

## CLOISTER CHRONICLE

## COMMUNITY

**O**n August 10, nine brothers made solemn profession: Br. Boniface Endorf, Br. Innocent Smith, Br. Cassian Derbes, Br. Charles Shonk, Br. Vincent Ferrer Bagan, Br. Cajetan Cuddy, Br. Clement Dickie, Br. Philip Neri Reese, and Br. John Baptist Hoang.

**T**he formal installation of the Very Rev. John A. Langlois, O.P., S.T.D., as the new President of the Pontifical Faculty of the Immaculate Conception (PFIC) and of the Rev. Thomas Petri, O.P., S.T.D., as the new Vice-President and Academic Dean of the PFIC took place during a Mass at the Dominican House of Studies priory chapel on Friday, September 6. The principal celebrant of the Mass was the Archbishop of Washington, D.C., Donald Cardinal Wuerl. Fr. Langlois returns to the PFIC, where he earned his M.Div., S.T.B., and S.T.L., and was Assistant Professor of Church History and Pastoral Studies. Most recently, he was Socius to the Provincial. Fr. Petri also earned his S.T.L. from the PFIC. Prior to his appointment as Vice-President and Academic Dean, he was an Assistant Professor in the Theology Department at Providence College.

**O**n September 7, Br. Cassian Derbes and Br. Cajetan Cuddy were ordained to the diaconate. The ordination was celebrated at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception by the Most Reverend Barry C. Knestout, auxiliary bishop of Washington, D.C.

## PREACHING

This past summer, the Thomistic Institute at the Dominican House of Studies hosted a week-long symposium on Dominicans and the Renewal of Thomism. Over 100 friars participated from around the world, representing over twenty provinces. Frs. Serge-Thomas Bonino O.P., Paul Murray O.P., and Gilles Emery, O.P. were among the presenters.

On August 14, Dominicana launched its *To The Heights* video series on the Dominicana Blog. In these short videos the student brothers seek to show how the faith offers compelling answers to life's essential questions, with the series's progression based upon the structure of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

On October 31, the Vigil of All Saints, Dominicana Records made available for purchase its first album *In Medio Ecclesiae* (In the Midst of the Church): *Music for the New Evangelization*. This album features sacred music tracks of chant, polyphony, and hymnody performed by the Schola Cantorum of the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, D.C.

On November 11, the Very Rev. Romanus Cessario, O.P., was formally installed as a Master of Sacred Theology, a title that confers the Order's highest academic honors.



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