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Of Scandal and Reform: A Roundtable Discussion

On Oct. 18, seven members of the Holy Cross community sat down for an informal discussion about the clergy sexual abuse scandal that has shaken the Church and challenged Catholics across the country over the last year.
In his recently published book, *Thirty Days*, poet and critic Paul Mariani tells the story of a monthlong silent retreat in the Jesuit tradition, based on the five-century-old Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola. Mariani’s book has received considerable acclaim, with *Library Journal* calling it “engaging, informative, and inspiring” and *Booklist* noting that “its beautiful prose often reads like the purest poetry, voicing a poignant flight of spiritual imagination as it presents one man’s quest for meaning and hope.” Many of the reviewers of *Thirty Days* have found in the book an example of the contemporary hunger for spiritual meaning in the midst of the mundane world.

As you’ll read in this issue, Holy Cross students have long been familiar with that quest for meaning and hope. The Spiritual Exercises have been at the heart of the Holy Cross experience from the College’s earliest days. The notion of retreat is central to our mission and its goal of facilitating “the search for meaning and value” and the “critical examination of fundamental religious and philosophical questions.” Each year, hundreds of our students participate in a variety of retreat programs sponsored by the Office of the College Chaplains. And each year, lives are altered, deepened and transformed by entering into silence and reflection, by separating, for a time, from a world that is relentlessly loud and busy.

Such contemplative opportunities are essential if we are to see God in all things, especially in times of difficulty and crisis. It is perhaps appropriate that in the “Retreat” issue of *HCM*, we also present a roundtable discussion on the clergy sexual abuse scandal that has unfolded over the last year. Various members of the College community came together recently to talk about the scandal, to weigh its meaning and effect and to offer possibilities for healing and reform. On Page 24, we present a transcription of that discussion as the first step in what we hope will be an ongoing dialogue among the Holy Cross family about the crisis in the Church and the ways in which we might respond to it.

Contemplation and discussion, reflection and debate, prayer and inquiry—these are the elements of the Jesuit tradition and the Holy Cross experience that will sustain us as we celebrate God’s presence in our lives and work together through the hard realities of this imperfect world.
Six new Trustees have joined the Holy Cross Board:

Sister Janet Eisner, SND, is president of Emmanuel College in Boston. It was under her leadership that the college became coeducational in 2000, resulting in an unprecedented growth in enrollment. In 1996 she took a leading role in the creation of the Colleges of the Fenway and still serves on its board of directors. Sister Janet contributes actively to civic and higher education organizations. She has served on the Massachusetts Board of Regents for Higher Education and on the board of trustees at both Trinity College (Washington, D.C.) and the Boston Catholic Television Center. She has also served on several national commissions, including the American Council on Education’s Commission on Credit and Credentials, the Commission on Women in Higher Education, the Commission on Policy Analysis of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, and the Executive Committee of the Women’s College Coalition. She is also a member of the Executive Committee of MASCO (the Medical Academic and Scientific Community Organization, Inc.) and the board of directors of the Fenway Alliance. Sister Janet is a sister of Notre Dame de Namur.

Rev. Robert Raymond Grimes, S.J., is academic dean and associate professor of music at Fordham University where he also served as associate campus minister. He has worked as the musical director at Tufts University Catholic Center. Fr. Grimes is a member of the American Musicology Society, the Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences, the New York Historical Society, the Society for American Music and the Society for Ethnomusicology. He is a member of the board of trustees at Canisius College and a member of the board of directors of the New York Province of the Society of Jesus, Inc., where he serves as a consultant to the major superior of the New York Province of the Jesuits.
Mary Ellen “Nell” Jones ’74 is currently working as a self-employed human resources consultant. She has consulted to senior management on a broad range of human resource assignments. Her clients include firms in high technology, communications, information services, management consulting, Internet content delivery and professional services. Jones has also served as corporate vice president of human resources at Bolt Beranek and Newman, Inc. in Cambridge, Mass., (now BBN Technologies, a Verizon company). In March 2001, she participated in the Presidential Roundtable hosted by Michael Collins, M.D., ’77. A member of the development committee for the New England Province of the Society of Jesus, she recently accepted an invitation to serve on the Holy Cross Boston Regional Campaign Committee. Nell, her husband, Patrick ’73, and their son reside in Winchester, Mass.

Paul A. LaCamera ’64 is the president and general manager of WCVB-TV, Boston, the largest ABC affiliate in the country not owned by a network. During his time at WCVB, LaCamera has introduced such quality programming as Chronicle and has overseen numerous local and national productions, including Pops Goes the Fourth and Holiday at Pops—Boston Pops concerts that air annually on the national A&E network. Prior to his employment at WCVB, he served as director of communications for the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce and as a reporter for the Boston Record American and Sunday Advertiser. In November of 2001, LaCamera was one of six New England broadcasting professionals to be honored with a Silver Circle Award by the New England chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. The award recognized his success in “setting high achievement standards” and making “enduring contributions to the vitality of the industry.” LaCamera is a member of the President’s Council and the Holy Cross Communications Council. He also serves as a career planning counselor. Residents of Boston, LaCamera and his wife, Mimi, have three sons, Mark ’92, Peter ’93 and Chris ’99.

Melissa L. Pelesz ’02 is currently enrolled in a Ph.D. program at Cornell College of Veterinary Medicine, Ithaca, N.Y. A biology major at Holy Cross, she had been a member of Phi Beta Kappa honor society and a participant in the College Honors Program. Pelesz also worked as a veterinary assistant and completed research at Tufts Veterinary School. A member of the Student Advisory Committee and representative of the Student Government Association, she had been a senior interviewer for the Admissions Office and manager of the men’s varsity soccer team.

Theodore V. Wells, Jr. ’72 has rejoined the College’s Board of Trustees. He currently serves as a partner and co-chair of premier litigation at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison. Wells is a nationally renowned litigator with over 22 years of experience in white-collar criminal defense and complex civil and corporate litigation, representing federal government officials, notable Wall Street personalities and Fortune 500 corporations. He resides in Livingston, N.J., with his wife, Nina.
Tenure-Track Faculty Arrive

This fall, 18 new members of the faculty have been hired in tenure-track positions:

Josep Alba-Salas, assistant professor in the modern languages and literatures department, earned his Ph.D. from Cornell University. The recipient of many research fellowships and awards, he has taught at the University of South Carolina and the University of Trieste, Italy.

Christina Ballantine, assistant professor in the mathematics and computer science department, earned her Ph.D. from the University of Toronto, Canada. Specializing in number theory, forms and representation theory, buildings and combinatorics, she has taught at Dartmouth College, Bowdoin College, the University of Wyoming and the University of Toronto, Canada.

Robert M. Bellin, assistant professor in the biology department, earned his Ph.D. from Iowa State University. He recently finished his postdoctoral research fellowship at Children’s Hospital in Boston, where he explored research techniques such as cDNA cloning and sequencing, confocal microscopy, live cell imaging and protein purification.

James Bryant, assistant professor in the sociology and anthropology department, earned his Ph.D. from Brown University. Previously, he worked as a consultant for Times2 Incorporated, an educational program in Providence, R.I., the Providence Housing Authority, the Housing Authority of New Orleans and the Providence Plan Housing Corporation. He has taught at Brown University and Rhode Island College, where he designed a writing composition course for first-year students.

David N. Claman, assistant professor in the music department, earned his Ph.D. from Princeton University. The recipient of numerous awards and grants, he has performed in the United States and in India. He previously taught at Colorado College, Princeton University and the University of Madras, India.

Christine A. Coch, assistant professor in the English department, earned her Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. Specializing in 16th- and 17th-century English poetry and prose, Shakespeare and English Renaissance drama, medieval English literature, and early English women writers, she has taught at the University of Chicago and DePaul University.

Mary A. Conley, assistant professor in the history department, earned her Ph.D. from Boston College. The recipient of many fellowships and honors, she has taught at Boston College, Emory University and, most recently, Marquette University.

Joseph J. DeStefano, assistant professor in the mathematics and computer science department, earned his Ph.D. from Dartmouth College. Previously, he was employed as a scientist at BBN Corp. in Cambridge, Mass., and as vice president, research & development at MadeToOrder.com in Framingham, Mass.

Joshua R. Farrell ’94, Thomas E. D’Ambra Assistant Professor of Chemistry in the chemistry department, earned his Ph.D. at Northwestern University.
University, Evanston, Ill. A contributor to numerous publications, he has recently completed his NIH postdoctoral fellow at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Sarah Grunstein, instructor in the music department, is currently completing a Ph.D. of musical arts at the City University of New York. Since her Carnegie Recital Hall debut in 1984, Grunstein has performed in Austria, Hungary, the United Kingdom, the United States, France, Italy and her homeland, Australia. She has taught at the Juilliard School, the Manhattan School of Music, Fordham University, the City University of New York and the Sydney Conservatorium of Music.

Ibrahim Kalin, assistant professor in the religious studies department, earned his Ph.D. from George Washington University. Specializing in Islamic studies, he has taught at Mary Washington College and George Washington University.

Sarah McGrath, assistant professor in the philosophy department, earned her Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Specializing in metaphysics and ethics, she is also knowledgeable in the philosophy of language, the philosophy of biology, the history of modern philosophy, epistemology and feminist philosophy.

Victoria C. Plaut, assistant professor in the psychology department, earned her Ph.D. from Stanford University. The recipient of numerous grants and awards, she has focused her research on the cultural models of diversity, cultural sources of well-being and cultural variations of self.

Kevin J. Quinn, assistant professor in the chemistry department, earned his Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He is a member of the American Chemical Society and the American Chemical Society’s Organic Division. For the past year he has served as a lecturer at the University of Pennsylvania on the topic of advanced experimental organic chemistry.

B. Jeffrey Reno, assistant professor in the political science department, earned his Ph.D. from Michigan State University. His research and teaching interests include the role of political discourse in urban policy, the idea of the “Leisured Class” and its impact on civil society and the nature of “public” and “private” and its impact on policy and discourse. He has served as an adjunct lecturer at the University of Michigan and as a visiting instructor at Michigan State University.

William V. Sobczak, assistant professor in the biology department, earned his Ph.D. from Cornell University. Author of numerous publications, his research interests include energy flow through aquatic ecosystems, ecosystem restoration and conservation and ecology and biogeochemistry of groundwaters. Previously, he worked as a postdoctoral associate in the water resources division at the U.S. Geological Survey.

Shelby Therese Weitzel, Brake-Smith assistant professor in social philosophy and ethics in the philosophy department, earned her Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The recipient of many awards, she has taught at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the University of Utah.

Cristi Rinklin, assistant professor in the visual arts department, earned her M.F.A. from the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis. Specializing in painting and drawing, she has served as a guest lecturer at numerous colleges and has taught at the University of Minnesota, the College of Visual Art, St. Paul, Minn., and the Minneapolis College of Art and Design. Her work has appeared in exhibitions throughout the country.
The annual Holy Cross faculty awards were presented at a convocation on Sept. 17. The event honored the recipient of the 2002 Holy Cross Distinguished Teaching Award and the recipients of the Rev. Raymond J. Swords, S.J., Faculty Medal.


The Distinguished Teaching Award, which was established to recognize the dedicated faculty members at the College, carries with it a $1,000 honorarium.

The Rev. Raymond J. Swords, S.J., Faculty Medal, named after the 28th president of the College, was designed to honor members of the faculty who have served at Holy Cross for 25 years.

Nine members of the Holy Cross faculty were recognized: Robert Garvey of the physics department, Nicolas Sanchez of the economics department, Edward Thompson of the sociology and anthropology department, Shirish Korde of the music department, Robert Cording of the English department, Richard Matlak of the Center for Interdisciplinary and Special Studies, William Rynders of the theatre department, Royce Singleton of the sociology and anthropology department, and Rev. William Reiser, S.J., of the religious studies department.
Four members of the College of the Holy Cross faculty have been honored with this year’s Arthur J. O’Leary Faculty Recognition Award. The recipients are: Danuta Bukatko of the psychology department; John Little of the mathematics department; Theresa McBride of the history department; and Susan Rodgers of the sociology and anthropology department.

The $10,000 O’Leary Awards will be given each year to four senior faculty members who have made special contributions to the College through their teaching, scholarship and service. The awards are intended to recognize and advance the work of the recipients, while encouraging other members of the faculty to attain a high level of professional achievement and become positive role models in the lives of students.

The Arthur J. O’Leary Faculty Recognition Awards have been made possible by an endowed gift to the College from Thomas H. O’Leary ’54, former president, chief executive office and chairman of Burlington Resources, in memory of his father, Arthur J. O’Leary.

Career Planning launches shadowing program

The Career Planning Center is inviting alumni and parents to participate in a new initiative designed to educate students regarding nonprofit and government careers: The Nonprofit Shadowing Program.

Feedback provided by students and alumni to the Career Planning Center indicates a desire for more services oriented around professions that have not traditionally recruited on college campuses: social services, law, healthcare, art, education, government and public administration. To help fill this need, the Career Planning Center is coordinating the 1st Annual Nonprofit Shadowing Program, to take place during the week of Jan. 6-10.

“Shadowing” is a term that is used nationally by colleges and universities to describe a short-term observational experience that teams a professional and an undergraduate in an effort to enhance the student’s knowledge about a particular career field. The Nonprofit Shadowing Program will give Holy Cross students a unique opportunity to spend a day observing a graduate or parent working in the nonprofit sector. Through this experience students will begin to understand the qualifications, skills and attributes needed to succeed in that profession.

The Career Planning Center is actively seeking alumni and parents willing to host a student for a day to share their insights and expertise about their work in the nonprofit sector. To participate in this exciting new program please contact Kelly Kochis, assistant director, Career Planning Center, at 508-793-3880, or via email at kkochis@holycross.edu.
"Practicing Catholic: Ritual, Body, and Contestation in Catholic Faith," a conference examining Catholicism as a living tradition in different time periods and social worlds throughout history, was held at the College on Oct. 18-21.

Consisting of scholarly presentations, liturgies and live performances by Holy Cross faculty and other internationally distinguished historians, cultural anthropologists, artists and theologians, the conference addressed such questions: How do Catholics share and negotiate power? How does Catholicism function on a personal level? What is the current role of the laity within the church and how has that role changed over time? How can and will Roman Catholics practice their faith in the 21st century?

Ritual performances included a Ritual Mass of Anointing, complete with a series of choreographed processions; the “Chalice of Repose” project, a palliative, pastoral service to the dying integrating historical scholarship, musical performance, spirituality and medical treatment; a musical presentation of the “sound” of Hildegard of Bingen’s mysticism; and a sung Vespers service.

The conference is part of a semester-long series of events addressing Catholic practices and rituals. The integration of more than 12 fall courses with the work of the conference fostered participation by students, four of whom had the opportunity to respond formally to academic papers presented during the program. Members of the Holy Cross faculty from the philosophy, religious studies, Spanish, sociology and anthropology, visual arts and psychology departments had an opportunity to develop and share pedagogy on the subject during a summer seminar.

The event, which was sponsored by the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture, is being held in conjunction with an installation by artist Lewis deSoto, in the Iris and B. Gerald Cantor Art Gallery, O’Kane Hall.
The Holy Cross community gathered on the first anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks for a series of commemorative events. At 9:18 a.m., a flag-raising and a wreath-laying ceremony was conducted by the College's NROTC. Paul Covino of the chaplains' office offered a brief prayer. The ceremony concluded with the playing of taps. At noon, a memorial Mass was celebrated in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel; members of the faculty offered reflections on the events of Sept. 11 during a panel discussion held at 4 p.m. in the Ballroom of the Hogan Campus Center.

In the evening, an interfaith candlelight prayer vigil—consisting of readings from various world religions, prayer and music—was held in the Mary Chapel. The service ended with a procession to Memorial Plaza, where, last March 11, the College dedicated a bronze plaque bearing the names of its seven lost alumni as a permanent memorial.
In October, the College hosted the annual Arts and Sciences Deans’ meeting of the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities (AJCU). The conference featured panel discussions on such topics as vocation initiatives, social justice initiatives and faculty development, as well as a keynote address by Rev. Charles Currie, S.J., president of the AJCU. Fr. Currie’s address was titled, “So Much to Do, So Little Time—and Place: The Multidimensional World of Jesuit Higher Education.”

Annual relay race held at Hart

On Sept. 13, the College sponsored “Continuing to Care – Continuing to Heal,” the second annual Relay For Disaster Relief race, at the Hart Center track. Proceeds from the relay were donated to the Holy Cross Sept. 11th Scholarship Fund, which provides a Holy Cross education to financially needy surviving children of alumni, firefighters, police and rescue workers killed or permanently disabled due to terrorist attacks or during the rescue activities related to those attacks. Last year, more than 300 people took part in this event, which raised over $9,000 for the scholarship fund.
Cahoone delivers inaugural “Last Lecture”

On Sept. 30, Professor Lawrence Cahoone of the philosophy department delivered the inaugural lecture in the College’s new “Last Lecture” series. Funded by the Lilly Endowment Vocation Initiative and sponsored by the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture, the series is designed to offer students and faculty the opportunity to learn more about why some of their favorite professors find their work meaningful and worthwhile. The speaker, under the pretext of delivering a retirement, shares some reflections of the questions: Given a “last” chance, what is worth saying? What wisdom would be most important to pass on? What challenges have to go unfulfilled?

Cahoone earned his Ph.D. from the State University of New York-Stony Brook. The author of numerous publications, he specializes in social and political philosophy, American philosophy, and 19th and 20th century European philosophy.

First-Year Program marks 10-year anniversary

A two-day celebration was held on Sept. 20-21 to commemorate the first decade of the College’s First-Year Program (FYP). The activities, which began in the Brooks Concert Hall, featured a lecture by Dr. Jill Ker Conway, president emeritus of Smith College and a prolific author; her book, The Road from Coorain, served as the first FYP common reading text in September 1992. Ker Conway’s speech was titled “Liberal Values in 21st Century Lives.”

The celebration continued throughout the weekend with a series of panel discussions in the Rehm Library, featuring current FYP students, alumni and faculty participants.

The First-Year Program, which helps students explore the connections between living and learning, brings together 160 first-year students, all living in the same residence hall, and a group of distinguished teachers from a variety of different disciplines. Through a series of seminars, common readings, films, concerts, retreats and residence-hall discussions, FYP students and faculty explore the program’s central theme—Leo Tolstoy’s question, “How, then, shall we live?”

Since 1992, the program has received national attention and achieved enormous success, including improved classroom performance, greater campus leadership and community service, and higher retention and graduation rates.
College singers serenade Fenway

The Holy Cross College Chamber Singers sang the National Anthem at Fenway Park on Sept. 14. Directed by Bruce I. Miller, the singers brought good luck to the Red Sox as Boston defeated Baltimore 6-4.

Holy Cross moves up in USN&WR ranking

The following are the top national liberal arts colleges as ranked by U.S. News & World Report (schools with the same numbered rank are tied):

1. Amherst College (Mass.)
2. Swarthmore College (Pa.)
2. Williams College (Mass.)
4. Wellesley College (Mass.)
5. Carleton College (Minn.)
5. Pomona College (Calif.)
7. Bowdoin College (Maine)
7. Middlebury College (Vt.)
9. Davidson College (N.C.)
10. Haverford College (Pa.)
11. Wesleyan University (Conn.)
12. Grinnell College (Iowa)
13. Claremont McKenna College (Calif.)
13. Smith College (Mass.)
15. Harvey Mudd College (Calif.)
15. Vassar College (N.Y.)
15. Washington and Lee University (Va.)
18. Colby College (Maine)
18. Colgate University (N.Y.)
18. Hamilton College (N.Y.)
21. Bryn Mawr College (Pa.)
22. Bates College (Maine)
23. Mount Holyoke College (Mass.)
23. Oberlin College (Ohio)
25. Trinity College (Conn.)
26. College of the Holy Cross (Mass.)
26. Macalester College (Minn.)
28. Barnard College (N.Y.)
29. Bucknell University (Pa.)
29. Colorado College
29. Connecticut College
29. Kenyon College (Ohio)
29. Lafayette College (Pa.)
29. Scripps College (Calif.)
29. University of the South (Tenn.)
36. Bard College (N.Y.)
Turner named Brooks Professor in the Humanities, 2002-2005

Professor Karen Turner of the history department has been named the Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., Professor in the Humanities. This rotating professorship is awarded to Holy Cross faculty for a term of three years. Turner is the first woman faculty member to hold an endowed chair at Holy Cross.

Turner earned her bachelor’s degree in history from Southern Illinois University, her master’s degree in Asian studies from Yale University and her Ph.D. in history from the University of Michigan. Specializing in Chinese and Vietnamese history, she has also studied at Beijing University.

At Holy Cross, Turner was instrumental in the development of the Asian studies program. She also served as the first director of international studies. In the late 1980s Turner led two Holy Cross groups on academic tours of China. As a professor of history, she has created and taught a series of new courses on women in Asia, law and human rights in Asia, and Vietnam’s American War. The recipient of several academic awards and honors, Turner was also one of the first Holy Cross faculty members to receive an O’Leary Faculty Research Award.

The author of numerous books, she most recently wrote The Limits of the Rule of Law in China (University of Washington Press, Spring 2000). Turner’s 1998 book, Even Women Must Fight: Memories of War from North Vietnam, was very highly acclaimed.

Under a program sponsored by the National Academy of Sciences and the China Committee, Turner was one of the first seven Americans chosen to live and study in China after a hiatus of almost 30 years. She has since returned to China many times under various auspices as director of academic programs for the CET company and as a researcher. Turner’s research interests have also brought her to such places as Russia, Mongolia and Vietnam.

While living in Vietnam, Turner conducted research on Vietnamese women veterans. Her research was compiled into a book and a documentary film, titled Hidden Warriors: Women on the Ho Chi Minh Trail. She was recently invited to show and discuss her film at the Brooklyn Museum of Art Festival on Vietnam.

In addition to her role as a professor of Chinese and Vietnamese history at Holy Cross, Turner is a senior research fellow of East Asian Legal Studies at Harvard Law School. A member of the board of directors of the Warring States Working Group in Amherst, she is also an elected member of the International Council of World Affairs.

College ranks second nationally in graduation rate among I-AA and I-AAA schools

With a 90-percent graduation rate, Holy Cross is tied for second in the nation among I-AA schools, as announced by the USA Today-NCAA Foundation Academic Achievement Award program.

Six Patriot League member institutions, including four full members and two associate members, were ranked among the top NCAA Division I-AA and I-AAA colleges and universities for success in graduation rates.

Holy Cross tied Georgetown for second place in the rankings. The rankings are determined by annual federal graduation rate forms required of schools offering athletic aid.

In a separate press release, the NCAA announced that for the first time since the organization began tracking graduation rates, Division I student-athletes graduating by August 2001 reached the 60-percent plateau. The NCAA survey includes athletes who were freshmen in the 1995-96 school year. For purposes of this study, the student-athletes are given six years to earn their diplomas.

All Patriot League student-athletes, on the other hand, are recruited on the premise that they will graduate four years after matriculation. Patriot League institutions are discouraged from “red-shirting” student-athletes except in unusual situations.

Schools from all three NCAA divisions are recognized, with category winners receiving $25,000 and a trophy.
Retreat: A Rich Tradition
Heart of the Holy Cross
Caitlin Brennan ’03, an economics major from Wellesley, Mass., can still remember her mother’s reaction when she told her she was going on retreat—a five-day, silent retreat known as the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola.

She said: “How are you going to do that?” Brennan recalls with a laugh.

But in August 2001, at the beginning of her third year, that’s just what she did. Along with 49 other undergraduates, two Jesuits and a chaplain from the Chaplains’ Office, Brennan spent five days at a retreat center on the water in Narragansett, R.I., praying, walking the beach, reflecting, eating—and never speaking. And she says it was one of the best experiences she has had at Holy Cross.

“You leave there and you feel so comfortable with yourself,” Brennan recalls, as enthusiastically as if she had returned just yesterday. “You realize that all things, good or bad, make you who you are right now—and that’s good! That’s who you are! God loves you, so you should love you.

“You come away with a profound sense of peace, of a personal relationship with God,” she continues. “For me, it was almost like a new leaf in my faith. I was raised Catholic, but before, it was as if I were going through the motions. Now I feel like I have ownership of my religion. I’m participating because I want to. And that’s awesome.”

The Spiritual Exercises: A 500-Year Tradition

In making the retreat last year, Brennan became one of thousands of Holy Cross students—and countless people throughout the world—who have benefited from the Exercises at some point over the past 500 years or so—ever since this unique spiritual experience first took shape in a cave in Manresa, Spain.

It was there, in 1522, that a high-living soldier named Ignatius came to know God during his convalescence from a war injury. “During his recuperation at Loyola, he read about the lives of the saints,” explains Rev. Michael Ford, S.J., an associate chaplain who directs the Spiritual Exercises for Holy Cross. “He was enthralled by their stories. He began daydreaming about performing great exploits for God, rather than the chivalric exploits he’d focused on before. This would lead to his conversion of heart.

“Leaving Loyola, Ignatius lived as a hermit in a cave in Manresa. He lived there for about a year,” Fr. Ford continues. “He was battling with his soul, and God was teaching him with great patience. And that’s where the Spiritual Exercises take form. Ignatius began to see how God was speaking to him and how God was directing him and helping him come to self-knowledge. He realized you can find God in all things. And ultimately, that is the great lesson of the Exercises.”

When Ignatius emerged from that cave, he felt compelled to talk to people about God—and discovered that they were all too happy to listen. “This method of attracting people through spiritual conversation is something that Ignatius prized,” Fr. Ford explains, “and it’s very characteristic of Jesuits today. It helps other people see where God is in their lives.”
At first, Ignatius gave the Exercises himself, one-on-one; then, his followers were trained to give them, too. “This was the primary and first work of the Jesuits,” says Fr. Ford. “This was the beginning of the Society of Jesus. By the time Ignatius died in 1556, there were 1,000 Jesuits and 60 Jesuit schools all over the world.”

Today, the Exercises remain at the heart of the Order.

“It is through the Spiritual Exercises that we Jesuits learn to pray and to establish a personal relationship with Jesus Christ,” explains Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president of Holy Cross. “We make the full Exercises for 30 days at the very beginning of our time as Jesuits and at least one more time at the end of formation, 10 or more years later. We renew the experience with an eight-day retreat each year. The Exercises are at the very center of our spirituality and are the primary means for sharing that spirituality with others.”

“They are at the root of my calling,” confirms Rev. Gerard McKeon, S.J., ’76, assistant chaplain, who says he decided for sure to become a priest while making the Spiritual Exercises during his third year at Holy Cross. “I find it amazing that although the language (of the Exercises) seems to be from another
century, it is still so adaptable to modern times.

“That’s because there is a certain timelessness to the basic questions people ask—questions about loveableness. Sinfulness. The need to be healed. Getting in touch with a Christian faith life,” he continues. “The (retreat) director allows God to deal personally and directly with each retreatant—what the person wants to pray about, to focus on. That’s why the dynamic is always new. It’s about how God wants to tap into each person’s experience … their struggles, their choices.

“The Exercises are what attracted me to the order,” he concludes, “and they are the reason I remain a Jesuit today.”

“The Heart of Holy Cross”

Here at Holy Cross, students have been making the Spiritual Exercises ever since the College was founded in 1843. For more than 100 years, there was no choice in the matter: The school would close for a week each October, and every student would go on retreat. But by the late 1950s, it became obvious that this method wasn’t working too well. “You can’t force people to pray!” says Fr. Ford.

That’s when a charismatic Jesuit named Rev. Joseph LaBran, S.J., ’38 came into the picture. The Exercises, no longer mandatory, were offered four or five times a year, for 50 students at a time. They were still filled to capacity—but this time it was with students who wanted to be there, drawn by the mystery and the magic of the Jesuit who conducted every single one of the retreats from 1958 until he retired in 2000.

