

College and Prep Directories and Class Listings

Alumni directories by class year along with contact information is available at:

<http://stlukes-parish.org/cathedral>

Note: Contact information is not available for every alumnus. Class listings are also available for all classes at the same location.

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Who said that!?

In the last edition we asked who said:

Q. Apples!

A Fr. James Griffin
in response to any student who answered his question with a non-sequitur.

This Edition's question

Q. Who used the term: "The Vegetable Subjunctive" in their Latin classes? Give an example.

Answer in the next issue.

thinking about and looking for interesting new projects.

Now one of my classmates, John Gildea, has been maintaining and updating a paper and electronic list of Cathedral Alumni associated with our vintage. On this list were classmates that were designated as deceased. Now I have a web site which I totally control and have used for side projects not connected with SS Peter & Paul. I decided that I was going to establish a new side project, a Web Page WALL (www.sppalumni.com/wall.htm) containing the OBITS of Cathedral Prep+ individuals.

I soon began running out of available information on the internet. I said to myself, what next!

I said to myself, what about adding to the WALL the JOURNEY's of those still alive! I started with myself. Then my older brother John (He did not have a choice). Then I started scrubbing the internet for others I knew to be still alive. Then my brother started telling me about intellectuals in his vintage (The Elders). Scrub! Scrub! Scrub!

During this process, I decided to start telephoning former classmates whose numbers were on Gildea's list just to touch base during COVID. The purpose was to commune and catch-up. The chats were interesting and uplifting. I recommend we all reach out. We are not getting younger. For those unanswered calls, I left several messages with no return calls. That was depressing. I got six volunteers and many promises. The promises tell me they are feverishly "thinking" about a submission during their terribly busy schedules.

In early June 2021, I came across two FACEBOOK Groups about the Cathedral Prep College Alumni Association and Cathedral Manhattan I did not know existed. I joined the Groups and posted on one, the existence of my Cathedral Web Page WALL. I have since communed with Bill Bishop, Ed Behn and Joe Murphy. My wife is becoming suspicious of Joe Murphy. She thinks I commune more with him than her since we, Joe and I, became acquainted. She may be right. Joe Murphy has been an engine of research and information. Interest in the WALL is exploding as of July 1, 2021. As one of my classmates described, "It is mission creep".

I have experienced great joy and satisfaction in this endeavor. I do believe that those who are viewers of my web page take great joy in reading both the OBITS and the JOURNEY's of their fellow travelers in life. It's all in one place. I continue to encourage the "Feverish Thinkers" to sit down and think and document their Life Journey. Even if it is not submitted for posting on the Cathedral Wall, it is something that Children, Grand Children and Great Grandchildren will be forever grateful. Think about it. Posting your Life Journey is free. OBITS are awfully expensive and don't say much about who you truly are.

This project, to be a continued success and of interest to all, needs research and input from many individual Alumni. My email address is Hegney750Apt9@aol.com.

James M Manning, The Villages, Florida, Cathedral Prep 56-60

J.R. McCarthy (Prep '80) penned the following poem. As we look to commemorate all those who have served in the armed forces this Veteran's Day, J.R.'s poem should help us to remember all who served and now lie in rest at our National Cemetery.

Arlington

God, well I know these quiet, sweeping hills
Are hallowed by five hundred thousand lives
Laid down for others. Yet, I must report
That we for whom they sacrificed are lost.
We sorely need, in this distempered time,
Their courage under fire - and their faith.

God, have mercy on my timid heart:
I grasp; I fret; I count on bolder souls
To keep me safe. I linger in this place
Of stilled potential – longing for a breath
Of reassurance from these honored dead.
God, give me strength before you give me peace.

God, let me work a patch of famished earth,
And give it over to a valiant cause.
Until I do, I'm just an aging man:
No more worthy of my pleasant life
Than I will be of caisson, stars and stripes,
Or hero's grave when I am finally dead.

God, let me do a year of useful work,
And only then make bold to venerate
This vale of honor with my tears and prayers -
And whisper to a fallen soldier's ghost,
"Today, I honored your brief days of light
By tending to the world you died to save."

