2010 Ordination Issue
A Pledge of Obedience, a Promise to Love
My dear friends,

In the solemn and beautiful Rite of Ordination to the priesthood of Jesus Christ, liturgical gestures are powerful, graceful, and full of meaning.

At the beginning of this rite, each candidate comes before the bishop and declares that he is ready and willing. The Church then calls that man to the Sacred Order of Priesthood. Subsequently, each candidate kneels before the ordaining prelate and puts his hands in the hands of the Shepherd and promises him respect and obedience. Shortly thereafter, the bishop imposes his hands on the head of the candidate who silently “kneels in the consciousness of his nothingness and rises a priest forever.” The ordination rite closes, one might say, in a moving embrace of peace exchanged between the bishop and the new priest of God. This liturgy so beautifully captures a pledge of obedience, a promise of love, and the effective outward sign of that love in the Sacrament of Holy Orders.

In May and June of this year, we were the privileged witnesses of God’s continuing action of giving priests to His Church. One brief shining moment in that beautiful rite of ordination was when each man placed his hands in the hands of his bishop and promised him respect and obedience. This expressed in such a profound way a submission, the gift of a man’s will to His God. It was a sign, a powerful sign, that he wants to be a man of communion, one with his bishop, one with his people, one with His God.

Obedience is a special way of sharing in the redemptive mission of Christ. It is one’s personal disposition of “yes” to the will of God. Obedience is not a constraint or a passive submission; it is rather a free and wholehearted search for and love of the will of God which is a sign of the fruit of faith and a source of great joy. Obedience alone sacrifices what is nearest and dearest to us, our own will and judgment.

As I watched each man kneel one by one before his bishop, I remembered a passage from St. Thomas More in “The Man for All Seasons.” Thomas More applied it to himself as a married man and a committed Catholic. I think the same could apply to all of us priests as we remember our promise of obedience at ordination and that definitive step we took in answering an irrevocable call to preach and teach and sanctify:

“When a man takes an oath he is holding his self in his own hands like water. If he opens his fingers, he needn’t hope to find himself again. Some men aren’t capable of this, but I’d loathe to think your father is one of them.”

As I join my own prayers of thanksgiving to God with those of my brother priests, I pray that we keep our fingers closed in prayerful adoration of the loving Lord who has called us to be His priests. May we be always faithful to that special love and affection He shows us as we act in His name.

God bless you,

Monsignor Aloysius R. Callaghan
Rector and Vice President
FR. FRANCIS POULIOT AND WILLIAM REILING HONORED WITH THE DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

The Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity presented its Distinguished Alumni Award to Fr. Francis Pouliot and William Reiling on May 10 at a ceremony in the seminary’s St. Mary’s Chapel.

In the presence of more than 225 people, Msgr. Aloysius Callaghan, rector and vice president of The Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity, presented the award to “two outstanding men whose ongoing commitment to vocations and The Saint Paul Seminary has had a great impact on the Church.”

Fr. Francis Pouliot, a priest of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis, is a member of the Class of 1958. The middle child of 13, Fr. Pouliot entered Nazareth Hall when he was 14 and completed his studies for the priesthood at The Saint Paul Seminary. He was ordained by Archbishop William Brady. Fr. Pouliot’s assignments were at St. Mary, Waverly; St. Therese, Deephaven; St. Joseph, West St. Paul; St. Stephen, Anoka; St. Lawrence, Faribault; and Visitation, Minneapolis. He retired from full-time ministry on May 31, 2005, after 22 years as pastor of Visitation. On July 6, 2008, Fr. Pouliot resumed active ministry and began serving as senior parochial vicar at Maternity of Mary in St. Paul.

Over the years, Fr. Pouliot played a role in helping young men answer God’s call to the priesthood. The list is long but one example merits mention: vocations director for the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis, Fr. Peter Williams. As a child, Fr. Williams’ grandmother would take him to Mass at Visitation, where Fr. Pouliot was serving. Fr. Williams’ tribute to Fr. Pouliot’s priestly example as a significant influence in his discernment of the priesthood. And in Fr. Williams’ words about Fr. Pouliot: “It is evident that he loves being a priest – something that is like contagious joy for those who have the privilege of knowing him.”

