



# Newsletter



*St. Thomas More College & Newman Alumni*

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## SALVO AND SALUTATION TO OUR ALUMNI

You'll fill us all with great elation  
If you accept our invitation!

Our Gold and Diamond Jubilee has  
sent all into ecstasy.

As we rejoice and celebrate, our  
minds and hearts do elevate  
With thanks and praise for God's own  
ways whose rays have blessed  
long chain of days,  
For now is built and firmly fixed our  
home where love and songs  
are mixed.

How many souls passed through our  
halls! An army grand bedeck our  
walls!

Our floor and steps have e'en been  
worn by those who came 'fore you  
were born!

And each and every one of them did  
play a role to form a group, a  
family whole!

We honour, praise and thank them  
too. The ones here now, we laud,  
yes, you!

We know that you have made this  
chain. Each one of you brought sun  
and rain.

A host of souls has built this place and  
blessed it through with

every grace.  
It's grand to see what unity can build  
aloft for you and me!  
Salute them all, the great and small  
who dreamed and toiled. Please  
call this fall? Hitch-hike, use bike, or  
even crawl?

The bells ring out for all to hear! They  
summon you from far and near.

Drop all and come to S.T.M. Be here  
with us A.M. - P.M.

We know you will be graced and  
blessed with what we'll do - our very  
best.

If you can't come, know you'll be miss-  
ed by those who wished that you'd  
be kissed!

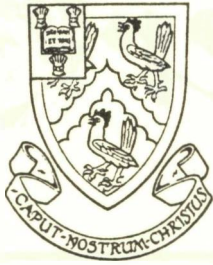


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CHESTERTON AND ST. THOMAS MORE

By a happy coincidence, 1986 not only marks the fiftieth anniversary of St. Thomas More College; it is also a date of special interest to those who know Chesterton as one of the great Catholic writers of our time. Chesterton died on June 14, 1936. As it happens, June 14 is the feast of St. Basil, the Great, patron of the Basilian Fathers. These three anniversaries are connected in a real way with the life of the College in 1986. St. Thomas More College, founded by the Basilian Fathers fifty years ago, has become the centre for Chesterton studies because of the **Chesterton Review**, edited and published at the College, and looking at contemporary events from the viewpoint of a writer whom Gilson called "one of the deepest thinkers who ever lived." Thus, St. Thomas More, Gilbert Chesterton, and St. Basil are somehow alive and teaching in this anniversary year, through the College, through the **Chesterton Review**, and through the work of the Basilian Fathers.

Chesterton has been described as a prophet for our own day. Yet he himself was conscious of the significance of St. Thomas More as a prophetic figure at an earlier time of religious turmoil. Writing shortly before his own death, at about the time when St. Thomas More was canonized, Chesterton says:

The mind of More was like a diamond that a tyrant threw

away into a ditch, because he could not break it. It is but a metaphor; but it does sometimes happen that the metaphor is many-sided, like the diamond. . . . In More's mind there was nothing but clarity; in Henry's mind, though he was no fool and certainly no Protestant, there was something of confused conservatism. Like many a better man who is an Anglo-Catholic, he had a touch of the antiquary. Thomas More

was a better rationalist, which was why there was nothing in his religion that was merely local, or in that sense merely loyal. More's mind was like a diamond also in a power like that of cutting glass; of cutting through things that seemed equally transparent, but were at once less solid and less many-sided. For the true consistent heresies generally look very clear indeed; like

Expatriate

The West Coast:

"Canada's California! Utopia! A Pacific Paradise! An Idyllic Island!" So rave the realtors,  
"Seascapes, seaspray, seafoam, seabreeze, seabirds,  
All-season foliage, year-long balminess, snowlessness,  
Snowdrops in January."

But. Carry me back:

Back over the strait to my Main Land,  
Over the high to the low, to my own country,  
To sky-blueness, to clear lightweight airiness,  
To fardistant reaches, to my plain prairie plains,  
Even to keen cold, to sifting, swirling  
Snowiness.

