A check for $1,364,822 from the five upstate Catholic Charities (Albany, Ogdensburg, Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo) was presented to the annual Plattsburgh March for Life was held Jan. 20 to mark the 40th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision legalizing abortion.

Colonno, CEO, Catholic Charities, Albany; Jack Balinsky, CEO, Catholic Charities, Rochester

Bishop LaValley and Michael Hamilton, a parishioner of St. Alexander’s in Morrisonville, led the march from the New-Barnes, executive director, NYS Catholic Conference; Joseph Slavik, CEO, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Syracuse; Bishop Howard J. Hubbard, Bishop.

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the three downstate dioceses (Archdiocese of NY, Brooklyn, Rockville Centre) impacted by Superstorm Sandy. Combined with money collected by the downstate dioceses, the Church in New York collected nearly $7 million in Sandy Relief funds, 100 percent of which will be distributed to those impacted through the three downstate Catholic Charities agencies. Pope Benedict XVI said.

"To believe in God means allowing his commandments to guide the concrete choices one makes every day, recognizing the values reflected in the choices are counter-cultural, Pope Benedict XVI said.

"A Christian must not be afraid to go against the current in order to live his faith, resisting the temptation of conformity," he said. Beginning a series of Year of Faith audience talks about the creed, Pope Benedict said that "believing in God implies adhering to him, accepting his word and joyfully obeying" his commandments. Believers today, like Abraham in the Old Testament, must show trust in the Lord they profess to believe, even when God’s ways appear mysterious, he said.

Pope Benedict asked the estimated 2,000 visitors gathered for his weekly general audience to imagine how they would have responded to a call like that God gave to Abraham, asking him to leave his home and set out for a land God would show him only later."

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Hooray for our Catholic schools!

As I was driving my car down to Syracuse a couple Sundays ago, I happened upon a public radio program featuring a great storyteller. He was Stewart McClain, a Canadian, and he calls himself “Dave.” It was a great program – certainly one of my favorites. It had a segment in which he interviewed professional storytellers sent in and were all very interesting.

Then he has a regular segment where he performs. You can see him on YouTube. He has a Davo out to clean up his act, childlike in his timing as reminiscing as he looked through a box of mem-

ories. He’s a rare talent that I truly envy.

At a recent school Mass at St. Boniface in Saranac Lake, I encountered a wonderful fourth grade student. That morning Father Bryan since the Franciscans opened the first known American Catholic school in St. Augustine, Fla., in 1606. They were following their desire “to teach children in every Christian home.”

Many young people will hear the Lord’s call – may they listen to the Lord’s message. All of this reminds me of how great a storyteller Jesus was. People have told me time and time again about the parables Jesus told about the parables of Jesus. We must never forget that these stories are happening. Jesus cleverly crafted these meaningful stories to teach the people of his day and all of us. The de-

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LEN T TEN  BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM

Dates: Feb. 9 & 16; March 9 & 16; April 6
Place: Mother Mary Center
Time: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Contact: Steve Curley, 272-8961
Email: stcurley73@gmail.com

LEN TENT RETREAT

Exaltation Center – Our Lady of the Rosary House of Prayer will offer a Lenten Retreat.
Date: Feb 9, 2016
Time: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Speaker: Rev. Dennis Smith
Fee: $40 per person (lunch included)
Contact: 518-645-5924 or sheepdoghouse@gmail.com

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Participate in a Eucharistic Adoration service throughout the Diocese!
Date: Feb. 11, 14, 18, March 1, 4, 8, 15, 19, 22, 26, 29
Time: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Contact: St. Mary’s Altar & Rosary Society

SPIRITUAL SUPPER

Waterford – St. Anthony’s Rosary Society, Maryknoll Parish
Date: Feb. 12, 2016
Time: 6 p.m.
Mass: Dinner in the Parish Hall
SUGGESTED READINGS

Maryknoll Parish

Monday’s Maryknoll Prayer Group

Date: Feb. 8, 2016
Time: 7 p.m.
Location: Maryknoll Parish Center

MEDITATION & SUNDAY LUNCHEON

EAGLES – The Indian River Heights of Eagles will be having a Soup Supper at the Eagles Club on February 7.
Date: Feb. 7, 2016
Time: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Lent 2016 Schedule

Note: Open for lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Key Items:

- **Diocesan Events:**
  - **Lenten Retreat:** Exaltation Center – Our Lady of the Rosary House of Prayer, February 9, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
  - **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Participate in a Eucharistic Adoration service throughout the Diocese!
  - **SPIRITUAL SUPPER:** Waterford – St. Anthony’s Rosary Society, Maryknoll Parish, February 12, 6 p.m.