William Reiling, chairman of Sunrise Community Banks, was also honored with the Distinguished Alumni Award. An honorary alumnus, Reiling has passionately served the community and the Church throughout his life. He has been instrumental in the growth and transformation of both The Saint Paul Seminary and Saint John Vianney College Seminary. In partnership with his wife Joanne, Reiling is co-chair of the I Will Give You Shepherds campaign, the seminary’s first endowment campaign since its founding. In this role, and as a long-time member of the seminary’s board of trustees, he has enthusiastically shared the story of the seminary with so many and engaged many in the seminary’s mission.

“In all he does – banking, community development, nonprofit and philanthropic ventures – Bill has a passionate commitment to developing leaders of integrity,” said Msgr. Callaghan.

The Distinguished Alumni Award was established in 1995 as part of the seminary’s centennial celebration. The award is given each year to recognize those alumni, both ordained and lay, who have lived their vocation in extraordinary ways.
GRADUATES GIVE TESTIMONY TO LIFE-CHANGING IMPACT OF ARCHBISHOP HARRY J. FLYNN CATECHEtical INSTITUTE

On May 16, the Archbishop Harry J. Flynn Catechetical Institute celebrated the graduation of its inaugural class, the Class of St. Paul, with 126 students receiving certificates of completion from Archbishop John Nienstedt. It was nearly two years ago that the Class of St. Paul set out together on a systematic study through the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Today, their testimonies are proof that their experience was life transforming, and now many of the graduates are putting their faith into practice in their lives as parents, teachers and adult Catholics in the workplace.

“My wife told friends that the institute has been the single greatest influence on our marriage,” said Travis Amiot, who addressed the congregation during graduation. “We had a good marriage and it has continued to deepen.” Amiot’s wife will begin the institute in the fall.

Amiot appreciated the opportunity to really look at himself in ways he had never before considered. Fr. John Klockeman’s exploration of sin and humanity’s vulnerability to it encouraged Amiot to “a radical self-awareness about my weakest link, where am I most vulnerable?” Fr. Klockeman offered ways to address these areas to avoid temptation to sin.

For Faith Martin Carlson, the catechetical institute opened her mind and her heart to Jesus in the midst of a jarring event: a diagnosis of cancer. A convert to the Catholic Church in 2005, she wondered if this disease was a “judgment for my previous life.” She soon came to learn that this would “become an opportunity to know God’s deep love for me; that He would work good through all that would unfold.” Shortly after cancer treatment, she began the institute.

“The cancer, the catechetical institute and my sacramental life have greatly strengthened faith, hope and charity in me,” reflected Carlson. “God has redirected my priorities, bringing a sense of quiet urgency to live my life daily for Him, to bring His joy and peace to others and to become one that invites others to share as heirs in His blessed life.”

“By means of your classes, your friendships, your retreats, and the ambience of the institute itself, you have been commissioned to be witnesses of the saving work of Jesus,” said Archbishop Nienstedt in his homily. “Take this commission seriously, for upon it, so much depends, not the least of which is the salvation of souls.”
CONFERENCE CELEBRATES A CENTURY OF ECUMENISM AND CONSIDERS WHAT LIES AHEAD

The World Missionary Conference held 100 years ago in Edinburgh, Scotland, is today widely credited as the major catalyst of the modern ecumenical movement.

Scholars from nine Christian faith traditions who have been intensely involved in ecumenism gathered at The Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity in June to commemorate the Edinburgh conference and to examine and celebrate the ecumenical movement’s achievements over the past century.

The conference -- “A Century of Ecumenism: What Has Been Achieved? What Are the Next Steps Forward?” -- was held June 17-19 and was convened by Msgr. John Radano, an international expert in ecumenism and the seminary’s scholar-in-residence during spring semester.

“Dialogue and other forms of ecumenical cooperation among Christians are very important. But prayer is at the heart of the ecumenical movement,” reflected Msgr. Radano. “While Christians must do everything they can to promote unity, it will only come about as they respond in prayer to God’s grace.”

The conference featured sessions dealing with the achievements of the World Council of Churches and the multilateral dialogues that have involved its Commission on Faith and Order. Also offered were 11 sessions dealing with the achievements of bilateral dialogues between the Roman Catholic Church and these traditions: Lutheran, Methodist, Eastern Orthodox, Oriental Orthodox, Anglican, Reformed, Pentecostal, Evangelical, Disciples of Christ, Mennonite and Baptist.

A highlight of the conference was an ecumenical prayer service during which conference participants expressed gratitude to God for a century of ecumenism, and for the many benefits it has brought for all Christians.

