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Regis and Jennifer O'Neill celebrate their 23rd wedding anniversary on the Family Service Retreat with their children Regis, Lina, and Nathalie

Our family participated in the CYFM Family and Service Retreat during the last weekend in October. It was a rare happening for all five of us to have an entire weekend together considering one of us is away at college, and one of us is a high school senior. But we were deeply committed to making this happen.

Most of us had participated in CYFM programs before, many of them service oriented. But a service retreat for the entire family was a new opportunity. Mom and Dad's desire to go was inspired by the older children's participation in CYFM's summer service work in Garrison and Harlan County, KY. Performing service as a family was consistently a rewarding experience. Having the chance to do so at CYFM was an opportunity we just didn't want to pass up.

Throughout the course of the weekend, we learned of families in need of

beds for their children. Each family's need was great, and their circumstances opened our hearts. A sick mother with several children, a family with four children who had lost their home to fire, and a mother with very little means trying to raise a special needs child were just a few mentioned. CYFM gave us the chance to build bunk beds for these families. While we didn't possess any extraordinary skills in construction, CYFM provided the tools and know how. We brought our desire to help, fueled by compassion and drawing strength from our family connection.

As construction progressed, we saw our retreat group get to know each other and form a bond. Each family's love for each other and strength of faith nurtured the others. The CYFM team added to the growing sense of solidarity, with the

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FAMILY SERVICE RETREAT

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Cap Corps, Fr. Fred, Fr. Tom, and Tom Brinkman working side-by-side with the families. It was a profound experience, which, without a doubt, is forever imprinted on our minds and hearts.

There was plenty of opportunity to socialize and share on other levels, meals, games, prayer, food, even a bonfire! The connection formed through service only enriched these other moments we shared together.

This retreat gave our family the rare opportunity to grow together while doing exceptional service for others. Our lives changed as we worked to change the lives of others.

We are grateful to CYFM for having offered this family opportunity. Without hesitation, we would recommend this



experience to any family, regardless of age or composition. It is wholly worth the effort, and will strengthen a family's love and shared sense of faith.

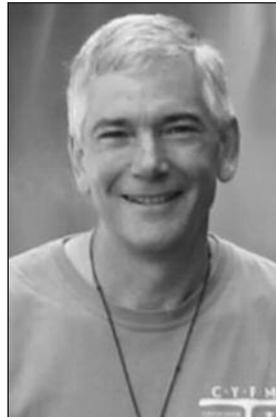
~ Jennifer and Lina O'Neill

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COLUMN

On occasion one has an encounter with a person, in which, all the beauty and mystery of the person is revealed and laid bare. The same happens with communities. I had such an encounter with the CYFM community at the Family Service Retreat in October. For a moment we were taken out of our usual experience of time. In God's presence we found ourselves present to more than the 30 people participating in this retreat experience. Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries is a tremendous gift from God to us through the Capuchin Province of St. Mary.

What did we see? Those wonderful **Franciscan charisms** mediated through the Capuchins were so vividly present. There was a marvelous mix of prayer and action. Both our prayer and our service led to an **encounter with Jesus** who truly was at the heart of all that we did. Friday evening's Taize style prayer helped us to be still and center our hearts on Jesus. Christ was present in our times of prayer, Adoration, and celebration of the mass. Because of our encounter with Him through prayer, we saw and **experienced Christ through the relationships** with others and the service in which we engaged.

Whether we were reflecting on the situation of the families for whom we made the beds, or our experience of prayer, service, and community in our theological reflection; whether we were sharing a meal or sanding and staining the boards that have become the beds for children, **everyone's gifts and contributions were respected**, no matter how young or old.



Through the Family Service Retreat we responded to God's invitation to **join Him in the community** that was formed through the prayer, reflection, service, and relaxation. We also found a way to invite into our community the families whose need for beds for their children we were able to fill. We reflected on the challenges they faced, and held them close in prayer throughout the weekend.

