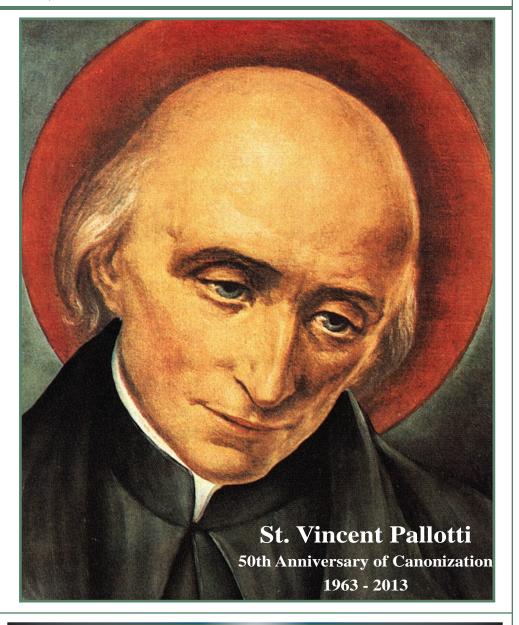
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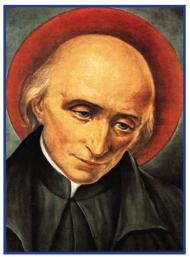
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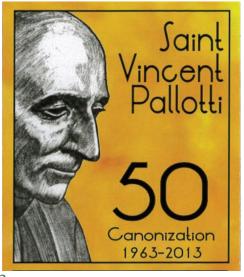
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In celebration of the coming 50th anniversary of the canonization of our Founder, St. Vincent Pallotti, in 2013, our newsletter will feature a mini-series on his life and mission starting with this issue and continuing through our Winter 2013 issue. Stay in touch for exciting pictures and articles.

# One Word - Vocation - Says It All!

by Fr. Leon Martin, SAC

I recently read an article about things to do for the New Year. One of them was to simplify one's life. That could mean getting rid of "stuff" around the house, clarifying relationships with people, or modifying the way we handle our job or our family.



I wonder what it would mean to simplify our Pallottine mission? One word that comes to mind is "Vocation." Every person born into this world has been created in the image and likeness of God. We know that "God is love." So it is then that each person has the task of living and growing in life with responsibility and commitment to this love. Showing care and concern for self, others and God is written into the very fabric of our being by God.

When a couple commits to the sacrament of marriage, this is their calling - their vocation. When a person senses the call to stay single or become a brother, priest, sister, deacon or lay minister in the Church, this becomes part of his or her mission in life - a vocation. Do this with responsibility and commitment! St. Vincent Pallotti wrote, "Can you pray? Then you are an apostle!" Can you work in the Church and the world helping to create a better world? Then you are an apostle!

One suggestion in a recent letter from our Pallottine Council in Rome "Promoting the Vocation to Pallottine Consecrated Life" is the word "accompaniment." Parents accompany their children throughout life. Mom or Dad picks up their child after school or from practice. There is time in the car to ask, "How was school today, or how did basketball practice go?" Parents bringing the children to Church is also a conversation about the Mass, songs or the people.

Earlier I mentioned about the word "Vocation" as an easy way to think of our Pallottine accompaniment. Every person or group I speak with, I accompany to become better as a single, married, or religious person. A mom may be wondering where to send her child to school, a single person may be considering volunteering at the parish, a man is trying to discern his next step in becoming a Pallottine brother. St. Vincent Pallotti would perhaps write, "Can you accompany someone who calls on you for advice or support? Then you are an apostle!

As a faithful people: single, married, priest, deacon, sister, brother, or member of our UAC (Union of Catholic Apostolate), accompanying others in small or important things can be a simple way of realizing St. Vincent Pallotti's "way of being Church."



# ST. VINCENT PALLOTTI

FOUNDER OF THE SOCIETY OF THE CATHOLIC APOSTOLATE

AN ARTICLE WRITTEN BY
FR. JOHN BECKER, SAC FOR THE SOLEMN
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Now and again, we can hear the question asked: "Why so many religious Orders in

the Church? Since the majority of the existing Orders have, more or less, the same rules, perform the same ministries, would not three or four types of religious communities be sufficient?" Whoever asks such questions little understands how God's infinite perfections are reflected in His creation, particularly so in the rich and colorful properties of the human individual. Not uniformity is desirable, but variety. Healthy, vigorous religious communities, it is found, are always a happy blend of widely different characters, capable of mutual complement, which invariably makes for harmony, never for monotony. In the rich and fertile soil of God's Church there grows not only the humble violet of Franciscanism, but also the might Cedar of the Lebanon, the militant Jesuit Order, which defies the blustering winds and waters the storms roused against the City of God on earth by her deadly adversaries.

