

This article appeared in *The Guardian*, the newspaper of Saint Joseph Regional High School in Montvale. The author is Quinn Burns, a sophomore at Saint Joe's and MBS parishioner. Quinn also served as the thurifer (incense bearer) for the Mass of Installation.

On Friday September 7th, over five hundred clergy, parishioners, colleagues, family and friends joined together at the Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Franklin Lakes, NJ, to celebrate the installation of Reverend John R. Job as the Church's eighth pastor by the Archbishop of Newark, Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R. The Cardinal was inspired by the number of attendees in the standing-room only church "especially on a Friday night during football season." Cardinal Tobin appointed Father Job as pastor on July 1st, after he served 7 years there as the Parochial Vicar. Father Job was a former SJR Principal serving from 1997 to 2007. As Pastor, Father Job succeeds the Most Reverend John W. Flesey who is now the Pastor Emeritus of the Parish. Bishop Flesey will remain in residence at MBS while he continues to serve as Episcopal Vicar of Bergen County.

Father John has devoted his life to faith, teaching, and Catholic education in general. Before joining St Joe's as the first lay Principal in 1997, he served as Assistant Principal for Academics at Marist High School in Bayonne, NJ, where he also taught courses in Spanish, theology, and mathematics. Prior to Marist, he worked at Benedictine Academy in Elizabeth, NJ. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Theology and Classical Languages and Literatures (Latin and Greek), a Master of Arts in Education, a Master of Arts in Theology, and a Master of Divinity in Pastoral Ministry. Father Job was ordained to the priesthood on May 28, 2011. He is a member of the SJR Consultative Board.

Cardinal Tobin presided over the Mass, which was attended by many priests from the Archdiocese of Newark as well as from the Dioceses of Metuchen and Paterson. The congregation included religious brothers and sisters as well as archdiocesan, parish, and school staff members. In his homily, the Cardinal reflected on the current times in the Church and the upcoming 9/11 anniversary. Cardinal Tobin said he was confident that Father Job, like the 9/11 first responders, will not turn away from the challenges facing the Church but that he will guide parishioners and Catholics along the way.

Father Job thanked his parishioners, fellow clergy, family, and former colleagues for supporting him and for attending the Mass. In one particularly poignant moment, he thanked his first grade teacher from Saint Henry School in Bayonne, Sister Rosemary Kenny, O.S.B, a Benedictine Sister of Elizabeth, NJ, for teaching him all that he really needed to know in life: reading, writing, and knowing that God is love. Sister was in attendance and threw him a kiss as he asked her to stand to be recognized. Father Job also reflected on his own mother's positive influence on him and her prayers for his future: "She would be pleased that I am well cared for here at MBS. It is a family." He also acknowledged the SJR Board members, students, staff, and faculty in attendance: "Thank you to those who have come from the other side of Bergen County and whose hearts bleed green and gold and who continue to develop the Vir Fidelis." Last but not least he recognized and thanked his mentor and friend, Bishop Flesey. Other

acknowledgements for those influential in his life were found symbolically with the chalice and chasuble given to him by former Saint Henry's Pastors, the late Reverend Monsignor John G. Judge and the Most Reverend Thomas A. Donato, respectively.

According to Mr. Murph Bamrick '89, member of the SJR Board, "It was a beautiful installation Mass and also an acknowledgement of how many people Father has affected positively in his life." Truly he follows the Marist Brothers' mission as he makes Jesus known and loved to all he meets. Two of the altar servers for the Mass were the author and Michael DeMarco, both parishioners and SJR students. Attendees were treated to a festive reception catered and sponsored by Inserra Supermarkets.