

GATHERING CELEBRATES BROTHERS IN FORMATION

A highlight of the annual General Assembly of the Brothers of the Baltimore District, held at Calvert Hall last fall, was the recognition of five Brothers in various stages of our formation program. Families and friends of these men joined the assembled Brothers for a Mass of Thanksgiving in celebration of the occasion.

During the ceremony Brother Michael Miller was introduced as the newest member of the Baltimore District. Brother Michael, who is in residence at Jeremy House in Philadelphia, is pursuing graduate studies in Religion at La Salle University, and teaching part time in the Social Studies Department at La Salle High School.

Brothers Anwar Martinez and Robert Peach were invested with the robe of the Christian Brothers, marking their transition into the Apostolic Residency phase of their formation. Brother Anwar teaches Religion and Spanish at La Salle High School, and Brother Robert teaches Religion and English at Central Catholic High School in Pittsburgh. Father Patrick Peach, Brother Robert's older brother, was the celebrant and homilist.

Brothers Don Alger and Michael Kramer professed their Final Vows as Christian Brothers before the congregation. Brother Don is currently teaching Religion and Chemistry at Calvert Hall in Baltimore. Brother Michael is a Religion teacher and Counselor at Hud-



son Catholic High School in Jersey City.

Following the Eucharistic liturgy the celebration continued with a reception and dinner in Calvert Hall's newly renovated dining hall.

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CELEBRATE WITH US AT THE CRYSTAL TEA ROOM IN PHILADELPHIA

The Christian Brothers of the Baltimore Province and the Philadelphia Lasallian Community cordially invite you to our third annual Christian Brothers Service Awards Dinner, **Saturday, October 25, 2008**, in Philadelphia.

■ In the elegant Crystal Tea Room of the Wanamaker Building, we will honor Brother Robert Schieler, FSC, and ten other Brother Jubilarians celebrating more than 500 years of dedicated service to Catholic education. Brother Robert, a 1968 West Catholic High School graduate and former Provincial "Visitor" of the Baltimore Province, currently serves as a member of the Christian Brothers General Council in Rome. This Black-Tie fundraising dinner benefits West Philadelphia Catholic High School, now in its 92nd year of providing Catholic education for young men and women.

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| Br. Albert Schmidt, FSC (70 Years) | Br. Patrick Carney, FSC (50 Years) | Br. Richard Breese, FSC (40 Years) | Br. Patrick Cassidy, FSC (25 Years) |
| Br. James Kirkpatrick, FSC (60 Years) | Br. Lawrence Dempsey, FSC (50 Years) | Br. Joseph Grabenstein, FSC (40 Years) | Br. Kevin Dalmasse, FSC (25 Years) |
| Br. John Lawless, FSC (60 Years) | Br. Joseph Mahon, FSC (50 Years) | Br. Robert Schieler, FSC (40 Years) | |

■ Black-Tie Preferred. \$250 Per Person. For Sponsorship Opportunities please contact the Development Office.

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TODAY'S WEST CATHOLIC

West Philadelphia Catholic High School for Boys opened its doors in October, 1916. Ten years later the Archdiocese established its sister school nearby to provide Catholic secondary education for girls. Some seven decades later it would become necessary to consolidate into a single coeducational program. Thus, in September of 1989, the boys and girls schools merged into the present day West Philadelphia Catholic High School.

Through the years over 61,000 graduates of "West Catholic" have gone on to careers in all walks of life, including significant numbers in Church ministry as sisters, brothers, priests and deacons. Despite the many challenges that have been facing Catholic education, today's West students continue to carry

on its unique traditions, and are filled with hope and visions for the future, visions which are fostered daily through the efforts of our dedicated faculty and staff.

West's program of studies currently offers its student body of 600 a quality Catholic education in a safe and well maintained facility. Nevertheless, like so many other Catholic schools in our inner cities, we are constantly challenged to find new sources of revenue to continue to improve our instructional programs, activities and support services. Fortunately, we have been blessed over the years by the generous support of our loyal alumnae, alumni and friends.

