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**Best wishes to all for a Holy and Happy New Year  
from the National Board**

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# The Pro Sanctity Movement National Notes – January 2007



## Happy 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

*The Year 2007 is the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pro Sanctity and there will be celebrations all over the world commemorating this very special year for our Movement.*

### FROM THE WRITINGS OF OUR FOUNDER

**A thought and prayer from our Founder as we begin our 60<sup>th</sup> year as a Movement:**

*This New Year speaks to us above all, of the fidelity of God, who presents to us constantly, repeatedly, his schedules of love, who re-proposes to us this moment his plan of love.*

*Give us a Spirit of love to guide us in living out your message. Form in us the image of your Son and grant us the courage to extend to all, your invitation to holiness.*

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MOVEMENT 2006-2007

#### The 2007 National Convention Celebrates:

#### **“Pro Sanctity’s Pilgrimage of Faith 1947-2007”**

In the United States the anniversary celebration will be the highlight of the National Convention in Schuyler, Nebraska, August 17-19, 2007. We celebrate 60 years of growth, development and formation for the Movement and its Members who come in all sizes, ages and nationalities. For sixty years the Movement has given itself to forming Apostles for holiness and good Samaritans for the world; what a *Pilgrimage of Faith* it has been!

During the Convention there will be **Workshops** that will feature the many ways in which Pro Sanctity has created, and will continue to create, **a culture for holiness** in every aspect of our lives. In order to exhibit a comprehensive picture of Pro Sanctity in the U.S., each center is asked to send as many members as possible, present at least two workshops, provide a written history of the center and participate fully

in the “faith- and fun-filled” activities to be scheduled for the weekend. Detailed information will be sent to the convention coordinators of each center to share with the local board and members-at-large.

## **2007 Theme – Christ’s Call to Holiness**

This year’s formation plan, as described in the new Formation Booklet on Christ’s Call to Holiness, is based on twelve Biblical figures from the Old and New Testaments who received an individual and unexpected call to follow God’s expressed will. If your center has not already begun to use the Formation Booklet, it is available on our website, [www.prosanctity.org](http://www.prosanctity.org).

The booklet is intended to serve as a springboard for group discussion and private meditation on the more personal level of how Christ Calls Us to Holiness. You may be surprised to find out that in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century the call may come in the most astonishing ways – through newspapers, books, magazines, radio, films, television, the Internet, as well as during prayer and through other people and daily-life situations. Christ can, and does, use whatever means will attract our attention, so make it your New Year’s project to find him in places you never thought to look before.

## **Update on Growth and Development of Pro Sanctity in the U.S**

**Pro Sanctity East** – has been meeting with many priest-friends in the diocese to plan a gala dinner which will be held on April 22 at Giando on the Water in Brooklyn. On this occasion the center will celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pro Sanctity and honor Giuditta Coccia, Angela DiPaola and Giovanna Piccioli, the first three Apostolic Oblates to be sent by Bishop Giaquinta to carry the Pro Sanctity message to Brooklyn.

In addition to his position as Chancellor of the Diocese of Brooklyn, Msgr. Andrew Vaccari was recently appointed Administrator of Queen of All Saints Parish in the Brooklyn Diocese. He invited Pro Sanctity to celebrate the Universal Day of Sanctification there at the parish Vigil Mass on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. PS members gave presentations at this Mass the previous week and on the day of the celebration to introduce the parishioners to the Movement.

Teresa Monaghan and Msgr. Vaccari led an Advent Afternoon of Formation at the Pro Sanctity Center featuring a talk on Marian Habits of the Heart, a Rosary Walk, and reflections on creating a space within us where Christ can be born.

In December, a newly organized group called Pro Sanctity Teens, had its first meeting. Enthusiastic and creative, they already designed their own T-shirts, which have been made for them by PS National. Members were officially installed in January.

**Pro Sanctity Midwest** – An Apostles of Holiness Members’ Retreat was designed and organized by Teresa Monaghan, the National Director, in collaboration with members from the center. The retreat was held in Nebraska in August primarily for Board Members and Extended Board Members. It offered time for prayer, formation and preparation for the apostolate entrusted to them of spreading, forming and developing the Movement.