- **Suggested Readings:**
  - **Monday’s Maryknoll Prayer Group:** Maryknoll Parish, February 8, 7 p.m.
  - **MEDITATION & SUNDAY LUNCHEON:** Eagles – The Indian River Heights of Eagles, February 7, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Key Points for Lent:**

- **Focus on Prayer:** Begin each day by spending time in prayer, reflecting on the readings for the day.
- **Lenten Retreat:** Participate in the Exaltation Center’s Lenten Retreat, offering an opportunity for spiritual growth and renewal.
- **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Attend a Eucharistic Adoration service throughout the Diocese to deepened your spiritual journey.
- **SPIRITUAL SUPPER:** Enjoy a celebration of faith and community at the Spiritual Supper hosted by Waterford’s St. Anthony’s Rosary Society.
- **Prayer Group:** Join the Monday’s Maryknoll Prayer Group at Maryknoll Parish to enhance your spiritual practice.
- **Meditation & Luncheon:** Engage in a reflective meal at the Eagles Club to nourish body and soul during Lent.

**Additional Resources:**

- **Suggested Readings:** Consult the recommended readings for guidance and enrichment.
- **General Information:** Visit the diocesan website for more information and resources.

**Conclusion:**

Reflect on the significance of Lent and make it a season of renewal and growth. Engage in spiritual practices, continue your prayer life, and look for opportunities to share your faith with others. May this Lenten season be a time of transformation, deeper connection with God, and a renewed commitment to living a life of faith and love.
Missionary of the Sacred Heart priest leaving Watertown after 22 years of service

Father Kennedy bids adieu...again

Jen Whitmore

WATERTOWN – Father Richard Kennedy has served the Watertown area for 22 years as a Missionary of the Sacred Heart. It is now time for Father Kennedy to leave Watertown after serving as pastor at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church.

“Father Kennedy has been a positive and strong presence in our parish and community,” said Bishop Terry LaValley. “He has truly been a voice of strength, faith, and encouragement.”

Father Kennedy has served as the pastor of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church since 1991. During his tenure, he has been involved in many different aspects of ministry, including serving as the principal of St. Joseph Catholic School and teaching at Proctor Academy.

In addition to his pastoral work, Father Kennedy has been a vocal advocate for social justice issues, including support for the poor and marginalized communities.

“I have been blessed to have served in Watertown for 22 years,” Father Kennedy said. “I have enjoyed every minute of my time here and I will always cherish the memories I have made with the people of this community.”

Father Kennedy will officially leave Watertown on January 30, 2013. He will be succeeded by Father Jonas Tandayu, who comes from the Marian降至的 Missionary Society of the Sacred Heart.

“I am excited to begin a new chapter in my life,” Father Tandayu said. “I am looking forward to serving the people of Watertown and continuing the work that Father Kennedy has done.”

Father Kennedy will be remembered for his dedication to ministry and his unwavering commitment to the people of Watertown. He will be missed by all who have had the privilege of knowing him.

The future

Father Kennedy's next assignment as a priest of the Missionary of the Sacred Heart will be as an assistant pastor at a parish in the United States. He will continue to work with young people and help them grow in their faith.

The future is uncertain, but Father Kennedy is excited for whatever comes next.

“I am looking forward to the future and I know that God will guide me in whatever path he chooses for me,” Father Kennedy said.
Sacrifice always accompanies real love.

By Msgr. Paul E. Whitemore

One of my favorite songs is “When I was a Child” by Msgr. Paul E. Whitemore.

In the song’s first verse, there are lines that say:

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations appointed you.”

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

Jeremiah, knowing how badly people treated prophets, protested, but to no avail. God tells him to stand up and be a man, announcing that “I am with you to deliver you.”

In one of my earliest memories, my dad took place while attending daily Mass. I was probably around nine or ten years old.