“I loved it, I loved it, I loved it!” Fr. LaBran says without hesitation. “It was never the same. It was always different. It was always different people, different thoughts … every retreat had its own specific gifts. And very, very few people—maybe 10 over all those years of retreats—left before it ended.

“The Exercises are about the art of living the Gospel message in daily life,” continues Fr. LaBran, 87, who now resides at the Campion Health Center in Weston, Mass. “Each person born into this world has a unique outpouring of divine love; each person has a treasure inside them. We must find out what that gift is; rejoice in it; treasure it; try to share it. Whatever the call might be, the Exercises give good direction toward the goal of living a Christian life.

“The heart, the foundation, of Holy Cross is in the Exercises,” he declares.

During the past 15 years or so, the Exercises have been challenged yet again, but this time by two modern realities: expense, and overloaded schedules.

“The cost of retreat houses everywhere has increased dramatically in the past few years,” explains Kim McElaney, ’76, director of the Office of College Chaplains since 1992. “And we can absorb some of it, but we have to pass some of the costs along to the students, too. Unfortunately, the cost of making the Exercises has become increasingly prohibitive.”

Until this year, it cost $300 to go on the five-day Spiritual Exercises at Our Lady of Peace Spiritual Life Center in
Narragansett, R.I. “That’s an awful lot of money for some students,” says Fr. Ford.

The LaBran Millard Fund, established by Charles E.F. Millard ’54 in 1999, helped defray the cost for several students each year to go on retreat in Narragansett, and this year, Carrol A. Muccia ’58 made a very welcome gift of $1 million to endow retreat programs (see sidebar).

“I was speechless,” recalls McElaney, when she heard about the gift. “The gift immediately allowed us to cut the cost of the Exercises to $100. Beginning in January, we will be able to offer them free of charge as a kind of ‘gift’ to students who are in positions of particular service to the College (such as RAs).

“Cost will no longer be an issue for any student who really wants to go on retreat,” she asserts. “This is the kind of value we want to place on helping kids come to know God during their undergraduate years. We see that as a priority.”

Of course, the students themselves still need to make the time to go. “They have so many things going on in their lives,” says Fr. McKeon. “That is a real issue. There just weren’t as many distractions in my day.”

Indeed, the Chaplains’ Office has eliminated the Exercises that used to be held during spring break in March, because of a decline in attendance. Many students use that time for service projects (in Appalachia or Habitat for Humanity, for instance) or to escape to warmer weather. Now, the Exercises are offered in August, October and January.

Still, the number of Holy Cross students who participate in the Spiritual Exercises and other forms of retreat is impressive. “A recent survey indicated that more than 20 percent of our students have made retreats here at Holy Cross,” says Fr. McKeon.

Carrol Muccia ’58 hadn’t been back to Holy Cross in nearly 10 years, when he and his wife, Margo, a 1961 graduate of Newton College of the Sacred Heart, decided to come to campus for the “Lift High the Cross” weekend in September 2001. They were moved by what they found.

“We were very impressed with what we saw and heard, with how much Holy Cross had grown physically and how it strove to maintain its Catholic identity as well as the quality of its academic programs,” says Muccia, who earned a degree in economics. “We came back from that weekend and decided that we wanted to do something (for the College) in a major way.”

That was Sept. 9. Two days later, the world changed. Muccia picked up the phone and began brainstorming with the Development Office about a major gift. “We knew we wanted to do something with a religious aspect,” he says. “We just weren’t sure what it should be.”

Within three months, the answer became clear. Muccia, a senior managing director at First Manhattan Company in New York, and his wife, decided to donate $1 million to endow the Carrol A. Muccia Spiritual Retreat Program, which has a very simple goal: to allow any Holy Cross student to go on retreat without worrying about the cost.

“The Spiritual Exercises, in particular, have been a life-changing experience for thousands of students. In recent years, because we do not own a facility, the cost of making the Exercises has grown dramatically. Because of budget limitations, we have had to pass part of that cost on to students, which has prevented some who wanted to make the Exercises from doing so. Mr. Muccia’s gift will allow us to reduce the cost of the Exercises, and also will support expanding the retreat program and developing new alternatives to meet stu-
McFarland. “Since that survey covered all classes, one can infer that by senior year the percentage is much higher.”

**The Exercises Today**

But the Spiritual Exercises are not for everyone. In fact, a member of the Chaplains’ Office interviews all retreat applicants before-hand to make sure they understand what the program entails.

The big thing, of course, is the silence. After an introductory meal on the evening they arrive, students are invited to “embrace the mystery of the silence,” in the vernacular of the Exercises. This means that, aside from individual sessions they may have with a Jesuit or chaplain, the students do not speak at all for five days.

“Not too many people go through life without talking for a week. Some people can’t even imagine not talking for 45 minutes!” laughs Charles Meyer, the valedictorian of the Class of 2000, who went on the Exercises during his first year at Holy Cross. “It was an intense experience. But Fr. LaBran kept reminding us that we were doing it for a purpose. That made it easier.”

“Lighthearted conversation could interrupt the rhythm of the retreat,” explains McElaney. “The silence helps retreatants to be drawn in and to be present to God all day, even at meals … Typically, at first some students find the silence difficult, but by the end of the week, they don’t want to leave! I think that says something about our need for quiet, for introspective time. We don’t have that in our daily lives.”

Mealtimes are tough, she concedes. “It’s awkward for the first meal; maybe the second,” she says. “But they get used to it. And they handle it differently. Some people eat

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students’ spiritual needs.”

Muccia says he was struck by the gap between the religious experiences of today’s Holy Cross students and those of his own generation.

“The Chaplains’ Office said that for many students, a retreat is ‘the most significant religious experience of their undergraduate years, and for some it’s the point of entry into an exploration of one’s faith journey,’” says Muccia, who also earned an M.B.A. from Wharton in 1961. “That was surprising to me. In my day, students came to Holy Cross with a strong knowledge of their faith and were already well on the way toward a personal relationship with God. If the retreat program can offer just one person the opportunity to grow in his or her faith, then this gift is worth it, because that person will help others … and so it multiplies.”

A graduate of Xavier High School in New York City, Muccia says he was quite familiar with the Jesuit philosophy by the time he moved into Campion Hall as a first-year student in the fall of 1954. “We had a number of retreats in high school, as well as overnight at Mount Manresa, a retreat center on Staten Island. We had daily Mass. We had epistemology. All sorts of logic classes. We were on retreat the whole time, basically!” he says.

At Holy Cross, he began teaching religious education to Worcester public school children; by his final year, he was running the program. “I saw firsthand how young students began to ask questions, seek answers, and discover their own spirituality,” he recalls. After graduation, he continued to teach CCD at St. John and St. Mary Parish in Chappaqua, N.Y., where he lived for 30 years with his wife and four children before moving to Rye a few years ago. He is also an active advisor to Immaculate Conception, an elementary school in a disadvantaged area of the Bronx.

And, he and Margo have been touched by their experiences as a Knight and Dame of Malta: “When we have been on pilgrimages to Lourdes with the Order of Malta, we’ve seen the sick come away with an experience of hope, their lives changed. They see the power of prayer, of community.”

Taken together, Muccia says, these impressions—as well as those gleaned through involvement in other lay organizations that support the Catholic Church—are what inspired and informed their decision to endow the retreat programs at Holy Cross.

“One of my favorite feasts is Pentecost—when the Holy Spirit gave the Apostles not only the gift of tongues, but also the courage to spread the good news and the message of Christianity,” says Muccia. “The retreat program at Holy Cross is not only the spreading of Catholicism, but an awakening and strengthening of personal spirituality.

“Our purpose in funding this endowment at this time is to make the retreats available to as many students as possible, because it is critical to the College’s mission,” he continues. “God has been great to us. Our hope is that this gift will go a long way toward helping to preserve the Catholic identity of the school.”

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and leave right away. Some come late and eat quickly. Others will just sit and become lost in meditation while eating, not even noticing with whom they sat.”

Throughout their time in Narragansett, students attend four different talks each day, given by a Jesuit or chaplain. Each has a theme—the meaning of sin, for instance, or the concept of “giftedness.” Articles, scripture readings or prayers are handed out as supplements. Students are invited to write in journals; to sit and pray, either in their rooms or elsewhere on the grounds; or to walk the beach and gaze at the sea.

“We encourage them to recognize God’s presence in creation, in the nature that’s all around them,” says Fr. McKeon. “Many of them go out to see the sun rise, which is just about the only time they’d get up that early! They tell us, when they share, that the water speaks to them, to their moods. It helps them go deeper during the retreat.”

“There was snow on the ground, grey skies, and a stormy ocean at our doorstep … it was very peaceful,” recalls Mark Ward ’86, who went on the Exercises in January 1984—his first retreat ever. “Through silence, time alone, walking by the sea, reflecting on scripture, I found myself focusing on
the enormity of God and the internal peace which can be found when one truly seeks God.”

The retreat ends with a closing liturgy, a time when all the participants are invited to share their reflections after the Gospel. “That’s typically a very powerful experience,” says McElaney. “It could go on for one or two hours. For some, that’s the place where the Exercises really come together. It absolutely knocks some of them off their horses to hear and to realize how present God is, and has been, during these days.”

Variations on the Theme: Other Retreat Options

Although the Spiritual Exercises set the tone and remain the backbone of the retreat programs at Holy Cross, several other prayer opportunities, taking place both at the College and off campus, have been made available to students during the past 15 years or so (see sidebar).

“We discontinue some retreats and start others, depending on their relevance to what’s going on in the world or in the lives of the students at a given time,” says Marybeth Kearns-Barrett ’84, associate chaplain and director of service and social justice programs.

For example, on average, 75 first-year students participate in “Escape,” an overnight retreat held at Camp Bement in Charlton, Mass., during their first month of college. Intended as a community-builder, Escape begins with a bonfire prayer service on Friday night and continues on Saturday with a day on a ropes course in the woods. “There are all sorts of group challenge activities—nothing you can do by yourself,” says Kearns-Barrett. “Later, a facilitator helps students process the experience. He or she talks with them about what they have learned and helps them make connections to the Holy Cross experience: ‘How can I be open to a different voice or perspective? How can I be attentive to and inclusive of others?’ They leave the Escape with a sense of feeling connected, and they want to hold on to that when they get back to campus.”

One of the hallmarks of Escape is that upperclass students help run it.

“It is wonderful to see how much the students contribute to shaping our retreat program,” observes Kearns-Barrett. “It’s exciting to see them provide leadership. The Escape is so rich because of what student leaders bring to it.”

In fact, another popular off-campus retreat, Manresa, was added five years ago at the suggestion (and carefully prepared proposal) of a student. Teams of 10 students (five men and five women, from all faiths), plus a director or coordinator, lead this weekend of reflection and sharing about faith, family and friends at a retreat house in Vermont. “Its name has great significance for Jesuit institutions. We use it to convey the idea that anyplace could be a ‘Manresa’ if we find God there,” explains McElaney.

“I attended Manresa my sophomore year,” explains Cymetra Williams ’03, just after her uncle, with whom she lived, died suddenly. She had lost both her parents as an adolescent. “When I got there, I thought it was a peaceful place, and the only expectation was that you went at your own pace and felt comfortable. The leadership was non-threatening. The students were sharing a piece of themselves in the hope...
that you could better cope with your experiences and learn more about where you wanted to be in your life.

“I also went during my third year, as a student leader, and I didn’t think I could fulfill my duties because of new struggles in my family life,” she recalls. “I went anyway. I think God has a way of putting you where you need to be, because once again Manresa was in a sense a lifesaver.”

In addition to off-campus retreats, the Chaplains’ Office also sponsors a variety of on-campus programs that give students the opportunity to “retreat” from daily life, if only for an hour or two, for prayerful contemplation. For instance, the “got dreams?” program, funded by the Lilly Vocation Grant, which is open only to fourth-year students, runs for an hour per week for 10 weeks. “This is a way of applying the exercise of retreat to daily life,” explains Kearns-Barrett. “It’s a reason to pause, to stop what we’re doing, and try to help students in their final year reflect on what’s important to them and where they are in response to God’s invitation to them.”

**Why Go?**

Students who may already feel that they have too many things to do—too much schoolwork, too many hours at a job, too little time to relax with friends and family—may feel justified in asking: “Why should I go on the Exercises, or on any retreat for that matter? Why should I—how can I—take time to go off on my own just to think?”

The answer, in a nutshell: It’s well worth it.

“We hear all the time from alumni and students what a profound effect the experience has had on them,” says Fr. McFarland. “It is an important source of self-knowledge, the foundation of a more real and more passionate relationship to Jesus Christ, and a wellspring of generosity. A retreat will make you a happier, more grounded and more generous person.”

“For some people, it’s a shake-up experience; there’s an ‘ah-ha’ moment that changes them,” says Meyer, who is currently working as a naval intelligence officer on the **USS Wasp** in Norfolk, Va. “For me, the Exercises

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**Retreats Currently Offered at Holy Cross**

For many years, the word “retreat” at Holy Cross meant one thing, and one thing only: the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Today, the Spiritual Exercises remain the backbone of the retreat programs, but there are now a whole host of variations on the theme—ranging from overnights, to weekends, to on-campus “retreats” that meet once a week for a semester. All together, the Office of College Chaplains offers more than a dozen different retreats or spiritual development programs for the Holy Cross community.

And there is continuity between the newer offerings and the Exercises: “The retreats are quite diverse … but they are linked by common threads: the development of a greater sense of one’s own gifts; a deeper understanding of God’s presence in one’s self, others and our world; and stronger ties to the larger faith community,” according to a brochure from the Chaplains’ Office. The programs draw heavily on Ignatian spirituality, but students of all faiths are welcome.

Here’s an overview of the off-campus retreats available to Holy Cross students today:

**The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius:** A five-day silent retreat for 50 students at Our Lady of Peace Spiritual Life Center in Narragansett, R.I. Daily themes are developed through talks given by a chaplain. There is time for prayer, reflection and journaling, as well as private direction with a chaplain. Cost: $100 (the cost was cut this year from $300, thanks to the Muccia gift).

**Manresa:** A student-led weekend retreat, held three times a year at a retreat house in Jacksonville, Vt., which focuses on faith, family and friendship. Upperclass leaders offer personal reflections and invite participants in small-group discussions to share how and where God is present in their lives. Cost: $65.

**The Holy Cross Escape:** An overnight retreat for up to 90 first-year students during their first month at school. Held at Camp Bement in Charlton, Mass., the Escape is led by a team of 16 upperclass students and a chaplain. A day on a ropes course, a bonfire prayer service, and a closing liturgy all help to build a sense of community and belonging to Holy Cross. Cost: $65.

**Directed Retreat:** A five-day retreat in Narragansett for those who’ve already completed the Spiritual Exercises and who seek daily spiritual direction with a chaplain. Cost: $100.

**Senior Retreat:** An overnight retreat to help fourth-year students synthesize and reflect on their Holy Cross experiences and the path on which God is now leading them. Cost: $60.

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reinforced and validated the fact that service to others had to be part of what I’d do in my life. That my relationship with God and the folks around me is number one. And the gratitude we should have for God’s love, for who we are, for the people in our lives, and making sure we live our lives in response to that. It’s so simple. But it rings true for me every single day.”

“Now my focus is more on the little things of life,” agrees Brennan. “There is a pervasive attitude of appreciation and gratitude. For every day. For every thing. Now, when I begin to pray, I begin with thanks: for my warm bed. Because I just ate dinner. Because I have awesome parents and stepparents. Great friends. I learned that prayer doesn’t have to be so formal. It’s more of a conversation, like talking to a friend. The retreat made God and Catholicism a little bit more accessible to me.

“If you go and really immerse yourself, you’ll leave with the most profound sense of inner peace that you’ll ever really feel,” she concludes.

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On Oct. 18, seven members of the Holy Cross community sat down for an informal discussion about the clergy sexual abuse scandal that has shaken the Church and challenged Catholics across the country over the last year. On the following pages is a transcript of that conversation, moderated by HCM editor, Jack O’Connell ’81.

Participants:
Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., president of the College
Rev. William A. Clark, S.J.; assistant professor, religious studies
Before coming to Holy Cross, Fr. Clark spent many years in various parish ministries, including several years as a pastor in Kingston, Jamaica. His Ph.D. dissertation dealt with the authority of local church communities within the universal church. In the past few months, he has been particularly focused on the response of various local and lay groups to the scandal and crisis in the Church. He has spoken on lay leadership, rights, and responsibilities in parishes in Maine, Massachusetts, and Connecticut.
Margaret N. Freije, assistant dean, Class of 2003
Margaret Freije is an associate professor in the mathematics department and the class dean for the Class of 2003. She has been teaching at Holy Cross since 1986. She and her husband, Richard ’81, are the parents of three children and are active members of their parish.
Sara Janecko ’04, student
Sara Janecko is a third-year, religious studies premed major. During the summer, she participated in a Lilly Grant-funded internship at the Chancery for the Diocese of Worcester in the Office for Healing and Prevention. At Holy Cross, she is involved in Pax Christi, Magis, SPUD, Eucharistic Ministry and the Purple Key Society.
Marybeth Kearns-Barrett ’84, associate chaplain
Marybeth Kearns-Barrett ’84 has served as a chaplain at the College since 1991. She holds a master of divinity degree from Weston Jesuit School of Theology. She is married to Christopher Barrett ’83 and they have four children. Marybeth and Chris, along with fellow parishioners, have met with their pastor and Bishop Reilly of the Diocese of Worcester to address their concerns regarding this crisis.

Recently she has been meeting with a group of fellow parishioners to talk about the crisis in the Church and the role the laity might play in bringing about healing.
I want to thank everyone for coming today. We’re here to discuss the clergy sexual abuse scandal. We’re hoping for a free-flowing, general discussion about the issue, something that will represent the range of thought and feeling among the various College constituencies we’ve assembled—administrators, faculty, staff and students. I want to begin by mentioning one of the triggers that brought about this roundtable. Over the course of the last year, as we were assailed by media coverage of the scandal, more than one alumnus approached an administrator and said, “I’m tired of hearing and reading salacious coverage in the mainstream media. Couldn’t the College weigh in on the scandal?” I take this to mean that there is, among Catholics, a desire for both information and thoughtful exchange regarding the crisis—something deeper and more helpful than a barrage of screaming headlines. Which brings me to my opening question: Can anyone help put the totality of this scandal in some sort of context for us? We’ve seen headlines from national news magazines that ask, “Can the Church Survive?” Writing in America last May, Rev. John R. Quinn, the retired archbishop of San Francisco, wrote: “In terms of its harm and far-reaching effects, the present crisis in the Church must be compared with the Reformation and the French Revolution.” What is your sense of the true magnitude of the current scandal from a) a historical point of view and b) a sociological one—within the framework of the larger social order, how momentous is this crisis?

David O’Brien: That’s too big for me, I think. The center of gravity in the Church is not the United States of America. It never was, and it probably never will be. I think it’s a huge crisis in the American Church. I don’t know of anything comparable to it in the past. Even though it has been going on for 20 years in the United States, this round has been closer to home. Here in Worcester, as in Boston, very few of us have not had someone we know affected by it. So there’s a kind of personal immediacy that makes one want to be a little modest in making quick judgments. Even some of the questions we’ll probably talk about today—the causes and what needs to be done to reform the Church—I still feel a little uneasy moving too quickly into those discussions. Just two weeks ago, a person I’ve know for many, many years revealed in a public meeting that he’d been abused in the seminary 51 years ago and that the pain has never left him. So these things are still hitting us and I feel I have to abide in that revelation of pain and listen to those victims for a while before rushing to judgement about the scope of the crisis and its historical significance.

Rev. William Clark, S.J.: When you mention those two events from Quinn’s article, I don’t think, as important as this is, that it’s a redefining moment. Those crises—the Reformation and the French Revolution—completely redrew the map for the whole Church in terms of what the issues were going to be. I’d reiterate what David is saying: Although it’s pertinent to the whole Church, the crisis per se is here in the U.S. Church, which is only a small part in some ways. But also, the issues that are coming to the fore are clarifications of issues that we’ve been living with for quite a while. So it’s not a redefining moment. The redefinition took place in Vatican II. And I would see some of these issues that are in the process of being clarified through the various responses to the scandal as things like bounds of power between laity and clergy, clerical discipline and the whole question of ministry in the Church, the authority of Church teaching on sexuality and so forth. These are things that have been out there for some time, and the crisis has brought them all to the boiling point. But I don’t think it has given us a whole new map of issues.

Marybeth Kearns-Barrett: I agree with David that it’s too early to tell what the harm and magnitude will be. As I think about the potential magnitude of this scandal, for me it needs to be considered on two levels. First, there is the pain, the alienation from the Church, and the breakdown of trust experienced by both the primary victims—those who were actually abused—and the “secondary” victims—the primary victims’ families and other faithful who are also hurt by the abuse and its subsequent cover-
up. What will the implications be of such significant loss of trust? Secondly, there is the pattern of behavior on the part of many bishops in their handling of the complaints of sexual abuse. If these patterns of behavior—the secrecy, the silencing, the protecting of clergy at the expense of the faithful—were to be examined and addressed, I think we would find that they are not uniquely American ways of handling perceived scandal in the church. Addressing these patterns of behavior would challenge the global Church’s understanding of what it means to lead and whose voices matter. I believe the Church would look radically different if these issues of power, authority and accountability were really allowed to come to the surface.

**Fr. Clark:** No question. It’s momentous from that point of view, potentially. And it’s potentially worldwide from that point of view. But I think that the questions you’re pointing to are questions that have been on the table at least since 1965. A lot of them are questions that have been sleeping or have been brushfires that have been put out right away. This could be much more of a conflagration. But I think it’s the same series of issues that just haven’t been resolved properly. Historically, I’d be almost certain that that’s the way it will come out. I don’t think we’ve entered a new era. I think we’re still in the era of figuring out the implications of Vatican II. There was a reaction to the Council and there was a backlash to the reaction, and we’re in the middle of all of that right now. And these kinds of things in Church history play out over a couple of centuries or more.

**HCM:** You’re actually jumping right to the core of one of the things that I wanted to address. In doing research for this discussion, I found a majority of writers bringing up the point that this is not necessarily a discussion about sexual abuse. It’s actually about the term that Bill just used—“bounds of power”—that really, this is what’s lying behind everything we’ve experienced in the last year. In his article, “Levels of Trust,” John Cavadini, chair of the theology department at Notre Dame, writes, “Most of the outrage expressed by Catholics in this country concerns the way in which those in authority over the offending priests—mainly the bishops of the dioceses in which they served—reacted by reassigning them, in some cases repeatedly, from parish to parish.” Historian R. Scott Appleby has written, “This crisis is not just about priests who have committed sexual crimes. It’s about the culture of secrecy and the persistence of a two-tiered church with an elite tier that keeps its own counsel and makes financial, personnel and other decisions without consulting the laity.” Would you agree that the core of this crisis has, perhaps, less to do with the offending priests and more to do with a sense of betrayal by the hierarchy of the Church? Why did the bishops behave in this manner? Ignorance? Fear? Was this...

**“serial reassigning” of offending priests a systemic problem—a result of a lack of accountability to, and a disregard for, the rank-and-file laity?**

**Rev. Michael McFarland, S.J.:** It’s a complex question. I think there are a lot of reasons and it’s hard to isolate one. In the ’70s, I think you can say they didn’t know any better. People viewed this as a moral problem. If somebody did this, they had just failed in their vows as priests, and in their pastoral responsibilities. And they were admonished. And in some way punished. Then, they either went back to work or they didn’t. In some cases they thought, well, it’s like any other moral problem. You criticize them, they confess and then it’s over and you go on. I think, by 1990, people should have known better. Because there were enough high profile cases, and there was more and more psychological work that showed that in many cases these people who were serial pedophiles were incurable, or at least too much of a risk to be exposed to children. There was that element of it. But there was a culture of secrecy, no question about it. And, certainly, a kind of clericalism that said clergy are a special class that are treated differently. I think that was an unquestioned assumption that people operated under. So the fact that priests might have been given different treatment—either harsher or less harsh—could’ve been an unspoken and unreflective assumption. And there was this sense that we can’t have scandal. That’s always an important thing, and you can see it as self-protection—which in many cases it was—or in some cases, perhaps, genuine concern about protecting the Church—one that we would criticize but maybe it was done with good will in some cases. So, I think there was a whole culture that people weren’t even aware of that many bishops were operating under. In other cases, you can speculate that people were just trying to hide the problem, protecting friends or protecting their own class of people. There was some of that, too. Certainly, it appears that the victims were not very high on the list of concerns. That seems to be what’s emerging in a number of these testimonies. They were treated as if they were a danger to the Church when they brought forth some of these accusations. And that is really hard to justify.

**Fr. Clark:** It strikes me that what you mention is a result of a
habit of thought that defines the Church as a clerical power structure, and that’s what is meant when we talk about protecting the Church or avoiding scandal. It’s not so much that there is an active despising of, or disregard for, ordinary people in the Church who, in most cases, would be the ones coming forward to make these complaints. But there’s a whole way of thinking that sees everything of importance focused somewhere else, in the clerical class. It leads to the possibility of ignoring, in extremely harmful ways, what’s happening outside of that class. That’s just a result, it seems to me, of looking at the Church in a particular way that ultimately is extremely flawed. We don’t necessarily see the flaws until something like this happens. And then we see their enormity.

**Fr. McFarland:** I think you can ask why is all this surfacing now, and why do we have 30 or 40 years of stuff to deal with all at once. I think probably there was this very powerful shared sense that you don’t talk about sexuality. And people were inhibited from even bringing these things up in many cases, not because someone told them not to, but because everything told them not to. It was just something you didn’t do. Which relates to the way the larger culture and society dealt with sexuality. It wasn’t just the Church in the ’50s or ’60s, but everybody. So I think you had a lot of this building up.

**O’Brien:** After Vatican II, there were initiatives that didn’t work out and those failures have something to do with why we did not do a better job dealing with these issues back in the ’80s when they first hit us. But again, I want to go back to what I said earlier—that we jump into reform questions and power questions a little too fast. First of all we wouldn’t be here if it weren’t for the victims. We owe a lot to their lawyers and to district attorneys and judges, but especially to the victims who brought us to face these truths. The victims would probably say that the first thing we need to do is to hear their voices. And that’s not been fully done. I have a feeling that there’s a lot more truth to be faced before we are ready to move on to reform. We owe a lot to their lawyers and to district attorneys and judges, but especially to the victims who brought us to face these truths. The victims would probably say that the first thing we need to do is to hear their voices. And that’s not been fully done. I have a feeling that there’s a lot more truth to be faced before we are ready to move on to reform. This last week came the news from Rome, and the discussion shifted back to priests. We’re back to talking about cardinals and bishops and priests. I think the full truth is not on the table, and, until it is, I’m not sure you can do the reform job right.

**Sara Janecko ’04:** This was the primary motivation in the creation of the Worcester Diocese’s Office for Healing and Prevention. The first aspect of the mission statement was to encourage healing within the Church. The first thing that the director and the coordinators did was visit all the churches, sometimes with Bishop Reilly in attendance. They would conduct a question and answer period, just to explain what the office plans to accomplish and to hear from the parishioners—to ask, *What are your thoughts on this issue? How do you think the church can best be healed?* And then, toward the end of this summer, at the end of my internship, we started looking at programs and prevention aids that would prevent sexual abuse in the future. That was their main goal, to deal with the victims, to listen to them and have their voices heard simply because they are part of the Church. And then, from there, it is possible to think about how we, as a Church, need to change. I thought that was a very effective way to deal with it. I agree—I don’t think you can jump into the reforms until the victims voices are heard.

