ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF OUR RETIRED PRIESTS AND BROTHERS

Phase One of our major renovation projects at St. Joseph the Worker House is finished

Last year, we announced a program asking you to help us raise $880,000 for our three phased renovation program. Phase One was to build an elevator large enough to assist a Priest or Brother in a wheelchair to ride to the upper floors. Phase Two was to replace all the water pipes and electricity in the building. And, Phase Three was to update a few small rooms to be handicapped accessible.

Phase One construction began in February 2017 with the signing of a contract to build a three level elevator in the Priest and Brother’s residence known as, St. Joseph the Worker House. Currently, there are 13 members of the Congregation of the Resurrection who are members of this house.

Shortly after signing the contract with our builder, Synergy Construction Group, we hired an “expeditor” to move our plans through the city of Chicago Planning and Development Department.

Would you believe our project was 2.5 feet too close to our neighbor’s property line? The neighbor is the Chicago River North Branch. After 6 weeks, we received the OK to move forward. On May 29, the ground began to move. The elevator pit and foundation were dug, concrete was poured and bricks began to climb into the sky. The suggested bricks match our 60 year old bricks perfectly. If you drive by, you will not notice the new elevator tower. After a few months of construction, OTIS Elevator Company delivered everything needed for the elevator. Within a few weeks, it was working. We began using the elevator in early December. Like most projects, it took another few weeks to fine tune all the corrections needed.

Those who have visited us are surprised to see the wonderful hallway leading to the new elevator lobby. Outside the new lobby, on the ground floor, is a large patio for relaxing and barbequing.

On each floor, we used an existing bedroom as a hallway to a new elevator lobby. The adjoining bedroom lost the window that was covered by the new elevator shaft. We were able to cut a smaller window on the edge of the room for light and it can be opened for fresh air. On both floors, these rooms will be used as store rooms.

We are most grateful to all those who donated to the success of building the dream of 20 years of a much needed elevator for our senior men.

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Dear Friends of the Resurrectionists,

In Chicago, where I live and work, it’s been a cold winter. So, I am looking forward to the warming air of spring. Ash Wednesday comes early this year, on St. Valentine’s Day, which means that Easter will arrive early as well, on April 1st. We aren’t surprised that Spring follows Winter, and that Resurrection follows Lent. In spiritual terms, that dynamic is called the Paschal Mystery.

What this mystery provides us is a keen sense of hope. There is no sickness or sadness or other misery that can prevail in the long term. We intuitively appreciate that suffering is often a prelude to healing and joy.

We Resurrectionist Fathers and Brothers have come to rely on your fellowship with us – your interest in our wellbeing, your inquiries about those of us whom you remember fondly from long ago, your patronage of our various projects – and to sing a song of praise to the Lord for your goodness to us.

Most recently, we have completed the first phase of a project at Gordon Hall, the CR residence dedicated to St. Joseph the Worker, located on the premises of DePaul College Prep. The installation of an elevator was something long overdue and a blessing for our aging membership. My hope is that in coming years, some Fathers or Brothers who would otherwise have to relocate to an outside facility might be able to live among their brethren. My most heartfelt gratitude goes to all of you who have made the construction of this elevator possible.

We move on to the next phase during the spring and summer months of 2018, namely the rewiring and replumbing of the building for safer delivery of water and electrical power. Should you be inclined to assist us with this second phase of the renovation of our “motherhouse,” it will be deeply welcomed and appreciated.

May this new year be full of many blessings for you and your family!

Cordially yours in the risen Lord,

Gene Szarek, C.R.
Provincial Superior

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Will bequest helps solidify the future of the Resurrectionists Retirement Fund

Humble, generous, holy, faithful to his Catholic religion, successful. This is how Brother Hallas, CR describes Mr Richard Tennes, who was a parishioner of St Mary of the Angels Parish in Chicago, Illinois, one of the ministries of the Resurrection Father and Brothers. At the time, Father Ed Karlowicz, CR was pastor of the parish and was the spiritual director for Mr Tennes. He owned a lamp shade factory in Bucktown, a neighborhood in Chicago, Illinois. He attended Mass every day in the church and was extremely faithful to all the sacraments in the church. He highly respected the spiritual council of Father Karlowicz, CR.

