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Providing scholarships to individuals studying to be Missionaries of the Sacred Heart priests and brothers.

## New MSC to serve in North Country

The Watertown, NY community is pleased to welcome Fr. Joseph Christy, MSC who has been assigned to St. Patrick's and St. Anthony's parishes as an associate pastor. He will be working with Fr. Donald Robinson who is currently pastor of both parishes. Fr. Christy will be arriving from his native India sometime in early 2014 once his paperwork is complete with the United States Immigration Service.



Fr. Christy, born in Bangalore, India, was ordained on June 20, 2001. He has served as an associate pastor and pastor at two parishes in his hometown of Bangalore. He most recently served as the Union Superior of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, India from 2009-2012. Fr. Christy also holds degrees in counseling and psychotherapy. His arrival to the United States and his placement in our local parishes is a reminder that your continued contributions to the education of MSC priests and brothers worldwide, may help other Catholic communities who are struggling to fill these necessary roles in their churches as well.

### MISSIONARY ENERGY AND THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

Father Michael Camilli, MSC, was the main speaker at the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner of the Sacred Heart Foundation. Father Camilli is the Professor Emeritus of Church History at St. Mary's Seminary and University in Baltimore. In addition to his long teaching career, Dr. Camilli has served as Pastor of two MSC parishes.

“...the primary goal now, as part of the “New Evangelism”, is to reach out to baptized Catholics who have become distant from the Church ...”

Father Camilli spoke about “Renewed Missionary Energy in the Year of Faith.” He defined “missionary energy” as evangelization, which Pope Francis has emphasized as the highest priority of the Church. For the Church, to evangelize is to proclaim the goodness of Jesus Christ; to be a missionary is to travel to a foreign country to preach the gospel, to convert individuals to Christianity, and to participate in humanitarian work, especially among the poor.

Father Camilli pointed out that evangelism has changed. The focus is no longer to convert natives of distant lands to Catholicism. Rather, the primary goal now, as part of the “New Evangelism”, is to reach out to baptized Catholics who have become distant from the Church and to kindly and gently attract people back to the faith. Pope Francis has embraced this goal and has also advocated making an “option for the poor” as an effective way to proclaim God’s love and to join in the mission of creating a world of justice and peace.



Father Camilli explained how the MSC contributed to the New Evangelism. Its gift of compassion enables the MSC

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The joy at Christmas is the gift of Jesus from our Father in heaven. You have an opportunity to share God's gift by supporting the work of the Sacred Heart Foundation.

The proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the world is the work of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart. The Sacred Heart Foundation helps to fund the formation programs for future MSC priests. Our seminarians are formed for their priestly work throughout countries served by the MSC. Many of those countries do not enjoy our wealth. But even in those places the cost of educating and providing for young candidates is rising.

As you plan your gift giving this Christmas, please consider a present or future gift to the Foundation. We can help with your estate planning and long-term legacy to the work of Jesus Christ on earth. Please contact us.

### Former Foundation Board Member Ordained to Diaconate

Congratulations to Deacon Joel Walentuck, newly ordained to the Permanent Diaconate for Diocese of Ogdensburg, New York. He and eleven other men were ordained by Bishop Terry LaValley on October 4, 2013 at St. Mary's Cathedral in Ogdensburg, New York.



Joel served for ten years on the Sacred Heart Foundation Board of Directors. Deacon Walentuck, his wife Dawn, and family live in Fineview, NY. He will minister to the Catholic Community of Alexandria at St. Cyril's Church, Alexandria Bay and St. Francis Xavier, Redwood.

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Honor a personal obligation remembering a deceased family member or friend

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Acknowledge special occasions or achievements

#### *Thinking of You*

Just to let someone know you care

#### *Thank You*

Express your gratitude and appreciation to someone

### NEW THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

#### *Christmas Blessings*

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### 40th Annual Dinner (Continued from page 1)

to love and accept those who have sinned and to concentrate on helping, rather than criticizing the lost and hurting. The gift of pride in humanness emphasizes the glory of human life and rejects a negative, judgmental religion that exists to create guilt and that results in a theology of helplessness and hopelessness. Finally, the MSC gift of spirituality of the heart stresses the power of love, forgiveness, trust and courage. It rejects the concept of "an eye for an eye" and teaches love over hate, kindness and gentleness over violence.

Father Camilli encouraged everyone to support the MSC, to share its gifts, and to be partners in the New Evangelization. In his remarks, as Deacon Mastellon noted, Father Camilli gave us "much to think about."

*Thank you to everyone who helped make the 40th Anniversary Benefit Dinner a HUGE success!*

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