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AMAZING PHOTO of an 18-week-old fetus during the period of gestation in the mother's womb shows the unborn infant to be active and very much alive. Physicians have

reported cases when children have been born with calluses from thumb-sucking. See special supplement of the Florida-Right-To Life Committee in this edition. —Life Magazine Photo

One Liberal Abortion Bill Is Killed — Four Others Alive In Legislature

Opponents of relaxed abortion have laws in Florida scored a major victory Tuesday when one of the most liberal bills was defeated 65-44 by the House of Representatives after four hours of spirited and controversial debate as observers in the legislature warned that other measures to reform the state's abortion statutes are still alive and pending in both the House and Senate.

The measure, sponsored by Rep. Miley Miers (D-Tallahassee) which proponents predicted would "pass easily" would have required only that abortion be performed during the first half of a pregnancy by a physician in a hospital and that the mother be a state resident for at least six months.

As Florida's Bishops condemned abortion "as an unworthy recourse of society in seeking solutions to problems," Dr. John L. Grady, Belle Glade, state chairman of the Florida Right-To-Life Committee, told The Voice, "This tremendous victory reflects the great groundswell against abortion that is taking place across the state."

"It has been my experience," the physician declared, "that once the true facts regarding abortions are brought to the attention of responsible citizens that the vast majority of these citizens see the cruelty and immorality of abortion and oppose this needless legislation."

Dr. Grady, who is the author of the book, "Abortion: Yes or No," which is reprinted in its entirety in a special supplement to The Voice this week, also noted that "The extreme liberal politicians who have introduced this legislation continually use the propaganda that only Catholics are opposed to this legislation. However, there has been great opposition from numerous other groups, both religious and nonreligious."

"The vast majority of Baptists, Episcopalians, Lutherans and many other groups are strongly opposed to this legislation," he emphasized, "and have so indicated by their support and participation in the statewide Florida Right-To-Life Committee."

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Hollahan Denies Switch

Sen. George Hollahan has emphatically denied that he has withdrawn his support of a tuition grant bill for students in nonpublic schools, as reported earlier this week by a Miami newspaper.

"I'm firmly committed to the principle and fully intend to lead the fight for the passage of this bill," the legislator, one of the introducers of the measure, said.



HOLDING CURETTE, a surgical instrument used in performing abortions, Rep. Donald Reed (R-Boca Raton) led a successful debate in the House of Representatives Tuesday to defeat a liberalized abortion bill. Looking on as Reed spoke was Rep. Mary R. Grizzle (R-Clearwater) another opponent of the bill.

Private Pupil-Aid Held No New Concept In Fla.

Use of state funds for payment of tuition expenses of students in non-public schools is not a new concept — in Florida it has been done for years.

This was revealed this week by Miami attorney Joseph M. Fitzgerald, one of a group testifying before a hearing of the Senate Education Committee of the Florida Legislature in support of aid to pupils in religious and private non-sectarian schools.

Discussing the constitutionality of the proposed legislation, Fitzgerald told legislators that "The question of constitutionality was never raised in the past when the state found it convenient to purchase services from private institutions with public funds, why is it an issue now?" he challenged lawmakers. "There is nothing unique in this pupil-aid bill."

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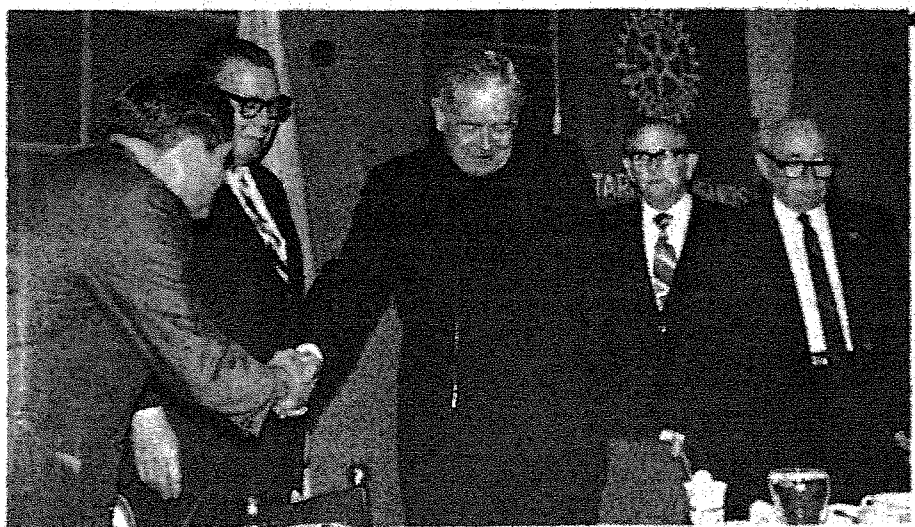


CUBAN REFUGEES were commended by Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll during testimonial dinner of the Cuban Exile Rotary Club honoring various Archdiocesan agencies which have assisted the exiles during the past 10 years. See story P. 2.



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GREETING Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll (center) before the banquet are (from left) Horacio Aguirre, editor of *Diario Las Americas*, Jose M. Morales-Gomez, Fico Lopez, and Jose M. Vidana, Rotary president. Below Msgr. Bryan O. Walsh, Episcopal Vicar for Spanish-Speaking people, who gave the invocation, explained the philosophy of The Centro Hispano Catolico operation.

Calls Refugee Influx Historic Happening

"The Cuban refugee influx has now become one of the most important happenings in the short history of Miami," Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll told guests at a Cuban Exile Rotary Club banquet Saturday, which honored various charitable agencies of the Archdiocese of Miami.

"The Cuban has contributed much, both materially and spiritually to this community. Our lives here have been enriched by his contribution in business and in education, and in the fields of health and the arts," the prelate, who was guest of honor, at the banquet added.

He pointed out that because of the number of exiles living in the area, they had "the responsibility to foster

vocations to the priesthood and Religious life."

Archbishop Carroll said he brought the situation of the Spanish-speaking people in Miami to the attention of the U.S. Bishops meeting in San Francisco, and added that he had gotten the support of the prelates to ask continuation of the airlift — which is presently endangered by demands from some news media that the government terminate the freedom flight.

"It is our responsibility to welcome these people because they are suffering persecution in their own land. The United States government must continue to open the door to freedom," Archbishop Carroll added.

Dr. Jose Miguel Morale-

Gomez, a Miami banker and former mayor of Havana, recalled, while offering tribute to the various agencies, all "those things which the Catholic Church has done for refugees during the past 10 years."

He paid tribute to Centro Hispano Catolico — the only place for Cubans to turn in the early years of the influx — which offered help before aid was established at Jackson Memorial Hospital, job train-

ing centers and other community agencies.

He lauded the editorial campaigns of *The Voice* in favor of retaining the Cuban airlift and beefing up aid programs to refugees. "It was through the effort of Centro Hispano Catolico, and its founder Archbishop Carroll, supported by the editorial campaigns of *The Voice*, that Miami, the state and federal governments became aware

of the needs of the Cuban refugees," Dr. Morales-Gomez said.

During the banquet various members of the club, which is headed by president Jose M. Vidana, recognized the contributions of Centro, the Archdiocesan Catholic Service Bureau, Department of Education, Christian Family Movement and Cur-

Women Join Project For Talent Bank

WASHINGTON — (NC) — Three major national women's organizations are the first groups officially to join The National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. (BPW) in a nationwide "Talent Bank" project to seek names of women who could qualify for high level policy-making positions within the federal government.

Representing a broad spectrum of more than 15 million women, the three groups — The American Association of University Women, B'nai B'rith Women, and the National Council of Catholic Women — are circulating questionnaires among their members.

Those interested in applying for top federal positions must complete the forms and return them to the organization which sent them. Each group will then forward applications to BPW's national executive offices where a central clearing house has been set up to process them. Qualified candidates' names will be channeled to the appropriate White House office as top openings occur on federal commissions, boards, agencies, branches or departments.

High Court To Review Abortion

WASHINGTON — (NC) — Acting on an appeal filed by the U.S. Department of Justice, the Supreme Court announced here that it will review the constitutionality of the District of Columbia's abortion law.

High court review of the law has been scheduled for next fall.

The Justice Department appealed the law after U.S. District Judge Gerhard A. Gesell struck down Washing-

ton's 69-year-old criminal abortion law last Nov. 10.

Judge Gesell said at the time that the clause "necessary for the preservation of the mother's life or health" was so vague that it forced the defendant to prove his innocence rather than forcing the court to prove the defendant's guilt.

In its appeal, the Justice Department said that in Gesell's decision the law was being construed to mean that

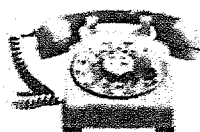
a doctor who acts in good faith is not subject to criminal prosecution for performing an abortion.

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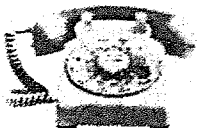
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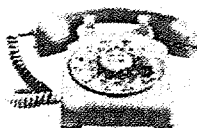
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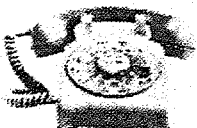
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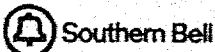
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Bishops' Conference Condemns Abortion

By GERARD E. SHERRY
SAN FRANCISCO — (NC) — The most notable feature of the semiannual meeting of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops (NCCB) here was that the voice of the people was loud and clear — and that the bishops listened and attended to that voice.

Despite the ominous clouds of mass confrontation with dissident Catholics, things were relatively quiet. The storm clouds had been dissipated by a very effective liaison committee of bishops headed by Archbishop Thomas J. McDonough of Louisville, Ky.

Another major develop-

ment was the issuance by the bishops of a statement expressing strong opposition to on-going efforts in various states of the nation to strike out laws prohibiting abortion.

"In the light of the attempts to remove all prohibition on abortion from our legal system, the life of the innocent unborn child is no longer given universal protection in the laws of our land," the bishops said.

"The implications of this proposed change in legal philosophy are enormous," the bishops said. "Once we allow the taking of innocent human life in the earliest stages of its development for the sake of convenience, how

can we logically protect human life at any other point, once that life has become a burden.

"Once again, we declared our determination to seek solutions to the problems that lead some women to consider abortion. We pledge our

efforts to do all that is possible to remove the social stigma that is visited on the woman that is pregnant out of wedlock, as well as on her child.

"We also pledge the facilities and the efforts of our Church agencies to provide

counseling and understanding to the women who face a difficult pregnancy. At the same time, we are encouraged by the scientific advance of recent decades that has already provided us with ways to support and maintain the life and health of the mother

and the development of the child in the womb."

Before the meeting of the bishops had opened there had been the possibility of dissent from Catholic groups that wanted a voice in decision-making. But the liaison committee of bishops, headed by Archbishop McDonough, had devoted considerable time before the conference sessions started, to hearing these groups.

Each presented views on how the Church should act under the formula of "shared responsibility." A great diversity of views was taken under consideration. Some were accepted for further study and action. Others were rejected as impracticable or untimely.

As a result of the liaison committee report, the bishops voted:

- That persons not members of the NCCB may address the full conference meeting only by invitation, extended after a vote of the entire body of bishops.

- That proposals regarding involvement of the "total people of God" in the selection of bishops be presented to the conference through the office of the general secretary.

- That the bishops' Committee on Priestly Formation stay close to the National Federation of Priests Councils in the consultative role regarding NFPC plans for a colloquium on the continuing education of priests.

- That the NCCB allocate \$15,000 to PADRES to finance a study of a team ministry among Mexican-Americans.

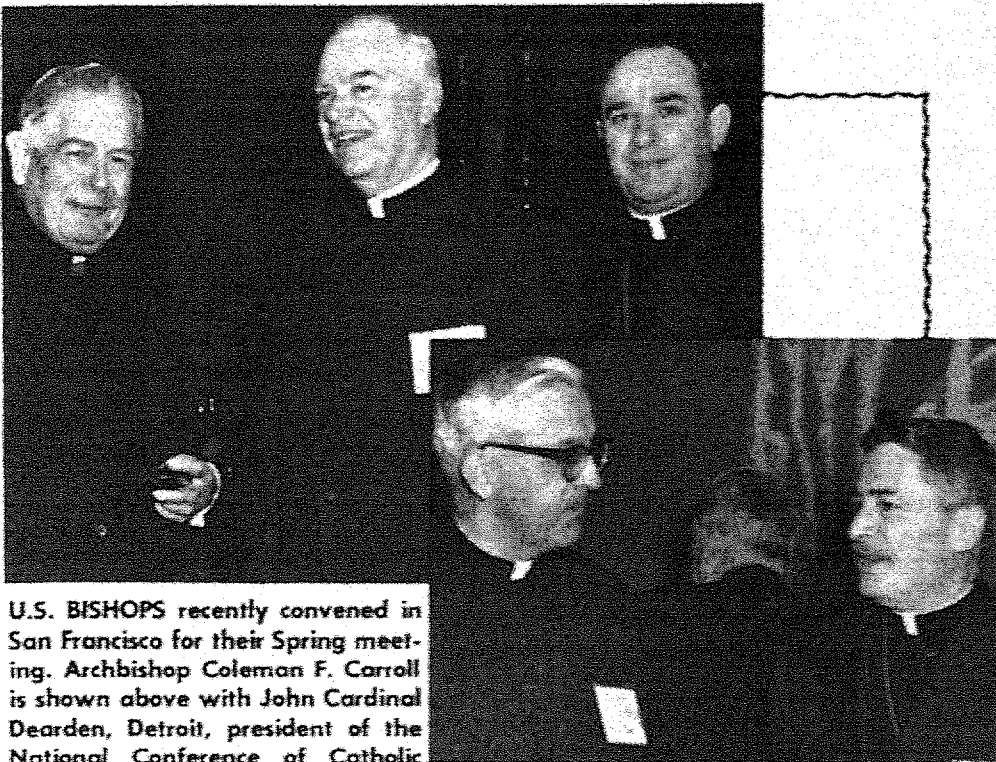
- That a study be made of the reorganizational possibilities of the Division for the Spanish-Speaking, including that of considering enlistment of staff persons of Mexican-American extraction.