Christ was at the heart of all we did, and so were the families, the six who participated, and the five who have received the bunk beds we made. **Collaboration** was evident throughout. It began with reaching out to Catholic Charities of Dutchess County Community Services who connected us with families who needed the beds. It continued through the gifts people brought to prayer and reflection. We benefited from Dennis McCormack instructing us how to make the beds. He had brought the Bunk Bed Project, initiated by the Capuchins in New York City, to the St. Joseph's men's group of St. Columba in Hopewell Junction, who helped to complete steps of the bed making that we were unable to finish in one weekend.

In CYFM's Family Service Retreat we experienced the Body of Christ manifested in the unique and beautiful community that is CYFM. We are grateful to God and to the Capuchins for this gift. (2 Corinthians 9:15)

~ Tom Brinkmann

ASK THE PADRE

“What is it like being a priest for fifty years?”

A joy, a gift, a blessing! That is the short answer. Fifty years is a long time and deserves a longer answer. When I was ordained a priest on November 13, 1965, McDonald’s didn’t exist, the Mets hadn’t yet won their first World Series and the Second Vatican Council was coming to a close.

Before my ordination, Mass was offered in Latin with the priest facing the altar. With my first Mass the initial liturgical changes began. A little sign in most sacristies reminded me as I vested to offer Mass as if it were “my first Mass, my last Mass, my only Mass.”

I am blessed to be able to share as Saint John Paul II did on his fiftieth anniversary of ordination that I have been able to offer Mass every day of my priestly life. I say a blessing because many things have to fall into place for that to happen including good health.

I consider offering Mass the greatest joy of my priesthood. It is the high point of my day. It is a privilege that I am able to not just tell people about Christ but to offer Mass “in persona Christi” (in the person of Christ.)



And there is my greatest “challenge” as a priest, to be Christ to people. St. Francis was referred to as “the Christ of Umbria.” He tried to imitate Christ so closely in his love for him and he did it so well that people felt when he preached it was Christ himself preaching to them. This is something we are all called to strive for as followers of Christ, to imitate the one we love and in doing that to make Christ more visible to our world today. What a challenge!

But I know that as priest when I offer the Sacraments, Christ is present in and through me because Christ is present in every Sacrament and as priest I celebrate “in persona Christi.” Herein lies my greatest joy and greatest challenge, to be “a person in whom and through whom Christ lives” in my everyday life.

Thank you Lord for fifty wonderful years of priesthood! And maybe Lord, can I ask for just one more World Series victory for the Mets?

In Christ’s Priesthood,
~ Friar Fred

SOMETHING FRANCISCAN

Summer’s gone, leaves are falling down and round my window crystal clear and certain, that winter’s coming home...these words of Gregory Norbet, OSB describe the poignancy and splendor of the change of seasons: time is short like the days during this month of remembrance.

The darkness invades earlier, and as we change our clocks back in unison, our bodies, minds and hearts notice a haunting sense that cannot be shaken off. We struggle to adjust to the new reality, actually a metaphor of all of life, that “to live well is to change often.”

During my years teaching high school, I learned to observe a special window of opportunity that arrives each year when we ‘fall back’ in time. Suddenly, though we are troubled by darkness and signs of death, we are presented with an extra hour of light in the morning. That unaccustomed extra hour, I have learned can be used in many ways. We can continue restlessly, rolling



from side to side, or we can use that hour intentionally: 20 minutes of walking with the Jesus Prayer or rosary, 20 minutes of spiritual reading, and 20 minutes of sitting in silence.

This intentionality and mindfulness opens up other options you’ve always wanted to do: practicing an instrument, learning to draw, writing to a friend, and stretching your body before the day begins – your lower back will really appreciate this! When we act intentionally we feel less tired and less ‘out of control.’

Though these few days of Indian Summer have given us a reprieve, we know it’ll get colder before it gets warmer...those leaves falling round are singing to us that time is our only non-renewable resource.

St. Francis of Assisi reminds us, “Let us begin again, brothers. For up till now we have done little or nothing.”