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Dr. William Rusch, Yale Divinity School; Fr. Jared Wicks, S.J., John Carroll University; Dr. Geoffrey Wainwright, Duke University; Sr. Dr. Lorelei Fuchs, National Council of Churches; Dr. Christian Washburn, The Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity; and Msgr. John Radano. In the background is the photo taken of conference participants at the 1910 World Missionary Conference.

Following the ecumenical prayer service, conference participants gathered for a photo.
Put quite simply, a priest’s best friend should be Jesus.
Archbishop John C. Nienstedt

For eleven men completing their formation for the priesthood at The Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity, their friendship with Jesus took on an even greater meaning as they stood before their bishop, pledged obedience to him and committed their lives to their best friend, Jesus.

Throughout May and June, graduates of The Saint Paul Seminary left the life of a seminarian for their new life as a priest. In the Archdioceses of St. Paul and Minneapolis and St. Louis, and the Dioceses of Grand Island, Rockford, and St. Cloud, the faithful gathered to witness this transformation. One of many beautiful aspects of the ordination is the bishop’s homily. His message, to the ordinands as well as the faithful, reveals the beauty of God’s love ever present in the priesthood.

A PLEDGE OF OBEDIENCE, A PROMISE TO LOVE
Following the Gospel reading during the Mass of Ordination, the Rite of Ordination begins with the presentation of the candidates. They are called forward by name to proclaim their intention to enter into Holy Orders.

Following the Gospel, Fr. Erik Lundgren and his fellow ordinands were called to the altar for the rite of ordination.
Photo courtesy of Dave Hrbacek, The Catholic Spirit
My brothers, God has indeed been waiting for this day, for you to say “yes” to the priesthood. God has been knocking on your hearts so that you will do with your life what God considers you able and cut out to do! So today you are to be raised to the Order of Priesthood.

Bishop John F. Kinney, Diocese of St. Cloud

So many aspects of the ordination ceremony emphasize the commitment made by a priest to completely turn his life over to Christ and to His Church. The ordinand promises obedience to the bishop and his successors and commits to a life lived completely for others.

My brothers here present to be ordained, as you look at the world of today – the one in which you will serve – you are invited to put on Christ. “Yet I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me insofar as I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me.” (Galatians 2:20-21) … We need to know the Lord and pass it on to others. It is a time when people are searching; even if they do not know or understand, they are searching for what Jesus has to give – mercy and forgiveness – and the love of God the Father – and we are invited to show them the way.

Archbishop Robert J. Carlson, Archdiocese of St. Louis

Msgr. Aloysius Callaghan presented the seven candidates for ordination for the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis to Archbishop John Nienstedt. Photo courtesy of Dave Hrbacek, The Catholic Spirit
Fr. Alex Carlson knelt before Archbishop Nienstedt as the archbishop conferred the priestly office through the laying on of hands.

Photo courtesy of Dave Hrbacek, The Catholic Spirit

BEHOLD A NEW CREATION

As the bishop lays his hands on the head of the ordinand, a life is transformed, once and forever. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, the priest is a new creation in Christ and for His people.

God is appealing through us! God is making use of us, in the words of Pope Benedict XVI, “earthen vessels, even amid our own human weaknesses, to make his love concretely present in the world.” The audacity of God to entrust himself to us human beings, knowing all our weaknesses and foibles; knowing all this, God nonetheless considers us capable of acting and being present in his stead. This is the marvel, the mystery and the miracle of the priesthood: God believes in us and trusts that we are capable of the priesthood. This should make us very humble, not overblown or pompous. Moreover, God pledges to stay with us as we serve. Think of the joy we have that God is so close to us in our lives!

Bishop John Kinney

Fr. Alex Carlson knelt before Archbishop Nienstedt as the archbishop conferred the priestly office through the laying on of hands.

Photo courtesy of Dave Hrbacek, The Catholic Spirit

Fr. Juan Ayala promised respect and obedience to Bishop Thomas Doran and his successors. Photo courtesy of The Observer, Catholic Newspaper for the Diocese of Rockford

In the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis, Fr. Joseph Jiang prayed while kneeling before Archbishop Robert Carlson, before the archbishop prayed the prayer of ordination.