I can clearly remember being extremely moved during the consecration at Mass. I had been trying extra hard to focus on the crucifix during Consecration and really trying to reflect on what I was hearing in school at St. Bernard’s about Christ dying for us, so that we could be forgiven. When it was time for Mass, I recall climbing into the car and asking my mom why she was crying and I asked my mom a question: “Where does he get all of this?”

My mother asked me why I was crying and I explained to my mother that I was very scared for my standing asking why Jesus had to die. The words of the prophets would always anger and upset those who would not face their own sinfulness.

The power that drove both Jeremiah and Jesus to proclaim the truth was their love for the Father and his glory. At our baptism, the priest places the chrism on our forehead. The chrism is pictured as a child with the grandparents and the parents of the newlyweds. It’s an all-time favorite.

If we could be forgiven.

Now I know that I will never be left for me to study anything, I couldn’t fathom what could possibly be left for me to study about the Catholic faith.

To my surprise, my dad said, “All that you have written appears to me to be one of the things that have been revealed to me.”

Studying theology has brought me much closer to God. There are so many beautiful parts of Catholic Tradition such as the Mass, Our Lord’s choice of Jeremiah and Jesus did.

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A message from the bishop

Consecrated religious women and men accepted God’s invitation to commit themselves totally to a way of life that is truly heroic. The women and men are living their lives for the sake of God’s Kingdom, they show us a strong fireground of love.

Sisters, hospitals, social outreach, parish ministry, and missionary efforts are but a few of the many ways that their professional and pastoral presence has had a compelling impact on our lives and society in general. We continue to benefit greatly from the prayers of the churches and parishes that have fostered these brothers and sisters.

We are profoundly grateful for their continuing sacrifice and inspiring witness. Join me in thanking our religious brothers and sisters on this their special day and every day!

Their generous “Yes” to the Lord’s invitation to “Follow Me” as a consecrated religious continues to inspire this bishop and changes their response to respond generously to our own vocations.

It is so fitting that, back in 1973, Bishop John Paul II set aside a special day for religious on this their special day.

I recall that day with fondness and excitement, the joy that Sister Stephanie’s уникальный view of the world in the area to enter a religious order, and most of us that I ever met were religious that I ever met. Their passion for Jesus continues to inspire us. Mary’s Cathedral in Ogdensburg and Installation as Lectors for deacon Ordination in high school and college.

The first consecrated religious order was founded by St. Francis of Assisi in 1209. Given that the wider world exposes people to a wider range of opinions and beliefs, people need to accept the values of other cultures to learn to live together. The work of women is to distinguish the good, true and beautiful, and in this case, we assure the protection of children. The work of men is to promote the brotherhood of all people—women and men—of any nation or race.

Please point out to everyone why: youth, particularly those who are in foster care, abuse can be serious and persistent, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and that their life journey continues to flood the heart and soul of each victim, and their life journey continues.
At the annual March for Life

By Cecil Daniel


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Catholic Schools Raise the Standards

Catholic Schools Week is the annual national observance of Catholic education in the United States. The 2013 theme is “Catholic Schools Raise the Standards.” This is a particularly fitting theme for Catholic schools across the United States, which are known for their strong emphasis on academic excellence, high moral standards and faith development in the student’s overall education.

The theme celebrates the constant attention education demands in overcoming the least and growth in faith and life through growth in the virtues character of a Christian. Our academic programs help students realize the possibilities and potential of life. We provide them with the knowledge and skills they need to be effective members of society. Our academic programs have strong moral characteristics which go beyond the classroom and extend beyond the Northeast. Catholic Schools Raise the Standards is a timely theme that highlights the launch of an initiative, Research-Based Benchmarks for Effective Catholic Secondary Schools to ensure consistent high standards of Catholic schools across the country.

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Second graders from St. Agnes School enjoy outdoor fun. From left are Carter Day, Christopher Byrne, Blake Hart, and Finley Donahue.

Emily Tomkinson, Ell, Zhang, Ed Dingle, and Daren Wang from Seton Catholic Central in Plattsburgh are shown volunteering at Evergreen Valley Nursing Home during Seton Catholic’s Day of Service Sept. 28.

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At the annual March for Life

By Carol Zinn


The march grows stronger every year,” said the cardinal, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Pro-Life Activities.

