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- Father John Mary and Father Richard Koskei

Dear Friend of Holy Spirit Radio,

By the time you receive this greeting, summer will be drawing to a close. All of us at Holy Spirit Radio WISP 1570 AM hope you are refreshed, invigorated and in a listener's words "filled with Christ." The following pages provide an update of what has been happening at your local Catholic radio station. As you return to your routine, you will find that along with the spiritual offerings of daily Mass and devotions central to our Life of Faith, the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN) offers new programs both enlightening and enjoyable this fall. With God's help, we dedicate ourselves to providing the very best in Catholic programming to strengthen and assist you on life's journey. First, however, I want to share with you, members of our Radio Family, some very sad news.

For a long time now we have been praying for a little three-year old girl, our granddaughter Gianna Rose, daughter of our web masters Carolyn and Frank Eliason. Even living with cystic fibrosis and undergoing chemotherapy for liver cancer, our precious rose, Gia, lived life to the fullest, inspiring the best in everyone with her strength and courage. On the feast of Saints Anne and Joachim, July 26, she received the gift of a liver through the ultimate kindness of one grieving family. During surgery she passed away into the arms of our Heavenly Father.

Now we celebrate Gianna Rose's life. She was a precious gift from God, and although her life was short, each day with her was something special, something joyful. She brought so much happiness into all our lives, and each day with her was a blessing. Now the light of her life will shine in Heaven and on earth.

Please remember all of our families in your prayers, and may God be with you, Dear Listeners.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*Dale W. Meier
General Manager of WISP 1570 AM
President, Holy Spirit Radio Foundation*

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Local Programming Update

Holy Spirit Radio expresses sincere gratitude to all of our program presenters, station volunteers and guests for their time, their witness, and their selfless dedication in service to God as they bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to you, our Radio Family.

FINDING THE KINGDOM is developed by host Patrick McCabe from St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Norristown. He travels throughout Holy Spirit Radio's listening area to visit with priests, deacons and Catholic lay persons. Patrick recently had the opportunity to spend time with Christopher West, internationally acclaimed speaker and advocate for Pope John Paul II's "Theology of the Body." This particular discussion was on location at the second of four sessions of Theology on Tap 2004, an outreach program sponsored by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's Young Adult Ministry. (Monday 4:00 pm & Saturday 9:30 am)

VOICES FOR THE UNBORN is the local pulse beat of all life issues. Bill Miller and Jeannette Wynne's weekly program has had many outstanding guests including: John Stanton, President of the Pro life Union; Kim Marshall, Director of Generation Life; Mike McMonagle, Executive Director of the Pro Life Legal Fund; Vivian Morris, N.J. Right to Life; Trish Johnson, Respect Life Group; Robert Sweeny, from the Knights of Columbus; Barbara Rose and Liz Parish, Philadelphia Natural Family Planning Network; and well known speaker Molly Kelly. After interviewing guests and reporting the latest Pro-Life news for Bucks County and the Delaware Valley, Jeanette and Bill open the lines for phone calls. (Wednesday 10:00 am & Saturday 10:00 am)

NFP FOR LIFE features WISP's own doctor, Dr. Les Ruppensberger. Dr. Les and his wife Betty dispel any myths with the truth of natural family planning and the sacredness of life. They offer spiritual reflections, the latest information on women's health issues, and accept phone calls on the air. The Doctor recommends the Philadelphia Natural Family Planning Network's website at www.PNFPN.org. You may e-mail questions prior to any program for Dr. Les or Betty to answer on the air. (Third Friday of each month 4:00 pm)

FAITH, HOLINESS AND EVERYDAY LIFE features Father John Foster and Janet Napoli as they give insight into the daily working of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Father John Foster has been a priest for over 50 years in our Philadelphia archdiocese area and Janet Napoli is a wife, a mother of three teenagers and a parishioner of Saint Vincent de Paul Parish in Richboro, PA. We learn about the importance of the Church in our everyday lives. (Tuesday 10:00 am & Saturday 9:00 am)

PRAYER REQUESTS are announced daily by Father John Foster. *"God makes the Church itself a sacrifice pleasing in His sight by preserving within it the love which His Holy Spirit has poured out. Thus, the grace of that spiritual love is always available to us, enabling us continually to offer ourselves to God as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing in His sight forever. We are pleased to remember and ask you to remember the following..."* We invite all of our Radio Family to share your special intentions as well. Please call **(215) 345-1570 after 6 pm** to express your intentions. Or you may send in your intentions via our website at www.holyspiritradio.org. (Daily 8:00 am & 4:00 pm)