~ Fr. Tom McNamara

CAP CORPS PERSPECTIVE - FOOLS FOR CHRIST

One of my favorite parts of being a CCV this year is getting to be a fool for Christ. In his letter to the Corinthians, Saint Paul writes, “We are fools on Christ’s account” (1 Corinthians 4:10). Being a fool for Christ means doing whatever it takes to get the Gospel message across, particularly when it requires going against cultural norms and stepping out of our comfort zones. Spreading the Gospel message to the teens who come to CYFM has definitely required me to step out of my comfort zone and go against cultural norms. Some ways I have been a fool for Christ these past few months include: wearing a turkey-hat named Gilbert, wielding a frying pan to explain the inspiration of the Holy Spirit (Sometimes the Spirit just hits you over the head. Bam! Like in the movie Tangled.), pretending to be the captain of a pirate ship, and strutting around the retreat center dressed as the White Witch from the Chronicles of Narnia, scowling at everyone in my path.

Teens are under a lot of pressure to be cool, to look or behave a certain way, and to go along with what everyone else is doing. As a CCV, I have found myself using humor to set teens free from these restrictions, show them that it is ok to be

silly, and help them open up and just be themselves. This has been a freeing experience for me as well. Putting myself in these situations is helping me die to my desires to look perfect and appear important.

Being foolish is also a great way to open our hearts to Christ’s love for us. Doesn’t it seem impossible that God loves us so much that He became one of us and died for us? How foolish of Him! And yet, He did. “God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us” (Romans 5:8). Because He loves us, He made a fool of Himself for us.

They say that when you are in love with someone, you are willing to make a fool of yourself for them. I believe God is calling me to be a fool for Christ as a CCV this year. I hope to prove my love for Christ and for the teens by being the best fool I can.

Does anyone have a lion costume I could borrow?!

~ Valerie Kisselback



RENEW AND REFRESH

This past summer I participated in a Catholic camp for one week – Camp Veritas. One of the main focuses of the camp was Theology of the Body, something I had never heard of before. I came to love this subject throughout the week and really found an appreciation for Pope Saint John Paul II’s writings. He seemed to have this incredible ability of explaining the deepest truths of human desire in simple, almost obvious ways. A few weeks after camp I got a letter in the mail for CYFM’s Renew and Refresh retreat (R&R). When I opened the envelope and saw that the retreat was going to explore JP II’s Theology of the Body, I laughed and immediately registered.

The reason R&R stands out among other retreats is its timing: school is just beginning and everyone could use a weekend to refocus their priorities around Christ. It is the perfect combination of games, study, and prayer. We learned about our deep desire for Christ’s love and how it can become mixed up in societal pressures. We learned about the wonderful differences between man and woman. John Paul II is able to make sense

of manhood and womanhood in a way that’s relatable – even in our society today, where it seems the difference is becoming ignored. It’s not that we are not equal, it is that we were made to compliment each other. One of my favorite lines from the retreat was this: “God made woman from man’s rib, under his arm where she could be safe and close to his heart.” At the end of the weekend we received books by Jason Evert, one of my favorite Catholic writers, so that we could continue to deepen our understanding.

I have been on many CYFM retreats and am looking forward to participating in more this year. CYFM is a place where I can refocus myself on Christ with people my age, who share the same values and are passionate about their faith.

~ Kelly Kret



CAPUCHIN APPALACHIAN MISSION (CAM)

On July 11th, over 80 people set out for Harlan County, Kentucky. Some had been on the Capuchin Appalachian Mission (CAM) before, other had not. I really didn't know what to expect, and was extremely nervous. I only knew a couple of people, and was a bit overwhelmed by how many people I would be spending the week with. That was exactly how my CAM experience was, overwhelming. I had always heard that CAM was life changing, that it would truly open your eyes to the world, and would help you see what real poverty is.



When we arrived in Kentucky, we began to work. Some of us taught children the Good News in Vacation Bible School. Others brought clothes to those who could not afford them. One group spent time at a retirement home in Senior Ministry. Another worked tirelessly in the kitchen, preparing the food which would invigorate us to help those in need.

