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From the Provincial

DEAR FRIENDS OF THE FRIARS,



Dominicans throughout the world have recently begun a 10-year celebration of our 800th anniversary as an Order. Anniversaries are a time in our lives when we look back and also look forward. We reflect upon the accomplishments and achievements of the past and look with anticipation to the future and all that it holds for us. We do this as individuals, as married couples, as communities, and even as religious orders. So it should be no surprise that the Friars of the Province of St. Albert the Great commence this celebration remembering with gratitude all that Our Lord has already done for us and seeking with confidence his continued blessings.

As we look back over our 800 years, the one constant has been our unflinching commitment to preaching the truth of the gospel as it is expressed by our Catholic faith. From Saint Dominic's first encounter with a heretical tavern keeper in southern France, through the learned teaching of Saint Thomas Aquinas, the searing proclamation of Saint Vincent Ferrer, the poignant dialogues of Saint Catherine of Siena, the passionate defense of native Americans by Fray Antonio de Montesinos, or the contemporary reflection on the role of the laity by the theologian Yves Congar, this commitment to the preaching of Catholic truth has remained at the heart of our mission.

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800 years of Dominican tradition continues

IN THE CHANGING Europe at the close of the 12th century, many Christians, from the loftiest of bishops to the most common of laymen and women, began to worry that the church was losing her way. While the church has always turned to scripture as a permanent guide, at the dawn of the 13th century Christians were captivated by what they called the "apostolic life." For these Medieval Christians, the life of the apostle was bound up in two principal images: the sending out of the disciples by twos as poor beggars preaching the good news and the description in the Acts of the Apostles of the community of apostles sharing all things, bound together by the common life.

The concern was that the church, founded on the life, witness, and preaching of the apostles was not sufficiently "apostolic" in its witness and way of life, however true its teaching. An even deeper anxiety was that there were those who taught heresy, like the Waldensians or the Cathars, who lived lives more "apostolic" than the sons and daughters of the church.

New beginnings

It was in response to this dilemma that Saint Dominic, a cathedral canon from the city of Osma in Spain, gathered around himself a band of men who would live lives that were truly apostolic: in fidelity of teaching, in manner of life, and in zeal for mission—the preaching of the gospel for the salvation of souls. What Dominic pro-



duced might look like two half measures: a community in part dedicated to a life in common, with common prayer and classic observances of cloister and penance, and an external mission and apostolate.

In truth, the Dominican vision is something quite different. Dominic knew that the only effective preaching is unapologetically faithful to the apostolic tradition of the church but also resembles the life actually lived by the apostles themselves. He saw that no apostolic work, no life of mission, would have anything to offer the world if it was not the fruit of a life of contemplation lived in the "school of charity" that makes up the life of common prayer and observance within the community. Yet, he also saw that no common life, prayer, or observance was truly apostolic if it did not flow over as mission into the world.

Dominic also saw that the faithful

Dominicans blaze a trail with the torch of God's Word.

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needed not only a community dedicated to preaching the gospel and committed to the apostolic life. It also needed preachers committed to a life of study. Dominican study was from its beginnings a zeal for the gospel—the word “study” itself comes from the Latin *studium*, meaning “zeal.” So, from its beginnings, the Order of Preachers was dedicated to the study of all of the human sciences, both to enrich their understanding of the Word and to enrich their own flourishing through the contemplation of all truths that find their origin in Truth himself.

Order is established

So it was that in the 13th and 14th centuries, the Order of Preachers quickly gained a reputation as a body of poor, dedicated, highly learned preachers. They came to dominate, along with the Franciscans, the university teaching of theology, even while jealously maintaining their own tradition of teaching both their own students and all who would listen in their own priorities. This was the great era of Dominican “giants”—Saint Albert the Great and Saint Thomas Aquinas among the friars, but also Saint Catherine of Siena among the sisters. They were equally energetic in the work of mission, learning Hebrew, Arabic, and a whole array of languages as they sought to engage the peoples of the East in spreading the gospel.

This vision of the apostolic life found its way across the globe in the era of European exploration and conquest during the 16th and 17th centuries. Dominicans established communities in Asia and the Americas, bringing with them their common life and prayer, their study in the universities of Peru and the Philippines, and their mission to the poor.

