**Blessed are the losers, pope says**

By Cindy Wooden

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**People: don’t skip Mass**

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**NO GDENSBURG –** It’s so important to go to Mass every Sunday because that’s where people receive Christ who transform and unmask everyone to his father, change our hearts, and allow us to become,” Pope Francis said.

It’s also “important that children are well prepared for First Communion because... after baptismism and conversion it is the first step to ward belonging strongly, really strongly, to Jesus Christ,” he said in his weekly general audience. The pope continued a series of talks on the sacrament of Christian initiation, focusing on the Eucharist as the source and summit of the life of the church.

“In fact, every authentic journey of faith, communion and witness springs from this sacrament of love,” he said. The pope began his audience talk by greeting the estimated 13,000 people huddled under umbrellas and raincoats as heavy rain beat down on St. Peter’s Square. “Dear brothers and sisters, Good morning, but not good day, huh?”

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**Funeral for Sr. K. Sholette**

Guby Hath served in various capacities in the Diocese of Ogdensburg in her ministry of providing comfort and solace to those who grieve. Gertrude Mary Sholette was born in Ogdensburg and died on February 12th of this year.

**Human Trafficking**

It's happening in this area

**Gouverneur Gets ‘Rack-Ed’**

William Hall, a federal police officer living in North Gouverneur, presented a talk on “Dancing with the North Country.” Feb. 9 at the St. Joseph’s Motherhouse. The conference was attended by the Sisters of St. Joseph, Peace School and Social Justice Committee, drew more than 180 people. A paper version is available from the conference.

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The many faces of pastoral ministry – ‘the past’

Over the past generation or two, ‘Pastoral Ministry’ has become a phrase frequently heard and frequently used in the Church. What is pastoral ministry? The simplest of definitions might be a term that places the needs of ministry at the heart of our lives and the lives of the people we serve. Thus, pastoral ministry would be to help people to grow in faith and to support their spiritual journey. So, what is pastoral ministry?

At the simplest level, pastoral ministry is ‘the practical needs to happen in a parish so that the people may flourish in their faith life.’

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Funds from diocesan Respect Life collection in action:

A shelter for pregnant women in need

By Cathy Miller

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A little-known treasure in the Diocese of Ogdensburg is Brook Haven House, the only Christian maternity home in the North Country.

The Brooklyn Victorian style house, located in Carthage, has been providing shelter for young women in need for the past ten years.

According to Board President Ruth Chapin, when a crisis pregnancyHope House was established in the area, it became evident that the North Country was in need of a home for pregnant teens. Chapin is working on establishing a complete history for a new brookhavenhouse.org which should be up and running soon.

Besides private rooms, shared bathroom facilities and close proximity to other public services, the home offers transportation to and from the hospital, the only one in the area, as well as on-site visits by public health nurses, instruction in natural childbirth and financial planning.

"Looking back over the years, I pray for and keep in touch with many of the moms we have been able to minister to," Sherwood said. "Many times the hardest part is to see the women and little ones move on, but when it is a positive step in their future, we rejoice in helping them along the way."

Brook Haven House was presented with the 2013 Pro-Life Award from the Carthage Chamber of Commerce. This maternity home was the first to receive this honor from the Diocese of Ogdensburg's 2013 Respect Life Collection.

For more information, to make a donation or order the current fundraiser "Cooking with a Love for Life" hard-cover book with 205 recipes ($10) call 315-493-1735 or send a check made payable to "Brookhaven House." (Applications for grants from the diocesan Respect Life Collection may be found on the diocesan respect life ministry page, http://rc-dony.org/pro-life.html.)

(www.brookhavenhouse.org)
Using words on the side of love, not hate

By Effie Caldarola  

The passage is a long one, the inordinate amount of reading, urges us to use simple language. “Let your ‘yes’ mean yes,” and “your ‘no’ mean no.”

As St. Paul tells us today, “Faith in this mystery will remove every evil intent. On its face, it’s a valuable and meaningful statement, with a true meaning of ‘no’!”

He tells his followers that when they see a Chaldean woman, a woman with lustful eyes, he is a man who has already committed adultery.

When they start labeling a girl in a healthy environment, a man who has already committed adultery.

St. Paul, in the second reading, urges us, but gives hints about the preferred choices.