Prior to the celebration of the Universal Day of Sanctification, author Ann Ball appeared with Teresa on the local Catholic radio station. The novena in preparation for the feast was based on answers to the question, “What does Christ’s Call to Holiness mean in your life?” submitted by members of various ages and walks of life. The actual feast was celebrated with two events on November 1<sup>st</sup>: (1) Noon Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish followed by a Mexican themed lunch and a talk by Ann Ball on the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Mexican martyr, Blessed Miguel Pro, S.J. (2) In the evening, a 7 PM Mass was celebrated at St. Thomas More Parish. Following this, Ann Ball gave a talk on following Christ’s Call to Holiness in the lives of the Saints.

**Pro Sanctity West** – The Apostles of Holiness Retreat as described above, was conducted in California in October with approximately 22 members in attendance.

The Universal Day of Sanctification was celebrated on November 1<sup>st</sup> with an evening Mass at St. Polycarp's Parish. Fr. Michael Murphy, the celebrant, also led the congregation in a prayer on Holiness by Bishop Giaquinta. Pro Sanctity literature and event schedules were distributed. After the Mass, members adjourned to a restaurant for dinner and fellowship.

## **The Three Newest Pro Sanctity Groups**

**Sioux Falls and Brookings, South Dakota** – The South Dakota contingency has been gathering and meeting for several years now and recently formed a provisional Board. In November, Teresa Monaghan and Jessi Kary visited Brookings and Sioux Falls, where **Jackie Logue**, a Aspirant Cooperative along with **Steve Kary and Teresa Thornton**, conduct regular meetings of the local board in small towns of the diocese. They organize monthly gatherings for formation and are working on spreading and developing the structure of the Movement. We will meet many of their members at the National Convention this summer.

Most recently, we have had our “first saint” from among our South Dakota members. On December 30, 2006, our dear **William (Bill) Logue**, who had a great devotion for our Founder and our Lady of Trust, passed away. He left behind Jackie and their five children. Pray for them, they all have deep faith, but of course are in need of our prayers and comfort. We are sure that Bill is already planning and scheming from heaven for Pro Sanctity in South Dakota!

### **Wichita, Kansas – Congratulations to our members in Wichita, Kansas!**

This group has had a Provisional Board for two years and in April will have its first official Membership Mass. They have several groups meeting and, of course, they will be sending members to the National Convention this summer. A team of both Nebraska members and Kansas members work with Teresa Monaghan giving retreats at the Local Spiritual Life Center. The most recent retreat was “A Pilgrimage with Mary: First Disciple.” **Teresa Pauls**, our Aspirant Extern Oblate is the brave lady who started it all in Kansas. Thank you, Teresa!

**Sioux City, Iowa** – Mary Hildman is planting seeds for the Movement in this area. We will meet the new Ordinary, **Bishop R. Walker Nickless**, soon and formally introduce the Pro Sanctity Movement and the three Institutes to him.

### **Our Founder made the National Catholic Family Appointment Calendar!**

Yes, Servant of God, Bishop Giaquinta is featured for the month of June in these beautiful 2007 Catholic Family Appointment Calendars put out by the J.S. Paluch Company, Inc. Each month features a vocation prayer, a picture and brief biography of a saint, as well as a picture of the church or other site closely associated with the saint's apostolic activity. The month of June is dedicated to Bishop Giaquinta, as this was the month of his birth and death. Please pick up several of these calendars to share with your friends. Spread the message of holiness by giving the calendars as gifts! Call or write the National Center if you need copies. Please do it soon as they are going fast! 402-289-2670 or [psm@prosanctity.org](mailto:psm@prosanctity.org).

## **Multimedia Productions**

**On the Air:** Our Founder had a dream in the early 1970s to have a Radio Station that would promote Holiness and Brotherhood. Well, it did not work then, and though today Pro Sanctity does not have its own station, **it has its own show!** Listen to Pro Sanctity on the radio and live around the world on the Internet. In Nebraska we are on Spirit 88.9 FM Omaha; Spirit 103.1 FM Schuyler; and Spirit 98.3 FM Norfolk. Their web address is [www.kvss.com](http://www.kvss.com), where *The Pro Sanctity Holiness Helpers Radio Hour* is featured every Friday at 10 AM. All the shows are archived which means you can go on-

line, click on them and listen to them whenever you want. It does not matter where you live, the shows are accessible 24/7 -programs are archived too for you to download at anytime!

**Our Website is Growing:** While you're on the Internet, check out the new look of Pro Sanctity's own web page, [www.prosanctity.org](http://www.prosanctity.org). We thank Greg Gaddie, the Web Master, for the great work he has done, and continues to do for us, despite his very busy life.

*Respectfully submitted:*

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