I was in manual labor. My work group of eight was tasked with building an addition. We would be building a bedroom for a boy named Nick. Little did I know that we would also be building something else, something not made of wood or stone. Every day, we slogged through the mud, hammered in nails, and chopped wood. We set the foundation, nailed the wood into place, and set up the beams. Every day, those for whom we built this room were out there with us. Nick and his father,

James helped in any way they could, and that was a lot. Throughout our time with them, we built a relationship, as well as a room. Whatever we needed, James and Nick brought. Both went above and beyond, when they could

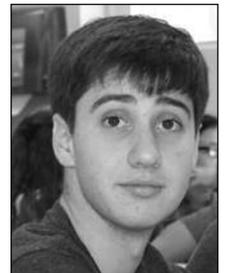


have just left the building to us. My group was not the only one to experience this. Others encountered the love and gratitude that flowed out of Harlan county. Those whom we served may have been poor in funds, but were wealthy in spirit. They gave back in any way they could. This meant the world to us, but I believe that we meant the world to

them. While on the work site, Nick seemed happier that we were there building his room than actually getting a new room.

We met some amazing people while working in Kentucky. I feel truly blessed and lucky to have been able to go on CAM. At first I was nervous and did not want to go. Now I could not imagine my summer without it. The whole ride home, I kept hoping that we would turn around and go back.

~ Jonathan Farrell



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CAPUCHIN OUTREACH PROGRAM 2015

In June, 2015, I participated in the Capuchin Outreach Program, or COP, a week-long service retreat that unexpectedly changed my life. I was apprehensive about attending COP, nervous that I'd constantly make mistakes on my assigned service project-- deck building, but I chose to go because of the people at CYFM. Fr. Marvin, Fr. Fred, the seven CCVs, and the participants are some of the most Christ-filled, inspiring people I've ever met.

Messy Games, the talent show, and a bonfire complete with s'mores made COP an awesome experience, but it was the little things that made it life-changing. It was being able to see



the joy on Hazel Mary and Hank's faces as we built a deck for them, and to hang-out with teens who don't roll their eyes at the mention of God, but instead, are faith-filled, genuine, and inclusive. It was when Kelley



stopped our work group's conversation to pray for a road-side car accident; when Hollis told me that I'm not an idiot, but a beautiful child of God; when Lindsay encouraged me to always remain strong in my

faith. It was when I realized that God led me to find something that I love to do and, through the people at CYFM, motivated me to give my life to Him and to the service of others.

To call COP life-changing may seem exaggeratory, but I'm not the only one to claim such an immense change in myself. I've overheard teachers talk about how much happier I seem this year; family members tell me that I push them to grow in their faith; and had friends tell me that I'm more comfortable talking about and practicing my faith openly. Thanks to COP, I've found something that I love and a community that supports me.

~ Cianna Vaughn



DAY BY DAY AGAPE 242

"Be Bold" may be the most beloved song by CYFM regulars. Sung as loudly as possible with accompanying choreography and a complete disregard for tone, the song is both a proclamation and a challenge. While I sing along joyfully,



declaring that "I am not afraid" and that "the Lord, our God, is with us," I'm also challenging myself to something so simple yet so difficult: to be bold. DDA 242, if nothing else, was a testament to how to live a Christian life boldly, so that others may be warmed by the light of Christ that now burns brighter within all of us.

I came to DDA at the behest of my friends from Leadership and R&R who were astonished that I hadn't been on DDA yet. Upon arrival, I noticed an energy in the air, an excitement visible on the leaders' faces and anticipation (or rather participation) among the first timers like myself.

Our small groups came alive with this energy, as each table shared their personal experiences in light of the leaders' inspiring talks.

This energy came to a climax for me during the Benediction and Adoration service. Prostrate next to my DDA brothers, I will forever remember raising my head and seeing Christ glorified in the golden monstrance that glowed in the candle light, surrounded by the haze of incense smoke. Our communal petitions prayed in front of the blessed sacrament showed the true character of the DDA community in its caring for those in need through prayer.



Most importantly, I met so many bold examples of Christian living. Proudly wearing Tau crosses, past DDA crosses, and other reminders of their faith, these guys showed me how to live out the fourth day of my DDA experience for the rest of my life. I am forever grateful to peer and adult leaders, and implore anyone who wishes to deepen their faith to go on a DDA.