Two areas of need that would greatly benefit our students at this time would be the ad-

dition of a Freshman Counselor, and a Social Worker to interact with the families of our youngest students. We believe the addition of these positions would enhance our ability to support students in their transition to high school and improve their chances of staying in school. In this way they will be better able to follow in the footsteps of the Class of 2007, which had 98% of its graduates move on to post-secondary education with the assistance of over \$7.5 million in financial aid and grants. Three members of that class' top five students are attending the University of Pennsylvania. The other two are continuing their studies at Bloomsburg University and Columbia University.

By Brother Timothy Ahern, FSC, President



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Brother Dennis Malloy Appointed Provincial

Last fall the Superior General of the Christian Brothers, Brother Alvaro Rodriguez Echeverria, FSC, announced the appointment of Brother Dennis Malloy to succeed Brother Robert Schieler as Provincial of the Baltimore District. In this position Brother Dennis will have responsibility for the Brothers living and working in the District's 17 schools and institutions, Spiritual Center, and retirement centers.

For the previous 8 years Brother Dennis served as Executive Director of the St. Gabriel's System, a program sponsored by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for court committed boys and conducted by the Christian Brothers for the past 110 years. A native of Cumberland, Maryland, Brother Dennis is a 1970 graduate of Bishop Walsh High School and a 1974 graduate of La Salle University, where he majored in psychology. He later earned a Master's degree in Religious Education at La Salle (1981) and a Master's degree in Social Work from The Catholic University of America in DC (1985).

In addition to his role as Executive Director of the St. Gabriel's System, Brother Dennis also served as a Prefect and Director of Group Living at St. Gabriel's Hall in Audubon, and as Director of



De La Salle Vocational School in Bensalem. In the early 80s he taught for 5 years at West Catholic and in the 90s was the Director of Jeremy House, a formation center for student Brothers in the Mt. Airy section of Philadelphia.

Brother Brian Henderson who, as Director of St. Gabriel's Hall, has been closely associated with Brother Dennis in recent years notes that "his affable disposition always exuded a sense of care and concern for whomever he met. He enjoyed universal appreciation for his personal interaction and intellectual ability to strategize and put forth thoughts that were sensible and ultimately helpful....He was ever hope-filled, positive and thankful for, as he puts it, 'the embarrassment of riches' which exists within the St. Gabriel's System and in the many people who work there."

Brother Dennis' Provincial Office is located near Frederick, Maryland, but his duties in the Baltimore District require a great deal of travel among the Brothers' communities and apostolates in the District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Adapted from an article by Brother Joseph Grabenstein, FSC, published in the Western Maryland Catholic Alumni News.

Brother Emery's Enduring Legacy at La Salle



The facts speak for themselves and they started to do so early on, as young Charles Mollenhauer zipped through Philadelphia's Most Blessed Sacrament School in seven years, where he was also captain of the safety patrol for its 3400 students. Moving on to high school he would distinguish himself as Editor of the West Catholic News.

After entering the Christian Brothers Novitiate in 1944 and being given the

name Brother Francis Emery, he was off and running in his baccalaureate studies, eventually graduating Magna Cum Laude from The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC. From there he took up his first assignment at Central Catholic High School in Pittsburgh, teaching a full schedule of Religion and English and moderating both the yearbook and the newspaper, while earning a Ph.D. in English at The University of Pittsburgh at the same time.

That astonishing decade of achievement led to his assignment to the Chris-

tian Brothers Second Novitiate in Rome in 1959-60, after which he became the Assistant Director of the Brothers' Scholasticate in Elkins Park, PA. This also involved commuting to La Salle College as a new member of the English Department, in which he has logged all these decades since. The following year he was brought to campus as Dean of the Evening Division, which he ran with distinction for nine years, with the redoubtable Ann Hughes as his entire staff.

Long service as Academic Vice President of La Salle University and later its

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DISTRICT CELEBRATES JUBILARIANS



At the 2nd Annual Christian Brothers' Service Awards Dinner, held last fall at the Union League of Philadelphia, a full house gathered to honor 13 Christian Brother Jubilarians representing almost 700 years of faithful service. The event also served as a fundraiser in support of La Salle Academy, a joint venture of the Christian Brothers and the Sisters of St. Joseph in North Philadelphia.

