

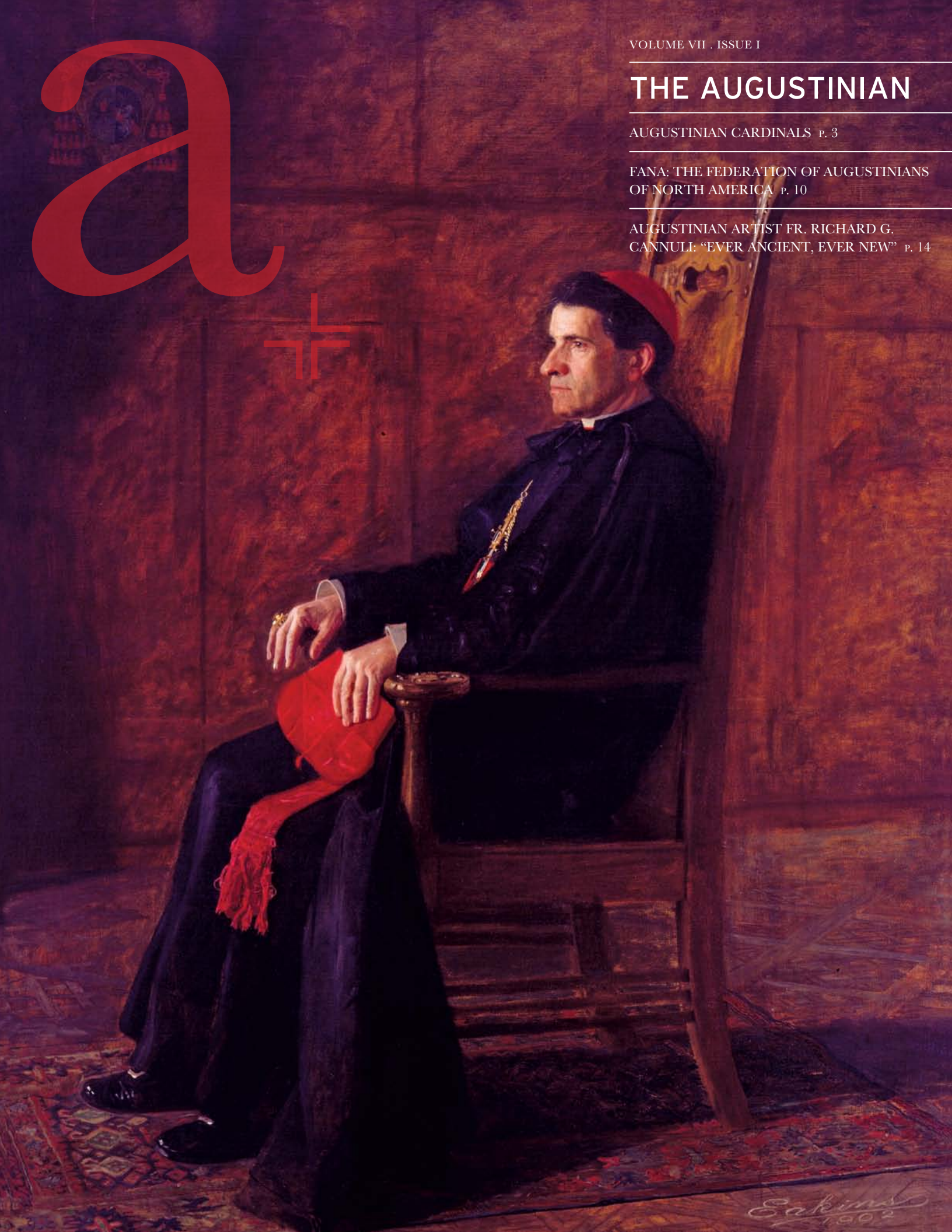
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On February 18, 2012, Pope Benedict XVI elevated 86-year old Prospero Grech, O.S.A., of Malta, to Cardinal. Dubbed “The Reluctant Cardinal” by the Maltese press, Fr. Prospero, a renowned biblical scholar, author and professor, was caught off guard by the Pope’s request. Similarly, Sebastiano Martinelli, O.S.A., previous to Cardinal Grech, the most recent Augustinian to receive the Red Hat 111 years ago, in 1901 was reluctant to accept a call from Pope Leo XIII to become Apostolic Delegate to the United States. This unusual connection between the two Augustinians is explored.

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FANA: The Federation of the Augustinians of North America

Since 2007, joining the provinces in North America into a federation had been a topic of discussion among the members of the provinces in the United States and Canada. The focus was a new alliance that would leave each province retaining much of their own affairs—but would seek to collaborate in areas of mutual interest for all the provinces. After much work and discussion, friars voted to accept the proposal to form a federation. On February 21, 2012, Robert F. Prevost, O.S.A., Prior General of the Augustinian Order in Rome, officially established the Federation of Augustinians of North America.

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Augustinian Artist Fr. Richard G. Cannuli: “Ever Ancient, Ever New”

On March 31, 2012, in Rome, Italy, Fr. Richard G. Cannuli, O.S.A., former Chair of the Art and Art History Department and the Theatre Department at Villanova University, opened an exhibit, “‘Ever Ancient, Ever New’—Sacred Treasures,” with subsequent exhibits in Sienna (Italy), the Czech Republic and Poland. Dedicated to his parents and grandparents, the show pays homage to their cultural and devotional roots in South Philadelphia and Southern Italy.



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LETTER FROM THE

PRIOR PROVINCIAL

Dear Friends,

Most people do not like change in their lives or change in the world around them. Augustinians take a vow of obedience, but change can be difficult for us too. In the Order of St. Augustine we have a phrase, “for the good of the Order and for the people we serve.”

This issue of *The Augustinian* is essentially about change. It’s about two Augustinians, a century apart, who were asked by a Pope to take on a life-changing role they did not seek or want; but they accepted the role for the good of the Order and for the people they serve. Those two friars are our newest Augustinian Cardinal, Prospero Grech, O.S.A., who was elevated to a Cardinal in February 2012, and our previous Augustinian Cardinal, Sebastiano Martinelli, O.S.A., who was elevated to a Cardinal in 1901. Their stories, largely told through the eyes of the media, is our main feature article for this issue.

Our second story introduces FANA: The Federation of the Augustinians of North America. In our piece on the Federation you will find that Province names and structures will remain as they are, but through this Federation we will explore new ways to work together for the benefit of each of the provinces in North America. Very Reverend Bernard C. Scianna, O.S.A., Provincial of the Midwest, has been elected the first Prior of our Federation by his fellow Provincials. It is “for the good of the Order and for the people we serve” that the brotherhood of friars confirmed their desire to work more closely, to create a platform for change.

Our brother, Fr. Richard G. Cannuli, O.S.A., has been given a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to show his art in Augustinian historical sites in Europe and Eastern Europe. The show has taken him to Rome, San Gimignano, Prague, Czech Republic and Krakow, Poland. If you ask why Richard does this art, you need only read Fr. Richard’s exhibition booklet which makes reference to St. Augustine’s words in Sermon 43—“See what you believe.”

Before you dive into the pages of this issue of the *The Augustinian*, I am very proud to announce that this magazine, produced by the Augustinian Friars of the Province of St. Thomas of Villanova, received First Place honors from the 2012 Catholic Press Association Awards for Best Cover; First Place for General Excellence of a Religious Order Magazine; and First and Third Place for Best Feature Article in a Religious Order Magazine. The Second Place award for individual excellence as a writer in all categories (Newspapers, Magazines, Newsletters and freelance writers) was awarded to Teddie Gallagher, Editor of *The Augustinian*. The Augustinian website, <http://augustinian.org>, garnered the Second Place award for Best General Publisher’s website. Our Editor and Communications Director, Teddie Gallagher, along with Associate Editor and Associate Communications Director, Kitty Sheridan, deserve the credit and recognition for the vision, creativity and expertise they bring to the magazine and the website. I thank God for their generosity in sharing their gifts and talents with us.

In Augustine,

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AUGUSTINIAN CARDINALS

BY TEDDIE GALLAGHER



CARDINAL PROSPERO GRECH, O.S.A.
CARDINAL-DEACON OF SANTA MARIA GORETTI

ON JANUARY 6, 2012, when Pope Benedict XVI named 22 men to be elevated to the College of Cardinals, most were archbishops, bishops, monsignors, prefects, presidents or grand masters. Two men on the list were simply priest and professor. One of those two men was an 86-year-old Augustinian named Prospero Grech, O.S.A., a native of Malta, who had spent the past 60 years of his life in Rome.

As the media frenzy around the nominations rose up, many news outlets wondered why the choices were made. Why were some excluded? What did the changes do to the mix of cardinals under the age of 80 who would vote to elect a new Pope? Like presidential nominations

to the Supreme Court, some assumed the Pope was putting his stamp on the vote for his successor.

In the United States, the cardinals-elect seemed to reflect that this was a win for the team. Catholic News Service reported this quote from the then Cardinal-designate Timothy Dolan: “This is not about Timothy Dolan; this is an honor from the Holy Father to the Archdiocese of New York... It’s as if Pope Benedict is putting the red hat on the top of the Empire State Building, or the Statue of Liberty, or on home plate at Yankee Stadium.”

In stark contrast, there was the press about the well-respected Augustinian, Biblical scholar, author and professor, Fr. Prospero Grech, O.S.A.! Unfailingly honest, humble and humorous, the Cardinal-designate Grech said he was speechless when he got the call from his old friend Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone, but asked, “What for?” “The Holy Father has his reasons,” said Cardinal Bertone. Fr. Prospero later said he thought, “Thank you very much, but I’m confused about it. I don’t see that I’ve done anything special.” *The Times of Malta* called him the “Reluctant Cardinal” and quoted him as jokingly saying “I always believed in the Pope’s infallibility, but now I am beginning to doubt it.” He also described himself as “about to be painted in red.” “Two weeks ago I was at peace,” he told an interviewer, “I hope everyone forgets me because I’m one of those unimportant Cardinals. I was appointed because I was old. I don’t want to change my life.”

At 86, Cardinal-designate Prospero Grech’s quiet life of prayer and important work as priest and professor had just changed and he wasn’t happy about it—or the spotlight. In another interview he said he told Cardinal Bertone, “If I say ‘No,’ what would the Maltese people say? They would surely kill me after almost 200 years waiting to have a native Cardinal...and the Augustinians would have insisted to have a representative within the Vatican’s Sacred Palace.” Somewhat sadly, Cardinal Bertone suggested he stop riding his red motor scooter through the busy streets of Rome, because some people see it as beneath the dignity of a Cardinal. Fr. Prospero didn’t see the difference between a motor scooter and a car, but went along with the request.



