Oblates elect five to leadership

Five Oblate Sisters of Providence were elected to four-year leadership positions during the order's Chapter of Election April 17 at the motherhouse in Catonsville.

Sister Mary Alexis Fisher will serve as superior general; Sister Mary Clarice Proctor will serve as assistant general and first councilor; Sister Mary Constance Fenwick was elected second councilor; Sister Dora Fernandez will serve as third councilor; and Sister Mary Trinita Baeza was elected as fourth councilor.

The entire congregation was present for the Chapter of Election. It was preceded by a day of retreat, which concluded a year of discernment during which the order sought to know God's will through prayer and discussion.

Completing a four-year term with this election are Sister Mary Annette Beecham, superior general; Sister Mary Ricardo Maddox, assistant general and first councilor; Sister Mary Brenda Motte, second councilor; Sister Mary Constance Fenwick, third councilor; and Sister Mary Clarice Proctor, fourth councilor. The latter two sisters were re-elected to leadership in this election.

The sisters hold Chapter of Election and Chapter of Affairs every four years. The Chapter of Affairs will be held this year immediately following the installation of the new leadership team on June 24.