

Homecoming! Saturday, October 3



For the second time ever, the SOT·Sem will have a tent on the Tundra after the homecoming football game (the game starts at 1 p.m.). Join us for snacks and conversation with current grad and undergrad students, alums, and passers-by. Festivities on the Tundra (the quad near Sexton—see photo above) begin after the game (around 4 p.m.). All are welcome. Bring your friends. Bring your family. Bring yourself! **The first five alums who visit the tent will receive a special gift—their choice of either an SOT·Sem t-shirt or a pair of SOT·Sem mugs.**

The Alum Association is looking for alums to help host our guests in the tent. Contact Rose Radkowski by September 30 (rradkowski@csbsju.edu or 320-363-3924) to volunteer or for more information about places, times, and your special thank-you gift.

Diekmann lecture focuses on Translation

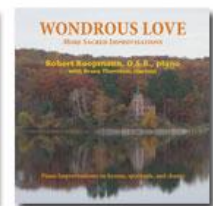
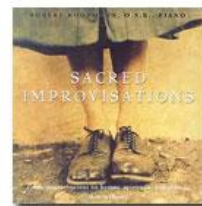
On Sunday, September 20, 2009, Msgr. Bruce Harbert, executive director of the International Commission on English in the Liturgy (ICEL), and Rev. Carl Daw, executive director of the Hymn Society in the United States and Canada, provided enlightening commentary on the new translation of the Roman Missal. Msgr. Harbert's lecture, titled "The Missal's Image of God," provided significant insights into the rationale for the new translation, and Rev. Carl Daw responded with observations on the translation process and suggestions on its implementation. An archive of the video for viewing only is available on the Web at www.csbsju.edu/sot/events/DiekmannLecture.htm.

SJU Presidential Inauguration October 1

Fr. Robert Koopmann, OSB will be inaugurated as the twelfth president of Saint John's University at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 1, 2009 in the Abbey Church. Inauguration events include the celebration of the Eucharist at noon with Bishop John Kinney presiding. The Celebration of the Eucharist and Inauguration Ceremony will be live streamed on the SJU Inauguration Web site.

On Inauguration Day, the CSB/SJU Bookstores will be open Thursday, Oct. 1 from 8:30 – 6:30 (closed for the ceremony from 2:00 – 4:00). They will have copies of both of Fr. Robert Koopmann's CDs in stock to purchase, as well as his recommended reading list. The books will be discounted 25% the day of the event. You can also get a FREE Michael Crouser fall scene poster with any in-store purchase on Inauguration Day.

Sacred Improvisations includes 16 piano improvisations on hymns, spirituals and chants, including "Deep River," "Adoro te Devote," and "Beach Spring." *Wondrous Love: More Sacred Improvisations* contains piano improvisations on 17 hymns, spirituals, and chants. Clarinetist Bruce Thornton accompanies Fr. Bob on several selections. Songs include "Were You There," "Precious Lord," and "Give Me Jesus." For more, see <http://www.csbsju.edu/bookstore/inauguration.htm>



S. Joan Chittister, OSB to speak on “*Monasticism as Radical Christianity*”

Join us for this free public lecture at 8 p.m. on Friday, October 9, 2009 in the Stephen B. Humphrey Theater of Saint John’s University. This lecture is sponsored by the *Conversatio* Lifelong Learning program of Saint John’s School of Theology-Seminary. Please pass the invitation along!

2010 Holy Land Study Tour

Participants will visit sites in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Galilee, Jericho, the Dead Sea, Cairo and sites of early monastic communities of the Egyptian desert from May 11 to June 1, 2010. Inquiries should be directed to Fr. Michael Patella, OSB, at 320-363-2108 or mpatella@csbsju.edu.

Theology Days for 2009–2010

Four of our School of Theology-Seminary faculty are giving presentations throughout the ’09-’10 school year on very timely topics. The series begins in September with “The Economic Crisis and Catholic Social Thought” by Daniel Finn, followed by “How Do We Make Moral Decisions?” by Kathy Lilla Cox, “How Catholics Read the Bible” by Charles Bobertz, and “What Does Excellence Mean in Ministry?” by Victor Klimoski. Details with dates, as well as online registration, are available at www.csbsju.edu/sot.