- That an ad hoc committee on the Lay Apostolate be established.

- That greater efforts be made to tie programs of the National Councils of Catholic Men and Women into the programs of the United States Catholic Conference.

- That the bishops were "encouraged by the positive contribution to human

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U.S. BISHOPS recently convened in San Francisco for their Spring meeting. Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll is shown above with John Cardinal Dearden, Detroit, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops; and Bishop Joseph L. Bernardin, executive secretary. At right

talks with St. Petersburg prelate, Bishop John J. Fitzpatrick, Miami, Bishop Charles McLaughlin.

The Outstanding Accomplishments Of Conference

SAN FRANCISCO — (NC) — Here is what the bishops did when they met here in the semiannual meeting of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops (NCCB):

- Set next Thanksgiving for the first annual special collection for the relief of domestic poverty, hoping to raise close to \$7 million the first year toward a \$50-million fund to help eradicate the causes of poverty.

- Issued a 500-word statement that expressed "strong opposition to ongoing efforts to strike down laws prohibiting abortion," particularly a mounting drive for total repeal of all such laws, and that said "the destruction of any human life is not a private matter . . . We remain convinced that human life is a priceless gift."

- Encouraged Catholics, in a 1,300-word pastoral statement on "Christians in Our Times," to rely on God's providence and the Holy Spirit to see the Church through current difficulties and to pray more fervently for "living faith, abiding hope and stout courage."

- Heard Cardinal John Dearden of Detroit, the NCCB president, exhort his fellow bishops to go along with the idea of creating a National Pastoral Council in which responsibility for the Church in America would be shared at all levels of the Church and the bishops would "stand to profit pastorally from such sharing."

- Agreed to keep alive their temporary committee on the farm-labor dispute, formed to help mediate the lingering California grape dispute, because of expected agricultural worker unionizing efforts elsewhere in rural America.

- Allocated \$15,000 to PADRES, a new organization of Mexican-American priests, to pay for a "team ministry"

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Pope Relaxes Regulations Covering Mixed Marriages

VATICAN CITY — (NC) — Pope Paul VI has issued 2,400-word document setting up 17 new norms on mixed marriage for the world's Catholics.

The new legislation removes the demand that the non-Catholic party promise not to block his or her Catholic spouse from the Catholic's obligation to raise children born of the marriage as Catholics.

The motu proprio, or letter issued on the Pope's own initiative, also makes it possible for a mixed marriage to be performed in places other than a Catholic church and before a minister or official other than a Catholic priest, as long as some kind of public ceremony or public record is involved.

In both instances, the local bishop must be consulted — and in many situations covered by the 17 norms, the bishop can decide without having to check with Rome. The new legislation

takes effect Oct. 1.

(In Washington, a spokesman for the National Conference of Catholic Bishops called the document "a further step in understanding between Catholics and other Christians as well as between Catholics and nonChristians.")

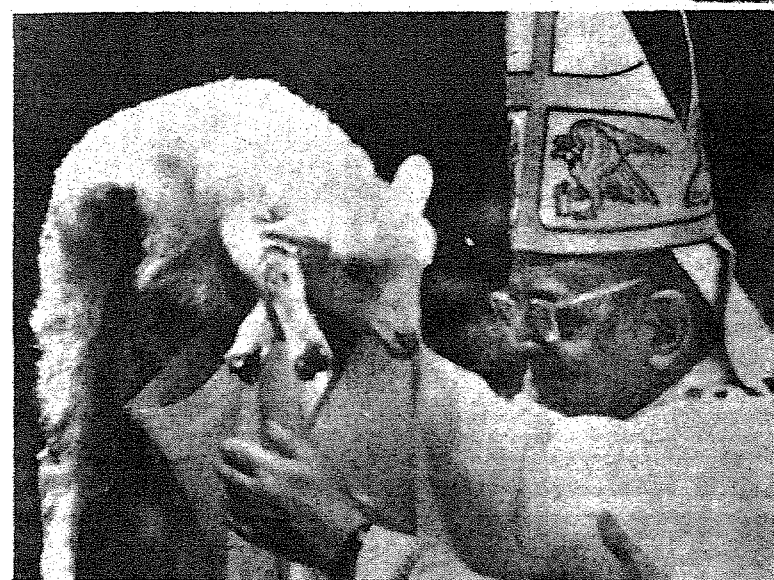
The papal letter, entitled "Matrimonia Mixta," sees mixed marriages as a result of Christian division and not as the way to help restore unity among Christians "except in some cases." It says that the difficult questions inherent in mixed marriages "can only be fully resolved when Christian unity is restored."

The first 14 norms are a combination of new and existing mixed marriage rules. The 15th and 16th remove any church penalties connected with non-observance of the other norms. The 17th says the judgment of the Vatican should be sought in any cases

of doubt in applying the other 16 norms.

Pope Paul's document notes at the outset that the number of mixed marriages has greatly increased, and says the Church's pastoral duty is to set up norms concerning such marriages. The new regulations do not apply to Eastern-rite Catholics because earlier legislation covers them.

The motu proprio asks that mixed marriages be discouraged, which is also the attitude of many Protestant denominations, out of fear of spiritual divisiveness for the married couple.



HOLDING A LAMB, a gift of Sardinian shepherds, Pope Paul VI appears pleased with the gift. The Pontiff previously had celebrated an open-air Mass in front of the Sanctuary of the Madonna of Bonaria, near Cagliari, Sardinia's capital. The motorcade was stoned by some demonstrators in one of the slum neighborhoods. Police quickly routed them.

POPE VISITS Sardinia and is greeted by a cheering crowd as his motorcade passes the harbor en route to the Sanctuary of the Madonna of Bonaria. The papal visit to the Mediterranean island marked the 600th anniversary of the discovery of a statue of the Madonna of Bonaria, which had been washed ashore March 25, 1370.

Here Are Quotes From The Bishops

SAN FRANCISCO — (NC) — Among thousands of words spoken and written by the American hierarchy when the National Conference of Catholic Bishops (NCCB) met here, some stood out as especially significant or expressive of the hierarchy's mind.

Some samples:

"Our decisions reached through open participation will be more readily accepted." — Cardinal John Dearden, NCCB president, telling the bishops one of the reasons why creation of a National Pastoral Council would be important.

"The question of abortion is a moral problem transcending any particular sectarian approach. Our opposition to abortion derives from our conviction that whatever is opposed to life is a violation of man's inherent rights, a position that has a strong basis in the history of American law." — From the bishops' statement against abortion-law repeal efforts in many states.

"The Church, while holy in her divine dimensions and doctrine, remains ever a body of men, prone to sin, tempted to alienation from God and other men, but being renewed through Christ. . . . These are times in which we need Catholics of courage to face the future without a false sense of security." — From the bishops' pastoral statement "Christians in our Times."

"Many years ago, especially in the 1930s, I spent much time fighting communists in the labor unions. I'm not naive about it." — Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Donnelly of Hartford, Conn., head of the bishops' committee on the farm-labor dispute, defending at a news conference grape worker organizer Cesar Chavez against insinuations by a rightist Catholic newspaper that Chavez and Church leaders backing him were being duped by Marxists.

"A majority of Americans are aware there is poverty in our country. But I wonder if they are aware how extensive it is, some 25 million (people). Are they really aware of their own responsibility for the poor? I doubt it." — Bishop Francis Mugavero of Brooklyn, N.Y., in discussing with the press the \$50-million fund against domestic poverty to be started with a special collection next Thanksgiving.

"In the past we have sometimes had statements that

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Non-public School Panel Set Up

WASHINGTON — (NC) — President Nixon has established a four-member President's Panel on Nonpublic Education, charging it with evaluating the problems of nonpublic elementary and secondary schools and with reporting back "positive recommendations" that will be "in the interest of our entire national educational system."

Dr. Clarence Walton, president of the Catholic University of America here, was named chairman of the panel. Other members are William G. Saltonstall, former principal of Phillips Exeter Academy, Exeter, N.H.; Ivan Zylstra, administrator of government school relations for the National

Union of Christian Schools, and Bishop William E. McManus, director of education for the archdiocese of Chicago.

In a statement issued at a White House press briefing, President Nixon said he urged the panel to keep two considerations in mind: "First, our purpose here is not to aid religion in particular, but to promote diversity in education within the Constitution. Second, that while the panel deliberates, nonpublic schools in the United States are closing at the rate of one a day."

The President said the nonpublic elementary and secondary schools in the United States "have long been an integral

part of the nation's educational establishment," and that "they supplement in an important way the main task of our public school system."

Mr. Nixon warned that "should any single school system — public or private — ever acquire a complete monopoly over the education of our children, the result would neither be good for that school system nor good for the country."

He added that "the non-public schools also give parents the opportunity to send children to a school of their own choice, and of their own religious denomination. They offer a wider range of possibilities for educational experimentation and special opportunities, especially for Spanish-speaking Americans and black Americans."

The President said that up until now "we have failed to consider the consequences of declining enrollments in private elementary and secondary schools, most of them church-supported, which educate 11 per cent of all pupils — close to six million school children."

He said that if most or all private schools were to close or turn public, the added burden on public funds by the end of the 1970s would exceed \$4 billion per year in operations and with an estimated \$5 billion more needed for facilities.

"There is an equally important consideration: these schools — non-sectarian, Catholic, Jewish, Protestant and other — often add a dimension of spiritual value to education affirming in children a moral code by which to live," the President said. "No government can be indifferent to the potential collapse of such schools."

The President recalled that he had said earlier that the "specific problem of parochial schools" was to be a particular assignment of the Commission on School Finance, and that now he is establishing the new panel within that commission.

Board Opposes Pupil Aid Again

The Dade County School Board — after hearing approximately 10 minutes of information on the subject — last Wednesday voted to oppose state aid to non-public school children for the second time in as many months.

According to Father Francis Lechiara of the archdiocesan department of schools — who appeared before the public school officials along with lawyer Joseph Fitzgerald to explain the facts about the proposed state aid to non-public school children legislation — "We presented our case, asked if they would want to reconsider their previous vote because they had not been informed on the issue when they balloted, and we sat down to see what they were going to do."

What they did was vote against the theory of such aid for the second time. The school board originally went on record March 18 by a vote of 5 to 1 opposing state aid. The vote followed charges by several members of the board that government support of private education could destroy public education.

The dissenting vote in the original balloting and in last week's second balloting was cast by Dr. Ben Sheppard.

Following the 10-minute presentation made by Father Lechiara and Fitzgerald, the school board voted to reconsider the issue. Then they immediately voted on the question and voiced their opposition for the second straight time.

"I feel that the action of the school board shows a lack of concern on the part of the board," Father Lechiara explained. "As a professional group of people, I would think they certainly would be thoroughly informed on an issue before they voted on it."

He added, "In 10 minutes, I don't feel you can discuss such a critical issue and do



MEMBERS OF the Dade County School Board heard Father Francis Lechiara for approximately 10 minutes before voting for the second time to oppose the concept of state aid to non-public school children.

justice to it and 10 minutes was all the time we were allowed."

When Father Lechiara was invited to appear before the board — after they had al-

ready taken their vote — school officials said they would not place a time limit on the presentation.

However, Father Lechiara and Fitzgerald were

allowed only 10 minutes to review the facts of the proposed legislation and the constitutionality of the bills now under consideration when they appeared before the board.