~ Charlie O'Brien



ALUMNI CORNER - JOHN REALE

Well I guess I should start with my beginning:

I made my encounter retreat at DDA 214 after being coaxed by my pastor, who also did DDA when he was younger. It was at this retreat that I had my first encounter with the Lord. It was a very shaking experience feeling like God is standing right in front of me calling me into a true relationship with Him. This event also marked the first time that I actually considered, if only briefly, the call to the priesthood. After that retreat I went on the DDA Leadership retreat and lead on DDA 221. I also went on the Capuchin Appalachian Mission and the Senior retreat, with a kitchen palanca here and there.

The 9/11 Memorial with the good Pope Francis was quite the experience. The first, and only, rehearsal was the day before the actual event and I was titled the gong-ringer by my fellow seminarians. I had the opportunity to speak with a variety of those that were a part of the event and hung out with Bishop James Massa when he wasn't running around getting things ready for his Holiness Pope Francis. So there I am, a couple minutes before the pope is going to walk in, already quite nervous knowing that this is being broadcast basically everywhere, when Bishop Massa calls me over to tell me that I will need to hold the binder for Pope Francis' opening prayer. If any of you know the nervous awe felt when around someone of any importance, you can understand somewhat when I say that I became as hyper as a kid on a sugar-rush.



I was so nervous at this point, after all how many people can say that they were under a foot from the Pope? Then as Pope Francis is walking in, Bishop Massa pushes me forward and tells me to shake his hand. Me, shake hands with the



pope! I'm not sure whether I actually said "Hi, papa." or if that was only in my head, but I shook his hand and then got in position for bringing him the binder. Any altar servers know that weird feeling of holding the book for the priest; well this was so many times more than that. After that experience, the actual ringing of the bell was easy and uneventful, like something done every day. It wasn't until a day or so after the event that it actually hit home that I did those things, and that everyone watching it saw me do those things.

~ John Reale



LEADERSHIP

I first heard about Leadership on my first time at CYFM during DDA (Day by Day Agape). DDA was such an amazing experience and I wanted to go back to CYFM right after I left.

From the moment I arrived at CYFM I felt



the familiar, comfortable, friendly feeling of everyone there. Through informative talks I learned about what it means to be a leader, and more importantly, a Christian leader.

These talks were often followed by activities that gave us a chance to see and practice the skills we learned about. I also



got to meet Catholic teens my age, and I made great friends that I still talk to. Some of the things I learned on the weekend include: qualities of a good leader, the importance of a task and maintenance leadership, five important points of Christian leadership, and how to write and give a talk/speech. One of my favorite things of the retreat was an activity that demonstrated social labels, and how they negatively affected others and group collaboration.

On leadership I continued growing in my faith and enjoyed the group prayer and song. The best part of the leadership for me was getting to meet so many wonderful people that I am still friends with.

At the leadership retreat, I learned a lot, made new catholic friends, and all around had a lot of fun. I can't wait to return to CYFM for more retreats, and I would recommend Leadership and other CYFM retreats to anyone.

~ Jonathan Gaughan



WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Katie Purple

Just recently, I was giving a retreat talk about the Holy Spirit, and as I reflected on the oftentimes surprising ways that the Holy Spirit calls us out of our comfort zones, I could not help but fill the talk with stories about my year of service.

My time as a Cap Corps Volunteer (CCV) from 2011 to 2012 was filled with unexpected surprises, ranging from learning how to operate a sawzall on a manual labor crew in Appalachia, to overcoming my previous shyness and excitedly giving retreat talks. It was a year that was filled with the Holy Spirit's good work.

I entered my year of service after graduating from The Catholic University of America (CUA). I had been involved in women's ministry in college and a Theology of the Body internship, and I was searching for a way to minister to others, as well as a clearer direction for my life. CYFM was a perfect fit. In many ways, I did not know what I was getting into; I never expected running around CYFM with my community members, dressed up as characters from Toy Story for a game of Clue, or playing "Pie a CCV!" and suffering the delicious consequences. The joys were innumerable and oftentimes unexpected, and though my community members and I faced our share of tired days, I will never forget the contagious joy that we shared and that filled my life that year.



