

Along the way

"Were not our hearts burning within us as he opened the Scriptures for us along the way." — Luke 24:32

A publication of **sabbath retreats**



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Celebrating Cathedral Latin '57

As some may know I attended old Cathedral Latin School in Cleveland for my freshman and senior years of high school. The two intervening years were at Borromeo Seminary. I returned to Latin for my last year after being expelled from the seminary!

Now we're celebrating our 50th reunion. The first event, an annual one for all the Latin Alumni, was a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. John Cathedral on April 22. I was honored to preside and preach at that Liturgy.

September 15 will mark the reunion of our Class of '57 on the beautiful campus of Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin in Chardon, a far eastern suburb. (Latin was closed in 1979 and eventually reopened as a merged high school with Notre Dame Academy.)

The memories will come rushing back, as the words of the fight song recall *"It shall not matter where in life we roam -- nearby or far from home -- our love for you shall never cool, Cathedral Latin School."*

Family matters

It has been one of the drawbacks of my current preaching ministry that I am usually off somewhere in the country on weekends when families traditionally host a variety of celebrations.

So I was delighted recently when the great schedulers at Food for the Poor helped arrange local assignments to coincide with upcoming family celebrations.

Laruen Sabo, granddaughter of my cousin Frank and his wife Frances (both deceased) and Justin Gutschmidt will exchange their vows at Immaculate Conception Church on Friday, June 29.

My sister Marcy's granddaughter Elizabeth Kocianic and Patrick Radachi will celebrate their marriage at St. Jude Church the next afternoon. I've been assigned to preach at St. Mary Magdalene in suburban Willowick that weekend.

The family of my Aunt and godmother, Anna Perko, are celebrating the 100th anniversary of her birth on the afternoon of July 15. I'll be preaching at St. Ignatius in Cleveland that weekend, so I won't miss out on the fun!

Family really matters!

Deacon retreats

The directors of the permanent diaconate in two dioceses have expressed interest in having **sabbath retreats** preach weekend retreats for deacons and their wives.

The diocese of Nashville and Orlando are considering having our retreat for religious, entitled "Religious Life as Sacrament," reshaped for their deacon retreat.

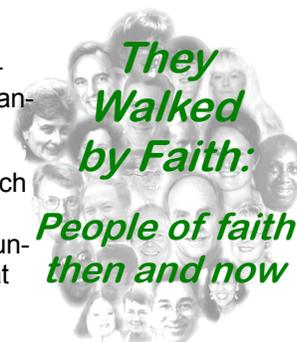
A schematic has been presented to both dioceses for consideration. This will open an entirely new and very challenging chapter of my preaching ministry.

New mission theme

The themes for parish missions that are offered by **sabbath retreats** have been very well received. But when the Nativity of Our Lord Parish in Broomfield, CO asked me to return for another parish mission, they were looking for something a bit different.

In discussions with their deacon, Dick Mendenwaldt, we came up with a mission theme which would focus not just on the Catholic tradition of saints, but also on those saints who walk among us. And so was conceived "They Walked by Faith," an attempt to initiate a greater understanding of sainthood that is attainable in our day. This new mission will be preached at Nativity in late October.

It's interesting that it was Nativity Parish that help develop the most popular mission theme currently offered, "Families of Faith: The Spiritual Dimension of Human Relationships."



Where I've Been ~ Where I'm Going

Food for the Poor assignments unless otherwise noted.

JUNE, 2007

June 9-10	Our Lady of Fort Carson Military Base	Fort Carson, CO
June 29	Immaculate Conception <i>Family Wedding: Lauren Sabo and Justin Gutschmidt</i>	Willoughby, OH
June 30	St. Jude <i>Family Wedding: Elizabeth Kocianic and Patrick Radachi</i>	Elyria, OH
Jun 30-Jul 1	St. Mary Magdalene	Willowick, OH

JULY, 2007

July 7-8	St. Joseph	Fall River, MA
July 8-13	Sisters of Charity of Ottawa <i>Religious Life as Sacrament Retreat</i>	Lowell, MA
July 14-15	St. Ignatius	Cleveland, OH
July 21-22	St. Jude	Bossier, LA
July 28-29	St. Ann	Channahon, IL

AUGUST, 2007

August 4-5	St. Mary	Memphis, TN
August 6-13	Vacation <i>Shakespearean Festival, Stratford, Ontario</i>	
August 18-19	St. Mary Magdalene	Simpsonville, SC
August 25-26		

SEPTEMBER 2007

September 1-2		
September 8-9		
September 15	Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin <i>50th reunion of Cathedral Latin School Class of '57</i>	Chardon, OH
September 22-23		
September 29-30		

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