



# Holy Name Society Newsletter

*Spreading Devotion to the Most Holy Name of Jesus*

## KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

**E**ach year the National Association of Holy Name Societies encourages all archdiocesan, diocesan, deanery, and parish-based Holy Name Societies to promote the “Keep Christ in Christmas” campaign. Each and every Holy Name Society member needs to make a concerted effort to ensure that their family members, friends, neighbors and co-workers understand the true meaning of Christmas and the importance of this holiday for all Christians.

In recent years, misconceptions and controversy about the so-called “separation of church and state” and the celebration of Christmas has led many school administrators and public officials to “remove Christ from Christmas” in places such as schools, parks, libraries, courthouse or town hall lawns, and government offices. The open celebration of Christmas is increasingly absent from the public square.

The Constitution does not require government officials to eliminate all public religious expression of Christmas. In fact, the right of public school students and public officials to publicly celebrate the Christmas holiday is protected by the U.S. Constitution and various succeeding court decisions.

- American Defense League

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## THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY

- Promotes the honor and glory of our Divine God and the personal sanctification of its members by acts of love and devotion to the most Holy Name of Jesus. This spiritual life of its members is a perpetual act of reverence and love.
- Promotes respect for the most Holy Name of God, faith in the Catholic Church and the Magisterium, loyalty to one’s country, and respect for all lawful authority, both civil and religious
- Our members perform the Corporal Works of Mercy: to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, give drink to the thirsty, shelter to the homeless, tend the sick, visit those in prison, and bury the dead; as well as the Spiritual Works of Mercy: to convert sinners, instruct the ignorant, counsel the wayward, comfort the sorrowing, bear adversity patiently, forgive offenses, and pray for the living and the dead on a parochial, diocesan and national level.

## TIPS FOR KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

**A**dvent is a special season in the liturgical calendar of the Catholic Church. Advent is a time for prayerful anticipation of the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Some suggestions to assist us to keep the birth of Jesus Christ at the center of our Christmas are given below.

- Read and meditate on the Christmas story from St. Luke Chapter 2 and St. Matthew Chapter 2.
- Display an advent wreath in your home

and light the candles and pray each day during advent with the entire family – make family prayer time a priority. This will help children be excited about Christ and prayer.

- Add additional spiritual reading to your day.
- Fast and abstain one day a week.
- Go to the sacrament of confession during Advent.
- Pray the rosary daily with your family – espe-

cially meditate on the Joyful Mysteries.

- Complete a family act of charity or donate your time, talent or treasure to a charity during Advent.
- Buy gifts or meals for needy families. Reinforce to your children (and to yourself) that keeping Christmas is about giving, not getting.
- Attend Daily Mass during Advent.

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This was not the intent of the Founding Fathers. In fact, the Supreme Court has never ruled that the Constitution requires government officials to censor Christmas carols or displays, eliminate all references to Christmas, or silence those who celebrate Christ's birth.

In order to eliminate any confusion with regard to your

right to publicly celebrate Christmas, the American Defense Fund has published a list of frequently asked questions and resources that can be used to arm each of us with the facts required to dispel the myths and excuses that are used in an attempt to eliminate Jesus Christ from our culture. This information can be found on their website at:

**[www.saychristmas.org](http://www.saychristmas.org)**

Please, share this information with family, friends, coworkers, and neighbors. The only way to battle the fear, intimidation, and disinformation that has been spread into our society is to spread the Truth. We can celebrate Christmas publicly. We can acknowledge what this holiday means to us. We can...and we must.

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## TIPS FOR KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

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- Attend special Advent Vesper Services at your local or neighboring parish.
- Set up a Nativity set and play with it with your children and or grandchildren to help them understand the true Christmas story.
- Sing religious Christmas carols at home. Go caroling in your neighborhood or at local assisted living centers.

- Send out religious based Christmas Cards to friends, family, neighbors and coworkers.

Don't spend more than you can afford for gifts. It is the person who is receiving the gift, not the gift that is important. The truest Christmas gift is love. Keep Christmas centered on Christ by relaxing and enjoying the season. Watch Christmas shows; go to a Christmas concert; drive around and see the Christmas lights and decorations; take time to visit family and friends.