The above was submitted by Fr. Charles Kavanaugh

Requiescat in pace et in amore

Joseph O'Callaghan 3/13/21 [obit](#)

Rev. Msgr. Dermot R. Brennan (college '50) 4/19/21 [obit](#)

Paul M. Lenci (prep '68) 6/25/21 [obit](#)
Note: Over \$3,000 was donated by Paul's classmates to the Alzheimer's Association in remembrance.

Dr. Paul P. Brooke (college '62) 8/23/21 [obit](#)

Rev. Charles F. Smarsh (college '58) 8/25/21 [obit](#)

Kevin M. Fitzgerald (faculty) 9/15/21 [obit](#)

Anthony P. Andreacchi (prep '81) 9/19/21 [obit](#)

Michael Heffernan (prep '83) 9/19/21

Know your Greek

Note: Many alumni have **demande**d an equal sidebar honoring Greek in addition to Latin. Here is an excerpt from the 1968 yearbook.

Fr. William Zoshak (*aka. "Don't Mess with Bill—The Marvellets"*)



"To begin with all words are derived from the Greek 'eu'."

See the following for details::

<https://www.etymonline.com/word/eu->

Fr. Zoshak taught English in the Prep and would begin each class reviewing the previous day's assignment from his favorite book—"Word Power."

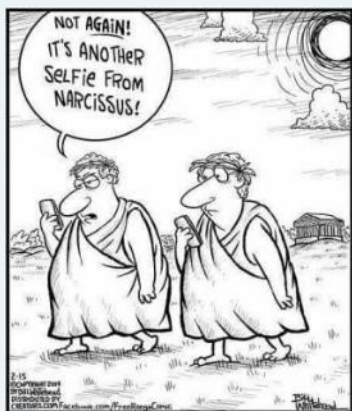
Facebook Group

For those who use Facebook, we have a group and you can check for information and updates. This is the site address: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1031291000372044/>

Know your Latin

Older forms of English kept **Latin's** gender-specific suffixes -tor and -trix; tor is for men and trix is for women. So a male pilot is an aviator, a female pilot is an aviatrix. A male fighter is a gladiator, a female fighter is a gladiatrix.

This contrasts with the modern system, where tor is for both men and women, and trix are for kids.



Lessons from West End Avenue

by Bill Bishop



Fr. Harry Browne was a character. There can be no doubt about that. Hiding one of the fugitive Berrigan brothers in a closet in his rectory and the “secret” life he led that resulted in a wife and three children would, I think, cement that title. My own encounter with his “other side” took place in my senior year of high school. The *Cathedralite* was the high school paper and I was assigned the “Faculty Spotlight” column. Usually, I got to write these bland Fr. Soandso was born in the Bronx in 1928, blah, blah, blah. Harry Browne, over the years (for reasons now obvious) had never consented to be interviewed by anyone ever. By some chance, he had taken a liking to me from Freshman year on and so my editor challenged me to “get his story.” I started the nagging, whining process right in September of senior year. Almost every time I encountered him in the hallways, I asked him for an interview. Over and over again. I was relentless. Finally, I wore him down and he consented --- with one condition. I had to spend an afternoon with him at St. Gregory’s Parish so he could show me something.

To make a long story short, I spent a few hours at St. Gregory’s (no I didn’t see a Berrigan. At least I don’t *think* I did) while he got to show me the things he was doing there – establishing a soup kitchen, a drop-in center, etc. All for the poor of the parish. Of course, being the narcissistic SoB I was in those days. I did not appreciate anything he was trying to tell me until many years later. All I could think of at the time was my “coup” in “capturing his story.”

Ironically, Harry Browne died the same morning as Dorothy Day. His wife, Flavya Alaya, summed up his death this way, “The Greater Catholic Worker taking the lesser with her on her way.”

Class Notes

Once again we are soliciting submissions.

Also please include your name and class as well. If it's someone else's information, the class (college? prep?) year of graduation of the subject.

You can send the information to Bill Bishop (BillB70@optimum.net). Please include "Alumni class note" in the subject line.