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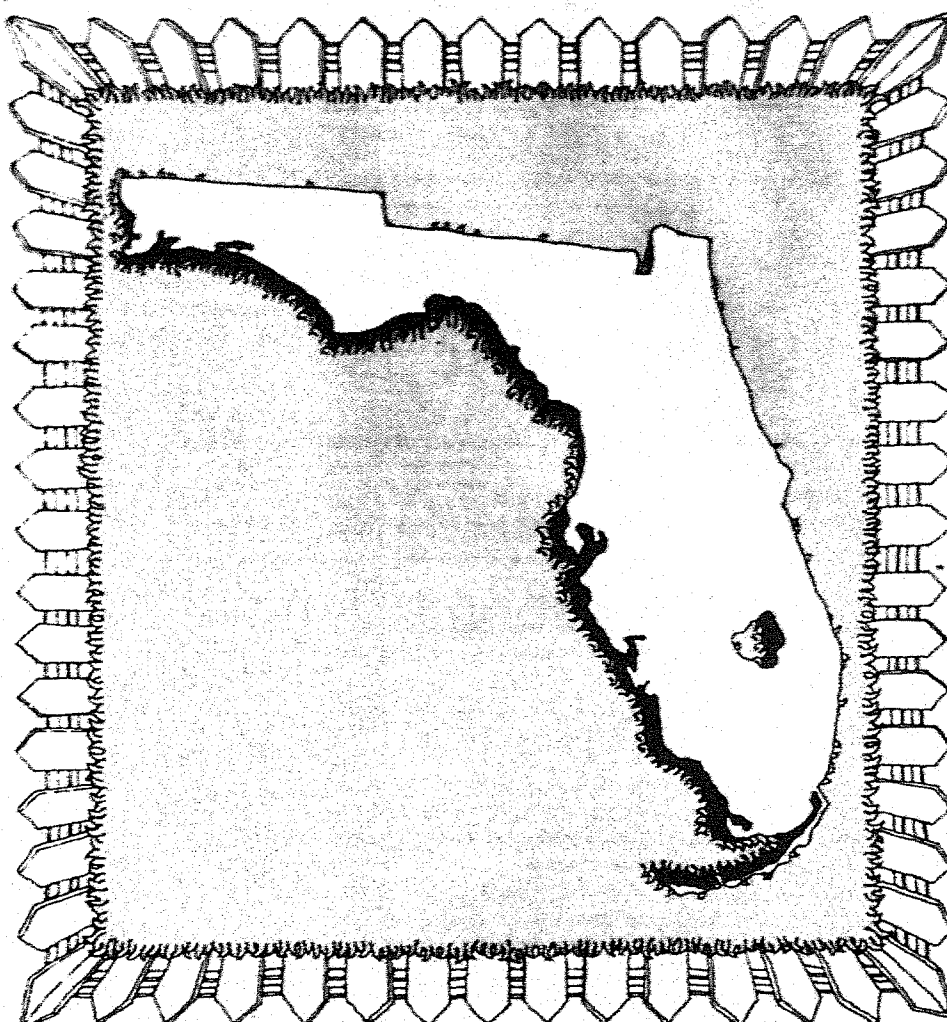
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Text Of U.S. Bishops' Pastoral

Following is the text of a pastoral statement entitled "Christians in Our Time," issued by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops (NCCB) at its semi-annual meeting in San Francisco.

(1) The years which have elapsed since the close of the Second Vatican Council have been a time of intense activity in the Catholic Church. They have witnessed gratifying accomplishments in many areas of the Church's life and discipline, notably in liturgy, ecumenical endeavors and the apostolate of the laity. But, at the same time, they have also been a period of extraordinary testing of the Church.

Most of us expected a gradual, orderly process of change and renewal after the council came to an end in December, 1965. Instead, we have seen dissension, controversy and turmoil become very much a part of our lives during these post-conciliar years. It would be unrealistic, if not naive, to interpret the complex problems confronting the Church in our day as a passing phase which will soon disappear. The problems are real, profound and vitally crucial. They must be viewed with grave concern.

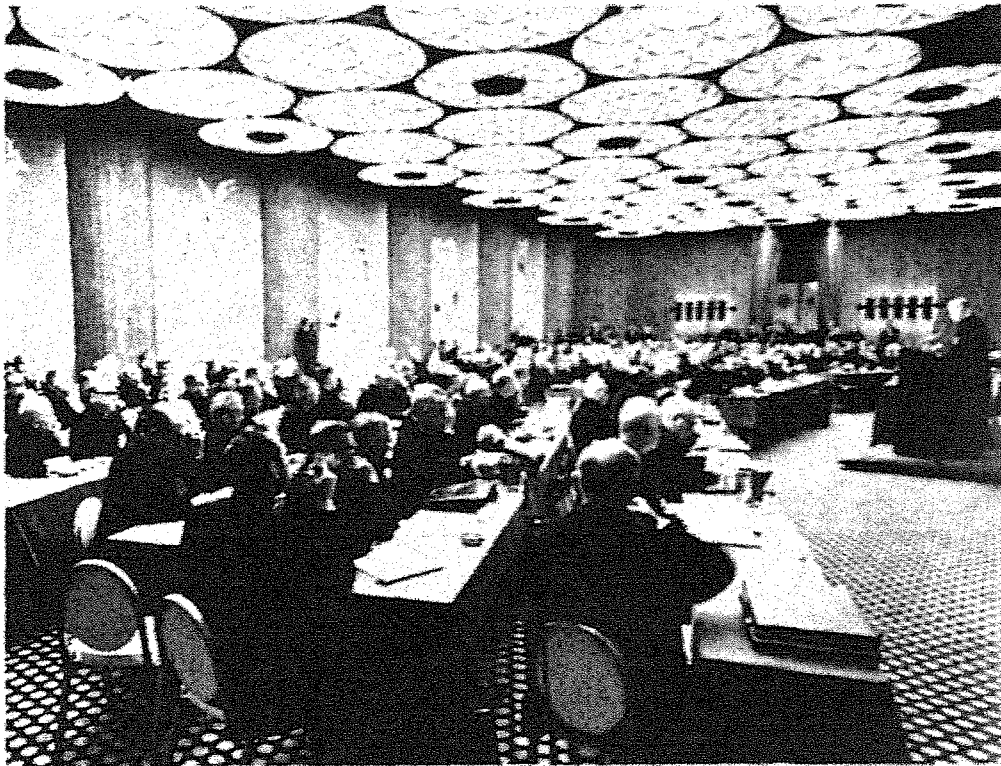
(2) We, the Catholic bishops of the United States, share this concern and anxiety with you, our priests. Religious and laity. Nonetheless, we also feel impelled to exhort you to approach the problems of the Church in our day with faith, hope and courage, firm in the conviction of God's provident love for His people and of the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit.

(3) Dissension and controversy are not new to the Church. St. Paul, for example, testifies in his letters to grave internal disputes among the first converts, and the Acts of the Apostles record many incidents of strife and confusion in the early Christian communities. We recall, too, the great schisms which followed later and the long years when, at times, some leaders of the Church failed sadly in the fulfillment of their responsibility.

(4) Faith and history, then, both remind us that the Church, while holy in her divine dimensions and doctrines, remains ever a body of men, prone to sin, tempted to alienation from God and other men, but being renewed through Christ in whom she constantly relives the Paschal mystery.

(5) It is important, therefore, that we view our present difficulties in the perspective of history, recalling that Christians of other ages also faced the challenge of adjusting to the world in times of profound and radical change. They had a task similar to that which now confronts us: laboring to discern the signs of the times in order to present the message of Christ in a way that is both relevant to contemporary needs and in accord with the true inspirations of the Holy Spirit as they unfold in history.

(6) The Pastoral Constitution on the



URGING BISHOPS to step up their efforts to implement the concept of shared responsibility, John Cardinal Dearden of Detroit delivered the keynote address at the National Conference of Catholic Bishops' semiannual meeting, held in San Francisco. Cardinal Dearden is president of the NCCB.

Church in the Modern World reminds us that some of the problems of the Church in our day are the product of our age. The constitution describes it as an age in which instant communication and technological progress have effected revolutionary changes in our cultural, social, political and economic relationships, an age of profound changes in attitudes and in human structures which frequently call traditionally accepted values into question. (Cf. Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, No. 6-7)

(7) This description of our times scarcely needs any elaboration, but the point is that the Church is in the world; she is part of the particular historical and societal circumstances in which we now live and, therefore, she must expect to share the crises and conflicts of this period in history.

It should be noted, however, that, while our problems are different in kind and scope from those which challenged Christians in past ages, they too can be resolved. In fact, the lesson which history clearly teaches is that, in her various periods of crisis and conflict, the Church progressed or declined to the degree that Christians responded with faith, hope and courage to the challenge that faced them. This is a lesson for the faithful of our day to recall and act upon.

(8) The firmest basis for our reassurance in the midst of trial and anxiety, however, lies not in these human experiences from history, but in the conviction, rooted in faith, that God's providence extends in a special way to the Church founded by His Divine

Son, who sent the Holy Spirit to guide and inspire her as well as to preserve her from error in interpreting revealed truth. "But the Paraclete, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you myself... Do not let your hearts be troubled or fearful" (John 14:26, 27).

(9) The Constitution on the Church of the Second Vatican Council gives eloquent expression to the role of the Holy Spirit in the Church. In a passage which merits frequent prayerful reflection by Christians in our day, the council Fathers declare: "When the work which the Father had given the Son to do on earth (Cf. Jn. 17:4) was accomplished, the Holy Spirit was sent on the day of Pentecost in order that He might forever sanctify the Church, and thus all believers would have access to the Father through Christ in the one Spirit (Cf. Eph. 2:18). He is the spirit of life, a fountain of water springing up to life eternal (Cf. Jn. 4:14; 7:38-39)... The Spirit dwells in the Church and in the hearts of the faithful as in a temple (Cf. 1 Cor. 3:16; 6:19)... The Spirit guides the Church into the fullness of truth (Cf. Jn. 16:13) and gives her a unity of fellowship and service... He makes the Church grow, perpetually renews her and leads her to perfect union with her spouse." (Constitution on the Church, No. 4).

(10) The Holy Spirit promised by Christ to His Church is not only the spirit of life and love, but equally the spirit of hope grounded in faith. Hence, rather than being dismayed by the turbulence of the times, Christians in

our day should find reassurance and renewed courage in the knowledge that the same Divine Spirit abides with us and in the Church as we make our way through history.

(11) Today especially, the Church presents herself as a pilgrim of hope. Much more is called into question now than in the recent past. Venerable customs and cherished practices have given way to rapid and radical change. True, not all that is new or changing is the result of the Second Vatican Council or a correct interpretation of its decrees; in some instances, it may be merely the result of human desire for novelty.

Ultimately, however, authorized and authentic changes reveal the true nature of the Church as a pilgrim advancing hopefully toward a more glorious future, animated by the Holy Spirit and under the guidance of the bishops united with the vicar of Christ. Thus, the Church remains what she is and always has been: the people of God that has no abiding city here on earth, the pilgrim seeking an eternal home. On this pilgrimage, particular joy and comfort come from Mary, Mother of the Church, who "shines forth on earth, until the day of the Lord shall come (Cf. 2 Pet. 3:10), as a sign of sure hope and solace for the pilgrim people of God" (Constitution on the Church, No. 68).

(12) These are times to pray to God more fervently than ever for deep faith and to beg the intercession of the saints that, like them, we may have strength, courage and Christian calm in the face of trials and difficulties. They are times which call for a sense of historical continuity, to see things in their proper perspective, and for prudence to distinguish, as far as possible, between that which is unchangeable in the Church because it is of God and that which is changeable because it is of men.

These are times which plead for sons and daughters who will trust the Church and be ready to meet the future boldly with her, confident in the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit and His constant guidance. They are times which demand Christian kindness, in a very special measure, toward those whom St. Paul calls the weak, and to be ever considerate and patient with the Church's human side. But, while showing charity toward the sinner, we must not condone sin itself, nor confuse truth with error or light with darkness. Finally, these are times in which we need Catholics of courage to face the future without a false desire of security. It is in a living faith and the hope which springs from it that we will find both this kind of courage and that real security which is the true "freedom of the children of God" (Rom. 8:21).

(13) Let it then be our prayer now and in the days ahead that the merciful Christ will grant us that measure of living faith, abiding hope and stout courage which will keep us faithful to Him, loyal to His Church and responsive to the challenge of Christians in our time.

Bishops Conference Condemns Abortion

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understanding and to the knowledge of the Church provided by the diocesan newspapers," and that they "rely strongly on the Catholic press."

The bishops gave unanimous approval to the report of the ad hoc committee on the farm-labor dispute and voted to continue the life of the committee. The committee indicated that it would be broadening its activities to include farm-labor problems in areas other than the grape-growing California section, which had been the focus of their most recent mediation efforts.

Cardinal Terence J. Cooke of New York announced that a committee on uniform accounting was preparing a standard manual for use in dioceses throughout the country, with the assistance of a firm of professional accountants.

A major statement was also issued by the bishops on "Christians in Our Times." It was essentially a message of hope to the people in the present period of turmoil both in the Church and in the world.

The statement declared: "This description of our

times scarcely needs any elaboration, but the point is that the Church is in the world; she is part of the particular historical and societal circumstances in which we now live and, therefore, she must expect to share the crises and conflicts of this period of history.

"It should be noted, however, that while our problems are different in kind and scope from those which challenged Christians in past ages, they too can be resolved. In fact, the lesson which history clearly teaches is that, in her various periods of crises and conflict, the Church progressed or declined to the degree that Christians responded with faith, hope and courage to the challenge that faced them. This is a lesson for the faithful of our day to recall and act upon."

A further statement on education, addressed to President Richard M. Nixon was also approved by the bishops. It lauded him for the formation of the President's Panel on Non-Public Education within the commission on school finance.

"Because of the urgent need for immediate solutions

to the financial problems threatening the very survival of many non-public schools, the conference has directed its department of education to

'assign top priority' to all requests for data and information which the president's panel may wish to use in its preparation of

'positive recommendations for action,' the bishops declared.

"The conference takes this occasion," the bishops said, "to thank you, Mr. President, for your forthright public declaration about the inherent and unique value of non-public education. This presidential declaration will afford great encouragement to those who are endeavoring to sustain the non-public schools as a vital component off the total American educational enterprise. The welfare of both public and non-public education in the United States will continue to be a major concern of the USCC."

Cardinal Dearden had great praise for the liaison committee which met with groups petitioning the bishops. He noted that in San Francisco, the committee had met with 20 different groups, apart from those who had been heard from in the month preceding the meeting.

