

# The Caperone

*The Capuchin Novitiate Newsletter*

## Upcoming Novitiate Events

- June 27–July 3 Novices on Retreat at Mt Alverno
- July 15 –*The Caperone* Final edition

## Odds and Ends

### Novices give presentation

On Monday, June 14 Brs. Matt Janeczko, Parker Tiffany, and Erik Lenhart assisted Br. Gerard O'Dempsey at an Adult Faith Education session at St. Alexis Parish in Wexford, PA. The topic was Christian Spirituality. The three novices made presentations on Celtic Spirituality, St. Bonaventure and George Herbert.

### Novitiate Oversight Board

Members of the NAPCC Novitiate Oversight Board, Brs. Matt Elshoff, Bill Hugo, Ignatius Fever, and John Pavlik visited the novitiate from Monday, May 31 through Wednesday, June 4. The purpose of their visit was to perform an on-site evaluation of the novitiate and begin discussing matters concerning the transition of the move of the NAPCC novitiate to San Lorenzo Seminary in Santa Ynez, California in July 2011. Members of the board met individually with each member of the novitiate community to better inform their discussions.

**In the Next Issue . . .**

**The Year in Review**

## Off to Kansas

On Thursday May 27, Liam Quinn, the postulant from the Province of St. Patrick (Ireland) travelled to St. Conrad Friary. He was later joined by James Watson, Roshan Athonypillai, John Paul Kuzma and Ron Dietz from St. Augustine Province. They traveled together to the Pre-Investiture Program in Kansas. The NAPCC Pre-Investiture Program formally began on Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at St. Fidelis in Victoria, Kansas. The program serves as a means to help integrate the brothers into a community before the novitiate year begins. The program is led



by Brs. Frank Grinko (SC), Jim Froehlich (SA), and Michael Greco (SM). The program concludes with investiture on Sunday, July 25 in Allison Park, PA.

Liam Quinn, a postulant from Ireland, helps finish packing the van before heading off to Victoria, Kansas. Photo by Br. John Nguyen

## Preparing for First Profession

During the week of June 6, the novices received their final evaluation and the result of vocation by the professed community. All novices received the staff's recommendation to profess vows. With this information in hand, they began to write to their provincial ministers requesting the privilege of professing vows.

On Sunday June 27, the novices and directors will leave for a week-long retreat at Mt. Alverno in the Laurel Highlands of Pennsylvania. The retreat serves as a way to prepare spiritually for the taking of first vows. During the retreat each novice will

See **Vows** Page 2

### Dates for Vows

#### St. Augustine Province

July 17-10:30 am at Kearns Spirituality Center(Allison Park, PA)

#### Assumption Province

July 24- 10 am at St. Fiarce Church (Leichhardt, Sydney, Australia)

#### Vice-Province Our Lady Star of the Sea

July 29 at 6pm Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church (Agana Heights-Guam)

#### Mary of the Good Shepherd Province

July 30- 7 pm at St. Philip Neri Church (Toronto, Canada)

#### St. Joseph Province

July 31- 10:30 am at St. Francis Church (Wilauke, WI)

#### St. Mary Province

July 31- 11 am Sacred Heart Church (Yonkers, NY)

#### Our Lady of Angels Province

July 31- 11 am at Our Lady of Angels Church (Burlingame, CA)

#### St. Conrad Province

August 2 - 5pm at St. Michael Oratory (Denver, CO)

# The Caperone

St. Conrad Friary  
9448 Babcock Blvd.  
Allison Park, PA 15101  
  
Phone: 412-364-8240  
412-364-7720  
E-mail: thecaperone@gmail.com

**Mission Statement**  
**The Caperone** is a biweekly newsletter published by the novices of St. Conrad Friary in Allison Park, PA. Views do not represent the views of the NAPCC. It seeks to report the news, happenings and events of the novices.

### Special Thanks

Brs. John Nguyen, Matt Janeczko, Michael Greco, Chris Kearney and the Novitiate Formators.

All photos taken by Br. Christopher Iwancio except where noted.

From **Vows**. Page 1

give a short ten minute presentation on the ways that God has worked in his life during the novitiate year, as well as, any insights into his own personal and spiritual development.

Upon their return, the community will have two weeks to clean and make repairs to the novitiate before the departure of the novices to their respective provinces on Saturday, July 17.

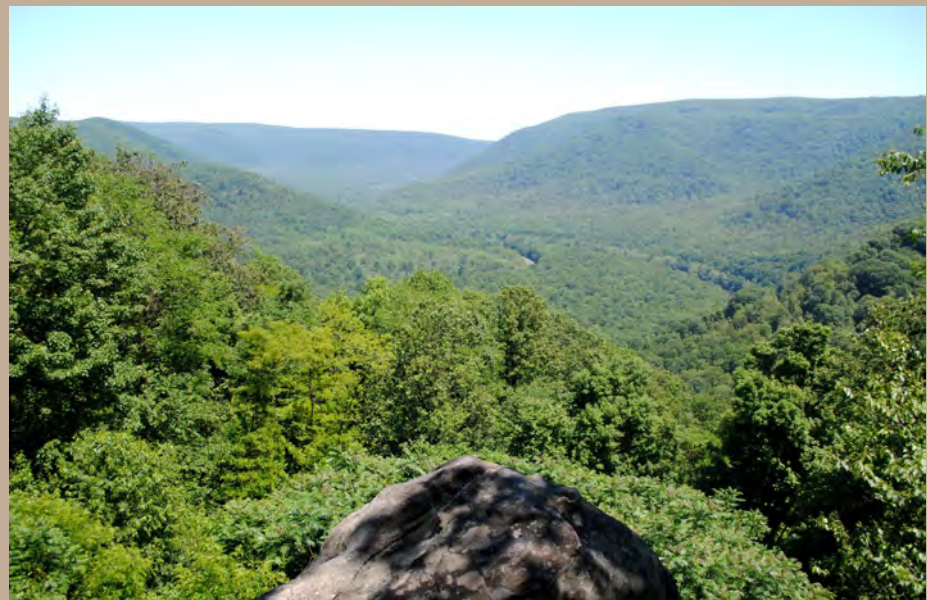
## Investiture Preparation Program



Photo provided by Br. Michael Greco

**Front row:** Fr. Jim Froehlich, O.F.M.Cap. (Penn. Prov.), Fr. Frank Grinko, O.F.M.Cap. (Mid-Am. Prov.), Tam Pham (Austral. Prov.), Liam Quinn (Irish Prov.), Roshan Anthonypillai (Penn. Prov.), Jon Goodan (Penn. Prov.), MJ Groark (Calv. Prov.), Craig McWade (Cent. Canada Prov.). **Back row:** Kevin Moshier (Penn.Prov.), James Watson (Penn. Prov.), Matthew Giles (N.Y.-N.Eng. Prov.), Ron O’Keefe (N.Y.-N.Eng. Prov.), John Paul Kuzma (Penn. Prov.), Ronald Dietz (Penn. Prov.), Stephen Greco (Calv. Prov.), Fr. Michael Greco, O.F.M.Cap. (N.Y.-N.Eng. Prov.). **Not Pictured:** Rafael Anguiano-Rodriguez (Penn.Prov.) — awaiting visa to leave Mexico after family visit.

## A Thousand Words: Summer Vista



View of the Youghiogheny River from Baughman’s Rocks