MOST REVEREND PRIOR GENERAL ROBERT F. PREVOST, O.S.A., (LEFT) JOINS FR. PROSPERO GRECH, O.S.A., FOR HIS EPISCOPAL ORDINATION AT ST. JOHN’S CO-CATHEDRAL IN MALTA ON FEBRUARY 8, 2012.



When one considers the history of Malta and the Augustinians, you can surely understand why Fr. Grech felt the pressure to accept the elevation to Cardinal status.

The small Republic of Malta is a group of seven islands in the middle of the Mediterranean. Only the three larger islands (Malta, Gozo and Comino) are inhabited, with a population just over 450,000.

The country has been inhabited since the fifth millennium BC, and through the course of time has been taken over by many civilizations and nations, including the Sicilians, Greeks, Phoenicians, Spanish, Romans, Italians, Arabs, French and, finally, the English. The islands officially became independent in 1964 and became a Republic.

St. Paul was shipwrecked on the island in 60 A.D. when he was enroute from Crete to Rome to be judged before Caesar. His three-month stay is recorded in the Acts of the Apostles. Through the influence of the preaching and healing works of St. Paul, the Maltese have retained their Christian religion through all invasions. Today, Malta’s Constitution declares Roman Catholicism to be its state religion. It’s estimated that about 95-98 percent of its residents are Roman Catholic.

Despite the fact that Malta’s Roman Catholic roots date back centuries, only one native Maltese Cardinal had been named—Fabrizio Sceberras Testaferatta,

in 1816—almost 200 years ago! Put into this context, the Maltese people would, as Fr. Grech said, “surely kill him” if he didn’t accept the appointment.

Then too, the Maltese people, his friends and his family of cousins in Malta, are still close to the Cardinal’s heart, even though he has lived in Rome for the past 60 years.



AN AVID PHOTOGRAPHER, THIS PHOTO OF ST. PETER’S BASILICA IS AN EXAMPLE OF CARDINAL GRECH’S WORK.

SO WHO IS PROSPERO GRECH, O.S.A., AND WHY WAS HE ELEVATED TO CARDINAL?

Cardinal Grech was born on December 24, 1925, in the town of Vittoriosa (Birgu), Malta, to Amelia Gatt and Vincent Grech. Given the name Stanley, he was an only child. He attended Catholic schools and originally went to school to be a doctor; but he didn’t like it. This was in the midst of World War II and Malta, then under the rule of the United Kingdom, was bombarded for two and a half years by the Italians and Germans because of its close

proximity to enemy shipping lanes in the Mediterranean. The Maltese islands were critical to the UK as a refueling station and a base to keep enemy supplies from travelling freely to North Africa.

The 17-year old Grech joined the RMA (Royal Malta Artillery) and worked as an anti-aircraft gunner for three days a week and went to the University for three other days. He became part of the historic resistance of the Maltese people to keep their islands from falling into the hands of Mussolini and Hitler, for which King George VI awarded the country the George Cross, seen on Malta’s flag.

Towards the end of the war, Fr. Grech remembers taking a long walk where he decided to follow the vocation he felt called to as a boy—to become a priest. He joined the Augustinians in 1943, was given the name Prospero by them, and was ordained on March 25, 1950. During all but three of the years, between 1943 to 1961, Fr. Prospero studied or did research. He received his doctorate in Theology from the Gregorian University; he studied Sacred Scripture at the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome; he participated in an archeological visit to the Holy Land; he obtained a scholarship to Oxford University where he studied Hebrew; he was invited to the University of Cambridge as a research assistant doing studies on Maltese Literature; and then, in 1961, returned to Rome to complete his biblical studies. As to languages, Cardinal Grech is proficient in nine: Latin, Greek, Hebrew, Maltese, English, Italian, French, German and Dutch.



AERIAL VIEW OF ST. PETER’S BASILICA

From 1961 to 1965 Fr. Grech served as secretary to the Vicar for Vatican City, and in this role he was present for the Conclave that elected Giovanni Battista Enrico Antonio Maria Montini to be Pope Paul VI. In 1965 he was chosen



POPE BENEDICT XVI CONFERS THE RED BIRETTA AND EMBRACES THE NEWLY-CREATED CARDINAL PROSPERO GRECH, O.S.A., DURING THE ORDINARY CONSISTORY HELD ON FEBRUARY 18, 2012, IN ST. PETER’S BASILICA IN VATICAN CITY.



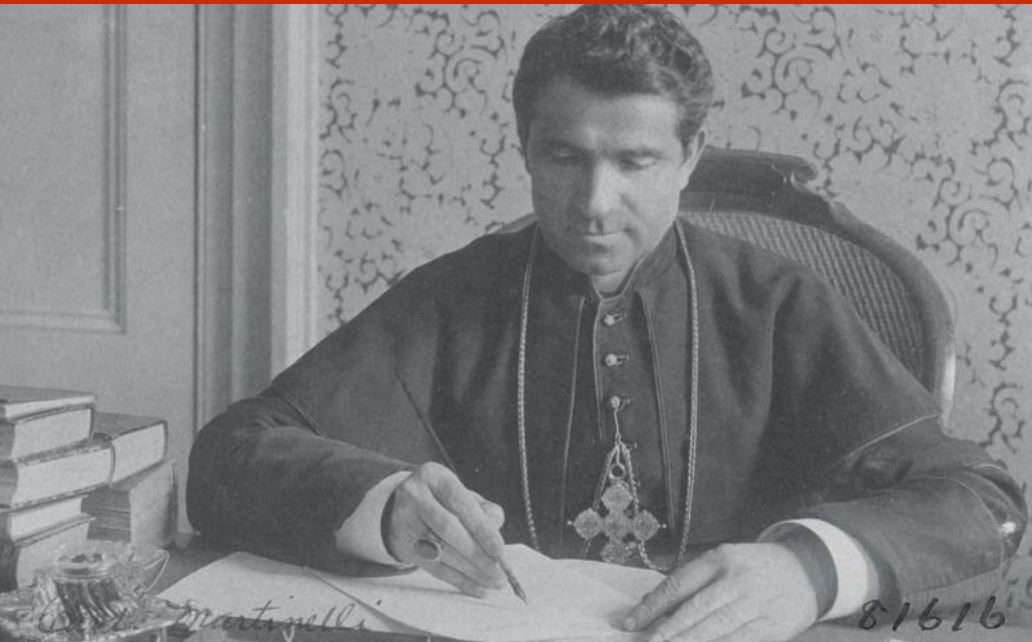
THE NEWLY-CREATED CARDINAL GRECH WITH HIS DOCTORAL STUDENTS AND FELLOW FRIARS.

to be the President of the *Instituto Teologico Augustinianum* and lectured there. In 1970, with the then Most Reverend Prior General of the Order, Fr. Agostino Trapé, O.S.A., he co-founded the *Instituto Patristico Augustinianum*, and held the position of president until 1979. In 1970 he began a 32-year career lecturing on hermeneutics (a method or theory of interpretation of the bible) at the Pontifical Biblical Institute; and he taught biblical theology from 1971 to 1989 at the Pontifical Lateran University.

In 1984 Fr. Grech was named Consultor of the Sacred Congregation of the Doctrine of Faith, in which he still serves. It was here that Fr. Grech worked closely with the Prefect of the Sacred Congregation of the Doctrine of Faith, now Pope Benedict XVI, then Cardinal

Joseph Ratzinger. The connection to the Pope and his wish to recognize Fr. Prospero comes from the 20 years that they served together on the Congregation. Then, too, Pope Benedict, as a young priest in Germany, wrote his dissertation on St. Augustine, entitled “The People of the House of God in Augustine’s Doctrine of the Church.” In 2007, during a pastoral visit in Italy, he made it a point to pray at the tomb of St. Augustine, calling him a model of conversion for all ages.

Which brings us back to the second reason Fr. Prospero Grech, O.S.A., felt the pressure to accept the call to be a Cardinal...The Brothers of the Order of Hermits of St. Augustine.... →



THIS PHOTO OF ARCHBISHOP MARTINELLI AT THIS DESK APPEARED IN THE NEW-YORK DAILY TRIBUNE ON SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 1900. IT IS FROM THE FRANCES BENJAMIN JOHNSTON COLLECTION, LIBRARY OF CONGRESS, WASHINGTON, DC. JOHNSTON (1864-1952), WAS A PIONEERING WOMAN PHOTOGRAPHER WHO CAPTURED MANY NOTABLE FIGURES INCLUDING TEDDY ROOSEVELT, GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER, SUSAN B. ANTHONY, HOWARD PYLE AND MARK TWAIN.

To have a Pope create an Augustinian Cardinal is extremely rare. So rare that, including Cardinal Prospero Grech, there have only been thirteen Augustinian Cardinals since the Order was founded in 1256. This holds true for most religious orders, because religious orders, like the Order of St. Augustine, are not on the same leadership path as secular or diocesan priests.

Pope Leo XIII (Gioacchino Pecci) had a special affinity for the Augustinians because they served in a church in Carpineto, Italy, where Pecci was born. Pope Leo XIII created three of the thirteen Augustinian Cardinals: Luigi Sepiacci, O.S.A., Agostino Ciasca, O.S.A., and Sebastiano Martinelli, O.S.A.

Martinelli was the only Augustinian created as a Cardinal in the 20th Century in 1901. Fr. Prospero Grech knew well that there had been a gap of 111 years since an Augustinian Cardinal had been named and knew the Augustinians would want him to accept. Still, Cardinal Grech has said “If I had been alone, I could have said look, just leave me in peace.” As reluctant as Prospero Grech was to accept a position in the College of Cardinals, he may be surprised to read the 1896 *Standard & Times* describe Sebastiano Martinelli’s reaction to being called to leadership as the second Papal Delegate to the United States by Pope Leo XIII:

“Speculation is still rife regarding the probable successor to Cardinal Satolli as Papal Delegate to the United States. A cablegram from Rome stated that Most Rev. Sebastiano Martinelli, General of the Order of St. Augustine, had been selected, and another followed stating that, when first informed that he had been elected to succeed Mgr. Satolli, Father Martinelli refused to accept the appointment. But after being summoned into the presence of the Pope and being informed by His Holiness that he personally desired him to go to America, Father Martinelli accepted the mission.”