Cardinal Dearden made it plain that the committee does not serve as a buffer for the national conference but rather, "It is an effective channel for conveying the desires of these groups in a simpler and more direct fashion. In this way they rendered real service not only to the bishops but also to the groups with whom they met."

Bishops' Conference Accomplishments Set

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study to help the country's five million Mexican-Americans as that minority group seeks greater social and economic dignity.

- Approved the starting in Boston of a Newman Center for the study of campus ministry on a three-year basis as of next September, with financing to come from the National Newman Foundation.

- In several decisions, made plans to work with several Catholic lay and priestly groups whose own programs point toward better understanding between Church and people, including the continuing education of priests already ordained, possible ways for the people to be involved one day in how new bishops are chosen, and the various activities of the two national councils of Catholic men and women.

- Voiced enthusiasm for the continued existence of the Catholic press as an important communications medium, refused to let the press into its meeting but agreed to have a committee take the first steps toward letting reporters cover some future sessions of the bishops' meetings, which are now totally closed to the press.

- Through a liaison committee in advance of the San Francisco meeting heard more than 20 different special-interest groups air their complaints and state their desires on things they think the bishops should do.

- Made plans for a possible change in 1972 from holding full meetings each April to holding regional meetings in several parts of the country, while keeping the November meeting in Washington, D.C., nationalized as at present.

Here Are Quotations...

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were rather scholarly and lengthy. The bishops wanted a simple statement to inspire the people as good Christians." — Bishop Bernard J. Flanagan of Worcester, Mass., explaining at a news conference what his committee had in mind in preparing the pastoral statement "Christians in our Times."

"I think you will admit that frankness gives itself to words and remarks which in isolation would make very fine headlines. We've all been in the position once or twice of seeing undue emphasis given to one's remarks." — Cardinal Dearden, at the final news conference, explaining why the bishops have been reluctant about throwing open their closed meetings to reporters.

Has Legislature A Better Insight About Abortion?

As The Voice goes to press, the intense debate on the abortion question continues without any clear sign of the direction which the legislation will take. Tuesday's House vote of 65-44, defeating a bill to do away with State regulations against abortions, was encouraging, but only to a point, since sponsors are still determined to push through one of the four bills still pending.

Although we do not know what will happen, we have to be confident that our leaders will not let the current proposals become law. We affirm this, since the ideas expressed in talks on the floor indicate there is a much clearer understanding of the value of human life, even the life of the unborn, than in past years.

Many legislators have indeed admitted recently that they took for granted several years ago an automatic change in the century-old abortion law was necessary, if only because its age suggested it was out of date. But they insist now, after studying the broader questions related to the preservation of human life, what appeared to them first as an easy decision became an agonizing decision.

This change of mind on the part of our legislators is one of the most heartening aspects of this brutally frank debate. It indicates that many are not going to be motivated by purely political reasons in a moral matter that transcends parties and personal feelings.

When our lawmakers refuse to be swayed by superficial, emotional arguments, however valid these may seem at first glance, and insist on recognizing the deeper values respecting human life, we can be truly grateful. Good government always has the long range view, the welfare of all citizens, and above all an abiding concern for human life, whether it is one day old or 90 years.

We say again that our legislators, in refusing to liberalize abortion laws, are acting in strict accordance with the spirit and letter of American law; they are upholding the Bill of Rights, which guarantees the right to life to every American; they are in step with the United Nations declaration that a child, because of its dependent status, should be accorded special protection under the law, before as well as after birth.

We hope that the voting in this crucial question of abortion will follow these guidelines of integrity.

Enter Congress Races

By Combined News Service

Two Catholic priests have announced their candidacies for Congress — Father Robert F. Drinan, S. J., in Boston; and Father Joseph R. Lucas in Youngstown, O.

Father Drinan, to devote full time to his campaign, has resigned as vice president and provost of Boston College; and has also taken a leave of absence as dean of the Jesuit university's law school. He is an activist in peace, civil rights and Black minority movements.

He has the initial advantage of having been selected unanimously as the

preferential candidate of an 852-member Democratic caucus meeting in the third Massachusetts congressional district in the September primary.

The second priest-candidate, Father Lucas, of Youngstown, is running as a Democrat without support from any large organizations in the 19th Ohio Congressional district in the May 5 primary; and is making his number one issue that of peace, voicing opposition to U.S. involvement in the Vietnam war — not on religious grounds, however.



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Truth Of The Matter

The Saints-Forgotten People?

By MSGR. JAMES J. WALSH

In the agitation of the past few years for renewal and revolution, some important people slipped out of sight — the saints. You hardly hear about them any more. In the heated debates over the rights of human beings and the grave need to save them from hunger and oppression and slavery, no one seems to remember that the great saints of bygone eras were the champions of human rights and the breakers of chains. But the saints for some reason are the forgotten people of today.



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It's a pity, too, because history must remain our teacher. The saints in every century brightened the pages of history and showed that the human spirit could rise about inhumanity and the animal tendencies of ambitious, carnal men. We are the losers today if we fail to remember that our grave problems, while different in appearance and intensity, are made of the same stuff as the problems of the past.

It should help men of faith to remember also that in the internal crises of the Church throughout history, great saints came on the scene, and like giants walked among confused, unhappy, warring people and gave them light and strength.

In the chaotic fourth and fifth centuries, there were Jerome, Augustine and Ambrose, who changed the thinking habits of men for centuries. In the rest-less thirteenth century, Francis of Assisi and Dominic, Thomas Aquinas and Albert the Great caused a social and an intellectual revolution. When the Church was considered on her deathbed in the sixteenth century, as the great split among Christians widened, some extraordinary men and women proved that sanctity, and the power of sanctity, was far from dead — Thomas More, Teresa of Avila, Ignatius of Loyola, Francis Xavier, Charles Borromeo, Philip Neri.

It seems clear from history that God always gives holy men and women in abundance to the Church when her problems are most intense. Surely, then, there is reason to believe that God has not turned his back on us. But where are the great saints today?

We probably could not recognize them if we bumped into them. This may be because our ideas of sanctity are somewhat warped. The way their lives were written led us to think they swooped down from heaven for a few years to help us out, but were never really like us, so prone to greed and sloth and selfishness.

Hagiographers of the past seem fearful lest they would scandalize readers by admitting their saintly subjects had any human weakness. A long, dissolute part of St. Augustine's life is compressed in the breviary into the vague statement that for a while he fell into the heresy of Manicheism.

Most of us think of saints as unworldly beings who torture their bodies with extraordinary penances, who had no use for the world or anything in it except God's children, who rejected all pleasures and honors and who, in short, never seemed quite real.

This form of sanctity is not for today. The modern Christian, as never before, realizes the Church must not flee from the world, nor must he turn from the world's problems. The old attitudes and forms, therefore, have no appeal now. So who are the saints today?

An article in Civiltà Cattolica, a Rome weekly magazine, seems to eliminate some who maintain a prominent place on the scene today. "...There are too many people in the Church today who contest (others, of course); there are too many who set themselves up as masters of theology or of exegesis, claiming even to teach the Pope; too many who have discovered for themselves a vocation as reformers of the Church and who claim to hold an 'exclusive' from the Holy Spirit."

The article goes on to say that debate is necessary in the Church now, that a widespread knowledge of theology is vitally important, that it is a "grace for the Church" that many are dissatisfied and are asking for structural reforms. Nevertheless the article insists that such contestation "should" go hand-in-hand with a more intense and also more visible effort towards Christian sanctity. Moreover, it adds, the desire for reform in public should be accompanied by "a reform of one's own life according to the Gospel, since this is the reform which the Church mostly and urgently needs, and if this exists then also the other reforms will come...."

So where are the saints? The same article indicates where. It states: "Who among us has not experienced sanctity, has not met men and women, priests, religious and laity totally given to God and to their fellow men, humble and joyful, poor and friends of the poor and of sufferers, detached from worldly interests and at the same time profoundly 'bound' to the sufferings and injustices of the world, friends of God and men of prayer, although also attentive to the wants and needs of men, always ready to give, to 'lose their own life,' without asking anything in return?"

It seems likely these people do not "look saintly." Today they must be warmly human, penetrated with a strong sense of human values, open to the world and its problems, while at the same time peering at all things with the eternal viewpoint, seeing man not only as a pilgrim on earth but as a victorious son of God in heaven.

The point is that the "secret" sanctity remains the same, although the formula, the form, must change. The Gospel therefore remains the unchanging teacher and the source of sanctity. The ingredients of sanctity will always be "the love of God and the spirit of prayer, the gift of self in the service of fellow men, the struggle against one's own egotism and one's own passions through mortification and penitence, purity of heart, the practice of poverty and a detachment from the bounties of the world, the exercise of humility, of obedience, of patience, of sweetness and love of the Cross of Jesus Christ."

Very likely a generation or two from now, people will look back and recognize many of our contemporaries as this kind of saints. And the world will be so much the better for them.

Diocesan Newspapers Commended

SAN FRANCISCO — by a voice vote, the bishops' (NC) — America's Catholic resolution acknowledged "We bishops gave an unequivocal are especially encouraged by and unanimous expression of the positive contribution to support to the nation's Cath- human understanding and to olic press in a statement re- the knowledge of the Church leased at the semi-annual provided by the diocesan meeting of the bishops here. newspapers under our juris- Adopted without dissent diction and at the same time

conscious of their journalistic responsibilities to all who read them."

Expressing their "earnest hope that the diocesan newspapers of this country will be welcomed into

every Catholic home," the bishops stated that: "As bishops of Christ's Church, charged with the continuing dissemination of Christ's essential message to the world, we rely strongly on the Catholic press."

Questions Abortion-Aid Compromise

Dear Editor:

The other night on a radio talk show, Rep. Featherstone suggested there was a compromise in the works whereby some aid would be given to private schools, and an abortion measure would be enacted. I hope the bishops will answer promptly that the moral issue of abortion admits no equivocation.

It is unfortunate these two issues are raised in the same session. We all know that the church and other private schools are hard pressed now. Help is not only needed but seems due as a matter of simple justice.

On the other hand, we remain confident the Church will continue to maintain as many institutions as possible, and give religious instruction to all children, even if no aid is forthcoming. The students, and the public schools which must absorb them, and complete their education, will suffer if schools are forced to choose.

The issue regarding abortion is more fundamental. Human life, with all its potentials, is snuffed out. Christians have always revered life, and made sacrifices for their children. Has modern life made us so soft and pleasure-seeking that we no longer wish to cooperate with the divine plan?

A bill calling for 'abortion on demand' has just been

introduced. Since this has already been enacted by Hawaii and New York, there is no longer any doubt this represents the real intentions of the abortionist elements. The milder measures, such as were resisted in the last two sessions, will not satisfy.

Rep. Featherstone reports receiving more correspondence favoring aid to schools than opposing abortion.

I therefore suggest that the bishops immediately abandon their efforts to obtain aid in this session, and concentrate all their efforts in a last ditch effort to turn back the tide on abortion. The needs of our school children will be even more obvious to all citizens in future sessions. However, once abortion becomes law, that battle is lost!

Sincerely,
Chris W. Ford
Sebring

(The Bishops of Florida have consistently made their opposition known regarding any attempt to liberalize the abortion laws of the state. Even to suggest that such a principle might be the subject for "compromise" is patently odious. To infer that any recompense, be it in the form of assistance to private school pupils or whatever, is an affront unworthy of a reply. Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll has stated that "there is a moral problem at stake in the question of abortion. Where human life is involved, under no circumstances could I ever justify murder." Editor)

Lauds Abortion Article

Dear Editor:

Being parents of four children, my husband and I felt we were well educated about most of the facts relating to childbirth. However, after reading Dr. Jaynes account of a typical abortion procedure, we are wondering how many parents like ourselves had no idea how this horrible mutilation was performed. Indeed, we as parents should take a long, hard look at the profession dedicated, supposedly, to the preservation of life which passively awaits passing of a bill enabling its members to commit legalized murder.

We are sending a copy of this article to the American Medical Association, urging them to speak out strongly against this bill.

The Voice is performing a great Christian service by bringing these important matters to the attention of the public. Now it is up to us to work together as people of God in order to bring about

changes restoring a Christian society.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Lesley King
Margate, Florida

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Need Help Of Priests

Dear Editor:

There is an article in "Columbia," the Knights of Columbus Magazine, Mar. 1970, written by Father Patrick O'Connor, that I believe all your young priest writers should read. It is entitled "The Basic Issue in Vietnam."

The reason why I say this is because I read so many anti-establishment articles in the "Voice," that always seem to favor American young people that sort of put all the blame for the Country's woes on the

forgotten group, the parents of America's young, or on our country's politicians.

Now in my opinion no law should be broken whether we believe it is wrong or not. This means Church laws and the country's laws.

Then last but not least no parent can raise children to be good Catholics and good Americans without the help of a priest, especially the young editors.

Sincerely,
John J. Mackel
Fort Lauderdale Fla.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Views Not Priest's

Dear Editor:

Lest some of our readers are apprehensive about Rabbi Narot's letter in last week's edition of the "Voice" in which he kindly mentions my name in relation to the promotion of brotherhood, I would like to say that Rabbi Narot accepted an invitation from the Women's Guild, at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, to speak about "Judaism, Orthodox, Conservative and Reformed." Under this heading, the lecture was delivered and discussed at our meeting. It did not refer in any way to the issues of abortion or education.

