

## FELIPE GONZALEZ RECEIVED AS CANDIDATE FOR HOLY ORDERS

“Do you resolve to prepare yourself in mind and spirit to give faithful service to Christ the Lord and his body, the Church? The Church accepts your resolve with joy. May God who has begun the good work in you bring it to fulfillment.”

*From the Rite of Admission to Candidacy to Holy Orders*



## INSTITUTION TO THE MINISTRIES OF LECTOR AND ACOLYTE



Photos from Palm Sunday and the Institution of the Ministries of Lector and Acolyte at Immaculate Conception Parish, Revere, MA. From left to right: Andrea Povero, Fr. George Szal, Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish, Joseph Rodriguez, Fr. Emanuel DeNigris, Cardinal Sean, Emanuel Gonzalez, Fr. Antonio F. Medeiros, Jeffrey Barrantes and Wellington de Oliveira.

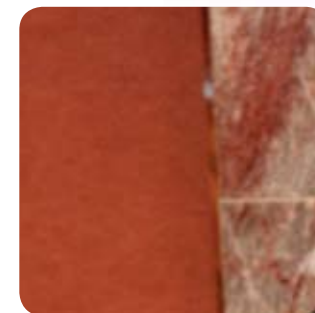
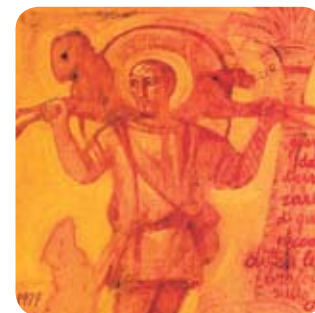
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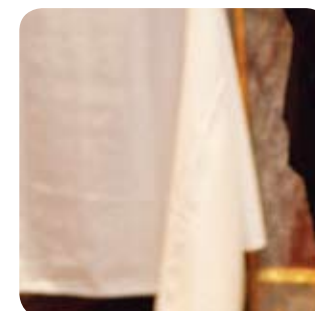
# Redemptoris Mater

Newsletter of the Redemptoris Mater Seminary of Boston

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“Come here to bring you the greetings, the encouragement and the blessing of the Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI”





## Dear Friends

We are happy to share with you the latest and some of the most significant events that have marked the life of the seminary during this time.

On March 27, Cardinal Sean visited the Seminary to receive our seminarian Felipe Gonzalez as a candidate to Holy Orders. Then on Palm Sunday the Seminary joined Immaculate Conception Parish, in Revere, where Cardinal Sean conferred the Ministry of Lector on Wellington de Oliveira and the Ministry of Acolyte on Emanuel Gonzalez, Jefrey Barrantes, Andrea Povero and Joseph Rodriguez.

Finally the Seminary's Second Annual Gala Dinner held on May 15th, 2011, brought to a close this academic year. During the dinner we bestowed the Seminary's "Evangelization Award" on Jack

Shaughnessy Sr. and we were especially graced by the presence of the Papal Nuncio of Pope Benedict XVI to the United States, His Excellency Archbishop Pietro Sambì, who came to Boston to be honored by our Seminary at the Gala Dinner. In this newsletter you will find some of the pictures from this event and we also have transcribed, especially for the benefit of those who were unable to attend the event, some of the words that Archbishop Sambì addressed to the more than 350 guests that attended the event. It was Good Shepherd Sunday and we started with the Archbishop presiding at the Eucharist in the Seminary. During the homily he exhorted us to "pray for vocations" and later on in his remarks at the dinner he added that "prayer is the first way that is given to us to contribute to the increase of the number and the quality of vocations".

I make his words my own request to you. Pray that the Lord may continue to call young people from within our families, our schools, our communities, to a holy vocation. Pray especially that our youth who will join Pope Benedict XVI in Madrid this August for World Youth Day may be touched by his witness and inspired by his words; may they be filled with hope and accept the invitation of the Lord to "put out into the deep".

As we continue to pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Church and on your families, I remain

Sincerely in Christ,

*Fr. Antonio F. Medeiros*



## FROM ARCHBISHOP SAMBI'S HOMILY IN THE SEMINARY...

"It's a grace for me to pray with you today. And I come not alone; I come here to bring you the greetings, the encouragement and the blessing of the Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI. Today, it's a great day. It's the day of the Good Shepherd, the day of prayer for vocations... You are preparing yourself for the priesthood. What does it mean to go towards the sheep? It means to

enter thorough Jesus Christ. That fact that the Lord knows us by name, that we are not unknown to him, but that he knows us, better and more deeply than we know ourselves, this is a great consolation... You go there where the superior sends you, to give your life like Christ for the sheep... With this image of the Good Shepherd in our eyes and in our heart let us

pray in the celebration of today, in a special way, for many and holy vocations to the Church of Boston, to the Church of America, and to the universal Church. Amen."

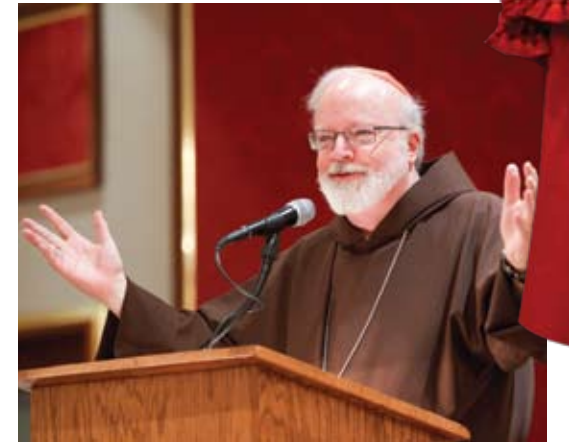


**Sunday Morning.  
Archbishop Sambì  
arrives in the Seminary  
to celebrate the  
Eucharist and to  
have lunch with the  
seminarians!**



# Gala Dinner

Redemptoris Mater Seminary's Second Annual Gala Dinner was held on May 15th in Randolph, MA, and honored the Papal Nuncio of Pope Benedict XVI to the United States, Archbishop Pietro Sambi. The event also recognized Jack Shaughnessy Sr. for his contribution to the Church and love of the priesthood. 350 guests from all over the Archdiocese of Boston and beyond attended the dinner.