Upon arrival each guest was personally welcomed by the students of La Salle Academy. Music was provided during the cocktail reception by the La Salle High Jazz Ensemble. West Catholic's String Ensemble entertained during dinner. Once guests were seated in the Lincoln Ballroom, they were greeted by Jim Fitzsimmons, the Event Chairman, who welcomed everyone and invited Father Anthony Janton, AFSC, to offer the invocation.

Brother James Butler, Acting Provincial of the Baltimore District, expressed his gratitude on behalf of the Brothers for the many hours spent organizing the evening, and for the generous support of the alumni, alumnae and friends of the Brothers gathered to celebrate the service of the 2007 Jubilarians. He then spoke in recognition of the individual talents and contributions of the Jubilarians, thanking them for their faithful commitment to the educational mission launched by Saint La Salle. The Jubilarians honored were:

- 65 Years: Br. Robert Eckenrode, FSC; Br. D. Peter Hughes, FSC
 60 Years: Br. Raymond Bronowicz, FSC; Br. Matthew Buckley, FSC; Br. Martin Fahey, FSC; Br. Edward Gallagher, FSC; Br. Edward McGuire, FSC; Br. Charles Scanlon, FSC
 50 Years: Br. Kenneth Cook, FSC; Br. Raymond Murphy, FSC; Br. James Rieck, FSC
 25 Years: Br. Joseph Dougherty, FSC; Br. Timothy Froehlich, FSC

After an excellent dinner, Brother Carl Clayton took the podium to make a special presentation to Brother Edward Gallagher. He shared anecdotes in the life of Brother Edward during his years as a teacher, Principal of several schools, missionary in the Philippines, long time member of the Provincial Council, Athletic Director and moderator of many sports.

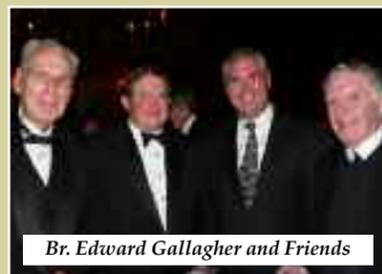
Brother Edward attended Most Blessed Sacrament School and West Catholic High School for Boys. Many in attendance had fond recollections of him as a teacher and administrator at St. John's, West Catholic, La Salle High and St. Frances Academy. In reply, Brother Edward expressed thanks on behalf of all the Jubilarians and spoke about the joys of living the life of a Christian Brother, his indebtedness to his family and mentors, and his appreciation for the grace of being able to affect the lives of so many students over the years.

The evening concluded with the presentation of a check for \$70,000 to La Salle Academy by Brother John Patzwall, District Director of Development. In accepting the check, Sister Jeanne McGowan, SSJ, gratefully acknowledged the extraordinary generosity of benefactors, the leadership of the Academy's Board, and the dedication of their faculty in helping to create educational opportunities for poor children. Everyone in attendance received a note of thanks personally written by a student of La Salle Academy.

By Bernard Freitag, member of the District Service Awards Committee



The La Salle Academy Board



Br. Edward Gallagher and Friends



Sr. Jeanne McGowan and Students

Brother Emery's Enduring Legacy at La Salle

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Br. Emery with Br. Charles Scanlon & Br. Luke Maher

Provost brought out the fusion of vigor and vision that shed great dignity on the institution in the competitive climate of

the era. And, of course, he never left the classroom, maintaining part time commitments to American Literature, Contemporary Poetry and Freshman Composition.

Brother Emery would return to full time teaching, including evening classes, after his administrative service ended. Currently on sabbatical, he has a project that puts him right on the edge of the future, an in-depth study of lay colleagues' participation in the mission of the Founder, especially in higher education. He is visiting all the Brothers' American campuses and preparing an article on the

work of the LaSallian Leadership Institute. Upon completion of that project he is prepared to return to class once again.