Photo courtesy of Jeff Geerling
In practical terms, the only priest who will always prove necessary to people is the priest who is conscious of the full meaning of his priesthood: the priest who believes profoundly, who professes his faith with courage, who prays fervently, who teaches with deep conviction, who serves, who puts into practice in his own life the program of the Beatitudes, who knows how to love disinterestedly, who is close to everyone, and especially to those who are most in need.

Archbishop Robert Carlson

Remember you are taken from among men and appointed on their behalf...If you hear his voice, day by day....you will not be tempted away by the witchdoctors of modern society.

Bishop Thomas G. Doran, Diocese of Rockford

Obviously, my dear brothers, this commitment to friendship [with Jesus] cannot be maintained without a deep, daily, healthy prayer life. A priest who does not have a daily regimen of prayer is a walking contradiction—for he is living a lie. On the other hand, priests who make sure they schedule a daily holy hour, a daily celebration of the Holy Eucharist (even on their day off) and a daily celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours have found the best formula for growing in union with Christ, our brother and friend. My dear deacons, never allow your prayer life to take second place to the many, and I mean many, other legitimate pastoral concerns that make up your ministry. Remember: Nemo dat non quod habit. You cannot give to others what you do not have yourself.

Archbishop John Nienstedt
You and the Church will be knocked to the ground at some time but if we fall to our knees and cling to the cross, you will be grounded. Jesus did not say, “Pick up your lollipop and follow me, but take up your cross and follow me. Keeping grounded in prayer, the Eucharist, friendships with Christ and close friends will be your grounding.

Bishop William J. Dendinger, Diocese of Grand Island

In carrying out the office of Christ the Shepherd stay close to your brother priests in the Presbyterate. Don’t become an isolated “lone ranger” in the ministry. Keep your sense of humor and don’t take yourself too seriously. After all, it is God who is really in charge. Stay united with your bishop always, no matter who he is. Do not be divisive with your people but rather strive always to bring the faithful together into one family of faith, so that you may walk with them to God the Father through Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit.

Bishop John Kinney

The newly-ordained Fr. Joshua Brown joined Bishop William Dendinger and other priests in the words of consecration during the ordination Mass.

Photo courtesy of Mary Parlin, West Nebraska Register

Following the closing procession, the newly ordained men gathered to offer their blessings to the bishops present at ordination. Fr. Nate Meyers shared a joyful moment with Archbishop Emeritus Harry Flynn.

Photo courtesy of Dave Hrbacek, The Catholic Spirit
A DAY OF GREAT REJOINING
One cannot help but be moved by the outpouring of love for the new priests from all present at ordination. Cathedrals filled to overflowing, family, friends and many people who have never even met the ordinands come to show support for these men and the priesthood.

To you, the faithful of Christ, thank you for all the ways you offer your encouragement to your pastors, to our priests and also to those who are wondering if they could become priests. Your ongoing words of support are very important.

Bishop John Kinney

There is no doubt the new priests were affirmed in their vocation by the love shown by all who witnessed their ordination. May the whole Church pray always for these and all priests as they live out their vocation to bring Jesus’ love in the Eucharist and through their lives to God’s people.

On this ordination day, let us pray! And let the whole Church pray with us! And in prayer may the Holy Spirit come and rest on these good men, our brothers. There is a great need today for saints as heralds of the Gospel. Priests who represent the Church must be examples and promoters of holiness.

Archbishop Robert Carlson

On the lawn of the cathedral, the newly-ordained priests greeted family and friends. Fr. Doug Pierce spent a few joyful moments in conversation with friends before offering them his blessing. Photo courtesy of Dave Hrbacek, The Catholic Spirit

Following ordination, seminarian Tim Lawrence shared words of congratulations with Fr. Patrick Barnes. Photo courtesy of Dave Hrbacek, The Catholic Spirit
Twelve Seminarians Ordained as Deacons

In an important step toward the priesthood, 12 men of Theology III declared their profession of faith and took an oath of fidelity to their bishops on April 8. This was the preamble to their ordinations to the diaconate in May and June. Three diaconate ordinations were held:

May 1 - Archbishop John Nienstedt ordained five men for the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis and one for the Diocese of Rockford.

May 27 - Bishop Paul Swain ordained four men for the Diocese of Sioux Falls.


Deacons assist priests and bishops in the celebration of the Mass, proclaim the Gospel, preach and administer the sacraments of baptism and marriage. Like priests, deacons are called to consecrate themselves to the Lord and take vows of celibacy so that they might live in the service of God with an undivided heart.