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD (CCCB) presents announcements, local parish events, devotions, and prayer group and school group activities will begin its new format. Instead of presenting the CCCB news each week in a half hour program aired throughout the week, CCCB announcements will be heard throughout the day, everyday. We are hoping that the new format will help get the word out about upcoming events to a broader base of listeners. You can submit announcements via our website (www.holyspiritradio.org), via e-mail (1570am@holyspiritradio.org), via fax (215) 345-1946 or mail to PO Box 798, Doylestown, PA 18901.

LA VOZ DE DIOS is a Spanish-speaking program produced by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. (Sunday 4:00 pm)

A Welcome to Father John D. Gabin

We are very pleased to welcome Father John D. Gabin, pastor of St. Dominic's Parish, Philadelphia, as our new Spiritual Advisor. You may have seen Father Gabin and St. Dominic's featured in the May 27th issue of *The Catholic Standard and Times*. He has been a regular listener of Holy Spirit Radio since WISP first began broadcasting in 1998.

Father Gabin was born on March 30, 1950 at Nazareth Hospital in Philadelphia -- the son of Polly Abercrombie and Joseph Gabin. He grew up in St. Dominic Parish, attending Joseph H. Brown Elementary School and graduated from Lincoln High School. His call to the priesthood came while attending Penn State. (Maybe some day he will tell us about the time he played in the Orange Bowl!) Upon completion of his studies at St. Charles Seminary in Overbrook, PA, Father Gabin was ordained by John Cardinal Krol at

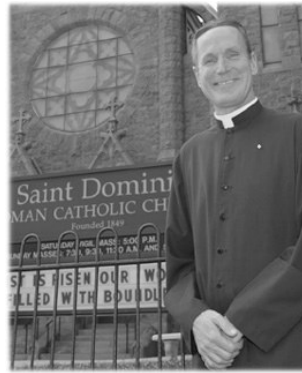
the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, Philadelphia on May 17, 1975.

Father came as pastor to his home parish of St. Dominic in June 2001. His previous assignments were: St. Laurence Parish, Upper Darby; the Catholic University of America for his Master's Degree in Social Work; Catholic Social Services, Philadel-

phia; Ascension of Our Lord Parish, Philadelphia; Immaculate Conception Parish, Jenkintown; and St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Richboro, PA

In 2003 the Pro Life Union of South Eastern Pennsylvania bestowed on Father Gabin the Defender Of Life Award, given to a "public figure who consistently and courageously gives witness to and works for the protection of all human life from conception until natural death, often enduring pain and sacrifice in their resolve to sustain Right To Life issues."

We at Holy Spirit Radio and the Holy Spirit Radio Foundation look forward to working with Father Gabin, following his guidance and his example. We are grateful for his time, fully understanding his responsibilities as pastor overseeing numerous active ministries within his parish.



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New EWTN Programs Starting in September

Starting this month EWTN and WISP 1570 AM, their affiliate, offer you the following new programs for the Fall Schedule:

THE HOLY SPIRIT AT WORK IN THE CHURCH features longtime favorite Father Andrew Apostoli of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal as he presents a revealing look into the inner realm of the Spirit, the soul and divine creative power of the Church. (Sunday 11:30 am, Wednesday 4:00 pm & Friday 2:00 am)

GOSPEL OF LIFE IN HEALTH CARE taught by Father Torracco provides a moral teaching about medical and health care that is illuminating, humanizing, and sanctifying; explores morally and spiritually the kind of person a health care professional is required to be; explores the issues involved at the beginning and toward the end of life. (Sunday 2:30 am, Tuesday 9:00 am & Saturday 7:00 am)

YOUR VOCATION: GOD'S CALL IN YOUR LIFE Father C. John McClosky focuses on how his guests came to see their work and other aspects of their lives in vocational terms, what kind of difference this approach makes, and how the same understanding of life and work can be communicated to others, both adults and young people. (Tuesday 4:00 pm, Saturday 4:30 am & 5:30 pm)

