

We have a new Black Deacon! Deacon James Norman of Our Lady of Sorrows Basilica

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Bishop Perry: Virtues of a Catholic Man



THE BEAT OF BLACK CATHOLIC CHICAGO

to "breed" with a man who was not her husband. Miss Lizzy's story is part of our family history and integral to the legacy into which Terri and our children were born and Andrew was adopted. This story and other family stories live through the telling and retelling.

We can preach to our kids about chastity and selfrespect until we're blue in the face. However, the story about Miss Lizzy offers our kids a lifepiving story that relates to them truths about those virtues that can't be extracted into facts. Listening to this story, we feel the fire burning in Miss Lizzy's heart. We marvel at her courage and self-determination, even unto death. We ask ourselves "What does this mean for me today?" Searching for application of these truths feeds our souls and nurtures our faith. It gives meaning to our lives.

It's not enough to let the grandparents tell the stories. As parents we must *re*-listen to the stories and *re*-apply their truths to our lives today. In doing so, we are better integrating the truths into our lives and preparing ourselves to tell the stories to our future grandchildren.

As storytellers, grandparents take us on a journey of a time gone by. We see perennial issues of the human condition in different circumstances. We see God working in the lives of our ancestors. We recognize the common thread of faith that connects us through the generations. Because they have heard and re-heard them over many seasons of life, grandparents are best to tell the family stories.

Family Reflections appeared in several Catholic diocesan newspapers from 1994 to 2003. Columnists Andrew & Terri Lyke are the parents of two children who are now adults and raising families themselves. This particular column was written from their perspectives as Catholic parents raising children in faith. Revisiting this writing today as grandparents, they reaffirm their this article and happily share it with the readers of The Drum.

Grandparents are the best storytellers

Taken from "Family Reflections" by Andrew & Terri Lyke, which was originally published in their bi-weekly column in 1996.

here is a popular picture of a gray-haired man sitting in a rocking chair reading from the bible to his grandson. Another image is "Grandma" telling stories about family ancestors while bright-eyed children attentively take in every word with awe and wonder. These images depict an important relationship between generations. The role of storyteller is an important part of parenting. Telling virtuous stories about the lives of ancestors help to form healthy self-identities and build family-esteem in our kids. But it is done so much better when the stories are spoken from seasoned life-experiences. This is why grandparents tell the stories better.

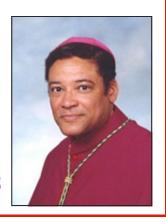
As parents we are so consumed by the immediate tasks of providing for and raising our children that we are sometimes inaccessible to telling important family stories to our kids. We rely on our parents and grandparents to help us. And why not? They're closer to the stories. As parents we establish boundaries for our children, enforce rules of conduct, and teach them about the facts of life. Grandparents help us by relating the stories that make sense of the facts—stories that embody the truth that facts can often miss.

On a visit with Terri's grandmother she told us and our kids the story about her grandmother, Miss Lizzy, who was beaten to death by her slave-master. This story, though brutal and tragic, bespeaks a kind of moral fortitude that defined who she was. She was beaten because she refused

Virtues of a Catholic Man

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- A Catholic man has some sense of what or whom he would die for if necessary.
- A Catholic man passes his faith to his children and sees to their religious education.
- A Catholic man informs himself about his faith, reads Scripture, select Catholic literature, and studies the Catechism of the Catholic Church.
- A Catholic man insures that there are sacred symbols in his household, such as, a crucifix(es), Bible, use of sacramentals such as the Advent wreath, Christmas cre`che, etc.
- A Catholic man leads prayer in his household at significant domestic events, such as, birth, Baptism, graduation, marriage, illness, death, and other special meals and events with use of a passage from Scripture or other Catholic sources.
- A Catholic man practices presence with his wife and children.
- A Catholic man invests himself in some project or apostolate at the parish or diocesan level.
- A catholic man is faithful to his wife, his children, his Church and his friends, indeed all his commitments.



NBCC Lifestyle Article

We celebrate National Day of Prayer and Mercy— August 14, 2013

e invite all people -

including prisoners, victims, families, law enforcement personnel, those in the justice system, and all those touched by the violence of crime-to join in the Prayer Campaign for Justice and Mercy. Simply say the prayer below each day, asking the God of Justice and Mercy to touch your heart and the hearts of all those touched by crime.

Prayer for Justice and Mercy

Jesus, united with the
Father
and the Holy Spirit,
give us your compassion
for those in prison.
Mend in mercy the broken
in mind and memory.
Soften the hard of heart, the
captives of anger.
Free the innocent; parole
the trustworthy.



