Rev. Valentine Peter (OMAHA, CLASS 1960, CASA 1966) died June 30. He was a great influence to the many children at Boys Town from 1985-2005. He was also the recipient of the Founders Award at the Alumni Reunion in 2012. He will be remembered as a great benefactor of the college and a good friend to many alumni.

Most Rev. John Myers (NEWARK, CLASS 1967) died Sept. 24. He was Bishop of Peoria before being named Bishop of Newark in 2001, where he retired in 2016. In January he moved to Illinois to be near his family, as his “physical and mental health” was said to be in serious decline.

Most Rev. Edward Kmiec (BUFFALO, CLASS 1962) died July 11. He was Bishop of Buffalo from 2004 until he retired in 2012. He had previously been Bishop of Nashville.

*Additional obituary information can be found on the Alumni Website Directory.

SPECIAL NOTICES:

1. Many Alumni have paid their 2020 dues twice. I have posted that dues to 2021, so when I send the Dues Notice in January, I will mark theirs as ALREADY PAID. I will send the notice so they will have a chance to let me know of any changes for the data base or news for next Nova.

2. If your dues payment check is late returning from your bank, please know that now that I am in Florida, the Chase Bank, our Alumni Bank, is 2 hours away. I only go there twice a month.
Rev. P. Keith Hosey (LAFAYETTE, CLASS 1957) after 45 years in retreat work, he has retired to Fatima Retreat House in Indianapolis.

Msgr. Walter Kenny (NEW YORK, CASA 1957) is New York’s oldest PNAC Alumni.

Rev. John Poerio (LAKE CHARLES, CLASS 1960) celebrated his 60th priestly ordination in Dec.

Rev. Thomas Sutherland (DETROIT, CLASS 1961) retired but active in many parishes; Marriage Encounter presenter; Faithful Friar of K of C.

Dr. James Morrison (OGDENSBURG, CLASS 1963) recovering from broken leg but otherwise in good health.

Bishop Paul Loverde (ARLINGTON, CLASS 1966) after two successful knee replacements he is able to assist with ministry within the diocese and beyond. Continues with spiritual direction and has led two priest’s retreats before COVID-19.


Msgr. Andrew Martin (CAMDEN, CLASS 1968) part time ministry for Cross Catholic Outreach and preaching for the poor in parishes throughout the U.S. since 2017.

Bishop Richard Pates (DES MOINES, CLASS 1969) has been serving as Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Joliet since December 2019.


Rev. Charles Fanelli (CHICAGO, CLASS 1971) His parish suffered quarantine, 3 days without electricity and 2 days without water. What a year!!!

Rev. Joe Matt (KANSAS CITY-ST. JOSEPH, CLASS 1974) is retired, older, and crazier but still celebrating mass at the local parish.

Rev. William Burke (MEMPHIS, CLASS 1975) retired from active ministry on August 1 after 45 years of service in the Diocese of Memphis.

H. E. Thomas Gullickson (APOSTOLIC NUNCIO, CLASS 1976) is retiring December 31, 2020 with plans to return to Sioux Falls.

Rev. Mark Ressler (DUBUQUE, 1976) has retired and lives with two other retired alumni

Fr. Jim Barta (CLASS 1956) and Fr. Russ Bleich (CLASS 1961) live at Villa Raphael, a residence for retired priests.

Rev. Patrick Manning, Ph.D (YOUNGSTOWN, CLASS 1978) is now teaching Church History and Systematic Theology at St. Mary Seminary and Graduate School of Theology in Cleveland.
Rev. Michael Clay (RALEIGH, CLASS 1979) has completed his eight year appointment to the Catholic University of America and now appointed pastor of St. Francis of Assisi in Raleigh, NC. He will continue to teach in the Doctor of Ministry program at CUA as Adjunct Associate Professor. He also received the 2019 Lifetime Service Award from Theological College on October 2, 2019 in recognition of his work as an international expert on the implementation of the R.C.I.A., his service to the Diocese of Raleigh, and his service to the School of Theology and Religious Studies at the Catholic University of America.


Rev. Doug Wathier (DUBUQUE, CLASS 1984) appointed Pastor at St. Mary in Waverly 7/2020


Rev. Dave Bonnar (PITTSBURGH, CLASS 1988) was named Founding Pastor of the new St. Aidan’s parish, Wexford, PA. He also continues as Editor of The Priest Magazine.

Msgr. Joseph Simon (ST. LOUIS, ICTE F’1988) retired June, 2019 from Rector of Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis; currently resides at St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish in St. Louis.