Many speakers praised the resolve of the crowd, braving a cloudy 20-degree day and standing on snow-dusted ground. They also spoke of the pro-life movement getting re-energized by young people, some in crisis pregnancy centers. Hundreds of high school and college groups were scattered in the rally crowd, their members tasting the sweet and sour taste of being pro-life on their faces and carrying placards in the back of their jackets.

This year’s rally did not include speeches by dozens of politicians and legislators. Nine legislators who had been expected to speak, were dispersed among the thousands of people who marched in Washington, D.C. on Jan. 25, to protest abortion on the 40th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade ruling.

Joanne Minahan, new president of the March for Life, said “The March for Life Fund, is 40, it is just old enough to have celebrated the 1973 Supreme Court decision.”

Minahan praised Gray for her long dedication to the cause and several speakers praised her for getting the pro-life movement on its feet in the first march and leading each one until her death. During the rally, a video tribute to her was shown on the giant Jumbotron.

The theme of the 40th March for Life was “Abolish Abortion Constitutionally” or “I am the pro-life generation.”

Crowds show endurance, passion to continue

U.S. Rep. Chris Smith, R- N.J., co-chairman of the House Pro-Life Caucus, told the crowd, “This year’s march is comprised of noble, caring, smart and effective people. It is an extraordinary powerful, non-violent, faith-filled human rights struggle that is ongoing in public support, intensity, commitment and hope.”

Another new aspect at this year’s rally was more use of social media technology, with speakers prior to the rally starting to promote the rally on the web.

Our schools need to provide programs that encourage students to assess their programs in light of the March for Life,” he said.

But that message could apply to any age. “Many Salmon, who was coming to the March for the first time, planned to be there March for Life on Facebook.

Christ is the heart of the Catholic School, Sacred Congregation of Education, 1977, Christ is the heart of our Catholic schools. They are privileged places, sacred places, in which our children and young people “encounter the living God who is Jesus Christ.” He encourages our students to find out what is happening with Catholic education and operational vitality. Benchmark descriptors for each standard that all schools can adapt and use to measure their own success.

The National Standards project the result of years of work by Catholic educators. The project was led by Dr. Lorraine Ozar at the Center for Catholic School Effectiveness of Loyola University Chicago and the March Center for Catholic Education of Boston College in collaboration with other Catholic colleges and the National Catholic Education Association.

Dr. Ozar will conduct the spring meeting for diocesan administrators and others involved in Catholic school leadership. Her insights regarding the development of the standards and her guidance regarding their effective use will be available to those interested in helping our Catholic schools “a gift to our children and to our country.

"Catholic Schools Raise the Standards" is a timely theme because it highlights the launch of an initiative, a project that promotes Catholic Standards and a Benchmark for Effective Secondary Schools to ensure consistent high standards of Catholic schools across the nation.

The standards describe policies, programs, structures and processes that would be present in mission driven, program effective and responsibly governed Catholic schools. The standards address four categories: mission and vision, leadership and governance, aca-
A message from the bishop

On consecrated life

Consecrated religious women and men accept God’s invitation to commit themselves totally to a way of life that is truly heroic. Those who live this lifestyle promote the charity, obedience and constancy, for the sake of Christ, the Kingdom, they show us a strong faith grounded in love.

Schools, hospitals, social outreach, parish ministry, and missionary efforts are but a few of the many ways that their professional and pastoral presence has had a compelling impact on our lives and society in general.

We continue to benefit greatly from the prayers of the Christian brothers and sisters.

We are grateful for their continuing sacrifice and inspiring witness.

Join me in thanking our religious on this special day and every day!

Sister Stephanie Frenette, OP

Environmental Stewardship

There is an order in the universe that makes human persons compatible with the causes of creation and both responsible to preserve the order for the well-being of future generations.

Fr. Pete Hilde

To live more fully in the world: God’s invitation to commit.

In 1997, Blessed John Paul II set aside a special day to pray for and honor consecrated women and men.

In 1997, the United States bishops called this special day and every day!

I’m sure it does for you, as well.

In this moment of our religious life, how do we proclaim our gratitude for the work that touches hearts, not sheer human effort, he said in his message for Social Media. “The word that touches hearts, not sheer human effort, he said in his message for the feast of St. Francis de Sales, patron of journalists, Jan. 24. Social networks need to be used wisely and well, which means fostering balance, value of dialogue, reasoned debate and logical argumentation,” the pope said.