Brother Emery has indeed fused the vocation and the profession totally, in ways that have used his personal qualities – especially in community – and his keen mind. We shall see very few examples of such long service in one place, and of leaving such a lasting mark on it.

By Brother Patrick Ellis, FSC, Ph.D., President Emeritus of La Salle University and Catholic University, currently a member of the Calvert Hall community in Baltimore.

BROTHERS PLAN TRI-DISTRICT RETREAT

The De La Salle Christian Brothers are an international congregation that possesses a vision and a three-fold spirit of faith, service and community that has motivated and directed both their community life and educational ministries for more than three hundred years. St. John Baptist de La Salle, in response to the movement of the Holy Spirit, provided the Brothers with a charisma that has enabled the community he founded to provide education to young people in every corner of the world. Since times change and conditions and needs vary, the Brothers are aware that they must be attuned to these developments and meet new situations with flexibility, initiative and enthusiasm so that their educational mission may more effectively serve those who are entrusted to their care, especially the poor and marginalized.

During the past several years the three East Coast Districts of the Christian Brothers (Baltimore, Long Island-New England, New York) have been undergoing a process of consolidation that will lead to the forma-

tion of a single District.

As envisioned, this restructuring will enable the Brothers to better utilize personnel and resources in carrying out their ministries of education and social service. Under the guiding hand of Brother James Butler and his Steering Committee it has been a gradual and carefully planned process aimed at working through all the details of bringing together three Districts that have their own distinct ways of handling finances, personnel assignments and community life, as well as approaches to operating their educational and social welfare institutions.

A further step in the evolution of the new District will take place in the summer of 2008 at La Salle University where the second Tri-District Retreat will be held from July 27th through August 1st. In recent months the retreat committee has been preparing prayer services and liturgies which will be led by Father Robert Joerger, CP. The retreat will attempt to create an atmosphere that

will continue to build a spirit of unity and an eagerness to move toward the kind of cooperation and wholehearted commitment demanded by the new relationship.

During their time together the Brothers will also attempt to identify men for leadership positions in the new District. Two major addresses will be given: an opening presentation by Brother Michael French to set the tone for the retreat, and a second by Brother Thomas Johnson, Vicar General of the Institute, focusing on leadership. It is hoped that through prayer, discussion and interaction an even deeper spirit of solidarity among the Brothers will emerge, enabling us to move forward, graced by God to be a blessing for all those who are touched by our lives and ministry.

By Brother Leo Smith, FSC, staff member of the Christian Brothers Spiritual Center, located in the Manayunk section of Philadelphia. He recently returned from 17 years of service in East Africa.

Father Janton's Affiliation Celebrated



At a ceremony held at La Salle High School on February 16th, Father Anthony Janton was formally affiliated with the Brothers of the Christian Schools. Affiliation is the highest honor bestowed on persons who support the Brothers and the Lasallian mission through exemplary contributed services and the fraternal quality of their relationships.

The Most Reverend Joseph Martino, Bishop of the Scranton Diocese, and a close friend of Father Tony, celebrated the Mass and gave the homily. Brother Dennis Malloy presented the framed Letter of Affiliation from the Superior General, Brother Alvaro Rodriguez Echevarria, FSC. As a result of his affiliation Father Janton is incorporated into our religious family in the Church through our perpetual religious remembrance and through the inscription of his name in the records of Institute membership. In his remarks Brother Dennis noted that "Father Janton's spirit of service so closely resembles the spirit of faith and zeal, which is the spirit of our Institute, that he is one of us."

Father Janton was recognized for his extensive service to the Brothers of the Baltimore District, as well as for his loyal dedication to his Alma Mater, La Salle High School. A friend of many Brothers, he has celebrated the liturgy at various District functions and regularly volunteered his services at Ocean Rest, the Brothers summer retreat house. Over the past sixteen years Father Tony has been chap-



lain at La Salle, immersing himself in the life of the entire community in countless ways, and making himself available to students, faculty, parents and alumni. Most remarkable is the fact that during most of this time he has been a full time pastor of three Philadelphia parishes.