Awaken the repentance that restores hope.

May prisoners' families persevere in their love.

Jesus, heal the victims of crime;

they live with the scars.

Lift to eternal peace those who die.

Grant victims' families the forgiveness that heals.

Give wisdom to lawmakers and to those who judge.

Instill prudence and patience in those who guard.

Make those in prison ministry bearers of your light, for all of us are in need of your mercy!

Amen.

New Black Deacon: James Norman of Our Lady of Sorrows

ames Norman of Our Lady of Sorrows Basilica was ordained by Francis Cardinal George at Holy Name Cathedral on Sunday, May 19, 2013.
Congratulations, Deacon Norman. We are blessed to have you among our Black Catholic pastoral leaders.

The Deacon Speakin'

New Deacon Says "Minister" is

a Verb

"I attended church regularly, but I was most connected to my faith when I was of service to others," says newly ordained Deacon James Norman, Our Lady of Sorrows



Basilica (OLS) on Chicago's west side. James, and his wife of 33 years, Kimberly, were driven to serve. Active in various ministries, including community outreach, dignity breakfasts to service the homeless, affordable housing options, food basket giveaways, involvement with the Secular Servites and the OLS' parish council, this couple had little idle time.

Norman states, "I was blessed in my marriage and family life as I witnessed my wife, Kimberly, care patiently and compassionately for my mother in the final seven years of her life as she suffered from Alzheimer's. During the last seven years, Kim and I have raised my sister's two children: Julianna and Jaylana. It's all been Kimberly. She has been my blessing through her never faltering strength. She has been inspirational and encouraging over the last four years of the diaconate journey. It is her strength, love and deep faith that make my service possible."

However, Deacon Norman's journey did not start 4, 10 or even 20 years ago. He had been marked as a wee child. His mother's and grandmother's words echoed in his ears, "You'll be a minister one day." Not even certain what it all meant, except through examples like Martin Luther King, pastors, religious and deacons serving in the OLS and west side community, he came to realize, as an adult, the term "minister" was a verb . . . a call to action.

Senior deacon, Davis Fair and his wife Roberta, marveled at this couple's commitment to their faith and community some 10 years prior to their walk. However, Norman's job relocated him to New Jersey. This delayed his response to the call, but did not deter it. "Throughout this couple's walk during aspiracy and formation they remained fully engaged," said the Fairs. "With every growth opportunity they were exposed to, they included their classmates/diaconate couples." OSL pastor, Fr. Chris Krymski, was overjoyed to share the journey with the Normans. "It is awesome to see an OSL youth grow up and then turn around and begin his service right at home," states Krymski. "I know Fr. Maurice Nutt hit the nail on the head







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at last week's West Side Black Catholic Revival when he said James is an extension of the community-at-large," remarks Krymski. "Never-the-less, OLS is proud to claim him as our very own."

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Music & Dance - Clarence Rivers Music Institute (June 19-20) & The Amazing Grace Liturgical Dance Company

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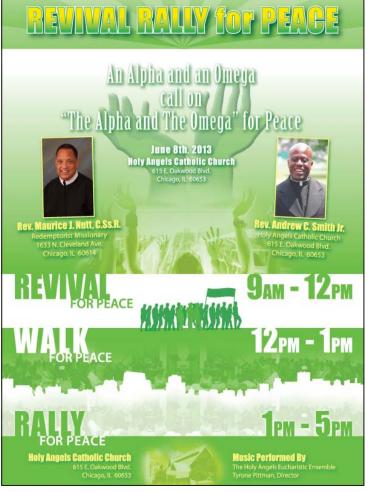
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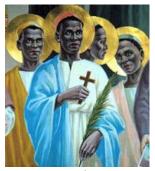
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... that on June 1, 1875 James Healy, the first African-American Catholic Bishop, was ordained Bishop of Portland, ME? Healy did not self-recognize his African ancestry and was not publicly acknowledged as African-American.



... that on June 3, 1949 Wesley A. Brown was the first African American to graduate from the U.S. Naval Academy?



... that June 3rd is the Feast Day of the Uganda Martyrs?



... that on June 4, 1922 Samuel Gravely, the first African-American admiral n the U.S. Navy to command a warship was born?

COME, LORD COME!! REVIVAL ST. HELENA OF THE CROSS

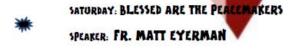
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... that on June 6, 1966 James Meredith, civil rights activist, was ambushed and shot several times during his oneman "Walk Against Fear" through Mississippi; he survived the shooting?