Since I introduced him to the meeting, and spoke in a commendatory way following the discussion, on the above topic, and as far as the promotion of brotherhood among men is concerned, I would repeat that Rabbi Narot's sincerity and goodwill impressed me.

This does not mean that I subscribe to his views on abortion and education. In fact, I consider abortion, as perhaps, the greatest of human iniquities, and is

abhorrent to God, the Creator. Furthermore, the Divinely instituted Church of God, has every right to state authoritatively the Divine Positive law of God, concerning it.

Sincerely yours,
Father T. K. Nolan
St. Thomas The Apostle Church
Miami

Fine Reply

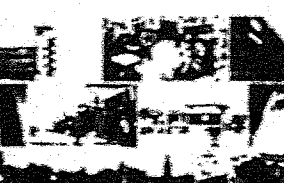
Dear Editor:

Thank you so much for publishing the letter by Mr. John J. Tormey answering Mr. Jack Kolod of The Herald. That man's views of God and church have made me angry in the past and a few times I've answered him myself, but that particular column so angered me I couldn't begin to write.

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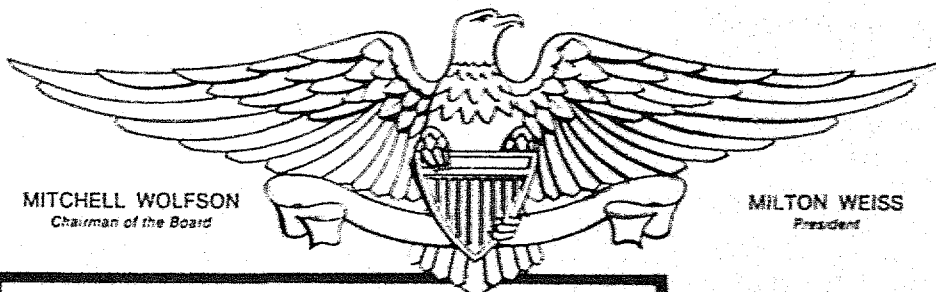


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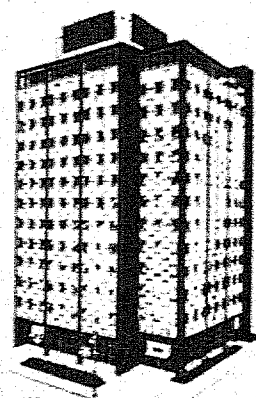
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Around The Archdiocese

BROWARD COUNTY

St. Sebastian Women's Club will welcome new officers during 9:30 a.m. breakfast today (Friday) at the Sheraton Hotel. Guest speaker will be attorney Peter Hanna.

Their annual Communion breakfast will be sponsored by St. Stephen Council of Catholic Women at 9 a.m., Sunday, May 3, at Terrara's Restaurant, Hollywood.

Election of officers will highlight the monthly meeting of St. Henry's Women's Guild at 8 p.m., Thursday, May 7, in the N. Andrews Gardens Elementary School cafeteria, N.E. 56th St., Fort Lauderdale.

New officers will be installed by Blessed Sacrament Woman's Club Saturday, May 9, during 9:30 a.m. Mass. Saturday, May 9, in the parish church. Father James Moriarty will be the guest speaker during breakfast served at the Beach Club Hotel, AIA and Oakland Park Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale. Tickets may be obtained by calling 564-1502.

Affair To Aid Spanish Center

Miami's Archdiocesan Spanish Center will benefit from a luncheon and fashion show at noon, Saturday, May 9, at the Hotel Carillon, Miami Beach. Members of Centro Hispano Catolico Auxiliary are sponsoring the afternoon, which will feature fashions by Flora's Boutique and entertainment by Pili dela Rosa and Lily Batet, guitarists. Reservations may be made by calling 371-5657.

Officers of the St. Bernadette Women's Guild, Hollywood, installed this week by Father Anthony Chepanis during a candlelight ceremony, are Mrs. David Martinez, president; Mrs. William Nessel, vice president; Mrs. William Starrs, recording secretary; Mrs. Arthur Soares, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Earl Pescatore, treasurer.

DADE COUNTY

Mrs. Michael Serio has been elected president of the Marianettes Auxiliary of Marian Council, K. of C. Other officers are Mrs. Michael Tomko, vice president; Mrs. Leonard Petersen, treasurer; Mrs. John Sample; and Mrs. James Tarantela, corresponding secretary.

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Jack Richardson is president; Mrs. Joseph Walsh and Mrs. John Kish, vice presidents; Mrs. John Breitfelder, secretary; and Mrs. Gordon Grigsby, treasurer. The next meeting of the club is scheduled for May 12.

A luncheon and fashion show featuring apparel from Saks Fifth Avenue will be sponsored by St. Theresa Home and School Assn., Coral Gables, at noon, Saturday, May 2 at the Coral Gables Country Club.

Grand Bahamas will be the destination of members of the Memorare Society during a cruise on May 30. Additional information may be obtained by calling 635-9662.

Mrs. Hugo Loos will be installed as president of St. Rose of Lima Guild during noon luncheon, Monday, May 4, at Miami Lakes Country Club. Other officers who will assume their duties are Mrs. James Waters and Miss Pauline Mulhair, vice presidents; Mrs. John Cavey, treasurer; Mrs. George Melavan, recording secretary; and Mrs. A.M. Falvello, corresponding secretary.

Guest speaker will be Sister Damian, O.P. of the Dominican Retreat House. Reservations may be made by calling 754-0740.

An ice cream social will be sponsored by Holy Rosary Council of Catholic Women from 2 to 5 p.m., Sunday, May 3 on the grounds of the Perrine parish. Entertainment will be provided as well as music by the Bittersweets and a Marionette show for the children. The public is invited to attend.

Court Miami 262, Catholic Daughters of America, will observe a Corporate Communion during the 11:30 a.m. Mass, Sunday, May 10 in Gesu Church. The monthly meeting will be held at 2 p.m. in Gesu center.

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Eighteen women who have completed the American Red Cross Nurses Aide Course will be capped during a candlelight ceremony at 11 a.m. today (Friday) in the chapel of the Villa Maria Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 1055 NE 123 St., North Miami.

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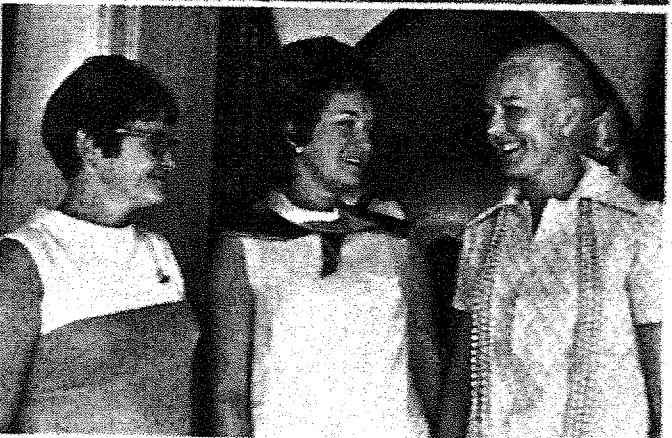
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MIAMI BEACH — The 66th annual State Convention of Knights of Columbus will be held May 16 - 19 at the Marco Polo Hyatt House.

Council 4772 of Hialeah will be host to the three-day meeting, which will formally open during Mass on Sunday, May 17, in St. Mary Magdalen Church. Breakfast will follow at the hotel.

Dan McCormick, Supreme Council treasurer, will be the guest speaker during the convention banquet on Sunday evening. Business sessions are slated for Monday and Tuesday.

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By MSGR. ROWAN T. RASTATTER
In the Gospel for the fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost, we are admonished by the Lord thus: "Be not anxious, therefore, saying what shall we eat, or what shall we drink, or wherewith shall we be clothed?"

In this connection, two observations occur to us:

First, of course, is the fact that the great majority of us do have a choice. Instead of letting our minds and thoughts become like those of heathens, dwelling on what we shall eat or drink or wear, we should seek the kingdom of God and His justice that these things might be added to us.

Our second observation concerns the millions of our neighbors in distant lands who do not contemplate what to eat or drink or wear. They have no choice for they have no food or drink and little, if anything, to wear. Their bodies, starved, swollen and unclad, lie and wait in hovels you'd be ashamed to call home. Their warped minds can have but one thought — day-to-day existence.

Though many do not make it, those who do, lie and wait . . . hoping that through some miracle they might receive a minimum of the bare necessities they need merely to keep on living. Sometimes — not often

enough — these miracles do happen in the form of the outpouring of God's grace acting through you who have been blessed with plenty.

Such a miracle can happen on Sunday, May 17. This is the day when you can be a party to that miracle. For on that day the 24th Annual American Catholic Overseas Aid Fund Appeal will be conducted here in the Archdiocese of Miami. A special collection will be taken up at all our Masses on that day so that the miracle of life can be distributed to the millions of your neighbors who will starve without your fullest participation.

It is squarely up to us who

have never felt in our homeland the horrors and wretchedness of war to aid those who otherwise will be displaced to suffer and die in ghastly misery. These conditions will not simply go away. And if the millions die will the memory gnaw at the consciences of those of us who stack our heads in the sands of our own security?

Think it over now and again on Sunday, May 17.

Meantime, contemplate this miracle: During the year ending in July, 1969, Catholic Relief Services shipped overseas and distributed to the needy in over 70 countries (Biafra, India and Latin America, for example) 1,099,930,614 pounds (549,965 tons) of relief supplies valued at more than \$113 million. Truly the hand of God working through the generosity of American Catholics.

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May God bless you!

Choir, Band To Present A Program May 8

FORT LAUDERDALE — The Florida Boys Choir and Band of Mary Help of Christians School, Tampa, will present a musical program at 7:30 p.m., Friday, May 8 in the Galt Ocean Mile Hotel.

During their fourth annual appearance in South Florida the 70 youths will be under the direction of Father I. Clementi, who has written and published music extensively.

Program For Single People

KENDALL — Single men and women between the ages of 18 and 25 are invited to participate in a special program on Sunday, May 3, at the Dominican Retreat House, 7275 SW 124 St.

Registration will begin at 9:15 a.m. and luncheon

will be served following discussions. Father James Briggs, assistant pastor, St. Augustine Church, Coral Gables, will celebrate the Eucharist. Discussions will follow until 3:30 p.m.

Reservations may be made by calling 238-2711.

Communion Day For The CDA

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Plan Migrant Aid Along Seaboard

BETHESDA, Md. — If plans work according to schedule, three teams of Sisters — drawn from various Religious orders — will be staffing special centers for serving migrant workers on the eastern seaboard by July 1.

According to Sister M. Mouretta, R.S.M., of the Major Superiors of Women Religious, the conference has set up a special Migrant Worker Council to implement present plans which could lead eventually to a "nation-wide system of centers to help the migratory worker and his family."

The MSWR originally decided to test the proposal after requests from many women Religious to offer a program through which Sisters could devote their efforts fulltime to the migrant apostolate came to their attention.

"We are in the process of developing programs for an inter-linking, inter-related system on the eastern seaboard main migrant stream," Sister Mouretta explained.

Presently their program calls for the establishment of

a Sister-coordinator in Washington, D.C., who would direct the activities of three "floating" teams of nuns. The teams probably will be composed of "a Sister-nurse, a Sister-educator, and a Sister-social worker or a Sister-anthropologist," Sister Mouretta added.

She added that the major superiors hope to see the program "develop as a center for the recruitment of Sisters for serving the poor."

She said that the program should have six teams of Sisters working with the migrants before March of 1971.

"We have worked with the public health services and with agencies of the various dioceses. We would hope to be able to work with other church, voluntary or public agencies in providing for the real and sometimes ignored needs of the migratory workers," Sister Mouretta continued. The Sisters' Migrant Worker Council is concerned with six geographic areas of the United States which seem to compose the most-travelled migrant streams.

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OFFICIAL Florida Bishops Condemn Abortion

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The proposals before the Florida Legislature, either to sanction abortion in additional circumstances or to permit abortion on demand, prompt unavoidable moral reservations. These transcend religious affiliation or particular social views.

The central issue is life. The pivotal question is, will our laws, our medical skills and our governmental programs continue to manifest the American, The Judeo-Christian and the genuinely humanitarian respect for life?

Excepting the unborn from this traditional respect would, we believe, lessen respect for life in general. It would also postpone truly worthwhile solutions to problems evident in society.

Medical Science informs us that there comes into being a unique human life in the fertilized tiny egg cell. Contained in this cell is the blueprint for the development of the whole human person: factors which will influence the temperament, physique, eyes, hair, skin color and even intellectual capacity. This cell's tissue composition is distinct from its mother's tissue and would be rejected from her body were it not to be enclosed in the amniotic sac.

Thus, from the beginning, a process is set in motion which has as its only purpose the development of a human person. The abortion proposals would, without justification, allow the interruption of this process.

The law has increasingly defended the civil rights of the unborn child. With its influence, if law allows the destruction of life in the womb — however "unwanted" — it inevitably cheapens the value of all life. The basic right to life is the right upon which all others is based.

Our teachings encourage sexual and parental responsibility, respect for law and the building of a society in which everyone will enjoy human needs are met daily through our institutions and agencies. Abortion, on the other hand, would solve nothing, and would create deeper problems.

We reject abortion as an unworthy recourse of society in seeking solutions to problems.

We pledge to all men of good will our cooperation and energies to erase the demand for abortion through positive programs.

