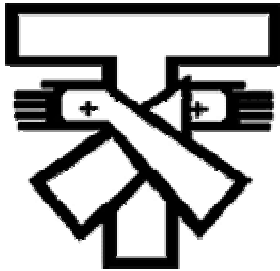


Dragoon Dispatch

May 2008



**Classes
Contribute
to
Continual
Conversion**

The novices continued to benefit from the wisdom and knowledge of many visiting friars who taught classes, including notably Fr. Mark Weaver, OFM Conv. on selected writings of St. Francis, Fr. Dominic McGee, OFM Conv. on the history of the IC Province, Fr. Berard Marthaler, OFM Conv. on the history of OLC Province and Fr. Ed Tluczek, OFM on the vows.

Novices Celebrate Easter with OFM Brothers

This Easter, St. Francis of Assisi Novitiate continued its tradition of hospitality and collaboration with the OFM novitiate in Cedar Lake. The OFM novices and director visited Mishawaka during the Triduum in order to celebrate with their Conventual brothers and to attend the magnifi-

cent liturgies at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, located on the campus of Notre Dame University.

**He is risen,
alleluia!**



Below left: Robert incensing at Solemn Morning Prayer; below right: OFMs dye Easter eggs.



Restrooms Get a Facelift

During the month of April, the novices began repainting and doing minor renovations to the restrooms on the second floor. New lighting fixtures, insulation and ceiling tiles were installed, tiles were painted, and the old sinks were replaced. One bathroom, now known as the

"Green Bathroom," has been completed. The other, which will be known as the "Blue Bathroom," is in progress and expected to be completed in late May. Upon completion of the renovations, the bathrooms will feel less institutional and feel more like home.



Far right: Paul in bathroom before renovations; above: André in bathroom after.