“The Jubilee Year will be an expression of gratitude for our Dominican vocation through which we are called to praise, to bless and to preach God with the church, in the church, and for the church.”



—Fr. Carlos Azpiroz Costa, Master of the Order

The Dominican experience in the Americas led such figures as las Casas to see that gospel mission must be linked to the defense of human dignity, and he and others were crucial in the development of a theology of human rights and international law in their advocacy for the native peoples of the New World.

Even when the French Revolution and the militant republicanism of Napoleon had left the faithful wondering whether religious life, even the church itself, had any future, the Dominican Order was able to rise from the ashes. Edward Dominic Fenwick, a native Marylander, saw in the newly formed United States a fertile ground for apostolic mission. From the frontier territories, these American Dominicans introduced new dynamics into the life of a Preacher, becoming part of the parish landscape as circuit-riding preachers and eventually as pastors. Later, in France, the work of Lacordaire and Jandel revived a zeal for the preaching of the gospel, and through their work the classic apostolic life of the Preachers responded to the needs of the modern world.

Today, as in every day, we live confronted with change and challenge. Our difficulties are in some ways less, in other ways greater, but they are the ones God has given us. Some see in our church and world today little reason for hope. Others are excited about the spirit of the New Evangelism. Whether anxious or hopeful, the Order of Preachers, founded 800 years ago, still has something critical to offer the world in its living out of the apostolic life. The words of Lacordaire in the 19th century surely have as much truth for us today in the 21st century:

If God granted us the power to set up a religious Order we are sure that after considerable reflection we should discover nothing newer or better adapted to our times and its needs than the rule of Saint Dominic. There is nothing old about it save its history, and it would be pointless to rack our brains for the sole satisfaction of dating from yesterday.

—Fr. Dominic Holtz, O.P.

PREACHING JUSTICE

Fr. Jim Barnett, O.P. has dedicated his life to the pursuit of justice and peace.

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Province of St. Albert the Great, our own luminaries like Walter Farrell, Jordan Aumann, and Benedict Ashley have maintained this rich tradition. Institutions like Fenwick High School, Aquinas Institute of Theology, and the Dominican Ecclesial Institute, as well as our Dominican parishes and campus ministries, have held fast to this task of preaching our Catholic faith so that it can be understood, embraced, and lived with joy. As friars of the province we are well aware that we stand on the shoulders of giants, but we find our firm footing not only from those who have gone before us but also from friends like you who support us still. This belief in a mission that has been blessed by Christ Jesus for 800 years dares us to look beyond ourselves, even to the next centennial, with confidence and serenity.

In Saint Dominic,
Michael Mascari, O.P.
Prior Provincial

Continuing a tradition: Dominicans for justice and peace

IN HIS PREFACE to the 2001 book *Justice, Peace and Dominicans: 1216-2001*, Fr. Timothy Radcliffe, O.P., former Master of the Order, says that studying a history of the justice and peace work of the Order throughout its history is more like looking at a family photo album rather than reading a family history. What is presented, he says, are snapshots of men and women preaching justice in many unique, and sometimes unsuccessful, ways. While reflecting on the 800-year history of the Dominican Order, many names come readily to mind: Thomas Aquinas, Bartolome de las Casas, Antonio Montesinos, Catherine of Siena, Martin de Porres, Juan Macias, to name just a few.

As Dominicans in the early 21st century, we have inherited this important legacy, because we are still obligated to dedicate our lives and preaching to the pursuit of justice. We ourselves are invited, and we invite others, to respond to God's call. Fr. Radcliffe writes, "A true understanding of what it means to be human, live in a community, and obey God's will belongs to the construction of a just society."

As we embark on a decade-long celebration of the 800th anniversary of the Order of Preachers, it is important to reflect on our own legacy and the role we, as a Province, have played in the continuing mission of the Order.

Many brothers have responded to the call to preach justice and to invite others to respond to God's call.

Fr. Charles Dahm, O.P. has spent more than 20 years as pastor of St. Pius V Parish on Chicago's near Southwest Side. Under his leadership, St. Pius became an open and welcoming haven to immigrants and those in need. As a friend to immigrants, and as a pastor who responds to their needs, Fr. Dahm became a well-respected and beloved mentor to thousands of people. This work continues under the leadership of Fr. Brendan Curran, O.P., current pastor, who remains active in the Justice for Immigrants movement in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Fathers Gregory Moore, Art Kinsella, and Giles Klapperich responded to God's call by helping to establish our Dominican presence in Nigeria, Africa.