One day, Father Ed invited Brother Bill to be present for lunch in the rectory. Father Ed told him that Mr Tennes wanted us to be present for the luncheon meal. Brother Bill came and, low and behold, he informed both Father Ed and Brother Bill, CR that he was leaving some of his estate to the Resurrection Fathers and Brothers. We were very amazed at the simple statements he made about how touched he was with the work of the Resurrection Fathers and Brothers in Chicago and that he wanted us to know how grateful he was for all the great work that we do in Chicago and elsewhere in the United States. He said “You truly are men of prayer and you are very humble and dedicated to what you are all about in Resurrecting Society. I hope in some small way you will be able to take care of your senior members through this simple gift”. We had no idea what a great gift this would be to help our Senior Religious in the Congregation of the Resurrection.

I hope that you the reader of the Chronicles will prayerfully think about leaving the Resurrection Father & Brothers in your estate planning, e.g. bequests, property, memorials.

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The Congregation of the Resurrection is a community of men in the Catholic Church who live and work together under the banner of the Risen Christ.

We believe that Our Lord Jesus Christ calls us to minister to those who have most need of His mercy.

We ourselves have experienced the sad consequences of our sins. We understand our sinful nature. We have also tasted the Lord’s grace and have turned our lives over to His mercy.

Because we have found the road of conversion, we can help others rise from the death of sin to a new life in Christ. As a religious community in the Roman Catholic Church, we work and pray together to build up the kingdom of God.

The Five Elements of the C.R. Charism

God’s love for us is merciful and unfailing.

God calls us to conversion.

He invites us to live together as brothers in Christ Jesus.

God calls us to work together for the Resurrection of society.

As Resurrectionists, we model ourselves on Mary and rely on her intercession.
Every six years, the Resurrectionists convene for two or three weeks in what is called a General Chapter to review the previous six years and to plan for the next six years. Delegates to such a Chapter are selected in two ways: election of delegates from each province or region of the Congregation, and also the appointment of delegates who participate in view of their office (ex officio). The most recent Chapter was comprised of 20 voting delegates and a staff of secretaries and translators of another six. Countries that were represented included: Italy, Poland, Canada, Australia, Bermuda, Brazil, as well as the USA. I was pleased to participate in this Chapter as an ex officio member, that is, as the provincial superior of the USA Province.

One of the acts of the Chapter was the election of a governing body to serve the Congregation during the next six years. Elected as superior general was Fr. Paul Voisin, C.R., a member of the Ontario-Kentucky Province, most recently the rector of St. Therese Cathedral in Hamilton, Bermuda, also a former missionary to Bolivia and a former provincial superior. Three general councilors were elected to serve along with Father Voisin – Fr. Evandro Miranda Rosa, of the South American Region and the current rector of the International CR Seminary in Rome; Fr. Jacek Praski, a member of the USA Province and most recently pastor of St. Wenceslaus Parish in Chicago; and Fr. Andrzej Gieniusz, a member of the Polish Province and a long-time professor of New Testament at one of the pontifical universities in Rome. This is a formidable group of servants of the Church – talented and generous.

After the first week of sessions, we were all treated to a curated visit to three Vatican chapels – the Redemptoris Mater Chapel, the Pauline Chapel, and the Sistine Chapel. Resurrectionist Fr. Lucjan Bartkowiak, C.R., a trained iconographer and expert on Vatican art, lectured and showed us these treasures over a span of about three hours.

On the last weekend of the Chapter, we were invited to a private audience with Pope Francis (below). He addressed us for about 15 minutes with words that resonated with our CR charism and, in fact, the work of the Chapter during the previous two weeks.

After his elocution, each of us was introduced to him by our newly-elected superior general, Fr. Paul Voisin, for a private moment and a picture. Then, to my surprise, a chair had appeared in our midst, and he sat for a formal portrait with our group.

The Chapter document which emanated from our sessions is titled “Witnesses to the Resurrection” and includes chapters on Spirituality, Community & Government, Formation, Apostolates, and Financial Stewardship.

Finally, we Resurrectionists are at the service of the Church, in many regions of the world. We are a small community, but with the prayerful assistance of so many Friends of the Resurrectionists perhaps we can together do some good in this world which is in such need for meaning and redemption.
Our superior general is to the right of him in the first row, and I am in the first row to his immediate left.

Delegates to the General Chapter June 2017.
As an international religious congregation in the Church, the Resurrectionist Community holds a meeting every six years which is called our General Chapter. At this meeting, including delegates from our various locations around the world, decisions affecting all members of the Congregation are made, especially the election of our Superior General and three members of the General Council.