**O’Brien:** There are also other kinds of truth questions, including the gathering of data. The bishops promised a full study. The Keating Commission² is pushing to get a budget and a staff to do the study. We need a willingness to be transparent at this level, and it’s still not there. Question of reform are political questions: Who has the information and who has a place at the table?

**Fr. Clark:** That’s the difficulty. I really appreciate what you’re saying about hearing the victims’ voices before we can really get down to reform. But there are fundamental questions of reform that are standing in the way of really hearing the victim’s voice. And it’s exactly that: Who has a place at the table, and who’s going to do the listening? There’s a lot of window dressing and not so much substance on that very issue.

**Margaret Freije:** I also think there needs to be further discussion on who the victims are. There are the actual victims of abuse. But then there are a whole lot of other victims out there. There are circles and circles of victims. From the parishes where this priest whom they loved was removed. To those who knew people who were abused. To the ordinary people who are sitting in the pews saying, “What is going on here?” To the priests who were not part of this scandal. And I think those voices are the ones that also are not being heard in so many ways. And I think you’re right, David, that until those voices are heard, until there’s a place to hear those voices, it’s hard to know how to go forward.

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1 In October, Vatican officials rejected central elements of the sexual abuse policy adopted by U.S. bishops last June in Dallas.
2 Oklahoma Gov. Frank Keating was appointed to chair a national lay review board established by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at its meeting in Dallas June 13-15.
Many people create a five-year plan by which they design their ideal personal and professional future. Patricia O’Leary Engdahl ’85, however, prefers to rely on divine intervention. Her strong faith and openness to all opportunities have led to a plethora of interesting situations.

Engdahl’s current position as director of the Office for Healing and Prevention represents the evolution and culmination of her education, upbringing and experience.

Engdahl majored in political science as an undergraduate student at Holy Cross and participated in many religious and social-action activities on campus. “I was involved with ministry through the Chaplains’ Office,” she says. “The most significant event was a class I took with David O’Brien on Catholicism and American society. In that class, for the first time, I was introduced to Catholic social teaching and the role of the Church in social, political and economic issues in the life of our country.” This convergence of politics and religion became the compass that would steer her path. “I saw how the life of the Church and my own life can meet as far as career and vocation,” she says.

After graduation, Engdahl, armed with her social convictions, entered law school to pursue her dream. “Initially I went to law school—and people laughed at this—to help people,” she says. “If I knew the legal system, that would give me the advantage to help people.” After graduating from Suffolk University, she worked for the district attorney’s office in Worcester before accepting a post as a criminal defense and family law attorney with the private law firm Donahue, Rauscher, McGrail and Tupper. These positions displaced her naiveté as she came in contact with a wide mix of individuals and found that rectifying social ills involved much more than she had expected. “Things weren’t black and white anymore. I began to understand how different things come into play and how people’s lives play out,” she says.

Engdahl next worked for the Worcester Housing Authority and the Henry Willis Center where she continued to advocate for the disadvantaged and follow her religious convictions. As a grant writer and fund development officer for an agency that served the disadvantaged and communities of color, she witnessed firsthand the relationship between Catholic social teaching and economic status and racial background.

While her work at the Willis Center was fulfilling, Engdahl still felt the pull toward something more, so she enrolled in the master’s program in pastoral ministry at Boston College. “I had been feeling this call to more ministry, to take it the next step further,” she says. Providence intervened and in August 2001, she became director of the Office of Social Justice, Peace and the Integrity of Creation. This position meshed the legal system with the church and its...
social and economic teachings—a match made in heaven, according to Engdahl. In her capacity as director, she worked with a group of 12 priests and members of an interfaith coalition of religious leaders to address the problem of the lack of affordable housing in the area.

The crisis in the Church regarding clergy abuse presented yet another opportunity for Engdahl to share her legal expertise and help those in need. “The diocese had been working on updating its sexual abuse policy of minors. Within the context of that, they were coming into ideas of how the Church could perform greater outreach to parishes and victims,” she says. From this seed, the Office of Healing and Prevention was born. Appointed director of this office, Engdahl visits parishes and informs the Church communities what steps are being taken in response to growing reports of clergy abuse. “One purpose of this office is to let people know what we and the bishop are doing about the crisis, including what services we provide to victims, so parents feel safe sending their children to church activities.”

Engdahl’s children—two daughters, aged 7 and 9, and a 27-year old step-daughter—provide an intense personal motivation to resolving the issues of today. She hopes the Church will have a positive role in their development and is taking steps to make that a reality. As a mother, she also feels a stronger connection to the people of the diocese. “People interact with me differently because I know where they are coming from,” she says. With the support of her family, Engdahl feels blessed to be involved in a ministry aimed at promoting healing and preventing abuse. “This is not some political issue that you can get caught up in and jump on the bandwagon. This is the core of people’s lives and my life,” she says. “That’s why the work is so important.”

Engdahl admits that the road ahead is long and most probably strewn with pitfalls. “This [crisis] didn’t happen overnight, and it’ll take time to restore trust. Knowing that, we need to work together as we all try to do what we can to bring about change.” She values her presence at the chancery and the opportunity to participate in the decision-making process at this critical time in the Church’s history. In addition, she treasures her continuing relationship with O’Brien, whose Holy Cross class helped shape her destiny. O’Brien generously extended the resources of the College when Engdahl served in her previous capacity, and he continues to share his thoughts and support with her now. “Years ago he was my professor, and now he is an advisor and a friend,” Engdahl says.

One might say that Engdahl’s new position is a continuation of her campus ministry, but on a much larger scale.

Phyllis Hanlon is a freelance writer from Charlton, Mass.
Holy Cross has the parents and grandparents of Jim Barrett ’46 to thank for some of the College’s notable recent advancements, even though the financing came from Barrett and his wife, Eva (Slavicek). And the Houston, Texas, resident doesn’t waste a second in giving credit to his family.

“I’m sort of an ordinary guy who had extraordinary parents and maternal grandparents and a great wife and a little luck,” says Barrett. “My parents’ goal was to raise their kids with the love of God and to enable them to get a college education. Dad was the son of Irish immigrants, and he admired the work ethic and frugality of the old Boston Yankees. He instilled this in us, and this is what enabled me to accumulate the money that I’ve given to Holy Cross, two other universities and a number of charities.”

At Holy Cross, the Barretts have given the Patrick J. and Louise Whealen O’Reilly Merit Scholarships, in honor of his maternal grandparents, for deserving students from Newfoundland, his ancestors’ birthplace; and the James N. and Sarah L. O’Reilly Barrett Endowed Chair in Creative Writing, in honor of his father and mother. His mother was the author of several novels for teenagers, including Silver Blades and A Leaf of Gold. In September, the Barretts agreed to fund the James N. and Eva Barrett Endowment for Ethics Programming and the James N. and Eva Barrett Fellow in Ethics and the Liberal Arts. “In today’s world, there’s certainly a need for ethics,” Barrett explains.

The self-employed investor points to his mother and grandmother as sterling examples of charity in action. “My mother never saw a needy person for
whom she couldn’t find a little something,” he says. “During our formative years, she constantly preached, ‘From those to whom much is given, much is expected,’ and that most Americans are fortunate in comparison with the rest of the world. Grandma O’Reilly taught my mother the typical Newfoundlander’s concern for neighbor and even strangers in need.”

Of the numerous institutions and causes to which Barrett and his wife contribute, Holy Cross is “our biggest single recipient to date,” he says, stressing that the College’s pursuits mirror his family’s core values. “We believe that Holy Cross strives to teach its students a concern for others, and we’re happy to help with that mission. At the same time, donating to Holy Cross gave us a chance to honor those responsible for what we have and what we are today.”

“Jim Barrett has long believed that the proper education of our youth is the highest priority. He deeply believes in Holy Cross’ educational philosophy,” says Rev. Francis X. Miller, S.J., ’46, vice-president emeritus and a Holy Cross classmate of Barrett’s. “Jim and Eva are gifted individuals, and Holy Cross treasures them and their goodness.”

Barrett notes that his wife, who volunteers at a medical clinic where her multilingual abilities are a boon to both patients and staff, learned some valuable lessons about gratitude and helping others when she and her family had to escape from Europe twice. “The first time was during World War II. They fled Paris, where her dad was Czech consul, as the bombs were falling. And years later, they again had to flee Czechoslovakia when the Communists took over. And she can never forget the strangers who reached out to her family in times of dire need.”

While his future wife was fleeing for her life, Barrett was serving with the U.S. Navy Supply Corps during the war. In 1946, Barrett received his bachelor of science degree from Holy Cross and went on to many more accomplishments. He earned a juris doctor (then called L.L.B.) from Boston University in 1950,
and his M.B.A. from Harvard Business School in 1952. It was after graduate school that Barrett left the Boston area, where he had been born and raised, to travel the world. He has worked for Ford Motor Company, Standard Brands International, Hooker Chemical & Plastics, and Union Texas Petroleum, usually in an international financial position. He has demonstrated savvy skills as an investor. But he seems just as proud that his sons, James N. Barrett III ’90 and David J. Barrett ’95 (who is married to Amy E. Barrett ’94), support their parents’ charitable inclinations and comprehend their significance.

“Some years back,” Barrett says, “when it became clear that our family was going to have quite a bit more than we needed, we sat down with our two sons and explained they would be left with enough to ensure a comfortable old age but not enough to maintain a lavish lifestyle. They’re good kids, and they understood and have never questioned the fairness of our decision.”

That decision has allowed the Barretts to donate stock to a fund they established at Holy Cross. Over time this fund became worth more than $4 million and funded the aforementioned scholarships, chair, fellow and endowment. Professor Robert K. Cording, an award-winning poet and respected teacher who is the recipient of the James N. and Sarah L. O’Reilly Barrett Endowed Chair in Creative Writing, recalls being stunned by the College’s announcement of the new chair.

“It came out of nowhere,” says Cording, who has taught at Holy Cross for 25 years and whose specialties include poetry from the 17th, 19th and 20th centuries.

Getting to know several members of the Barrett Family after the announcement proved to be an emotional event for Cording. “For me, one of the great joys in this was meeting their family,” he says. “I really liked them. And I feel honored. They love their mother in a way that is very special. I’m touched to play a part in honoring her, and I am very grateful.”

The chair, which has had an immediate impact on Cording, will have far-reaching effects on the creative writing program, the English department and its students. For his part, Cording can teach fewer courses and devote some time to constructing the program and developing a series in which well-known writers are brought in on a monthly basis to do readings and/or conduct workshops. A byproduct of his lighter teaching load is that he may find time to do some writing in addition to teaching.

“I’ve never done any new writing during the school year; I only do revising,” Cording explains. “I pretty much write every day during the summer for probably at least five hours a day. And then I stockpile all thatstuff and work on it and basically do revisions through the school year.”

The Barrett Chair will have a far more profound effect on the College itself, according to Cording, who earned his Ph.D. from Boston College in 1976. The English department will now be able to build a three-track creative writing program consisting of poetry (Cording), fiction (Professor Eve Shelnutt), and nonfiction (the department is still searching for a suitable candidate, having begun the quest during
the 2001-2002 school year; Christopher Jane Corkery, a visiting instructor whom Cording calls “terrific,” currently handles the nonfiction classes).

That translates to more creative-writing courses available to students, particularly English majors with a creative writing emphasis. “Our goal with this creative writing program,” Cording asserts, “is, in the simplest of terms, to put people back into the English department as better readers—that the very activity of learning how to write will make them better readers.

“It’s been wonderful for the students,” he continues. “There’s a lot of demand for these courses. They fill up in a second, and I think it’s because this opportunity gives a nice balance between writing analytical papers and doing their own thing. They’re very invested in their own poems, in their own fiction, their own nonfiction.”

Though the contributions of Coring, Shelnutt and the new nonfiction writer will be crucial to the success of the creative writing program, others will also play important roles. “It really is a department enterprise, in my mind,” Cording says. “We’re trying to use the gifts of the people in the English department who do some sort of part-time writing on their own as well.” He cites Associate Professor Sarah Stanbury and Associate Professor Susan Elizabeth Sweeney as examples.

Stephen C. Ainlay, vice-president for academic affairs and dean of the College, says that donors to Holy Cross have been “extraordinarily supportive” of the opportunity to create 25 new faculty positions during the Lift High the Cross campaign. “What I think people like about gifts for new professorships is they know it’s going to last forever—it’s going to be there, it’s going to affect students literally forever. And you can actually create great curricular opportunities that the College wasn’t able to pursue before.”

The main reason for trying to create 25 new faculty positions is to improve the student-faculty ratio, says Ainlay. “The way in which people teach today is very different from the way people used to teach; there are all sorts of labor-intensive ways in which faculty now approach the classroom. One of the most dramatic, of course, is the introduction of various educational technologies. That doesn’t actually require less time; it requires more time to set up a class that makes use of that kind of technology.”

As an example, Ainlay mentions Blackboard, a computer software package that allows teachers to set up a Web site for each class—a feature that enables students to access lecture outlines and supplemental material; chat with other students and the teacher about issues that arise from assignments; and submit material electronically, which the teacher can comment on and return to the students prior to their final papers. Blackboard also automatically maintains the student list for each course—a task previously done manually. Eventually, teachers will do their grading on Blackboard and then submit it electronically through the same system, according to Ainlay, who adds that about 150 faculty members have already been trained in the use of the software.

Other factors also increase faculty workload. “More and more faculty are starting to use community-based learning techniques in their classes,” continues Ainlay, “which means that in addition to teaching students in a traditional way, you actually get them out in the community and have them do some applied work as part of your course. Again, it’s far more labor-intensive. And then, perhaps most dramatically, there’s been this real move to try to do directed research and involve students in research with faculty.

“So it’s a whole lot more directed work that faculty are doing now than they probably did 20 years ago. And the result is that each takes a bigger chunk of their time. So improving the student-faculty ratio allows faculty to do more of what in the media would be called, ‘personalized instruction,’ than they can if they’re having to teach with a worse ratio. So that’s one of the things that really is driving this.

“Now there is, of course, an enormous payoff in terms of reputational surveys, because when you look at the so-called Top 40 national liberal arts colleges, Holy Cross really had one of the highest student-faculty ratios when we were 13-1, which we were for many years. And adding those faculty should move us to 11-1, which will greatly enhance our competitive profile. So that’s not what’s driving it, but it’s clearly a fringe benefit.”

Charles S. “Chick” Weiss, director of the Office of Grants and Corporate and Foundation Giving, sees a connection between donors’ responses to the opportunity to create new faculty positions and their own educational experiences. “Donors genuinely wish to foster even closer relationships between students and faculty in the classroom, laboratory, studio and office,” he says. “Many donors speak clearly of a turning point in their educational career that involved a faculty member taking a special interest in him or her; at this point, a transformation for life resulted for the student, and this affected their life’s commitments, earnings and career choice. Simply put, many donors want to ‘give back’ to the school, particularly their professors.”

Holy Cross is “a very unusual place in terms of building a kind of alumni/ae loyalty,” notes Ainlay. “People emerge out of their four years feeling like they were a part of a very special experience.”

Mark J. Cadigan is a free-lance writer from Stoneham, Mass.
“For him, to be human means to live with wonder before the miracle that there is a world and that it has somehow given rise to us, to our existence. This basic situation is, for him, an irreducible mystery.”

Associate Professor James Kee on his colleague, Robert Cording
To watch Professor Robert Cording conduct a class is to witness a gifted teacher displaying his love of poetry and the process of gathering meaning from it. He engages the students, pulls them into the material, encourages them but prods them to probe deeper. He asks big questions and digs underneath little details. He candidly discusses his own problems as a poet, the nagging, recurring bouts of self-doubt. Ultimately, he leaves his students with a taste of the powerful and transformative effect this concentrated art form can have on an individual.

So it’s hard to believe that Cording—a 25-year faculty member at Holy Cross, the school’s Distinguished Teacher of the Year in 1995, and the recent recipient of the James N. and Sarah L. O’Reilly Barrett Endowed Chair in Creative Writing—hated high school and was so disillusioned with college that he attended classes only sporadically during his initial year.

“It’s such a strange irony that I ended up doing what I do,” says Cording. “All my life, I think I’ve been disappointed by school. When I went to college, I actually thought it was going to be like entering some kind of Zen monastery or something like that—it wasn’t going to be a collection of facts; you were going to gain wisdom, you were going to learn how to live, you were going to understand what the meaning of life was!” He laughs. “It was entirely disappointing at first.”

Even though he skipped many classes, Cording used his time well. He spent a few hours daily in a library, absorbing poetry. By year’s end, he had read poets from “A” to “S” and was hooked.

“I learned how to be my own teacher,” he says. “And, in some ways, more than anything else, what I’m trying to teach my students is how to become their own teacher. If you’re going to be a writer, then your teachers are other writers.”

Cording, 53, whose interest in poetry was sparked by reading the Bible’s Psalms as a child and rekindled by T.S. Eliot’s “The Hollow Men” during high school—“I had no idea what it meant, but it took me by storm”—first showed his own poetry to an English teacher at Montclair State College. “He was very patient,” he says, laughing.

In time, Cording earned his Ph.D. from Boston College, published four books of poetry—*Life-list* (1987), *What Binds Us to This World* (1991), *Heavy Grace* (1996) and *Against Consolation* (2002)—and contributed more than 300 poems to magazines such as *Poetry*, the *New Yorker*, *Paris Review*, the *Nation* and *DoubleTake*. His work has appeared in a number of anthologies, including *The Best Spiritual Writing of 2000, 2001 and 2002*, the *Pushcart Anthology*, 2002, and Godine’s new *Poets of the New Century*. He has received fellowships and grants, including a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship; in 1992, he was poet-in-residence at the Frost Place.

Cording, who lives with his wife, Colleen (Creery ’78), and their three sons, Robert ’06, Daniel and Thomas, in Woodstock, Conn., explains that writing is “almost a form of spiritual discipline” for him. “It’s self-reflective about your relationship to mortality, to the world, to those fundamental questions: Who are we? Where are we going? Why are we here? That’s what started me writing—those kinds of questions.”

Those questions also surface in his courses. Believing that education should be intertwined with spiritual life “is the
No wonder the Dutch devoted so much attention to the everyday. And, if their subject matter has lately been discredited (what’s true, the newly rich in love with possession), those painters who worked so minutely knew in detail how soon we come to our end, and how much effort it takes to build a house where that daily constellation of events—laundry, cooking, milking, fieldwork, and the pile of bills that must be paid—are part of the light in a glass half-filled with wine, the late afternoon sun rayed across a river meadow, the otherworldliness of two children, their concentration stayed

reason I wanted to teach at Holy Cross,” he declares. “If I’m doing anything, it’s relating to students on that level.”

Associate Professor James Kee, an English department colleague of Cording’s since 1981, explains, “In some sense, the key to Bob in all of his various roles is quite simple. For him, to be human means to live with wonder before the miracle that there is a world and that it has somehow given rise to us, to our existence. This basic situation is, for him, an irreducible mystery. As humans, however, we respond to it in an endless variety of ways. It inspires reverence and joy; it perplexes us, leading us to wonder where we have come from, where we are going, what it all means. It afflicts us with the mysteries inherent in evil and suffering—the evil and suffering we must bear, but even more troublingly for him, the evil and suffering for which we are responsible. He writes poetry, he teaches, he befriends people as ways of responding to these elemental aspects of the human condition. Students seek him out because they know that in his courses they will find a place to acknowledge and reflect upon their deepest concerns.”

Kee, who also describes Cording as “one of the most reflective, purposeful and articulate teachers I have ever met,” mentions his longstanding generosity in helping students and graduates learn to write creatively, “above and beyond his ordinary teaching duties.”
on a risen house of cards as darkness starts to seep into the room and emerge.
Patterned carpets, maps, those cross-points of doors and halls and that wedge of light that nimbuses a hand holding a letter or a face lost for an age in a moment’s thought: each astonishing, as simply to be living is.

from “The Day After Viewing an Exhibit of 17th Century Dutch Paintings”

“Bob just gave me a ton of confidence in my writing,” says Brian Gunn ’92, who collaborates with his cousin, Mark Gunn ’93, on screenplays and TV pilots, including MTV’s 2gether. “I felt like I was at my best for Bob’s classes, like my brain was firing on all cylinders. He pushed me to excel, and he gave me a glimpse of what it takes to write professionally.”

Bill Wenthe ’79, an associate professor of English at Texas Tech University and a published poet, says that Cording is the best reader of other people’s work that he has ever encountered. “He has a way of giving himself over to another person’s writing, of entering into it and experiencing what’s happening there, without sacrificing his critical intelligence. It’s not a mushy, everybody-gets-a-trophy approach; it’s disciplined—which I think is finally a deeper way of honoring other people’s work.”

Cording says that one of his greatest pleasures is to hear from former students who are still pondering poems, like the woman he taught at Wellesley College 26 years ago who recently sought his opinion. “That’s what I’m trying to teach—that somehow what you want from life is actually embodied and manifested in that kind of poring over things … and that somehow figuring out the last line of a Seamus Heaney poem will make your life happier.” And with that, once again, he laughs.
By Donald N.S. Unger

In the realm of literary production, Holy Cross graduates continue to do more than their part, producing important and noteworthy works for the shelves of libraries and bookstores. Two exemplars from 2002 are profiled below: Patrick Creevy ’70, whose most recent book is Tyrus, a novel based on the life of baseball great Ty Cobb, and Robert Gatewood ’95, whose first published novel is The Sound of the Trees, set in the Depression-era American West.

In his most recent work, and in life, Patrick Creevy ’70 straddles the North/South divide.

One doesn’t have to be keenly geographically literate to be intrigued by the bio-notes on Patrick Creevy’s two novels, Lake Shore Drive (1992) and Tyrus (2002); both inform the reader that the author teaches at Mississippi State University and lives in the Chicago-area, which implies something of a head-snapping commute. The more recent book at least adds the clarifying statement, “between terms he lives with his family in Evanston, Illinois,” which still leaves a spate of questions unanswered. One has to think that this amuses Creevy; he’s not careless with words.

“How did I get into this mess?” Creevy asks rhetorically. “In 1976, if you got a job in English Literature, you took it, no questions asked. This [Mississippi State] is where I got my job, and where a few years later I got tenure. No mysteries beyond that. And surely no matters of choice. But things are strange. And I have loved this place from the day I got here.”

Creevy received his degree from Holy Cross in 1970. He married Susan O’Connor that August—the dedication to Lake Shore Drive reads “to Susie, my angel since she was fourteen.” After earning his Ph.D. from Harvard in 1975, he began teaching at Mississippi State the following year. So far, straight lines.

His wife’s undergraduate degree was in art history, from Manhattanville. While in the first dozen years of raising the couple’s four children, she earned a second degree, in architecture, at MSU. But Starkville, Miss., didn’t seem like the right place to hang out a shingle. Creevy took a two-year leave from teaching; the family moved back to Chicago so that his wife’s business enterprise could benefit from what he refers to as that city’s “vast Irish-Catholic network.” He himself went to work for his father in the hospital supply business.

Susie’s architecture business flourished; their children grew new roots in their northern schools. But, at the end of two years, Creevy felt more strongly pulled back to MSU and literature than seduced by the siren song of surgical soap. The map began to be speckled with more complicated dots. Thus the long commute.

“But we have a hundred-acre farm in Mississippi,” he hastens to add, “spread over rolling hills, with old trees and beautiful old cattle ponds. And Susie, who deeply loves the farm and who has 13 years of roots here herself, is starting to come down more and more as the years pass.”

And this North/South split, in many ways, deeply informs the spirit of his most recent book, Tyrus, as it does, inevitably, the spirit of his family.

“My 16-year-old daughter, who has Down’s Syndrome, once spent a drive from somewhere near the Arkansas-Missouri line to all the way past the Mississippi River bridge back into Illinois at Cairo, naming all the people she loved in Mississippi, and all the people she loved in Chicago.”

The novel, however, is as much or more about hate as it is about love—or perhaps better stated—about curdled love. It is an imagined version of baseball legend Ty Cobb’s first weeks in the major leagues, at the beginning of the 20th century. It handles a complicated amalgam of themes with deft and beautiful language: a twining of poetic prose, letters, biblical and mythic images, his-
The reality of Cobb’s life—both Cobb the athlete and Cobb the man—is complicated and impressive, making it easy to understand the mythic appeal. Start with the man: His mother shot and killed his father shortly before Cobb came up to the major leagues—perhaps thinking him an intruder in the house, perhaps intentionally—surprising her while she was having an affair. During his second season with the Detroit Tigers, Creevy reports in the afterword, Cobb had to leave the team for some weeks for psychiatric hospitalization. His demons were real.

“It was the combination of the Hamlet-Orestes factor and the American history factor and the baseball factor that got me into the Cobb legend,” Creevy says. On the athletic side, of course, Cobb is also hard to beat, now as then. He was the first inductee into the Baseball Hall of Fame, garnering 98.23 percent of the vote. He compiled an unsurpassed .366 lifetime batting average, hitting over .300 for 23 straight seasons, including three seasons over .400—his career high a .420 season in 1915, this in the era of the dead ball and the higher pitcher’s mound. He held the all-time hit record until the mid-1980s when Pete Rose took it away from him.

Is Charlie Hustle a modern analogue to Cobb? Creevy demurs. And you get in his answer something of the flavor of his book: “Is Pete Rose an analogue? Add sixty points to his batting average and give him the speed and base-path savvy of Rickey Henderson and then throw in a Michael Jordan or Tiger Woods king-like dominance and you might get there. But you’d still have to lift up Laertes to the level of Hamlet. I forgive Pete, and I don’t dislike him, and I never saw him hit the ball in any way but hard. But we’re talking about very different orders of magnitude when we set him alongside Cobb. And not just when it comes to talent. Pete was fiery all right, but Cobb, with some of the fiercest passions of our American history running in his veins, as well as a family tragedy of fullest Shakespearean weight, was angry like Achilles.”

Thirty years later, memories of Holy Cross remain fresh for Creevy. “I honestly can say I remember every classroom and the feeling it had during every course I ever took at Holy Cross,” he says. And his affection for the College was passed on to other members of his clan—sisters Colleen (Creevy Cording) ’78 and Janet (Creevy Avery) ’81 and brother, Robert ’84, all followed him to Mount St. James. “Of course,” Creevy says, “it’s my English teachers I most remember—Tom Lawlor, Frank Devlin, Ed Callahan, John Wilson ’58, John Mayer. They made me want to do what I, in fact, have done for my life. It beat the hell out of my Harvard days, too—that small liberal arts college intimacy and that percolating Socratic method. Thank you.”
Robert Gatewood’s coming of age novel, *The Sound of the Trees*, chronicles the birth of the New West

Holy Cross alum Robert Gatewood ’95 and poet and Holy Cross Professor of English Robert Cording, speak of each other in remarkably parallel and somewhat oxymoronic terms—cordial, affectionate, respectful, but still almost gently perplexed.

“Bob had a sleepy intensity about him,” Cording recalls. “He looked at first as if he didn’t care or wasn’t taking school all that seriously. And then a paper or a test came in, and I realized just how smart he was and, more importantly, how engaged he was with the material we’d been doing.”

“Even if I didn’t understand specifically what Professor Cording was talking about at any given time,” Gatewood says, “the passion with which he spoke, with which he taught, was never absent. And that is probably the greatest gift he and Holy Cross could have given me.”

The two stayed in contact after Gatewood left the Hill; Cording is one of the people listed in the acknowledgments for *The Sound of the Trees*. While the book is a novel, one of its strengths is the rich texture of the language throughout; yet, Gatewood says half in jest, half in earnest—“I shamefully admit I’m writing solely fiction these days.”

But it isn’t *just* fiction, and he doesn’t have anything to be ashamed about.