Mrs. Mary P. Riley '76 (nee Glover)

Calvinism then or Communism now. They sometimes even look very true; they sometimes even are very true, in the limited sense of a truth that is less than the Truth. They are at once more thin and more brittle than the diamond. For a heresy is not often a mere lie; as Thomas More himself said, "Never was there a heretic that spoke all false." A heresy is a truth that hides all the other truths. A mind like More's was full of light like a house made of windows; but the windows looked out on all sides and in all directions. We might say that, as the jewel has many facets, so the man had many faces; only none of them were masks.

Much of what Chesterton writes about St. Thomas More's mind can be seen as a description of the marvellous clarity of Chesterton's own thought. St. Thomas More spoke as a prophet to his contemporaries and he speaks even more clearly to us. In a similar way, Chesterton spoke prophetically to his own age about the real significance and hidden dangers of early twentieth-century life. His warnings must have seemed fantastically improbable in



The staff of the **Chesterton Review** meeting in the Review office. From left to right: Ewald Gossner (typesetter); Ian Boyd, C.S.B., editor; Jane Morris (Business Manager); Alma Steinke (Secretary) and Sister Mary Loyola (Managing Editor).

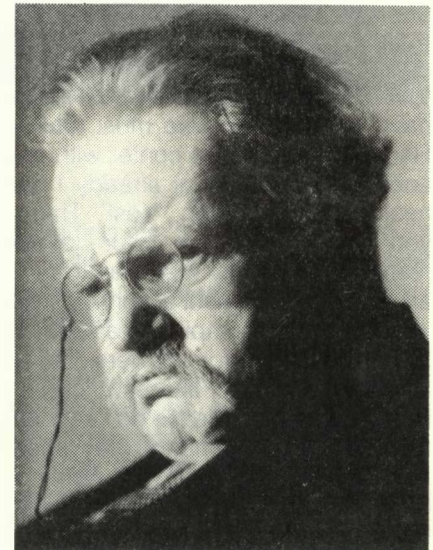
that outwardly tranquil age. The real significance of what Chesterton said has become clearer than ever to us who are witnessing the fulfilment of many of his prophecies.

Scripture tells us that prophets are not without honour except in their own country and among their own people. Both St. Thomas More and Gilbert Chesterton have been neglected in England. The fiftieth anniversary of the College and of Chesterton's death is surely an occasion for making certain that such neglect does not occur here. The Alumni of the College ought to be proud that their College is the world-centre for the revival of interest in one of our greatest Catholic writers. A practical way of supporting this revival and of continuing your own education in the liberal arts would be to subscribe to the **Chesterton Review** (\$16.00 per year — 1437 College Drive, Saskatoon, Sask. S7N 0W6), and thus keep in touch with Chesterton who continues to speak to the problems of our age. The latest issue, for example, contains the complete text of Chesterton's evidence before a 1909 Parliamentary Committee considering the

question of censorship. His words are even more relevant to our day than they were to his own.



"Maths says 'Must put it together', English says 'Let it hang out' and Sociology says 'Reports stink'."



G.K. Chesterton

## WHAT THEN ARE THE TASKS OF AN EDITOR WHO FEELS MUCH LIKE GOLFER WHO CRIES OUT

“FORE”! ??

Fr. Oscar Regan



## An Accolade To An Outstanding Benefactor

We acknowledge with deepest gratitude the sterling performance of Mrs. Angeline Lucas who has faithfully served as the Curator of our S.T.M. art gallery throughout the past 20 years. Through her dedication and efforts, she has attracted to our College thousands of visitors who came to enjoy the long series of exhibitions that she was able to attract; and since Angeline is an artist herself, she came to know the several excellent artists living in this area. We are sorry to have to say “au revoir” to Angeline, our Retiree; and we do thank her profusely for the priceless contribution that she has given to us so very freely and joyfully. We shall sorely miss her presence here in our halls! May her infectious enthusiasm live on within our art gallery!

### Communication Problem

Your Editor doesn't wish to upset or disturb anyone; but he often sighs that the “In” basket isn't stacked high with memos, observations, comments, criticisms, suggestions and literary offerings that he had once hoped to receive from you out there, since it is **your Newsletter**. I know there is a wealth of information out there that you can most profitably share with your fellow alumni. May the spirit or Muse move you to share your ideas or convictions with your ‘Family’ members who will be deeply grateful for your most welcome and happy messages that you send along. You may prefer to indulge in some reverie, nostalgia, as you think back on the ‘good, old days.’ Because we do not have a Hyde Park, we must rely on Her Majesty's mail to confer with one another. I believe that already I can hear your resounding “Yes!” Thank you very much for your joyous response. You may wish also to raise an argument, present a controversial issue, or maybe simply ask a series of questions calling for answers. Tell us about your hobby, interests, career, field of endeavor. Please do keep 'em rolling in! Your remarks may spark replies; and that would be good. A debate can prove to be most rewarding, as we all grow and keep better informed.