## “Blessed Pope John Paul II

called for the need of a New Evangelization by returning to the very first apostolic model, through the living witness of Christian communities... It is most necessary that in our day St. Francis of Assisi, St. Dominic of Guzman, St. Ignatius of Loyola, may again walk the streets of this world, bringing to people the great news that Christ has overcome death for all, that our sins are forgiven, that love exists and that we can experience eternal life in our hearts already here and now...”

*Rev. Antonio F. Medeiros  
Rector of the Seminary*



## “It’s wonderful

to be here and to see this extraordinary response for the second annual gala. It’s very fitting that we come together today which is Good Shepherd Sunday to celebrate and support our vocations and in a very special way the extreme gift to our Archdiocese that is the Redemptoris Mater Seminary...  
...The Redemptoris Mater Seminary exists in great part because of the pastoral creativity and inspiration of Pope John Paul II, Blessed Pope John Paul II.”

*His Eminence  
Cardinal Sean P. O'Malley  
Archbishop of Boston*





"I am very happy to be with you, and as his representative, I am happy to bring to each of you the greetings, the encouragement, and the blessing of our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI.

I am bringing Pope Benedict's fraternal greetings to His Eminence Cardinal Sean O'Malley. The Holy Father knows him, he knows him as a man of faith, and a man of courage, and a man of humility, and as a great builder of the future. Thank you your Eminence for what you are and for the example that you give to the Church of the United States and, as a Cardinal, to the Universal Church. I would like to express to you my gratitude and the gratitude of the Holy Father for the sure hope, for the friendship, for the encouragement that you give to the Redemptoris Mater Seminary.

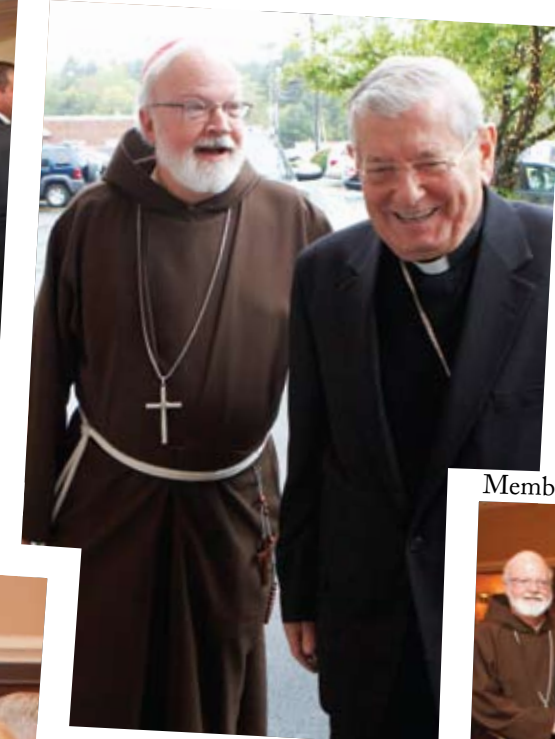
I went there this morning and I said: "Your house is small, but the hope that is in this house is great". Help, please, to enlarge the house and to increase the hope."

*His Excellency Archbishop Pietro Sambi  
Apostolic Nuncio of His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI  
to the United States*

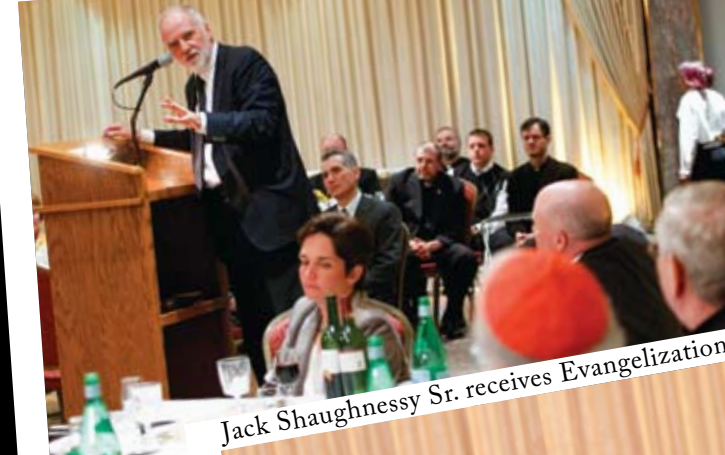
The parents of one of our seminarians from Texas



Fathers Darin Colarusso and Daniel Hennessey



Giuseppe Gennarini, responsible for the Neocatechumenal Way in the United States



Jack Shaughnessy Sr. receives Evangelization Award



State Senator Thomas P. Kennedy

Members of the Brazilian community of the Archdiocese



Parishioners from St. Patrick Parish, Brockton, MA



Former Mayor of Boston

his wife Kathy

and Ambassador to the Holy See, Ray Flynn and



Seminarians dedicate a couple of songs to Archbishop Sambi



Cardinal Sean with Former Legislator and

Attorney General Robert H. Quinn and Jack Shaughnessy Sr.

