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An online newsletter  
for the worldwide TEC Family

June 2008

## Updates for the TEC Family

By Ronald Reiter, TEC Conference Executive Director

Dear TEC Family,

What a special celebration for a very special person, Fr. Matt Fedewa! My wife, Kay, and I were extremely blessed to be at the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Fr. Matthew Fedewa's ordination to the priesthood. Well-wishers came from far and near. Many nieces and nephews and other members of his family, parishioners he had formerly served as pastor, members of his TEC family, and over 50 priests and religious came to celebrate the Paschal Mystery journey of Fr. Matt.

They came by the hundreds to affirm, support, and lay claim to his journey of faith that began on a Wisconsin farm with 10 brothers and sisters and continues today as he spiritually mentors some of the seminarians at St. John Vianney Seminary in the Twin Cities.

At the 4 p.m. Mass celebration, at the completion of the "Great Amen", God affirmed it all with the loudest clap of thunder I have ever heard. Of course the Gospel in the Church year was the call of Matthew. Surprised? I'm not.

Fr. Matt concluded that celebration and then on Monday traveled to St. Louis to participate in prayer and dialogue as a member of the Spirituality Ministry Team.

Also present was Archbishop Roger Schwietz, Fr. James Brown, OAR, Fr. Eric Reilly, Sr. Jacque Schroeder, OSF, Deacon Bob Sondag, Janet Drey, Dennis Kurtz, Penny Wolf, and Mary O'Brien and Kay Reiter who served as behind-the-scenes Wheaties.

Issues talked about were:

1. Assisting the TEC centers spiritual directors;
2. Spiritual Directors workshop possibly in 2009 or 2010;
3. Team model approach of spiritual director and lay director of a TEC community;
4. Use of the TEC manual with good formation;
5. TEC and age;
6. Staffing for the TEC Conference office: spiritual director needed;
7. Translation of the TEC manual into Spanish.

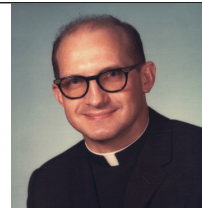
More information will be coming out over the next few weeks, especially at the TEC Congress. I look forward to seeing everyone August 1-3 in Wichita.

Yours in Christ,

*Ronald Reiter*

## Congratulations Fr. Matt!!

50 Years of Priesthood



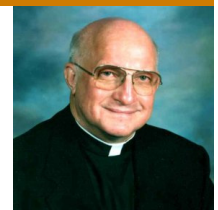
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Lives...*

*50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*

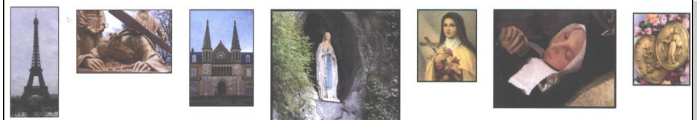
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*June 8, 2008*

*Fr. Matthew Fedewa*



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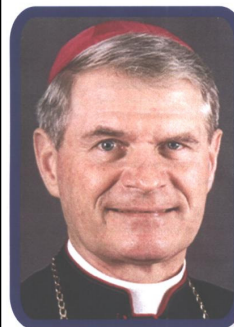