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Two-day seminar last November has been marked worldwide. The Council encompassed four sessions, beginning in 1962, the Council of All Nations. A historical introduction to Vatican II and its prehistory will be followed by a session on “Lumen Gentium” and a second on “Dei Verbum.” The third session will address the “Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy,” and the fourth will cover the “Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World” (Nos. 1-20).

Lenten look at Vatican II at St. Mary’s Parish Center.

Class meetings will conclude Friday, March 9 at 629-4678.

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People power: Popular devotion is key factor in saint-making process.

One could say a religious phenomenon is a “cause,” encouraging its members to work toward a common goal. In the case of canonization, the cause is the process of gaining recognition of a miracle attributed to the life of a candidate.

For instance, Pope Francis approved in March 2014 a miracle attributed to Blessed Maria de' Lurigni, who is known as “Mama Lucia.” The cause was opened for her in 2000. "It’s not as if the Vatican is suddenly pronouncing someone a saint,” said Cardinal Sean O’Malley, Boston archbishop. "There is a process to it."

"The saint-making process is extremely complicated, and the whole process is driven by Catholics in the Church in the local communities who are praying on their knees."

For the Australian Saint Joseph’s Causes and the official biography, are known as postulator do the paperwork, but if there is no evidence of widespread devotion to a candidate, no visits to the person’s graves, no reports of favors and even miracles received through the potential saint’s intercession, the cause just sits there. Even for centuries.

Father Luciano Marc Lederer, assistant postulator of sainthood causes for his order, says he has no problem with people organizing devotions for someone posthumously, as long as the devotion is for the intention of the faithful. For example, the Diocese of Phoenix, Arizona is praying for the canonization of a priest who was on their staff through January 17, 1995. The Diocese is praying for the canonization of a priest who was on their staff through January 17, 1995. The Diocese is praying for the canonization of a priest who was on their staff through January 17, 1995.

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Caring for people with mental illness

New York State bishops release pastoral statement

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By Cindy Wooden

"I think Pope Francis wants to ‘stir things up’" the cardinal said.

At the same time, the new pope’s willingness to engage in a dialogue with the world’s secular leaders in a manner that recognizes all the church’s historic commitment to the good of children, the bishops’ conference said.

The bishops’ conference cited the Holy See’s policy proposals include a language change in the NY SAFE Act regarding the point at which mental health professionals must report concerns related to potentially violent behavior of their clients, adequate funding for community-based mental health services, and enhanced services in the criminal justice system for mentally ill individuals.

The Conference applauds Gov. Cuomo’s willingness to keep an open mind and make modifications to the state Office of Mental Health’s plan to consolidate 24 regional centers into 15 regional centers of Excellence.

The full statement and the Conference’s policy recommendations are available at www.nycatholic.org.
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The Junior Legion of Mary of Ogdensburg consists of children between the ages of 7-18 who want to deepen their prayer life. They meet once a week, usually at St. Margaret’s Academy on Monday at 3 p.m. for one hour. This meeting makes the members better Catholics through a balanced program of prayer and service to unite with the Holy Spirit as He works through Mary. Pictured, from left are Emily Gardner, Maddy Maitland, Lily Taylor (president), Megan Gardner and Andrew Sovie.

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Cardinal O'Brien tells seminarians to ‘hold on to your seats’

Cardinal says pope wants to stir things up

By George P. Mitri Jr. | Catholic News Service

VATICAN CITY (CNS) – The Vatican will follow the example of Pope Francis and enter into an open-ended dialogue with the world, Cardinal Federico Lombardi, Vatican spokesman, said Jan. 27.

"'Unjust' criticism won't force Vatican to drop treaty

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"I think a year from now, we'll hardly know what the pope has done for centuries. He has done for centuries what the Holy See does," Cardinal Roger E. Etchegaray, the future president of the Congregation for Bishops, said in a television interview broadcast Jan. 17 on Italian state TV. He was commenting on the pope's interview with an Italian atheist magazine editor which was published online Jan. 16.

The bishops’ statement, titled “Living with Mental Illness: To be Committed, Toward a Just Response,” was released Jan. 24.

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Cardinal O’Brien was asked what contribution the cardinal planned to make to the new council of cardinals.

"I think pope wants to stir things up and force people to raise questions," he said.

The word "open-ended" was used twice in the context of the dialogue. "We’re going to see a change in doctrine, but we will see a change in tone, and we might see some disciplinary modifications," the cardinal said.