One of the best methods of keeping Christmas centered on Jesus Christ is by not allowing yourself to become filled with anxiety or stress.

Christmas is supposed to be a time for anticipation and preparation as we joyfully wait the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Be patient and charitable; after all, this is the season of peace, joy and goodwill toward men.

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### Prayer for Vocations to Holy Name Society

Most Divine Jesus, we ask in Your most Holy Name that You bless those that have heard Your call to the Confraternity of the Most Holy Names of God and Jesus and have answered it with faith, hope and charity.

We pray that you will open the hearts and minds of many more whose souls are stirred by the sound of your voice and the invocation of Your Name. Please bring these souls into this Confraternity.

We ask that You grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY NEWS

### Chicago Association of the HNS

The Chicago Association of the Holy Name Society welcomes the addition of two new parish Holy Name Societies. Holy Name Societies from St. Raphael the Archangel in Antioch under the spiritual direction of Fr. John Jamnicky and from St. Cletus in LaGrange under the Spiritual Direction of Fr. Bob Clark joined the CAHNS.

The Holy Name Societies of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Holy Cross parish and Our Lady of Guadalupe parish participated in a retreat held at Casa Claret on October 11<sup>th</sup>. The retreat master was FR. Ted Cirone, C.M.F.

CAHNS is sponsoring the Annual Holy Hour on the Feast of Blessed John of Vercelli on Tuesday, December 1, 1009. The Holy Hour will be held at St. Maria Goretti parish located at 3929 North Wehrman Avenue, Schiller Park, and will begin at 7:00 p.m. A winter coat drive will be held in conjunction with the Holy Hour.

The Annual General Membership meeting was planned for 9:00 a.m. on November 21<sup>st</sup> at Divine Savior Parish, 7740 West Montrose Avenue, Norridge. The Spiritual Assembly Board Meeting was held on Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at St. Priscilla Parish, 6949 West Addison Street, Chicago.

CAHNS received a Sacred heart of Jesus statue from Sr. Mary Claude, CSSF. A special carrier has been built for the three foot high statue so the statue can be used in processions. The statue is being kept at Our Lady of Victory parish.

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### San Antonio Archdiocesan Union HNS

The Annual Awards Banquet was held at the Fort Sam Houston Golf Club on October 17<sup>th</sup>. The Annual Deceased Members Mass was held on November 1 at St. Gregory the Great Catholic Church located at 700 Dewhurst, San Antonio, Tx.

Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, the only African-American Church in the Archdiocese, hosted the August Hour of Prayer. 100 members, friends and family members representing over 20 parishes attended the event. Rev. Fr. Kevin Fausz, VU, Pastor of Holy Redeemer helped host the event. Fr. Richard Pena, Spiritual Moderator of the San Antonio Archdiocesan Union HNS led the devotions. Deacon Jimmy Rodriguez, Assistant Spiritual Moderator provided the homily.

Over \$1,100 and a large load of various baby items were collected for the women of

the Allied Women's Shelter and the Guadalupe Home to assist their mission of saving the unborn. Special appreciation goes to the Holy Name Society members of Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church and St. Henry Church for their generous donations.

The September Hour of Prayer was held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church on September 27<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Jack Kilburg, MSF was the presider for the devotions. 150 Holy Name Society members, family and friends from 19 parishes attended the devotions. Four new members were formally installed into the Confraternity.

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### St. Paul / Minneapolis Archdiocesan Association HNS

A special Speaker Series event sponsored by the Holy Name Society was held at the Church of St. Mary in St. Paul on Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. The featured speaker, Bishop John M. LeVoir, of the Diocese of New Ulm, MN, gave a talk entitled: *On a Mission for Christ: Fulfilling Your Baptismal Ministry as Priest, Prophet and King*. Additional talks in the series are planned for 2010. The Speaker Series is held annually to raise funds for the initiation of new Holy Name Societies in parishes across the Archdiocese.

The Holy Name Society of the parish of St. Augustine in South St. Paul will host the Annual Apologetics Conference. The conference will be held on January 9<sup>th</sup> and will feature the noted Catholic Apologist, Patrick Madrid. Patrick is the author of the "Surprised by Truth" series of books.

