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Dear Friends,

Two weeks ago I enjoyed a week with my brother-priests at the major seminary in Omaha. We had gathered for a week of meetings and camaraderie. These semi-annual meetings always bring a renewed dedication and appreciation for the priesthood.

The highlight of the week was a private ceremony on July 13, in which two young men became novices in the religious Congregation of Mary Immaculate Queen. They received the habit of the congregation, as well as new names in religion. One of these men was Wade White, who was a seminarian here at St. Joseph Seminary during the past year. Wade will henceforth be known as Brother John Marie of Our Mother of Sorrows. The other young man, formerly known as Tom Lavery, will now be known as Frater Gabriel Maria of Our Lady of Consolation.

I am going to miss Bro. John here at the seminary. He was not only a companion and helper, but he was also a good example for the minor seminarians. Bro. John is a young man who knows what he wants and is serious in pursuing that goal. I ask you to remember both of these young men in your prayers during this very important year of novitiate training.

Last week Mr. Mark Glenn came out to Idaho to find a home. In a few weeks he will move his family from Cincinnati to our area. As you know, Mr. Glenn will teach here at St. Joseph Seminary during the coming year. A history teacher, he also is proficient in several foreign languages and so will begin that branch of studies here. Mark is



*Bro. John Marie is clothed in the white habit of a novice.*



*The two new novices kneel before the Bishop to receive the Rule book of the Congregation.*

dedicated to the work of Catholic education, and I am looking forward to his help on our teaching staff.

Somehow the summer seems to be flying by. There are still many projects to be completed with just a month remaining of summer. At the same time,

I have been able to enjoy a few days off and am gearing up for the new school year. As always, we are most grateful for your support and prayers. May Jesus, Mary and St. Joseph deign to prosper our work, and may God bless you all.

*Fr. Benedict Hughes, CMRI*



*Fra. Gabriel Maria is clothed in the habit.*



*The blessing of the novices at the conclusion of the ceremony.*



*The priests and novices pose with the Bishop after the ceremony.*



*The two young men to be received as novices approach the Bishop to be clothed in their habits.*



*The sunlight shines on two happy novices after the ceremony.*

### **Seminary Support Club**

If you are not yet a member of the Seminary Support Club and would like to become a member, you may write to the seminary at the address below. Members pledge to pray for the success of the seminary and, if able, to send a regular financial contribution for its support.

### **Do you have a vocation?**

If you are a young man of high school age who has a vocation, then St. Joseph Seminary may be the place for you. Our four-year course of studies offers the regular high school curriculum, with an emphasis on Theology, Latin, choir and foreign language. A well-rounded program of daily Mass, prayer and sports complements our academic schedule. For more information, write to the rector of St. Joseph Seminary at the address below.

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