Now vested as ordained deacons, the newly ordained shared a sign of peace with current members of the diaconate who participated in the ordination at the Basilica of St. Mary in Minneapolis.
FRIENDS GATHER FOR ANNUAL MASS AND BREAKFAST

On April 18, more than 400 people gathered for the annual Friends Mass and Breakfast. Msgr. Aloysius Callaghan offered Mass in gratitude for those present and their ongoing support for the seminary. Following Mass, all gathered at the Binz Refectory for a delicious brunch.

Fr. Robert Pish, vice rector for student affairs, distributed the Eucharist during Mass.

Fr. John Klockeman, associate director of spiritual formation, greeted Bill Martin and other members of St. Olaf Catholic Church, where Fr. Klockeman served as parochial vicar.

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE OFFERS REFLECTIONS ON ECUMENISM

Msgr. John Radano, the seminary’s second scholar-in-residence, delivered the Archbishop Ireland Memorial Lecture to a capacity crowd on April 20. His presentation titled “From Reformation and Counter-Reformation to Reconciliation?” offered a historical perspective on division among Christians and presented the great progress that has been made, particularly over the past century, in continuing reconciliation.

Msgr. John Radano
RECTOR’S COUNCIL GATHERS TO HONOR OUTGOING BOARD MEMBER

Archbishop John Nienstedt and Msgr. Aloysius Callaghan paid tribute to members of the Rector’s Council on April 22. Following evening prayer in St. Mary’s Chapel, council members gathered at the Binz Refectory for dinner and program. Fr. Kevin Kenney was honored for his service as a member of the board of trustees and Jeff Cavins, director of the Archbishop Harry J. Flynn Catechetical Institute, offered remarks about the institute’s success and future plans.

VESPER CELEBRATES TRIUMPH OF THE RESURRECTION

St. Mary’s Chapel was filled with glorious music and prayer on April 25 for the celebration of Solemn Vespers for the Fourth Sunday of Easter. Dr. David Jenkins directed the service and was joined by organist Michelle Plombon and the Beacon Hill Brass.

Archbishop John Nienstedt presented Fr. Kevin Kenney with a painting of the conversion of St. Paul in gratitude for his contribution as a member of the seminary’s board of trustees.

Board of trustees member Barbara Dries enjoyed a conversation with guests at the Rector’s Council Dinner.

Michelle Plombon at the organ accompanied chorale members during vespers.
On April 29, 11 men took the final step in preparation for ordination to the priesthood. The men publicly declared their profession of faith and took the oath of fidelity to their bishop during the ceremony. Then, each man signed his oath and presented it to Msgr. Callaghan who, in turn, presented it to the bishop.

LIFE OF ST. JOHN VIANNEY BROUGHT TO THE STAGE

In celebration of the Year for Priests, The Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity and Saint John Vianney College Seminary sponsored the nationally-recognized performance of VIANNEY starring Leonardo Defilippis. Seminarians and students were joined by people of all ages from the Twin Cities area to witness the moving performance of the life of St. John Vianney. The April 26 performance to a capacity crowd of 600 was especially moving for seminarians as they learned more about this exceptional parish priest who was recently named by Pope Benedict XVI as patron of all priests.

Actor Leonardo Defilippis as St. John Vianney.

GOLF TOURNAMENT RAISES $157,700 FOR SEMINARY

Now in its 27th year, The Saint Paul Seminary golf tournament attracted 106 golfers to Town and Country Club in St. Paul on June 9. The weather was perfect and all enjoyed golf, dinner and a live auction.

Priestly Formation Has Far Reaching and Lasting Impact

One of the highlights of summers at the seminary is hosting alumni reunions. Following on the heels of ordination, the reunions give a glimpse of what the priestly life could look like years later.

In July, I had the privilege of spending time with the class of 1985 as they celebrated their 25th reunion. It was fascinating to learn about the various ministries and activities in which they engaged. I was particularly inspired to spend time with Fr. Steve Boes, a priest of the Diocese of Omaha, Neb.

Five years ago Fr. Boes was appointed the National Executive Director of Boys Town, now a $300 million operation that annually serves 370,000 youth and families. Boys Town has grown tremendously since its founding 90 years ago, but the most impressive thing about Boys Town isn’t its size, but rather the incredible work that is taking place with at-risk youth. Because they operate a full time hospital along with a comprehensive youth services program, Boys Town has developed a unique, integrated continuum of care approach to treating youth in crisis that is astoundingly successful. Recent studies have shown that youth served by Boys Town are 86% less likely to engage in at-risk behavior even 16 years later. They are not just helping young people at risk, they are changing the way America cares for children and families.