The annual Spring Awards Banquet is being planned for April to be held at the Church of St. Albert the Great in south Minneapolis.

The Annual General Membership Assembly was held on October 12 at the Church of St. Albert the Great in Minneapolis. Election of officers for the Executive Board was held. Michael D. Gores was elected the new president of the Association replacing Ron G. Schmitz. Ron G. Schmitz was recently elected to the NAHNS Executive Board as the new Third Vice President. Under Ron's leadership, the Holy Name Society in the Archdiocese was strengthened and renewed.

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### Holy Family Church, Latrobe PA HNS

The Holy Name Society is sponsoring the Annual Food Drive from November 29 through December 13 and a Men's Retreat at St. Paul of the Cross the weekend of March 19 through the 21<sup>st</sup>.

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY NEWS

### New York AUHNS

The Archdiocesan Union is celebrating 127 years of devotion to the most Holy Name of Jesus. The Union was initially chartered in 1882. Special appreciation and prayers for continued blessings are extended to Thomas F. Dunne who has retired as president of the Archdiocesan Union. Andrew Lisanti, Jr. who has been the president of the Union's Richmond division – Staten Island – is the new President. The new Vice President is Donald Hanke who served as president of the Bronx Division HNS.

His Excellency, Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan was the celebrant and homilist at the 2009 Columbus Day Mass, Monday October 12th at Saint Patrick's Cathedral on Fifth Avenue in New York City. The Mass is sponsored by the Italian Apostolate of the Archdiocese of New York.

The South Bronx Division Annual Feast of Christ the King Observance was held November 22, at the Church of Our Savior, 2317 Washington Avenue, Bronx, New York. There was a procession through the streets of the parish and recitation of the Holy Rosary, Mass and a special dinner. Members of the various parish Holy Name Societies were formally inducted into the Confraternity during the Mass. The event was coordinated by Angel Cruz, District President and Israel Garcia, Vice President.

### Brooklyn Diocesan Union HNS

The Brooklyn Diocesan Union HNS donated \$500 to the local Seminary for Vocations to the priesthood. Rev. Kevin Sweeney, Vocation Director thanked members of the Holy Name Society, "For your continued generosity and support of our efforts to promote the priesthood and religious life in our diocese." He went on to say, "What a blessing the Holy Name Society has been and continues to be in promoting devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus, in promoting vocations and family life and in strengthening the faith of our countless parishes and people throughout our diocese."

A special ceremony for the installation of officers was held On September 13 at Our Lady of Victory Roman Catholic Church in the parish of St. Martin de Porres, located at 583 Throop Avenue, Brooklyn New York. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. Dr. Christopher Colman, PhD, Parochial Vicar at Our Lady of Victory. A Benediction service was also held.

The BDUHNS is promoting the "Toys for Tots" project by asking members to bring unwrapped new toys to their Mass and Christmas Party on Sunday, December 6 at Resurrection Church located at 2331 Gerritsen Avenue, Brooklyn, NY. Rev. Dennis Farrell will be the celebrant for the Mass.

The Annual Diocesan Union Holy Name Recognition Mass will be held at the St. James Cathedral – Basilica on Sunday, February 21, 2010.

### Saint Frances De Chantal, Bronx, HNS

Nocturnal Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is sponsored by the Holy Name Society on the first Friday of the month. The evening begins with Mass at 8:00 p.m. followed by a night of prayers and adoration. The night of Adoration ends with the Mass at 8:00 a.m. Pat Lynch serves as Chair of the Adoration Group.

The parish HNS is sponsoring a Blood Drive for the parish on December 20<sup>th</sup>.

### Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Bronx, HNS

Members of the Holy Name Society initiated a new series of subjects for discussion for the year. The first topic was: "How do I find the right Bible for me?" which covered the various versions of The Bible in print and discussed some of their differences. The Society's spiritual director, Fr. Eric D. Rapaglia gave the talk and led the discussion. November 1<sup>st</sup> was commemorated with a memorial Mass for the deceased members of the Society and deceased Spiritual Directors.