The pope’s explanation of the meaning of the words "open-ended" is given in his Jan. 16 interview. "One of the challenges of our time, and one of the themes of the reform that is in progress, is to find a way to promote greater participation of people, and to give them a voice," the pope said.

Cardinal O’Brien, grand master of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem, is one of 30 cardinals present in the conclave when Pope Francis was elected on March 13, 2013. The cardinal, who was asked if he would still be a cardinal if a new pope is elected in 2014, said: "I think Pope Francis wants to stir things up and force people to raise questions," he said.

The pope’s interview with the Italian magazine editor has attracted serious attention. While it has canonical implications, a new example of Jesus in the example of Jesus in the New Testament of the Old and New Testament of the Holy See would be "a form of mental illness and to recognize all the church’s historic commitments to people with mental illness. The bishops’ statement, titled “Living with Mental Illness: To be Committed, Toward a Just Response,” was released Jan. 24.

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"I think a year from now, we'll hardly know what the pope has done for centuries. He has done for centuries what the Holy See does," Cardinal Roger E. Etchegaray, the future president of the Congregation for Bishops, said in a television interview broadcast Jan. 17 on Italian state TV. He was commenting on the pope's interview with an Italian atheist magazine editor which was published online Jan. 16.

The bishops’ statement, titled “Living with Mental Illness: To be Committed, Toward a Just Response,” was released Jan. 24.

The bishops note that persons with mental illness are more often victims than perpetrators of violent acts, and they also indicate the committee “gave much greater attention to the rights of persons who are afflicted with any form of mental illness and to integrate them into the life of their own nation. That is what the pope is asking people to do.”

Cardinal O’Brien was asked what contribution the cardinal planned to make to the new council of cardinals.

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The word "open-ended" was used twice in the context of the dialogue. "We’re going to see a change in doctrine, but we will see a change in tone, and we might see some disciplinary modifications," the cardinal said.

The pope’s explanation of the meaning of the words "open-ended" is given in his Jan. 16 interview. "One of the challenges of our time, and one of the themes of the reform that is in progress, is to find a way to promote greater participation of people, and to give them a voice," the pope said.

Cardinal O’Brien, grand master of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem, is one of 30 cardinals present in the conclave when Pope Francis was elected on March 13, 2013. The cardinal, who was asked if he would still be a cardinal if a new pope is elected in 2014, said: "I think Pope Francis wants to stir things up and force people to raise questions," he said.
A church without religious sisters is "unthinkable," says Pope Francis

The pope, in a move that could prove controversial among certain groups within the church, said that "the Church is a family." He also stressed the importance of religious life and the need for religious sisters, especially in the face of what he called a "lack of formation of religious sisters in recent years." The Vatican is set to hold a conference on the Church in the next few months, and the pope has expressed his concerns about the state of religious communities in the church.

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The medicine we need to make choices

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Jesus said, “You have heard that it was said to the ancients, ‘You shall not murder; and anyone who murders shall be liable to judgment.’ But I say to you that anyone who is angry with his brother shall be liable to judgment; anyone who says to his brother, ‘Raca!’ shall be liable to the council; and anyone who says, ‘You fool!’ shall be liable to the fire of hell.”

The passage from Matthew 5:21-26 is spoken by Jesus to describe the concept of the law of Moses, but to fulfill it. He then goes on to describe that we must go beyond the law for it to be a conclusion. He emphasizes in practical terms the sins that lie behind the commandments. If we are to avoid murder, we must not even think of anger which leads to murder.

The word “Nazi” is a good example. When one even looks at a certain image, certain sounds, the very sound of it conveys “rose,” certain images and even odors come to mind. “Oh, Mommy, let’s go see that play!” Or “Oh, Mommy, let’s go visit my favorite train.” The word “thug” seems like it’s the accepted way of calling someone who takes issue with Shermaine’s video. I’m appalled by how easily, I’m appalled by how quickly people use words as a racial slur, a racial term.

Words are precious commodities, pure viruses to the human spirit—fire or water, life or death. They are done to the human spirit that were about to enter the scene historical meaning.

Using words on the side of love, not hate

By Effie Caldarola

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When I was a small boy growing up in Watertown, my father would give me two choices for traveling up to Canton to visit my favorite uncle, John. “Now, Paul, choose between a train or the nice clean bus." To this day, I remember those words.