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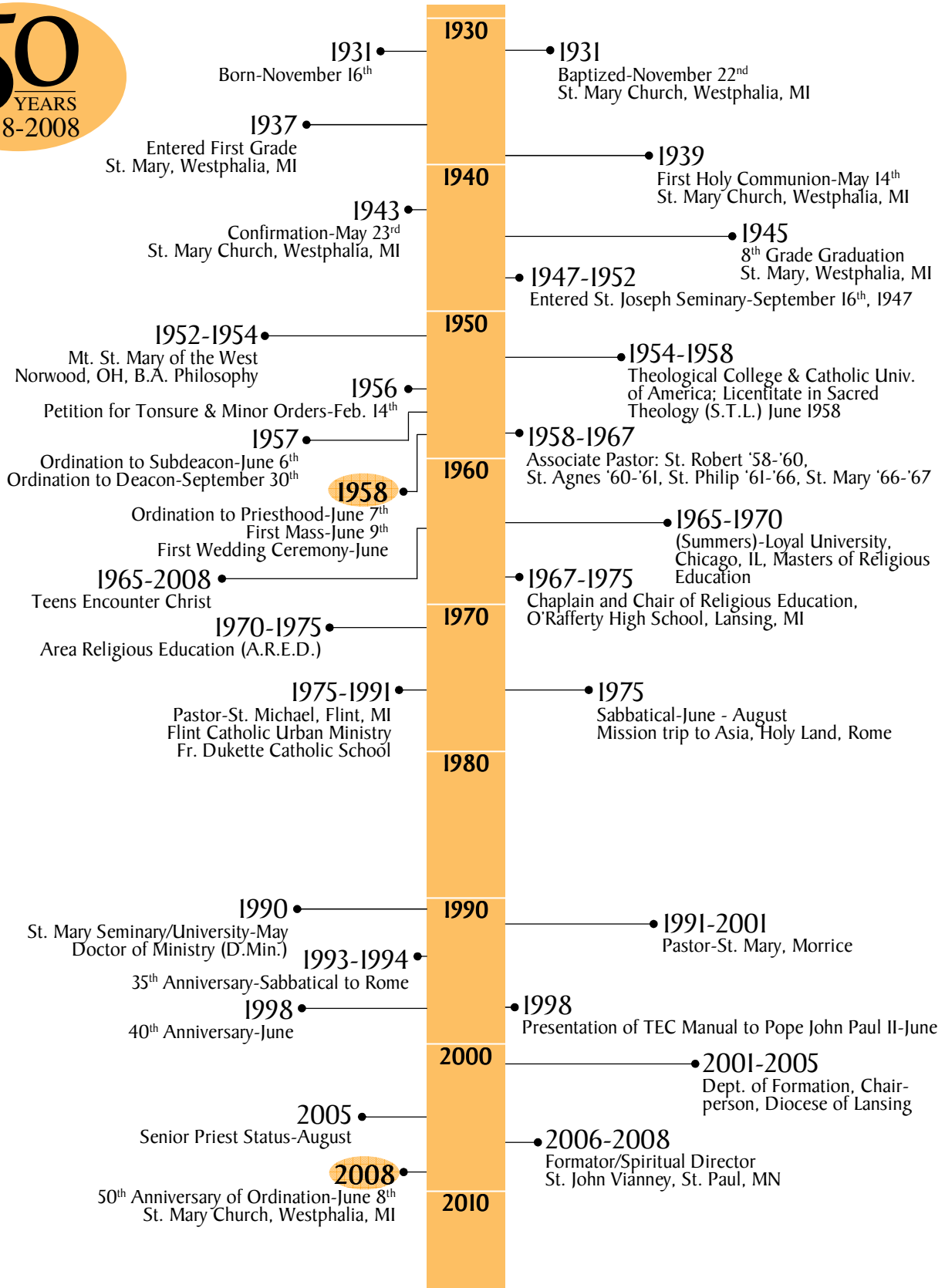
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# Fr. Matthew Fedewa's History

## 50 Years of Priesthood!



# TEC Family Happenings!

Here's what's happening in your TEC Family! Are you involved yet?

## 2008 TEC Congress



*A Prayer of Wheat*

Aug. 1-3, 2008

**SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER**  
Wichita, Kan.

**Congress Co-Chair**  
**David Walker**

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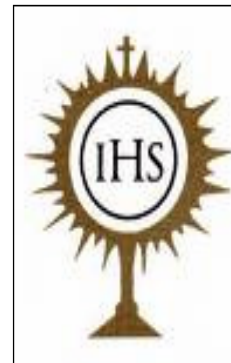
[www.TECConference.org](http://www.TECConference.org)

## Pray With The TEC Family

Has your community joined this Eucharistic Adoration prayer campaign yet?

For more information check out:

[www.TECConference.org](http://www.TECConference.org)



## UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Aug. 15-17, 2008

**GASPER RIVER CATHOLIC  
RETREAT CENTER**

*Diocese of Owensboro, Ky.*

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Oct. 24-26, 2008

**BLESSED SACRAMENT  
PARISH**

*Diocese of Rapid City, S.D.*

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Nov. 21-23, 2008

**SPALDING RENEWAL  
CENTER**

*Diocese of Peoria, Ill.*

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## NEW TEC DVDs-READY BY SUMMER!!

Already placed your order? We'll have them ready for you at the Congress in Wichita. Looking to place an order? Let us know how many you will need by July 1<sup>st</sup> and we'll bring them to Wichita. Be sure to look for our TEC Conference Display!

### **2007 Spiritual Directors Workshop Series**

*Series price is \$200 (\$100 for the entire series if your center was represented at the Spiritual Directors workshop)*

- Role of the TEC Spiritual Director (\$70, two-disc set);
- Paschal Mystery Spirituality (\$35, one disc);
- Spiritual Processes of TEC (\$70, two-discs); and
- TEC & Youth/Young Adult Ministry (\$70, two-discs).

### **2007 Congress Series "Mary: Our Guide to Perfect Discipleship"**

*Series price is \$65, or \$25 for individual segments*

- Retreat Experience (on Mary's example of prayer & discipleship);
- Forming an Adult Faith Community and TEC Community of Disciples; and
- TEC: Building Partnerships in the Larger Church.

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