— *Standard & Times*, August 8, 1896

In an interview with the *New York Herald* on October 14, 1896, the then Archbishop Martinelli confirmed, “It is true that when the Holy Father notified me of his intentions...I was unwilling to go...but when he called for me...I assented at once. I had hoped until the last day of July that I might be permitted to remain in Rome, but on the 30th it was decided that I should come.” Martinelli’s appointment as Apostolic Delegate or “nuncio” made him the highest-ranking prelate in the United States and, before his arrival, the appointment was hotly debated in the press:

“His appointment by the Pope came as a surprise to the Roman Court—for centuries the secretaries, auditors, delegates and nuncios have formed a separate

ecclesiastical division...and the American mission should have gone to their ranks.”
—*New York Herald*, September 20, 1896

“The fact that Father Martinelli is the member of a religious order...to one element of the Church, the appointment causes rejoicing. To another, the [American] hierarchy, it is unwelcome.”

—*Evening Telegraph*, Philadelphia, August 15, 1896

Washington, July 31, 1896, “The report from Rome that Father Martinelli has been appointed Apostolic Delegate to the United States to succeed Cardinal Satolli is not believed at the Catholic Legation in this city [DC]...It is considered improbable.”

—telegraph to the *New York Herald*, published July 31, 1896

SO WHO WAS SEBASTIANO MARTINELLI, O.S.A.?

Sebastiano Martinelli was born on August 20, 1848, in Borgo Sant’Anna, Lucca, Italy, located 240 miles north of Rome, in the area known as Tuscany. He was the youngest of five children born to Cosimo Martinelli and Maddalena (Pardini) Martinelli. His oldest brother, Tommaso Maria Martinelli was 21 years older than Sebastiano Martinelli and was also an Augustinian Cardinal, created Cardinal-Priest by Pope Pius IX in 1875. A third brother, Aurelio Martinelli, also entered the Augustinians and was prior at Genazzano.

Martinelli went to Rome and joined the Augustinian Order on December 6, 1863, and studied philosophy and theology at the Collegio Sant’Agostino, Rome. He was ordained on March 4, 1871. He taught philosophy at the College of the Irish Augustinians, Santa Maria in Posterula in Rome, where he lived and was also the master of discipline. In 1881 he became a professor of theology, having received the degree of Master of Sacred Theology. Also in 1881 he was elected Postulator General for the canonizations and beatifications of the Augustinian Order. He obtained the canonization of Blessed Clare of Montefalco and issued a decree of the virtues of Venerable Stephen Bellesini (now Blessed Stephen Bellesini),

He was elected Prior General of the Order in 1889. Three years later, Pope Leo XIII appointed him Consultor of the Holy

Roman Inquisition (currently the Sacred Congregation of the Doctrine of Faith). In 1895 he was reelected Prior General, but ten months later, in April of 1896, he was named Apostolic Delegate to the United States. He took possession of the delegation, headquartered in Washington, DC, on October 4, 1896. He had learned English from the Irish Augustinians when he lived in Posterula, Rome, and was fully conversant in the English language, although described as having a slight Irish brogue. Prior to assuming the role of the Apostolic Delegate, on August 30, just before he came to the United States, he was consecrated Titular Archbishop of Ephesus in the Church of St. Augustine, Rome, by Cardinal Mariano Rampolla (1843-1913), Papal Secretary of State.

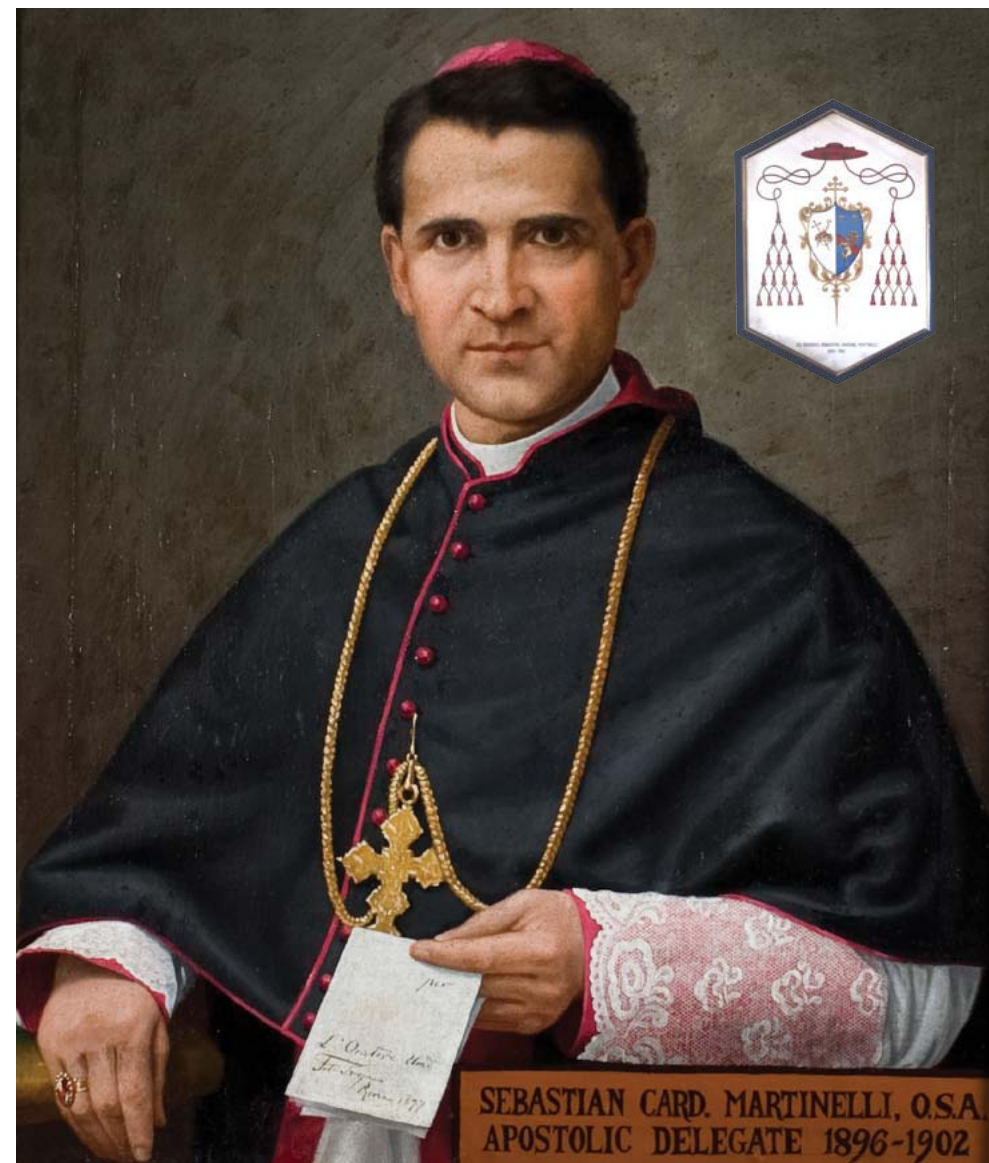
The doubts about Fr. Martinelli faded quickly, beginning with this report from his steamship while enroute to the United States:

“Standing thus, with his hat in his hand, retiring and modest...he might easily have passed unnoticed. Among all the passengers he was probably the most calm...yet with all his modesty there was a quiet dignity about him, which impressed those who met him.”
—*New York Herald*, October 4, 1896

Part of his popularity stemmed from his strictly-adhered-to stand regarding politics: “I shall regard my duty to the church and to the American people as Christians paramount to everything else.”

MARTINELLI IN THE PROVINCE

Martinelli was not a stranger to America. He had been to Villanova College in 1894 as Prior General of the Order of Saint Augustine to preside at the Chapter of the Order. As the new Apostolic Delegate, Villanova College was the first stop he made in October 1896, on the way back from New York, where he had escorted Satolli, who was returning to Rome. On this occasion he had dinner with the friars. The next day he met with Villanova students, encouraging them to work hard, and announced he had obtained an extra holiday for them. He witnessed his first football game as the Villanova team beat the Philadelphia Dentals. He then was driven around the mainline countryside and visited Our Mother of Good Counsel



Church, in Bryn Mawr, Pa., a parish he would visit again on November 21st, 1897, to bless and open their new church.

In December of 1896 he visited churches in Worcester, Springfield and Chicopee, Mass. In January of 1897 he visited St. Mary’s Church, Lawrence, Mass., where they held an official reception for Archbishop Martinelli. At the event, the pastor, James T. O’Reilly, O.S.A., announced that the city was given a papal blessing from Pope Leo XIII, said to be the first blessing bestowed by the Pope upon an American municipality.

Archbishop Martinelli returned many times to Villanova College. On June 20, 1898 he presided over the 55th Commencement and the Golden Jubilee of the Incorporation of Villanova College. In 1897 the Archbishop was photographed with the professed students and their Novice Master W.A. Jones. (See the

picture on page nine.) In September of 1898 Martinelli returned to the Villanova church to ordain three Augustinians, pictured in the 1897 photo, Francis E. Touscher, O.S.A., B.J. O’Donnell, O.S.A., and Nicholas A. Vasey, O.S.A. In June 1900, Martinelli blessed the new College Hall, known today as Tolentine Hall, on the campus of Villanova University.

Four years after the auspicious announcement of his arrival, the Archbishop’s popularity was evident:

“ARCHBISHOP MARTINELLI, A MAN OF RARE CHARM AND TACT...So does the popularity of this genial prelate extend from ocean to ocean, and yet...he lives the life of a monastic, effacing himself whenever possible. His never failing amiability and unselfishness endear him to the people of his own Church and those of other communions who have the privilege of knowing him.”
—*New-York Daily Tribune*, June 3, 1900



ON THE COVER

The most famous portrait of Cardinal Martinelli is our cover portrait, by realist painter, sculptor and educator, Thomas Cowperthwait Eakins. Born in Philadelphia July 25, 1844, Eakins is known for his ability to merge precise perspective, exacting knowledge of anatomy, paint and light to create incredibly realistic fine art. In 1875 he shocked the art world with “The Gross Clinic,” showing Dr. Samuel D. Gross performing surgery in an amphitheater of the Jefferson Medical College. He began teaching at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts School (PAFA) in 1876 and became its director in 1882. His liberal behavior and morals were questioned by colleagues and the Academy’s board of directors and, in 1886, he was forced to resign from PAFA. His reputation, and his devastation from the humiliating and public controversy, were never repaired. He continued teaching at other schools until 1898, when he focused on portraiture. His first painting of a cleric was in the 1870s, when he painted Archbishop James Frederick Wood, who was a friend of Dr. Samuel Gross. In the early 1900s Eakins began riding his bike out to St. Charles Seminary, in Overbrook, Pa., where he painted Catholic clergy. He also went to Villanova to paint John J. Fedigan, O.S.A., Prior Provincial of the Province of St. Thomas of Villanova.

