

newsletter

TENLEY STUDY CENTER

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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Dear Friends of Tenley,

I AM GLAD TO SHARE WITH YOU THE GREAT NEWS that this past September we had our first Mass in the newly refurbished oratory. With the generous support of so many of you, we have been able to make the oratory project a tangible reality.

As you may remember, with the occasion of Tenley's 50th anniversary, we embarked on an ambitious project of renewing our chapel. Our hope was that this renovation would not only accommodate the growing number of participants in the center's activities, but also, provide them with a more contemplative place that would help them deepen and strengthen their faith.

I think it's safe to say that St. Josemaría Escrivá, the founder of Opus Dei, would be proud of what has been accomplished: the altar has been relocated to facilitate an unobstructed view of the tabernacle; the overall lighting has been enhanced; and the new pews have been made to order to increase sitting capacity and accessibility. Yet, most importantly, we have refurbished the tabernacle to its original greatness. In the following pages I share with you some before and after pictures.

But this great oratory project is not the only thing I need to be grateful for. Again, with the generosity of so many Tenley friends and supporters, we were able to replace our dilapidated 15-passenger van for a much safer and powerful model. This van is now used weekly for our high school activities and throughout the year to go on countless activities such as silent retreats, study weekends, hiking trips, conferences, and our yearly ski trip to Vermont. Once again, thank you!

Finally, a quick update on one of our school year activities: as you may recall, due to the high number of participants in Club Garrison last year, we decided to split 7th and 8th grades activities to different days. Well, this fall we have already more than doubled the number of participants from last year... and have had to cap applications! All this is possible because of your support.

Looking forward to seeing many of you in the coming weeks and, one again, thank you.

Sincerely,

Joe Cardenas, Executive Director
TENLEY STUDY CENTER

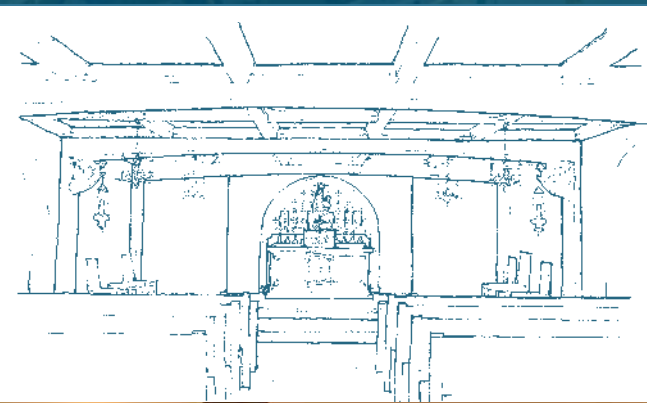
Tenley Study Center is dedicated to the academic and character development of men of all ages. Its activities encourage them to see their studies, work and family responsibilities from the perspective of character growth and service to others. The spiritual dimension of Tenley's activities is entrusted to Opus Dei, a personal prelature of the Catholic Church.



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In Progress



THE IMPETUS behind the remodeling of Tenley's oratory was two fold: first, to make the oratory a more conducive space for contemplation and meditation by providing an unobstructed view of the tabernacle and improving the overall lighting; second, to provide more space for the increasing number of participants to the center's activities. Thanks to the generosity of so many people, both goals have been achieved.

One of the unexpected challenges of the project was the removal of the front altar... since it weighed over 1,300 pounds! After its successful removal, the altar was transported, in one single piece, all the way to Boston, where it will be used for the new chapel at the Sparhawk Academy which opened its doors for the first time this Fall.