In his remarks, Father Janton, a 1969 graduate of the school, said "I am honored and grateful to be given this Affiliation with the Christian Brothers. I have always considered myself a 'brothers' boy.' Affiliation now affords me an even closer association. I have always appreciated the vision and legacy left to us by our patron, Saint John Baptist de La Salle. I am grateful to the brothers for the encouragement and support they gave me in discerning my vocation to the priesthood. I am also very grateful for the opportunity to work with our wonderful students and share in their lives at La Salle."

After Mass, family, relatives, friends and brothers gathered in the auditorium for a reception and dinner. The evening concluded with some fifty Brothers rising to honor "Brother" Anthony Janton, with a rousing rendition of "Honneur A Toi," their traditional hymn to St. La Salle.

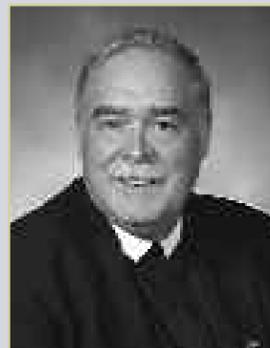
By Brother James Rieck, FSC, Director of the La Salle High community

A Loving REMEMBRANCE

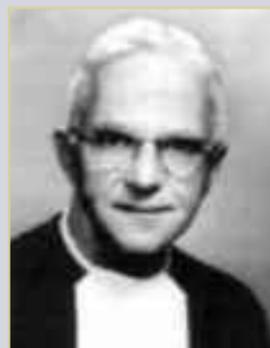
During the month of March the Brothers mourned the deaths of Brother Antonio Gonzalez, Brother Thomas Miller and Brother Andrew DiNoto, all of whom had been members of our Calvert Hall community in Baltimore.



Brother Antonio passed away on March 11th just a few days after his 80th birthday. As a young brother he was forced to leave his native Cuba in 1960 in the aftermath of the communist revolution led by Castro. After arriving in the U.S., he and other exiled brothers educated Cuban refugees at various sites in south Florida, including La Salle-Immaculata High School in Miami, where he was a highly regarded science and math teacher. In 1974 he journeyed north to Hudson Catholic High School in Jersey City. In 1991 persistent respiratory problems caused him to move to Maryland's more moderate climate, where he took up residence at Calvert Hall and served as a tutor in the Math Department as well as Mr. Fix-It in the community. Brother Antonio is survived by a brother in Cuba, two nephews in California and a niece in Florida.



Brother Thomas Miller succumbed to a stroke on March 24th at age 60. A graduate of Calvert Hall, Brother Tom was an especially gifted economics teacher and enthusiastic sports moderator at Central Catholic, Bishop Walsh, Calvert Hall and Hudson Catholic. Slowed somewhat by health issues in recent years, he nevertheless continued to share his unique talents as a math teacher and moderator of JV Baseball and the Men's Club at Calvert Hall. His interests also extended to the kitchen where he took on the role of weekend Soup Chef, concocting his own creative blends for the enjoyment of the brothers. Brother Thomas is survived by two brothers, Father Edward Miller, pastor of St. Bernadine's Parish in Baltimore, and Brother James Miller, CSC, a Holy Cross Brother currently teaching at Kings College in Wilkes Barre, PA.



Brother Andrew DiNoto, FSC, the oldest Christian Brother in the United States at 97 years of age, died on April 5th at De La Salle Hall in Lincroft, New Jersey. Brother Andrew had been a member of our Calvert Hall community from 1947 until his declining health necessitated a move in 2005 to De La Salle Hall in Lincroft, NJ. He was revered by several generations of students who knew him as a teacher, Athletic Director and Cafeteria Manager. A stroke in 1977 left him unable to speak, except for the words, "very good." For the next 31 years "very good" would be his greeting to all he met as Calvert Hall's roving Goodwill Ambassador, as well as his mantra in all the circumstances of daily life. We are very grateful for the loving fraternal and professional care he received during his time at De La Salle Hall.