Eakins traveled to the Cardinal’s office in Washington, DC, to paint Martinelli. He did three perspective sketches for



the picture, using the rug, the parquet floor and the wood paneling to place the Cardinal perfectly in his room. Martinelli is pictured in profile, but he is turned slightly so we can see his face, his hands, his ring, his buckles, the light from his shoes and his cross. Cardinal Martinelli was going back to Italy in a few months, so Eakins gave the picture to nearby Catholic University.

The picture of Eakins seen here is an image from the National Academy Museum and School, an honorary society founded in 1825. Those elected were required to prepare a self-portrait for the Academy. Eakins was not elected to the Academy until 1902. There is a study for this self-portrait, housed in the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Smithsonian Institute, Washington, DC (www.hirshhorn.si.edu), that depicts a strong, bold, modern Eakins—while the final portrait shows an older man, slightly unraveled. Both, however, depict a man who is full of hurt, resentment and contempt for the art world that rejected him.

THOMAS EAKINS
PORTRAIT OF SEBASTIANO CARDINAL MARTINELLI, 1902
OIL ON PANEL
THE ARMAND HAMMER COLLECTION
GIFT OF THE ARMAND HAMMER FOUNDATION
HAMMER MUSEUM, LOS ANGELES
PHOTO BY ROBERT WEDEMEYER

THOMAS EAKINS
SELF-PORTRAIT
1902
OIL ON CANVAS
NATIONAL ACADEMY MUSEUM
NEW YORK

MARTINELLI AS CARDINAL

Pope Leo XIII created Sebastiano Martinelli, O.S.A., Cardinal-Priest in the Consistory on April 15, 1901, and he received the red biretta on May 9, 1901, in the cathedral in Baltimore, Maryland. There is public record to indicate that Martinelli had no hesitance to accept the elevation to the College of Cardinals.

“MARTINELLI A CARDINAL... Cardinal Gibbons gives him the Red Hat in Baltimore...slowly lifting the biretta, Cardinal Gibbons unfolded it and held it high...he placed it on the head of the Cardinal-elect, who rose up...and spoke as follows: Having been by the kindness of the supreme Pontiff made a member of the Sublime College of Cardinals of the Holy Roman Catholic Church, nothing could have pleased me more.”

—*The New York Times*, May 9, 1901

Cardinal Sebastiano Martinelli would continue to travel in the U.S. Two weeks after becoming a cardinal, a reception was held for him in the new St. Thomas Monastery on the campus at Villanova College. During the stay, on May 26, 1901, His Eminence Cardinal Martinelli dedicated the Shrine of Our Mother of Good Counsel on the Villanova campus.



PICTURED WITH ARCHBISHOP SEBASTIANO MARTINELLI, O.S.A., LEFT TO RIGHT: NICHOLAS J. VASEY, O.S.A., BERNARD E. DALY, O.S.A., EDWARD G. DOHAN, O.S.A., JAMES J. DEAN, BERNARD J. O'DONNELL, O.S.A., PATRICK E. MOYNIHAN, O.S.A., JAMES A. MCDONALD, O.S.A., WILLIAM A. JONES, O.S.A., ANDREW JOSEPH PLUNKETT, HENRY T. CONWAY, O.S.A., JOHN J. BARTHOUSKI, O.S.A., FRANCIS E. TOURSCHER, O.S.A., JOSEPH A. MORAN, O.S.A., DANIEL A. HERRON, O.S.A., EDWARD J. MURTAUGH, O.S.A., JAMES J. MCCARTHY, O.S.A., AMEDEE J. VIGER, O.S.A.

In June of 1902, Cardinal Martinelli was appointed Cardinal-Priest of Sant’Agostino. He returned to Rome in the fall of 1902 and took part in the Conclave in 1903 where Giuseppe Melchiorre Sarto, Pope Pius X, now known as St. Pius X, was elected. As an official of the Roman Curia, he served in many administrative areas of the central government of the Catholic Church, including the Supreme Tribunal

of the Apostolic Signatura, the Sacred Congregation for the Propagation of Faith, Prefect of the Congregation of Rites. He was Cardinal Protector for 21 religious institutes and associations.

Cardinal Sebastiano Martinelli died on July 4, 1918. His funeral Mass was held at Sant’Agostino and he was entombed in the mausoleum of the Order at Campo Verano.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER AND FOR THE PEOPLE THEY SERVE

In the end both of these Augustinian Cardinals, Grech and Martinelli, did what they had to do. They did what their Pope, their vows as an Augustinian and God called them to do. For Cardinal Martinelli, his history as an Augustinian, a Prior General of the Order, Archbishop and Cardinal is written where he walked. For Cardinal Grech, his time as a Cardinal are footsteps to imprint and blessings to give and receive.

Indeed, months after the media spotlight on Cardinal Grech has dimmed, there’s now a sense of peaceful matter-of-fact-resignation. “I’m as ‘cardinal’ as any other—but I don’t have any post inside the Vatican. I’ve just gone back to my former work in studying and teaching. Except of course, being Bishop now, I’m asked around to give sacraments, or ordain priests or consecrate churches.”

Even when asked about life without his red motor scooter, Cardinal Grech laughed and said, “Well, at 86 it’s always a bit dangerous.” ✚

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To see more of cardinal grech’s photos go to <http://augustinian.org/who-we-are/multimedia/photo-gallery>.

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AUGUSTINIAN CARDINALS



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| 1. Cardinal Bonaventura Badoardo da Padova, O.S.A. (1332-1385) | 5. Cardinal Gregorio Petrocchini, O.S.A. (1536-1612) | 10. Cardinal Luigi Sepiacci, O.S.A. (1835-1893) |
| 2. Cardinal Alessandro Oliva, O.S.A. (1407-1463) | 6. Cardinal Enrico Noris, O.S.A. (1631-1704) | 11. Cardinal Agostino Ciasca, O.S.A. (1835-1902) |
| 3. Cardinal Egidio da Viterbo, O.S.A. (1472-1532) | 7. Cardinal Gaspar de Molina y Oviedo, O.S.A. (1679-1744) | 12. Cardinal Sebastiano Martinelli, O.S.A. (1848-1918) |
| 4. Cardinal Girolamo Seripando, O.S.A. (1492-1563) | 8. Cardinal Patrício da Silva, O.S.A. (1756-1840) | 13. Cardinal Prospero Grech, O.S.A. (1925-) |
| | 9. Cardinal Tommaso Maria Martinelli, O.S.A. (1827-1888) | |



FANA: THE FEDERATION OF AUGUSTINIANS OF NORTH AMERICA

BY KITTY SHERIDAN

FEDERATION: A LEAGUE OR CONFEDERACY; A PARENT ORGANIZATION FORMED BY THE LINKING OF SEVERAL STATES, COUNTRIES, COMPANIES, OR SOCIETIES, EACH RETAINING THE CONTROL OF MUCH OF ITS OWN AFFAIRS. A LEAGUE OR CONFEDERACY IS DESCRIBED AS AN ALLIANCE OR AN ASSOCIATION BETWEEN GROUPS THAT UNITE TO PROMOTE OR MAINTAIN COMMON GOALS AND INTERESTS.

FROM THE DICTIONARY OF COLLECTIVE NOUNS AND GROUP TERMS

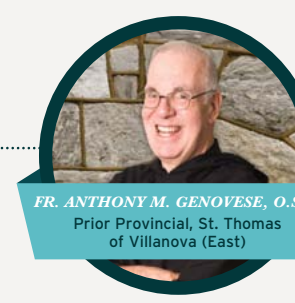
On February 21, 2012, the Prior General of the Order of St. Augustine, Fr. Robert F. Prevost, O.S.A., officially established the Federation of Augustinians of North America (FANA). The Federation is comprised of the Province of St. Thomas of Villanova (East), the Province of Our Mother of Good Counsel (Midwest), the Province of St. Augustine (West) and the Province of St. Joseph (Canada).

In forming a federation, it is important to note that the autonomy of each province remains, as it has been. Each province is under the leadership of its own provincial; each provincial is autonomous in dealing with his province; and each province retains control over its own finances and internal affairs. The Federation of Augustinians of North America has been established to collaborate in specific areas.

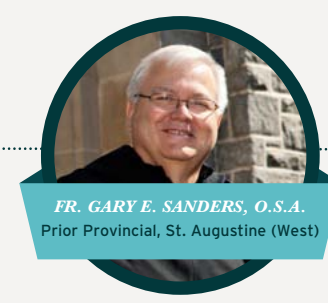


FR. BERNARD C. SCIANNA, O.S.A.
Prior Provincial, Our Mother of Good
Council Province (Midwest)

Prior of FANA



FR. ANTHONY M. GENOVESE, O.S.A.
Prior Provincial, St. Thomas
of Villanova (East)



FR. GARY E. SANDERS, O.S.A.
Prior Provincial, St. Augustine (West)



FR. FRANCIS J. GALVAN, O.S.A.
Prior Provincial, Canada



FR. J. THOMAS POHTO, O.S.A.
Executive Director of FANA

FEDERATION OF AUGUSTINIANS OF NORTH AMERICA

Fr. Bernard C. Scianna, O.S.A., is the Prior of FANA (Federation of Augustinians of North America). The other Prior Provincials comprise his Federation Council. The Executive Director of the Federation, Fr. J. Thomas Pohto, O.S.A., works at the Prior's direction, and brings matters to the Prior for discussion with his Council.

In matters involving the Federation, the Prior requires the unanimous approval of his Council.

The notion of a federation has been under study by provinces in the United States and Canada since 2007. At the 2010 Chapter of the Province of St. Thomas of Villanova, the Prior General, Robert F. Prevost, O.S.A., addressed the Chapter. Noting that the Chapter was one of the largest in the Order, he called on members to move towards the future to meet the challenges that will be presented, reminding them “to strive as brothers” for collaboration among all provinces in North America. During the Chapter, a proposal for federation among the provinces of the United States and Canada was considered, along with those areas where such collaboration would benefit provinces. The areas of “common interest” proposed included:

- Vocations
- Formation
- Communications
- Development in Support of Common Ministries
- Missions (foreign and domestic)
- Peace and Justice

- Latino/Hispanic Ministry Ventures

- Research & Planning
- New Initiatives

- Budgeting for the Federation
- After consideration and discussion, the friars passed the proposal.