Coleman F. Carroll, Archbishop, Archdiocese of Miami
Paul Tanner, Bishop, Diocese of St. Augustine
William D. Borders, Bishop, Diocese of Orlando
Charles B. McLaughlin, Bishop, Diocese of St. Petersburg
John J. Fitzpatrick, Bishop, Archdiocese of Miami

Aid Held No New Concept

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Another proponent of the legislation, Thomas Horkan, executive director of The Florida Catholic Conference, reminded the committee that public funds have for many years supported the study of dentistry by Floridians enrolled in out-of-state universities. He cited Emory University, Atlanta; and Loyola University, New Orleans, as examples of church-related institutions whose tuition charges have been underwritten by public funds.

In addition, both attorneys pointed out that public funds have been used to educate black students in schools outside the state when desired courses were not available at that time in Florida's school system.

"Just this year," Horkan declared, "the Legislature approved a bill that would grant the University of Miami, a private institution, \$6,500 per medical student per year to train doctors."

He added that other state purchases of private services

have included care for unwed mothers and of the mentally retarded.

Fitzgerald also outlined pupil-aid programs already in existence in other states where busing, shared-time, teacher trades, textbook loans and even classroom construction are included.

The committee also heard Richard T. Corrado, lay superintendent of schools in the Diocese of Orlando, emphasize the impact that the enrollment of more than 115,000 children would have on the state's public school system if non-public schools were forced to close their doors because of the current financial crisis.

An argument raised by opponents of the pupil-aid bill, that public schools could accommodate such an increase in students because the average increase would mean only two or three pupils per classroom — was refuted with the comment that this theory was only valid on paper inasmuch as the transfers would involve mass busing, not just within communities, but throughout the

state in order to achieve the ratio.

Dade County's Sen. George Hollahan, one of the co-introducers of the pupil-aid bill which was pre-filed before the Legislature convened on April 7, explained its intent and purpose declaring that private schools perform a public service by educating the state's citizens.

Opposition to the legislation was voiced by representatives of the Florida Education Association, Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith; and various ministers speaking on behalf of their respective congregations.

As The Voice went to press, the pupil-aid bill was referred to a special sub-committee by the Senate Education Committee and a hearing for the measure was scheduled before the House Education Committee for Thursday (yesterday).

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ATLANTA, Ga. — (NC) — Bishop Gerald L. Frey of Savannah urged some 2,000 delegates to the third South-eastern Congress on Worship to get involved in efforts for peace and social justice because "that's what Jesus did."

Bishop Frey commented that traditionally the Church had tried to improve the social structure by changing the hearts and minds of her children for the better. "History," he added, "shows the relative ineffectiveness of such an approach to the moral problems plaguing modern man."

The bishop continued: "The truth of the matter is that today the only pupil

from which the Church can effectively announce the glad tidings of the Gospel... is to be found in the midst of the people. That's what Jesus did. His Church can do no less."

Robert Rambusch, church designer and decorator, called for Church involvement in the life of the community through multi-use church buildings.

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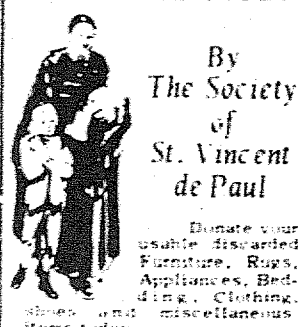
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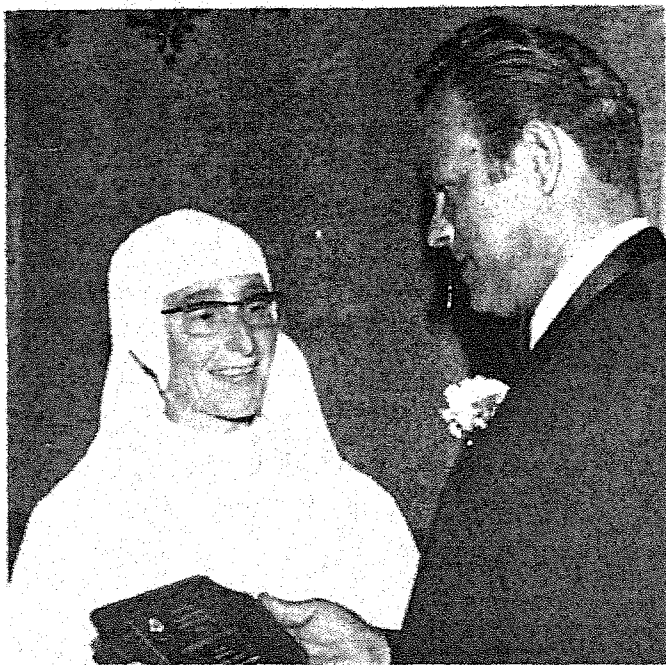


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FIRST WOMAN to be honored by the Italian-American Civic Association of North Miami Beach is Mother Lucia, shown receiving a plaque from Gennaro Romano.

Mother Lucia Honored As 'Outstanding Woman'

It was another "first" in the life of Mother Lucia, superior of the Sisters of St. Joseph Cottolengo, who staff Miami's Marian Center for Exceptional Children. The Italian-American Civic Association of North Miami Beach named her "Outstanding Italian Woman of the Year" last Saturday.

The Pisa-born Religious, who first came to the United States in 1963 with other members of her order, to accept the invitation of Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll to administer the first center for mentally retarded youngsters under Catholic auspices in the southeast United States, is also the first woman ever to

be honored by the Italian-American Civic Association.

Members cited Mother Lucia "for her devotion to Marian Center and to the mentally retarded in America," emphasizing her accomplishments at the Center, which now includes four modern buildings and two swimming pools.

"Sister Lucia is an accomplished woman but her biggest accomplishment comes from her heart and that is in the form of help to all exceptional children, regardless of color or creed, and the way other than teaching is in the simplest form, that of love," association members said.

Couple Observes Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh D. Graham of Miami Shores recently observed the 50th anniversary of their marriage during a Mass of Thanksgiving in St. Rose of Lima Church.

Father Frederick Brice, assistant pastor, was the celebrant of the Mass and witnessed the renewal of nuptial vows in the presence of family and friends.

The parents of two children, Vincent, of Monticello, Ill.; and Miss Mary Graham, Miami Shores, the couple came here from Paxton, Ill., six years ago.

Now a member of St. Rose of Lima Guild, Mrs. Graham served as president of St. Mary Altar and Rosary Society, the American Legion Auxiliary and the Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars



THE GRAHAMS

while in Paxton. In addition she was a member of the board of directors of the Peoria Diocesan Council of Catholic Women in its formative years. Her husband is a veteran of World War I and a member of North Miami Barracks, Veterans of World War I.

Women's Convention To Hear Two Members Of Hierarchy

PALM BEACH — Two members of the hierarchy will participate in sessions of the 12th annual convention of the Miami Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women which opens this weekend at the Palm Beach Towers Hotel.

Pontifical Mass celebrated by Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll at 8:30 a.m. Monday in St. Edward Church will formally open convention sessions.

Archbishop Thomas Donnellan of Atlanta will be the principal speaker during the convention banquet on Tuesday evening. Archbishop Carroll will give the Benediction.

Hundreds of women from South Florida's eight counties are expected to participate in this year's sessions, which have as their theme, "Love, Thy Name Is Mary."

Registration will begin on Sunday, May 3, at 5 p.m. and continue on the hotel mezzanine until Tuesday noon. A reception for dele-

gates and guests begins at 7:30 p.m. Sunday in the Regency Room. Members of the Archdiocesan board of directors will meet immediately following Mass, celebrated at 3 p.m. Sunday in the hotel.

Mrs. Bernard McGreenehan, V.F., pastor, St. Juliana Church, West Palm Beach, and moderator of the East Coast Deanery, which is host to the convention, will give the invocation during opening business sessions at 10 a.m. Mrs. Patrick McNally, convention chairman, will welcome delegates, who will also hear a talk by Chief of Police William Barnes.

The keynote address of the annual meeting will be given by Father Frederick Wass, pastor, St. Louis Church, South Miami, and Archdiocesan Director of the ACCW.

During a noon luncheon on Monday the guest speaker will be Father Patrick J. Sullivan, S.J., executive director of the National Catholic Office for Motion Pictures.

Focus: Mother and Educator, leaflet series: Child" will be the topic of Mrs. Philip Des Marais, Family Affairs Commission



MRS. DES MARAIS

"From Crib to Stroller and From Stroller to School" for the National Center in 1959 and 1960. The author of discussion text for parents, "For Goodness Sake," and "The Virtues and the Preschool Child," published in 1966, she has also prepared a discussion text for parents of teenagers, publication of which is pending.

Mrs. Des Marais, who is a member of the National Consultants' Program of the National Council of Catholic Men, has published fiction, non-fiction and poetry. Catholic periodicals and has completed a book-length manuscript on marriage and family, not yet published.

ACCW directors-at-large will be elected during a 3:30 p.m. meeting and a "Muddled Meeting" will be presented by the Organization and Development Committee at 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Wendell Gordon, outgoing ACCW president, will conduct the convention's second business session at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, during which a panel of speakers on vocations will be moderated by Father William J. Hennessey, Archdiocesan Director of Vocation.

Chairman of the National Council of Catholic Women, during the first afternoon session at 2 p.m.

A full-time member of the staff at the National Center of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine in Washington, D.C. from 1946 to 1950, Mrs. Des Marais, who resides in New York City, edited and redesigned the Parent-

State-Wide Meet Slated By CDA

WEST PALM BEACH — Catholic Daughters of America from each diocese in Florida will participate in the 23rd biennial state convention May 15 to 17 at Ramada Inn.

Mass celebrated at 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 16, in St. Ann Church, will mark the formal opening of the three-day meeting, at which Court Palm Beach will be host.

Miss Frances A. Fischer, grand regent of Court Palm Beach, is local chairman of arrangements, assisted by Mrs. Anthony D'Allesandro, past regent; and Mrs. Amos P. Sulzbach, St. Petersburg, state regent.

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Do MD's Respect Addicts' Trust In Them?



Dr. Ben Sheppard, physician, lawyer and former juvenile court judge, is presently director of the Archdiocesan Catholic Welfare Bureau and a member of the Dade County School Board. He will answer questions of Voice readers on legal, medical and family problems. Readers wishing his advice may address inquiries to him in care of The Voice, P.O. Box 1659 Miami, Fla. 33138.

By DR. BEN SHEPPARD

Dr. Sheppard, when a young person comes to you with a drug problem, do you call the police or tell their parents right away?

Physicians, teacher and guidance personnel are faced with the difficult but necessary problem of maintaining a confidential relationship with young drug-users they counsel.

If a doctor phoned parents and authorities when entrusted with a problem (any problem, but especially one concerning drugs) he would cease to see the patient or his friends and the youngsters would have one less person in whom to trust.

It takes a great deal of courage for the drug-user to seek professional help and once in the doctor's office he still is afraid of reprisals. It may take several visits to learn his or her proper name and address, but we do not press this point; nor are we inquisitive about friends and associates. We are mainly concerned about securing the patient's confidence so they can unload their problems and anxieties.

It has been my experience that after two or three visits, an adolescent will not only agree but be thankful to have you notify his parents.

Handling the parents also requires a great deal of discretion. Usually, parents have surmised the reason behind their child's behavior and are relieved that professional help is being obtained. Sometimes, naive parents cannot bear to acknowledge the seriousness of the problem. In these cases, the doctor must make the parents accept the facts and realize that this is not the end of the world.

It is most important to impress upon parents the need for family counseling. Since the physician who treats the child may not have the time for such extensive treatment—and it does take time—an understanding social worker in this field is called in to work with the family in studying their inner structure and relationships.

Has research yielded any further information concerning marijuana?

Clinical evidence increasingly attests to the bad side-effects of marijuana. I have come to fear its use more and more.

There is no "standard brand" of marijuana cigarettes—variations occur in strength and toxicity. Sometimes marijuana is soaked in opium. Asian marijuana, the strongest of all, can produce acute toxic psychosis, loss of visual acuity, delayed reflex reaction, lowering of blood sugar, memory loss, release of all moral inhibitions and other physical and mental reactions.

In the last month I have seen two cases of chronic depression occurring in persons being withdrawn from marijuana. Treatment must include complete withdrawal, however. Short-term paranoic reactions may arise, but these do not persist and can be alleviated by the reassuring and supportive actions of parents and physician.

Why are speed and acid so dangerous? What is so wrong about taking trips?

I will answer your question with one of my own: How much are you willing to risk for your pleasure trip—a ride to possible permanent mental oblivion?

Research has not as yet revealed the extent of damage these drugs (hallucinogens, amphetamines, matamphetamines and inhalants) can do to the brain. However, when brains do get scrambled from drug usage, the damage is virtually irreversible.

From the cases I have seen, I would prefer to treat a heroin addict to a chronic speed user.

An observation on a current drug bill being considered by the Florida legislature:

I do not think all doctors should be permitted to write a



prescription for methadone (used to withdraw addicts from heroin)—not all doctors understand the drug sub-culture and are not capable of effectively treating the heroin addict.

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Pope Urges Personal Prayer

VATICAN CITY — (NC) — Pope Paul VI, noting that liturgical and community prayer is being revived, lamented that personal prayer is diminishing to the point where "it threatens the liturgy itself with inner impoverishment."