### Saint Francis Xavier, Bronx, HNS

Members of the Holy Name Society purchased and distributed flowers to all mothers in attendance at the monthly Holy Name Liturgy on Mother's Day. Members also participated in the Corpus Christ procession and the fellowship that followed in June.

Society officers will coordinate the annual men's parish retreat scheduled for January of 2010, to be held at the Passionist Spiritual Center in Riverdale, NY.

Plans are in place to celebrate the "Year for Priests" with a parish-wide Communion Mass and breakfast in April. Spiritual reading reports are given at the monthly meetings and plans are in place for a reception ceremony for admitting new members into the Confraternity. Fr. Mathew Furey is the spiritual moderator; Thomas Tronconi is the president.

### Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Elmsford, HNS

The Society sponsored the Annual District Thanksgiving Day Memorial Mass for Deceased Members on November 26<sup>th</sup> at Holy Rosary Church in Hawthorne. Under the leadership of President Mike Fanelli, the society has received six new members into its ranks. Fr. Jude Aro-gundade is the Spiritual Director for the Society.

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY NEWS

### Buffalo Diocesan Union HNS

Annual Awards Banquet was held on October 18 at the Fr. Schauss Knights of Columbus located at 6114 Broadway in Lancaster, New York. Fr. Paul Nogaro, pastor of St. Stephen's Parish in Grand Island, New York, Fr. John Gaglione, pastor of Christ the King Parish in Snyder, New York, Deacon Brian Walkowiak, St. Pius X parish in Getzville, New York, and Deacon William Hynes from St. Benedict's parish in Egbertsville, New York, were all honored with Diocesan awards. District and Parish Holy Name Society Members were also honored during the awards ceremony.

The Annual Healing Mass was held on November 29<sup>th</sup> at the Fatima Shrine in Lewiston. Fr. Paul Sabo, Diocesan Union Spiritual Director, was the celebrant.

The Diocesan Union Annual Convention is scheduled for Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at St. Andrews parish located on Crocker Street in the Village of Sloan. The theme for this year's convention is "The Lord is our Life, Come Follow the Lord." Mass will kick off the convention at 8:00 a.m. followed by a continental breakfast.

The International Holy Name Society breakfast with members attending from St. Catherine's Holy Name Society in Canada is being planned for

March 7, 2010. The special Mass will be held at Our Lady of the Scapular Church in Niagara Falls, Canada.

Annual officer elections will be held on December 21<sup>st</sup> at the Church of the Holy Helpers located at 1345 Indian Church Road, Gardenville, New York

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### Baltimore Archdiocesan Union HNS

The Baltimore Archdiocesan Union HNS is sponsoring it's 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Seminarian raffle in December at St. Clements, Landsdown, MA. The raffle began in 1987 by Bill Weber, Past President, now deceased. In the past 23 years the raffle has raised over \$50,000 and has helped over 106 men to continue their studies in the seminary. Mike Armetta is the Chairman for the event.

The Annual Memorial Mass was held on Sunday, November 15 at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Baltimore. This was the third annual Memorial Mass. The Holy Name Society was the first organization to conduct an event at the newly renovated Basilica 3 years ago. The names of deceased Holy Name Society members from across the Archdiocese were read during the Mass.

### Saint Eugene, Yonkers, HNS

The Holy Name Society of the parish of St. Eugene sponsored a Corporate Communion Mass on November 8<sup>th</sup>, in conjunction with the Yonkers Fire and Police Department Holy Name Societies. The Society assisted in putting on a parish Movie Night featuring the movie *The Mission*, October 17<sup>th</sup>. They are sponsoring a parish Blood Drive on November 29. They will also participate in the Parish Christmas Tree lighting program on December 20.

In October the Holy Name Society members assisted in the opening and closing of the 40 Hours Devotion held at the parish.

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### Saint Sylvester Church, Staten Island, HNS

Readings from the Holy Bible are included in agendas for the monthly meetings. The Annual Communion Mass and Breakfast was held on October 18<sup>th</sup>.

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### Saint Claire of Assisi, Bronx, HNS

Members of the Holy Name Society assisted in the Eleventh Annual Collection for Babies campaign to help commemorate the Right to Life month of October.