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Sacrifice always accompanies real love.

By Father Kennedy

In Christian thought, sacrifice is often associated with a high degree of pain and suffering, but this is not always the case. Sometimes, sacrifice can be a joyous and fulfilling experience.

One of my favorite songs is "Like a Child" by Jars of Clay. Many understate how powerful the faith of a small child is. It's the ability to accept on faith because they haven't learned to question. "Son of a man, I put aside childish things." It's an all-time favorite.

One of my earliest memories of Jesus was the power of his story. I heard it around as much as after he was crucified, and it's finally stored in my memory.

It wasn't ever easy to face the fact that Jesus was crucified. In other words, if they were your sacrifice, you would have no love of the Father, and you would have no love for your sacrifice. I decided that I would do the same thing to a ten year old.

When I was a child, I used to talk as a child. I used to speak as a child, think as a child….now that I'm a man, I put aside childish things. It was one of my favorite songs.

I can clearly remember being extremely moved during the consecration at Mass. I had been trying extra hard to focus on the crucifix during Consecration and really trying to reflect on what I had been learning in school at St. Bernard's. I was almost moved to tears by it.

For example, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you. Before I brought you forth into the world, I declared you, a prophet to the nations." Jeremiah, knowing how badly people treated prophets, protested, but to no avail. God tells him to stand up and be a man, recognizing that "I am with you to deliver you.

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My mother asked me why I was crying and I was a member responding "I just think," I said that he had to die for me, Why did he have to die? I love Him." My mother did the best she could. I still remember this to a ten year old. I also developed a fascination with my guardian angel at a young age. I had read a book that my mother had read to me, where the people who had encounters and interactions with their guardian angels and I began to desire to learn about my guardian angel's name.

Many in the book had seen their guardian angels at night. This frightened me so much because it would be my first experience. "As a child, I began to develop a growing love for our Blessed Mother whom I come to know through my mother, MaryLillian. Grandma MaryLillian would transport a beautiful, strong painting of Our Lady of Guadalupe so that members of her parish could "host" the painting for a week. She was my guardian angel's name.

My grandmother deepened our faith greatly as a child. We never went anywhere in the car with her without a Marian prayer book. I'm not sure if this is a reality, but I can say that my guardian angel's name, or just the mind of a young child, just gave me comfort. I went on to learn that story of my guardian angel's name, or just the mind of a young child, just gave me comfort. I went on to learn that story of my guardian angel's name, or just the mind of a young child, just gave me comfort. I went on to learn that story of my guardian angel's name, or just the mind of a young child, just gave me comfort. I went on to learn that story of my guardian angel's name, or just the mind of a young child, just gave me comfort. I went on to learn that story of my guardian angel's name, or just the mind of a young child, just gave me comfort. I went on to learn that story of my guardian angel's name, or just the mind of a young child, just gave me comfort.

So I was able to believe that I was a child of God and that we would be with the Father for all eternity. We would be with the Father for all eternity. We would be with the Father for all eternity.

To my surprise, my dad wouldn't let me study about the Catholic faith.

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Missionary of the Sacred Heart priest leaving Watertown after 22 years of service

Father Kennedy bids adieu....again

By Kevin Mastellon

Interview with the North

TOUR OF THE SACRED HEART

Father Jonas Tandayu, Chris Looby, Pierre Aubin and George Maroun.

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Missionary of the Sacred Heart Father Jonas Tandayu, new pastor of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart.

Canaan, Don Robinson, Steve Murray, Mike Gaffney, Jonas and happy as a priest,” he said.

Answering the call

Answering the call Father Kennedy may not have been in the young Richard’s mind when he entered a high school seminary outside of Watertown, N.Y., “I have always been blessed to be happy as a seminarian and happy as a priest,” he said.

Following ordination in 1967 he was appointed a vocation director and “one of my first major accomplishments,” he joked, “was closing the major high school seminary because it just wasn’t a viable option anymore for young men in the 60’s and 70’s.”

Answering a call from “my beloved provincial,” Father Kennedy was assigned to Immaculate Heart Central in Watertown to teach from 1976 to 1985.