He said there is a tendency among Christians, even among Religious and the clergy, to secularize everything. He mentioned this, he explained at his weekly general audience, because "prayer is falling into decadence."

He said that community and liturgical prayer is "re-acquiring a diffusion, a participation, a comprehension of its own which is certainly a blessing for our people and our times."

The Pope added that current liturgical reforms have been studied "with wise and patient care by the best liturgists of the Church."

"It will be a well-cared for liturgical life that will watchfully and actively maintain the religious sense of our

times, so profane and so desecrated, and that will give the Church a new spring of religious and Christian life," he continued.

"But at the same time we must lament the diminishing of personal prayer which thus threatens the liturgy itself with inner impoverishment, external ritualism and purely formal practice."

The Pope emphasized the necessity "that each should pray also within himself and by himself."

He noted that a name which defines the Catholic Church is "the praying Church." He described prayer as a characteristic of the Church which is "essential and providential."

"What would the Church be without its prayer?" the Pope asked. "What would Christianity be if it did not teach men how they can communicate with God? A philanthropic humanism? A purely temporal sociology?"

We Are The Church, All Of Us!

By FATHER JOHN T. CATOIR

The Church like any group of human beings has its moderate, silent majority and its extremists on both the right and the left of center. Lots of people cross the boundary lines on different issues and cannot, indeed should not, be labeled. But to some people, the thought of not being labeled ultra-conservative or ultra-liberal, depending on their unhappy condition, is a fate worse than death. They delight in their self-identity and almost make a separate religion of it.

Two particular groups come to mind immediately, and both of them are operating in the same locality. The first is traditionalist: you won't believe this, but some of them are so scandalized by the change from Latin to English in the liturgy that they no longer attend Holy Mass, however, they meet together every Sunday to recite the rosary. If it wasn't so sad it would be funny.

The second group is avant garde: they are so scandalized by the Church's insensitivity to the poor, that they find it unbearable to be seen in the same Church with their white racist neighbors. How simple it is to walk away and find nice people, people who understand our point of view? What a great faith in the presence of Christ this reveals?

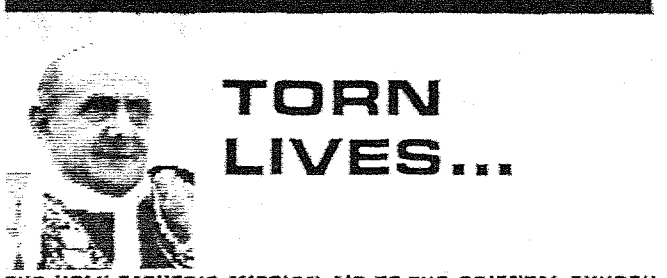
Both of these groups have their own distinctive and erroneous concept of the Church. To the traditionalist the Church is "the Pope and bishops selling out to the pressures of popular demand." To the super-liberals the Church is "the Pope and bishops unwilling to divest themselves of their enormous property holdings."

Before I go on, please do not get the idea that I am hereby canonizing the silent majority, for that group is filled with many of the lukewarm whom Christ vomits out of His mouth. Many people among the silent majority view the Church as "the Pope and bishops conspiring to run our lives and make a grand profit out of doing it." They resent God, the bishops and sometimes themselves for their empty, meaningless lives.

What none of the above-mentioned persons seem to realize is that the Church is themselves. The Church is people: the dedicated housewife, the long-haired hippie, the anti-sex education spinster, the hard-nosed business man, the opinionated and hopelessly "out-of-it" pastor, the rosary-reciting gossip, the screaming infant, the black truck-driver, the white bishop, the war-protestor, the super-patriot, the sullied politician, the elderly widow, the adulteress, the sad Pope, the fiery curate, the bland sister, the holy and the unholy, the right and the left, the tall and the short, the young and the old.

We are the Church, all of us: the extremists who burn with exasperation at our white racist habits, and those who suffer anguish over the passing of cherished traditions. Popes and bishops are sometimes holy men and sometimes evil men.

Christ has given them the burden of trying to make harmony out of dissonance, but He did not establish them as the Church. He asked all of us to love one another, and we label one another "kooks." He came to give Himself to us in the Eucharistic banquet so that we may inflame the world with His justice and love, and we leave the Eucharistic community to find kindred passions. It might almost be enough to discourage the heartiest spirit, but then we remember that Christ died "that we may be one." What are you doing about that?



Ripped apart by war in the Holy Land. Most are children. Others are sickly, aged, handicapped. The rest are farmers without land, workmen without work. All cling to the shreds of dignity. Each seeks a chance to begin anew. A hot meal, a blanket, a tent, a few tools for the bread-winners, schooling for the children—any of these can start whole families toward piecing their shattered lives together again.

There are now more than 1,500,000 refugees from the continuing fighting in the Holy Land—and the number increases daily. Some have already worked their way out of poverty. Someone cared enough to train them for new jobs, or help school their children, or piece together scattered families. But most are still huddled in open camps, or town slums, or crowded in with relatives equally poor. The refugee colonies teem with destitution and a poisonous sense of futility.

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Catholic-WCC Report Expected

NEW YORK — (NC) — Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, general secretary of the World Council of Churches, said he expects a report on the question of Roman Catholic membership in the WCC to be issued this spring.

The head of the international Protestant and Orthodox body told NC News here he thinks the report will be made public by the Joint Working Group of WCC and Vatican officials at their May 25-30 meeting in Naples, Italy.

Dr. Blake gave no indication what the report might contain.

The interreligious Joint Working Group, formed in 1965, has been studying the possibility of Catholic membership in the WCC.

The general secretary said he was in full agreement with Pope Paul VI, who said last year during a visit to WCC headquarters in Geneva that the time was not yet ripe for Catholicism to join the world council.

But Dr. Blake said the pace of developing relations between the WCC and Catholic Church was rapidly changing that situation. Catholic leaders, he said, "are being pushed by their constituencies all over the world" toward expediting membership in the WCC.

"The last year has moved this question forward," he said.

Dr. Blake said during the last year he has devoted a considerable amount of time working "at the level of new Catholic relationships."

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COMMENTATOR: The response for today's prayer of the faithful will be: Father, hear us.

COMMENTATOR: 1. That the hierarchy, priests, and laity may grow in their ability to communicate with one another effectively, we ask you.

PEOPLE: Father, hear us.

COMMENTATOR: 2. That the rulers of the world may be successful in their attempts to bring about peace and to alleviate suffering, we ask you.

PEOPLE: Father, hear us.

COMMENTATOR: 3. For all the victims of the war in Southeast Asia, we ask you.

PEOPLE: Father, hear us.

COMMENTATOR: 4. For the poor men, the hungry man, the lonely man, the dying man, we ask you.

PEOPLE: Father, hear us.

COMMENTATOR: 5. That the homes of all our families will be filled with Christian love, peace, and forgiveness, we ask you.

PEOPLE: Father, hear us.

COMMENTATOR: 6. For those who are in prisons or correction homes, we ask you.

PEOPLE: Father, hear us.

COMMENTATOR: 7. For the sick, suffering, and deceased members of our parish remembering especially N. and N. who died this past week, we ask you.

PEOPLE: Father, hear us.

COMMENTATOR: 8. For all of us that our Christian living may be an example and not a stumbling block to our fellow men, we ask you.

PEOPLE: Father, hear us.

CELEBRANT: Father, your Son tells us to speak to you in His name, to ask with confidence and You will give it to us. Hear the prayers of this congregation and the pleas of all mankind. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

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by Tropical Business and Professional Women in the Jet Room of Miami International Hotel.

The all-girl teen organization was recognized for initiating a national letter-writing campaign commending the astronauts of Apollo 8 for a reading from Genesis while traveling around the moon Christmas Eve, 1968.

The Freedoms Foundation recognized this campaign as a "community program to preserve America's heritage and belief in God."

Dade congressman Claude Pepper also presented the organization with a U.S. Flag which had flown over the Capitol Building in Washington, D.C.

Vol-Teens received certificates of commendation from Metropolitan Dade County and the City of Miami Commissioners.

Attending the ceremony were State Representative Gerald Lewis and Miami area mayors, judges and representatives of churches and schools.

Established 16 years ago by Mrs. Ernest Collins, the teen group maintains a membership of approximately 25 girls and participates in numerous volunteer activities.

Last summer, the girls helped St. Vincent de Paul Parish staff a neighborhood summer day-camp.

Other projects during recent months have been a crusade against drugs, a clean-up, paint-up campaign and collecting for national charities.

IN THE SWIM

St. Louis CYOers Four-Time Winners

Swimmers from St. Louis CYO — who scored a total of 95½ points — walked off with the archdiocesan CYO swimming championship recently at Miami Springs Victory Pool.

This marks the fourth

straight year that teams from St. Louis have taken everything but the diving board championship.

The team from Epiphany scored 67 points to take second place. Other teams who figured in the scoring were

Our Lady of the Lakes, Immaculate Conception, St. Bernadette, St. John Vianney, Boystown, St. Timothy, St. John the Apostle, Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, St. Stephen and Holy Rosary.

Individual winners were:

50 Meter Free Style Girls, open — Debbie Sharkey, St. Bernadette 31.7 (New record).

Girls, novice — Amy Sharkey, St. Bernadette 34.0 (New record).

Boys, open — Joe Shretzman, St. Louis 27.5 (New record).

Boys, novice — Pat Krayner, St. John Vianney 30.5.

50 Meter Back Stroke Girls, open — Natalie Shropshire, St. Louis 39.9.

Girls, novice — Amy Sharkey, St. Bernadette 44.0 (New record).

Boys, open — Sam Moorman, Epiphany 34.2.

Boys, novice — Bob McDevitt, St. John Vianney 40.4 (New record).

50 Meter Breast Stroke Girls, open — Carol

Marchner, Our Lady of the Lakes 41.8.

Girls, novice — Camela Davidson, St. Louis 47.4.

Boys, open — Rob. Kramer, St. Louis 36.7.

Boys, novice — Pat Krayner, St. John Vianney 36.5.

50 Meter Butterfly Boys, open — D. Wick, Epiphany 30.6 (New record).

Boys, novice — Pat Krayner, St. John Vianney 36.5.

100 Meter Free Style Girls, open — Carol Marchner, Our Lady of the Lakes 1:16.5 (New record).

Girls, novice — Mary Hudgins, St. Louis 1:35.2.

Boys, open — Joe Shretzman, St. Louis 1:02.5.

Boys, novice — Jim Shretzman, St. Louis 1:16.0 (New record).

Diving Boys, open — Mike Stewart, Epiphany.

Boys, novice — Mike Bare, Boystown.

Girls, open — Natalie Shropshire, St. Louis.

Girls, novice — Donna Rooney, St. Stephen.

Awards Banquet Scheduled

The seventh annual athletic awards banquet, sponsored by the Fathers' Athletic Association of Immaculate-LaSalle High School, will be held on Wednesday, May 6, in the banquet room at the Miami International Merchandise Mart, 777 N.W. 72 Ave.

Bob Gallagher, sports director of WTVJ-TV, will be the emcee at the awards banquet. The guest speaker will be Fran Curci, head football coach at the University of Tampa.

Tickets for the banquet are available through Red or May Leon, banquet co-chairmen at 642-5094, or through Brother Alexis, athletic director, at the high school (377-0167).

High Schoolers

To Give Concert

Southwest Miami Senior High School concert singers and guest soloists will present a Music Hour at St. Francis Xavier parish, Sunday, May 3 at 4 p.m. in the church.

The donation for admission will go to parish projects. The concert will feature old and new, secular and sacred music.

Youth Mass

A Youth Mass will be celebrated in the Archdiocesan Hall, St. Mary's Cathedral, Sunday, May 3 at 7:30 p.m.

All area youth are welcome to participate in the Mass.

Swimming Instructors' Course Set

A new course for instructors of beginner-swimming is being offered by Dade County Chapter, American Red Cross, in an effort to help area young people qualify for summer jobs.

Classes begin Monday, May 4, at the City of Miami's West End Park pool, 3rd St. at 60th Ave. The two-hour sessions are scheduled for Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays through May 13.

The free course is open to any person over 17 years of age who possesses a valid senior life-saving certificate. Applicants should call the Red Cross, Dade County Chapter, safety programs office to insure registration.

Girl Athletes Are Honored

BOCA RATON — Three members of the tennis team at Marymount College and a fourth girl who excels at horseback-riding have achieved national recognition through their selection to appear in the 1970 awards issue of "Outstanding College Athletes of America."

Carole Ford, Martha Thornhill, and Jernette Sarson are the Marymount tennis stars to be selected. Elizabeth A. Schuyler was named for her accomplishments in riding. Miss Sarson, whose home is in Pompano Beach, is a freshman student and the other three girls are sophomores. Carole Ford is from Bethesda, Md., Elizabeth Schuyler is from Washington, D.C., and Martha Thornhill is from Charleston, W. Va.

Nun Given Fellowship

Sister Suzanne Fletcher of the Sisters of St. Joseph of St. Augustine, a teacher at Immaculate-LaSalle High School, has been awarded a Mott Foundation Fellowship to study in the doctorate program of community education.

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Collegians Will Stage A Play

A student production of Carson McCuller's "Member of the Wedding" will be presented by Barry College in the Little Theater, May 8 and 9, at 8 p.m. and at a 2 p.m. matinee, May 9.

The play, set in the south in the 40's, is directed by Cathy Luckfield, a sophomore, speech and drama major from Alabama.