### St. Anne's Church, Fair Lawn, NJ HNS

The Second Annual Our Lady of Guadalupe Coloring Contest sponsored by the Society in conjunction with the St. Anne's School was completed last May. Charles Capout introduced the contest to promote better appreciation for the Gift of Life and the influence of Our Lady of Guadalupe on the America's.

Over 1,000 Rosaries were collected and shipped to the Philippines, Christ the Roman Catholic Church in Quezon City. Bill Hennig coordinates the effort and repairs the rosaries so they are usable. The Holy Name society is currently collecting rosaries for shipment to India.

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### Holy Family Church, West Newton, PA HNS

In October the Holy Name Society celebrated "Respect Life Month" by presenting each Mother of the parish with a live red rose for "choosing life". The rose is set in a crystal style vase and given on the occasion of the baptism of her child. A Blessed John of Vercelli medal which had been touched to his relic is affixed to the vase with a crimson red ribbon. A special Holy Name brunch was held on October 11. The event was held as part of the observance of the 76<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the parish society - originally chartered February 24, 1933.

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### **New York City Fire Dept. HNS**

The Captain Timothy Stackpole Annual Retreat was held at the Bishop Molloy Retreat House in Jamaica Estates, NY, October 27th through 29th.

The annual Father Julian Deeken Memorial Mass was held November 8th at Saint Francis of Assisi Church in Manhattan.

### **Saint John the Evangelist, Mahopac, HNS**

The Holy Name Society of Saint John the Evangelist hosts Nocturnal Adoration on the First Friday of every month.

### **Saint Therese at Mid- Orange Correctional Facility, HNS**

The Church of Saint Theresa at Mid-Orange Correctional Facility held its annual Family Day. Father Robert Bubel from Saint Stephen's Church in Warwick presided over the ceremony in honor of Saint John the Baptist. Deacon Richard Rosado, Chaplain of Mid-Orange and director of the Holy Name Society, and Father Gus Graap, OC, were also in attendance. The event was a very special one in that prisoners were able to enjoy and share a fine meal with their families and resident clergy - all coming together as a community of God's faithful.

### **Saint Bartholomew, Yonkers, HNS**

Society members prepared and served breakfast to the mothers and families of Saint Bartholomew after Masses on Mother's Day. Two new members were received into the Society at the annual Investiture Mass in May.

Joseph Chimenti and Frank Marra were honored for their years of service to the parish and the Holy Name Society.

### **Corpus Christi, Port Chester, HNS**

40 persons attended the open June meeting in which Deacon Tom Vargas and Ed Wilson were received into the Society. Eighth-grader Amanda Krizna was awarded the Father James Marra Holy Name Scholarship Award by Pastor and Spiritual Director, Father Thomas E. Ruekert, SDB.

### **Cleveland Diocesan Union, HNS**

The Southern District Deanery celebrated "In His Name Day" on October 11<sup>th</sup> at St. Augustine Church, 204 sixth Street, Barberton, Ohio. The Annual Memorial Mass of the Southern Deanery was held on November 24<sup>th</sup> at Christ the King Church, 1584 Creighton Avenue, Akron, Ohio. The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Holy Name Award dinner of the Southern District Deanery was hosted by the Queen of Heaven Holy Name society on October 18<sup>th</sup>.

A Spiritual Bouquet is being prepared for Bishop Lennon the Spiritual Leader of the Cleveland DUHNS. The annual Corporate Communion Mass is being held on Sunday, December 13. Holy Name members are asked to offer up Rosaries, visits to the Blessed Sacrament, Novenas, other prayers, good works, and mortifications for Bishop Lennon.

The 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Bishops Awards Dinner was held on Sunday, November 1 at Carrie Cerino's located in North Royalton, Ohio. In addition to honoring the Bishops of the Diocese, the event honored outstanding young priests and select Holy Name Society members from throughout the eight-county Cleveland Diocese. The keynote speaker was Most Reverend Roger W. Gries, Auxillary Bishop of Cleveland.