"Why so many religious Orders?" So it is God's holy will. The history of the Church proves it. Every century has its peculiar needs, challenges, the age-old, hard-tried and patient wisdom of Christ's Church with new problems. Catholicism is not a ready-for-wear garment. Christ's disciples, in every century, must apply His teaching to their own life, solve with Christ's principles their peculiar problems, supply from the infinite spiritual resources of Christ their peculiar needs.

The founders of the religious Orders, inspired by God preached the right remedies for the evils of the times in which they lived. Fitted for their task by grace and nature, they first incorporated in themselves the spirit that was, in future times, to sustain live, vigor and enthusiasm of the monastic institutions they were about to inaugurate. Frequently, guided by the light from above, they penetrated in a almost prophetic vision centuries, during which the Order was to work at the realization of one aspect of the general ideal of Christian perfection. The conceived the pattern of life for the disciples, that were to follow their call, they defined, in outlines at least, the work of the Order and its characteristic features.

Thus it was with our great founder, Father Vincent Pallotti, whom God called and selected for the peculiar task He had in His infinitely wise Providence assigned to him to accomplish. Vincent was born the third son of a large family on April 21. 1795, at a time resembling in many respects our own: torn by political strife and unrest. Rome, the Eternal City, Vincent's birthplace, resounded with the clatter of sabres and the hoofbeats of the French cavalry. Napoleon in his insatiable lust for power and conquests forced nations and individuals, even Christ's vicar on earth, to work his wicked will.

In this atmosphere of unrest, of political and social upheaval, Vincent spent his childhood. But nothing disturbed the calm and solitude of his deeply religious soul in which God's grace was active shaping and molding, already at that tender age, the boy's character and pushing on vigorously his religious development.

Vocations are not easily discernible either in nature or in time. Many a great man or woman has been called some special service in mature years, while others seem marked out almost from the cradle. Thus it was with Vincent Pallotti. At an early age he once told his mother; "Don't worry, mother! You will see me say Mass at St. Philip's altar." The question of his vocation to the priesthood seems never to have caused any deep eruption in his soul or any agonizing doubts. In a steady, unbroken development he matured to his full stature. He completed his philosophical and theological curriculum successfully and his University course was crowned with a Doctorate of Theology. In the 1818 he was ordained a priest.

In his priestly activities he came in contact with a motley assortment of people. Men and women of all walks of life sought his help, consolation and wise counsel in the wide field ( ) A N ( ) N

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of human need and despair, temporal and spiritual. He became director of seminaries; preacher of retreats for laymen, priests and religious communities; confessor of cardinals and the very outcasts of the Eternal City; he accompanied criminals to the foot of the gallows, snatching their souls from the brink of eternal damnation. It takes the multiple humanity of a great man and a special guidance by God to be, in the words of St. Paul "Everything to everybody." To weep with the distressed, to console the depressed, to rejoice with the joyful: that is the stuff which an unselfish, greathearted, zealous apostolic soul is made of. That is the true apostle of Christ; to be aflame with the passion for souls, to be burning with the zeal for God's interests on earth.

It was in those years of his far-famed apostolic activities that he conceived the idea of founding a world-wide apostolic movement to enkindle the flame of the Christian Faith in the still pagan parts of the earth, to revive it in the hearts of the lukewarm. He enlisted for this apostolic work the co-operation of priests, regular and secular, and in particular of Catholic laymen. [Thus he laid down the foundation for the UAC - Union of the Catholic Apostolate.] The center part of this Movement, the dynamic force sustaining the apostolic fervor and enthusiasm of all its members became the Society of the Catholic Apostolate (SAC) or popularly called after the name of this founder, "Pallottine Fathers and Brothers." That organization became a historic fact in the year 1835. Ever since that memorable year, in the annuals of Pallotti's work, his organization grew, struggling and overcoming numerous difficulties in its path. On the whole it grew steadily, and in recent years Father Pallotti's own prophecy, "This work will be blessed by God," came true in an astonishing measure. In some countries in which his spiritual sons and daughters are at work, it has assumed large proportions and is now a movement that exerts its influence on Church and public affairs.

Father Vincent was beatified January 22, 1950, the hundredth anniversary of his death and was canonized, January 22, 1963. His followers are driven by his motto: "The Love of Christ Urges Us On."

# A Look at the World: A Year of Faith

by Fr. Bruce Schute, SAC

Pope Benedict XVI has declared a "Year of Faith," running from October 11, 2012, until November 24, 2013, the Solemnity of Christ the King.