While the establishment of this Federation facilitates collaboration in areas of mutual interest, there are examples where such collaboration already exists. A recent example is the appointment of vocation directors over both the East and the Midwest Provinces, as announced and highlighted in the 2012 spring edition of *The Augustinian*. However, history shows collaboration had been in practice during the founding of the mission in Nagasaki, Japan in 1952, which was co-sponsored by the Provinces of the Midwest and the East. While the mission in Peru was founded in the 1960s by the Midwest Augustinians, when Peru became a Vicariate, friars from Villanova serving at the Villanova mission in Chulucanas were “loaned” to the Midwest Province. Under the Federation,

this intention to collaborate in identified areas of mutual interest is formalized.

In establishing this Federation, the statutes called for the position of a “Prior of the Federation,” to be elected by the four Prior Provincials from among the current Prior Provincials. On April 2, 2012, in a historic first meeting of the Provincials of the Federation of Augustinians of North America, the Very Rev. Bernard C. Scianna, O.S.A., Prior Provincial of Our Mother of Good Counsel Province in the Midwest, was elected for a two-year term. The other Prior Provincials (Fr. Anthony M. Genovese of the eastern U.S., Fr. Gary E. Sanders of western U.S., and Fr. Francis J. Galvan of Canada,) comprise the Council for the Federation's Prior. In his role, the Prior of the Federation is primarily responsible for convoking meetings, presenting matters to his council for discussion and for maintaining a record of minutes.

Assisting the Prior of the Federation is the Executive Director of the Federation, Fr. J. Thomas Pohto, O.S.A., of the Province of St. Thomas of Villanova, who was elected to this post by the Provincials during the April 2nd meeting. His responsibilities include the oversight of commissions appointed by the Federation Council, oversight of any assignments given to individuals by the Federation Council, and the organization of non-council meetings convoked by the Prior of the Federation. The Executive Director will also present matters to the Federation for discussion, and identify emerging areas for future collaboration. His responsibilities also include advising the Federation Council about any difficulties met by those commissions and individuals, as well as Augustinian boards, that have bearing on the workings of the Federation. Currently, a budget is in place that was approved by the Federation Council. The Executive Director will be responsible for preparing the annual budget and implementing the budget, which requires approval of the Federation Council. In assuming this post, Fr. Tom, formerly the treasurer at St. Thomas of Villanova Monastery, will relocate to Chicago, where he has also been appointed the prior of St. Augustine Friary.

Matters brought to the Federation Council by the Prior of the Federation are only approved by the unanimous consent of the Prior and the Council. As the Augustinian Provinces in the United States and Canada look to the future, they are establishing a mechanism to expand on areas where collaboration has existed, and the Provinces, through the work of the Federation’s Executive Director and the Prior, will consider new areas that benefit all Augustinians of North America.

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HISTORY

EAST: Province of St. Thomas of Villanova

Augustinians came to the United States in April 1796, when Matthew Carr arrived in Philadelphia. Soliciting funds, he purchased land in July 1796, to establish the foundation at St. Augustine Parish in Philadelphia. In 1841, Augustinians purchased property west of the city, which became a farm and an academy. Villanova University has its root in this foundation. Because a province needs friars, the establishment of the Province of St. Thomas of Villanova was a slow process. In 1874, with 29 friars and 14 professed, the Province was established and dedicated to the patronage of St. Thomas of Villanova and Thomas Galberry, O.S.A., was appointed prior provincial. With the establishment of the Province and a location to educate men who wished to join the order, vocations grew. From Philadelphia and Villanova, the Province expanded its mission, founding parishes and schools in New York, New Jersey and Massachusetts, the Midwest and California.

MIDWEST: Province of Our Mother of Good Counsel

With the growth of the population in the Midwest in the early part of the 20th century, the Archbishop of Chicago, James Quigley, invited the Augustinians of the Province of St. Thomas of Villanova to the diocese to establish parishes and schools. In 1905, Father James F. Green, O.S.A., was sent to Chicago, becoming the first Augustinian to serve in the midwestern United States. Quickly, Fr. Green made plans for a church and school dedicated to St. Rita. The Province experienced quick growth and expanded from Chicago to foundations in Wisconsin and Michigan, also founding Cascia Hall, a preparatory school, in Tulsa, Oklahoma. At the 1938 Chapter, a commission was established to pursue the creation of a new Midwestern province. On April 26, 1941, the Province of Our Mother of Good Counsel (Chicago) was created and existing Augustinian foundations in the Midwest were placed under the care of the newly created Province. At the first Chapter of the new Province in 1941, Ruellan P. Fink, O.S.A., was elected prior provincial.

WEST COAST: Province of St. Augustine

The early part of the last century also saw population growth in California. The Bishop of Los Angeles, John Cantwell, recognized a need for priests and negotiations started in 1921, under Provincial Nicholas Vasey, to send Augustinians from Villanova to the west. Arriving in San Diego in 1921, plans proceeded quickly for St. Augustine High School and St. Patrick Parish, both in San Diego. Within a few years, Villanova Preparatory School and the Parish of St. Thomas Aquinas were established in Ojai, Calif. In 1925, Augustinians established the Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Hollywood. On March 17, 1969, the Province of St. Augustine was established. Fr. John F. Blethen, O.S.A., was named prior provincial and existing Augustinian foundations in the western United States were placed in the care this new Province.

CANADA: Province of St. Joseph

Canada’s first Augustinians were from the German Province and they first established parishes in the United States. In 1925, St. Rita’s in Racine, Wisconsin was founded (and transferred in 1979 to the Midwest Province). There were also foundations in Riverdale, New York and Kenosha, Wisconsin. However, an organized presence began in 1938, when five German Friars arrived in Nova Scotia. Eventually, the Augustinians founded communities in the Archdioceses of Toronto (1942), Vancouver (1943), and Ottawa (1953). Shortly after World War II, a vice province was established in Canada. The Augustinian Province of Saint Joseph was established on November 13, 1967 and Stanislaus K. Treu, O.S.A., became its first provincial.

AUGUSTINIAN SCHOOLS AND PARISHES SERVED BY THE AUGUSTINIANS

COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

East

Merrimack College, North Andover, Mass.
Villanova University, Villanova, Pa.

SECONDARY SCHOOLS

East

Malvern Preparatory School, Malvern, Pa.
St. Augustine Preparatory School, Richland, N.J.

Midwest

Austin Catholic Academy, Ray, Mich.
Cascia Hall School, Tulsa, Okla.
Providence Catholic High School, New Lennox, Ill.
St. Rita of Cascia Hill School, Chicago, Ill.

West

St. Augustine High School, San Diego, Calif.
Villanova Preparatory School, Ojai, Calif.

Canada

St. Thomas of Villanova College, King City, Ontario

PARISHES

East

Florida

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Bokeelia
St. Elizabeth Seton, Naples
St. Katharine Drexel, Cape Coral

Pennsylvania

Our Mother of Good Counsel, Bryn Mawr
St. Augustine, Philadelphia
St. Nicholas of Tolentine, Philadelphia
St. Rita of Cascia National Shrine, Philadelphia
St. Thomas of Villanova, Rosemont/Villanova

New York

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Staten Island
St. Augustine, Troy
St. Mary of the Assumption, Waterford
St. Nicholas of Tolentine, Bronx

Massachusetts

St. Augustine, Andover
St. Mary of the Assumption, Lawrence

Japan

Our Mother of Consolation, Nagasaki
St. Augustine, Tokyo
St. Augustine, Fukuoka
St. Monica, Nagoya

South Africa

Our Lady of Mercy, Kwa-Zulu, Natal
St. Aloysius, Kwa-Zulu, Natal
St. Helen, Kwa-Zulu, Natal
St. Leo, Kwa-Zulu, Natal

Midwest

Illinois

Our Mother of Good Counsel, Homer Glen
St. Gabriel, Chicago
St. Jude, New Lennox
St. Rita of Cascia, Chicago
St. Turibius, Chicago

Michigan

Our Lady of the Lake, Edwardsburg
St. Matthew, Flint
St. Peter, Douglas

Wisconsin

St. Rita, Racine

Peru

Diocese of Chulucanas:
Nuestra Señora de la Asunción, Pacaipampa
San Isidro, Morropon
San Juan Bautista, Buenos Aires
San Jose Obrero, Chulucanas
Archdiocese of Trujillo:
Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Pacasmayo
Nuestra Señora de Montserrat, Trujillo
Santa Rita, Trujillo

West

California

St. Patrick, San Diego
Our Mother of Good Counsel, Los Angeles
St. Thomas Aquinas, Ojai
Our Lady of Grace, Castro Valley

Oregon

All Souls Catholic Church, Myrtle Creek

Hawaii

Sacred Heart Church, Hawi

Canada

King City, Ontario

Sacred Heart

Delta, British Columbia

Sacred Heart



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ANNIVERSARIES 2012

ANNIVERSARY OF RELIGIOUS PROFESSION

75 YEARS

Fr. Cherubin F. Kerr, O.S.A.

65 YEARS

Fr. Neil J. McGettigan, O.S.A.
Fr. Joseph X. O’Connor, O.S.A.

60 YEARS

Fr. Edward E. Doran, O.S.A.
Fr. Roger M. Hanouille, O.S.A.
Fr. Joseph A. Jordan, O.S.A.

55 YEARS

Fr. Thomas M. Murmane, O.S.A.
Fr. John F. O’Rourke, O.S.A.

50 YEARS

Fr. James J. McCartney, O.S.A.
Fr. J. Thomas Pohto, O.S.A.

25 YEARS

Fr. Joseph L. Farrell, O.S.A.
Fr. Masaki T. Imada, O.S.A.
Fr. James D. Paradis, O.S.A.

ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

65 YEARS

Fr. Augustus C. Sandmann, O.S.A.

60 YEARS

Fr. Joseph A. Duffey, O.S.A.
Fr. John J. Ferrence, O.S.A.
Fr. James G. Glennon, O.S.A.

55 YEARS

Fr. Thomas R. Cook, O.S.A.
Fr. Harry J. Erdlen, O.S.A.
Fr. Edward J. Dixey, O.S.A.
Fr. Edward C. Doherty, O.S.A.
Fr. James E. Martinez, O.S.A.
Fr. Joseph C. Schnaubelt, O.S.A.
Fr. John J. Hagen, O.S.A.
Fr. Daniel J. Menihane, O.S.A.

50 YEARS

Fr. John P. Betoni, O.S.A.
Fr. Edmund J. Dobbin, O.S.A.
Fr. Kevin F. Dwyer, O.S.A.
Fr. William T. Garland, O.S.A.
Fr. W. Howard McGraw, O.S.A.
Fr. George F. Riley, O.S.A.

