

# Blessed John XXIII National Seminary

*Newsletter*

*Summer 2010*

## ***From the Rector's Desk:***



This will be my last missive as Rector of Blessed John XXIII National Seminary. As I prepare to assume my new role as Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Boston, I look back fondly on my

years at Blessed John XXIII.

I am proud to have had the opportunity to serve as Rector for this exemplary Seminary community. As I have watched the departure of each graduating class, it has been gratifying to know these newly-ordained men are dedicating their lives to serving the faithful of our Church.

Please join me in congratulating Father William B. Palardy, who has been appointed the Eighth Rector of Blessed John XXIII, effective September 2, 2010. Fr. Palardy has been an asset in his role as Academic Dean, and we are confident he will continue the high-standards of priestly formation here at the Seminary.

As I take my leave, I especially want to express my gratitude to all those who have supported the important mission of Blessed John XXIII over the years. I ask that you continue to keep the Seminary community in your prayers as they prepare for the next academic year.

*May God bless you all!*

*Bishop-Elect Peter J. Uglietto*

## ***Rector Transition at Blessed John XXIII***

For the last five years, Rev. Peter J. Uglietto has served as the Seventh Rector of Blessed John XXIII National Seminary

The Seminary community is proud to announce that, on June 30, 2010, His Holiness Benedict XVI named Father Uglietto to the Episcopacy as Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Boston.

"It has been a great privilege to serve in the ministry of priestly formation as Rector of Blessed John XXIII National Seminary. I will miss this very challenging but gratifying work," said Bishop-Elect Uglietto during a press conference announcing his new role.

Bishop-Elect Uglietto will be ordained the 35th auxiliary bishop of the archdiocese on September 14, 2010, at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. Following the ordination, he will become Bishop of the North Region of the archdiocese which includes 63 parishes and 22 schools.

Rev. William B. Palardy has been named the Eighth Rector of Blessed John XXIII. In 2005, Fr. Palardy joined the Seminary community as Academic Dean. He will assume his new responsibilities as Rector on September 2, 2010.



**Rev. William B. Palardy, Rector-Designate and current Rector, Bishop-Elect Peter J. Uglietto, who was named an Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Boston**

"For five years now I have had the privilege of serving as Academic Dean of this singular Seminary community. And so - relying on the competence and good will of the faculty and staff, the dedication and commitment of our seminarians, the generous spirit of the larger Blessed John XXIII community, and the grace of almighty God - I look forward to assuming my new role here as Rector," said Father Palardy.

## New Academic Dean Dr. Anthony W. Keaty



Dr. Anthony W. Keaty has been appointed to the position of Academic Dean at Blessed John XXIII National Seminary.

Dr. Keaty has been a faculty member at our Seminary for four years. He has earned a Ph.D. in Systematic Theology from the University of Notre Dame, a Masters of Divinity Degree from the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley and a Masters Degree in Philosophy from Gonzaga University.

Prior to joining our faculty, he taught at St. John's Seminary in Brighton, MA. Dr. Keaty also teaches in the Permanent Diaconate Program for the Archdiocese of Boston.

"Blessed John XXIII is an exemplary Seminary with a strong academic program. I hope to continue the good work done by previous academic deans," said Dr. Keaty.

## Save The Date! 29th Annual Lawn Party September 22, 2010

Each year, the Blessed John XXIII community looks forward to our premier fund-raising event, hosted by His Eminence Seán Cardinal O'Malley, OFM Cap.

Cardinal Seán has often observed that, *"Vocations are everybody's business."*



Cardinal Seán and then Rector, Father Peter J. Uglietto, greet guests at last year's Lawn Party

"Please plan to be with us this year to welcome Father William B. Palardy, as he begins his first academic year as the eighth Rector at Blessed John XXIII.

You will meet the seminarians and faculty members while enjoying an evening of fine music and dining with Cardinal Seán," - Gretchen and John LaRossa, MD, Chairpersons.



29th Annual Lawn Party  
Chairpersons, Gretchen and  
John LaRossa, MD., with Cardinal  
Seán at last year's event

The seminarians have stepped forward to answer the Call to become our future parish priests. Funds raised during the Annual Lawn Party help keep their tuition affordable.

For further information, see the "Events" section of our website at [www.blessedjohnxxiii.edu](http://www.blessedjohnxxiii.edu) or contact Kate Folan at 781-899-5500, ext. 110.

## New Seminary Fund-raising Initiatives

The upcoming academic year brings many changes at our Seminary. As Rev. William B. Palardy assumes the position of Rector, we are also expecting a very large incoming class. Increased enrollment will require improvements and expansions to our facility, as well as funding for current and new programs.

These increased needs present challenges to the staff of our Development Department, who are charged with fundraising. Donations currently contribute 50 percent of the cost of educating our seminarians, and the department's crucial mission is to keep tuition affordable.

As our community faces new challenges, we are pleased to welcome Dick Murphy as Development Director at Blessed John XXIII. Dick comes to us with an extensive background in successful fundraising. With his guidance, we have begun several new initiatives.

"Under Kate Folan's leadership as Associate Director of Institutional Advancement, our Lawn Party and Golf Tournament events continue to achieve record attendance and revenue. We plan to further diversify our sources of income to meet the greater financial needs of the Seminary," says Dick Murphy.