### **Prison Ministry**

Mary Mother of the Captives prison ministry is celebrating thirteen years of service to the incarcerated men and women in the Pennsylvania prison systems. Jack and Sophie Weber have committed the past thirteen years of their lives in service of this special ministry. Sr. Mary Theresa Carmichael and the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia have also been instrumental in providing support of this ministry.

Mary Mother of the Captives Prison ministry provides support for family members of incarcerated men and women, sponsors an annual art show for art work produced by inmates, and provides cards for death row inmates. They also run an entirely anonymous pen pal program to help inmates with positive contact with people outside of the prison system. It also enables the inmates an opportunity to improve their written communication skills. To learn how you can participate in the pen pal ministry visit the NAHNS website at nahns.com and visit the prison ministry link.

### **NAHNS Financial Advisory Committee**

The NAHNS Financial Advisory Committee held a meeting on Saturday, November 7th at Resurrection Parish in Brooklyn. The meeting included reports by the Financial Secretary, including an update on association dues payments. Updates were provided from the Supplies Office, Treasurer, Office of Communications, Cause for Canonization of Blessed John Committee, Associate Services Committee, and Newsletter fund. Also discussed were fundraising ideas for 2010 and 2011. For more information, feel free to contact Gerry Devine via e-mail at: [Gjdevine@aol.com](mailto:Gjdevine@aol.com)

# HOLY NAME SOCIETY NEWS

## Cause for Canonization of Blessed John of Vercelli

The 30th Annual Mass for the Canonization of Blessed John of Vercelli was held on Sunday, November 22, 2009 at the Holy Name of Jesus Church in Philadelphia. The National Holy Name Society and the Pennsylvania Archdiocesan Holy Name Union sponsored the 30th Annual Mass for the Cause for Canonization of Blessed John of Vercelli, the patron of the Holy Name Society.

The Mass commenced with all clergy con-celebrating and deacons assisting Father Francis P. Groake, Pastor of the Church of the Holy Name of Jesus.

The ceremony commenced with a procession of all in attendance, along with their Holy Name Banners into the church. The Mass was followed by veneration of the relic of Blessed John of Vercelli and a visit to the chapel located to the right of the altar. After the visit to the chapel, a social

hour and refreshments was provided in the lower level of the Holy Name of Jesus Church.

To further the cause for canonization of Blessed John of Vercelli, T. Paul DiVito has been given a task by the Dominican Order. Very Reverend D. Dominic Izzo, O.P., Prior Provincial, Dominican Fathers and Brothers, Province of St. Joseph has requested that T. Paul DiVito write the history of the cause for canonization by the Holy Name Society. It is T. Paul's hope that some sort of initial draft would be ready some time in late 2010.

Very Reverend Izzo stated in a letter dated, 26 June 2009, that because of Paul's position as Chairman of the NAHNS Cause for the Canonization of Blessed John of Vercelli, he should write a detailed history of the cause. Very Reverend Izzo further stated that the "written history" could be

important/helpful in going forward for the Canonization of Blessed John of Vercelli.

Due to this detailed and time-consuming assignment by the Prior Provincial, Paul did not seek reappointment as Chairman for the Cause for Canonization of Blessed John of Vercelli; and his new title is, Archivist.

The new Chairman for the Cause for Canonization of Blessed John of Vercelli is Joseph Podsiadlo. Joseph can be reached at:

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## PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

*It is recommended that The Peoples' Prayer for Priests be recited throughout the Year (June 19, 2009 through June 19, 2010) for all Priests. It is recommended that Holy Name Society members recite this prayer at all Holy Name Society sessions, assemblies and conferences.*

Dear Lord, we pray that the Blessed Mother wrap her mantle around your Priests and

through her intercession strengthen them for their ministry.

We pray that Mary will guide your Priests to follow her own words,

"Do whatever He tells you" (Jn 2:5)

May your priests have the heart of St. Joseph, Mary's most chaste spouse.

May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of the cross.

May your priests be holy, filled with the fire of your love seeking nothing but your greater glory and the salvation of souls.

**Amen**





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## NAHNS COMMITTEE CHAIR APPOINTMENTS

**J**oe LaPointe, the newly elected president of the NAHNS, is pleased to announce that the Executive Officers have approved the following choices for the following NAHNS Committee Chairman and other appointments:

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