25 YEARS

Fr. Francis J. Barr, O.S.A.
Fr. John F. DelloRusso, O.S.A.
Fr. Joseph G. Ryan, O.S.A.

FR. RICHARD G. CANNULI

“Ever Ancient, Ever New”



BY TEDDIE GALLAGHER

MOST OF US KNOW THE RUSH OF EMOTION WHEN WE EXPERIENCE AN ARTIST AT THEIR CORE—WHEN THEIR VIEW OF LIFE AND THEIR WORLD BECOMES OURS FOR A MOMENT IN TIME.

Such is the case with the images that Richard G. Cannuli, O.S.A., presents to us in “Ever Ancient, Ever New”—Sacred Treasures.” More than just an exhibit of art, it is a spiritual journey through Fr. Richard’s eyes and hands, a show that cracks into his soul, giving us a view of a skilled artisan; a contemporary artist; an Augustinian; a priest; a son and grandson who connects with, gives homage to and reverences his family’s faith traditions.

Fr. Richard was born in 1947 in the heart of the South Philadelphia Italian section where a large population of mostly southern Italian immigrants (from Sicily, Campania, Abruzzi and Calabria) settled during the 1861-to-1910 period. The Italians brought their culture and their skills to bear on the city and the surrounding region with stone and ironwork, sewing, baking, cooking and selling their wares at the 9th Street outdoor curb market.

The other notable possession they brought with them was their Roman Catholic faith. Italian churches and schools in South Philadelphia were built within blocks of each other, the tradition of small shrines and grottos in yards and gardens continued, and large public celebrations of feast days were (and still are) held in the streets around these churches.

This was Fr. Richard’s world growing up at 19th and Mifflin, an only child with close relationships with his parents, his grandparents, his aunts, uncles and

his cousins. The ancient roots of Roman Catholic ritual, of devotion, of veneration and mysticism were filtered down to Fr. Richard through his grandparents and parents, to whom he has dedicated his exhibit.

During his early years Fr. Richard attended local South Philadelphia schools: St. Thomas Aquinas grade school and St. John Neumann High School, graduating in 1964. After high school he worked at Boeing Vertol and took a few college classes at Temple and St. Joseph’s Universities. Fr. Richard had no contact with the Augustinians until 1966, when he met Br. Bill Harkin, O.S.A., at St. Rita of Cascia Parish (also in South Philadelphia), where Richard was making a novena to St. Rita for his Aunt Rita, who was ill. After that contact with Br. Bill and other friars, Fr. Richard entered the Order on September 8, 1967, was professed on August 28, 1970. It was 27 years later that Br. Richard decided to become a priest, and he was ordained at St. Thomas of Villanova Church by Bishop Louis A. DeSimone on October 30, 1999.

During his time in the Order, Fr. Richard received his BFA from Villanova, his MFA from Pratt and took courses at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, in Philadelphia. He also became certified as a liturgical design consultant. He taught art during the years Villanova granted a BFA, and was Chair of the Art and Art History Department for eleven years. He became the Chair of Villanova’s Theater and Studio Art in 2006 when Fr. Peter Donohue, O.S.A., was named President of Villanova. He is also the Director of the Art Gallery at Villanova and Curator of the University art collection.

Initially known for his watercolors, Fr. Richard traveled extensively and took groups to Italy over the summers, where he would teach watercolor painting and drawing. Wherever he went, he painted watercolors—of piazzas in Italy, misty mountains in China, St. Basil’s in Russia, and minarets on Mosques in Turkey.

Travel has informed and transformed Fr. Richard’s art significantly, most especially when, in 1986, he met and began to study iconography with Russian icon writer, Vladislav Andrejev. In doing so, he began a spiritual journey, learning icon writing in the 15th-century Russian Byzantine style. There are 22 steps to writing an icon and a canon specifying certain rules and colors, etc. “Icons are the visual Word of God,” Fr. Richard said to a group of Villanova students taking his class in iconography, “It’s a spiritual journey...it has nothing to do with the individual, it has to do with your spirituality...the final image is what it’s meant to be.” Fr. Richard’s icons are a major facet of this show and he is teaching icon workshops in the cities where his tour stops.

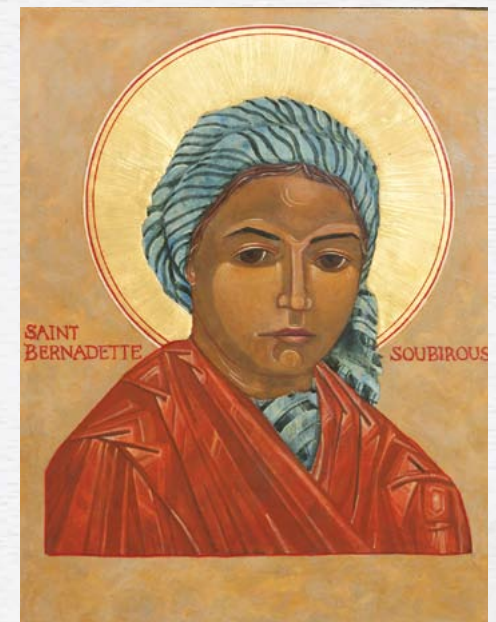
PHOTO OF FR. RICHARD CANNULI, O.S.A., BY CAITLIN LEMAY. PHOTOS OF FR. RICHARD’S ARTWORK, ICONS AND VESTMENTS BY JOHN WALSH; STAINED GLASS BY BRYAN SMITH, CAITLIN LEMAY AND TEDDIE GALLAGHER. CAITLIN LEMAY’S PHOTOS ARE COURTESY OF VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY.

WATERCOLORS



PIAZZA NAVONA, ROME, ITALY; YELLOW MOUNTAINS, CHINA; ST. BASIL’S, RED SQUARE, MOSCOW

ICONS



ST. BERNADETTE; OUR LADY OF 9/11; BEATO MIGUEL AGUSTIN PRO

MIXED MEDIA



ST. LUCY; ST. RITA OF CASCIA; ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

VESTMENTS



CHASUBLE OF THE HOLY FACE FOR LENT; CHASUBLE FOR ORDINARY TIME;
CHASUBLE FOR PENTECOST

It was on a student trip to Italy that Fr. Richard began riding around Southern Italy, particularly Sicily, the home of his paternal grandparents. On these rides he began photographing the *edicole*, ubiquitous roadside religious shrines set in small buildings—or niches set on sides of the buildings. In the meantime, Fr. Richard was beginning to use photo transfer, a process that places photo images on substrates. For this show, Fr. Richard has taken his photographs of the shrines, added other images through a computer program called Photoshop and printed the final image on linen canvas.

The stage was set for the lines of connection to take root in a new expression of Fr. Richard's art that is organic to his personal history, family history, artistic self, and spiritual self as it's evolved into different, complex realities. These realities became his mixed-media pieces in the show, where his photos on linen canvas are framed, embellished with objects and hand beading, to form new layers. All layers he creates are informed by his knowledge, his personal spirituality and his reverence of earthly items that connect him with the angels and saints, Joseph, Mary, Christ and the Trinity.

Another major facet of the show is Fr. Richard's vestments. He learned to sew from his mother and his aunts and uncles. Over the years, when Fr. Richard was commissioned to do an entire seasonal set of vestments, he would do the design and the machine sewing, but his aunts and mother would work under his direction to do the hand stitching and beading. Richard's mother and his aunts are no longer with us, so the thousands of beads and precious gems you see in the show were stitched by Fr. Richard, to add contrast and color. The painted, beaded and printed areas of the garments are sometimes playful, but they all provide a point of entry into Fr. Richard's art and spirituality.

Finally, we come to the stained-glass pieces. In Fr. Richard's career as a liturgical design consultant, he has worked in stained glass across the country. He has several memorable pieces on the campus of Villanova, including the window to commemorate Villanova alumni who were victims of 9/11 and the vibrant color-blocked windows in the chapel of St. Thomas Monastery. There are only a few pieces of stained glass in the show, one of which is a debut: the stained-glass bishop's miter. It is intriguing, imaginative and fanciful in its dimension and creativity. It is totally Fr. Richard.

If you were able to tour the show with Fr. Richard he could likely give you the background on every line in an icon, every bead (some custom made for the show), every gem, every saint and every image. It's a unique show where this artist's belief in eternal life is at the heart of the display. It's all part of the window into Fr. Richard's world of prayer; the mirror of his solitude and the reflection of his spiritual life. "Ever Ancient, Ever New" refers to St. Augustine's prayer describing God in *The Confessions*. This exhibit shows us God through Fr. Richard's unique expression of "Sacred Treasures" and a soul's muse that is "Ever Ancient, Ever New" too. ✠

STAINED GLASS



CREATION WINDOW, CHAPEL, ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA MONASTERY; BISHOP'S MITER;
9/11 MEMORIAL WINDOW, CORR CHAPEL, VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY

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NEWS AND NOTES

FROM THE PROVINCE OF SAINT THOMAS OF VILLANOVA AND THE AUGUSTINIAN ORDER



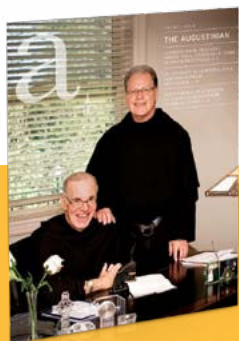
PROVOST AND CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER, GREGORY S. CHAN, ED. D. (LEFT) IS ON STAGE FOR THE PRESENTATION OF AN HONORARY DOCTORATE OF HUMANE LETTERS TO FR. MICKEY (CENTER) BY PRESIDENT, REV. MSGR. FRANKLIN M. CASALE.

Fr. Anthony M. Genovese, O.S.A., Awarded Honorary Doctorate Degree, Delivers Commencement Speech at St. Thomas University, Miami, Florida

Prior Provincial, Fr. Mickey Genovese, O.S.A., was the commencement speaker at graduation last May at St. Thomas University in Miami, Florida. Fr. Genovese was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters by St. Thomas University. Formerly known as Biscayne College, the school was founded by the Augustinians at the request of the Archbishop of Miami in 1961. This year's commencement marked the 50th

anniversary of the school's graduation exercises. Congratulations to St. Thomas on this anniversary and congratulations to Fr. Mickey on receiving the honorary doctorate degree.

