MIDWEST PROVINCE NEWS ITEMS

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Schubert Villa, the new assisted living center at Notre Dame, was dedicated on Saturday, October 11. Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Crowley of Fort Wayne-South Bend was the celebrant. Br. Thomas Shaughnessy, director of the skilled and assisted health care units, spoke briefly and introduced special guests from among the more than 165 persons who attended the function. Br. William Geenen, provincial, spoke of the generosity of Mrs. Helen D. Schubert, after whom the facility is named, and her husband Leland and sons.

Beginning the following Monday, the first brothers took up residence at the Schubert Villa. As of this time fourteen of the sixteen rooms are occupied by Brs. John Campbell (SW), Frederick Choquette, Thomas Corcoran, Flavius Ellison, Walter Foken, John Harrington, Rex Hennel, Thomas R. Henning, Ronan Koenigsknecht, Wilbert Leveling, Giles Martin, Thomas Mittendorf, Paul Schwoyer (EB), and Edward Sniatecki (EB).

Br. Thomas Dillman of the District of West Africa is currently in the U.S. and is spending much of his time with his terminally ill sister, Marian, for whom he continues to request the prayers of the province.

Br. Thomas has completed two mathematics textbooks for use in the 11th and 12th grades in Liberian schools. He returned to Liberia for a short visit in late August to arrange for the printing of the books in Monrovia, where he had spent more than 27 years at St. Patrick's.

The books will be used in all Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese of Monrovia beginning with the new school year. It seems likely that the government schools will also adopt the text, as UNICEF is interested in subsidizing textbooks for the Liberian schools. Br. Thomas considers his textbook preparation project as something of a legacy to Liberian youth, whom he will no longer have the opportunity to teach formally in the classroom. He terminated his stay in Liberia in December, 1996. He has utilized the time afforded him by the Ghanaian community to author the textbooks, and has begun the third book–for grade 10–which he hopes to complete within a few months after he returns to Ghana from his leave in the U.S.

Please remember the following deceased persons in your prayers:

Mrs. Anne S. Weber, mother of Br. Richard Weber, who died October 13th and whose funeral was held in North Olmstead, Ohio, on the 16th.

Robert Becker, brother of Br. Michael Becker, who died October 25th in California at the age of 68.

Fr. Joseph Kehoe, C.S.C. (I), who died on October 18th at the age of 87. Fr. Joe had worked for many years at both Notre Dame and Portland universities. His funeral took place on October 22 at Notre Dame.

And from the Canadian Province of Brothers, **Br. Guillaume Descormiers**, who died July 13th in Montreal, and **Br. Paul L'Archeveque**, who died September 16th in Montreal.

One of four new members elected in October to the board of the African Faith and Justice Network in Washington, D.C., was **Br. Philip Armstrong**. His experience in West Africa is expected to help balance the much greater representation of experience of board members

formerly serving in other areas of the African continent.

- Br. Thomas Shaughnessy extends a cordial invitation to brothers who wish to dine at the new Schubert Villa. It would help in food service planning if those wishing to avail themselves of opportunities to have a meal or meals at the Villa would give advance notice by telephoning the Villa kitchen at (219) 287-1838.
- Br. Frederick McGlynn, who resided at Columba Hall for several months, was scheduled to return to Ghana on November 7 in time for the celebrations surrounding the 40th anniversary of the arrival of the brothers. Fred has served in the District of West Africa for thirty-two years, most of them teaching higher math at St. Augustine's College, Cape Coast.

Bishop John M. D'Arcy, ordinary of the Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese, recently announced the appointment of Fr. Daniel Jenky, C.S.C., as Auxiliary Bishop-elect of the Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese, and as pastor of St. Matthew's Cathedral in South Bend.

Fr. Jenky has been rector of Sacred Heart Basilica and chaplain of the Fischer Graduate Student Residences at Notre Dame. He is also a former superior of Corby Hall. His episcopal ordination will take place on December 16th at St. Matthew's Cathedral.

It is an honor for Holy Cross to have one of its members appointed to service in the diocese as a bishop in recognition of the community's long and influential presence in the area.

Br. Joseph Barry, campus minister at St. Ed's University, sent information from Austin on a workshop he is involved in giving at the 1998 Catholic Campus Ministry National Convention in Austin.

Together with Sr. Margaret Andre Waechter, C.S.C., campus minister at the University of Texas, he will make presentations on *Team Building and Staff Development*, which is described as a "hands-on, practical workshop which will help your campus ministry team relate to one another at new levels of effectiveness. We will look at how you can improve your team effectiveness, assess whether your team has reached a plateau and what you need to do to push on."

Some Directory address changes are:

- p. 6 Br. Donald Bailer: e-mail address is bailer@ndhs.org
- p. 9 Br. Clement Burger: residence area code should be (312)
- p. 10 Br. Thomas Cunningham: home phone is (562) 492-9932
- p. 15 Br. Richard Gilson: residence change: Columba Hall, Notre Dame, IN 46556, Phone: (219) 631-6284
- p. 16 Br. Thomas C. Henning: work phone is (313) 285-1100
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- p. 35 Br. James Van Dyke: work phone and fax: (773) 869-4410 and (773) 869-6080 (fax)
- p. 39 Add to Columba Hall listing: Br. William Doherty, Br. Richard Gilson, Br. Sixtus Perzynski
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