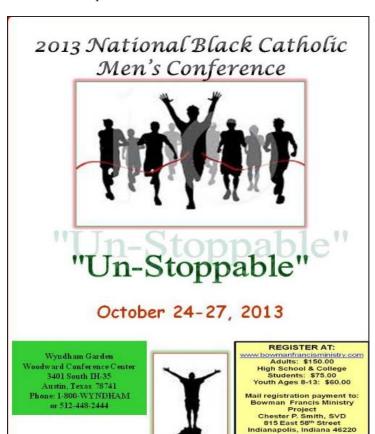
Come to the Holy Land in 2013! Bishop Joseph N. Perry

have had the privilege over the years, going back to 1976, of leading a number of groups to experience the Holy Land, the place where God broke His silence and began speaking to man; where the prophets delivered the



Word of God to a people in order to ready them for God's direct intervention in human affairs; where Jesus was born, lived, and preached and died and rose again. You will never read or hear the Scriptures the same again once you have traversed this hallowed ground. What better experience is there for the believer in one's lifetime! So sacred is this place early pilgrims over the centuries literally walked untold miles to get to the holy places. The names of these places are illuminated constantly in our hearing while the scriptures are opened for us at worship. Now, we can see and walk these same places on our own. Make this a sacred journey of faith for yourself, a spouse or friend. Crown your Christmas holydays/holidays with this journey. Re-charge your faith through this special pilgrimage. It's a trip of a lifetime guaranteeing lasting memories.

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7 days sightseeing
Return: Monday, December 9, 2013
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DID YOU KNOW...



... that on June 7, 1943 poet and author Yolanda Cornelia "Nikki" Giovanni was born in Knoxville, Tennessee?



... that on June 8, 1953 the U.S. Supreme Court outlawed racial discrimination in Washington, DC restaurants?



... that on June 7, 1917 Pulitzer Prize winning poet Gwendolyn Brooks was born in Topeka, Kansas?



... that on June 9, 1904 James Napier founded One Cent (now Citizens) Savings Bank, the first Tennessee bank begun by an African American?



... that on June 9, 1963 Fannie Lou Hamer, a 45-yearold African American, and other civil rights activists were arrested on false charges in Winona, Mississippi, and severely beaten by police while in jail?



... that on June 10, 1940 Marcus Garvey, founder of the "Back To Africa" movement during the 1920s, died in London, England?



... that on June 10, 1794 Richard Allen organized the African Methodist Episcopal Church?



... that on June 11, 1964 Nelson Mandela was sentenced to life imprisonment by the South African government?

Mawusi Retreat

Sunday and to witness the faith.

those we hadn't seen in a while.

By Marvin McCurry

ponsored by the Office for Catechesis and Youth Ministry, last year's Mawusi Retreat was held at the University of Saint Mary of the Lake in Mundelein, Illinois. The attendees were asked often "Are you Mawusi"? and the response was yes! because it means "In



The experience of being surrounded by evidence of God was refreshing. It was a time to reflect on how we are called to the Eucharist and to receive the Body and Blood of Christ as a community in union with the Holy Spirit. Following the theme of the Archdiocesan Strategic Plan "Year of the Sunday Mass." one of the purposes for last year's Mawusi was to enable and empower our faith community to embrace a passionate and knowing Eucharistic faith. Moved by faith that is deeply, deeply felt we stand firm in our resolve to share in the Eucharist every

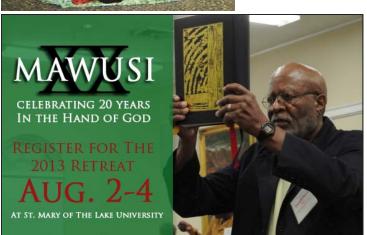
the hand of God" in Ewe, a language from Ghana and Togo.

Mawusi is a retreat for everyone who wants to be involved in the life and love of Christ with a mission to spread the Good News to all people. The light you shine is evidence that God is present in your life. At the conference, I had the opportunity to walk the three miles around the lake, see deer, and observe the trees and flowers. All were created by God in His goodness. Giving homage to God, we gathered for Vespers Service (an evening prayer) Saturday evening and Mass Sunday morning. We had fellowship over meals, met new friends and reunited with

There were fifty young adult and elder Catholics who shared in this mission to love, have life abundantly and live according to the will of God. This year Mawusi celebrates twenty years. It will again be at St. Mary of the Lake University in Mundelein. The dates are August 2—4. Get more information on the Office for Black Catholics website: www.blackcatholicchicago.org. I



encourage you to come join us in the celebration as we unite as one "In the hand of God".