Remembering his time at Holy Cross, he adds, “Back then I was studying poetry, and that backbone of language and the economy of language were crucial for me—most of all the passion behind it. I can say without hesitation that studying with Robert Cording was the single most important experience for me in terms of my choosing the writing life, understanding it, loving it beyond almost all things.”

In addition to good preparation, the success of his current book can be ascribed in part to the writer’s maxim, “Fail first.” Gatewood wrote a first novel that he didn’t publish, but which he found useful.

“I wrote that first manuscript immediately after graduating Holy Cross,” he says. “At the time I thought maybe it was all right, but in truth it was a mess. The storyline was vague and digressive. Stylistically it ran the spectrum. But I did learn a lot from writing it, especially in terms of developing plot and character consistency. I think it was just a necessary failure in order to find the way to what I really wanted to write about, and how I wanted to go about getting there.”

While Gatewood grew up in Buffalo, N.Y.—his father also attended Holy Cross, graduating in the same class as Patrick Creevy—he believes his early experiences out west had a strong influence on his writing: “When I was growing up we spent a lot of time in Colorado, and I think it was there that my fascination with the Western country really began to affect me. And invigorate me. Upon graduation I immediately went out to Colorado, eventually moving down out of the Rockies into Santa
Fe and then Taos, the Sangre de Cristo range."

He did ranch work. He tended bar. He worked as a roofer.

But, as he puts it, "There was actually little 'research' done for the [published] book, in the traditional sense. I did spend a lot of the time driving around—predominantly in New Mexico and Colorado—just watching the country pass by—but watching with purpose, and keeping with me always a notebook and a pencil or two.

As far as the genealogies are concerned, much of that was learned working on the ranch."

*The Sound of the Trees* tells the story of Trude Mason, 18 years old and fleeing Southwestern New Mexico on horseback in the 1930s. He and his mother are in flight from his alcoholic and violent father. But as with other Western novels, both land and time figure as prominently as character in the development of the story.

In addition to some parallel themes of family violence, Gatewood’s book shares with Creevy’s a deep reverence for poetry and for mythos.

Another particular strength of the book is the degree to which Gatewood is content to lay out a rich, complicated, and in many ways, vexed political and cultural landscape for his readers and then let them wrestle with the complexity of it on their own. Conflicts don’t resolve neatly or quickly; some things don’t resolve at all. There is a bittersweet, melancholic, *true* feeling to the story that is deeply satisfying. The people that Gatewood creates are as variegated as the flora and fauna he describes, but he doesn’t make a big deal out of who’s Black, who’s White, who’s Latino or who’s Native American.

“I never wanted the issue of race to be a major component of the novel,” he says. “I especially didn’t want to preach about it. I feel it should just be presented to the reader without authorial commentary, without judgement. Leave it to the reader. I know when I’m reading, I like the author to leave much of the sorting out to me. I think it’s one of the main things that makes reading an individual experience.”

Currently, Gatewood has his own version of the North/South commute, living in the Taos area, but also making periodic trips up north.

As he puts it, “I do get back to Buffalo quite a bit: Get my hockey and chicken wing fix, which anyone from the area would know to be life necessities.”

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Campaign News Briefs: Gifts of Note

William and Christine Barr, whose daughter, Patricia, is a member of the Class of 2003, have committed $50,000 to the campaign. Bill Barr is currently executive vice president and general counsel of Verizon Communications.

Barr is also a bagpipe player, a China scholar with a master's degree from Columbia University and a law degree from George Washington University. He served as United States Attorney General from 1991-1993. Christine is an elementary school librarian.

Residents of McLean, Va., they have three daughters, Mary, Patricia and Margaret.

Fred ‘68 and Katherine Grein Jr., his wife, Catherine, have committed $150,000 to the campaign, establishing a scholarship fund to provide assistance to Holy Cross students with demonstrated financial need.

Preference in awarding the scholarship will be given to third- and fourth-year students who are associated with the pre-business program.

Cathy, a Wellesley College graduate, and Fred, met at the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth. He received his M.B.A. in 1973 and enrolled that fall in Boston University Law School, where he earned his juris doctor in 1976. Fred is a business lawyer and partner at the Boston law firm of Hutchins, Wheeler and Dittmar. Cathy is a director in the tax practice at PriceWaterhouseCoopers, which she recently joined after 28 years at Arthur Andersen.

Fred has been involved with the American Red Cross for over 20 years. A member of the National Board of Governors of the Red Cross since 1997, he currently sits on the board’s Executive Committee and chairs its Governance Committee. Cathy is the volunteer treasurer and a director of the Boston Lyric Opera Company. They live in West Newton, Mass.

Kathryn A. McCarthy, professor emerita at Tufts University, former Trustee of Holy Cross, honorary degree recipient and longtime friend of the College, has made a significant gift to the campaign. In gratitude, the fellow’s office in the Center for Religion, Ethics and Culture in Smith Hall has been named in her honor.

McCarthy received her bachelor’s degree in mathematics from Tufts College in 1944 and her master’s degree in physics in 1946; then began her teaching career in the department of physics as an instructor—the youngest ever in Tufts history. In 1957, she received her Ph.D. in applied physics from Radcliffe College, one of only eight women in the country that year to receive a doctorate in physics.

McCarthy, who lives in Cambridge, Mass., was active for many years on the boards of numerous businesses and educational institutions.
Mary Ellen (Nell) ’74 and Pat Jones ’73, of Winchester, Mass., have made a $100,000 campaign commitment toward the Joe Maguire Chair in Education. Nell and Pat are members of the Boston Regional Campaign Committee, and this summer, Nell became a member of the Holy Cross Board of Trustees. (see Page 2).

Pat, the son of an educator, is a partner in the Boston firm Cooley Manion Jones LLP and a strong supporter of Catholic educational institutions. He also has great admiration for Joe Maguire, whom he remembers as being particularly welcoming and kind when Pat arrived on campus as a first-year student from Cleveland. The idea of making a gift that would both support Holy Cross and honor Dean Joe made great sense to him.

Nell, a human resources consultant, is a member of the development committee for the New England Province of the Society of Jesus. She and Pat, who have a son, Patrick, were the first alumni couple ever to marry in St. Joseph Memorial Chapel.
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Jack Egan ’51
Chairman, 1843 Society

Corporate and Foundation Support for Holy Cross Chemists

By Charles S. Weiss, Director
Grants, Foundations & Corporate Giving

The Holy Cross department of chemistry is nationally recognized for excellence in curriculum development, teaching, cutting-edge research and research training. Holy Cross chemists also work closely with Worcester Public Schools (WPS) teachers and students by providing hands-on instruction, demonstrations and lectures, and by offering other forms of support.

Holy Cross chemists have received numerous grants from private foundations and corporations to advance their scholarly work and enrich the lives of students and members of the local community. During the past five years, the following non-governmental grants were awarded: five from the American Chemical Society’s Petroleum Research Fund; one from the Coca-Cola Foundation; five from the Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation; one from NATO; one from the Pew Charitable Trusts, four from Pfizer, Inc., and two from Research Corporation.

Most recently, the Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation funded a project aimed at improving K-12 student achievement in science through development of a lending library of scientific experiments and equipment for the WPS. In this pilot project, known as the “ChemShare Lending Library,” project director, Associate Professor Jane Van Doren, works with WPS teachers to make well-tested, hands-on experiments (complete with equipment, supplies, study guides and training) available for WPS science classes.

Experiments for K-8 students are designed as chemical mysteries that are solved through investigations with safe household items. In “The Mystery of the Polluted Reservoir,” students test evidence found at the reservoir and use the data (soil composition, magnetic properties of metals and the chemistry of dying fabric) to identify the polluter. Other mysteries involve archeological investigations in which students use various chemistry tests to identify artifacts and historical information to date them. High school students will use instrumentation for more complex experiments (e.g., drinking water purity, environmental pollution, nutrition) that will develop critical thinking, analytical and laboratory skills.

Workshops, now underway, are helping WPS teachers develop experiments and tools for assessment of learning. “Holy Cross Student Science Ambassadors” help design the experiments and assist teachers in their classrooms.

This partnership program provides a model that can be adopted by other institutions. The College is seeking additional funds to expand the program.

At the second President’s Council dinner, November 9, the following members of Cornerstone were publicly thanked for their phenomenal generosity.

Thomas E. D’Ambra ’78
Joseph P. Donelan II ’72
William P. Guiney ’66
Carroll A. Muccia Jr. ’58
Cornelius B. Prior Jr. ’56

Cornerstone recognizes donors whose lifetime giving to the College has reached or exceeded $1 million.
Crusaders Defeat Black Knights, 80-21

Sept. 7, President’s Reception at The Thayer Hotel in West Point, NY: Fr. McFarland hosted a reception and brunch preceding the Holy Cross vs. Army football game. (photos by Robert Hutchinson)
Meeting of the Minds

(lower left) Sept. 27-28, National Volunteer Convocation at Holy Cross: Campaign volunteers and class chairs gathered for the weekend to get educated and recharged about their work. Panelists included donor-volunteers Park Smith ’54, Bill Teuber ’73, Nell Jones ’74 and Mary Coffey Moran ’77. Awards were presented to exceptional class chairs and correspondents. (photos by Dan Vaillancourt)

All that Jazz

(below) Oct. 10, Campaign Celebration at the Chicago Historical Society: Michael Monaghan, Holy Cross music instructor and director of the Jazz Ensemble, entertained a gathering of alumni and friends celebrating the Lift High the Cross campaign, while Jean-Marie Minton ’78 led the singing of the Alma Mater. The evening was coordinated by Joe Collins ’72, Chicago Campaign chair, and his committee: Steve Lovelette ’78, Ann Kuesel Morrell ’87, Sean O’Scannlain ’86 and Bill Sullivan ’65, P’04. (photos by Michael Kardas)

The Scene
Reconnecting with old friends and keeping up with regional events is easier than ever with a visit to the College’s Online Community.

Has it been a while since you’ve visited Holy Cross? Returning to Mount St. James is easier than ever these days. Just type, click and you’re there. The College Web page, www.holycross.edu, is a great resource, not only for students, faculty and administrators, but also for alumni.

In addition to referencing the homepage updates on athletic schedules and game results, College news and policies, or accessing the library’s resources, visit the alumni section of the College Web page for more information and services. Alumni can easily find classmates, receive a permanent (and free) e-mail address, locate regional event information, search career and professional resources and, in the future, make donations online.

Join Alumni Online

The first thing to do is register with the College online. The process is simple: Log onto the Holy Cross Web site, click on “Alumni & Friends” and then select “Online Community.” Registering requires completing simple biographical data for security purposes and then sending an e-mail requesting your ID number from the College. After a prompt response, you will receive your ID number and be able to “surf” the Web freely. Be sure to create a password that is easy to remember and be especially certain to register your own e-mail address so that you may receive information from the College or your regional club. Also, remember to bookmark the College Web page so that you can check it frequently for news and updates.

To join the Alumni Online Community:

1. Go to www.holycross.edu
2. Click on “Alumni & Friends”
3. Select “Online Community”
4. If this is your first visit, follow the registration steps.
   Note: In completing the registration steps, submit the form as requested in order to obtain your college-generated ID number. This step is essential for security purposes.
5. If you are already enrolled, enter your user name and password to begin your visit. Confirm that your profile information is correct and make any necessary changes.
6. Enroll in Yellow Pages, look up classmates and establish a permanent e-mail address.

Permanent Holy Cross E-mail Address

Upon joining the College’s Online Community, you are...
able to receive a permanent e-mail address from Holy Cross. The address will be in the form of yourname@alumni.holy-cross.edu. The headaches of informing (or forgetting to inform) all your friends or associates of your new e-mail address are gone. Anytime you change your e-mail address, simply notify the College via this Web site. You can set up your Holy Cross e-mail to forward your messages to your main e-mail address.

Take this opportunity to register for a permanent Holy Cross e-mail address. You will be informing Holy Cross of your e-mail address as well as joining the other 13,000 Holy Cross alumni who are “connected” to the College through e-mail.

**Alumni Yellow Pages**

Since the launch of the Online Community two years ago, 5,000 of the College’s 29,000 alumni have registered. Perhaps the most under-utilized part of the alumni Web page is the Yellow Pages section. How often have you found out after the fact that your doctor, dentist, lawyer or financial advisor is a fellow graduate? Be proactive. List your occupation and expertise in the Yellow Pages rather than leave it to chance. The Yellow Pages allow alumni to list their firm or occupation for other alumni to search in the event that they are in need of services. This feature allows alums to seek out other grads with expertise in a certain field and demographic region. Posting a listing is easy and self-explanatory. All alumni are encouraged to post their occupation to increase this resource for the mutual benefit of Holy Cross alumni.

**Events and Regional Clubs**

The Holy Cross Web page is also a great source of information on Holy Cross events occurring across the nation. The “Events” and “Regional Clubs” components offer specific ways for alumni to stay connected to Holy Cross. The Alumni Relations Office posts events sponsored by regional clubs and offers extensive details and contact information for any alum wishing to partake. The office, which posts events as they receive the information, takes great pride in the timeliness of this section. As of this writing, there were over 30 events posted, including lectures, luncheons, Habitat for Humanity building, theater trips and, of course, trips to football games and tailgates! When making travel arrangements and plans, check this section to find out about attending an event at a regional club in another part of the country and reconnect with other alums.

In addition, a few regional clubs have developed Web pages to promote their own organization and events. Although the College cannot undertake construction or maintenance of Web pages for the 40 regional clubs, the College has developed a template for interested clubs. If clubs have the resources and interest to maintain a Web site independently, this is a great way to keep track of happenings in your region. Consult this section of the Web to see if your club has its own page.

**What’s Next?**

The Alumni Office is certainly not short on ideas or ways to use the Web to benefit alumni. Already, alumni can find up-to-date information on classmates and events nationwide. Broadcast e-mails are regularly sent containing important and interesting information (don’t worry about junk e-mail!). The Web and e-mail have greatly increased the ability to communicate quickly and cost effectively with alums. At the same time, the Alumni Office is mindful that not all alumni have access to computers and Internet service, so they will continue to use traditional means of communication as well. Eventually the staff hopes to have the ability to communicate with alumni according to their preference—either by hard copy or electronically.

The next initiative of the Alumni Office is to pursue online registration for the 2004 reunions. The online registration will be a welcome convenience for returning alumni and a relief for the alumni relations staff, alleviating the current labor intensive process. Pat McCarthy ’63, director of alumni relations, and his staff are excited about the advances that have been made through the use of Internet technologies. “We have developed working partnerships with Harris Publishing Co. and the College’s information technology department,” McCarthy explains. “With each new advance comes growing pains and glitches, but we are striving to make seamless improvements which benefit all alumni and continue to enhance their Holy Cross experience.”
Regional Club Events

Here are some of the upcoming events taking place near you!
Details will be mailed out from your Regional Clubs.

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Winter Homecoming
Saturday, Feb. 15, 2003
Return to campus and spend the day with old friends! Watch as the men’s and women’s basketball teams take on Patriot League rival Lafayette! Details of the day’s events will be mailed out in January 2003.

Alumni trip to Ireland
March 18-23, 2003
Spend four nights in Ireland on our GAA tour. This package includes roundtrip airfare via Aer Lingus departing from Boston or New York, full Irish breakfast (except for morning of arrival), two dinners, and escorted sightseeing by luxury motorcoach. Visit Galway City, the Cliffs of Moher, Killarney, Tralee and Blarney Castle. Cost is $699 per person/double occupancy. For more information contact Pat McCarthy at (508) 793-2418 or pmccarth@holycross.edu.

On May 21, the Holy Cross Club of Boston posthumously presented this year’s “Crusader of the Year” award to Neilie A. Heffernan Casey '90, a victim of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Pictured left-to-right: Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., Neilie’s daughter, Riley, Neilie’s sister, Lynsey Heffernan ’00, and Neilie’s mother, Anne Heffernan (wife of Neil Heffernan ’58).

General Alumni Association scholarship recipients and their parents recently gathered at a GAA meeting. The 2002-2003 recipients are: Richard Carey ’03, son of Paul Carey ’70; Kathryn Casey ’03, daughter of James Casey ’67, Caitlin Brennan ’03, daughter of Jo Ann Panciocco Coe ’80; Michael Connolly ’03, son of John Connelly ’60; Jessica Eagle, daughter of David Eagle ’73; Timothy Holahan ’03, son of Philip Holahan ’75; Kathleen Reardon ’03, daughter of Frank Reardon ’75; Anna Richardson ’03, daughter of Fred Richardson ’72; Anne Shekleton ’03, daughter of Dr. Michael Shekleton ’72; Alisha Taylor ’03, daughter of William Taylor ’73
Looking Back

Quarterback Brian Hall ’03 overcame injuries to write a new chapter in Crusader football history

By Patrick Maloney ’02

Holy Cross football has a rich tradition. The Crusaders have posted a record of 550-423-54 in 107 years of action, but in the six years prior to the arrival of quarterback Brian Hall ’03, the team had won just 15 games. Hall was determined to change that trend and bring the Crusaders back to prominence.

Hall had been an outstanding high school athlete at Dallas Jesuit, leading his squad to back-to-back state championships in his third and fourth seasons. Hall hoped to continue that success in college, as he was being recruited by several Division I-AA schools. Then his head coach, Bob Wunderlich ’88, introduced him to a small, Jesuit college in Worcester, Mass.

“It was a little different going from my high school team to Holy Cross,” says Hall.

Holy Cross had struggled the past few seasons before Hall’s arrival and continued to do so during his first year. Then, in October 1999, Hall got his shot and finished the last four games of the ’99 season as the starting quarterback. In the season finale against Colgate—his Fitton Field debut—Hall etched his name into the Holy Cross record book by throwing for 301 yards, notching two touchdowns and rushing for 105 yards. His performance that season finally gave fans some hope for the future. He ended the season having been named “Patriot League Rookie of the Week” three times in the final five weeks of the season, and captured “Patriot League Rookie-of-the-Year” honors as well.

“After the Colgate game, I felt bad for the seniors that were leaving,” Hall says. “But I was also really looking forward to the next season.” The Crusaders finished 3-8, but Hall’s strong finish gave the fans hope for the next season.

The hard work began to show results. Hall and the 2000 Crusader team picked up on their strong finish from the previous season and jumped out of the starting gate with victories over Georgetown and Harvard. The 2-0 start was the Crusaders’ first since the 1991 season.

“The win over Harvard had been the program’s biggest win in a number of years,” says Hall. “I have never seen Coach Allen jump higher than he did on the sideline during that game. People from Holy Cross were so excited after that game, I could not believe it!”

That began the Crusaders’ turnaround but, unfortunately, the ride took another rough turn. Hall suffered a season-ending injury to his collarbone in the sixth game of the season.

“It was very hard for me not being out there during games,” says Hall. “But I think that the experience actually turned out to be a positive. Instead of just concentrating on the offense for a game, I got to see our team as a whole prepare for the game. I was more informed about the preparation and was able to help some of my teammates. I became a much more vocal player while I was out with the injury, and that has really helped me being a captain the past two seasons.”

Hall’s rehab was tough, but it was made easier by the team’s first winning season (7-4) since 1991. Then in 2001, Hall and his team overcame more adversity. Holy Cross opened 2-0 for the second-straight season behind 379 yards passing, four passing touchdowns and one rushing touchdown from Hall in the first two games. During the Pennsylvania game, Hall broke his thumb, which threatened to slow down his offensive production.

“It was a little painful, but I felt if I could play through it,” says Hall. “I could still have an effect on the game.”

Hall started the next game against Dartmouth sporting a brace on his thumb. As it turned out, Hall would have quite an effect on the game, winning Patriot League Offensive Player of the Week and the Johnny Turco Memorial Award for his 13-of-16 passes for 158 yards and five touchdowns in the homecoming game against Dartmouth. The following week, Hall repeated as Patriot League Offensive Player of the Week and earned the Dr. Edward N. Anderson Award as the most outstanding player in the family weekend game in front of the Fitton faithful, after completing 32-of-42 passes for 416 yards, five touchdowns and rushing nine times for 42 yards and a score in a win over Lafayette. Hall won the Coca-Cola New England Sportswriters’ Player-of-the-Week award for the second time in his career, joining an elite group in Holy Cross history to do so.

“My coaches joke around saying that they should break my thumb again this year,” says Hall with a smile. “That might help me put up those kinds of numbers again.” Unfortunately, following the win over Lafayette, the Crusaders fell to Patriot League Champion Lehigh, then dropped the final three games of the season to finish 4-6.

“We put a lot of emphasis on winning the [Patriot] League last year,” Hall says. “Maybe a little too much. After the loss to Lehigh, everyone got a little dis-
heartened. I personally took the loss hard as a leader. And finishing 4-6 was very disappointing to all of us. This year, we still want to win the league, but we are emphasizing togetherness, and not straying, and taking each game one week at a time.”

Hall enters his final season as a second-year captain expecting to prove the pundits—who picked Holy Cross to finish sixth in the Patriot League—wrong. He has been a winner from high school on and expects nothing less this year.

“I think this year I am more confident in the offense and my throwing,” Hall states. “It is a tribute to my coaching over the years that I am able to understand the game plan more.”

For Brian Hall, his four years at Holy Cross have been a challenging road, but he and his teammates have helped re-energize the Holy Cross football program and hope to continue that success into the future.

“I found out that Holy Cross football is very important to the alumni here,” says Hall. “It is not something they just forget about. I just hope to help bring the team back to where it was in the past, and just go out on a high note.”

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Hall of Fame Nominations

The Varsity Club’s selection committee will meet on Feb. 1, 2003, to elect inductees for year 2003 to the Holy Cross Athletic Hall of Fame. All who have a candidate in mind should submit nominations by Dec. 31, 2002, to James A. Maloney ’69, secretary, Holy Cross Varsity Club, 862 Pleasant St., Worcester, MA 01602.

A candidate should meet the following qualifications:

- His or her class must have been graduated five years, although the nominee need not have graduated.
- The nominee must have been outstanding in one or more sports.
- The nominee must have made an outstanding contribution to Holy Cross athletics.

A brief summary of the candidate’s qualifications is required to support each nomination. The Varsity Club reserves the right to make its own independent inquiry.

To be considered, candidates must be nominated for the 2002 selection year, even though they may have been nominated in prior years.

Candidate/Class:

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Sport(s):

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Nominated by:

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Cross Country
The Holy Cross men's and women's cross country teams have kicked off the 2002 season with eyes towards capturing the Patriot League Championships. The Crusaders men's team placed second at the Central Connecticut State Invitational while the women's team placed 10th overall in the season opener.

The men's team finished behind Boston College in the final team score. Sean McCarthy '03 (Chelmsford, Mass.) led the way for a fourth place overall finish in a time of 26:22. Matt Karatkewicz '03 (Middlefield, Conn.) and John Nieskens '05 (Peterborough, N.H.) finished in ninth and 10th place overall with times of 27:19 and 27:31 respectively.

On the women's side, Julia Gillis '04 (Cornwall, N.Y.) led the way for the team, finishing in 40th place overall. Elizabeth Desmond '05 (Portland, Maine) placed 48th while Britanny Chapman '06 (Haddonfield, N.J.) finished in 80th place.

Holy Cross then headed to West Point to compete in the West Point Invitational. Once again, the teams had a good showing with each squad placing fifth. Karatkewicz led the men's team effort while Nieskens was close behind. Karatkewicz finished in 27th while Nieskens placed 41st overall. Owen Speer '03 (Hudson, N.H.), and Randy Brodeur '04 (Lowell, Mass.) and Matt Zogg '03 (North Syracuse, N.Y.) rounded out the top five for the Crusaders.

On the women's side, Desmond led the way placing 31st with a time of 25:09.15. Gillis finished second for the Crusaders while Chapman, Andrea Aris '04 (Fayetteville, N.Y.) and Michela Byrne '05 (Portland, Ore.) rounded out the top five. The two teams then competed at the National Catholic Championships where the men's team placed 13th and the women placed 14th overall. The Crusaders' men's squad placed seventh out of 11 Division I schools that competed while the women placed ninth out of 11 teams.

For the second straight meet, Karatkewicz, Nieskens and Speer led the men's charge. James Clifford '05 (Tenafly, N.J.) finished fourth for the College, his best performance of the year, while Brodeur rounded out Holy Cross' top five.

On the women's side, the Crusaders were led once again by Desmond, who finished in 21st place with a time of 19:57. She has now been the College's top finisher in two of the three matches. Gillis and Byrne were the next two Holy Cross finishers placing 27th and 47th overall. For Byrne, it marked her best showing of the young season. Colleen Curran '05 (Wakefield, Mass.) and Britanny Chapman placed 57th and 59th to account for the team's top five runners.

The Crusaders continue their stretch run towards the Patriot League Championships with meets at New Hampshire, Murray Keating and Boston before the conference championship which will be held at Army.

Crew
The Holy Cross men's and women's crew teams gear up for much of September in preparation of their fall campaign. The two teams compete at the Textile River Regatta, and the New Hampshire Championship Regatta before competing in the prestigious Head of the Charles Regatta held in Philadelphia, Pa.

The men's team is led by captains Steve Ruane '03 (Annendale, N.J.) and Pat Kennedy '03 (Bronxville, N.Y.) while the women's team is led by Melissa Irving '04 (Westminster, Mass.) and Cathy Eberl '03 (Buffalo, N.Y.).

Both teams are coming off remarkable seasons last spring. The women's team saw their varsity eight boat finish the regular season undefeated and win the Avaya championship for the first time while the men's team won the New England Championship at Lake Quinsigamond for the first time in school history.

Men's Soccer
Holy Cross' men's soccer team is off to its best start in school history posting a record of 7-0-1 overall, including 3-0 in conference play. The Purple is currently ranked fifth in the NCAA Men's Division I New England poll. Holy Cross began the season in North Carolina for its opening two games. In the first game, the Crusaders battled the Duke Blue Devils to a 1-1 tie after two overtimes. The following day, Holy Cross went on to defeat North Carolina State, 1-0. Since that victory, the College has reeled off six straight wins over Stony Brook, Bucknell, Sacred Heart, Lehigh, Northeastern and Navy. Several gifted players are responsible for this tremendous start to the season. Matt Ney '03 (McLean, Va.) has netted six goals and two assists in the first seven games. On Sept. 9 and Sept. 23, Ney was named Patriot League Offensive Player of the Week. It was the third and fourth time in the past two years that he has received the award. Ney also has broken two school records this season. His goal against Lehigh on Sept. 21 broke the record set by Wayne Mullin '89 for the most points scored in a career—82. At the same time, Ney's goal broke Brian Petz's '96 career goals scored record of 34. Another Crusader having a career season is goalkeeper Kevin Baker '04 (Doylestown, Pa.). Baker has six shutouts this season, including his current streak of five in a row. He was named Patriot League Defensive Player of the Week on Sept. 16, for the second time in his career. In 753 minutes in goal this season, Baker has 26 saves. His 0.24 goals against average and 92.9 save percentage have placed him among the top goalkeepers in the country.