Last year the Congregation held its 33rd General Chapter on June 11-25 in Rome, Italy, at the Congregation’s Generalate House (Casa Generalizia) in the historical center of the city. The 20 delegates of the Chapter, along with secretaries and translators, came from the USA, Canada, Brazil, Poland, Italy and Australia to carry out their planning guided by the theme: Witnesses of the presence of the Risen Lord: From Community to the World. Our Chapter was blessed with the opportunity to meet with His Holiness Pope Francis in a private audience on June 24, 2017, in the Vatican.

The General Chapter was officially convened on Trinity Sunday, June 11, by our Superior General, Fr. Bernard Hylla, C.R. As determined by our Resurrectionist Constitutions, the first day was dedicated to prayer and reflection, guided by the Rector General of the Pallottine Fathers, Fr. Jacob Nampudakam SAC, who offered two conferences and the homily at Mass.

The preliminary work of the Chapter consisted of the sharing and commenting on reports prepared by the three Provinces of the Congregation – Polish Province, Ontario-Kentucky Province and USA Province – as well as by the South American Region, and by the Superior General himself and each of the three general councilors. These reports, which had been disseminated a month before the opening of the Chapter, brought the delegates up to date regarding the current membership of the Community, the various apostolic works being carried out and the specific challenges facing each sector. Of particular note at this Chapter was Fr. General’s update on the Resurrectionist mission in Tanzania, where there are currently three CR priests of the Polish Province working and several native seminarians who have already professed their first vows (temporary) in the Congregation.

The election of the Superior General of the Resurrectionists took place in the context of prayer on Thursday, June 15, in the Resurrection Church, chapel of the Generalate. Fr. Paul Voisin, C.R., of the Ontario-Kentucky Province, was elected to a six-year term as successor to Fr. Bernard Hylla. Three general councilors were then elected on Saturday, June 17: Fr. Evandro Miranda Rosa, C.R., of the South American Region, was elected Vicar General, after serving the last six years as a general councilor; and the other two councilors elected were Fr. Andrzej Gieniusz, C.R., a member of the Polish Province who has taught biblical theology in Rome for many years, and Fr. Jacek Praski, C.R., of the USA Province. The General Council once more reflects the international nature of the Congregation, while for the first time in many years there is no American-born member on the curia (Fr. Jacek, born in Poland, studied theology in Rome and has served in the U.S. for many years).

The major work of the Chapter, which is to guide the life of the Congregation during the next six years, was accomplished in meetings of small committees in the areas of spirituality,
community life and government, formation, apostolates and finances. Several decisions in these areas led to minor changes in the Constitutions, which are the formal norms which guide the life of every local community and all Resurrectionist brothers and priests. The Chapter also updated our practical guidelines for formation of our seminarians and brothers, our use of temporal goods according to our vow of poverty, and the rules of order for chapters on the general, provincial and regional levels.

The pervading atmosphere of unity and tranquil joy was perhaps most experienced in the daily celebration of the Eucharist, as well as in the various gatherings for prayer and the nutritious – and delicious – meals prepared lovingly by the Benedictine Samaritan Sisters who assist at the Generalate House. Depending on the various delegates presiding each day, the Mass was celebrated in the English, Polish, Portuguese and Italian languages. In general, the Chapter sessions were carried out either in English or Polish, with immediate translation.

The participants of the 33rd General Chapter were blessed with two events of special spiritual impact. On Saturday, June 17, the Resurrectionist artist and iconographer who created the logo of the Chapter, Fr. Lucjan Bartkowiak, C.R., was permitted to give us a guided presentation of the Redemptoris Mater Chapel in the Vatican. And at the end of the Chapter, after the delegates had assembled a programmatic document of vision and resolutions for the next six years – “Witnesses to the Resurrection” – Pope Francis met with our entire group and addressed to us a short discourse specifically based on our Chapter theme. The Holy Father, after thanking our new Superior Fr. Voisin for his greetings in his native tongue (Spanish), centered his remarks on three points: “Witnesses of the Presence of the Risen Lord”; “from Community to the world”; and “prophets of joy and of Easter hope”. After his brief address Pope Francis greeted each member individually.

The participants offered gratitude to our Brothers who prepared the 33rd General Chapter, and in particular to Fr. Bernard Hylla, C.R., who finished his term as Superior General, former Superior General Fr. Norbert Raszeja, C.R., who participated as a delegate, former Vicar General, Fr. Tim Uniac, C.R., who has returned to parish work in Canada, and former general councilor Fr. Jim Gibson, C.R., who has returned to parish work in California.