I don’t use the word “Nazi” as they wish. I’ll use a word that remains strong, vivid, and meaningful.

This wisdom urges us to embrace Christ’s crucifixion, to counteract the poison of hate, to give us strong medicine to cure our inner diseases.

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She becomes an object for abuse. She is controlled, captivated, and in no time is trapped, because she begins to demand the girl as her captive in spirit and body.

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But that doesn’t mean they should be used.

When they start labeling people as Nazis, then truly, language has been devalued and meaning obfuscated.

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A shelter for pregnant women in need

By Colleen Miner

Ogdensburg — A little known treasure in the Diocese of Ogdensburg is Brook Haven House, the only Catholic Maternity Home in the North Country.

According to Board President Ruth Chapin, when a crisis pregnancy Hope House was established in the area, it became evident that there was a need for a residential respite. Chapin is working on making a complete history for a new Brookhavenhouse.org which should be up and running soon.

This home even helps with transition for up to a year following the birth of the baby. The home helps the girls gain independence in their lives.

The Victorian style home, located in Carthage, has been operating as the maternity home in the North Country for ten years.

Pregnant women may stay for up to a year following the birth of their baby. The home even helps with transition to independent living.

This past year, four women lived at Brook Haven House. “These of the girls had their babies here and moved independently,” Chapin said.

“One of the girls is still pregnant (due in March) and remains at Brook Haven House. The girls’ accomplishments include starting GED, completing parenting, cooking meals. Two found jobs. One obtained her learner’s permit and another is working towards a driver’s license. Chapin said “Results are always varied and dependent on length of stay and attitude.”

House mother Joan Sherwood lives on site to assist the young women. “My husband, Thom and I have been ministering here at Brook Haven for six years,” she said. “It doesn’t seem possible that we have been here that long, it still feels new and exciting to have the opportunity to work with women and children in need of a safe loving home."

“Looking back over the years, I pray for and keep in touch with many of the moms we have been able to minister to,” Sherwood said. “It always hard to see the women and little ones move, but when it is a positive step in their future, we rejoice in the help we were in giving them along the way.”

Brook Haven House was presented with the 2013 Non-Profit Award from the Carthage Chamber of Commerce. This maternity home and shelter to pregnant women in need of shelter was established in the Diocese of Ogdensburg’s 2013 Respect Life Collection.

For more information, to make a donation or order the current fundraising Cookbook with a Love for Life hard-cover book with 200 recipes ($10) call 315-493-1735 or email brookhavenhouse1@gmail.com.

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**Blessed are the losers, pope says**

By Chad Whitehead

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**NORTH COUNTRY** — The “poor in spirit,” the poor and the meek, whom Jesus described as “blessed,” are the same people the world considers to be “losers,” Pope Francis told Catholic young people.

At least by worldly standards

But Jesus offers his followers the true path to happiness and faith in him “will allow you to use and enjoy and respect the ‘low cost’ offers and approaches all around you,” the pope said in his message for World Youth Day 2014.

The message, released Feb. 6 at the Vatican, focused on the beatitude: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

Pope Francis has chosen the beatitudes from the fifth chapter of the Gospel of St. Matthew as the themes for World Youth Day 2014-2016. This year and next, World Youth Day will be celebrated on a local level — on Palm Sunday at the Vatican — and in 2016 it will be an international gathering in Krakow, Poland.

The pope told young people that in April, he will canonize Blessed John Paul II, who began the international celebration of Blessed John Paul II, in Poland.

In 2016 it will be an international gathering of U.S. military personnel at a new time.

The pope continued a series on the past, present and future roles of pastoral ministers in the diocese.

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**Funeral for Sr. K. Sholett**

Geyser Mountain is the new Ogdensburg and administrative sister of St. Joseph Home, home at Hospice Hospital

**Bishop writes on pastoral ministry**

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**Gouverneur Gets ‘Rack-ed’**

William Hall, a federal police officer working at Fort Drum, presented a PowerPoint on Human Trafficking in the North Country Feb. 6 at the St. Joseph’s Motherhouse. The conference, or- ganized by the Sisters of St. Joseph Peace and Social Justice Committee, drew more than 100 people.

A paper service in western New York that is happening in this area.