Other players contributing to the team's success have been Chris Napolitano '04 (North Scituate, R.I.) with three goals, one of which was a game winning goal. William Stewart '04 (Portsmouth, R.I.) and William Walker '06 (Midland, Ga.), Rusty Giudici '03 (Highlands Ranch, Colo.) and Paul Kitson '04 (Bergen Field, N.J.) each have...
Women’s Soccer:

The Holy Cross women’s soccer team has started slow to begin its season, going 1-4-2 overall and 0-1-0 in the Patriot League. The Crusaders have dropped two games by one goal each and only managed four goals in their first seven games. The team has been led by goalkeeper Christine Arsenault ’04 (North Easton, Mass.). Arsenault has paced the team with 45 saves in 670:00 minutes in goal. In the game against Yale, she passed the 100 save mark for her career. Arsenault currently has 117 saves in over two seasons in net for Holy Cross. Forward Brandy Ault ’03 (Sykesville, Md.) scored the 10th and 11th goals of her career with tallies against Northeastern and Brown. Both of these goals led to ties in each game. Erica Backstrom ’04 (Worcester) also has contributed a goal and an assist to the Crusaders’ effort this season. Her three point season thus far is a career best. Caitlyn Lynch ’03 (North Easton, Mass.) also has aided Holy Cross with some stellar defensive play helping to hold five of the team’s seven opponents to one goal or less. The Purple have had some production from the underclassmen on the squad as well. Back Allison Hayes ’06 (Baldwin, N.Y.) and midfielder Kaitlin Hansen ’06 (Weymouth, Mass.) each have two assists while forward Sarah Comeaux ’04 (North Easton, Mass.) and midfielder Lee Hummer ’03 (Lynnfield, Mass.) have supplied a goal and an assist respectively.

Head Coach Mary Curtis is optimistic about the rest of the season. “We have played very tough competition, which helps us in terms of preparing for [Patriot] League play,” she says. “We have a young, but talented group of players who work well together and have a strong desire to win. As long as we continue to improve we have a shot at another Patriot League title.”

The team is looking to rebound from their slow start with games coming up against American, Lafayette, Siena and Colgate.

Women’s Tennis

Holy Cross women’s tennis is off to a perfect 8-0 start to its 2002 fall campaign. The Crusaders have defeated Merrimack, Siena, Connecticut College, Rhode Island, Assumption, Brandeis, Stonehill and New Hampshire so far this season. The team is led by Amy Crump ’03 (Farmington, Conn.) who holds a 4-3 record at the first singles position this season. Crump is followed by her sister, Missy Crump ’04 (Farmington, Conn.), at second singles; Missy has posted a record of 5-2 at that spot. The sisters then pool their resources to play first doubles for Holy Cross, starting 6-1 overall. And they are not the only sisters playing doubles on the roster: Allison and Melissa Levy ’04 (Flossmor, Ill.) play second doubles and are a perfect 7-0 in doubles competition this season. In singles, Allison is 4-1, while Melissa is undefeated (7-0). Holy Cross also is anchored by veterans Alison Bell ’05 (Crossville, Tenn.), Brittany Burns ’04 (Cranston, R.I.), and Jianna Chew ’03 (Honolulu, Hawaii). Head Coach Mike Lucas has found his first-year students contributing to the team’s winning ways this year as well. Carrie Simmons ’06 (Raynham, Mass.) and Katie Irwin ’06 (Franklin Lakes, N.J.) have contributed big wins for the team in both singles and doubles this year. The Crusaders’ most impressive outing so far came in the Fairfield University Women’s Doubles Festival on Sept. 21. The team of Allison and Melissa Levy went 4-1 and captured first place in Flight B of the tournament. The combination of Burns, Chew and Simmons put together five straight wins and won first place for Flight C. Amy and Missy Crump finished 3-2 on the day, which placed third in Flight A. The squad hopes to continue its winning streak with its only remaining games against Hartford, Providence, Marist, Fairfield, Sacred Heart and Connecticut.

Men’s Tennis

The men’s tennis season is just getting underway at Holy Cross. The Crusaders are coming off a 4-14 spring season and hope to build on their limited success. Head coach of the women’s tennis team, Mike Lucas, has taken on head coaching duties for the men’s team. Lucas’ success with the women’s program at Holy Cross has been well documented and hopefully he can carry some of that success into the men’s program.

The men’s team will be anchored by Gerry Benedicto ’03 (Plainview, N.Y.), Dave Daepp ’04 (Glen Cove, N.Y.), and Rob Guido ’05 (Huntington, N.Y.). The Crusaders dropped their first match of the season to New Hampshire by the score of 7-0 but has matches against Sacred Heart, Clark, Franklin Pierce and Rhode Island left on the fall schedule.

Football

The Holy Cross football team got off to a great start to begin the 2002 season. The Crusaders traveled down to West Point, N.Y., and defeated Army, 30-21. The win over the Black Knights was the College’s first over Army since 1987. Ari Confesor ’04 (Providence, R.I.) racked up 327 all-purpose yards and scored one touchdown, and Chris Vella ’04 (Franklin Square, N.Y.) converted a school-record five field goals to lead the team to a stunning 30-21 win over Army at Michie Stadium. Confesor’s 327 yards are the second highest total in school history (Gil Fenerty, 337 yards vs. Columbia, 1983). For his efforts against Army, Confesor was named Patriot League Offensive Player of the Week and Sports Network National Special Teams Player of the Week; he was also awarded the New England Sportswriters Gold Helmet as the top New England player in I-AA football. His 209-yard on kick returns set a school record while his 95-yard kick return for a score in the third quarter was the fifth longest in school history. Steve Silva ’05 (Providence, R.I.) made his debut as the Crusaders starting running back carrying the ball 25 times for 97 yards against the Army defense. Defensive back Ben Koller ’04 (Dayton, Ohio) was named Patriot League Defensive Player of the Week for recording a career-high 14 tackles against Army. He also forced a fumble, recovered a fumble and notched one pass defense.
Holy Cross then improved to 2-0 for the second straight season with a 41-13 win over Georgetown. Confesor had another big day for Holy Cross, setting up two scores with big punt returns, but the story of the afternoon was the team’s offense, which racked up 410 yards of total offense.

Quarterback Brian Hall ’03 (Dallas, Texas) completed 15-of-25 passes for 228 yards and two touchdowns, and three different Crusader running backs scored to lead the offensive effort. Gideon Akande ’06 (Chicago, Ill.) rushed for a team high 87 yards on eight carries, averaging 10.9 yards per carry in his collegiate debut. He also scored on a 59-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter which was a season-long for Holy Cross running back. Bill Pragalz ’04 (Glenview, Ill.) notched the bulk of the carries with a career high 16 touches for 59 yards. Pragalz also scored the first two touchdowns of his collegiate career. Silva rushed 11 times for 27 yards and scored one touchdown. After the win, the Crusaders earned their highest national ranking since 1991. The team was ranked 23rd in the nation in the ESPN I-AA weekly poll.

The last time that a Holy Cross football team was ranked in the top 25 in the nation was during the 1991 season when the College was ranked third in the final poll.

The Crusaders then carried the momentum into a tough game at Harvard. The defending Ivy League champions returned much of their skill position players, and Holy Cross knew it was going to be a battle. Harvard jumped out to a 21-7 lead at the half, and despite a furious Holy Cross comeback, held on for a 28-23 win at Harvard Stadium. The Crimson racked up 498 yards of total offense and held the ball for 36:35 in picking up the win despite an incredible all-purpose performance by Confesor. He racked up 318 all-purpose yards, recording 158 yards on kickoff returns and 103 yards on punt returns. Confesor’s 318 all-purpose yard effort was the second highest of his career and fourth highest in school history. He is one of only two players in Holy Cross history to record over 300 all-purpose yards twice in their careers (Gil Fenerty, 337 yards against Columbia, 1983, 309 yards against Harvard, 1985) and the first to accomplish the feat twice in one season.

Holy Cross finally returned home to battle Towson on homecoming. Unfortunately for the team, four turnovers, including two at crucial times in the third quarter, proved its undoing. The Tigers led 14-3 at the half and scored 21 unanswered points in the third quarter to take control of the game. Quarterback Luke Dugan ’05 (Maple Plain, Minn.) scored his first collegiate touchdown in the fourth quarter to highlight the effort. Darran Davis ’06 (Upper Marlboro, Md.) and Scott MacDouggall ’05 (Rohrert Park, Calif.) made their collegiate starting debuts in the contest, recording five and seven tackles respectively.

The Crusaders will head on the road for their next contest, battling Yale, but will then return home for four of their next five games, including three crucial Patriot League contests.

Men’s and Women’s Golf

Both of the Crusaders’ golf teams began play at the end of September. The women’s team, led by captain, Jennifer Driscoll ’03 (Salem, Mass.), began the year at the Bryant Invitational. Holy Cross finished ninth out of the 14 teams that competed. The Crusaders were led by Meghan Costello ’06 (Copley, Ohio) who made the most of her collegiate debut, shooting a 78 on the first day and coming back to shoot an 81 on day two. Costello’s score of 159 was good for second place overall. Claudia Rothschild ’05 (Garden City, N.Y.) and Kerrianne Crandell ’06 (Scotia, N.Y.) were the next two Crusader finishers. Driscoll and Karen Sheehan ’03 (Wethersfield, Conn.) rounded out the top five for Holy Cross.

On the men’s side, Holy Cross had four players qualify for the team through a tournament held at Heritage Golf Club. Emmitt Ferriter ’05 (West Simsbury, Conn.) led the qualifying with a score of 313 for four rounds. He shot a low round of 73 on the first day of qualifying. Tom Schnecker ’04 (Mt. Vernon, N.Y.) was close behind with a 316 while Sean Melia ’06 (Acton, Mass.) and Tim Marquis ’05 (Easthampton, Mass.) rounded out the four qualifiers. The four players join a tough Holy Cross squad led by captains, Bob Loguidice ’03 (Springfield, Mass.), Kevin Madden ’04 (Sandwich, Mass.) and Drew Sullivan ’04 (Pittsfield, Mass.). Madden and Jason Youngclaus ’05 (Wilmington, Mass.) led the team to a fourth-place finish at the American Invitational held at Rome Country Club. Each player tallied a 159 to highlight the Holy Cross effort.

Field Hockey

With field hockey’s season-opening, 3-2 victory over Vermont in an extra frame, 2002 seemed to be a continuation of the success enjoyed last year. However, a scoring drought left the Holy Cross team winless in the next four contests, including a 3-0 loss to then 11th-ranked Northeastern, when Jennifer Corsilli ’04 (Fairfield, N.J.) made a season-high 13 saves in net. The next loss was tougher as the team fell, 1-0, to host Yale, the following week. The Cross recovered when it mattered and inched one step closer to earning its third-consecutive regular season Patriot League title by producing a 2-0 victory over Bucknell. In that game, the team struck twice in the second half as Heather Yanusas ’04 (Southbury, Conn.) scored the game-winning goal, and Liz Tutella ’03 (Blandon, Penn.) sealed the victory with a 40 seconds left in the contest.

Through the first six games, Tutella has garnered a team-leading three goals, while both of Yanusas’ goals have been game-winners. Jenna Cook ’06 (Walpole, Mass.) and Jillian LeClair ’04 (Gardiner, Maine) have each chipped in with one and two assists, respectively. Caitlin Moynihan ’05 (Rye, N.Y.) has paced the Cross defensively with 29 interceptions and 14 tackles. She is followed...
by Meg Barry ’03 (West Boylston, Mass.) with 24 interceptions, and Heather Yanusas, who has totaled nine tackles in fine all-around play. Jennifer Corsilli’s 16th shutout in goal for Holy Cross moved her to within one of the career record, held by Julie Elmore ’96.

**Volleyball**

Under new Head Coach Chris Ridolfi, Holy Cross has won four of its first 11 volleyball contests. Recently, the Crusaders are led by Caitlin Agostinacchio ’05 (Bellmore, N.Y.), who has garnered double-digit kill totals in five of her last seven matches.

With her 14 blocks at the Dartmouth Tournament (Sept. 21), Cheryl Jakielo ’03 (Wethersfield, Conn.) moved into second on the school’s career list (195), only 32 blocks shy of the standard, held by Carissa Bennett ’03. Her classmate, Katie Mulvihill ’03 (Trumbull, Conn.) ranks fourth with 186 career rejections. The two co-captains recently received 2002 Crusader Classic All-Tournament accolades for their efforts on the team’s opening weekend of play. Jakielo paced the Cross squad, collecting 35 kills, four service aces and 20 block assists in the three-match stint. Mulvihill, contributed 42 digs and seven block assists, in addition to 31 kills and eight service aces in the three matches. Through 11 matches, Katie Snell ’03 (Bogota, N.J.) has totaled four double-doubles, including two at the Dartmouth Tournament. Snell is currently fourth on the school’s career kills list (643) and second with 1118 digs, just 167 digs off the standard owned by Katie Lynch ’01.

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### 2002-03 Men’s Ice Hockey Schedule

**October**

5. U OTTAWA exhibition 4 p.m.
8. QUINNIPPIAC * 7 p.m.
13. at Connecticut * 5 p.m.
18. AIR FORCE 7 p.m.
19. AIR FORCE 7 p.m.
25. at Army * 7 p.m.
26. at Iona * 7:30 p.m.

**November**

2. at Union 7 p.m.
9. CANISUS * 3 p.m.
15. at AIC * 7 p.m.
16. FAIRFIELD * 7 p.m.
22. CONNECTICUT * 6:30 p.m.
29. at Findlay 7 p.m.
30. at Findlay 4 p.m.

**December**

7. at Colgate 7 p.m.
11. BENTLEY * 7 p.m.

**January**

3. IONA * 6:30 p.m.
4. IONA * 3 p.m.
7. SACRED HEART * 7 p.m.
10. at Mercyhurst * 7 p.m.
14. at Sacred Heart * 7 p.m.
18. at Brown 7 p.m.
24. at Merrimack 7 p.m.
31. at Army * 7 p.m.

**February**

1. ARMY * 7 p.m.
7. at AIC * 7 p.m.
8. AIC * 7 p.m.
14. at Canisius * 7 p.m.
15. at Canisius * 3 p.m.
20. QUINNIPPIAC * 7 p.m.
22. at Quinnipiac * 4 p.m.
28. MERCYHURST * 7 p.m.

**March**

1. at Fairfield * 7 p.m.
7. BENTLEY * 7 p.m.
8. at Bentley * 7:30 p.m.

* MAAC Games

### 2002-03 Women’s Ice Hockey Schedule

**November**

8. MIT 7 p.m.
9. MIT 7 p.m.
13. UMASS-BOSTON 7 p.m.
22. At Manhattanville 12:30 p.m.
23. At Manhattanville 12:30 p.m.

**December**

6. At New England College 6 p.m.
7. At New England College 2 p.m.
10. CONNECTICUT COLLEGE 7 p.m.

**January**

3. IONA * 6:30 p.m.
4. IONA * 3 p.m.
7. SACRED HEART * 7 p.m.
10. at Mercyhurst * 7 p.m.
14. at Sacred Heart * 7 p.m.
15. at Sacred Heart * 3 p.m.
19. at Amherst 7 p.m.
24. at Merrimack 7 p.m.
29. AMHERST 7 p.m.
31. ST. MICHAEL’S 7 p.m.

**February**

1. ST. MICHAEL’S 2 p.m.
8. at So. Maine 7:30 p.m.
9. at So. Maine 3 p.m.
14. RIT 7 p.m.
15. RIT 2 p.m.
19. At Amherst 7 p.m.
21. At Sacred Heart 8 p.m.
22. At Sacred Heart 5 p.m.
28. MERCYHURST * 7 p.m.
31. at Fairfield * 7 p.m.
7. BENTLEY * 7 p.m.
8. at Bentley * 7:30 p.m.

* MAAC Games
The Holy Cross men’s basketball team will be featured twice on the 2003 Patriot League TV package, which will now be broadcast nationally on DIRECTV. The Crusaders will appear on Feb. 21 when they host American at 9 p.m., and then again on Feb. 28 when they head to Bucknell.

This will be the Patriot League’s sixth year of producing men’s and women’s basketball games and with DIRECTV. The package can be seen by more than 10.7 million households. The 11-game schedule will feature six consecutive Friday night telecasts, all four Patriot League Tournament semifinal games (two men and two women) and the women’s championship game. All regular season Friday night games are scheduled for 9 p.m.

Returning for his sixth season as the play-by-play commentator for the games will be Jack Corrigan. John Feinstein, renowned author of *The Last Amateurs* and numerous other best sellers, will handle color commentary duties for the men’s games for the second straight year, while Jody Patrick Lavin will handle the duties for the women’s games. The package will hit the airwaves on Friday, Jan. 24, with Lafayette heading to Bethlehem to battle Lehigh.

On the following Friday, Navy will travel to West Point, N.Y., to battle heated rival, Army, before Colgate will battle Lafayette in Easton, Pa., on Feb. 7. The February games will continue as Navy heads to the new Recreation and Athletics Center at Bucknell University on the 14th to battle the Bison.

Last year’s championship game rematch will take place on the fifth DIRECTV broadcast, when American visits Holy Cross. The Crusaders swept the regular season series against the Eagles and became only the second team in league history to win the tournament title on the road. Holy Cross has yet to lose to American and leads the all-time series, 4-0.

The final regular season broadcast will feature Holy Cross and Bucknell. In 30 meetings between the two schools, the Bison hold a 17-13 advantage, but Holy Cross has won three of the last four meetings, including last year’s meeting in Lewisburg.

All four Patriot League Tournament semifinal games will be broadcast from the 13th annual tournament held at the Show Place Arena in Upper Marlboro, Md. The day will open with back-to-back women’s semifinal contests starting at noon. The men’s semifinals will tip-off at 5 and 7:30 p.m.

The Patriot League women’s championship contest will be played on the campus of the highest remaining seed. The broadcast is slated to begin at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12. ESPN will broadcast the men’s championship game on Friday, March 14 at 4:30 p.m.

The Patriot League, an NCAA Division I-AA football conference since 1986 and an all-sport conference since 1990, membership includes American, Army, Bucknell Colgate, Holy Cross, Lafayette, Lehigh and Navy, while six additional institutions hold associate membership. Patriot League member institutions are among the oldest and most prestigious in the nation, graduating alumni who are well prepared for life with the ability to make meaningful contributions to their community and society in general. In the most recent NCAA Graduation Rate Report of student athletes, the Patriot League ranked first among NCAA Division I conferences.

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### 2002-03 Men’s Basketball Schedule

**November**
- 8 G.T. Express (Canada) 7 p.m.
- 13 BABC (Boston) TBA
- 19 at Kansas (Preseason NIT) 9 p.m.
- 23 at Harvard 7 p.m.
- 26 at Siena College (W) 7 p.m.

**December**
- 1 B. C. at the Centrum 2 p.m.
- 7 at Brown 7 p.m.
- 11 Phoenix Classic (vs. Yale) 6:30 p.m.
- 12 at Phoenix Classic (Central Conn. or Hartford) 7:30 p.m.
- 28 at Marist 7:30 p.m.
- 31 at Fordham 1 p.m.

**January**
- 2 U.M.C. ASHEVILLE 7:30 p.m.
- 7 at Navy 7:30 p.m.
- 11 at American 7 p.m.
- 15 at Marist 1 p.m.
- 26 at Army 7 p.m.

**February**
- 2 U.M.C. ASHEVILLE 7:30 p.m.
- 7 at Navy 7:30 p.m.
- 11 at American 7 p.m.
- 15 at Marist 1 p.m.
- 26 at Army 7 p.m.

**March**
- 2 at Lehigh * 3:15 p.m.
- 7-8 at PATRIOT LEAGUE TOURNAMENT (Show Place Arena)

*Home Games in bold

*Patriot League games

### 2002-03 Women’s Basketball Schedule

**November**
- 5 NOR’EASTER STORM (exhibition) 7 p.m.
- 22 at Siena College 7 p.m.
- 26 at University of Hartford 7 p.m.
- 28-29 LaSalle University Tournament TBA

**December**
- 2 at Northeastern University 7 p.m.
- 4 at Vanderbilt University 7 p.m.
- 9 at Colorado State 7 p.m.
- 11 at Army 7 p.m.
- 14 at Colgate 7 p.m.
- 18 at Lafayette 7 p.m.
- 24 at Navy 5:30 p.m.
- 26 at American 3:30 p.m.
- 28 at Fordham 7 p.m.
- 31 at Lehigh 5:30 p.m.

**January**
- 2 at Northeastern University 7 p.m.
- 4 at Vanderbilt University Noon
- 9 at Colorado State 7 p.m.
- 11 at Army 1 p.m.
- 14 at Colgate 7 p.m.
- 18 at Lafayette 1 p.m.
- 24 at Navy 5:30 p.m.
- 26 at American 3:30 p.m.
- 28 at Fordham 7 p.m.
- 31 at Lehigh 5:30 p.m.

**February**
- 2 at Bucknell 1 p.m.
- 5 VERMONT 7 p.m.
- 8 at Army 1 p.m.
- 11 at Colgate 7 p.m.
- 15 at Lafayette 1 p.m.
- 21 AMERICAN 5:30 p.m.
- 23 NAVY 1 p.m.
- 28 at Bucknell 6 p.m.

**March**
- 2 at Lehigh 1 p.m.
- 7 at Patriot League Quarterfinals (Upper Marlboro, Md.) TBA
- 9 at Patriot League Semi-Finals (Upper Marlboro, Md.) TBA
- 12 at Patriot League Finals (Highest Seed) TBA

### 2002-03 Swimming and Diving Schedule

**October**
- 26 COLGATE UNIVERSITY (M & W) 1:30 p.m.
- 30 at Springfield College (M & W) 6 p.m.

**November**
- 6 at Siena College (W) 7 p.m.
- 15 at Providence College (M & W) 3 p.m., 5 p.m.
- 23 UNIV. OF LOYOLA (M & W) 5 p.m.

**December**
- 7 at University of Rhode Island (M & W) 5 p.m.
- 8 at University of Rhode Island (M & W) 10 a.m., 4 p.m.
- 11 ARMY (W) 4 p.m.

**January**
- 12 UVM (M & W) w/ CCSU (W) 1:30 p.m.
- 18 FAIRFIELD UNIVERSITY (M & W) 1 p.m.
- 22 at Northeastern University (W) 6 p.m.
- 24 GEORGETOWN (M & W) 4 p.m.
- 29 at Bucknell 6 p.m.

**February**
- 1 WPI & CLARK 10 a.m., 4 p.m.
- 4 at University of Connecticut (M & W) 6 p.m.
- 20-22 at Patriot League Championships (Trials) 10:30 a.m.
- 27-29 at Bucknell 5:30 p.m. (Finals)

**March**
- 2 at Bucknell 5:30 p.m.
Fr. McFarland: It must be hard for any parent now to think about how you relate to your parish and your priest.

Freije: It's overwhelmingly difficult. It's very hard to go into church on Sunday. My kids are 13, 11 and 5. I don't know what they're thinking about all of this. The 13- and 11-year olds are old enough to read the newspaper, to know what's going on. And I have had conversations with them, but I'm not sure that tells me what they're thinking. And I'm not sure that tells me what they're feeling when they walk into church. It's changed, for sure.

HCM: Where do we stand in terms of finding a place at the table for everyone to talk? Do you feel a sense of frustration or hope?

O'Brien: I think we'd find some hope if we knew what was going on in all the dioceses. If we had those reports, we'd probably find that there are a lot of places that have gotten through this very well, that came out of the '80s with structures and procedures in place that work well. Some dioceses have good diocesan pastoral councils and parish councils and pastoral staffs at the table when decisions are made. The Archdiocese of Chicago has done relatively well because the late Cardinal Bernardin put in place a just and relatively open process after a pretty thorough housecleaning. I think we'd find that it's not rocket science. There are ways to tell the truth, to get a process that builds trust, and we can learn from those places how to do it better. Unfortunately, the politics of the reforms that we're interested in are not very encouraging. The Episcopal Conference of the United States has been badly weakened over the last 20 years in its capacity to dialogue with Rome. Still, in Dallas, the bishops took a big step toward asserting their role as pastoral leaders of the Church in the United States. A lot more came out of Dallas than many of us expected, but everyone knew it would be in some jeopardy when it got to the Holy See. To take one example, the Keating committee is absolutely unprecedented in its independence. I don't think there's ever been an independent body set up by the bishops with genuine oversight responsibility. The bishops took a big risk. If they try to follow through on their commitments, there will be opposition and not just from Rome. Priests' organizations are weak and priests themselves are divided. Religious orders are a shadow of what they used to be in terms of influence on the Church's decision-making process. Thousands upon thousands of lay people are now in professional ministerial roles in the U.S., but they have no organizational capacity to influence the structure. And lay people are not organized. If they're lucky, they're in a diocese where they have a good pastoral council, but in most places they don't have access to the system. That's where the Voice of the Faithful comes in. It's a hopeful thing that the Voice of the Faithful has appeared. It's less hopeful that it has not had more support. The wealthy, educated, well-positioned and influential people of Boston and elsewhere have not really gotten behind it and made it clear that there must be change. So the politics of reform are not promising.

Fr. Clark: That's another result, I think, of the length of time that we've gone without respecting that segment of the Church at all. When something happens in which there's an opportunity and a necessity for the voices to be heard, there's no mechanism for hearing and working out differences. It seems to me that lay people are defending their position in the church in two quite incompatible ways. One group says, "We're also the Church, and we've got to be listened to and these are our ideas that are different from the ideas of the clergy and the hierarchy." Another says, "We are really Catholic because we are defending the hierarchy, and we won't let you take away their leadership role and their rights and privileges and so forth." Right now, we have no structures that are going to allow us to resolve this tension aside from duking it out.

HCM: The calls for reform that have arisen in the aftermath of the scandal often hinge on a larger and more active role for the laity in administrative affairs. Is it possible, as some have written, that the crisis may be a genuine triggering force for a global democratization of the Church?

Fr. McFarland: I think those forces are slow, but they're happening anyway. I mean, 40 years ago it would have been inconceivable that this even would have happened, that lay voices would have been heard. So in that sense it's a very slow and frustrating but positive change. And partly it happens of necessity—the real vigor, in many cases, the energy and the numbers are coming from the laity. The Church is relying more and more on the lay people for leadership as well as for the ordinary work that goes on. Now, some people are fighting this rear-guard action every step of the way, I guess. But that's the transition that we're in. And as David pointed out in the beginning, the real action is in the third world, where the laity is a very strong force. There are educational disparities to be worked out, but, at the local level, there's strong lay leadership.

O'Brien: There's enormous energy in the Church in the United States. It's very alive. Look at the diversity of the Church, the growth of the Church in the Latino community in Los Angeles, South Texas or South Florida. There's this tremendous flood of lay people into ministerial leadership, an even bigger pool of people who would like to be in ministry if they had the opportunity. There is the example of Catholic colleges and universities where religious orders took

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3 The Voice of the Faithful (VOTF) is a group of Boston-based Catholics who have come together, in the words of the VOTF mission statement, "To provide a prayerful voice, attentive to the Spirit, through which the Faithful can actively participate in the governance and guidance of the Catholic Church."
the risk of giving the schools over to boards of trustees composed primarily of lay people. And they’ve thrived. And some of the Catholic hospitals and social service agencies ran the risk of real shared responsibility, and they’ve worked effectively. There’s great faith and loyalty out there. The challenge is to get it all mobilized in such a way that it contributes to an institutional reconstruction that serves the pastoral mission of our Church.

**HCM:** Do you sense a discrepancy between the way the scandal has played out in local parishes as opposed to nationally? Some of the information I’ve read indicates that while a majority of Catholics surveyed felt a deep sense of betrayal by the highest levels of the hierarchy, somehow they felt more protective and supportive of their local priests than ever before.

**Kearns-Barrett:** In trying to address this crisis in our parish there was a strong desire on the part of parishioners to protect and support our pastor while at the same time challenging our bishop and his handling of the crisis.

**Janecko:** I’ve come across churches that are absolutely enraged at the whole Church as an institution, both the hierarchy and their own local priest. And then there are people whose sense of betrayal and confusion at the situation is so great and so extensive that they’ve left the church and joined another denomination. So I think there’s a wide range of feelings about betrayal by the hierarchy that either mobilizes people to action within their own church or just causes them to give up on the church as a whole. Which is sad.