### No! Not Another One?

I grieve every time I have to transfer a card into “Lost” file. Those words,

“Moved-Address Unknown” are harsh. We hate to lose a single one of you; and it does hurt to realize that some 25% of our alumni have been dropped into that drawer I prefer to avoid. Maybe, someday we can avoid having to face that problem?

### Joyous News!

S.T.M. now has on display its brand new crest that is being accepted and welcomed most favorably in all quarters; and so, after several years, the crest is now officially approved and recognized. Maybe you would like to order one for your sports jacket? Incidentally, our new flag displaying this crest is happily waving a greeting and inviting you all to attend our 50th birthday festivities in 1986. We thank Fr. Leonard Kennedy and his co-workers who planned and designed this crest that you too will admire and approve.

### CORRECTIONS !

We regret that errors were made in the last **Newsletter**, page 1, where the Presidents of St. Thomas More College were illustrated. The dates of their office should have read as follows:

Rev. E.J. McCorkell	1941-42
Rev. Henry Carr	1942-49
Rev. B. Sullivan	1949-55
Rev. Joe O'Donnell	1955-61
Rev. Peter Swan	1961-77
Rev. Leonard Kennedy	1977-82



“If we get our expected salary increase we move up into the working class.”

## Our Chapel Is Graced With Reconciliation Room

Recently, a beautiful, attractive room has been added to accommodate penitents who wish to receive the Sacrament of Penance in the new atmosphere which is much more informal. This Reconciliation Room replaces the old confessional at the south end of the chapel. Today, many prefer this bright, spacious room that invites a more pleasant and better rapport between the penitent and the confessor.

We shall also instal a whole new lighting system in our chapel, a big improvement that will be most noticeable.

## Fond Farewell To Fr. Brian Hogan

He has served at S.T.M. as the Superior of the Basilian Fathers for the past three years and has now been appointed to St. Michael's College in Toronto. We extend to him heartiest congratulations for his having been honored in March with his Ph.D. degree. Emphatically, he will be sadly missed in our halls; and, we wish him every success in his forthcoming ventures. Indeed, he has left behind indelibly happy footprints, a priceless contribution to STM for which we are eternally grateful. A trophy fervently presented to Father Brian!

## FROM ARCHAIC (Dying) TO OBSOLETE (Dead)

Three little words I hate to state  
May very well meet this same fate!  
You've seen of late it's true, dear  
Mate?

Three little words I sing do have that  
music ring;  
But, sad to say, they've had their fling.  
They're on the wing  
Were I a potent king, those words  
back home I'd bring.  
One's "Please" and t'other is "Thank  
you".

Boo-hoo! You too? What to do?

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GRAND GESTURE!

To those who mailed in donations to finance our **Newsletter**, we sincerely do appreciate your helping hand. The total cost of each copy is some 50 cents for preparation, printing, postage and labour. Your gift to help cover these costs is dearly cherished; and let's hear also about what you are doing. We too like to read the news.

## S.T.M. Choir Records Album



This spring the **St. Thomas More College Choir** spent a weekend at Studio West in Saskatoon recording a variety of selections from their repertoire. The resulting album, to be released in May, is entitled "**Rejoice In Hope.**"

The choir, under the direction of Mr. Robin Bunz, chose to record music that they do regularly at the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. Selections include: Stephen Schwartz's "Prepare Ye" from Godspell, Jimmy & Carol Owen's "All We Like Sheep," Mildred E. Reith's "Mary's Song," and a variety of C. Alexander Peloquin's selections,

including his "Lyric Liturgy." Also included is the "Hallelujah" from "Mount of Olives" by Ludwig von Beethoven.