We were also saddened to learn of the passing of William Mullen at 88 years of age. During his 19 years as Band Director and Physical Education teacher at West Catholic Boys in the 50s and 60s he was popularly known as "Moon" - a nickname he acquired while serving in the U.S. Navy. Bill's musical and field band legacy continued at St. Joseph's Prep and at Valley Forge Military Academy. In recent years he resided in Marlton, NJ. He and his wife, Esther, were married for 67 years. He is also survived by his 4 children, 11 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

Grant them eternal rest, Lord.

AND WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?



Brother Leonard Rhoades, a graduate of Father Judge High School and La Salle University, entered the Christian Brothers community in 1985. He has taught at West Catholic Boys, Central Catholic, and St. John's. He is currently on the faculty at West Catholic

where he is Chair of the Religion Department and teaches freshmen and junior Religion.

Once the formal school day ends, Brother Leonard and Ms. Marie Lawlor, Chair of the Language Department, together moderate an extensive community service program at West Catholic under the banner of Lasallian Youth. The young men and women they work with are involved in tutorial programs, recycling programs, elderly outreach, seasonal drives, and summer missionary work. The inspiration for these activities has its roots in the Gospel, of course, but also in the legacy of St. John Baptist de La Salle who wanted his schools to have a special affection for the poor and his teachers to be Guardian Angels for the students entrusted to their care. On a daily basis West's faculty and staff foster such a spirit of faith, service and community.

Each week West students cross the Delaware to Camden after school to assist San Miguel students with their homework and study skills. Similar tutorial support is provided for the children of La Salle Academy in North Philadelphia. Through these programs students try to emulate the Lasallian tradition of "touching hearts." In the course of the school year students also manifest their concern for others by visiting the elderly at The Little Sisters of the Poor Nursing Home, and St. Ignatius Nursing Home, as well as shut-ins at Our Mother of Sorrows Parish.

Although many West students come from families with limited resources, they are generous in responding to the needs of others. This is especially evident during their Thanksgiving and Christmas drives as they collect food, clothing and gifts for families that have been identified by local parishes as having special needs.

Summertime provides Lasallian Youth members with an opportunity to serve the poor in other parts of the U.S. and abroad. For the past two summers faculty moderators have accompanied students to the Dominican Republic where they have worked with children, painted churches and schools, helped at nutrition centers, and distributed clothing and medicine. The chance to meet, work and worship with the people of Santo Domingo has proved to be a valuable and memorable experience for West Catholic's volunteers.

SAN MIGUEL BIDS FAREWELL, AND WELCOME

At San Miguel School in Camden, NJ, January 1st marked not only the beginning of the new year, but also the school's first transition of its chief administrator. Brother Joseph Juliano, FSC succeeded Brother William Johnson, FSC to become the school's second president.

Brother William was the founding administrator of San Miguel. As principal, he and two other Brothers - Patrick Cassidy and Michael Anderer - began classes for sixth grade students in the summer of 1997. The mission of San Miguel is to provide a quality human and Christian education in the middle grades for boys of Camden families with limited financial means. Usually the students are those who have had difficulties in other schools that kept them from achieving their potential.

Since its beginning close to 200 students have attended San Miguel School - grades six through eight - and 120 have graduated. In the first four graduating classes 80% of the students for whom there is reliable information have successfully completed high school. At

Brother Joseph Juliano



Brother William Johnson



least one member of the first class is poised to graduate from La Salle University with honors. The original faculty of three has expanded to nine, including two Brothers, four salaried lay teachers, two Lasallian Volunteers, and a Jesuit Volunteer.

In 2003 Brother William reorganized the administrative structure of the school and became its president. He appointed a laywoman as principal. The following year he changed the school's Board of Advisors to a Board of Trustees and the governance of the school became independent of the Brothers' Baltimore

District. During his last year he oversaw a successful self-study and evaluation of San Miguel for its accreditation by the Middle States Association. Brother William is currently enjoying a richly deserved sabbatical, participating in a 100 day retreat program at the Christian Brothers' Sangre de Cristo Center in New Mexico.