Rev. D. Stephen McCrate (BEAUMONT, CLASS 1989) completed 5 years pastor at St. Louis, Winnie and Our Lady of Light, Anahvac. Uses the Spanish he learned abroad every day.

Rev. James Torquato (PITTSBURGH, CLASS 1989) has been appointed Pastor of Saint Philip Parish in Pittsburgh.

Rev. Theodore Hendricks (GREEN BAY, ICTE S’1990) completed service at St. Mary, Black Creek & St. Lawrence Novarino on June 30. Is now status of Senior Priest.

Rev. Brian Welding (PITTSBURGH, CLASS 1991, CASA 2003) has completed his service as the Diocesan Sec. for Clergy and appointed Pastor of consolidated St. Michael the Archangel Parish.

Rev. Paul Schmidt (OAKLAND, ICTE S’1992) fully retired and living at St. Albert the Great rectory. He was formerly a pastor and Vicar for Clergy.


Msgr. Richard Soseman (PEORIA, CASA 1995) has finished 10 years at Vatican’s Congregation For the Clergy. Now Pastor of St. Valentines, St. Mary’s, and St. Joseph parishes in Peru, IL.


Rev. Kenneth Malley (ST. PETERSBURG, CLASS 1997) new faculty member as a Spiritual Director at PNAC this fall.


**Msgr. Joseph Tracy** (PHILADELPHIA, CASA 2000) under doctor’s advice, resigned as Pastor of St. Stanislaus, Lansdale and now enjoying being Pastoral Associate at our Lady of Good Counsel.


**Rev. Daniel Firmin** (SAVANNAH, CLASS 2004) was elected the Diocesan Administrator of the Diocese of Savannah on May 8, 2020 until a new Bishop is installed.

**Rev. Michael Ortiz** (SAN DIEGO, ICTE F’2005) after 64 years as Pastor, Army Chaplain, and High School Chaplain is now retired in San Diego.


**Rev. Nicholas Vaskov** (PITTSBURGH, CLASS 2009) appointed Pastor of newly consolidated Christ our Savior Parish and continues as moderator of the Shrine Churches of Pittsburgh.

**Very Rev. Pedro Ramirez** (AUSTIN, ICTE S’2010) appointed Vicar Forane of Lampasas/ Marble Falls Deanery, Diocese of Austin.

**Very Rev. Brian Buettner** (OKLAHOMA CITY, CLASS 2013, CASA 2016) named pastor of St. Joseph’s Old Cathedral and now overseeing the Vocations Office for the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. He was also elected to serve on the Executive Board for the National Conference of Diocesan Vocation Directors as Member-At-Large.

**Rev. Alan Guanella** (LA CROSSE, CLASS 2013) has completed his Licentiate in Canon Law in July 2019 at CUA and named Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Polonia, WI & Immaculate Conception Parish in Custer, WI.

**Rev. Daniel Ulishney** (GREENSBURG, CLASS 2013) graduated last year from CUA with a Licentiate in Canon Law. Currently Pastor of two parishes and assisting with canonical work.


**Rev. Michael Friedel** (SPRINGFIELD, CLASS 2017) became Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Thomas the Apostle parishes in Decatur, IL and Chaplain of Millikin University. Also serves as Associate Vocations Director for Diocese of Springfield in Illinois.
Msgr. Bill Fay has created and finished a huge project in contacting each and every man of the Class of 1974. He contacted each remaining member and asked for a reflection of their life at NAC and what they have accomplished since leaving the Eternal City.

Msgr. Fay had the assistance of Msgr. Raymond Bastia and Msgr. Stephen Orr in contacting and assembling the information from 49 remaining Alumni. It has been assembled into three volumes of Memories and pictures. Presently the class consists of:

(4) – Deceased (3 Priests, 1 left during Formation)
(3) – Bishops
(20) – Active Priests
(13) – Former Clergy
(13) – Left during Formation

“The overall response we have received to this little exercise has been quite amazing. Not only have we heard from every living person in the class but the quality and depth of the responses has been both moving and edifying. There are a number of recurrent themes throughout the brothers’ responses that are worth mentioning.

“First, is a universal gratitude for the opportunity to find out information about others in the class and also for the chance to say something about their own lives.

“Second, is an almost absolute high regard for their experience at the North American College and for the men who were their classmates or fellow students. Though varied, the bonds of friendship and communion formed there remained even if in diverse ways.