After reading the Pope's "Porta Fidei" (Door of Faith), the letter that introduces the year of faith, I was encouraged by the way Benedict wrote about the effect of be-



lieving. It's not simply a statement about our God and the many ways we have to think about Him in our lives. Here is where truth, the truth that matters about life, is brought into my life.

When I put faith into the phrase "I Believe," I hear all sorts of songs and words in my mind. I was raised in a believing family. As I grew up, our family went to church every Sunday and on holy days. In the Catholic grade school I attended, I memorized the answers to questions in my Baltimore catechism and took the answers to heart. I memorized the Apostles Creed and tried to fully understand each belief we proclaim. I also prayed the rosary and learned the prayers of the Mass. My beliefs were definite and clear. I also lived through the changes of Vatican II and thought at the time that these changes were certainly important to know and that I must be able to speak about them correctly in any conversation, and especially if I was to speak of them in a homily.

Today, as some Catholics in the English-speaking world fuss over new translations of prayers said during the Mass, it's a good time to reflect on ideas in the pope's letter: The year of faith is a summons to an authentic and renewed conversion to the Lord. Faith grows when it is lived as an experience of love received and when it is communicated as an experience of grace and joy. Faith makes us fruitful, because it expands our hearts in hope and enables us to bear life-giving witness. Faith opens the hearts and minds of those who listen to respond to the Lord's invitation to adhere to his word and become his disciples.

A document published in connection with our worldwide meeting of Pallottines in Rome for XX General Assembly in September 2010 presents our own take on reviving faith that meshes well with the year of faith: We must rekindle charity and serve as apostles of Jesus in an ever-changing world. Here's a key paragraph from that document: "We need to de-privatize the spiritual life of confreres by creating customs which enable our members and communities to share and discuss their faith and work. We ought to challenge each other and make each other accountable for our spiritual life. Attendance at community prayers, common celebration of the Eucharist, participation in recollection days and days of retreat are not merely optional for us, but obligations. If we do not personally find meaning in some of these exercises, we ought to discover meaning in relation to the community we belong to and in the obligations we have undertaken with our profession."

We need genuine and deep faith experiences. Revival of faith and rekindling of charity, above all, should begin with each one of us.



## A Lesson from the Trees

by Joseph Jihak Kim, SAC

Not that long ago Fall was upon us. Like other seasons, fall has certain characteristics. Shorter days, colorful leaves, clear skies, cool weather, etc. Maybe these represent Fall. Of course, some people say Fall is the season of harvest. This is right, but not completely. For trees, fall is the season of loss.

When winter comes, the ground is frozen, water is not enough for the tree, and daylight gets shorter and shorter, So, in Fall, trees, especially deciduous ones, drop their leaves. To minimize loss of water and nutrition, the trees close innumerous tiny tubes delivering nutrition from the branches to the leaves. At last, the trees starve the leaves to death, and then the poor leaves fall off. Although the trees earnestly raised those leaves before the coming of winter, they shed them without any regret. The trees grow this way every year. If they didn't, they would die.

We know that everything has its own time. There is a time to live, to die, to sleep, to wake up, to leave, or just to stay. Each time has it own purpose. The times that God ordains come to us, and we have to follow the purpose of those times. So when we are hungry, we have to eat. When we feel sleepy, we have to go to bed. When our life is running out, we have to go to Him. The time that we have to throw out something is also coming. We have to throw things out like the trees, but to give up something can be especially difficult. To throw out something is easy, but to throw out "our" something is very difficult. Nevertheless, when God's will becomes known to us, when God commands us to throw out something, we have to throw it out, even our lives. But what if we don't do that?

One day, in the dark night of winter, a traveler was walking in high mountains. He lost his way, and desperately tried to find shelter. At one point, he missed his step, fell to the unseen ground, and passed out. Before long he regained consciousness. He found himself hanging from a thick branch of a tree. He couldn't see the ground because of the darkness, so he didn't dare climb up or down. But there was another problem. Fortunately, he avoided death from the fall, but the prospect of freezing to death came to him. So he began praying to God, "Oh, my Lord, help me. Please deliver

me from this peril." While he was praying, God answered him, "Let go! Jump from the branch that you are holding. I will support you."

But he couldn't do that. He couldn't see anything under the branch. That scared him. So, he decided to endure the cold night in the tree. At last, after sunrise, some people found a dying man frozen, holding a branch two meters high on a tree next to the road.