AL KRESTA: AT LARGE features this well-known Catholic speaker and author interviewing persons from all walks of life on a variety of current topics and about their walk with the Lord. (Monday 9:00 am & Saturday 3:00 pm)

FAMILY THEATRE CLASSIC RADIO actually originates from the Golden Age of Radio! These award-winning programs from Family Theatre Productions feature well-known movie and radio stars, a full orchestra and sound effects, and family-oriented stories. (Thursday 9:00 am & Saturday 6:00 pm)

*Teach us, Good Lord,
to serve you as you
deserve; to give and
not count the cost; to
fight and not heed the
wounds; to toil and
not seek for rest; to
labor and not to ask
for any reward, save
that of knowing that
we do your will. Lord
Jesus Christ, take all
my freedom, my
memory, my
understanding, and
my will. All that I
have and cherish you
have given me. I
surrender it all to be
guided by your will.
Your love and your
grace are wealth
enough for me. Give
me these, Lord Jesus,
and I ask for nothing
more. Amen.
St. Ignatius Loyola*

Father John Mary

Father John Mary Busobozi of Uganda has called Holy Spirit Radio his home for the past six weeks. Father is a priest in the Diocese of Hoima, Uganda. Following Father's ordination in 1998, his bishop, Rt. Rev. Deogratias Byabazaire, appointed him the Director of Communications. Father comes to us from the Gregorian University in Rome where he will return to complete his third year of studies in Communications. Then, his goal is to return to Uganda to establish a Catholic radio station in his home diocese of Hoima.

During his day at WISP, Father John mainly did production work, however he became very adept at all of the aspects of running a radio station. By highlighting persons and events of interest in the Doylestown area, we learned a small part of the answer in his program **"Who Is My Neighbor?"** Father came to learn yet we were blessed to be in the presence of a priest each day to receive his guidance and his consolation.

While interning at our station, Father also assisted at Our Lady of Mount Carmel rectory in Doylestown. We are truly thankful for the hospitality and assistance of the pastor, Father Charles Hagan, all the priests, staff and parishioners of OLMC in making Father John Mary feel "at home" during his stay with us. God bless you for your kindness and hospitality!

You might like to write to Father John Mary in Rome. Mailing address:

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Father Richard Koskei

We would like to share the following e-mail we received recently from Father Richard Koskei studying in Milan, Italy. Father Richard, of Kenya, interned with Holy Spirit Radio during the summer of 2003.

Dear Dale Meier,

I thank you for the message you sent through John (Father John Mary) while he was still here. I thank you for praying for me. I needed it and still need your continued prayers for full recovery.

I fell sick in the middle of exams and was admitted for ten days with a heart and stomach problems. Later they discovered also that my liver also had been affected. I remained in hospital without eating for seven days. I lost my appetite even after being allowed to eat. Now I am better but still weak and no appetite. Maybe I studied too such an extent that my heart went into marathon. I got this new e-mail from John (Father John Mary). I hope he is doing well and getting to know the environment of Holy Spirit Radio.

Be blessed

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Richard Koskei

Please keep Father's health and ministry in your prayers. If you would like to send him a greeting, Father Richard's e-mail is: koskeirichard@yahoo.it.

A Listener Asks...Our Engineer Responds

"I am in Aldan which is right near Clifton Heights, just outside Philly area... I see my area on the map that I should get the station but all I get is incomprehensible static... Any ideas or know if the reception should improve at some point. I would really love to have a station in my area... this is the closest. Thanks"

WISP Listener

From The Station Engineer:

Frequently, I receive questions and comments about poor AM radio reception in WISP's secondary coverage contour and during nighttime hours. Here are a few facts and suggestions on how to improve overall AM radio reception.

The use of a *High performance*, battery operated radio such as the Super Radio. Carefully orient the radio in the direction that provides the clearest sound. Most modern

AM radios have a directional antenna that is adjusted by turning the radio.

Please be aware that WISP transmits with a directional antenna system. Most of our power is radiated on a bearing 145 degrees (South-East) from our Doylestown Township transmitter. If you are located North or West of Doylestown, you will receive reduced signal. WISP's nighttime radio reception is also subjected to interference from other distant stations that share our 1570 KHz frequency. When these distant signals add together and are received with the WISP signal, listening quality is severely compromised. Here is where proper orientation of the radio receiver or antenna is very important. It is also important to locate your radio receiver at a window facing the stations location. If this is not possible, the next best thing is to locate your radio at an

outside wall facing the station. Any metal or foil insulation in or over the walls will severely affect the quality of your radio reception. Steel studs and structure supports will also affect reception quality.