You can watch Fr. Mickey receive his honorary degree and give his commencement address on YouTube at this address: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=51InfQF8n2Q>

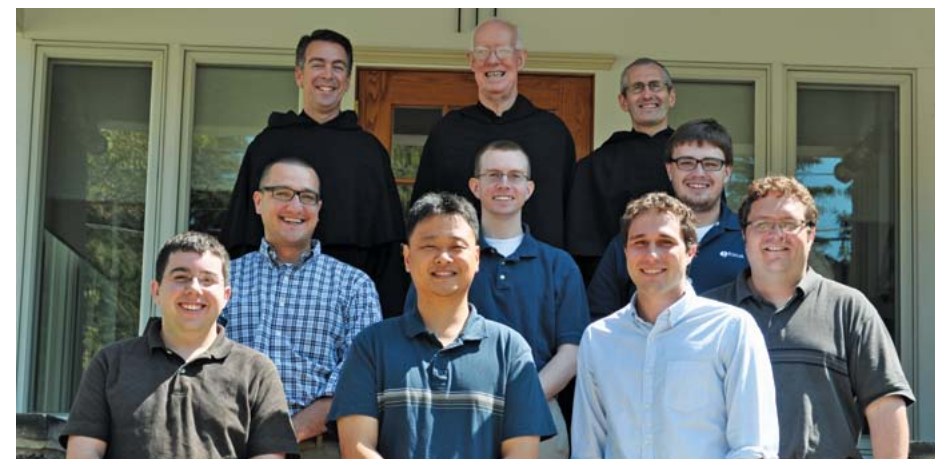


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Augustinian Novices and Pre-Novices



NOVICES OF THE RACINE COMMUNITY WERE WELCOMED ON AUGUST 12, 2012: LEFT TO RIGHT BACK ROW: DAVID MILLER (CHI), BRIAN BARKER (CHI), BERNARD CISELL (CHI), CHRISTIAN RENTSCH (GERMANY) AND ESTIME FRADER (VIL). LEFT TO RIGHT FRONT ROW: JOE RUIZ (CHI), ALDO POTENCIO (VIL), BRYAN KERNS (VIL) AND FR. JACK FLYNN, O.S.A., DIRECTOR OF NOVICES



PRE-NOVICES AND FRIARS AT BELLESINI FRIARY, THE AUGUSTINIAN PRE-NOVITATE, GATHERED IN AUGUST 2012: FIRST ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT): COLIN NARDONE, PHILIP YANG, GREG GRIMES AND JOE SIEGEL. SECOND ROW (L-R): ANDREW MIHAIOFF, NICK MULLARKEY AND LOGAN COX. TOP ROW (L-R): FR. JOSEPH L. FARRELL, O.S.A., REGENT OF STUDIES; BR. WILLIAM C. HARKIN, O.S.A., PRIOR; AND FR. JAMES D. MCBURNEY, O.S.A., DIRECTOR OF THE PRE-NOVITATE PROGRAM



DR. LEONARD SWIDLER, PROFESSOR OF CATHOLIC THOUGHT & INTERRELIGIOUS DIALOGUE, TEMPLE UNIVERSITY, PRESENTS THE PEACE & DIALOGUE AWARD FOR 2012 TO FR. KAIL C. ELLIS, O.S.A.

Fr. Kail C. Ellis, O.S.A., Receives Peace Award

Fr. Kail C. Ellis, O.S.A., was awarded the Peace & Dialogue Award for 2012. The award, given by the Philadelphia Dialog Forum and the Peace Island Institutes, was presented on April 19, 2012, at the annual Friendship Dinner. This award recognizes efforts of the individual to promote peace and understanding as a matter of community service. Both the Philadelphia Dialogue Forum (PDF) and the Peace Island Institutes (PII) utilize in their efforts the help of Academics and Professionals within the community, to foster dialogue, understanding and peace in society. Fr. Ellis, who presently serves as the Villanova's vice president of academic affairs, established Villanova University's Center for Arab & Islamic Studies.



BR. BEN RODRIGUEZ, O.S.A., BR. JOE MURRAY, O.S.A., BR. CRAIG MCMAHON, O.S.A., AT THE 2012 INTERMEDIATE ASSEMBLY WHERE THEY RENEWED THEIR VOWS.

Renewal of Vows

In June 2012, at the Intermediate Assembly of the Province of St. Thomas of Villanova, three friars renewed their simple vows for one year. Bienvenido Rodriguez and Joseph Murray are currently at the theologate at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. Craig McMahon, who has just completed his pastoral year at the mission in South Africa, will return to Chicago to complete his theology studies.



Bequest from Br. Jude Sanelli, O.S.A.

Brother Jude Sanelli, O.S.A., grew up in the parish of St. Nicholas of Tolentine, in South Philadelphia. In 1973, Brother Jude opened a personal care home for the needy, "Our Mother of Good Counsel Center," within a half-mile of the parish church. This small residence, while it was in operation, housed up to 35 women, providing not only the care and attention residents required, but also a homelike atmosphere, including meals, activities, transportation and companionship for those who lived there. Brother Jude died in 2001. A generous donation was received by the Province of St. Thomas of Villanova, with proceeds from the sale of the property.



BACK ROW (L-R): GARY N. MCCLOSKEY, O.S.A., RAMESH SHARMA (CANADA), DENNIS DELIKAT, MORTON MATES (CANADA), DANIEL FOUGERE (CANADA), FRANK MACHNIK (CANADA). THIRD ROW (RIGHT): MARY ANN O'CONNOR, PAT DIDOMENICO SECOND ROW (L-R): JIM MCMASTER, TERESA VARGAS-WILKS (CANADA), ANNE MCMASTER, MARILYN SHARMA (CANADA), RUSS SUMMERTON, JOSEPH PESCATRICE, AMY DIDOMENICO. FRONT ROW (L-R): JOE KELLEY, ALINA KELLEY, ANDREA SCHWELLINGER (MIDWEST), EVELYN MATES (CANADA), TERI IDLER.

Third International Augustinian Laity Congress

The Third International Augustinian Laity Congress was held in Rome at the *Augustinianum* from July 11-17, 2012. The theme of the Congress, “Being the Body of Christ in the World Today,” was taken from the Augustinian Laity guidebook, *On the Way with Saint Augustine*. At the Congress, the third printing of the English text, with a new translation by Gary N. McCloskey, O.S.A., was published. Over 140 people attended, including 20 from the Provinces of Canada, Chicago and Villanova, who participated in presentations and discussions on Augustinian spirituality in the Family and among Young People. Dr. Joseph Kelley of Merrimack College and Bishop Giovanni Scanavino, O.S.A., retired Bishop of the Diocese of Orvieto-Todi gave inspiring presentations, which led to much discussion of the Congress theme among the participants. Patrick DiDomenico, Director of the Augustinian Volunteers, was one of the Young People who presented. Fr. Gary N. McCloskey, O.S.A., facilitated the group processes

of the round tables, as well as other aspects of the Congress. Lay Representatives elected at the last Congress led discussions about future directions of international Augustinian laity work, which affirmed a proposal that the Friar’s International Commission for the Laity be formed along the lines of the five zones of the Order, which are animated by inter-provincial organizations and federations (Africa (AFA), Asia/Pacific (OSAAP), Europe (OAE), Latin America (OALA) and North America (FANA). North American participants agreed to form a coordinating council to support the elected North American Lay Coordinators (Bill O’Connor, Villanova Chapter; Russ Summerton, Cape Coral (Fla.) chapter) in building networks of communication across provincial borders, creating a North American laity web page and web presence, and planning a North American Augustinian Laity Congress in the next two years. The work of participants in the Congress was enhanced by spiritual time spent at St. Rita’s shrine in Cascia, as well as at Sant’Agostino and Santa Anna in Rome.



Fr. Stephen J. Baker, O.S.A., Receives the Nicholas S. Rashford, SJ, Award for Outstanding Dissertation

Fr. Stephen J. Baker, O.S.A., has received the Nicholas S. Rashford, SJ, Award from St. Joseph’s University for his outstanding dissertation. The doctoral faculty receives nominations for the award; the recipient is chosen whose dissertation reflects the following: high intellectual achievement; moral discernment reflecting spiritual values; and a transforming commitment to social justice. The dissertations must lend a substantive contribution to educational research, bringing new insights to what is already known.

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FR. GEORGE F. RILEY, O.S.A.

*50 Years Priest, 50 Years at Villanova,
Honorary Degree from Merrimack*

Fr. George F. Riley, O.S.A., is celebrating his 50th year as a priest and his 50th year on campus at Villanova University, where he currently serves as a special assistant to the president for Alumni and External Relations. In this position, which he has held for 21 years, Fr. Riley attends Villanova alumni chapters all over the United States. During his 50 years at Villanova, Fr. Riley has taught religious studies and served in administrative positions with the University. He has also served on weekends at many parishes at the southern New Jersey shore resorts, in Atlantic and Cape May counties. He has received many awards, among them the “All-American Football Loyalty Award” for his service as chaplain to the Heisman Trophy Foundation, as well as Philadelphia’s own “Commodore John Barry Award.” Given by the American Catholic Historical Society, the Barry Award recognizes an American who, by professional and personal service, as well as accomplishments, has distinguished himself through contributions to the Catholic Church and the community.

On Sunday, May 20, 2012, Merrimack College in North Andover, Massachusetts, awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Augustinian Education to Fr. George F. Riley, O.S.A., Ph.D., during commencement ceremonies. Recipients of honorary degrees were noted as embodying the College’s mission and values. Persons honored were selected based on their knowledge in their field and their overall contributions to society.

Fr. Riley is a native of Lawrence, Massachusetts, and attended Merrimack College prior to entering the Order of St. Augustine. He graduated from Villanova in 1958 and holds two master’s degrees. Fr. George received his doctorate from The Catholic University of America in 1969. He has previously served on Merrimack’s Board of Trustees. Merrimack awarded 578 degrees at the graduation exercises in May.



DR. CHRISTOPHER EDWARD HOEY PRESENTS THE HONORARY DOCTORATE TO FR. GEORGE.



KEEPING TRACK

Following the vow of obedience, friars find themselves called to where they are needed. Each issue of The Augustinian hopes to connect you with some familiar faces as we provide brief updates on friars serving throughout the Province. Watch here to track down that old classmate, pastor, chemistry teacher, chaplain, philosophy professor, co-worker or friend.

Kevin M. DePrinzio, O.S.A.



