

St. Mary’s Church has scheduled Benediction of the Eucharist every Sunday.

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**FREEDOM FOR ALL**

Despite a number of challenges, including a tough economy, Massena – St. Mary’s Church has scheduled a special Mass for the safety of all U.S. military personnel.

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**CAMP REGISTRATION**

Registration for the two diocesan summer camps programs – Sappogeek in Saranac Lake and Sportsman’s Camp at Adirondack Camp – will begin at 8 a.m. on July 15.

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**SPORTS CAMP**

The Lake Placid School will open on an Early Education Center for ages 3-6.

The kindergartners through third grade program will be led by Mrs. Mary Jane Waller, the school principal and Head Teacher. The kindergarten to third grade program will feature finger foods and hors d’oeuvres at 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Soccer Camp: July 10-14

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**TREASURE ISLAND***

After nearly a year of efforts, St. Agnes Church will be the site of a “Treasure Island” event.

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**BREATH OF LIFE CATHOLIC ADULT CATECHESIS**

For more information on the fourth adult catechism, contact your parish office.

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**CATHOLIC OUTREACH**

Benediction of the Eucharist provides an opportunity to make one-to-one connections with students and their families.

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**SCHOLARSHIPS**

IHC has received gift commitments of over $108,000 from ten full-tuition scholarships to new IHC students who are alumni of IHC or IHA.

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Prayer: it’s not easy

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Even though it is in the nature of every human being to seek God, creating the kind of inner state necessary for prayer is difficult, Pope Benedict XVI said. “Prayer is first and foremost a matter of the heart, where we experience God’s call and our dependence on his help to transcend our limitations and sinfulness,” the pope said May 11 at his weekly general audience.

Pope Benedict’s catechesis was the latest in a new series of audience talks about prayer.

Prayer is an inner activity, “a way of being before God” and not a series of formulas, words and gestures, he said.

Because prayer is rooted so deeply in the individual’s inner being, it is “not easily decipherable” and is “difficult,” he said. Prayer is a privileged moment for self-giving, and putting oneself before “the invisible, the unexpected, the ineffable,” and for that reason “the experience of prayer is a challenge for everybody, a grace to be invoked and a gift from God,” he said.

St. Agnes School to change focus

Beginning in September, St. Agnes School in Lake Placid will offer a 12-month child-care and early education program for its students ages three and older.

St. Agnes Primary School will have an engaging full day academic program for students in kindergarten through third grade, said Father John Yonkovig, pastor of St. Agnes Parish, who will serve as co-principal of the school.

He will be working with Madonna Barney and Catherine Bemis.

A grand reunion

At her 70th jubilee, Grey Nun Sister Eileen Murray is reunited with an orphan she cared for as a child.

HONORING MARY DURING THE MONTH OF MAY

St. Mary’s School students and staff along with parishioners in Ticonderoga prayed the rosary and honored Mary with the annual May Crowning May 10. Pictured are eighth graders Heather Ryan and Brianna Veneto as they crown the Our Lady of Fatima statue outside the church.

In recent weeks, four families and a prominent local doctor have made substantial gifts to Immaculate Heart Central (IHC) Schools to expand financial aid and scholarship opportunities for students at all grade levels — through 12. These programs provide aid to new and existing IHC students with financial need, as well as college scholarships for graduating seniors.

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