The choir is made up of students from various university colleges, plus friends and associates of St. Thomas More College. Cassettes may be ordered by writing to S.T.M., c/o "Rejoice in Hope", 1437 College Dr., Saskatoon, S7N 0W6. The cost of the album is \$10 (plus \$2.10 shipping & handling) and the cassette is \$10 (plus \$1 shipping and handling). Make cheques payable to St. Thomas More College.

## Are We Destroying our language?

To use a phrase from that delightful comedy, *Pygmalion*, written by that most famous of literary gentlemen, George Bernard Shaw, "Why can't....learn to speak."

How true, particularly of the younger generation. Did I say younger? The fact is, the condemnation applies to both adults and young people.

What I find so frustrating is the way in which people repeat, ad nauseam, the same monotonous clichés and phrases that have absolutely no bearing on their conversations.

Has anyone out there had an enlightening conversation recently? If so, you must be a rarity. Today's homo-sapiens no longer delights in "dressing-up" his repartee. Mostly, he uses a well-worn phrase to describe a particular incident; "I know where I'm going," or, even more odious, "I know where it's at," are stock phrases to cover any one of a dozen situations that might arise.

Tedious platitudes delivered by garrulous politicians, coupled with bureaucratic obfuscation such as "at this point in time," (meaning now), do nothing to ease the burden of explanation and understanding by mere mortals. Civil servants no longer write reports to inform. Their nebulous minds seek more to impress their superiors with incomprehensible logic; often misinterpreted when acted upon. Does no one know how to turn a neat phrase, parry and thrust with a well turned verbal foil? I think not.

Partly to blame, of course, is the declining standards set by the media. In the world of daily newspaper deadlines, circulation is of paramount importance and, in consequence, good taste, writing and grammar often get tossed out the window.

Television is another blasphemer when it comes to good taste in communication. When you ponder the amount of time our children spend sitting in front of that insidious tube, watching what is mainly unadulterated drivel, is it any wonder they run around humming TV jingles instead of being able to conjugate their verbs? The latest sacrilege by the nabobs of advertising (god knows where they were educated) is to completely discard the adverb in

their repetitious, monotonous deliveries. The adjective is king these days; fresh-ground, new-improved etc. The list is long and painful.

Are we, then, to be reduced to monosyllabic grunts of assent, coupled to inarticulate conversation in which no one knows "which side is up" or, for that matter, even cares?

Who is to blame for this sorry state of affairs? Can it be rectified? Of course it can. Make a vow to go back to school. There are plenty of night-school classes for anyone wishing to improve his Eng-

lish. Heavens, before you know where you're at, the whole family will be having a sparkling, erudite conversation around the dinner table instead of gawking with blank-eyed expression at the TV, and eating those awful plastic dinners devised for mindless zombies.

Think, if you dare, of the money being spent on education in one school region this year. Something over a hundred and thirty million dollars will go towards "educating" (what a misnomer for the end result) our children in the art of reading, writing and arithmetic. Gross me out!



### N.B. Clergy STM/Newman Grads

Soon you'll receive the general information that will be sent to all STM/Newman graduates. It will have all the details about the Alumni Reunion weekend, October 3-5, which is part of the College's 50th and Newman's 60th Anniversary celebration.

You especially will be invited to concelebrate at the Reunion Mass, the afternoon of October 5th, so please keep the date in mind.

Contact Claude Lang, at the College's General Office, if you happen not to get the special details. Even with computers, errors and slip ups occur; at this special anniversary, however, it would be unfortunate were anyone to be overlooked.

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WHETHER NEAR OR FAR,  
HERE'S WHERE THEY ARE;  
AND WE TELL YOU TOO  
WHAT THEY ALL DO.

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MANEGRE, Raymond Lucien '67, holds a federal post with Indian and Northern Affairs, Canada, and resides in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

LEE, Gerald William '46, is President of Treleco Electronics Ltd., has five sons and resides in Toronto.

FLEMING, Ruth Bernice '48, received her B.Ed. degree in '66 and now teaches at Bishop Michael O'Neill's Highschool in Regina. Oh, yes, she is now Mrs. M.V. Matthews.

ROSENBERG, Jeanette Louise '60, is now Mrs. Goetz and lives in Buckinghamshire, England.

MAZUREK, Leon '55, received his M.D. degree and practises and is stationed at Canadian Forces Hospital in Cold Lake, Alberta.