“Third, the experience of the College and that of Rome was formative. For many, even if their path in life took them away from the Catholic Church, there was still a high regard for the faculty, the atmosphere of the College and the academics. The gratitude of many has been included in the project. The experience meant something to them. Being part of our class in Rome was for most not something to be discarded as an unimportant footnote to their lives."
“Fourth, was an opportunity for the men to tell their story. What was going on in them when we knew them. What they had to deal with after we all went our separate ways. Obviously, it was important to them to tell it to us. It is moving to know that they respected us all enough to let us know.

“Finally, what was conceived as a lighthearted snapshot of the experiences of the class of 1974 has produced an additional result. In a sense the lens has widened. What we have is a microcosm of the experience of the Church and of the priesthood in the turmoil of that early 1970's period and for what followed.”

This undertaking has been so satisfying that Msgr. Fay will be happy to help any other class that might want to take on a like project. You can contact him at 857-540-5151 or msgrfay@yahoo.com.
IN MEMORIAM

Listed below are the most recent notifications of our deceased alumni. The Alumni Association has arranged for a Mass to be celebrated in the College Chapel for our deceased brothers. All alumni are encouraged to remember in prayer and at a Mass our deceased brother alumni. News comes to us in very different ways about the passing of our alumni. Sometimes classmates are very good about sending in photographs and internet links to newspaper notices. Although not all the information we receive can be reprinted in the newsletter, it is available on our website. We regret that space limitations do not allow us to give more ample obituaries of our alumni. For complete obituaries go to our website at pnacalumni.org.

Rev. Lawrence Deery (WORCESTER, CLASS 1969) died 2/16/1993
Mr. George Wesolet (SAN FRANCISCO, CLASS 1969) died 4/28/2014
Mr. Kevin Hanley (SEATTLE, CLASS 1969) died 12/21/2015
Rev. Richard House (YAKIMA, ICTE S’1988) died 3/31/2017
Rev. Thomas Delahunty (SACRAMENTO, ICTE F’1993) died 4/8/2017
Rev. Joseph Kleppner (PITTSBURGH, CLASS 1972) died 3/19/2019
Msgr. Francis Galles (WINONA, CLASS 1953) died 9/7/2019
Rev. John Lizio (BOSTON, CASA 1978) died 10/18/2019
Rev. Philip King (BOSTON, CASA 1957) died 12/7/2019
Rev. George Kloster (CHARLOTTE, CLASS 1969) died 12/24/2019
Most Rev. Alexander Brunett (SEATTLE, CLASS 1959) died 1/31/2020
Rev. Gerald Chavez (FRESNO, ICTE F’1999) died 2/29/2020
Msgr. John Prendergast (PEORIA, CLASS 1976) died 3/18/2020
Rev. George Flynn (BOSTON, ICTE S’1990) died 4/10/2020
Rev. Dennis Morrow (GRAND RAPIDS, CLASS 1974) died 5/16/2020
Rev. Carmen Carlone (CAMDEN, CLASS 1970) died 5/29/2020
Rev. John Flavin (CHICAGO, CLASS 1961, ICTE F’1988) died 5/30/2020
Rev. Leo Schmidt (COVINTON, CASA 1960) died 6/6/2020
Rev. Valentine Peter (OMAHA, CLASS 1960, CASA 1966) died 6/30/2020
Most Rev. Edward Kmiec (BUFFALO, CLASS 1962) died 7/11/2020
Msgr. Robert Bergman (KANSAS CITY-KANSAS, CLASS 1972, CASA 83) died 8/11/2020
Mr. Timothy Thucek (GALVESTON-HOUSTON, CLASS 1974) died 9/1/2020
Msgr. Lawrence Donnelly (LOS ANGELES, CASA 1956) died 9/23/2020
Most Rev. John Myers (NEWARK, CLASS 1967) died 9/24/2020
Rev. Joseph Villa (INDIANAPOLIS. CLASS 1997) died 10/7/2020

CHURCH HUMOR

1. A little girl finally got to attend a wedding for the first time. While in the church, the girl asked her mother: “Why is the bride dressed in white?” The mother replied to the girl: “because white is the color of happiness and it’s the happiest day of her life today.” After a little bit, the girl looks up at her mother and says: “But, then why is the groom wearing black?”

2. After having children, Adam and Eve started getting a lot of questions from their kids about why they no longer lived in Eden. Adam had a simple answer for this: “Your mother ate us out of house and home.”
BOOK CORNER


Rev. Bernard Bonnot (YOUNGSTOWN, CLASS 1968, ICTE F’1968) “Jesus as Priest for Our Time According To the Order of Melchizedek.”