Fr. Jim Marchionda preaches around the country, using the pulpit to address such issues as just war and the U.S. presence in Iraq.

Fr. Jim Barnett has a tireless concern for the poor and voiceless in Latin America, supporting individuals and communities in their efforts to be heard.

Fr. Richard Woods, through his teaching and writing, has opened the eyes of countless students to the need for theological reflection and social analysis of the crises around the world.

Fathers Mark Paraday, Pat Rearden, Jim Spahn, Tom Lynch, Dan Roach, along with Br. Mark Paraday and others spent years ministering in the formation community and in the cities and towns in Bolivia, South America.

Fr. Richard Peddicord introduces our student brothers to Catholic Social Teaching.

Fr. Jordan Kelly and Br. Gabriel Dault supervise students during their required service hours at Fenwick High School.

This list can certainly continue! The Friars of the Province of St. Albert the Great continue to carry on the legacy of preaching God's just Word—and not just in the pulpit! These are lives of action and service that bring results

to a world embraced by God's love.

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Fr. Brendan is actively involved in many issues at St. Pius in Chicago, including immigration reform.

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MISSION STATEMENT

THE DOMINICAN FRIARS
OF THE PROVINCE OF ST. ALBERT THE GREAT
COMMUNICATE THE WORD OF GOD THROUGH
PREACHING, THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION,
AND THE PROMOTION OF JUSTICE AND PEACE.

THIS MISSION IN THE BODY OF CHRIST DEMANDS
A VOWED COMMUNITY LIFE, LITURGICAL PRAYER,
AND LIFELONG STUDY.





FROM THE PROMOTER OF VOCATIONS

On the road

OURS IS “the way of a preacher.” From the start, we attempt to instill that sense of the preacher’s life and charism into our novices and student brothers as part of their foundational formation. They begin preaching in the initial year of formation in the novitiate at Evening Prayer and continue shaping and honing their skills after temporary vows when they are assigned to our House of Studies in St. Louis. There, every Saturday and Sunday, a visitor will find a student preacher at our weekend *Vespers* services.



Br. Albert encourages young women to consider religious life as well.

You cannot master any art without practice, and you certainly cannot become a master in preaching unless you have regular opportunities to preach. At the same time, you don’t wait until you are ordained before

you take up the art and ministry of preaching. We learn by doing. Preaching is a predominant duty of a priest. Because it is a particularly specialized responsibility of a Dominican priest, the maxim is all the more true. Saint Dominic sent novices out to preach even though they did not feel qualified and were not yet comfortable with their ministries. He encouraged them to jump in and trust confidently that God would speak through them. Humbert of Romans, the fifth Master of the Order, said that a true Dominican should prefer preaching to all other spiritual practices. Why? Because preaching “is more useful to more people than all these other things.”

In that spirit, every new year, we Dominicans of the Central Province celebrate *January Vocations Awareness Week* by sending all of our novices and student brothers out to preach about vocations at our parish and campus ministries. This group exodus from our house of formation in the middle of the academic year reminds our brothers what their studies and formation are all about: embracing the grace of preaching that is given to them as one called to serve the Church through the Order of Preachers.



Brother Cassian shares his story at our campus ministry site at the University of Missouri at Columbia.

This year our brothers enthusiastically set out for Indiana University, Purdue, the University of Missouri at Columbia, and the University of New Mexico at Albuquerque. We were also invited to preach at Loras College where two alums have recently joined the Dominican Order. We had preaching opportunities as well at our parish in Madison, Wisconsin and our predominantly Hispanic parish, St. Pius in Chicago.

In all of these places, we encouraged not only young

people to consider a religious vocation, but we also asked their parents and friends to be encouraging of this way of life as one to which God continues to specifically call people. Did the student brothers always feel qualified? No. But the experience deepens their own sense of calling and reminds them of their dependence on Someone larger than themselves. It reminds them, once they have prepared as best they can, to take the focus off themselves and put it where a Dominican’s concern should always be: in

what is useful to the souls of others.

—Fr. Andrew-Carl Wisdom, O.P.

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Dominican Vocation Prayer

Blessed Father Dominic, preacher of God’s grace, you promised to assist us even after your death.