BEAULAC, Andre Maurice '67, is Vice-principal at St. Mary's Highschool in Prince Albert, Sask. where he lives with his wife, Verna and two children, Dan and Michelle.

MAZURKEWICH, Sandra Ann Miss '71, received her M.A. degree in '75 and now works as psychologist at MacNeil Clinic in Saskatoon, Sask.

ZIOLKOWSKI, Lottie Elizabeth '56, is now Mrs. Sacco living in Portland, Oregon.

McGARRY, Mary Catherine Miss '52, earned her M.Ed. degree in Detroit in '70 and now resides in Edmonton, Alberta. She is a regular correspondent!

WOLTERS, Sister Lucille '69, is at her convent in Marcelin, Saskatchewan.

MOLLAN, Linda Marilyn '67, is now Mrs. Dale W. Potts and teaches Drama at the university of Calgary while her husband is teaching English at Bishop Carroll in the same City.

LANE, The Honourable John Gary M.L.A. '63 received his LL.B. degree in '66. He was appointed Minister of Finance, Saskatchewan, last December.

MOREY, Dennis Charles '67, received his M.D. degree in '76 and practises in St. Paul's Hospital in Saskatoon.

ADOLPHE, Edward P. '52, His Honour is Crown Prosecutor living in Calgary, Alberta.

BANIAK, Morris Mark '77, earned his LL.B. degree in '82 and is now with the Hawrish law Office in Saskatoon.

NORYS, Walter James '51, received his doctorate degree in '73 and is now a psychiatrist in Calgary, AB.

BARAN, Emil Igor '63, works with the Consulate of External Affairs in Ottawa.

PAINCHAUD, Lionel Andre '59, merited his M.D. degree in '61 and practises in Muncio, Indiana.

NEMETZ, Emma Miss '73, received her Nursing degree in '73 and now works in Athabasca, Alberta. She keeps in very close touch with S.T.M. and Newman!

GALVIN, Kathleen Mary '81, is now Mrs. Ralph Paquin. She became a chartered accountant in '84 and now works as Supervisor for a firm in Saskatoon.

BEOWNBRIDGE, Robert Dale '71, captured his M.Ed. degree in '84 and now teaches at Martensville Primary School adjacent to Saskatoon.

PAWLOVICH, Professor Walter Edward '65, teaches educational psychology at the University right here on our campus.

CHURKO, Ambrose Bartholemew '72, is employed with the Correctional Services of Canada. He is a member of the National Board of Directors and is also President of the Kidney Foundation (Saskatchewan Branch.)

PRICE, Patricia Janet '70, is now Mrs. Weismiller and has received her B.Ed. degree and also her M.A. at the University of Alberta. She works in adult education at Bathurst Heights School in Toronto.

COSTELLO, John James '45, is Personnel Manager of City Public Services living in San Antonio, Texas.

PURDA, John '62, works for the Department of National Revenue, Taxation Office, in Regina, Saskatchewan.

COUTURE, Rose Louise '84, is now a medical student at the University of Calgary.

PYRA, Joseph Frederick Dr. '54, teaches at the College of Education, Saskatoon, in the Department of Educational Administration.

CROSBIE, Rev. Kenneth Tony '75, is an Anglican priest working as chaplain in the Criminal Courts at the Old City Hall in Toronto.

REINIGER, Robert '62, is at the Bedford Institute of Oceanography in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

CONNOLLY, Maureen Ann '61, is Mrs. Gordon Crowe residing in Kent, Washington.

**HAVE YOU MOVED LATELY?  
HELP US UPDATE OUR MAILING LIST**

Are you receiving your Alumni mailing at your proper address? Is a copy still being mailed to your old address or to your parents' home? Are you receiving more than one copy of each mailing at your present address? Inform us!

The only way in which we can keep our mailing list up-to-date is if you keep us informed of any changes in your address. To assist us with the up-dating of our files, please complete the following form and return it promptly. If you have any Alumni friends who do not receive Alumni mail, please forward their names and addresses as well.

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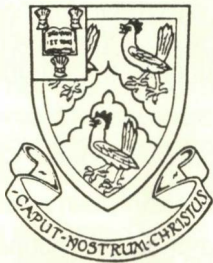
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