"For example, we are expanding donor outreach via a series of visits and local receptions. We are pleased that Vivienne Blake has accepted the position of Grant Writer and is actively pursuing revenue opportunities in that area. We have added an online giving component to our web



**Development Department staff:  
Vivienne Blake, Kate Folan and Dick Murphy**

site ([www.blessedjohnxxiii.edu/support\\_us](http://www.blessedjohnxxiii.edu/support_us)) and increased the visibility of our Seminary as a national institution through attendance at vocation seminars and advertising in Catholic media. In the weeks ahead, we will offer our supporters yet another philanthropic option—bequests," says Murphy.

Research indicates that the motivation behind a will or bequest with a charitable component includes: "giving back, wanting to make a difference and a duty to support the organization." Yet less than 10 percent of Americans have named a charity in

their wills. Research suggests that either donors are unaware of this option, or they are not being asked to consider a bequest in their estate planning. "This is another fundraising opportunity we're pursuing," says Murphy.

The Blessed John XXIII community is also approaching a significant milestone—our 50th anniversary of preparing dedicated, talented second-career men for priesthood. With the support of our many generous donors, we look forward to continuing this unique and vital mission far into the future.

### *Have you considered including Blessed John XXIII Seminary in your Will?*

**Bequests have a substantial impact, generating almost \$25 billion annually. They are often the single most important element that funds the work of a charity. As we approach the 50th Anniversary of our Seminary, we ask that you remember Blessed John XXIII in your Will. By so doing, you will further strengthen your relationship and belief in the mission of our Seminary.**



## **Rev. John C. McVoy, III, a member of the Class of 2010, is the First African-American Priest Ordained for the Diocese of Wilmington, DE**

On May 8, 2010, Rev. John C. McVoy, III, was one of two men ordained as priests for the Diocese of Wilmington, DE.

His ordination represents an important milestone, as he is the first African-American priest for this diocese.

His children and mother, along with family and friends were among the large crowd at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Wilmington. Several members of the Blessed John XXIII Seminary community were also in attendance.



Rev. Thomas F. Schmitt, Dean of Seminarians at Blessed John XXIII, laying hands on McVoy during his ordination.

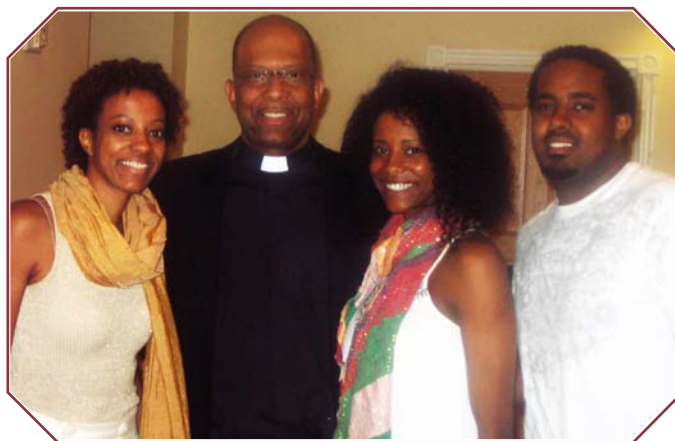


Bishop W. Francis Malooly, D.D., of the Diocese of Wilmington, conferred the Sacrament of Holy Orders on Rev. John C. McVoy, III, at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Wilmington, DE

Fr. McVoy is a widower with three children and was an environmental chemist during his previous secular career.

During the ordination Fr. McVoy pledged obedience to Bishop Malooly and prostrated himself before the altar. He knelt for the laying on of hands by the Bishop and each of the almost 50 concelebrating priests in attendance.

Fr. McVoy was then robed in the vestments of priesthood and took his place at the side of Bishop Malooly for the consecration.



Rev. John McVoy with his children, (left to right): daughters Aklecia and Salem, with his son, Yohannes "Johnny"

## The 18th Annual Blessed John XXIII National Seminary Golf Tournament is Most Successful To Date

The 18th Annual Blessed John XXIII National Seminary Golf Tournament was held on Monday, May 24, 2010 at the Weston Golf Club. This was the most successful tournament to date – raising over \$90,000.

The Seminary community is grateful to the members and staff of the Weston Golf Club, our sponsors - both local and national - and the Golf Tournament Committee who worked tirelessly to make

***Congratulations to the grand prize winners of the first Blessed John XXIII National Seminary Raffle, held during the Golf Tournament.***



***Mrs. Linda M. McCabe and Rev. David Greenfield, '08, each won a 7-day stay in a deluxe Villa at the exclusive five-star Adare Manor & Golf Resort, located in the beautiful Irish countryside.***



**Blessed John XXIII Golf Tournament foursome (left to right): Dr. Karl and Pat Benedick, Jr., with Yvonne and Tony Vallace**

A full roster of golfers enjoyed lunch at the Weston Golf Club, 18 holes of golf, a social hour, silent auction, raffle and dinner with tournament and door prizes.

This tournament benefits the educational program for seminarians currently enrolled at Blessed John XXIII Seminary. Tuition covers only half the cost of educating a seminarian and the tournament proceeds help bridge the gap and keep the cost of their education affordable.

the 2010 tournament the most successful to date!

For further information on upcoming events at Blessed John XXIII Seminary, please visit [www.blessedjohnxxiii.edu](http://www.blessedjohnxxiii.edu).

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**Rev. Russell D. Harbaugh, '04**

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**Rev. Michael Hegarty, '95**

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**Rev. Hilary Rodgers, '04**

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**Rev. Roy Witucki, '05**

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Rev. James A. Field, '90