Intercede for us before God to help us encourage more men and women to follow our way of life, the way of a preacher.

Bless us in our common life, study, prayer and ministry, that our lives together may be a joyful witness creating a desire in others to join the Sacred Preaching. Amen.

NOTE

THE NEXT
Come & See is
March
2-4,
2007 in
St. Louis.

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New North American Co-Promoter of Justice named

FR. CHARLES DAHM, O.P., from the Province of St. Albert the Great, has recently been named the new North American Co-Promoter of Justice, Peace and Care of Creation for the Dominican Order. In making the announcement, Sr. Dusty Farnan, O.P., Dominican Sister from Adrian and Co-Promoter of Justice, and Fr. Philippe LeBlanc, O.P., from the Province of Canada, outgoing Co-Promoter said, “We are delighted to welcome him and we are grateful that Chuck accepted to serve in this capacity.”

Fr. Chuck will begin his ministry as Co-Promoter after Easter. He replaces Fr. Philippe LeBlanc, O.P. (Canada), who has served two terms and who will continue his role as permanent delegate to the Human Rights Council at the United Nations in Geneva.



Fr. Chuck has been involved in justice work for a number of years. He served as the Central U.S. Promoter for Justice in the 1990s in collaboration with Sr. Gene Poore, O.P., a Dominican Sister from Oxford, MI. He was also involved with the establishment of the 8th Day Center for Justice in Chicago and was founder of the Illinois Corporate Responsibility group.

As pastor of St. Pius Parish in Chicago, he was very involved in working with many issues revolving around the Hispanic community. In this respect, he published a book on his experience titled *Parish Ministry in a Hispanic Community*;

2002 (Paulist Press, New York).

(Taken from *DomLife* magazine: www.domlife.org)

FROM THE PROMOTER OF PREACHING

Fiction or biography that portrays practice

I LOVE RECOMMENDING books, and I hope you can recommend some titles to me in the category of “fiction or biography that portrays practice.”

When I think of the word *practice*, I think of the adage “fake it ‘til you make it.” When we dive into the middle of something new (like recovery, seminary, or marriage) a whole lot is learned by faithfully going through the motions and allowing the motions to form and teach us. The important things of life are comprised in large part by what might be called “privileged motions.”

In Christian life we go through the motions (the practice) of the Eucharist again and again, learning the presence of the Reign of God. In Dominican life we keep showing up for Morning and Evening Prayer, allowing the psalms to teach us virtues such as gratitude, praise, longing, and forgiveness. In our homes, when we wash the dishes or do other domestic chores, we can learn the deep meaning of fidelity in re-



lationship. These, and so many other practices, comprise our lives.

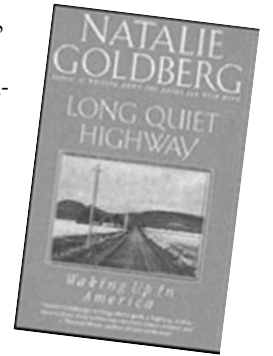
Marilynne Robinson’s extraordinarily beautiful second novel, *Gilead* (Farrar, Strauss and Giroux, 2004), tells the story of the Reverend John Ames, a rural Iowa Protestant pastor whose life has been formed by the practice of preaching. I recommend this novel to anyone interested in being a “reflective practitioner.”

Also, I go out of my way to read anything by Natalie Goldberg—a disciplined writer, painter, and practicing Buddhist. Like Robinson’s *Gilead*, Goldberg’s *Long Quiet Highway: Waking up in America* (Bantam, 1994)—her story about learning Zen meditation in Min-

neapolis—helped me to see my experience of preaching as lifelong reflective practice.

If you know other books about practice, please let me know. I am at heille@ai.edu.

—Fr. Greg Heille, O.P.
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Tears of sadness and joy

THIS YEAR MARKED the 10th anniversary of the OPCOMNET (Dominican Communicators Network), a network of communicators serving the Dominican provinces of men and congregations of women in the U.S. Their meeting was held in New Orleans so that they could personally observe and experience the state of the Dominican family in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, 17 months ago.