Fr. Kevin M. DePrinzio, O.S.A., attended Monsignor Bonner High School, Drexel Hill, Pa., where he met the Augustinians. After graduating

from Saint Joseph’s University, Philadelphia, Pa., with a BA in English and a Secondary Education Certification, he entered the Province’s Pre-Novitiate Program, located at Augustinian College, Washington, DC. He professed first vows in 2000, and completed theological studies at Augustinian College and the Washington Theological Union, receiving an MDiv and an MA in Ecclesiastical History. Fr. Kevin served his pastoral year as school minister at Monsignor Bonner High School. He was ordained to the priesthood on July 11, 2004. Fr. Kevin served in campus ministry at Merrimack College, North Andover, Mass. In 2007, he was appointed vocation director for the Province and worked in campus ministry at Villanova University. He also resided and worked in the Province’s Pre-Novitiate program at Bellesini Friary in Ardmore, Pa. This fall, Fr. Kevin will pursue a doctoral degree in spiritual theology at Catholic University in Washington, DC.

James D. McBurney, O.S.A.



Fr. James D. McBurney, O.S.A., professed first vows in 1978. He received an MDiv from Washington Theological Union and was ordained on May 12, 1984.

He has served at parishes in Florida and Pennsylvania. He served at the National Novitiate in Racine, Wisconsin, as prior and as novice director. While pursuing studies in spiritual direction at Neumann University, Aston, Pa., he taught theology at Malvern Prep and served as the campus minister. He served in shrine ministry at St. Rita of Cascia in Philadelphia and he served as the vocation director (2002-2007). In 2008, he returned to parochial ministry as pastor of St. Augustine in Philadelphia. Fr. Jim’s most recent assignment is as novice director at Bellesini Friary in Ardmore, Pa.

Michael J. Slattery, O.S.A.



Fr. Michael J. Slattery, O.S.A., a member of the Midwest Province of Our Mother of Good Counsel, was born in Rockford, Illinois. He attended St. Augustine

Seminary in Holland, Michigan, and was ordained to the priesthood on May 7, 1977. Fr. Slattery has taught at Mendel Catholic High School and St. Rita High School, both in Chicago, Illinois. Parish assignments have included Holy Rosary in Kenosha, Wisconsin; St. Clare of Montefalco in Chicago and St. Jude in Lennox, Illinois. Fr. Slattery has served as vocation director and as part of the formation team for the Midwest Province. He did formation studies at Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, Pa. He has served as treasurer of the Midwest Province and at various times, he has served as a counselor. He was most recently elected to the Midwest Council in 2010.

Effective July 1, 2012, Fr. Slattery was appointed as pastor at St. Augustine Parish, in Philadelphia, Pa.

Michael P. Sullivan, O.S.A.



Fr. Michael P. Sullivan, O.S.A., professed first vows in 1960 and was ordained on September 9, 1967. He has served the parish ministry in upstate

New York, on Long Island and in the Bronx. He received an MA in Counseling from St. John’s in Queens, New York in 1971 and was appointed to the Marriage Encounter movement. He has served two terms on the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Movement’s National Board of Directors. Since the early 1980s, Fr. Michael has served in the Province’s Preaching Ministry. Fr. Sullivan has traveled around the United States and Canada, as well as Australia and South America, giving retreats to parishes and other groups. When he is not traveling for his ministry, Fr. Sullivan resides at St. Thomas Monastery in Villanova.

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THE AUGUSTINIAN FUND

ABOUT THE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL...

“Fundraising is, first and foremost, a form of ministry. It is a way of announcing our vision and inviting other people into our mission.”

— Henri Nouwen, *A Spirituality of Fundraising*

The Augustinian Development Program finds its genesis in the very mission to which the Augustinians are called: to collaborate with committed lay women and men, benefactors and friends to bring Christian ideals into real life situations, especially for those in need around the world.

To help continue to foster this mission after a successful capital campaign, the Province in 2006 decided to embark upon a comprehensive development program that incorporated all the key areas of philanthropy. This meant focusing on annual, planned, and capital gifts in addition to events. It also required reaching out and inviting a broad base of support. All of these key areas were then integrated into the various programmatic priorities of the Province.

A core group of philanthropic leaders was assembled to provide the leadership. Men and women, already successful in their own chosen careers, formed the first Development Council. Under the leadership of Charley Connolly, a culture of philanthropy – already strong among the leadership – would invite and gather increasing advocates for the Augustinians to help support and strengthen the mission.

Meeting three times a year as a group, subcommittees gather as needed to address, review and to implement action plans for:

- An annual appeal, the Augustinian Fund, which has grown each year, raising in excess of \$6.3 million. The 2012-13 goal is \$1,375,000.
- An estate planning program, which last year recorded eight bequests totaling \$185,500.



PICTURED (L-R): ROBERT SALDUTTI, ERIC QUISENBERRY, CLAUDIA MADRIGALE, PETER FEDERICO, RAYMOND FALZONE, ANTHONY DELLOMO, MARY ELLEN MAGGITT, ANTHONY M. GENOVESE, O.S.A., (PRIOR PROVINCIAL), CHARLES P. CONNOLLY, JR. (CHAIRMAN), JAMES J. MCCARTNEY, O.S.A., JAMES O'CONNOR (ANNUAL FUND CO-CHAIR), WILLIAM "TIP" O'NEILL JR., BASIL "BILL" DISIPPIO (ANNUAL FUND CO-CHAIR), MARIO R. DICKERSON (DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT)

- Event Planning for fundraising. Large and small events are planned for each given year to draw attention to the vital programs and their needs.
- Personal visits with friends and benefactors to revisit and discuss the goals of the Annual Fund or put new friends in touch with the mission of the friars.

In addition to providing time for the council meetings and philanthropic leadership for the Province, many Council members continue active involvement with Villanova University, Malvern Prep, Merrimack College, St. Augustine Prep, parishes and many other worthy causes. They are active locally, nationally and in some cases have traveled abroad in support of the Augustinian mission.

Guided by the true perspective of philanthropy, these men and women—aware of their own many blessings—embrace giving back as a way of life. Annual Fund co-chairs, Jim O'Connor and Bill DiSipio, reflect this spirit so well.

Asked recently why he is so generous to the Augustinians while continuing his generous support of Villanova as well as other causes, Jim O'Connor adapted a well known quote:

“Some people walk into our lives and are quickly gone...others stay awhile, leaving footprints on our hearts.” Fr. Richard D. Appicci, O.S.A. and other Augustinian Friars were such persons. I want to make sure the Friars are taken care of as well as my alma mater.”

In a similar vein, Bill DiSipio noted: “The Augustinian Fund is a way for me and my family to express our sincerest gratitude for the presence of the Augustinians in our lives.”

Blessed by a seamless transition of leadership, the Council today remains restless in its commitment to advance everything Augustinian to meet the needs of a changing world.

MARGARET (MEG) SHEETZ

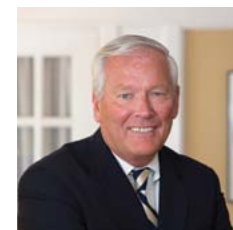


Margaret “Meg” Sheetz, age 35, is the President and CEO of Operations of Medifast, Inc. In March 2011, Meg also became the CEO of Take

Shape for Life, which is one of Medifast’s divisions. Ms. Sheetz supports a number of charitable organizations and is also a member of the Villanova President’s Leadership Circle. She holds a bachelor of arts degree from Villanova University and received an Executive MBA from Loyola University (Md).

In April 2011, Meg was awarded the 2011 Baltimore Smart CXO award. This distinguished award is given to CEOs, COOs and CFOs who have demonstrated creative management vision, leadership philosophies, innovative strategizing and undeniable work ethic.

JAMES H. STEWART



Mr. Stewart is the former President of Malvern Prep. In his 42 years of service to the School, Mr. Stewart has ensured that Malvern remained committed

to its Augustinian heritage and its values of truth, unity and love, and hopes to share this commitment with a wider segment of society. A graduate of Monsignor Bonner High School, Mr. Stewart earned a BA in Spanish from LaSalle University, an MA in Spanish from Middlebury College, and an MA in educational administration from Villanova University.

Mr. Stewart and his wife, Mary, who passed away in 2004, were affiliated to the Order of St. Augustine on May 3, 2004, at a special ceremony. Affiliation is the highest honor the Order can bestow upon a person outside of the Order, in recognition for outstanding commitment and support to the mission and ministry of the Order.

Mr. Stewart has remarried and lives in Drexel Hill, Pa., with his wife Debbie. Mr. & Mrs. Stewart are blessed with 15 grandchildren.



“In my heart, before I became a Marine, I was an Augustinian...when you’re part of that family, it never goes away.”

—Bradley T. MacDonald

Brad MacDonald, a friend, an Augustinian Affiliate and founding member of the Augustinian Development Council, was called home by our Lord on April 4, 2012, after 64 impactful years on this earth. A life that was way too brief; but what a life he led!

Raised in Upper Darby, Pa., a suburb of Philadelphia, Brad attended Monsignor Bonner High School, run by the Augustinians. Brad would relate that he did not excel in academics but heard our Lord calling him, enough to enter the Augustinian Order upon graduation. After a few years, he opted to leave the Order, but not before a mutual respect between his fellow Augustinians and himself was established.

Brad remained at Villanova until graduation, in 1971, whereupon he joined the U.S. Marines as an officer, retiring as a colonel in 1997. At his death, Brad was executive Chairman of the Board of Medifast, Inc., fifth on Fortune Magazine’s 2011 Fastest Growing Companies. He never had a board meeting without honoring our brave men and women serving our country. He was the proud vice chairman of the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Foundation, which has an impact on the lives of so many children across our country annually at Christmas time.

As a layperson, Brad remained in every way an Augustinian throughout his life, as demonstrated by his closeness to the friars and dedication as a major benefactor to them. He loved his time with the Augustinians and never wavered from his faith. He fell in love with Shirley, marrying in 1971. They enjoyed two beautiful and happily married daughters, Kelly and Meg, who graced them with four grandchildren (and a fifth on the way!).

Brad was loved and respected by all on our Development Council. He was instrumental in our successes, employing his gifts of leadership and sound advice. The generosity of his spirit lives on through his wife Shirley and his children. In fact, Brad’s daughter, Meg Sheetz is taking his seat on the Augustinian Fund’s Development Council. We miss you Brad and are hopeful that we all will be together some day honoring our Lord.

Semper Fi,
Charles P. Connolly, Jr.
Chair, Augustinian Fund

PICTURED ABOVE, L-R: FR. KAIL ELLIS, O.S.A., FR. JACK DEEGAN, O.S.A., BR. BOB THORNTON, O.S.A., BRAD MACDONALD, FR. MICKEY GENOVESE, O.S.A. (PRIOR PROVINCIAL) AND FR. GARY N. MCCLOSKEY, O.S.A. PHOTO BY PAOLA NOGUERAS, COURTESY OF VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF NURSING



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