Generally listeners within 20 miles of the station will get acceptable daytime reception. Nighttime reception is limited to about 8 miles in the Southeast direction from the station. This, of course, depends on atmospheric conditions.

With a good radio and proper antenna orientation and location, many listeners so far away as 60 miles are able to listen to WISP in the daytime with little or no difficulty.

I hope these comments and suggestions have been helpful in resolving some of the many issues associated with improving AM reception.

David C. McCork
Engineering Department

We should reverence every image of Mary which we pass with a 'Hail Mary.' For this purpose those who can do so would do well to place a beautiful image of the Blessed Virgin on the wall of their houses, that it may be venerated by those who pass.

St. Alphonsus Liguori

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

A number of listeners have inquired about obtaining a copy of "The Chaplet of Divine Mercy in Song" that airs every Monday through Friday at 3 pm. For information you may visit the EWTN religious catalogue at www.ewtn.org or call 1-800-854-6316.

Thank you to Our Summer Interns

The spirit of youth abounded at Holy Spirit Radio this summer as Drew and Tori Napoli joined our staff as interns. You may have heard their voices on the Catholic Community Bulletin Board, local public service announcements and station ID's. They did a great job and will be missed now that they are returning to school. Drew will begin his freshman year at Catholic University and Tori her senior year at Council Rock High School. Our prayers are always with them

Now You Can Listen 24/7 at www.holyspiritradio.org

We are pleased to announce that you can now listen to your favorite radio station via the web. Starting in September, we are offering streaming audio. This is a great way to listen without the restrictions of signal strength. To listen, make sure your computer is equipped with speakers, an audio player (such as WINAMP) and go to our website. It is as easy as that. If you have any feedback regarding our website, please send an e-mail to webmaster@holyspiritradio.org. Thank you for supporting local Catholic Radio.

Listener Comments

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“Thank you and God Bless you all for all the great work you do for our world...our church and mostly our family and our souls. I am sending what I can for these summer months and praying that many others will begin to listen, and learn their faith and join our radio family of supporters and prayer warriors. I keep the bumper sticker on my car and I pray that anyone behind me is tuned in and even zapped by the Holy Spirit and given a thirst and desire to know God more intimately. God bless you all and your families at Holy Spirit Radio- may your summer months be Christ filled.”

-Philadelphia, Pa.

“When I think of all the periods in the day that my car becomes a sanctuary, they’re too numerous to mention. However, your radio station allows me to center myself on God and follow His directions for my home care patients as I travel to and from each job. Your varied programs seem hand picked at times for me to receive the grace needed to complete God’s will through me on my jobs.”

-Philadelphia, Pa.

“WISP is such a blessing and I have it set on my car radio so I can hear all the great programs while driving – and it’s also marked on my kitchen radio so I can join in the Divine Mercy and Rosary besides enjoying C.A. (Catholic Answers) with so many other informative and inspiring guests. Thank you so much and God Bless. “

-Kintnersville, Pa



*Inspired by the Spirit . . .
Communicating Hope!*

2004 Radiothon - Help Us Spread the Good News!

We genuinely appreciate and rely on your prayerful and financial support to Holy Spirit Radio. We are here for you, and together we will continue our mission to “proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ.”

From September 22 through September 24, Holy Spirit Radio – WISP 1570 AM -- Holy Spirit Radio in conjunction with EWTN and twelve other Catholic radio stations throughout the country will be having a radiothon to help raise funds to meet operating expenses. Jerry Usher and John Martinoni will host this event. If you are able, please consider responding to this appeal.

Yes, I definitely want to support the mission of Holy Spirit Radio!

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Enclosed is a tax-deductible donation in the amount of \$_____payable to Holy Spirit Radio.

Charge to ___ Visa ___ MC Account # _____

Expiration Date _____ Signature _____

“ I wish to make an automatic contribution on my credit card for ___months/years.

“ I can’t make a donation at the present time, but I would like a Holy Spirit Radio bumper sticker so that I, too, can help evangelize in the WISP listening area.

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