“In ’81 Father (Benoit) LeValley suffered a heart attack and was forced to return to Saskatchewan after teaching for 11 years, only to return to Papua as director of a retirement community and spiritual director for residents of the former ele-mentary school.”

PhOTO BY KEVIN MASTELLON

Missionary of the Sacred Heart Father Richard Kennedy, left, was leisuured at a Donna Marie Mass and dinner Jan. 18 in preparation to leave Watertown after 22 years of service at the Lady of the Sacred Heart. This photo shows the Rev. Jonas Tandayu, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart principal and pastor, with a bingo starter kit.

In a recent interview with the North, Father Kennedy said during a recent visit to Watertown: “I think the idea of going to the foreign missions was in my mind as a child, in the back of my mind,” Father Kennedy’s “personality, spirituality and wisdom.”

Answering the call Father Kennedy was present at OLSH with Father Kennedy as present principal and former elementary school.

40 years of change

Father Kennedy speaks freely about the changes he has noted over his 45 years in ministry. Principal among them is the decline in attendance at Mass.

“We’ve lost, for whatever reason, the 30 and 40 year old adults who went to Catholic schools, many who are still practicing, therefore, ‘going to Church on the weekends,” he said. “Don’t ask me why, but it’s true. And the opposite is true ‘if you live in this house you go to Church on the weekends, they don’t, and the weekends, they don’t. ’”

But family and duty called him home for a few years, so he returned to Papua as an assistant pastor and teacher. “I love the tropics: hot and sweaty and buggy, so I’ve always known it was going to happen,” he said. “I loved the people and every night in the tropics because I said I each Monday in the tropics I’d go back to that cold climate of Watertown.”

“Love the tropics: hot and sweaty and buggy, so I’ve been here since December of 1963.”

Answering the call Father Kennedy has been a priest at OLSH, on the faculty of IHC where he still teaches 11th grade religion, as a member of the Sacred Heart Education Council. In 1988 his desire to serve in Papua, New Guinea, a school there down, there, loved it the tropics,” he said.

But family and duty called him home for a few years, only to return to Papua as principal of the high school for these years. This time ill- ness brought him home.

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He leaves a community group called Renewal that he started as Bishop LaValley cited Fa- ther Kennedy’s tremendous pastoral ministry and called him “a lovable, compassionate man of God.”

Father Kennedy was among those in his care. “He is terrific, and Russell, who was a somewhat difficult young man, doesn’t shy away from awkwardness or confusion. He turns uncomfortable, funny and touching in ‘Silver Linings Playbook’ is big- heared, out of control entertain- ment. The volume of four letter words in the only major drawback, although one is more inclined to ex- cuise foul language when it’s symptomatic of clinically verifiable anxiety.”

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Silver Linings Playbook

Cooper, whose mother Do- nita (Jackie Weaver) checks him out of a Baltimore psych- iatric hospital early in the movie. She gives him pro- fessional advice, she tells him, about his father and perhaps more importantly for his son. “I don’t want you to get used to the rou- tine here,” she tells a protesting doctor.

“Turns out, Pat’s caught his mother’s make-believe habit of on him and beat up the interloper with an ironing board in Nicki’s from the high school where he taught.”

That incident, plus other costly behavior, led just ad- ducted to, resulted in a mental hospital and a re- newing order barring him from coming within 500 feet of the house.

Pat moves into his par- ents’ house and, armed with an empowering motto (‘Ex- cept”), plying his trade by getting into heat, physical shape and read- ing all the books Nicki assigns to her students. His sole aim is to get back to- gether with her and salvage their marriage.

Sheila, after coming home, Pat meets Tiffany (Diaz) and Lawrence continues to demonstrate she’s a major talent.

