

CLOISTER CHRONICLE

On May 27, 2011, four of our brothers were ordained to the priesthood at St. Dominic's Church in Washington, DC, by the Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio, JCD: Hyacinth Marie Cordell, Ignatius John Schweitzer, Ezra Sullivan, and Austin Dominic Litke. They are pictured below together with Fr. Joseph Alobaidi, Master of Students, and Fr. Brian Chrzastek, Subprior of the Priory of the Immaculate Conception.



On August 13, nine brothers made solemn profession: Br. Peter Totleben, Br. Paul Martin Kennedy, Br. Joseph-Mary Hertzog, Br. Mario Aquinas Calabrese, Br. Albert Duggan, Br. Reginald Mary Lynch, Br. Leo Checkai, Br. Peter Martyr Joseph Yungwirth, and Br. Ambrose Mary Little. They are pictured below with Fr. Giles Di-

mock, then Prior of the Priory of the Immaculate Conception, Fr. Joseph Alobaidi, Master of Students, and Fr. John Langlois, Socius and Vicar of the Provincial for the Province of St. Joseph.



Fr. Paul Murray of the Province of Ireland preached the Community Retreat for the Priory of the Immaculate Conception following the Solemnity of the Assumption.

On September 14, the student brothers launched a new blog format of *Dominicana* (www.dominicanablog.com).

On September 17, the following brothers were installed as lectors by Fr. John Langlois: Br. Bonaventure Champman, Br. Humbert Kilanowski, Br. Thomas Davenport, Br. Peter Benedict Sampino, Br. Dominic Mary Verner, Br. Joachim Kenney, Br. Raymund Snyder, Br. Jacob Bertrand Janczyk, Br. Joseph-Anthony Kress, Br. Michael Mary Weibley, Br. Patrick Mary Briscoe, Br. Louis Bertrand Lemoine, Br. John Sica, Br. Gregory Maria Pine, Br. Athanasius Murphy, Br. Tomás Martín Rosado, and Br. Dennis Klein (Province of the Holy Name).

Among the recent guests of the Dominican House of Studies was Dominic Duka, O.P., Archbishop of Prague, who visited from September 19-25. Archbishop Duka came to America to celebrate the Dvořák Festival Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on September 25, held in honor of the composer's 170th birthday and the 200th birthday of Bohemian-born John Nepomucene Neumann, fourth archbishop of Philadelphia.

Fr. Kenneth Letoile was elected prior of the Priory of the Immaculate Conception on September 25.

The studentate hosted an inter-provincial gathering of Dominican student brothers from the North American Provinces from October 7-9. Eight students came from the studentates in Oakland, St. Louis, and Ottawa. Talks were given on John Paul II's *Vita consecrata*, and there was ample opportunity for fraternity and fellowship, including a visit to the Capitol.

On October 12, the DC Frassati Fellowship, a group of young men and women from the Washington, DC area, held its first meeting at the Dominican House of Studies for a discussion of Pope Benedict's *Light of the World* led by two student brothers. Since then, the Fellowship has held several hikes, service projects, discussions, and periods of Eucharistic adoration.

Training sessions for the celebration of the Low Mass in the Dominican Rite were offered for student brothers and members of the Senior Community of the Dominican House of Studies on October 19 and 20.

On October 31, Br. Gabriel Torretta preached on the theme of friendship at the annual All Saints' Vigil. Brothers read passages by St. Aelred of Rielvaux, St. Gregory of Nazianzus, St. Catherine of Siena, and from the life of St. Philip Neri. A large group of the faithful attended, filling the chapel and the cloister walk.