Fr. Albert Judy, O.P. holds the plaque he received, which reads, "To: Albert Judy, O.P. and the Dominican Friars of St. Albert Province, pioneers in electronic preaching. In appreciation, Dominican Communicators Network, January 2007"

Among the places they visited were St. Dominic and St. Anthony Parishes, both staffed by the Southern Dominican Friars. St. Dominic Parish, located in the Lakeview neighborhood,

sustained the most damage, having been submerged in more than eight feet of murky water when the levees broke. Luckily, St. Dominic Church and Priory were built of terrazzo,

thus much of the damage occurred within the structure itself. Today, St. Dominic Parish offices are housed in a trailer across the street, there are no pews in the church (they use metal folding chairs), and Mass attendance is down. However, there are signs of growth. The parish offices are almost finished, the priory itself, where the friars live, is nearly restored, and their school is filled with happy children.

Although St. Anthony of Padua Church did not sustain any flood damage, the priory and school did. Fr. Charles Latour, O.P. is overseeing the restoration process at the priory. Although the majority of the building is in disarray, he is happy to finally be able to restore the priory to all its glory! He was equally happy to learn that the friars' mattresses had arrived that very day. These are a few of the many signs of hope witnessed by the communicators during their visit. A series of stories and photos of their experience in New Orleans will be published at www.domlife.org.

The conference also celebrated its 10th anniversary with a Mardi Gras style banquet. Among beads and party favors, participants honored the friars of the Province of St. Albert the Great for helping pioneer electronic preaching. Thanks to their groundbreaking strides in the world of internet technology, many of the websites belonging to these same congregations of women and Provinces of men were first hosted on the Central Province website. The communicators expressed gratitude to the Central Province and in particular to Fr. Albert Judy, O.P. for his service as webfriar and his unending wealth of knowledge with a commemorative plaque.

—Lucy Sanchez

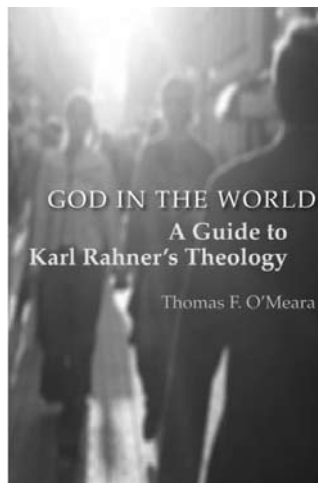
DOMINICAN BOOK REVIEW

God in the World: A Guide to Karl Rahner's Theology

FR. THOMAS O'MEARA, O.P. has a new book recently published by The Liturgical Press titled *God in the World: A Guide to Karl Rahner's Theology*. Karl Rahner (1904-1984) was a Jesuit priest who wrote on issues that still touch every believer today. Having studied with Karl Rahner at the University of Munich, Fr. O'Meara revisits many of Rahner's insights and theological principles that made him one of the most influential theologians of our time.

"Every theologian must have something to offer not just of the past but of the present as well and Rahner wrote at length on issues that still touch every believer today," writes Fr. O'Meara. "Karl Rahner's theology is rather simple: He said that he was not writing scholarly articles but trying to explain what was most basic in Christianity."

Michael A. Fahey, S.J., former Dean of St. Michael's College and editor of *Theological Studies*, writes this about Fr.



O'Meara's new book: "Not just another commentary on Rahner's theology, O'Meara's guidebook is distinctive, citing numerous key texts illuminated by personal recollections of Rahner's teaching. The author synthesizes an astonishing variety of recent German and English writings. His down-to-earth prose demystifies Rahnerian concepts and provides fresh insights. Here is a steady compass for the new generation of theologians."

Fr. Thomas O'Meara, O.P. is the William K. Warren Emeritus Professor of Theology at the University of Notre Dame. He studied with Karl Rahner at the University of Munich and continues to receive numerous invitations to teach and speak on

Rahner. Among his recent publications are *A Theologian's Journey* (Paulist, revised 2002), *Theology of Ministry* (Paulist, 1999), and *Thomas Aquinas Theologian* (University of Notre Dame Press, 1997).

(Excerpt taken from *Liturgical Press*.)

Remembering Fr. Jordan Aumann, O.P.

(June 15, 1916–January 23, 2007)

From the funeral homily by Fr. Paul Whittington, O.P., Prior of St. Pius Community, Chicago, IL.