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AT THE MOVIES

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AODITION AND MEDITATION Classes: St. John’s “Holy Family” Adoration in the Chapel, downstairs
Dates: Feb. 9, March 6, April 3, May 1
Time: 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Place: Msgr. Sechi Hall

ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN DOCTORS
Mass: Our Lady of the Rosary Church in the Parish of St. Rose of Lima
Dates: Feb. 10, Mar. 10, Apr. 13
Time: 9 a.m.
Place: St. Joseph’s Church Parish Hall

BELLA TURCHI

CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS Raise the Bar for a variety of reasons, our Catholic schools offer students a personal relationship with Jesus Christ as well as witness to the Gospel message of live of God and neighbor to the world. In a society that continues to grow more secular and materialistic, where material things and possessions find the true meaning of happiness, the Catholic school can make a difference for today and tomorrow. It provides an invaluable service to our parents and society. Through the years, parents and parishioners in our North Country have sacrificed much in order to support a Catholic school in their neighborhood. Sadly, for a variety of reasons, our Catholic schools, particularly here in the Northeast, continue to see declining enrollments. Escalating costs and decreasing revenue are two factors that continue to challenge schools. In many settings, the support of Catholic schools is no longer the case, the Church's support should be questioned.

We all must continue our Catholic parents that our North Country schools are valuable and the Life. The Church is grateful to all those schools who work so hard for the success of Catholic schools. The Church is grateful to all those schools who work so hard for the success of Catholic schools. The Church is grateful to all those schools who work so hard for the success of Catholic schools. The Church is grateful to all those schools who work so hard for the success of Catholic schools. The Church is grateful to all those schools who work so hard for the success of Catholic schools. The Church is grateful to all those schools who work so hard for the success of Catholic schools. The Church is grateful to all those schools who work so hard for the success of Catholic schools. The Church is grateful to all those schools who work so hard for the success of Catholic schools. The Church is grateful to all those schools who work so hard for the success of Catholic schools.

The Catholic School Week is held to celebrate the importance of Catholic schools and express gratitude for the generosity of the parents, parishes, and communities that support Catholic schools.

The Theme for Catholic Schools Week 2013 is "Catholic Schools Raise the Bar for a variety of reasons, our Catholic schools offer students..."
LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Hooray for our Catholic schools!

As I was driving my car down to Syracuse a couple Sundays ago, I happened upon a public radio program featuring a great storyteller. It was a great program – certainly one of my attention getters that day. I had a segment in which he shared the first time he saw the third graders in and out were very interested in what he was sharing. Then he has a regular segment that he does that is a fascinating thing he calls “Dave.” In that story he comes across a fellow by the name of Dave out to clean up his lawn, and the focus of his time reminiscing as he looked through a box of mementos.

That one young lady mentioned in that story had told him about an Old Testament story about the Lord’s call. Then he went on and told in detail about what the Lord’s call is about. He has told and retold the story of Jesus who has become familiar and important to all Christians.

When we consider an important story like this, it is so important to the people of our world. The Lord’s call is important to all Christians. I am grateful to the efforts of the schools to educators pay to increasing the learning and growth in all students. That Catholic schools exist to raise the standards. This year’s Catholic Schools Week Jan 21-27 is a period of transition; the new name is part of all the Catholic schools will play a critical role in evangelization. The recent change was made from Catholic Schools Week to Catholic Schools Month. The change was made so that Catholic schools have an opportunity to talk about their schools and all that they have become familiar and important to all Christians. When we consider an important story like this, it is so important to the people of our world. The Lord’s call is important to all Christians.
A check for $1,364,822 from the five upstate Catholic Charities (Albany, Ogdensburg, Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo) was presented to The annual Plattsburgh March for Life was held Jan. 20 to mark the 40th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision legalizing abortion.

Colonno, CEO, Catholic Charities, Albany; Jack Balinsky, CEO, Catholic Charities, Rochester; Bishop LaValley and Michael Hamilton, a parishioner of St. Alexander’s in Morrisonville, led the march from the Newman Center to St. John’s Church, where Bishop LaValley was the featured speaker for the program.

For Sandy, diocese raises $100,000+

Bishop Terry R. LaValley announced that the diocesan wide collection for Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund has reached over $100,000.

He expressed his gratitude to all those contribute to Hurricane Sandy Relief through the annual collection of the Diocese of Ogdensburg who were able to reach out to aid their suffering neighbors in the New York and New Jersey areas.” The apostate Dioceses of Albany, Rochester, Buffalo, Syracuse and Ogdensburg posted their contributions. During a Jan. 23 press conference in Albany, Bishop Howard Hubbard, Bishop of Albany, Richard Barnes, executive director of the New York State Catholic Conference and the state Catholic Charities Diocesan Directors presented a check for over $100,000. for Hurricane Sandy Relief.

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