Grateful for the prayers and support of all of our benefactors, the Resurrectionist Community takes to heart the challenge presented to us by our Holy Father Francis: “remember the past with gratitude, live the present with passion, and embrace the future with hope.”

Phase Two

As Phase One was finishing, we were ready to move to Phase Two. In this Phase of the renovation of our 60 year old building, we will replace all the water pipes. This includes both the pipes for our radiator and our domestic water lines. That means replacing pipes that supply our kitchen, bathrooms, sinks, toilets showers and bathtubs. Our old pipes are galvanized steel pipes. They are all failing. The plumbers have been here monthly replacing rusting and corroded pipes. The pipes fail and waterfalls emerge. In December, a major radiator pipe failed and it took two plumbers two days to repair the pipe. It is not easy to find a clean cut on an old pipe to connect a temporary patch pipe. The one repair was over $7,000.

In early January, we began meeting with our contractor and advisers to figure out how we would tackle Phase Two. Plans were drawn and will be sent to the City of Chicago for approval. We hope to begin Phase Two in the middle of April. We will close off eight bedrooms at a time, moving men to guest rooms in the house. The workers will replace all pipes, radiator and domestic. We hope Phase Two will take no more than 4 months. It may get a little warm in the house since the radiator pipes also cool the building.

As the pipes are being replaced, we will also expand the bathrooms in two rooms to be handicap accessible. We will use the existing bathrooms of the storerooms we created in Phase One to make a bathroom twice the size of our usual bathroom. This will allow the room needed for handicap accessibility.

Phase Three

Phase Three will be to replace all the existing electrical wires in the house. During Phase One, we brought in a new electrical service that was needed for the elevator. All connections will be upgraded to a better and safer electrical system. Phase Three will not require us to move out of our rooms.

At the writing of this article, we do not know the exact cost of Phase Two and Phase Three. We invite you to continue to support this project with your prayers and donations. Thank you to all those who have given so far, and our future donors as well.

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Father Gene blessing and explaining the reason for the gift of a prayer book for every student, faculty and staff of DePaul College Prep High School at the Father Gordon Campus

Rev Martin Bratek, CR and Father Greg Helminski, CR distributing communion

The concelebrants for the Mass with the DePaul College Prep students, left to right:
Rev Joseph Malczyk, CR, Chaplain
Bishop Robert Kurtz, CR, Novice Master
Rev Greg Helminski, CR, Chaplain, St Joseph Hospital, Chicago, IL
Rev Gene Szarek, CR, Provincial Superior
Rev Martin Bratek, CR, Resident, St Joseph the Worker House

Students at DePaul College Prep exhibiting the symbols of their clubs, organizations, and sports at school before Mass. All these symbols were placed before the altar at Mass
In early November, the Spirituality Committee of De Paul College Prep met to discuss how our CR Spirituality could be incorporated into a day for the students. The committee is composed of Pat Dwyer, head of the Religion Department, Mary Dempsey, the school president, Father Joe Malczyk, C.R., school chaplain, Flo Merkel-Deutsch, school mission and vision coordinator, Brother Bill Hallas, C.R, board member and Father Paul Sims, C.R., house superior. Brother Bill and Father Paul presented a three day lesson plan entitled: “Pathways to Prayer: Bogdan Janski as a model of prayer.

In December, Brother Bill, Father Paul and Father Martin Bratek, did a one class pilot study of day two of the Pathways to Prayer lesson plan with senior students. The day two plan was well received by the students and the teacher. Afterward, we evaluated how the class went and made changes. A decision was made to run the three day lesson plan on Wednesday January 24th, Thursday January 25th and Friday January 26th. Religion teachers were trained in the three day lesson plan. Resurrectionists were also trained in what and how to present.

On day one, students and teachers examined the when, where, what, why and how of prayer through discussions, videos and music. Homework included the reading of four short articles on prayer.

On day two, Thursday January 25th, six Resurrectionists visited every Religion class at DePaul College Prep. Father Martin Bratek, Father Rich Grek, Brother Bill Hallas, Father Joe Malczyk, Father John Nowak and Father Paul Sims invited students and faculty to consider Bogdan Janski as a model of a person who prayed. Students were given examples of the prayers of Bogdan and asked to apply these to their own lives. Lively discussions resulted. Students were encouraged to build relationships with God through an active prayer life. Many students asked us questions about our lives. Several groups were taken on a brief tour of our residence.