DID YOU KNOW...



... that on June 11, 1917 Lena Horne, singer and actor, was born?



... that on June 12, 1963 Medgar Evers, civil rights leader, was assassinated in Mississippi?



... that on June 13, 1967 Thurgood Marshall was nominated by President Lyndon B. Johnson to the U.S. Supreme Court?



... that on June 15, 1877 Henry Ossian Flipper was the first African American to graduate from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, NY?



... that on June 16, 1970 Kenneth Gibson was the first African American to be elected mayor of a major U.S. city on the eastern seaboard (Newark, NJ)?



... that on June 17, 1972 security guard Frank Wills discovered the Watergate break-in?



... that on June 18, 1958 Dr. Jeanne Craig Sinkford became the first African American woman dean of a U.S. dental school (Howard University)?



... that on June 19, 1865, two and a half years after the Emancipation Proclamation, Union soldiers landed in Galveston, Texas with news that the Civil War had ended and that slavery had been abolished? Slaves there were unaware of their freed status before then.

17 pilgrims from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee join others from the Archdiocese of Chicago for the 2nd Tolton Pilgrimage— Chicago on Saturday, May 11, 2013.



DID YOU KNOW...



... that on June 21, 1945 Benjamin O. Davis was the first African American to command a U.S. Army Air Force base?



that on June 22, 2005 Edward K. Braxton was installed Bishop of Belleville, Illinois?

. . . that on June 19, 1936 undefeated heavyweight boxer Joe Louis suffered his first professional defeat at the hands of former Heavyweight champion Max Schmeling? One year later on June 22, 1937 Louis defeated James Braddock to become Heavyweight champion. Louis and Nazi supported Schmeling fought a second match on June 22, 1938; Louis defeated him in two minutes and four seconds.



Thursday Night Karaoke 7:00-11:00 PM

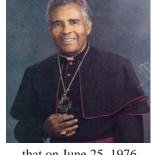
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. . . that on June 24, 1966 Chicagoan James P. Lyke, OFM was ordained a priest? On the same date in 1991 Lyke was installed Archbishop of Atlanta, Georgia.



. . . that on June 25, 1976 Joseph Francis, SVD was ordained Catholic Bishop, Newark, New Jersey?



... that on June 29, 1998 Joseph Nathaniel Perry was ordained Catholic Bishop, Chicago, Illinois? Bishop Perry current serves the Archdiocese of Chicago as the Episcopal Vicar for Vicariate VI. He is also the local postulator for the cause for sainthood for Fr. Augustus Tolton, the first African-American Catholic priest.



... that on June 30, 1853 Pierre Toussaint died? Born a slave in Haiti in 1766, Toussaint came to New York in 1787. In 1968 Cardinal Terence Cooke of New York introduced the Cause of Pierre Toussaint in Rome. On December 18, 1996 Pope John Paul II declared Pierre Toussaint "Venerable."

West Side Revival

West Side Catholic Parishes Evangelization Revival May 19—22, 2013 Rev. Maurice Nutt, C.Ss.R.

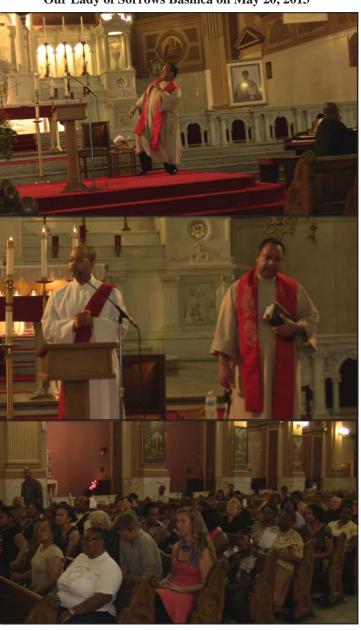
Faith on Fire

This church is on fire 2 Timothy 1:6

St. Agatha's on May 19, 2013 at the 10:30 Mass







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St. Malachy + Precious Blood on May 21, 2013

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- · To provide a culturally rich atmosphere encompassing music, art, ritual and other activities and experiences that will inspire and enable participants to enrich worship services in their own parishes
- · To provide participants with spiritual uplifting and unifying knowledge that can be shared with their parish communities and families
- · To facilitate an ongoing dialogue involving the African-American community and the Catholic Church
- . To grace the prayer life of God's people through the development of liturgical resources that are rooted in the Black experience and truly Catholic
- · To teach, train, and form liturgical ministers
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Archbishop James P. Lyke, OFM

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to a better understanding and appreciation of the liturgy

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