God speaks to us in various ways and situations. Sometimes, through gradual changes of seasons and sometimes at a serious moment, He says to us what He wants. Sometimes we can easily follow His will, and sometimes, that is not easy for us. But the most important thing is that not just sometimes, but at all times, we have to follow what He says or what He wants. If we don't do that, we will die. "Let Go! Jump from the branch that you are holding. I will support you."

As a parting note: Joseph returned to South Korea just before Christmas and will soon make his final profession.



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### Pallottine Gift Memorials:

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Rita Wagner

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Jack Wierschem

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**Mary Williamson** 

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Myrtle L. Witbrod

Sieglinde O'Loan

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In Honor of the Living

60th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. & Mrs. V.L. Thompson

Nancy & Bill Sybeldon 50th Wedding Anniversary

Jim & Lucille Hornung

Jim & Jean Rebholz

50th Anniversary of Ordination

Fr. Bruce Schute, SAC

Ann Panlener

Birthday

**Betty Lorbeske** 

Marie Schoewe

Sr. Verda Kraemer, FSPA

(90th)

John, Barb & Christopher

Hansen

Health

Toni Borkowski

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**Marge Cronce** 

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Florian Zaharias

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Love and Friendship

**Betty Casella** 

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**Rosemary Martin** 

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#### Reminder!

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Join us for 3 days of fellowship, formation and prayer with other members of the UAC from across the country. We will be staying on the campus of Marquette University with opportunities to explore Milwaukee and the surrounding area as well as participating in formation and fun!

July 13-15, 2012 Milwaukee WI

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www.pallottines.org/congress



## Ask Father

Multi-tasking Is Not The Answer When Praying.

Dear Father,

I know I lead a very busy lifestyle with working and raising two kids. I simply can't find the time to pray (which I would like to do once and a while). It seems as soon as I start to pray, my mind gets filled with all the things I should be doing or forgot to do, the phone rings or one of the kids needs attention. Can you help?

Signed, Mary Ann

Dear Mary Ann,

I think you hit "a nail on the head" with your issue. It is often VERY hard to pray - for the reasons you list above - and, hang on to your hat, for other reasons such as physical exhaustion, mental stress, an "empty feeling" at which time no prayers come to mind, or simply not being in the mood. The list could go on.

One thing I found that helps a great deal is to remember that you can't let your mind multi-task when trying to pray.

Recently I was driving down a highway and a lady in the lane next to me kept weaving into my lane. I kept slowing

down to avoid her until I finally had enough and passed her car. Guess what she was doing ---- Head down hands off the steering wheel, TEXTING on her phone and not looking at the road. Multi-tasking! Would you say, "NOT a good thing to do?"

When it comes to praying, if we let our minds wander or think about two or three other things we should be doing, we won't be able to pray well or at all. Why? Because we're mutlitasking our brains! We need to call our minds back to our original intention (prayer). At times it helps greatly to turn off the TV or radio, close the door to your room, turn down the lights and take in some of the quiet --- and then start your prayers. Single focus! Single focus! Single focus!

I know that may seem impossible (and it probably is for more that a few minutes especially with kids around), but try it for, say, 5-10 minutes at first. Don't even recite or think of a prayer. Just absorb the atmosphere of the QUIET and notice your body relaxing and your mind emptying and freeing itself ---- perhaps for prayer! Thanks for your question.

# A German Treat: Pork Tenderloin in Mustard Sauce

by The Pallotti House Chef

While staying with our community last year, Fabian Mauer, a volunteer young man from Germany, said he would be willing to cook our community a German meal.

It just so happened that he had brought a "step-by-step" cookbook with him from Germany and he came across this wonderful pork tenderloin dish. I was privileged to help him prepare this meal to which I give an A+ for taste and simple eating pleasure. I am so very happy to present this recipe to you on his behalf and for your total enjoyment.

#### Here's what you will need:

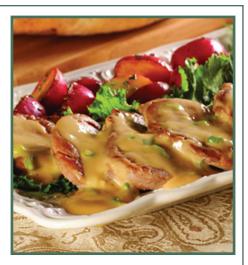
- 1 --- 4 lb. Pork Tenderloin
- 2 --- bunches of green onions
- 1 --- 12 oz. can chicken broth.
- 3 --- small containers of fresh mushrooms (sliced or whole)
- 3 --- Tablespoons of YELLOW mustard
- 1½ quarts of whipping cream
  - --- salt and pepper to taste.
- 1 --- 1 lb. box of fettuccine noodles
- 1 --- stick of butter

#### Here's what you do:

Heat 3 to 4 quarts of water in a large pot for the noodles.

Cut tenderloin into thin medallions.