**Freije:** I certainly don’t know this for a fact, but I’d be surprised if people who were leaving the Church to go to other denominations were doing so because they felt there would be fewer abusers in the ministry there. We all come to terms with the problem of the institution versus our faith. But I think there comes a point where you wonder if the institution is no longer supportive of your faith. And then it’s hard to reconcile. Then it’s hard to move forward within the confines of that institution. And I suspect that for many people this scandal shines a bright light on some of the things that have been there all along. And I think that’s why the scandal is not about the individual priests and their actions, as awful as they were. But it’s about what it shows regarding the institution in terms of power. And on the one hand, I understand, David, why you say that we may have gotten more out of Dallas than we hoped for. But we also got less out of Dallas than we had hoped for in so many ways. Because the process is still not transparent. I sympathize in some ways with concerns over process. Those are real concerns. But I think you only deal with process questions in the light of day. And I don’t know how that’s going to be accomplished. The only way to deal with process questions is to throw open the doors and make it wide open.

Fr. Clark: Well that’s the first process question, isn’t it? The problem is that calling for this process reform is so quickly interpreted as disloyalty and an attack on the Church. Instead, I think we need to hear the various calls for process reform in the context of the balanced relationship between the pastors and the faithful that is implied in canon law. It is true that there is an obligation to support the Church. That’s stated in canon law (Canon 222), and it makes all the sense in the world. But support is a two-way street. It’s required for the people from the leaders as well. And that’s what is not being felt by those who are pressing for reform. In a sense it’s simply a plea for the support to be mutual. People have a right to the spiritual goods of the church. That’s in canon law (Canon 213) just as clearly as the obligation to support the church is. If both of those are not being held together, then the relationship is already out of sync—it’s not “disloyalty” that creates the problem.

**Kearns-Barrett:** The thing that troubles me so much, that didn’t come out of Dallas, is a failure on the part of the bishops to hold each other accountable. I know that they don’t have any legal jurisdiction over one another. But it doesn’t appear that there’s a brotherly calling on one another to say that we can’t move forward as a U.S. Catholic Conference without some of you somehow doing penance for this or being sanctioned.

**HCM:** In that same vein, I felt a knee-jerk reaction to all the depositions of various bishops that we saw on TV. I wonder if anyone else felt it. You would see the pictures in the newspaper or the clip on TV of a bishop walking with a phalanx of lawyers around him. And it was the same picture you had seen of Enron executives. There was a sense of corporate stonewalling. But I wonder how difficult it is for the bishops. Isn’t the bishop enmeshed within the legal protocols? If the Church is sued, if a bishop is named in a lawsuit, he doesn’t have to consult with the diocesan lawyers. I guess the question is, how difficult would it be for any bishop to step outside the process? And is a comparison to this past year’s corporate scandals legitimate?

**Fr. Clark:** I don’t think it’s an accident that these various scandals are all happening at once. I’m not sure I know why. It has to do with our cultural understanding of authority and the use and abuse of it. What strikes me in regard to the dilemma that you raise is that, yeah, the world has to be dealt with according to those legal protocols and systems, but what we’ve seen is an expectation on the part of the Church that it will be treated differently when it’s a matter of the “outside world” dealing with the Church. But when the Church deals with the outside, we make use of the full array of tools and weapons that are there. And that I find very disturbing. If there’s going to be a demand for special consideration in the one direction, then there should be special treatment in return. If we’re going to be talking about Gospel values in defense of bishops, then bishops ought to be acting primarily from Gospel values—rather than legal protocol—in responding to the world.

**HCM:** I’d like to ask about the mindset of the bishops regarding the serial reassigning of abusive priests. It’s near impossible for parents to understand how this could have happened. These bishops are not monsters. And yet parents cannot conceive of how one could have a document in hand identifying an abusive priest and then transfer that priest to a parish, putting additional children in harm’s way. What was the process of thought? And is there something about the
Delegate in the 1970s, there was an effort to develop a process for the selection of bishops that involved consultation with the local diocese, the priests and the pastoral councils, with an emphasis on pastoral qualities in the selection of bishops. Now it appears that pastoral considerations are not the primary criteria in the selection of bishops. We all bear some responsibility for the failure of church reform. We saw what was going on with the declining number of priests, and we did nothing about it. We saw what was going on with bishops, but we lowered our voices because we didn't want to make it harder for them. Look to the question of the role of women in our Church. Even the idea of having a hearing about the role of women—as Archbishop Weakland did—put one in the left wing. Our bishops had to way they're going to go. They may or may not be putting money in the collection basket at this point in time for a whole variety of reasons. And I guess that's the part that makes me less hopeful about where this is all going in terms of opening up this process. There are so many people who have spent their whole lives as Catholics, good Catholics, just sitting in the pews on Sundays. And I'm not sure they're ready for this. I'm not sure they want to expend the energy that would be required to make something change.

Fr. McFarland: Yes, their focus is their families and their work and maybe the volunteer efforts they do. And they want the church to support that.

Kearns-Barrett: This is especially true among younger Catholics whose ties to the institutional Church are markedly different from prior generations according to a recently published book, Young Adult Catholics: Religion in the Culture of Choice, which surveyed Catholics between the ages of 20-39. While many of these younger adults had a strong sense of Catholic identity, unlike prior generations, 64 percent of the younger Catholics surveyed believe you can be a good Catholic without going to Mass. Only 31 percent of them attend Mass weekly, the other 69 percent may attend Mass anywhere from two-to-three times per month to less than once per year. Here at Holy Cross, in a survey done by Professor Royce Singleton of the sociology department last spring, 81 percent said that their “commitment to the Church was weakened by reports indicating that a number of priests have abused children sexually.” Given this kind of data, I don't even know how many younger adults will be left sitting in the pews, never mind being the passionate party David spoke about working for reform. Another issue affecting Catholics in their 20s-to-40s is how this crisis affects our children's faith and the kind of relationships they will want to have with the Church as they grow up. For my husband, Chris, and I, the most important gift we can give our children is the gift of faith—a relationship with God based on trust and love that is at the center of their lives. Yet we recognize that we can't do this alone. We need to be part of a larger community of faith. But raising children in the Catholic community is a real struggle for us now. How do you encourage children to par-

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4 The Catholic Common Ground Initiative was inaugurated by the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin in 1996. It originated in a concern that “unnecessarily polarizing differences among church leaders and members hinder efforts to build the church community and to carry out its mission.” The initiative “proposes working principles for dialogue within the church and expresses the conviction that such an effort will transform those who engage in it as well as strengthen the church for its mission in the new millennium.”
Fr. Clark: You're reminding me of comments that Tom Beaudoin⁵ made at the VOTF convention in July, about the attitude of Catholics under 35. It's almost a “show me the money” kind of attitude—Why is the Church worth our commitment?—he sees in the so-called Generation X and younger. And I think this scandal is bringing to a head something that was already developing.

O'Brien: It's interesting when you talk about the students on the campus and when you visit the parishes and talk with Patty Engdahl '85 and Frankie Nugen⁶ about the parishes, the response is pastoral. If I've learned one thing out of this whole episode, it is the priority of pastoral care. For too long, we took the parishes and the pastors for granted. Social justice work, higher education, Catholic art and culture—it all turns on pastoral care. If you don't have good, healthy parishes and flourishing apostolic movements, nothing else is going to work. It all goes back to good pastoral care. For me, that's kind of an eye-opening experience.

Fr. McFarland: I also worry about the effect on our students. Because I think people my age and even younger, we've all been through a lot and we're probably in for the long term. Young people may not have that same commitment. But one source of hope, one of the best things I've ever seen written on this subject was the letter that our students wrote to Bishop Reilly back in May. It was nuanced, it was very thoughtful, it was loyal, but it addressed the issue.

Janecko: I actually helped to participate in the drafting of that letter, and I believe this is a testament to the fact that not all young people are passive about this issue. While the initial shock of the gravity of the situation may cause a temporary decline in overall faith, I think that people my age care about our Church and the current situation. I know for myself, even though these awful tragedies have caused such pain among myself and my peers, I believe that change is possible. I hope for the future of our Church and a true sense of repentance and forgiveness. It is through this forgiveness that all wounds will be healed, and our Church will be able to move forward.

Fr. McFarland: I think the best defense in something like this is to help people think these things through and also take responsibility for them. They should not be believing or acting in a certain way because someone told them to. They have to come to their own informed decisions and to own them. That is what Jesuit spirituality, especially through the Spiritual Exercises, tries to do. And we try to do this in our courses—get people to question these things so they're not blindsided by something like this, to work it through intelligently, understand it and sort out the issue. On one level, the scandal is about the abuse of vulnerable children and young people. That is a terrible evil. It can ruin lives and tear apart families and communities, as it often has. The damage is often severe and long-lasting. At most, it can be mitigated through therapy for the victims; punishment, acknowledgment of the problem and appropriate treatment for the abusers; and better monitoring and control to prevent future occurrences. Sad to say, this is a widespread, though until recently, little recognized problem in our society. The statistics on the percentage of young people who are sexually abused before age 18 are appalling. Abuse by priests is a tiny percentage of this.

HCM: And yet, can we say that the sense of betrayal in clergy abuse cases is, somehow, more profoundly disturbing because of the fact that the abuser is also a symbol of a higher moral and ethical calling?

Fr. McFarland: People are deeply hurt and angered by what they see quite rightly as a betrayal of trust. To some extent, that is also an issue when a parent, teacher, babysitter or other person in a position of authority is the abuser. But with clergy there is the additional element of a sacred trust. When that is broken, it is especially shocking and painful because in some way people's religious faith and loyalty have been betrayed. Repairing that is much harder. On the one hand, people have to understand that priests and bishops are human and so therefore fail sometimes. That does not excuse them when they do, but people have to be prepared for the possibility. On the other hand, priests, bishops and other clergy have to take seriously the promises they made to serve God and the people, and understand the terrible damage that can result when they break those promises. Most importantly, clergy have to be held accountable. There can be no hiding behind the collar. The predominant identification of administrative and judicial power with the clerical state has to be revisited. It is no longer true—if it ever was—that clerics are the exclusive vessels of learning or divine wisdom. Nor are they, by their very nature, representative of the people. Good governance, however it develops, will certainly require more lay participation and responsibility. Some dioceses, including a number in the United States, are already moving in that direction, although more out of necessity—because of shortages of priests—than by design. In many cases, it seems to have worked well. It's likely to be a difficult process, requiring much study and discussion, but one of our major tasks as a Church over the next decade will be to fashion an effective system of governance that restores faith in the Church's authority.

HCM: Thank you all for participating in this forum.

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⁵ Visiting assistant professor of theology and religious education at Boston College and the author of Virtual Faith.
1943

Class Chair
James L. Carthy
Class Correspondent
Anthony N. Tomasiello

Cornelius V. "Conie" McGillicuddy has been named to the western New York Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame in recognition of his 60-year contribution to the sport in the region. Previously, he has been selected for induction into the Canisius High School, Western New York Basketball Officials and Greater Buffalo Sports halls of fame.

1951

Class Chair
Albert J. McEvoy Jr.
Rev. David B. Knight, who recently retired from parish ministry, is now working full time to establish a plan of spiritual development for the laity in parishes, titled "Immersed in Christ."

1953

Class Chair
Rev. Msgr. John J. Kelliher
For the sixth consecutive summer, Salvatore J. Parlato taught a week-long class for children, 8-11 years old, on "Sign Language and Finger Spelling." For information, call the Community Education.

1954

Class Chair
Barry R. McDonough
Class Correspondent
Paul F. Dupuis

Louis J. Dolan Jr. now has an office in Beverly Hills, Calif., for financial management, business development and research/ referral of legal matters; his pro bono activities include work with alcoholics and the homeless in West Los Angeles. In addition, Dolan has appeared in a variety of films and television shows.

1956

Class Chair
Barry Frank M. Duham
Rev. Donald L. Larkin, S.J., who returned to Jamaica about a year ago, has been serving as the coordinator of health and hospital ministry for the archdiocese, doing retreat and spirituality work and assisting in various churches on the weekends. Previously, he had taken a one-year sabbatical that concluded with a one-month course at the Tantur Ecumenical Institute in Jerusalem.

1941

Class Chair
John J. Ryan
Le Moyne College, Syracuse, N.Y., selected Rev. William J. Richardson, S.J., as the recipient of an honorary doctor of humane letters degree at its 52nd commencement ceremony held in May. Fr. Richardson is a professor of philosophy at Boston College.

1957

Class Co-Chairs
William J. Ellis
Raymond A. Nothuaugle
St. Mary’s Hospital Ossakke Foundation, Mequon, Wis., announced in August that Edwin C. Montgomery, M.D., has been selected as one of the first recipients of the Doerr Family “Tradition of Caring Award,” to be presented annually to an individual who demonstrates “an exceptional spirit of leadership in cementing the relationship between the hospital and the community.” Montgomery is president of the medical staff at St. Mary’s Hospital Ossakke and a pediatrician at Cedar Mills Medical Group in Cedarburg.

1958

Class Chair
Bradley A. Mclathy
Class Correspondent
Arthur J. Andreoli
Rev. Hugh F. Green, who serves as the pastor of Blessed Sacrament Church, Westminster, Mass., presided at the 40th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood in May.

1960

Class Co-Chairs
George M. Ford
George F. Sullivan Jr.

Robert A. Melley continues to work at Integrity Investments Inc. in Sarasota, Fl. The Washington Redskins recently selected Vincent I. Promuto as one of the “70 greatest Redskins of all time,” as part of the franchise’s 70th anniversary celebration.

1961

Class Chair
Joseph E. Dertinger Jr.
In June, John W. Hogan Jr., a senior principal of the New Haven, Conn., law firm of Hogan & Rini, was installed as the 2002-03 president-elect of the Connecticut Bar Association.

1962

Class Chair
William J. O’Leary Jr.
Richard D. Schaub is the recipient of the 2002 Golden Harvest Jim Currie Leadership Award presented by the Westchester Public/Private Partnership for Aging Services, of which he is a board member and treasurer. Schaub currently serves as the vice president of The Westchester County Association Inc. in White Plains, N.Y.

1963

Class Chair
Charles J. Buchta
Class Correspondent
Michael J. Toner
A dedication ceremony took place on Aug. 17 to mark completion of the first 100 Ethel R. Lawrence Homes — affordable housing units built in Mount Laurel, N.J., by the non-profit organization, Family Housing Development Corp., under the leadership of its founder and executive director, Peter J. O’Connor. The dedication marks the culmination of more than 30 years of legal work by O’Connor to meet the housing needs of low- and moderate-income individuals in the township. (see the story about O’Connor’s efforts on Page 24 of the fall 2002 edition of HCM).

1965

Class Co-Chairs
David J. Martel
Thomas F. McCabe Jr.

The June 17 edition of Crain’s New York Business included Arthur J. Mirante II, president and chief executive officer of Cushman & Wakefield Inc., and Robert C. Wright, chairman and chief executive officer of NBC, on its list of the “100 most influential leaders in business.”

1968

Class Co-Chairs
Alfred J. Carolan Jr.
John T. Collins
Brian W. Hotarek

John D. Aquilino Jr., is editor in chief of the nonprofit International Foundation for the Conservation of Natural Resources and a partner with PEAT Institute in Washington, D.C. Head coach of St. Jerome T-ball in Hyattsville, Md., he has started a nonprofit, “Friends of St. Jerome/Catholic Sportsmen Organization,” to raise money for athletic educational programs as an alternative to youth violence. In April, John R. Bioty Jr. accepted an associate’s position with Booz Allen Hamilton in McLean, Va., working on the defense team in strategy and analysis. James W. DiMarzo, president of the Buyer’s Agent, DiMarzo Realty Inc., located in Vero Beach, Fla., was recently selected for induction into “The Buyer’s Mostyn III was elected deputy general counsel and secretary of the Gillette Company in Boston.

1971

Class Chair
Robert B. Bonagura
Class Correspondent
Jerome J. Gara Jr.
Raymond E. Carey III has been selected as an inductee to the Hall of Honor of St. John’s Preparatory School, Danvers, Mass., as part of the school’s “95th Anniversary Gala,” celebrating its founding in 1907. A 1967 graduate of St. John’s, Carey has been associated with the school since 1977 where he serves as a teacher and track coach. Garen H. Graham, president of DeVry University – Columbus, Ohio, campus and regional vice president of DeVry University, has been honored by The Ohio State University’s Humanities Alumni Society with its Humanities Award of Distinction; the award recognizes the achievements of outstanding Ohio State alumni. In July, CNA Financial Corp. announced that Stephen W. Lilienthal has been named its chief executive officer, effective Aug. 26. Lilienthal, who had most recently been the president and chief executive of the CNA Property & Casualty operations, also was named chairman and chief executive of the CNA Insurance Co. executive division.

1972

Class Chair
Allan F. Kramer II
In February, the Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati Ohio, awarded Rabbi Norman M. Cohen the degree of doctor of divinity. Rabbi Cohen, who has served Beth Shalom Congregation in Hopkinton since its inception in 1981, now heads the congregation’s new syna...
1973
Class Co-Chairs Gregory G. Hynn
Edward P. Meyers

Joseph C. Carey has been appoint-
ed senior director, communications and public affairs, for the Society for Neuroscience in Washington, D.C. Philip J. Claradell has recently been appointed the chief executive officer of Tri-County Medical Associates Inc., a physician’s practice organization with Midford-Whitinsville Regional Hospital in Milford, Mass.

1974
Class Co-Chairs Brian R. Forts
Stanley J. Kostka Jr.

In April, Robert J. Brennan was sworn in as a Foreign Service officer for the U.S. State Department, with Secretary of State Colin Powell attending. Brennan accepted a post at the American Embassy in San Salvador, El Salvador, as of July 12. Henry P. Miranda has recently been appointed dean of the College of Natural Sciences of Colorado State University at Fort Collins. Miranda, who joined the faculty of Colorado State as an assistant professor of mathematics in 1981, has served as chairman of the mathematics department since 1986. Rev. Msgr. R. Francis Moore delivered a “Prelate of Honor” in August at Pope John Paul II’s pontifical Mass, which he presided. Brennan accepted a post at the American Embassy in San Salvador, El Salvador, as of July 12. Henry P. Miranda has recently been appointed dean of the College of Natural Sciences of Colorado State University at Fort Collins. Miranda, who joined the faculty of Colorado State as an assistant professor of mathematics in 1981, has served as chairman of the mathematics department since 1986. Rev. Msgr. R. Francis Moore delivered a “Prelate of Honor” in August at Pope John Paul II’s pontifical Mass, which he presided.

1975
Class Co-Chairs Joseph W. Cummings
Joseph A. Sasso Jr.

Richard C. Bean has been promot-
ed to the rank of colonel in the U.S. Air Force Reserve; he currently serves as a federal trial attorney with the Air Force Legal Services Agency at the courtroom litigation division, Atlanta, Va. Jerrold K. “Jerry” Brown has recently been promoted to “group senior vice president” for Textron Financial Corporation Asset Based Lending Group, an international finance company based in Providence, R.I. In this capacity, Brown has operation and portfolio management functions reporting to him. Mark A. Cowell has been named the new director of the CommonsHealth Employment Contracting Company (CHEC) in Boston. His responsibilities include leading CHEC in assisting persons with disabilities obtain the health insurance and services required for employment; improving the content and quality of health services and information; and facilitating communication and coordination among consumers, service providers and employers.

1976
Class Chair Thomas L. Ryan
Class Correspondent Thomas C. Healey
Cambridgeport Bank, Brighton, Mass., recently announced that Kathleen C. McGahan has joined the bank as a retail services manager for employment; improving the content and quality of health services and information; and facilitating communication and coordination among consumers, service providers and employers.

1977
Class Chair Kathleen T. Connolly
Shana P. Mathews
James W. Kayes is the chief executive officer of 7-Eleven Co. in Dallas, Texas. Mary A. “Maggie” Wilderotter has been named to the board of directors of Citizens Communications Co. in Stamford, Conn.

1978
Class Co-Chairs Marcia Hennelly Moran
Mark T. Murray
Michael H. Shanahan

The Aug. 30 edition of the Boston Business Journal included a profile of Joseph P. Fallon, who is now a principal of the Dallas, Texas-based real estate company, Trammell Crow Co.; he heads the brokerage team in the firm’s Boston office. Catherine “Kata” Chagum Coreseller, who is supervisor of psychiatric rehabilitation at Our Lady of Mercy Medical Center, Bronx, N.Y., and clinical associate to Bronx APA president, Seagaphi Dodds, M.D., recently received her fifth New York City achievement recognition award. Honored for heroism in the wake of the World Trade Center tragedy on Sept. 11, she had provided on-site counseling to emergency personnel and survivors. A regular contributor to Bronxnet TV’s “Westchester Cable,” Gressler is a Ph.D. candidate at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.; she had most recently been a guest lecturer at Fordham University in New York City.

1979
Class Co-Chairs Glennon L. Paredes
Deborah Pelles
Frances J. Cranston Jr. has accepted the full-time position of director of athletics at Quabbin Regional Jr.-Sr. High School in Barre, Mass. Cranston has coached wrestling at Quabbin for the past 23 years while operating his own insurance agency; he has recently sold the business. Robert D. Siefer is the principal and co-founder of Back Bay Financial Group, with offices in Boston and Wakefield, Mass.; the September issue of Mutual Fund Magazine listed Siefer as one of the 100 top advisors in the country.

1980
Class Co-Chairs J. Christopher Collins
Elizabeth Paloma Sprague
Kathleen L. Wise
Daniel J. Caglio teaches Latin at St. Edward High School, Lakewood, Ohio. The Boston-based company, Meredith & Grew Oncor, recently announced that Ronald K. Perry has been promoted to executive vice president and named to the firm’s executive committee. Perry is head of Meredith & Grew’s downtown brokerage team.

1981
Class Co-Chairs James G. Healy
Elizabeth Stevens Murdy
William J. Sopple
The Aug. 23, 2002 edition of the Boston Business Journal included a profile of Peter C. George, who, since last fall, has been the president and chief executive officer of the Concord, Mass.-based network security equipment company, Crossbeam Systems Inc. Rev. George B. Scates has recently been appointed the pastor of St. Mary’s Parish, Seekonk, Mass.

1982
Class Co-Chairs Jenny Kelly Cummings
Susan L. Sullivan
Kathy Rohrer Bulkeley and her hus-
band, Jon, announce the birth of their son, Samuel Jonathan, on Jan. 10. Michael C. Dugger has been awarded one of five 2002-03 Frances Hesselbein Community Innovation Fellowships through the Nonprofit Management. Duggan currently serves as the executive director of Domus, a nonprofit organization in Stamford, Conn., which operates a variety of programs for youth and their families in need, including a state charter school, three residential programs and a summer camp. Thomas L. Colofello recently joined the staff of Mercury, which recently merged with Van de Hey, a specialist firm, Van der Moolen in New York City; previously, he had been associated with Lyden, Dolan & Nick, which recently merged with Van de Hey.

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Richard W. Shea Jr.
Eugene J. "Gene" McMahon, M.D., who continues to work with Covenant HealthCare Inc. in Milwaukee, Wis., as the vice president for medical affairs, completed his M.B.A. in June at the Northern Michigan University Kellogg School of Management in Evanston, Ill. Denise G. Nash and her husband, Doug, announce the adoption of their son, Alexander, on April 19. Andrey was born June 11, 2000 in Arkhangelsk, Russia. Thomas R. Pulieo and his wife, Cathy ’86, announce the birth of their son, Brian, on May 30. Maureen McGrath Svoboda and her husband, Thomas, announce the birth of their daughter, Maggie, on June 28. Svoboda is in private practice on Long Island, N.Y.


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1990  

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Paul V. Backley  
Mark P. Hickstrom  

__Class Co-Representatives__
Lacy M. Villa  

Maria R. Bevacqua was a featured speaker at the two-day symposium, “Rethinking Rape/The Ethics and Politics of Sexual Assault,” held in March at Holy Cross as part of Women’s History Month. Cahill is an assistant professor of philosophy at Elon (N.C.) University and author of Rethinking Rape and Women on the Hill: Alumnae Reflect on Twenty Years of Coeducation, 1983-2003.

Michael J. Curitin and his wife, Sue ’93, announce the birth of their son, John “Jack” Joseph, on March 16. Kerry O’Shea Devine and her husband, Patrick, announce the birth of their son, Henry John, on May 26. Andrea Cox Fidurko and her husband, Bill, announce the birth of their son, Malachy Joseph, on June 20. Betsy Bodenrader Duming and her husband, Patrick, announce the birth of their son, Benoit) Gould and his wife, Eric, announce the birth of their daughter, Brooke Monique, on Oct. 26, 2001. Gould continues to work part-time as a speech-language pathologist for children in a private practice. Raymond T. Jorgensen and his wife, Talitha ’93, announce the birth of their son, Raymond Lord, on June 18. Mark P. Lepper and his wife, Meredith ’93, announce the birth of their son, Benjamin Wilson, on Aug. 11, 2001. Kristina (Shields) Lutz and her husband, Eric, announce the birth of their daughter, Anna Mae, on April 3. Christian Fareideh Nolan and her husband, Ken, announce the birth of their daughter, Kailey, on March 30. Anthony S. Olliva, M.D., and his wife, Debra, announce the birth of their daughter, Mary Grace Justice, on April 30, Oliva, who has completed his residency in general surgery at Mercy Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pa., is relocating with his family to Ashboro, N.C., to begin practice as a general surgeon.

Kelly (Thompson) Reilly and her husband, Francis, announce the birth of their son, Owen Thompson, on May 15. Reilly is working as the manager of management development at Staples Inc. Priscilla (Periconi) Soumalis and her husband, Thomas, announce the birth of their son, Alexander Thomas, on Dec. 6, 2001.

1992  

**Class Co-Chairs**  
Heather L. Keaveny  
Sean T. Keaveny  
Christopher J. Serb  

Kathleen (Coleman) Anderson is the clinical coordinator at the Sisters of Charity Health Systems in Leviston, Maine. Lauren (Hickman) Carroll and her husband, Patrick, announce the birth of their daughter, Killian John, on April 21. McNamara, who works as an attorney in Boston with the firm of Testa, Hurvit & Thibeault, concentrates his practice on business and real estate employment law.

Cmrd. Gregory J. Ridolfi, USN, and his wife, Donna ’94, announce the birth of their son, Dominic Christian, on June 6. Ridolfi is currently stationed in Gaeta, Italy, with the staff of the Sixth Fleet.


1993  

**Class Co-Chairs**  
Patrick J. Comerford  
Patrick J. Sannozetti Jr.  

Karin (Scruby) Boucher and her husband, Tim, announce the birth of their son, Daniel William, on Dec. 5, 2000, and their daughter, Kiera Grace, on June 15. Mary Louis, on Jan. 17. Susan (Powers) Curtin and her husband, Mike ’91, announce the birth of their son, John “Jack” Joseph, on March 16. Katherine A. (Pothier) “Katie” DeCantar and her husband, Mark, announce the birth of their daughter, Grace, on March 27. Martha (Leonard) Deely works at Boston College as the associate director of gift and estate planning. Martin D. Eagen recently opened his own law practice in Morrisstown, N.J., specializing in real estate transactions and personal injury litigation.

Shannon Carroll Haley is an occupational therapist for the Braintree (Mass.) Public Schools. Kristina Emily Holland has accepted a position at the Loessian Chaffee School in Hingham, Conn., teaching Latin and English. Talitha Lord Jorgensen and her husband, Ray ’91, announce the birth of their son, Raymond Lord, on June 18. Elena E. Koebel and her husband, Bill, announce the birth of their daughter, Emma Kathryn, on March 23. Meredith P. Lepper and her husband, Mark ’91, announce the birth of their children, Benjamin Wilson, on Aug. 11, 2001. Michael G. Magee Jr., who teaches English at the Rhode Island School of Design in Providence, R.L., recently had his first book of poems published in 2001; the collection is titled Morning Constitutional.