On day three, students surfed the internet for prayer sites. The class also included a video on prayer that featured Bishop Robert Barron. Finally, students were asked to reflect and share what they learned about prayer from this three day lesson plan.

On Wednesday January 31st, in honor of Catholic Schools Week, there was a concelebrated Mass for the DePaul College Prep Community. We invited all Chicagoland CR’s to concelebrate at this 8:00AM Mass. During the Mass, the DePaul College Prep Prayer books were blessed and distributed to each student, teacher and staff member. The booklet includes a letter from Father Gene Szarek that stresses the importance of a prayer relationship with the Lord. Also included in the booklet are formal prayers and the Resurrection Prayer, the prayer to Our Lady of Mentorella and the prayer to St. Vincent de Paul.

DePaul Prep College administrators, Mary Dempsey and Dr. Jim Quaid welcomed us to the school. They were also very complimentary to us in our efforts. Let all Resurrectionists pray for this faith community.

Father James Antosz, CR Scholarship Recipients
Freshman Brendan Archila and Senior David Garcia. They received $2,500.00 each for the calendar year 2017-2018. Wonderful students and grateful beyond words to receive this financial help. The Trustees are Father Paul Sims, CR, Br William Hallas, CR and Marsha Blake.
The Resurrection Fathers and Brothers had a wonderful weekend in the San Bernardino Mountains in Lake Arrowhead and Running Springs sharing our stories of Religious life and asking for support of our seminarians in St Louis, Missouri. This took place on the weekend of August 20 and 21st.

We preached at all the Masses that weekend and we had a wonderful reception at St Anne's in Running Springs, CA and a wonderful reception at the home of Mike and Nancy Casey in Lake Arrowhead, California. This has been 17 years that Mike and Nancy have graciously let us into their home with a host of wonderful parishioners of Our Lady of the Lake Parish and St Anne's, Father Mike Osuch, CR, the pastor, spoke in gratitude to the many parishioners who have been so generous to us over the years. Father Steve Thoma, CR was the MC for the event and we honored three people this year Mike and Patty Smith, Deacon Mike and Sue Juback, and James and Nancy Novak with the Resurrection Merit Award. We Resurrectionists really enjoy being with the people at Our Lady of the Lake Parish and St Anne's in the Mountains. We have raised at this event over $70,000.00. The Resurrectionists present were Fathers Paul Smith, Steve Thoma, Gary Hogan, Rafal Waslewski, Eric Wagner, Michal Osuch, and Brother Bill Hallas. Many thanks to all who make this event so successful. The Resurrectionists in the United States of America are extremely grateful. Early in the fall on September 7, 2017, we mourned the death of +Nancy Casey. May she rest in peace with the Risen Lord. Our prayers are with Mike her devoted husband and family. We cannot tell you how sad we are at the loss of your great wife, Mike.

The seminary fundraiser at Our Lady of the Desert was held on Friday, September 8, 2017 in the parish hall. Over forty parishioners joined the Pastor, Fr. Delwyn Haroldson, C.R. and Associate Pastor, Fr. Henry Ruszel, C.R. in celebrating the mission of the Congregation of the Resurrection and seeking prayers and financial assistance for the support of the seminary formation program in St. Louis. Joining the celebration was Fr. Gary Hogan, C.R., Formation/Vocation Director, Fr. Rafal Wasilewski, C.R., Pastor Holy Trinity Parish, Westmont, IL and Fr. Jim Gibson, C.R. After a light dinner Fr. Gary and Fr. Rafal made a short presentation about the vocation work that is occurring in the community of the Resurrection. Fr. Delwyn then presented the Resurrection Award for Our Lady of the Desert to Otto and Agnes Johnson and for St. Paul’s in Lucerne Valley to Clarice Peterson.

Fr. Gary celebrated and Fr. Rafal preached the Sunday Masses at Our Lady of the Desert asking the parishioners to pray for vocations as well as seeking financial support for the formation program. The faith and hospitality that is experienced at Our Lady of the Desert and St. Paul’s is always inspiring and edifying. May God continue to bless the faith of these two parishes.
Our founder, Brother Theodore Bogdan Janski taught us to search out those who are hurting and lead them to the fountain of grace and salvation in Jesus Christ. Brother Janski himself was brought out of the darkness of addiction and sin by the light of the Risen Christ.