Brother Joseph recently served as Director of Campus Ministry at Central Catholic High School, Pittsburgh. He is a graduate of La Salle High and Johnson and Wales University. He has earned graduate degrees in Religion from La Salle University, and in Educational Administration from Duquesne University. He is currently working on an advanced degree in the management of non-profit institutions at the University of Notre Dame. During the first four months of the current school year Brother Joseph visited and studied the governance and operations of our San Miguel Schools in Minneapolis, Chicago and Providence.

By Brother Joseph Mahon, FSC, Director of the San Miguel community

CHIEF EXECUTIVE NAMED FOR ST. GABRIEL'S SYSTEM



Mr. Joseph Lavoritano

Last November Mr. Joseph Lavoritano became the first layman to assume the post of Executive Director in the 110 year history of the St. Gabriel's System. A division of Catholic Social Services of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, St. Gabriel's provides for the education and rehabilitation of court referred youth from Philadelphia and surrounding Counties. The System's educational programs include St. Gabriel's Hall (Audubon), De La Salle In Towne (Center City), De La Salle Vocational (Bensalem) and Brother Rousseau Academy (SW Philadelphia).

Since its foundation in 1898 St. Gabriel's (originally known as The Philadelphia Catholic Protector for Boys) has had a Christian Brother as its chief executive. Christie Chicoine, a writer for Philadelphia's *Catholic Standard and Times*, quotes Lavoritano on his succession. "I am both honored and humbled to follow such a treasured legacy," he said. In particular he acknowledged Brother Dennis Malloy who handed over to him "a system that is in fine shape."

No stranger to St. Gabriel's, Lavoritano was the System's Director of Treatment from 1993-99. In the intervening years he has been the administrator of St. Vincent's Home for Girls in Philadelphia. In her article, Chicoine also notes that "with his appointment as Executive Director, Lavoritano says he has his 'dream job.' He wants the young people the system serves to know they are respected, loved and cared for, regardless of what has happened in their lives."

In announcing the appointment, Monsignor Joseph Tracy, Secretary for Catholic Human Services, noted that "Joe Lavoritano has a proven administrative record and a good sense for the ways service needs to be delivered in a changing human service environment for adjudicated youth. He knows the structure of St. Gabriel's agencies and, with the increasing emphasis on addressing the mental health needs of the boys, his professional and academic background will be invaluable for the transition.... Luckily we also have a cadre of people at St. Gabriel's who have been associated with the Lasallian Leadership Institute that aims to continue the spirit of De La Salle in the work."

RECENT PUBLICATIONS BY BROTHERS



Apostles and Disciples by Brother Daniel Burke, FSC

A 96 page collection of Brother Daniel's poems based on the life of Christ and the early Church, with accompanying images of artwork from the La Salle University Museum. Brother Daniel, President Emeritus of La Salle, has devoted many years to the development of the University's excellent museum holdings.



Everything is Grace by Brother Joseph Schmidt, FSC

The life and way of Therese of Lisieux (The Word Among Us Press ~ 352 pages) Bishop Robert Morneau describes this book as "a penetrating study of Therese's life and spirituality... charting the interior life of one of the most influential saints in the history of the Catholic Church. A real gem of a book." Brother Joseph is a lecturer and spiritual counselor at the Christian Brothers' Sangre de Cristo Center in New Mexico.



Lasallian Universities: Identities in the Twenty-First Century

by Brother Francis Tri Nguyen, FSC (MEL Bulletin 39 ~ December, 2007) Brother Francis, an Associate Professor in La Salle University's Department of Sociology, has recently published an analytical research study which "discerned the patterns of common and essential themes" among universities conducted by the Christian Brothers. The study is based on data gathered from sixteen Lasallian universities in Europe, Latin America, Asia and North America.



BROTHER KEVIN STANTON

New Director of Development

On February 1st Brother Dennis Malloy appointed Brother Kevin Stanton to the position of Director of Development for the Baltimore District. He succeeds Brother John Patzwall who assumed the position of Associate Project Coordinator for the new Eastern District of the Brothers in North America. Brother Kevin's previous teaching and administrative assignments have included Calvert Hall, West Catholic, La Salle (Philippines), Hudson Catholic and St. Gabriel's Hall.



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