Susanna (Riebesell) Magee, M.D., who completed her family medicine residency in June 2001 at Brown University, Providence, R.L., is continuing at Brown as a fellow in maternal child health and pursuing her master of public health degree. Matthew J. McCusker, who works for J.D. Edwards in Costa Mesa, Calif., recently completed his M.B.A. at Pepperdine University’s Graziadio School of Business Management in Culver City, Calif. Timothy W. O’Brien and his wife, Keri, announce the birth of their son, Nicholas Saunders, on Feb. 6. O’Brien, who completed his M.B.A. at Duke University, Durham, N.C., in May 2000, is a finance manager at Merck & Co. in Whitehouse Station, N.J., supporting Merck’s subsidiaries in Europe. The Aug. 22 edition of the Reading Advocate included a Q&A with Peter J. O’Malley and his wife, Lauren ’90, about their work as caretakers of the historic Parker Tavern in Reading, Mass. Kyle Barry and Noel J. Pardo announce the birth of their daughter, tan Patrick, on Aug. 24, 2001. William E. Walker Jr. and his wife, Dana, announce the birth of their son, Bryce William, on June 3.


1994  

**Class Co-Chairs**  
Julia E. Gentile McCann  
Amanda M. Murphy  

Allison (Liddy) Camandella and her husband, Matthew ’93, announce the birth of their daughter, Mary Louis, on June 3. Matthew B. Dudley and his wife, Vickie, announce the birth of their daughter, Elizabeth Ana, on March 16. Megan C. Cehan is now the director of VOCAL AFAR, a federally funded program that provides counseling services to the families of Sept. 11 and the crisis responders. Robert E. Hager, M.D., has joined the medical doctor residency program at the Greenough (Conn.) Hospital, an affiliate of the Yale University School of Medicine. Meghan (Macamana) and L. Timothy Hallerman announce the birth of their son, Colleen Macamana, on July 14. Brian P. Nigri and his wife, Cheryl, announce the birth of their daughter, Greg ’92, announce the birth of their son, Dominic John, on June 3. Edward J. “Red” Rinek has been working with the pharmaceutical company, Healthpoint, for the last three years. Elizabeth A. Walsh, who received her master of arts degree in Spanish from California State University in conjunction with La Universidad Nacional de Costa Rica in November 2001, is a Spanish teacher and head field hockey coach at Cranford (N.J.) High School; she is also an adjunct professor of education at Saint Rose Hall University. In 2001-02, Walsh taught in two Mexican Federal Schools in Veracruz, as part of the Fulbright Teacher Exchange program.

Steve Shaheen ’95 and the Memoria Project

By Phyllis Hanlon

Little did Stephen Shaheen ’95 dream that his brief flirtation with art as an undergraduate student would lead to national recognition for a breathtaking sculpture created to commemorate those who perished in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. But that’s exactly what happened.

Graduating with a double major in visual arts and classics, Shaheen pursued his artistic aspirations first as a musician. He and his college band buddies moved their renditions of rock, folk and alternative tunes, as well as some original songs, from Mount St. James to the nightlife scene in Boston. But when the lead singer’s departure initiated the break up of the band, Shaheen accepted a teaching post at Christian Brothers Academy in his home state of New Jersey.

After his first year of teaching, Shaheen booked a backpacking trip to Italy that would eventually redirect his future. Museum visits and his travels in and around Tuscany and Florence fed the starving artist inside. “My interest was catalyzed after my first few months in Italy, especially being surrounded by the finest examples of stone sculpture that exist in Western art,” he says. Enamored with the country, its language and culture, he contemplated canceling his return ticket to the United States, but reconsidered, and completed a second year of teaching before pursuing his artistic goals in Europe.

Before Shaheen could begin Italian language classes at Sienna University, he found himself faced with the opportunity of enrolling in a sculpting program. Always fascinated by stone sculpting—“It’s a strong and good way to express yourself in a natural material without getting into welding and steel”—and a diehard Michelangelo fan, Shaheen wanted to play a role in preserving this demanding, complex, dying art. “Most people have forgotten the proper techniques for carving stone,” he says. “I wanted to regain some of that knowledge and open up a door through which I’ve always wanted to pass.”

Alongside a mix of people, some of whom were interested in artistic applications of stonework and others who leaned toward more commercial purposes, Shaheen began basic, but intense classes. “It was like Sculpture 101. How do you wield a chisel? How do you cut stone? How do you make planes? How do you measure? There’s a progression you go through,” Shaheen says. “You start with simple forms, then graduate to more classical sculpture, reliefs, capitals for columns. Then, after making copies, you make originals.”

When the terrorist attacks occurred in the United States, Shaheen was still in Italy. The full impact of the tragedy didn’t penetrate until he was back on American soil in his Sandy Hook neighborhood. Where once he could view the Twin Towers from across the wide stretch of water, he now saw an empty sky. The inspiration to fill that void sprung from his passion for sculpting and a strong desire to memorialize the victims of the tragedy, including the 150 people from his county who perished that day. With no fund-raising experience and a mere two-year training in the art of sculpting, Shaheen embarked on a monumental task. As president of the Memoria Project, he approached several government agencies for permits and a number of companies for services and goods. In May 2002, Vermont Quarries Corporation donated four blocks of Imperial White Danby marble, weighing 20,000 pounds each and worth approximately $31,000. The Virginia Mist Group Inc. contributed granite worth more
than $60,000 to the project.

Within an incredible two-month period—from June 6 to July 25—Shaheen, together with his master teachers from Tuscany, Marcello Sennati and Ampelio Rinaldi, worked six days of eight-to-10 hours a day to complete the centerpiece of the project before the self-imposed deadline of the tragedy’s first anniversary. From the raw materials, a male and female figure materialized, communicating transition, ruin, entrapment, emergence and awakening, all dependent on the viewer’s perspective, according to Shaheen. Five granite boulders on which the names of all the victims will be carved will encircle the monument. A number of families and individuals affected by the attacks also stepped forward to offer assistance.

Shaheen chose to work on the sculptures on the beach at Sandy Hook to give the general public a chance to view art in the making and to participate in a project intended to commemorate as well as to promote healing. Due to government regulations, the project has been moved temporarily to nearby Highlands, N.J., an important evacuation site following the terrorist attacks. “More than any other town around here, Highlands played a major role in Sept. 11. It was a major triage and evacuation set-up point because there are two ferry services that go right into downtown New York,” Shaheen says. “They got 10,000 people out of the cities that day. The townspeople felt that event as participants.”

Shaheen admits that his training as a sculptor is incomplete. The unfinished Memoria Project still needs a permanent home, and a bust of Michelangelo sits in the studio in Italy awaiting completion. To round out his education, he is required to perform an internship with experienced sculptors as he develops his own style and technique. For now, Shaheen is trying to make sense of the creative evolution he has experienced in the last several years. “It’s been an interesting journey,” he says. “In some ways, it’s probably just beginning.”

To read more about the Memoria Project, log on to www.memoriaproject.com.
tic and emotionally disturbed children. Kara M. Migliorelli, who received her master’s in journalism with a concentration in broadcast from the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism in May 2001, was relocated to Amarillo, Texas, where she is the 5 p.m. NBC and 9 p.m. Fox news producer at KAMW-Television.

Jenia (DiLoreto) Noble, who is currently employed as the director of the consumer complaint and information section in the Office of the Attorney General in Boston; in May, she completed her first year at Suffolk University School of Law, also in Boston. In May, Christine A. Rogers received her master’s degree in secondary education from Fitchburg (Mass.) State College.

Sarah McSweeney Ryan M.D. is in her second-year residency in pediatrics at Boston Children’s Hospital.

Robert K. Sanchez Jr. is currently a project manager at Electronic Data Systems (EDS) in Plano, Texas. John T. Szeghy recently accepted a position as a project manager for Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield’s east elllusion.

Capt. Jason E. Taouche, USMC, who was recalled to active duty, is completing a six-month deployment in Kuwait in support of Operation Enduring Freedom before returning to Camp Pendleton, Calif.


1998

Class Co-Chairs
Christian P. Browne
Alyssa R. Hotte
Eric B. Javier

Caroline Drazl Amendt, who graduated from the University of Connecticut in December 2001, is now completing her clinical fellowship in audiology at the Children’s Hospital in Boston. Cheryl Bodek, a member of the U.S. State Department Foreign Service, is currently serving as a vice consul at the U.S. Embassy in Manila, the Philippines. Michelle S. Cadin, who received her degree from Catholic University Law School in May, is currently working for the Washington, D.C., law firm of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky & Popeo as an associate in its communications practice. Erin K. Clarke works as a speech language pathologist at The River School in Washington, D.C., assisting students with cochlear implants and hearing loss. The Boston-based company, Vitale, Caturano & Co.

recently announced that Allison H. Eybert has been appointed to its staff as a senior associate. Eybert’s responsibilities include providing a wide variety of tax, accounting and business advisory services for the firm.

Laura A. Gilboy, M.D., in her fourth year of medical school at Tufts University in Boston. Kelly M. Kavanaugh is a third-grade teacher at the Cos Cob School in Greenwich, Conn. Clifford J. Kirvan Jr. is currently pursuing his M.B.A. at Gannon University in Erie, Pa.

LL Miniam S. Merz, M.D., U.S.N., received her degree from Dartmouth Medical School, Hanover, N.H., in June; she is currently serving her internship as a lieutenant at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md.

Tiffany Fein Olshon is a teacher in the Boston Public Schools. Emil Penarubia was one of 10 recipients of the 2000 Fullbright Teacher Exchange Fellowship to Italy; while there, he studied at the American Academy in Rome and at the Villa Vergiliana in Naples. Upon his return, Penarubia received a teaching fellowship from Brandeis University, Waltham, Mass., to survey various ancient sites in Greece. He recently received tenure in the classics department at Boston College High School where she also directs the BC High Jazz Band.

Megan F. Pinch, who received her M.A. degree in photography from SUNY-Brockport in December 2001, has accepted a position as a visiting assistant professor in the visual arts department at Holy Cross for the 2002-03 academic year.

Eric J. Scholten, who was ordained to the Gospel Ministry last November, works as a youth pastor in Lake City, Fla. Steven M. Solano is a third-year student at the University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester.

Morgan M. Tini is pursuing his Ph.D. in psychology at Stony Brook University.


1999

Class Co-Chairs
Roland A. Baroni III
Sara F. Slater

The Aug. 22 edition of Cape Cod Times included a story about volunteers, including Melissa A. Cunningham, who recently served an 11-month stint with AmeriCorps Cape Cod. Cunningham was one of 21 recruits to graduate in August from the environmentally focused national service program.

Jonathan B. Mertz is currently a management trainee at Braishfield Associates, Inc., in its Orlando, Fla., office. The July 19 edition of the Vermont Catholic Tribune included a story about Joseph J. O’Dea Jr., who is serving as a lay volunteer with the congregation of Christian Brothers in Canto Grande, Peru. O’Dea, who teaches physical education at Fery y Alegría, a Jesuit-built, Christian Brothers-operated school, also coaches basketball, assists with an evening computer program for students, advises at a computer laboratory and works at an English language clinic.

MARRIED: Colleen D. Mooney and James M. Vaeclaris, on July 13, at St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church in Center Moriches, N.Y.

Erratum: Michael P. McHugh ’01 did run in the Anchorage marathon as noted in the summer ’02 issue of Holy Cross Magazine; he was not, however, sponsored or employed by Speedo. McHugh has now completed his studies and graduated from Northeastern University in Boston.
1922

John L. Baker
May 15, 2002

In Maine, at 82. Mr. Baker, who had been a certified public accountant in New York City for 25 years, retired from Weyerhauser Corp. in 1965. One of the original members of the Portland, Maine, chapter of S.C.O.R.E. (Service Corporation of Retired Executives), he had been associated with the organization for 20 years. Mr. Baker is survived by two nephews; two grandnieces; and two grandnephews.

1929

George S. Browne
Aug. 18, 2002

In Georgia, at 90. Mr. Moriarty had worked approximately 40 years for the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Rural Electrification Administration, retiring in 1976 as the personnel director. During World War II, he served in the Navy. Mr. Moriarty had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Catherine; a daughter; Thomas J. ’39; and three grandchildren.

1933

Edward J. Moriarty
Aug. 5, 2002

In Quaboag on the Common, West Brookfield, Mass., at 89, after an illness. Mr. Earls had been a U.S. Postal Service worker in Southbridge, Mass., from 1937 until his retirement in 1972. He had also worked part time for the Public House Restaurant in Sturbridge, Mass., for 14 years. Active in community affairs, Mr. Earls had been president of the Sturbridge Senior Center, co-founder of its Noontime Meal Program and a member of the town’s Council on Aging. During the 1930s and ’40s, he served as a youth football coach in Southbridge and helped the towns of Brimfield and Wales organize their first Little League programs. Mr. Earls had also been involved in the establishment of the first Tantasqua Regional High School Committee in 1951. He is survived by his wife, Helen; five sons, including Thomas P. ’67, two daughters; two sisters; and nephews and nieces.

1934

Arthur M. Earls
July 2, 2002

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1935

Leonard V. Avery Sr.
July 2, 2002

At Epoch Senior Health Care of Worcester, Mass., at 89. During his career, Mr. Avery had been a Boston police officer, superintendent of the Lyman School for Boys in Westboro, Mass., and superintendent of the Connolly Youth Center in Boston. He is survived by two sons, including Kevin T., D.M.D., ’65; a daughter; a stepson; two stepdaughters; 12 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

1936

James B. Gibson
Aug. 7, 2002

At Charlotte Hungerford Hospital, Torrington, Conn., at 87. During his career, Mr. Gibson had worked at the Fitzgerald Manufacturing Co., Hamilton Standard, and taught industrial arts at Bloomfield (Conn.) High School. He was a former member of the Goshen Players; the Silver Belles and Beaux; the Torrington Board of Education; and the Democratic Town Committee. Mr. Gibson had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by four sons, including James W. ’74; two daughters; 14 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

1937

John F. Fagan, M.D.
July 15, 2002

At Cambridge (Mass.) Hospital, at 86, after a lengthy illness. Prior to his retirement, Dr. Fagan had worked many years as a surgeon at Cambridge (Mass.) Hospital, St. Elizabeth’s Hospital and Mount Auburn Hospital. During World War II, he served as a lieutenant commander in the Navy; he also saw active duty with the Marine Corps in the South Pacific during the war. Dr. Fagan is survived by his wife, Catherine; a son; a daughter; and two grandchildren.

1939

C. Keefe “Con” Hurley
Aug. 19, 2002

Keefe “Con” Hurley died Aug. 19 at his home in North Falmouth, Mass., at 96. A trial attorney, Mr. Hurley had been a partner in the Boston law firm of Hale & Dorr for 40 years. Previously, he had worked for the Department of Justice, first in Washington, in the early days of the New Deal, and later as an assistant U.S. attorney in Boston. During his career, Mr. Hurley had been a friend and advisor to the late former U.S. Speaker of the House, Thomas P. “Tip” O’Neill Jr., and the late Red Sox outfielder, Ted Williams. Working with Bob Cousy ’50 and Vern Mickelson, he had been involved in forming the National Basketball Players Association. A member of the Holy Cross varsity baseball team, Mr. Hurley led the Crusaders to a national collegiate championship; he was elected to the College Hall of Fame in 1980. After graduation, he signed with the New York Giants and played a year with the Toledo Mud Hens, coached by Casey Stengel. A 1978 recipient of the In Hoc Signo Award, Mr. Hurley had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He received his degree from Georgetown University Law School in Washington, D.C. Mr. Hurley is survived by his son, Cornelius K. Jr., ’68; four daughters; a sister; 18 grandchildren, including Cornelius K. III ’03; and 15 great-grandchildren.
Mr. Smith, an attorney, died Sept. 1 at his home in Belmont, Mass., at 77, after a battle with cancer.

During his career, Mr. Smith had worked as a counsel in litigation in the law department of the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Boston. A member of the American Bar Association (ABA), he had been active on numerous ABA committees.

Mr. Smith had also been involved in community affairs in Belmont, serving as a town meeting member for many years. In addition, he had been a volunteer at Mount Auburn Hospital in Cambridge, Mass.

A member and past vice president of the board of directors of the Goose Rocks Beach Association in Kennebunkport, Maine, Mr. Smith was honored by the association for his 35 years of service as a dedicated volunteer. A World War II veteran, he served in the Navy as a navigation officer aboard the USS Sabik in the Pacific. Following the war, he received his degree from Boston University School of Law; he then completed an advanced managerial program at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; and a business program at Columbia University in New York City.

Mr. Smith had been an active Holy Cross alumnus, serving as the past editor of the Crossbow and as the past president of the Holy Cross Club of Boston, the General Alumni Association (GAA) and the Alumni Sodality. A former member of the Alumni Board, the Alumni Board Senate and the Athletic Council, he had served on various GAA committees, including In Hoc Signo; Nominations & Elections; the Alumni Executive Committee; Budget & Finance; the GAA Study Committee; and the Summer Fellowship Committee.

He had also been a member of the committee to establish the Sanctae Crucis Awards. Mr. Smith had been the chairman of his 50th-class reunion; a Holy Cross class chair and class agent and a member of the President’s Council. He was a recipient of the In Hoc Signo Award in 1966 and the Monsignor Haberlin Award.

Mr. Smith is survived by his wife, Ann; two sons; two daughters, including Janet M. ’78; a sister; nine grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.
grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

1944
Francis A. Carrier
Sept. 8, 2002
At his home in Alexandria, Va. Prior to his retirement in 1988, Mr. Carrier had worked 14 years for General Dynamics. Previously, he had served 30 years in the Navy.

1945
William L. Kellick Jr.
Aug. 18, 2002
At his home in Lewiston, N.Y., at Aug. 18, 2002 William L. Kellick Jr. served in the Army. He is survived by three daughters; four grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

1946
Lawrence J. Malloy
July 15, 2002
In San Diego, Calif. Mr. Malloy is survived by two sons; and five daughters.

1947
Thomas F. Howard Jr.
July 19, 2002
At John Dempsey Hospital, Farmington, Conn., at 76. During his career, Mr. Howard had served 25 years as the assistant headmas-

ter of the Robinson School in West Hartford, Conn. He then became the assistant director of the A.J. Prince Regional Technical School in Hartford, Conn., and, subsequently, assistant director of the El Whitney Vocational School in Hamden, Conn. Mr. Howard had also been the assistant director of the E.G. Goodwin Technical School in New Britain, Conn., returning in the mid-1980s. He was the former president of the Exchange Club of West Hartford and the East Farms Civic Association in Farmington. Mr. Howard is survived by his wife, Bernice; a son; a daughter; and three grandchildren.

1948
Stephen A. Ferguson
Aug. 25, 2002
At his home in Worcester, at 76. A longtime Worcester attorney, Mr. Ferguson had founded Ferguson Law Firm; his three sons later joined him in the practice. A specialist in eminent domain law, he was certified to practice before the Supreme Court. From 1968 to 1974, Mr. Ferguson had been an assistant to the Massachusetts attorney general. He had also served as a president of the Worcester Public Library board of directors, the Massachusetts Bar Association and the Worcester County Bar Association.

1952
William P. Walsh
Sept. 13, 2002
William Walsh died in New York on Sept. 13, after a brief illness, at 72. During his career, Mr. Walsh had served in the law department of the New York State Supreme Court, Nassau County, for more than 30 years, retiring in November 2000 as a principal court attorney. Previously, he had been associated with the law firms of Townley Updike in New York City and Bennett, Kaye & Scholey, in Rockville Centre, N.Y.

Active in many civic, religious and professional organizations, he had served as a member of the Regis High School Alumni Association Executive Council in New York City and past president of the Catholic Lawyers Guild of the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

Mr. Walsh had been a charter member and past president of the Holy Cross Club of Long Island, N.Y., a former president of the Holy Cross General Alumni Association, and a Holy Cross class agent; in 1992, he was awarded the In Hoc Signo Award. A Navy veteran, Mr. Walsh served on active duty from 1952 to 1954 and, again, during the Berlin crisis, from 1961 to 1962, attaining the rank of lieutenant.

Mr. Walsh is survived by his wife, Dorothy; three daughters, including Maribeth '83 and Nora Walsh Loughnane '85; son-in-law, John G. Loughnane '87; and seven grandchildren.
Archbishop Emeritus Samuel E. Carter, S.J., Honorary '70
Sept. 3, 2002

A
rchbishop Emeritus Samuel E. Carter, S.J., died Sept. 3 at the University of West Indies Hospital in Kingston, Jamaica, at 83.

Named archbishop of the Archdiocese of Kingston in 1970, Archbishop Carter, Jamaica’s first native-born Roman Catholic archbishop, served in this capacity for almost 25 years. During his ministry, he fostered educational opportunities, spearheaded the ecumenical movement and advocated for the needs of the poor and the elderly, writing many pastoral letters in defense of social justice and in opposition to the death penalty.

At the start of his career, Archbishop Carter taught Latin for two years and worked as a civil servant for three years before entering the Jesuit Novitiate, Shadowbrook, in Lenox, Mass., in 1944. Ten years later, following completion of his philosophical and theological studies and a year of teaching in the sociology department at Holy Cross, he was ordained to the priesthood. He then completed further study in ascetical theology at St. Beuno’s College in North Wales, England; earned a master’s degree in social work at Boston College; and received training in family life and counseling at the Catholic University in Washington, D.C. Archbishop Carter returned to Jamaica in 1958 to serve as assistant parish priest and master of ceremonies at Holy Trinity Cathedral Parish. He founded Campion College the following year and served as headmaster until 1964 when he became the rector at St. George’s College.

Appointed auxiliary bishop of Jamaica in 1966, Archbishop Carter also had served as pastor of Holy Cross Church in Kingston, which had been established by Bishop Joseph N. Dinand, former president of Holy Cross and namesake of the College library.

Archbishop Carter served as president of the Antilles Conference of Bishops in 1968 and represented the Antilles Bishops at the Second Synod in Rome in 1969. He was elected chairman of the Caribbean Conference of Churches and president of the Jamaican Council of Churches. Following his retirement in 1994, he maintained an active ministry, serving as vice chairman of the Jamaica Foundation for Children; president of the Commission on Ecumenism; and director and vice chairman of Citizens Action for Free and Fair Elections.

In 1970, Archbishop Carter received an honorary doctor of laws degree from Holy Cross, in recognition of “his priestly service on behalf of the poor,” “his leadership in the ecumenical movement in the Caribbean region,” and “his truly broad and apostolic vision.” He is survived by a brother; and three sisters.

Lawyers; and a co-founder of the American Society of Law and Medicine, Mr. Reed had been a member of the Massachusetts Bar since 1954. During World War II, he served in the Army as a staff sergeant. A member of the Holy Cross track team for four years, he competed in the U.S. Olympic Trials in the decathlon event in 1949. Mr. Reed was a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by his wife, Marie; a son, Barry C. Jr.; three daughters, including Susan R. Reed-Bettis ’82; a sister; nine grandchildren; many nephews and nieces; and cousins.

1950
William J. Gettens
June 13, 2002

In Long Island Jewish Hospital, Queens, N.Y., at 82. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Gettens had been a product and advertising writing executive in the international division of Westinghouse Corp. An advocate for children with autism, he served three years as commissioner of the New York City Child Guidance Commission. In addition, he created the organization “Task Force Teach” in New York and served as chairman of the board of directors of the Queens’ chapter of the National Society for Autistic Children. A Navy veteran of World War II, Mr. Gettens served as a medic on destroyer duty in the Philippines and Okinawa. He is survived by three sons. His brother was the late Francis H. ’41.

Louis R. Sandini
Aug. 10, 2002

In the Hospice Residence, Worcester, at 87, after a struggle with cancer. Mr. Sandini, an attorney, had been associated for many years with the Marlborough, Mass., law firm of DiBuone Morte & Rowe. He later worked for Realty World of Marlborough, division B-Battery 322 and saw action in five major battles—Normandy, Ardennes, North France, the Rhineland and Central Europe. The recipient of the Bronze Star and good conduct medal, he was the judge advocate during the Battle of the Bulge. An active member and past president of the Boston and national chapters of the 83rd infantry division, he served five years as a member of its board of directors and as chairman for 2001-02. Mr. Sandini was the author of the book “Red Flag Circus,” which depicted his war experiences. He is survived by his wife, Patsey; a daughter; a brother; seven stepsons; a grandson and granddaughter; 13 great-grandchildren; four step-great-grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces. His brother was the late Anthony B. ’50.

1952
Pasquale W. Fulginiti
March 21, 2002

In UMass Memorial Medical Center–university campus, Worcester, at 73, after an illness. Prior to his retirement in 1988, Mr. Fulginiti had owned the Pasticcino (Mass.) Inn for 11 years; previously, he had owned a pub/nightclub in Worcester from 1972 to 1978. Mr. Fulginiti had worked for more than 20 years with Boston Mutual Insurance Company, retiring as a regional manager in 1972. He is survived by a son; a daughter; two brothers; a sister; a grandson; and many nephews and nieces.

John P. Leemhuis Sr.
July 24, 2002

In Pennsylvania, at 71. Mr. Leemhuis had been associated with the Quinn Law Firm, Erie, Pa., for 41 years, retiring in 2000 as a senior partner. Active in civic affairs, he had served on various boards, including Spectrum Control Inc.; Morris Coupling Co.; WQLN; Niagara League; Mercyhurst College; and St. Vincent Health Center Board of Incorporators. Mr. Leemhuis was also a past president and secretary of the Erie County Bar Association and a former member of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission. A Navy veteran, he served as a dorsal gunnery officer aboard the destroyer USS Ross and worked in U.S. Navy communications for three years while stationed in Port Lyanti, French Morocco. Mr. Leemhuis retired from the service as a commander after 20 years in the naval reserves. He is survived by his wife, Charla; two sons; two daughters, including Louise Leemhuis Downs; a brother; and 10 grandchildren.

Siegfried T. Runge
July 18, 2002

At Hartford (Conn.) Hospital, at 71. During his career, Mr. Runge had worked 36 years with the Connecticut General Life Insurance Company, managing offices in Hartford, Chicago and Pittsburgh before becoming an officer in the company as a director of health cost containment. During the Korean War, he served in the Army as a member of JAG in Okinawa. Mr. Runge is survived by his wife, Joyce; four sons; a daughter; 11 grandchildren; a brother; and four sisters.

Bennie M. Waruszyla
Aug. 17, 2002

At his home in Haverhill, Mass., at 74. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Waruszyla had been a teacher in the Everett, Mass., public school system for 31 years. During World War II, he served in the Navy as a member of JAG in Okinawa. Mr. Runge is survived by his wife, Jeanne; two sons; a sister; and two grandchildren.

1953
Joseph A. Clair III
May 31, 2002

In New York, at 70. During his career, Mr. Clair had been a self-employed financial planner. A veteran, he had served with the U.S. Coast Guard. Mr. Clair had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Rosemary; nine sons; seven daughters; and 52
grandchildren.  

John J. Murphy Jr.  

Sept. 13, 2002  

At the Lahey Clinic Medical Center, Burlington, Mass., at 74. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Murphy had been a salesman for the Avery Label Co. for more than 35 years. During his career he had also volunteered as an aide to former Massachusetts Gov. John A. Volpe and served as a former chairman of the Wakefield (Mass.) Board of Selectmen. During the Korean War, Mr. Murphy had been a corporal in the Marine Reserves. A member of the Holy Cross football team, he later played with the Quincans, Va., Marine Corps football team; while stationed at Quincans, he was a Golden Glove heavyweight boxer. Mr. Murphy had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Frances; three sons; and a daughter.  