Lightly brown meat in a little vegetable oil and salt and pepper to taste.



Put aside in a covered dish to keep warm.

Chop green onions, stems and all, into small pieces. Sauté mushrooms and onions in butter. Once soft, add liquid whipping cream and chicken broth and cook on high to bring to a boil.

Continue stirring mixture until it boils down to a smooth, but not too thick, sauce. Add the yellow mustard and mix in thoroughly. Add the meat and evenly coat the pieces with the sauce. (or if you prefer, you can arrange the meal on a platter and pour the sauce over it.)

Serve over fettuccine noodles along with your favorite vegetables. (Tip: as with most of pork dishes I recommend serving apple sauce as a side dish.)

I'll bet that you will want to make this one again!

Enjoy!

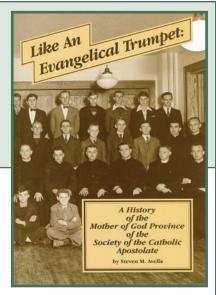
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#### And Now You Know!

Excerpts from the book: Like An Evangelical Trumpet: A History of the Mother of God Province of the Society of the Catholic Apostolate, written by Steven M. Avella.

**Topic 26:** Pius XI High School: The Archdiocesan Hand-Off: (part three)

[Fr.] Liebl had already been at work on a solution with the Provincial Council, who had already determined "that it was not feasible or practical to maintain Father Joseph DeMaria in such a position that would allow him to conduct the building program of St. Anthony's Church." The code of canon law was scoured



and a provision was found that permitted a solution to the problem. What would be done would be to allow DeMaria to retain the title of pastor, but in effect to transfer all the important administrative duties of St. Anthony's to Father John Becker, principal of Pius XI High School, who would in turn be appointed vicar coadjutor. The actual details of the agreement were hammered out between March and June, and the responsibilities and duties of the post of vicar coadjutor were clearly spelled out. His authority included oversight over: "All matters which in any way whatever concern finances or property rights ... the entire administration of the physical plants, all signing of contracts, checks, loans, deeds, conveyances, insurance policies and all other legal papers; the depositing and withdrawing of funds, all expenditures of any parish funds, the organizing of all drives to raise funds for the parish, the scheduling of all services in the parish."

With agreement in hand, the ever-faithful John Becker then assumed the unenviable task of "vicar coadjutor" of St. Anthony Parish. In what must have been one of the more frustrating things asked of him in his years of Pallottine service, especially given his history of conflict with DeMaria over the former's continual interference in the high school, his task was to allow the facade of DeMaria's leadership to remain while assuming de facto authority over every other areas of parish life. Becker would do what was asked: first, effecting the desired final separation of the high school from the parish and then building the long-desired new church.

#### Next Time: Pius High School: The Archdiocesan Hand-off: (part four)

Learn more about the Pallottines of the Mother of God Province. The book <u>Like an Evangelical Trumpet</u> is available in a soft-cover edition, 335 pages complete with 33 pages of nostalgic photographs. \$19.95 plus \$3.50 P&H.

To receive a copy, send name, address and payment to:

#### New German Volunteer Comes to Pallotti House

This past November, Ferdinand Rombach, now 19, came from Freiburg, Germany to work as a volunteer in the U.S. Recently Germany changed its school program from 9 to 8 years. Under the new system Ferdinand felt he wasn't ready to start college last Fall, so he decided to take a year off to get to know himself better, see some of the world and spend time thinking about what he really wanted to take when he went back to



school. During his "time-off" he said he wanted to do more than just travel, so he decided to enter a volunteer program. He searched the internet and came across the Pallottine Volunteer Service program in Germany. They in turn contacted us in Milwaukee and we were able to set Ferdinand up in a volunteer program at St. Camillus Health Care Center.

He is currently working with residents in a hospice program in a companionship role 4 days a week and helping out in the office for a few hours with paper work. He says the hardest part of his job is watching the terminally sick people he befriends die within a short time. But he finds his work rewarding as he gains a new perspective on old age, dying, death, grief and sadness: experiences most young people don't have or understand until much later in life. We wish you well, Ferdinand, and hope your stay with us is a blessed and happy one. God be with you!

### Loving Vigil Lights During Lenten and Easter Seasons

During the Lenten and Easter seasons we often remember our loved ones by lighting vigil lights in their memories. Let us light a 7 day vigil light for you and your intentions at the statue of St. Joseph in our community chapel. Simply fill out this form and send it to us at the address below. We will light a 7-day candle for you starting on the Monday you circle.

Here is my intention:

I would like of make an offering of:

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The Pallottines 5424 W. Bluemound Rd.



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