NO ONE ESCAPES that moment of passage we call death. Yet, there are some of us who live our lives as though it is something that will never happen to us. Father Jordan Aumann has died and gone from our midst never to return. We have gathered here today, as his brothers, sisters, friends, and former students not only to remember Jordan, but also to pray for him. But what is it about this gathering that makes everything so special and significant?



It could be that we are remembering and celebrating the life of a 90-plus-year-old friar who has had a long and varied career as a professor, religious founder, translator, retreat director, author, and speaker. Why are we gathered in this church of St. Pius V on this cold morning in late January? Maybe it is to pray for and to remember someone who was such a great Dominican, who through his writing and teaching on spirituality brought so many men and women closer to the Lord. Maybe it is to remember one of our own: the oldest friar in religion in the Province of St. Albert the Great, who was professed for 68 years and ordained for 62 years.

We come here today to console one another. For we remember Saint Augustine's words that funeral rites are more for the consolation of the survivors than for the benefit of the deceased. Fr. Aumann is in the embrace of God's loving mercy. We realize that we need that gracious mercy more and more each day, for we recognize God's faithfulness toward us. Because of the mercy shown to our brother, there is no more pain and suffering, no more insulin, medicines and hospital stays, no more coma and I.V. drips. Yes, we're here to beg God's mercy not only for Jordan, but to also ask God's mercy to be extended to us all.

Jesus says today in Matthew's Gospel, "Come to me . . . you who are burdened by the labor and the stresses of life, come to me, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." Jordan, in his long life and in his many assignments, had to take up the yoke of obedi-

ence. We know that it was not easy for him to return to the United States to live in one of our communities after a number of years teaching at the Angelicum in Rome and at the University of Santo Tomas in the Philippines. But he did!

The yoke that he wore at times caused him a lot of emotional pain and suffering as he also experienced the physical pain, sickness, and diminishment of old age. Yet, Jesus continued to call to him, "Jordan, come to me!" The invitation that Jesus offered to Jordan and the same one he offers to all of us is the one that gives us hope and brings us peace. Jordan responded to Jesus' call on Tuesday, January 23, 2007.

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plus-year-old friar
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Dominican Doings

FR. PAUL COLLOTON, O.P. will speak at the National Pastoral Catechetical Directors Convention during the NCEA Convention in Baltimore. His workshop is titled "Catechists - Liturgists - Musicians - Pastors: How the Liturgy Forms Us for Dialogue."

BR. JOSEPH KILIKVICE, O.P. and the Shem Center for Interfaith Spirituality invite you to "With Yeshua in the Desert" on Saturday, March 10, 2007 at their center in Oak Park. More information at www.shemcenter.org.

FR. THOMAS O'MEARA, O.P. returned from spending the fall semester at the University of San Diego as the John R. Portman Professor in the Theology Department.

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FRIARS IN PRINT

✦ **FR. PAUL COLLOTON, O.P.** will have an article published in Oregon Catholic Press' *Today's Liturgy* titled "From Dialogue to Doxology: An Invitation to [Deeper] Faith," which reflects on the spirituality of the Eucharistic Prayer.

✦ **FR. DAVID DELICH, O.P.** had several articles published in *Spirituality Magazine*, including "Jesus Came and Stood in Their Midst" (Sept./Oct. '06), "The Most Pitiable People . . ." (Nov./Dec. '06), and "First World/First John" (Jan./Feb. '07).

✦ **FR. THOMAS O'MEARA, O.P.** had several articles published, including "The Priest Preaching in a World of Grace" in *Priests for the 21st Century*; "The Church Is Active in Ministry" in the *Many Marks of the Church*; "Paul Tillich and Erich Przywara" in *Gregorianum*; "French Baroque Thomism: The Theological System of Vincent de Contenson, O.P." and "A Pioneer in Pastoral Theology: Constantin Noppel, S.J." in *Fabey Festschrift*. (Also see his new book review on page 6 of this issue.)

CONGRATULATIONS . . .

✦ **FR. OSCAR UZIN, O.P.** was honored with a "Doctorate Honoris Causa" from the Catholic University in Bolivia in recognition of his 28 years of service as a professor of New Testament, in February 2007.

✦ **FR. MICHAEL WINKELS, O.P.** was recognized by the Fenwick Chapter of the National Honor Society for his distinguished and dedicated service to Fenwick High School during the installation ceremony held at St. Vincent Ferrer Parish in River Forest, IL.