John K. O’Connor  

July 2002  

At his home in Northfield, Ill., at 70. During his career, Mr. O’Connor had been associated for many years with the Chicago, Ill., law firm of Lord, Bissell & Brook, retiring in 1995 as a managing partner. Active in community affairs, he volunteered at the Howard Area Community Center in Rogers Park and served as president of the Wilmette Public Library Board. Mr. O’Connor had been a member of the President’s Council at Holy Cross. He is survived by a son; four daughters, including Mary Ann ’77 and Ellen Racyk ’81; a brother; two sisters; and nine grandchildren.  

1954  

Richard A. Guthrie  

July 15, 2002  

At Neville Manor, Cambridge, Mass., at 70. Prior to his retirement in 1984, Mr. Guthrie had maintained a private law practice in Springfield, Mass. At the start of his career in 1957, he worked as an attorney for Mr. Donut. Mr. Guthrie later relocated to Wilbraham, Mass., where he had been employed as counsel for Friendly’s Ice Cream; he opened his own practice in Springfield in 1972. Active in civic affairs, Mr. Guthrie had been a member of the Democratic Town Committee and the town Board of Appeals in Wilbraham; he had also held the post of town counsel in the early 1970s. Appointed Massachusetts assistant attorney general in 1972, Mr. Guthrie had served under Robert Quinn. A veteran of the Korean War, he had been in the Army from 1954 to 1956. Mr. Guthrie is survived by two sons; two daughters; three grandchildren; two brothers; and nephews and nieces.  

1955  

Thomas K. McShane  

Aug. 28, 2002  

In Oregon, at 68. Mr. McShane had worked for many years as a life and health insurance broker in California prior to his retirement in 1998. At the start of his career, he served as a reporter and news editor for a variety of suburban newspapers. A Navy veteran, Mr. McShane served aboard the destroyer USS Brown as an anti-submarine warfare officer from 1955-57. Stationed out of San Diego, Calif., he remained on Navy reserve until 1987. Mr. McShane had been a Holy Cross class agent. He is survived by his wife, Terry; two sons; five daughters; two stepchildren; two sisters; and 19 grandchildren.  

1956  

William G. Kerwick  

June 11, 2002  

In New York, at 67. Mr. Kerwick practiced law in Baldwin, N.Y., for 43 years. A member of the New York State Bar Association, he was a past director of the Nassau County Bar Association and Catholic Lawyers, and the past president of the Criminal Courts Bar Association; he had also been the co-chair of the Elder Law Committee. In addition, Mr. Kerwick served as a member of the Board of Sponsors of Mercy Hospital, chairman of the Mercy Ball and past president and charter member of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick of Long Island; he had been an active worker and supporter of the Bethany House for Homeless Women and Children in Roosevelt. Mr. Kerwick is survived by his wife, Constance; a son; three daughters; and 10 grandchildren.  

1957  

James P. Vacco  

May 12, 2002  

At the Cleveland Clinic, Naples, Fla., at 64. During his career, Mr. Vacco had been an IRS agent, vice president of Volume Buyers and a partner in Wildwood Realty. He is survived by his wife, Kathy; a son; two daughters; two stepdaughters; a sister; and three grandchildren.  

1959  

Robert J. Maloney  

June 13, 2002  

In Missouri, at 64. Mr. Maloney is survived by three sons; a daughter; his mother; a brother; two sisters; and seven grandchildren.  

1960  

Joseph A. Lucido Sr.  

June 11, 2002  

At Jordan Hospital, Plymouth, Mass., at 63. During his career, Mr. Lucido taught mathematics, Latin and French and coached lacrosse, football and baseball. He also owned and operated Lucido Real Estate and Bay Mortgage Services, Inc., of Plymouth. Mr. Lucido is survived by his wife, Marica; three sons; two daughters; and three grandchildren.  

1962  

Ralph W. Romano Jr., M.D.  

June 30, 2002  

In Austerlitz, N.Y. Dr. Romano, a radiation oncologist, had worked at St. Vincent’s Medical Center in Bridgeport, Conn., and maintained a private practice in Southport. He is survived by his wife, Alexandra; and a sister.  

1977  

Thomas G. Burke  

Aug. 6, 2002  

At his home in Connecticut, at 46, after a brief illness. Mr. Burke had served as an associate professor of medicinal chemistry and pharmaceutics at the University of Kentucky since 1996. Previously, he had been an assistant professor, College of Pharmacy, at Ohio State University. Mr. Burke is survived by his wife, Lori-Jo; two sons; two brothers; two sisters; three nephews; and a niece.  

1978  

Paul E. Taylor  

June 23, 2002  

In Illinois, at 45. During his career, Mr. Taylor served as a captain in the U.S. Air Force. He had been a member of the Church of St. Mary in Lake Forest and the American Legion Post 264, Lake Forest, Ill. Mr. Taylor received his master’s degree in business from Embry-Riddle University in 1985 and his juris doctor degree from DePaul University, Chicago, Ill., in 2000. He is survived by his wife, Jill; his parents; two brothers; a sister; and a nephew and nieces.  

1980  

Joseph L. Keefe Jr.  

June 10, 2002  

At his home in Framingham, Mass., of complications due to a brain tumor, at 44. A sales manager with several Massachusetts radio stations, Mr. Keefe had worked most recently for WODS/Oldies 103. Previously, he had been employed eight years by WBZ-AM News Radio in Boston, during which time he was honored with a President’s Club award and promoted to sports sales director; in 1996, he was promoted to the local sales manager position at WBZ’s sister station, WODS. Mr. Keefe began his career in 1981 in the network sales department of CBS television in New York City. He started selling on-air advertising time for radio stations in 1983 with WNEB in Worcester; he then worked for several other New England stations, including WBOS in Boston, before joining WBZ-AM News radio in 1988. Mr. Keefe is survived by his wife, Jennifer; two daughters; his parents, Maryellen and Joseph L. Sr. 51; his brother, William J. ’86; two sisters; several uncles and aunts; and nephews and nieces.  

1991  

Susan M. Campo Weiss, M.D.  

Aug. 16, 2002  

In Brigham & Women’s Hospital, Boston, after an illness, at 32. Dr. Weiss had been a pediatrician at South Shore Medical Center in Weymouth, Mass., for the past three years. A graduate of UMass Medical School in Worcester, she completed her residency at Children’s Hospital in Philadelphia, Pa. Dr. Weiss was a member of the United (Mass.) Athletic Hall of Fame for accomplishments in field hockey, basketball and softball. She is survived by her husband, Robert; her mother, Marilyn, maternal grandmother of a son; a sister; in-laws; 10 nephews and nieces; many uncles and aunts; and cousins.  

FRIENDS:  

Mother of John E. ’50 and Anthony J. D.M.D., ’54, and granddaughter of Margaret E. ’33 and Thomas J. Benison ’88; mother of Christopher J. Burgeyne ’04; father of Karen Costa, graphic arts; father of Karen McDonough Goughlin ’76; father of Mark C. Gillespie ’83; Aleksandr I. Ginzburg, honorary ’78; mother of James D. Goldard ’51 and granddaughter of Susan C. Dooley ’81; granddaughter of Patricia Ghibbons Haylon ’83, Kathleen M. Trainor ’87 and Bill Gimboll, athletics; sister of Edward Isser, theatre department; sister of Nancy E. Taloni ’28; twin sister of Nancy E. Taloni-Haase ’88; father-in-law of Frank Vellaccio, provost; father of Rev. Dennis J. Yesalonia, S.J., ’71, Holy Cross general counsel.
Rev. Anthony J. Kuzniewski, S.J., is the recipient of this year’s Distinguished Teaching Award presented by Holy Cross to a faculty member who demonstrates the College’s commitment to teaching and personalized instruction. The following is Fr. Kuzniewski’s addresses delivered at the fall convocation at which he received the award.

I accept this award with gratitude to the committee and appreciation for all of you. It is a joy to be a member of this faculty, whose distinction in teaching is a matter of reputation and of record. Even so, I have to admit that I have always felt distinguished within this group by the fact that some of my colleagues and students cannot pronounce my name. I realize, of course, that in a world rich in linguistic variety, I do not stand alone. Earlier this summer, I listened to a radio announcer describing the state visit of the president of Poland, Aleksander Kwa?niewski. He concluded the story with this line: “T omorrow President Bush will be traveling to Michigan with ‘President ’Kuzniewski.’” Well, not quite; though I enjoyed the unintended compliment, and appreciate the difficulty for Anglophile tongues to come to terms with Slavic consonant clusters. “Father K.” has become a name I answer to; I’m old enough to smile at being designated by a single initial, and to appreciate a nickname as a form of acceptance.

Like others who have received this award, I have experienced a summer with moments of concentrated reflection about what we teachers do and why we do it. Notice the “we.” The more I have thought about it, the more I realize that I don’t stand here alone. So many people have invested themselves in me by way of instruction, encouragement, and correction that whatever recognition falls my way rightly credits them. Needless to say, part of that group is yourselves—colleagues and friends whose partnership in this enterprise makes every one of us better than we would be if we worked among people who were less dedicated or less good. The rest of those who belong here are not in view. One segment is the long line of Holy Cross Jesuits whose achievement I am bound to salute as the first Jesuit recipient of this award. Their spirit, and their confidence that they could plant a college “in the midst of the Yankees,” as they put it, and then keep the enterprise going, makes all of us their beneficiaries. Another segment of the unseen crowd is my students—not all of them have made me better; but many have, through honest criticism and genuine affirmation that have been a real grace. Finally, there are the teachers who taught me how to teach by mentoring me so well that I was able at last to believe in myself as a college professor.

My special trio of undergraduate teachers at Marquette University included a woman who happened to be Protestant, a Catholic layman, and a Jesuit. (This isn’t a weak stab at political correctness; it really worked out that way for me.) Frank Klement came first—I took five classes with him: he enhanced my love for history, used classroom methods that I adopted, and had me deliver a paper at a scholarly meeting during senior year. Father Paul Prucha came next, a Jesuit who has received an honorary degree from Holy Cross. I’d heard that he was good and that he was hard. He lived up to his reputation—meticulous presentations, research assignments with no secondary sources, and in senior year, the challenge to get over my silly fear of languages by doing most of the research in French for his honors seminar. Several years later, I was a grad student torn between a good job offer and thoughts of joining the Jesuits. He was on sabbatical in Cambridge and walked twice with me around Walden Pond while we talked the matter through.

Then there was Barbara Hoyt—Frau Hoyt, my German teacher in senior year. When she walked into the classroom the first day, I thought she was one of the most beautiful women I had ever seen, starting with her great smile. A few classes later, we were practicing our umlauts—the two dots that go over vowels in German to alter the pronunciation. After taking my turn, I looked up from the textbook. She was beaming. “Anton,” she said, “I just love your umlaut. You must come to Germany this summer.” Who could resist? I took the summer program she organized each year in the Rhine Valley. She promised us that we’d never be the same if we immersed ourselves in another culture. And she was right, though her enthusiasm made all the difference. For several years after graduation, we stayed in touch, especially through her New Year’s Eve party. She had real candles on the
Tannenbaum, herring to eat for good luck, and, at midnight, instead of singing Auld Lang Syne, we stood around the tree happily absorbing the “Ode to Joy” from Beethoven’s Ninth. Before I knew it, I was about to become a teaching fellow at Harvard and felt insecure about being on even the bottom rung of so distinguished a faculty. So I turned to Frau Hoyt for advice. After hearing me out, she smiled and said: “Anton, you have something even more important than formal education and lengthy study to bring to your students. You have your Christianity.” Her response has stayed in my heart, an invitation to integrity that is as compelling now as it was over 30 years ago.

If it is possible for any of us to teach well, it is partly because we have been well taught—challenged to develop and stretch our minds, and invited to engage our hearts in the process by being true to our values. That certainly was the point the Jesuits’ founder, Ignatius of Loyola, picked up when he attended the University of Paris in the 1530s. Researching his pedagogical insight—and its institutional expression through time—was one of the hardest parts of writing the Holy Cross history. Explaining it to others was even more difficult. When I was writing the preliminary chapter on the Jesuit background of Holy Cross, Lorraine Attreed agreed to offer a critique. She filled the draft with marginal notes that challenged me as a product of Roman Catholic culture to clarify it for others. One comment I particularly remember, asked in oversized writing that suggested her all-too-understandable impatience: “TONY, WHAT IN THE WORLD IS A SULPICIAN?” Her question encapsulates the advantage of using our diversity to enhance our ability to communicate and understand.

The point is, that it’s not enough just to express our gratitude to those upon whose shoulders we stand by repeating what they did. We won’t stand at all on their shoulders at all, nor will we achieve their stature or shoulders we stand by repeating what they did. We won’t stand at all on their shoulders unless we understand and assert our institutional identity here and now. Teaching excellence includes a commitment to be intentional about our common efforts and clear about our goals. The outcome of the process may well be a “struggled success,” to borrow a phrase coined by Father Ciampi to describe the rebuilding of Holy Cross after the fire in 1852—but there’s not much hope of being genuinely helpful to our students, if we avoid the inevitable controversies regarding institutional identity, ways and means.

If you’ll indulge the historian in me, I’ll raise the question of what we might learn from history—our past experience here on the slopes of Pakachoag. In the crystal ball of the past, I can see Holy Cross in the generation between 1930 and 1960. On the surface, all was well: enrollments were encouraging; new buildings were rising at a gratifying pace; discipline and religious practice justified the buzzword that Holy Cross was “The Catholic West Point”; the old curriculum, replete with philosophy, religion, and classics was largely in place; there was the Orange Bowl in 1946, followed shortly by basketball triumphs at the NCAA and NIT; graduates were loyal, and grateful for what they had received. So much of what was going on was good—academically, spiritually, socially, athletically. But there were problems beneath the surface. Administrators worried about the unevenness of academic quality—Economics, for instance, was called the “lumber room” of the College (presumably because so much academic dead wood was lodged there). Students were increasingly resisting the study of classical languages; they gave the lowest ratings to courses in philosophy and religion—the very subjects that were supposed to constitute the heart of the Jesuit, Catholic curriculum. Compulsory daily Mass was falling victim to passive resistance on the part of some students. Many of the brighter applicants were being lost to competing schools. It was difficult to motivate the faculty to engage in serious scholarship; for years, the percentage of faculty with Ph.D.s was stuck below 30 percent. Meanwhile, in 1961, when the Jesuit community reached its peak membership of 105, the proportion of lay faculty members had already risen to 45 percent. Father William Donaghy worried about these trends during his presidency from 1953 to 1960. His successor, Father Raymond Swords, set out to address them because he was impatient with mediocrity and because he found the academic requirements to be too rigid. He thought Holy Cross could do better.

Between about 1965 and 1975, Father Swords and his successor, Father John Brooks, re-fashioned Holy Cross: co-education; the transfer of responsibility to lay trustees; the separate incorporation of the Jesuit community as a charitable enterprise formally linked to the College; the accretion of responsibility and power to the Faculty-Student Assembly; the opening up of the curriculum; hiring persons from outside the Roman Catholic tradition to teach religious studies; working out the meaning of collaboration during a period in which Jesuits were a declining minority; the transfer of responsibility for student life from in loco parentis assumptions to individual responsibility; the resolution of student protests in a reasonably orderly way. Of course, not everybody appreciated the change. The Worcester newspaper could be harshly critical. And despite a survey that showed an approval rating of about 70 percent among the alumni, Father Swords was stung by attacks from unhappy, outspoken graduates. After eight years in office, he told a friend: The opposition has become more and more vocal, to the point where one some-
times wonders whether it is worth undergoing the strain. This pattern may seem familiar. At Holy Cross, where graduates really do care about the school, the discussion can become intense.

In altering Holy Cross, did Father Swords and his collaborators enhance or weaken the character of the school? The answer very much depends on grasping the essentials in Jesuit education—the means and ends set in place over 450 years ago by Ignatius of Loyola. Ignatius led his first Jesuit companions through a discernment process that led them to become the first Roman Catholic religious order to adopt schools as a primary characteristic of their work. These early Jesuits acted with a clarity of purpose that was the fruit of high ideals, practical thinking, and the application of trial and error. For Ignatius, the primary goal was always to help souls; and schools were to be a primary means. He wanted his companions to operate with the conviction that God is laboring now in the world, that schools are a human means of cooperating with that divine initiative, and that persons of good will could be partners in the enterprise. Shortly before he died in 1556, Ignatius put it this way in a letter to Philip II of Spain: Everyday experience shows how difficult it is for those who have grown old in vice and in evil habits to rid themselves of these deep-grained ways of acting and to dedicate themselves to God as new men. We can also see to what a great degree all of Christendom and all of society depend on good education given to youth. Because young people are as impressionable as wax, they can be more easily formed. At the same time there are too few teachers who combine the virtue and learning needed for this task. (cited in Dainville, 200) Virtue and learning: that partnership was the key to authentic pedagogy in the mind of Ignatius.

Commenting on this point, historian John O'Malley asserts that the Jesuits tried to influence their students more by their example than by their words. They repeatedly inculcated in one another the importance of loving their students, of knowing them as individuals, of enjoying a respectful familiarity with them. (O'Malley, 227) Mentoring relationships—serving as role models of a principled and integrated life—lay at the heart of the enterprise. Thus, the academic enterprise was also moral—discovering and developing individual gifts, and assisting students and graduates through example and encouragement to utilize their talents justly, for others, in service of God. But there was more. Ignatius was insistent that the entire Jesuit enterprise should be adapted to places, times, and persons. (Constitutions, Pt. IV, c. 13, n. 2) That presupposed an engagement with the contemporary culture in all its scientific and artistic manifestations, including music, theatre, and architecture. O'Malley calls this involvement with the secular culture a hallmark of Jesuit schools. (O'Malley, 242) Jesuit educators attempted to incorporate both the spiritual and the secular realms of human experience into the educational process. Inevitably, there was a certain tension between an appreciative openness to contemporary culture and the need to challenge it in an authentically prophetic manner.

Then, over several decades, with the best of intentions, the Jesuit educational approach was codified, and published in 1599 as the Ratio Studiorum or Plan of Studies, a highly structured curricular and pedagogical system that was revised somewhat in 1832. In this way, over time, a brilliant educational response to the European world of the late 16th century, acquired an intrinsic authority that was inimical to Ignatius' spirit of adaptation.

In the United States, the individual who understood the issue most clearly was George Ganss, a Jesuit whose book, St. Ignatius' Idea of a Jesuit University (first published in 1954), rocked the world of Jesuit education by insisting that the principle of adaptation, and not the designated content of the old Plan of Studies, had to be the rudder that steered the educational enterprise. His dedication page gave away the central thesis: To the American Jesuits—Laboring to Adapt Ignatius' Vision to the Needs of this Young Nation, Ganss wrote: Universities can be understood aright only when viewed against the background of their contemporary social and cultural environment. Their task is to preserve and transmit the elements of permanent value in the cultural heritage of the past. Yet it is as important for them to discard the obsolete as to add the timely; and they must so discard the obsolete as not to lose with it that which has perennial worth. If they fail to do this transmitting, discarding, and adding in such a way that they adapt themselves to the emerging needs and interests of… their own day, they will become fossilized and then they will soon decay…. It is to the glory of St. Ignatius that he was just such a leader of vision and initiative in his own day. (Ganss, 115) This vision of adaptation is still a key to our institutional authenticity. It commits us irrevocably to the process of “transmitting, discarding, and adding” at a time when strong issues are stirring a world transformed by 9.11 and a Church troubled with scandal.

It's axiomatic to remark that we make better choices when we base them on an accurate and realistic sense of who we are and where we are coming from. Personal history teaches all of us that the significant people are those who have presented us with good choices by naming our gifts and challenging us to have the courage of our convictions. We are called to provide that service for our students—to model good habits of mind and heart for them, to take stands for their potential, to live up to the privilege of being engaged with young people who are still “impressionable like wax.” But we function also institutionally, as a college. We are colleagues in this endeavor, and our choices about curriculum and standards, programs, and priorities will influence the manner in which our students come to appreciate and utilize their talents and ideals. Sooner or later, if we are doing our job, we will come up bloody-nosed against the challenge of which choices to make for their sake—how Holy Cross can be appropriately engaged with contemporary culture; how to preserve the best of our tradition and let go of the stultifying part, how to integrate the dynamics of faith and reason—in short: how “to help souls” in our times. The task is both noble and gritty: to avoid ossification and the dead hand of the past at one extreme, and to avert a long, slow process of neutralization and secularization at the other. That challenge lies, now as ever, at the heart of Jesuit education; it serves the Catholic Church and the wider world; it animates our Mission Statement; it illuminates the history of our school. It also helps explain the people who once stood in our places, promoted scholarship, mentored students, struggled with adaptation, and engaged the critics because the authenticity of Holy Cross was at stake.

My colleagues, in the name of us all, I accept this award and the privileges and the challenges it carries.

SOURCES


"The New Jesuits"

The negative comments of alumni in the summer 2002 issue of Holy Cross Magazine regarding the lay attire of “The New Jesuits” pictured on the spring cover may be saying more about the attitudes of the writers than the appropriateness of the attire itself.

Times have changed radically since the days when older Holy Cross grads recall strict discipline, daily Mass, weekly sodality and the familiar sight of casocked jebbies walking the lanes of a thoroughly Catholic all-male campus. In some ways, I think, that was a culture so narrowly Catholic that it instilled in me a kind of hubris that caused me to feel intrinsically different from my non-Catholic fellow human beings. It certainly gave me a confident religious identity, but now, in retrospect, I feel it had a darker side that limited my ability to understand and appreciate human cultures and religious views quite different from my own.

Increasing competition among today’s colleges compels Holy Cross to stand tall in a secular arena where academic freedom strictly rules. To do so requires a balancing act between maintaining educational excellence and being identified with a central religious doctrinal authority not widely known for promoting freedom of thought. To tone down the more overtly religious but not essential appearances on our campus does not strike me as abandonment of true Catholic values.

Returning to my 50th reunion last year, I found many changes from the old days and liked most of them. A much wider variation of skin color and accents was evident, and of course, the graceful presence of women students and faculty. As for the absence of black robed jebbies walking the campus lane, it seems to me that the universal Priesthood of the Faithful, female and male, lay and Jesuit, attired suitably for learning as a student or presiding as a professor in a classroom, is alive and well at Holy Cross.

Bill McAuliffe ’51
San Diego, Calif.

"Dr. Anthony Fauci ’62"

It was a delightful surprise to find the feature article on Dr. Anthony Fauci’s story of his definitive place in the ongoing battle against HIV/AIDS—the worst pandemic disease in the history of the human race. I was surprised because, for the past 20-plus years of this global epidemic, I have not seen any article, essay or notation of how this epidemic has affected the Holy Cross community in the number of alumni who have died from HIV or alumni who have worked as health care professionals to bring hope, compassion and justice to the lives of people infected and affected by HIV/AIDS. Why these many years of silence?

As a person who has been involved in the epidemic since 1987 as an RN, activist, organizer, caregiver and founder of a Catholic Worker house of hospitality for homeless people living with AIDS, I applaud the breaking of this silence with the article on the distinguished career of Dr. Fauci. He is one government official and physician who really did learn how to listen to the cries of the poor, the pain of the outcast and the intelligence of the activists when, due in large part to endemic cultural and religious homophobia, few ears among the government bureaucracies were open to any of those voices. For too many years, the doors of the power brokers and politicians where slammed shut and the cries ignored. Tony was different. He listened, he heard, he learned and he acted in a way that began an unprecedented historic change at the FDA and NIH in the way new drugs are investigated, researched, approved and made available to people with life threatening diseases. He made room at the tables of power for the affected/infected with HIV when there were no invitations or seats at those tables, thereby breaking fossilized models of health care policy decision-making. He helped to open up a path of liberation and healing for people who felt disempowered and patronized by a health care system more concerned about profits of insurance companies than with the justice of universal health care for all residents of this wealthy nation. Thanks Tony.

Michael Harank RN ’76
HIV/HCV Coordinator/Highland Hospital
Oakland, CA

P.S. I live in the only county in the United States (Alameda County in northern California) that has declared itself in a state of emergency due to the rising numbers of men, women and children (especially people of color) who are infected by HIV. If there are any alumni who would like to assist me in a campaign to purchase a large Catholic Worker house of hospitality for the care of the homeless with AIDS here in Oakland, Calif., please contact me at the following address: 6575 Heather Ridge Way, Oakland, CA. 94611 or email me at mharank@earthlink.net
Important Dates:
Dec. 14-21 Final Examinations
Jan. 15 Classes Begin.
Feb. 15 Winter Homecoming

Fall Events:
Ongoing Exhibition: “Portraits: Yesterday and Today”
Dec. 21 By contemporary artists Barry Hazard and Laura Chasman and historical artists Ruth Henshaw Bascom (1772-1848) and Eliza (1781-1864) and Sarah Goodridge (1788-1833)
Iris & B. Gerald Cantor Art Gallery
For more information, please call 508-793-3356.

Dec. 5-8 The Alternate College Theatre presents:
“SubUrbia,” 8 p.m. nightly/
By Eric Bogosian 2 p.m. Sat. & Sun.
Fenwick Theatre
Admission: $7 Holy Cross community,
$10 general public
Box Office: 508-793-3536

Dec. 6 Concert: Gamelan Gita Sari 8 p.m.
featuring students in Luce Scholar Desak Made Suarti Laksmi’s gamelan and Balinese dance classes and professional guest artists
Brooks Concert Hall

Dec. 10 Music Department Colloquium Series: 4 p.m.
Holiday Festivities with the Madrigal Singers
Brooks Concert Hall

Dec. 11 Concert: Festival of Lessons & Carols 8 p.m.
Holy Cross College Choir
St. Joseph Memorial Chapel

Dec. 21 Holiday Concert: 7:30 p.m.
Christmas from the Heart
Kenny Rogers with the Holy Cross Chamber Singers
Worcester Centrum Centre
For ticket information, contact the Centrum Centre at 508-755-6800, all ticketmaster locations, including Filene’s, or, online, at ticketmaster.com

Spring 2003 Events:
Jan. 20-24 A weekend series of commemorative events held in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Lectures:
Jan. 21 College Convocation: 4:30 p.m.
“How shall we find meaning in life and in history through our labor?”
Speaker: Rev. Howard Gray, S.J., of John Carroll University
St. Joseph Memorial Chapel
followed by dinner in Kimball Hall

Jan. 29-30 Dialogue: “Restoring the Moral Integrity of the Church: Response of Catholic Higher Education to the Current Crisis in the Church”
Organized by the Catholic Common Ground Initiative
Co-hosts: Holy Cross president, Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J., and Archbishop Oscar Lipscomb of Mobile
An evening session on Jan. 29 is open to the public.

March 20 Kraft-Hiatt Lecture: 7:30 p.m.
“Who owns the Bible? A Judaico-Christian Argument”
Presenters: Jacob Neusner, religion and research professor of theology at Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, N.Y., and Bruce Chilton, Bernard Iddings Bell Professor of Religion at Bard College and rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist
Rehm Library

March 31 Annual Hanify-Howland Lecture: 8 p.m.
“War and the Christian Conscience”
Hogan Campus Center Ballroom

Concert Series:
Jan. 13 Apple Hill Chamber Orchestra 8 p.m.
Brooks Concert Hall
Jan. 19 David Boe, organist 3 p.m.
St. Joseph Memorial Chapel
Jan. 31 Leonard C. Sulski Memorial Concert 8 p.m.
Peter Sulski & the Adirondack Ensemble
Brooks Concert Hall
Feb. 2 Wood ’n’ Flutes 7 p.m.
Brooks Concert Hall
Feb. 6 Evan MacCarthy ’03, baritone 8 p.m.
Senior Recital
Brooks Concert Hall
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