We strive to bring that warmth and life into the communities in which we serve by ministering in parishes where we build each community around the celebration of the Holy Eucharist and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
Marsha Blake, province accountant, Elizabeth Gustafson, consultant to the Resurrectionists and Bishop Robert Kurtz, CR, retired bishop of Hamilton in Bermuda

Fr Norbert and Br Bill

Peter and Kathleen D’Attomo receiving the Resurrection Merit Award 2017 from Br William Hallas, CR

Father Gene Szarek, CR presenting the Vertas et Caritas Award to Father George Zieba, CR

Father Gene Szarek, CR, Provincial Superior sharing a few thoughts with the group

Sister Rita Buter, looking on as Father Gene Szarek, CR is reading the plaque for the Vision of Hope Award. Sister Rita is the provincial superior of the Daughters of St Mary of Providence

Barbara Harazin receiving the Resurrection Merit Award from Father George Zieba, CR her Pastor of St Pius X parish in Lombard, Illinois

The Daughters of St Mary of Providence

The parish of St Wenceslaus, Chicago, Illinois with their pastor Father Jacek Praski, CR, right and Father John Nowak, CR, left

Some Parishioners from St Hyacinth Basilica, Chicago, Illinois

Sister Rita Buter, looking on as Father Gene Szarek, CR is reading the plaque for the Vision of Hope Award. Sister Rita is the provincial superior of the Daughters of St Mary of Providence
On Sunday, October 1, 2017 the Resurrection Fathers and Brothers hosted our 20th annual fundraiser for our seminarians, brothers and senior religious. It was held this year for the first time at Café La Cave in Des Plaines Illinois. There were over 250 people in attendance. It was a great event and the place was outstanding for our needs. Many people commented on what a beautiful place it is and the food was outstanding. This year for the first time in its 20 year history everything was donated for the event. We are extremely grateful to the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America for their generous donation for the meal itself. Nancy Chapman and her family provided many of the in house raffle prizes for the event along with Florence DeBellis, Mr & Mrs James Blake provided the beautiful flowers on the table and the wine was provided by Steve Brubaker an outstanding benefactor of the Resurrection Fathers and Brothers We also had a wonderful Harpist who played throughout the meal and brought great sound into the room.

The festivities began by announcing the Vision of Hope Award that was given to the Daughters of St Mary of Providence. Sister Rita Butler accepted the award in the name of the Sisters. Sister Rita is currently the Provincial Superior of the Daughters of St Mary of Providence. She stated how grateful the sisters are to receive the award and how grateful the sisters are to the many Resurrection Fathers who act as their Chaplain at the convent on Austin Ave and the many Resurrectionists who share their spirituality with them on their days of retreat and their annual retreat.

The second award the Veritas et Caritas Award was presented to Father George Zieba, CR, pastor of St Pius X parish in Lombard, Illinois. Father George spoke very eloquently on his life as a religious in the Congregation of the Resurrection and how community life and Religious Life has supported him over the years. He truly was grateful to be honored by his peers.

The third award was the Resurrection Merit Award 2017. You will see their names and parishes in another section of this newsletter. We are in our 10th year of honoring people who share our ministry and we are extremely grateful that that share of mission of Hope to all in the parishes. The Pastors of the parish choose these outstanding recipients.

It was a beautiful day and another celebration of Thanksgiving to all of our benefactors who raised over $100,000.00 Kudos to all especially the committee of Florence DeBellis, Nancy Chapman, Marsha Blake, Fathers Gene Szarek, CR, Paul Sims, CR, Tim Keppel, CR, Brother Bill Hallas, CR, and Steve Brubaker. Our outstanding photographers were Father Marty Bratek, CR, and Father Steve Bartczyszyn, CR.

Looking forward to our 21st Annual event which will take place on Sunday September 23, 2018 at Café La Cave. Please mark you calendars for another great event.
I am most grateful to all who have sent in a donation to all of our appeals this calendar year of 2017.

In the name of all the Resurrectionists in the USA Province, we send you our prayers for your generosity.

Many thanks for your continued investment in our Senior Religious and our men studying for the priesthood and brotherhood. These two ends of our community life are in most need of our prayers and support.

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The Risen Lord has blessed us with a good year but we always know that our friends and benefactors are always there to support us. As always, we remember you in gratitude and in our prayers.

Br William Hallas, CR  
_Director of Advancement_

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