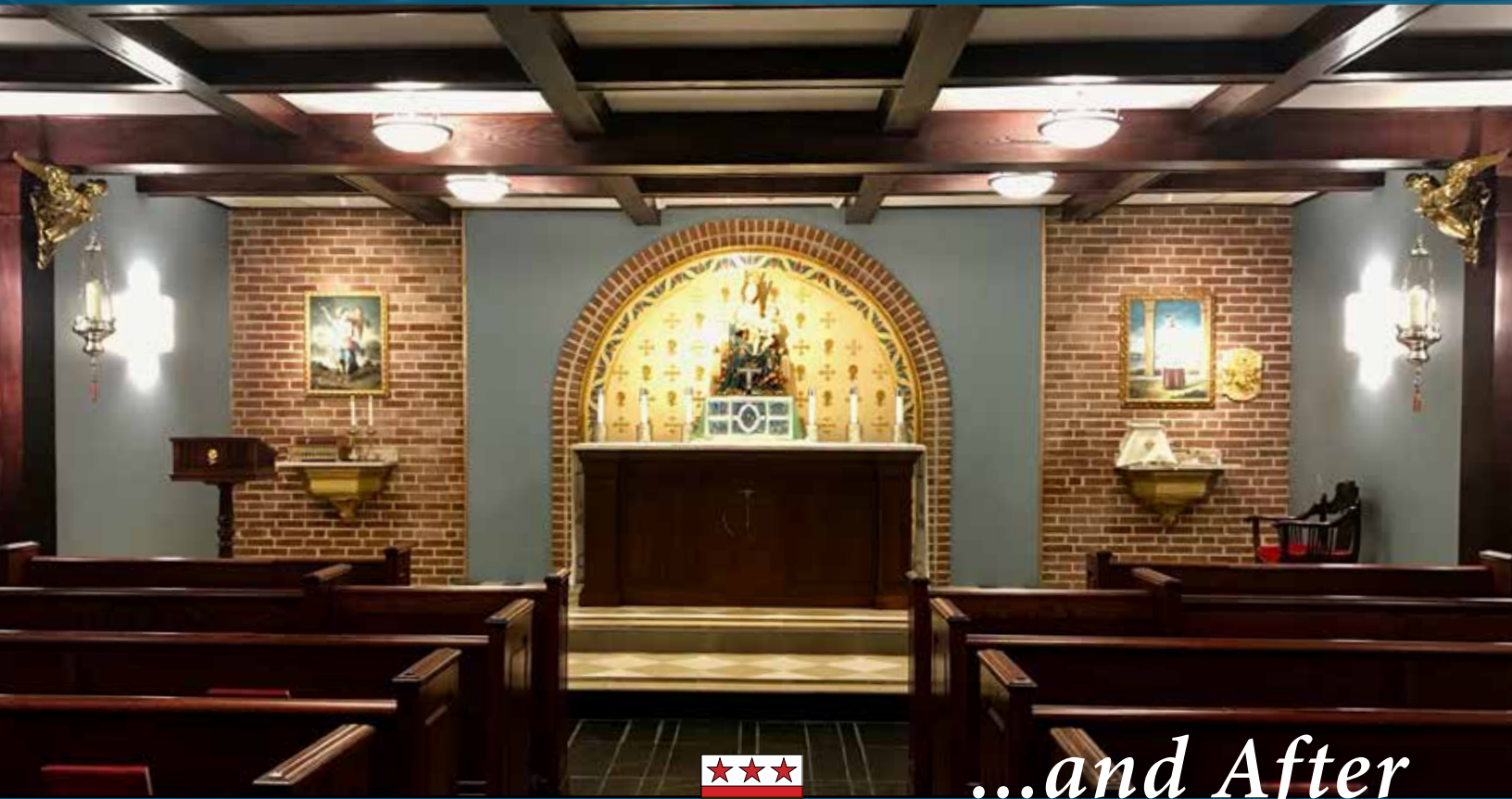
Oratory

THE CONCEPT for the new oratory was envisioned by the nationally renowned architect James McCrery who graciously donated his time and talents to this great project. (If interested, you may visit his website at mccreryarchitects.com.)

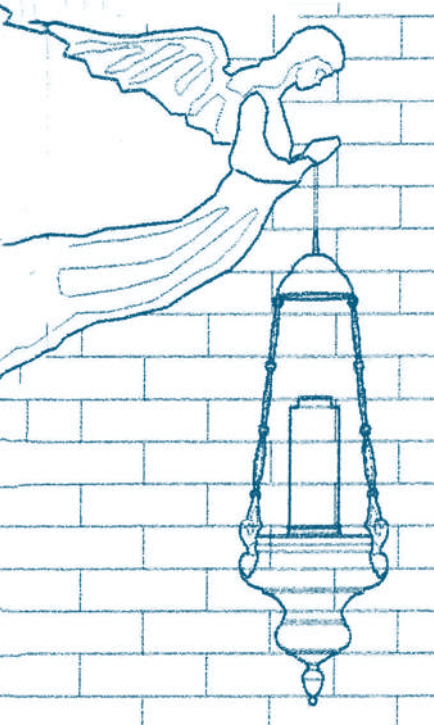
In many ways, the architectural inspiration for the new oratory were the myriad Romanesque and Gothic crypts found throughout Europe. These crypts were—and are—the foundations of the magnificent Romanesque and Gothic churches built with the hard work and unyielding faith of thousands of men and women during the Middle Ages. Our oratory is a testament and a tribute to their enduring architectural accomplishments.



Before



...and After



FROM THE DESK OF PHIL WEHLE

LAST YEAR, ON THE OCCASION OF OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY, Tenley embarked on an ambitious project to renew its oratory. Thanks to the very generous support of many of you, we raised the funds necessary to renovate and refurbish the oratory and achieved our objective of providing a more contemplative sacred space to accommodate the growing number of participants in the center's activities. I am most pleased to recognize below those generous donors who made this project possible:

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thank you

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With much gratitude,

Phil Wehle
Director, Tenley Association