My point in telling the Boys Town story isn’t simply to plug the good work that Fr. Boes and his staff are doing. It is to illustrate the far reaching, lasting impact one makes when supporting the seminary. Every priest formed by the seminary, whether he is studying for the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis, Omaha, or a diocese in Ghana, will impact hundreds of thousands of lives in the course of his ministry. Each person who supports his formation participates in his ministry and in a real way contributes to the impact made through his ministry.

So as we rejoice on ordination day as men complete their education and formation, we also rejoice at the lasting impact each priest will have on thousands of lives for years to come.
**FACULTY NOTES**

**Dr. David Jenkins** served as chair of the 2009-2010 organ recital series for the University of St. Thomas Music Department. The series brought two artists to the St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel for concerts: Canadian organist and composer Rachel Laurin on Nov. 9 and young German virtuoso Felix Hell on March 15.

Jenkins presented an organ recital on June 13 at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse.

**Dr. Christian Washburn** attended the Ninth Meeting of Round XI of the U.S. Lutheran–Roman Catholic Dialogue “The Hope of Eternal Life”: March 10-14 in Washington, D.C.

On June 30, **Curtis LeMay** was elected the 2011-2013 secretary of the Academic Section of the Catholic Library Association.

**Fr. Thomas Margevicius’** doctoral dissertation topic was approved by Catholic University of America. The doctorate is titled: “A Model for Integrating Rubrical Gestures While Praying the Eucharistic Prayer in Sign Language.”

On Aug. 15, Fr. Margevicius became pastor of Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Minneapolis, the Catholic Deaf Community.

In early May, **Fr. Scott Carl** participated in the conference which closed the centenary year of his alma mater, the Pontifical Biblical Institute (Biblicum). He and Fr. James Swetnam, S.J., professor emeritus of the Biblicum, presented to alumni of the Biblical Institute, “Insegnamento della Bibbia e Fede” (“Teaching the Bible and Faith”). Fr. Carl presented on why faith is essential for the teaching of the Bible drawing in part from the fruit of the scholarly work done at the inaugural Msgr. Jerome D. Quinn Institute conference hosted by the seminary in June 2009. The presentation was well received and gave a chance to highlight the work of the seminary’s Quinn Institute to an international audience.

**Fr. Juan Miguel Betancourt, SEMV,** presented his paper, "If I Find Grace in the Eyes of the Lord: David’s Return to Jerusalem," at the Upper Midwest Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature on April 10 at Luther Seminary. He also attended the centennial celebration of the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome, Italy, May 3-8.

**Fr. John Floeder** was appointed by Archbishop John Nienstedt to the faculty of The Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity. Fr. Floeder will begin graduate studies in moral theology this fall at Catholic University of America. He is an alumnus of The Saint Paul Seminary and was ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis in 2007. He served at the Church of Saint Stephen in Anoka.
EPISTOCAL APPOINTMENTS FOR TWO LONG-TIME SEMINARY FRIENDS

Bishop Blase Cupich and Bishop-elect Arthur Kennedy received new appointments from Pope Benedict XVI this summer. Bishop Cupich, currently the bishop of Rapid City, SD, will become bishop of the Diocese of Spokane, WA. Bishop-elect Kennedy will serve the Archdiocese of Boston as an auxiliary bishop.

Bishop Cupich has served the Diocese of Rapid City since 1998. He was a member of The Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity board of trustees from 1999 to 2009.

Bishop-elect Kennedy, currently rector of St. John’s Seminary in Brighton, Mass., taught in the Theology and Catholic Studies departments at the University of St. Thomas for 33 years. He also served on the faculty at The Saint Paul Seminary School of Divinity in 1990, 1995-2000 and 2006. He directed the Master of Theology program from 1993 to 1998.

ALUMNI NOTES

Fr. Philip H. Luebbert, who studied at The Saint Paul Seminary in the mid-70s, was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Robert Finn for the Diocese of Kansas City – St. Joseph on May 29.

IN MEMORIAM

Msgr. John D. Anderson ’62
Fr. Leonard Fox ’55
Fr. Leo H. Gildner ’53
Fr. Robert S. Juroszek, T.O.R. ’05
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