

# Author spotlights Notre Dame football tradition

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Author **Jim Lefebvre's** work is the first book-length treatment of the team that won the school's first national championship, led by a backfield that sportswriting legend Grantland Rice nicknamed "The Four Horsemen."

The book also recounts the deep-seated anti-Catholicism of the times, as well as how the team helped to change such attitudes and become a source of pride for American Catholics.

"Loyal Sons" can be ordered online at [THECATHOLICSPIRIT.COM](http://THECATHOLICSPIRIT.COM), as well as directly from the distributor, ACTA Publications at [WWW.ACTASPORTS.COM](http://WWW.ACTASPORTS.COM) or (800) 397-2282.

## Catholic Eldercare names new leader



JOHNSON

**Dan Johnson** has been named the new president and CEO for **Catholic Eldercare**, a Minneapolis-based organization that provides a continuum of housing and care services for elders of all faiths and financial means. He

will succeed **Mary Broderick**, who is retiring in February.

Johnson has served as associate director for program development at HealthPartners Institute for Medical Education and is a former administrator at the College of St. Catherine's Minneapolis campus.

## Prayer was focus of school's marathon efforts

Students and staff at **Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic School** in Belle Plaine decided to do something different for this year's Marathon for Nonpublic Education.

Based on the theme "Got Prayers?" they launched their first Intentional Walk on All Souls Day, Nov. 2.

The school's 33 students asked for sponsors for their walks as well as sponsors' prayer intentions, which they prayed for at a Mass and during the walk. OLP received about 500 prayer intentions for the walk and continues to receive more every day, according to a news release from the school.

## Monastery sells sustainably harvested wreaths

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## Ignatian Volunteer Corps has new regional director

■ **Steven Melloy** of St. Paul has been named regional director of the Ignatian Volunteer Corps' Minneapolis-St. Paul

office. His predecessor, **Meg Mannix**, was appointed IVC national director of programs and operations.

IVC is a national service organization of retired men and women.

## New development director at Cretin-Derham Hall

**Frank Miley** will become the director of development at **Cretrin-Derham Hall** in St.

Paul, effective Dec. 1. He succeeds **Tim Benz**, who joined Catholic Charities.

Miley has served as vice president of administration at the William Mitchell College of Law in St. Paul. From 2003 to 2007, he was the president and chief advancement officer for **Holy Family Catholic High School** in Victoria.

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