Many retreat moments stand out in my memory, but being on team for DDA 227 was perhaps the most beautiful. I loved praying with these teenage girls, mentoring them with their talks, watching them grow in friendship with each other, and, especially on the DDA weekend, witnessing Christ start to come more alive in their lives and their relationships. The Appalachian Mission also stands out for its beauty, as while we were "roughing it," I met Christ so clearly in the faces of the poor.

If I could sum up what my CCV year taught me, it would be that life is meant to be poured out in service. This perspective led me forward into grad school for Moral Theology and Ethics at CUA and then to a Catholic high school in Connecticut, where I currently am in my second year of teaching religion and doing campus ministry.

I am also continuing to give talks on Theology of the Body to CT/NY youth groups, which I began doing at CYFM. (If you are interested in a talk, please contact me at kepurple@gmail.com.)

In so many ways – personally, professionally, and spiritually – I have been blessed by my time at CYFM, and I will always be filled with an immense gratitude!

~ Katie Purple

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December 2015 – July 2016

DECEMBER

Dec 18 Volunteer Appreciation Party

JANUARY

Jan 3-7 College Capuchin Outreach Program

Jan 15-17 Capuchin Youth Leadership Retreat

Jan 29-30 7th & 8th Grade Overnight Retreat
(Jesus and the Gospel Message)

Jan 30-31 7th & 8th Grade Overnight Retreat
(Jesus and the Gospel Message)

FEBRUARY

Feb 5-7 College / Young Adult Retreat

Feb 12-15 Girls' DDA Weekend

Feb 19-21 Women's Retreat

Feb 26-28 Saint for Youth Retreat

MARCH

Mar 3-6 Boys' DDA Retreat

Mar 20 Living Stations

APRIL

Apr 21-24 Girl' DDA Weekend

Apr 29 Annual Dinner Dance

Apr 30 CYFM Graduating Senior Retreat

MAY

May 13-15 Capuchin Youth Leadership Retreat

May 22 Family Festiva

JUNE

Jun 26-Jul 1 Capuchin Outreach Program (COP)

JULY

Jul 9-17 Capuchin Appalachian Mission (CAM)

Jul 22 CapCorps Volunteer (CCV) send-off

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5/18/15 – Jane E. Tracy, mother of Kathy Bell (DDA 158, 162, 168, 174, 179, 183, 186, 193, 202, 217 & 241) and many Women Retreats; mother-in-law of David Bell (DDA 165, 168, 171, 174, 183, 186, 189, 202, 208, 212 and 226)

7/17/15 – Jane Goldwasser, mother of Jonathan Goldwasser (DDA 149, 159, 211, 226, 229, 233, 234, 237 & 240); Missy Carvin (DDA 237; mother-in-law of Emily Goldwasser (DDA 166, 174, 179, 183, 188, 215, 220 and 237); predeceased by his father, Hank Goldwasser, November 2008.

8/29/15 – Anthony R. Romeo, father of Richard Romeo (DDA 167, 178, 181, 187, 190, 197, 209, 214, 219, 221, 226, 231, 235 and 240); father-in-law of Janet Romeo (DDA 164, 170, 175, 182, 188, 191, 196, 210, 215, 223, 236 and 241); Grandfather of Mark (DDA 159, 169 and 171); Eric (DDA 185, 187, 190, 197, 214, 219, 231 and 235) and Neil (DDA 209, 211, 214 and 219).

DEATHS

9/14/15 – Jeffrey Smith (CAM 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013), husband of Joan (Fleming) Smith; father of Paul (CAM 2006) and Samantha.

ENGAGEMENT

8/10/15 – David Carvalho (CCV 2012-2013) to Teresa Coppola.

MARRIAGES

6/27/15 – Andrea Carrera (CCV 2010/2011) and Brendan Hickey.

10/3/15 – Claire Lajoie (CCV 2005/2006) and James P. Zugec.

BIRTH

10/10/15 – A son, Augustine Michael Matelski, born to Theresa (Donnelly) Matelski (LA2002/2003) and Justin Matelski.