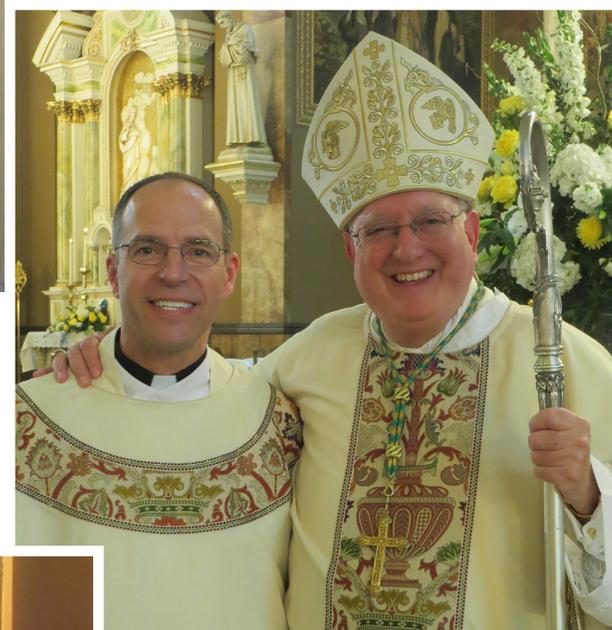




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NEWS and NOTABLES of  
SAINT BONAVENTURE  
PROVINCE May 2014



## CONGRATULATIONS, FATHER PAUL JOSEPH!

*F*ather Paul Joseph Langevin, OFM Conv. was ordained to the presbyterate on Saturday, May 24 at the Basilica of St. Josaphat in Milwaukee, Wisconsin by the Most Reverend William P. Callahan, OFM Conv. Congratulations, Fr. Paul!

*Photos, clockwise from top left: the newly ordained poses with Bishop Callahan and the concelebrants and deacons after his ordination; Bishop Callahan with Fr. Paul; Fr. Paul's parents Margaret and Thomas pose with the newly ordained; during the Mass, the Bishop anoints Fr. Paul's hands with the Sacred Chrism as the Very Rev. Michael Glastetter, Rector of the Basilica and Fr. Paul's formation director, looks on.*



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## FROM OUR PROVINCIAL

Dear Friars, I was privileged to be at the creation of the new province of Our Lady of the Angels on May 5, 2014. Friar Marco Tosca, our Minister General, read the formal degree creating the new province and then gave a brief exhortation to all the friars present challenging us to live our religious life authentically by reflecting on these three challenges: (1) to not be afraid to take a risk when the Lord is calling us to a new ministry or apostolate; (2) to live our religious life in our conventual charism; and (3) to live our religious life so authentically that we “Wake-up” the world to God’s presence. These three challenges that our Minister General gave to the friars of the new province are also applicable to us as we prepare for our second session of Chapter. What new ministry or apostolate do we, as St. Bonaventure Province, need to respond to from the Lord? What risk is the Lord inviting us to take both personally and communally? Is the Lord calling me to give up what is familiar and comfortable and go to a new friary or a new ministry? Am I living my religious life authentically witnessing to my conventual lifestyle? Do I see conventual living as a gift to the Church? Do my vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience wake-up the world? Am I living a simple lifestyle? Good questions for all of us to reflect and meditate upon as we continue to respond to our call in being Gospel men, walking in the footsteps of St. Francis of Assisi.

Peace and All Good!—Michael



*Photos clockwise from top left: Fr. Michael Glastetter vests the newly ordained; a fraternal embrace from Bishop Callahan; the bishop receives the first blessing from Fr. Paul; our Minister Provincial the Very Rev Michael Zielke lays hands on Fr. Paul during the Ordination; a mystical moment with the Saints during the prostration; the friars from Milwaukee pose for a picture: Fr. Alejandro López, Fr. Michael Glastetter, Fr. Paul Langevin and Friar John Mary Clote.*



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Photos clockwise from top: Fr. Paul surrounded by his family; On May 25, Fr. Paul poses after the Mass of Thanksgiving with servers and ordained ministers, from l. to r.: Fr. Anthony Lajato, Fr. Alejandro López, Deacon Taj VanCourtlan Glodd (a classmate from seminary), Fr. Paul Langevin, Fr. Bob Cook and Fr. Michael Glastetter; some of the flower arrangements that made the celebration all the more glorious; the electronic sign outside the Basilica shares a congratulatory sentiment; during the Ordination, Fr. Paul receives his chalice and his paten.

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From top to bottom: friars Thomas Fetz, John Clote, & Arturo Felix pose at the ordination dinner on Saturday evening; at the end of the meal, Fr. Paul thanks all those who helped make the day special; a bagpiper set a festive tone at the start of the dinner reception.



**FAREWELL AND COME BACK AGAIN SOON!** The friars of Mount Saint Francis Friary gather with Friar Giles Gilbert for a farewell group photo. Friar Giles has been with us for three months, along with friar Arturo Felix who was stationed in St Joseph's Friary, Melbourne. The Australian friars look forward to the day when they will return. The photograph was taken in front of our Chapel of the Holy Innocents in the friary grounds. Pictured from left to right: Fr. Adrian-John Robson, Friar Giles Gilbert, Br. Louis Schmid and Fr. Joseph Nguyen Ngoc Son.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Br. Joseph Wood (at right) for just completing a certification in Handwriting Analysis. As someone who has always loved Franciscan history, Joseph became intrigued with this particular discipline especially after visiting the Conventual School for Handwriting Analysis in Urbino, Italy and after meeting our own Br. George Searles, a handwriting expert. Although admitting he will never reach the competence of the late brother, Joseph believes that this certification will assist him as a counseling tool and will offer him a better insight into vocation prospects.



**ORDINARY PROVINCIAL  
CHAPTER 2014**  
Second Session: July 7-11, 2014

**75th Anniversary of St. Bonaventure Province**

**Provincial Chapters**

	First Session	Second Session
SB	Apr. 28-May 2	July 7-11
IC/SA	May 5-9	Aug. 4
OLC	May 12	July 28
SJC	May 19	July 14



**BR. DOMINIC LEVAK** sent this photo with the following note: "Driving from Sydney to hermitage today. Looooooong drive!"