The lead role of Frankie, the 13-year-old girl around whom the play evolves, is portrayed by Beverly McFarland of North Miami.

Making her first appearance in a college play, freshman Pearl Farley from Connecticut portrays Bernice Sadie Brown, the understanding housekeeper in the Adams family.

The Now Set

Pre-Med Society Admits Student

NOTRE DAME, Ind. — James A. Matas, a graduate of Archbishop Curley High School, is one of 59 recently initiated members of an international pre-medical honor society, Alpha Epsilon Delta (Indiana Chapter).

The Notre Dame University junior is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Matas of Corpus Christi parish.

La Salle, Aquinas Cop District Titles

By JACK HOUGHTLING Both LaSalle and St. Thomas Aquinas High Schools were celebrating hard-won district baseball championships this week — and aiming for bigger things today in regional title games.

LaSalle gained the A-8 title when the Royals nipped Msgr. Pace High, 2-1, in a duel of classy left-handers, Tom Vrabel gaining the decision over Don Cooke.

St. Thomas followed by taking the B-8 crown, winning four games in six days to get its title, with a couple of unique wins highlighting the series.

After taking two easy ones from Dade Christian, 5-0, and Florida Christian, 13-2, St. Thomas squeaked out a 5-4 decision over Coral Shores and then 5-3 over Pine Crest in the championship game.

Against Coral Shores, the

Raiders came up with four big runs in the third inning — without getting a hit — to pad their lead to 5-0. Errors and walks gave St. Thomas their big inning after John Hackett's triple drove in Pat Thrift in the first inning for a 1-0 lead.

In the win over Pine Crest, the Raiders trailed 3-0 in the bottom of the sixth with two outs and two runners on. Then Pat Thrift singled, Jerry Forbes got a safety, Vernon Kaziak singled to drive in two runs and Paul Ringenberger singled in the eventual winning run while Kaziak added the fifth run of the inning, scoring on a passed ball.

Hackett pitched all the way, allowing just five hits as the Raiders won their eighth straight and boosted their season's mark to 17-4.

LaSalle's Vrabel gained

revenge for a 1-0 loss to Pace during the regular season by setting down the Spartans with just five hits. Cespedes drove in the lone Pace run.

Mike Sanz, the LaSalle shortstop, was again the clutch performer for the Royals, driving in the first run with a single in the third and then coming around to

score the eventual winning run when Reggie Briscoe singled to center.

In other highlights of the week, Dennis Skelton of Chaminade and Tim Barber of Pace came through with record-breaking performances in the 8-A track meet. Skelton lowered his mile time to 4:16.4 and then came back with an easy 9:54.0 in the two-

mile, both record performances, while Barber got a district meet record in the high jump with a leap of 6-3.

Also starring was Natalie Shropshire of Lourdes who not unexpectedly won the Dade County girls diving title

for the second straight year. Teammate Laurie Wilson came through with a surprise of her own. Laurie, who didn't start diving competitively until three weeks ago, finished a good fourth in the competition.

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Exalta Arzobispo Carroll al Exilio Cubano Y le Pide Sea Fecundo en Vocaciones Sacerdotales

Rotarios Cubanos Honran al Centro Hispano Catolico

Una vez más el Arzobispo Coleman F. Carroll elogio a los exiliados cubanos, — que llegaron a Miami despojados de todas sus pertenencias y abatidos anímicamente por la persecución en su propio país — por su enorme contribución al desarrollo cultural, económico y social del área de Miami.

Hablando ante más de quinientos exiliados cubanos durante un banquete ofrecido por los Rotarios Cubanos en el Exilio para conmemorar el décimo aniversario del Centro Hispano Católico, el Arzobispo Carroll repitió las palabras que había dicho apenas hacia una semana en un acto en el que hablaba a las más altas autoridades civiles de esta área y a los representantes consulares de otras naciones: "Miami es hoy la gran ciudad que es gracias a la contribución de los exiliados cubanos."

Sin embargo, el arzobispo lamentó que esa contribución del exilio cubano no se estuviera notando en un aspecto al que resalto su gran importancia: Las vocaciones sacerdotales. Dijo que aunque el exilio había producido vocaciones, estas no eran suficientes y destacó la necesidad de que las familias cristianas oraran para darle a la Iglesia muchos y santos sacerdotes, tan necesarios en este momento.

El acto fue organizado por los Rotarios Cubanos, en cuya directiva figuran José M. Vidaña, como Presidente y el Reverendo Max Salvador, pastor de la Iglesia Episcopal de Todos los Santos, como secretario.

El homenaje enfatizó en la obra del Centro Hispano Católico durante los últimos diez años y su ayuda material y espiritual a miles de exiliados cubanos, cubanos, pero se hizo extensivo a otras instituciones católicas, así como a los sacerdotes de habla hispana

que han velado espiritualmente por el destierro cubano.

"El exodo de refugiados cubanos se ha convertido en uno de los mas importantes acontecimientos en la corta historia de Miami", dijo el Arzobispo y añadió que acababa de regresar de la Reunión de Obispos de Estados Unidos, donde planteó la situación del exilio cubano y pidió que el episcopado de Estados Unidos diera su apoyo a la continuación de los "Vuelos de la libertad", lo que así acordaron por unanimidad.

Dijo el prelado que pidió ese respaldo porque la continuación de esos vuelos se ve amenazada por las campañas que en su contra vienen haciendo distintos medios de opinión pública.

"Es nuestra responsabilidad abrir las puertas a estos refugiados, porque ellos están sufriendo persecución en su propia tierra y siempre ha sido la tradición de esta nación el acoger a los oprimidos de todo el mundo."

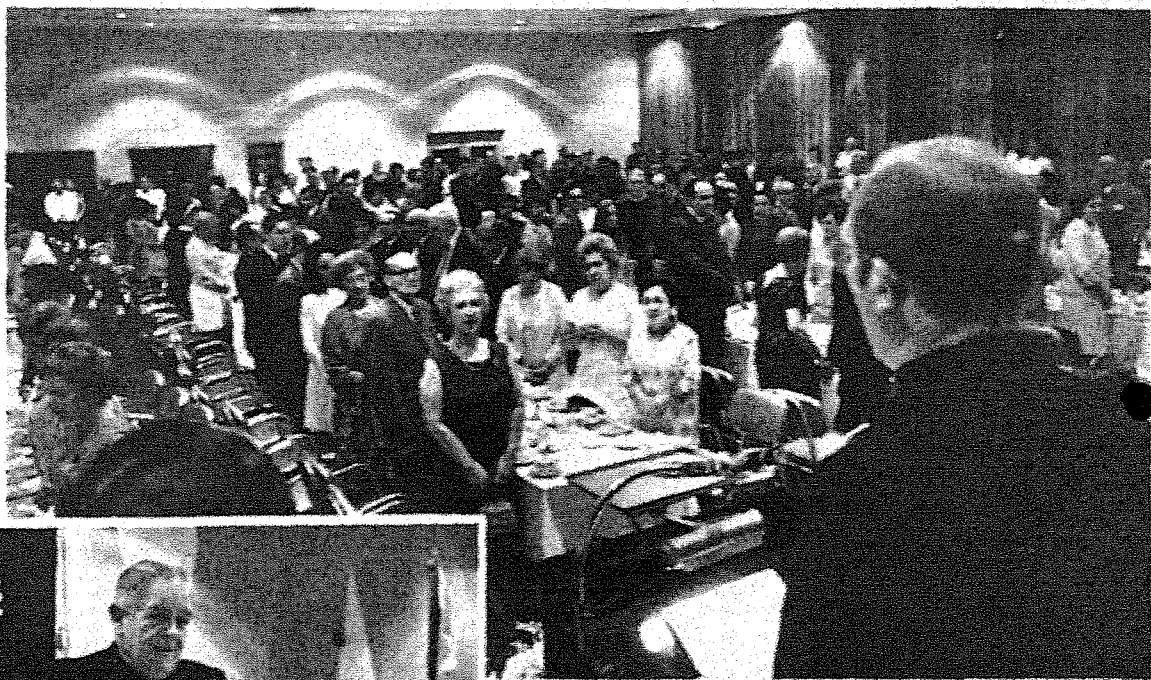
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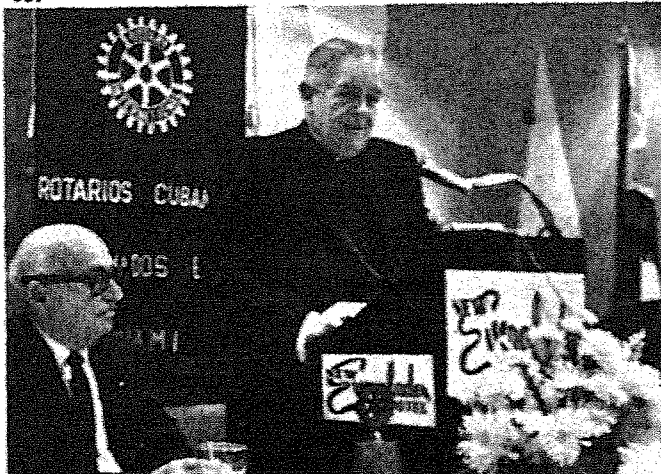
Al ofrecer el acto a nombre del Club Rotario de Cuba en el Exilio, el Dr. José Miguel Morales Gomez, prominente figura de la vida pública cubana, que fue alcalde de La Habana y representante a la Cámara en el periodo democrático de Cuba, recordó la obra de asistencia que el Centro Hispano Católico había desplegado a favor de los refugiados cubanos desde los primeros días del exodo. Menciona la ayuda material prestada en alimentos, medicinas, ropas, asistencia médica, y senalo que a través de la gestión del Centro se abrieron las puertas de otras instituciones católicas, como las escuelas parroquiales y los hospitales.

Pero dijo que la obra mas importante que había realizado la Iglesia de Miami en favor de los Refugiados era haber movido a la opinión pública, — en aquellos momentos bastante temerosa del impacto de los refugiados a la economía, — de su deber de dar oportunidades de empleo y hogar a los refugiados que llegaban a estas playas.

Unos quinientos exiliados cubanos se unen a Mons. Bryan O. Walsh durante la invocación en la Comida ofrecida por los Rotarios Cubanos en el Décimo aniversario del Centro Hispano Católico.



Durante el homenaje ofrecido por los Rotarios Cubanos en el Exilio el Centro Hispano Católico y las instituciones católicas, el Arzobispo Coleman F. Carroll elogio a los exiliados cubanos, dijo que había pedido al Gobierno que se suspendieran los vuelos de la libertad y exhortó a las familias a promover las vocaciones de habla hispana. A su izquierda, José M. Vidaña, Presidente de la institución que ofreció el homenaje.



Suplemento en Español de "VOICE"

"Cuba surgirá fortalecida por la cruel experiencia vivida, y surgirá una nueva etapa, la más gloriosa de su fecunda existencia, en la reconstrucción victoriosa y no lejana de la Patria liberada."

— Morales Gomez

Recordó Morales Gomez que en este aspecto el periódico THE VOICE había jugado un papel de primordial importancia, porque mientras otros importantes voceros presentaban con recelo la llegada de los refugiados, "THE VOICE," dijo Morales Gomez, "libró una intensa campaña editorial dando a conocer a la opinión pública de esta gran nación la terrible persecución que sufrían los cubanos, el terror impuesto por el régimen comunista, y la responsabilidad de esta nación a acoger a los fugitivos del comunismo."

Recordó que gracias a esas campañas de la Iglesia fue que comenzó el programa de ayuda federal a los refugiados y que las empresas locales abrieron sus puertas a los refugiados ofreciéndoles oportunidades de empleo.

Se refirió Morales Gomez a la inquebrantable devoción del pueblo cubano a la Patrona de Cuba

— un pueblo que no quiere ser esclavo y que quiere regresar a la patria liberada y que ha depositado toda su confianza en la intercesión de la Virgen de la Caridad, ante la que día a día pasan millares de fieles en la capilla provisional donde se levantará el Monumento que los cubanos construirán a su patrona.

Termino Morales Gomez su vibrante discurso asegurando que "Cuba surgirá fortalecida por la cruel experiencia vivida, y surgirá una nueva etapa, la más gloriosa de su fecunda existencia, en la reconstrucción victoriosa y no lejana de la patria liberada."

En el acto hablaron también Carlos Salman, a nombre del Movimiento Familiar Cristiano, José Silió, por los Cursillos de Cristiandad, el Padre Eugenio del Busto, a nombre de los sacerdotes cubanos y españoles que también fueron homenajeados y Mons. Bryan O. Walsh, Vicario Episcopal para la Comunidad Hispana, que hizo la invocación

Anuncian Otro Acto Honrando al Centro

Un almuerzo organizado por la Liga de Damas del Centro Hispano Católico tendrá lugar el sábado, día 9 de mayo, a las 12 del día en el Hotel Carillon de Miami Beach.

Se trata del almuerzo anual de esa liga femenina, destinado a recaudar fondos para el sostenimiento de la obra de asistencia social que realiza el Centro Hispano Católico.

"Pero este año queremos darle especial realce al evento y esperamos recaudar la mayor contribución de la comunidad, para celebrar así el décimo aniversario del Centro", dijeron a The Voice sus organizadoras.

A ese efecto, durante el almuerzo se ofrecerá un variado programa artístico que está siendo organizado por la señora Pili de la Rosa, con la participación de renombrados artistas y la actuación del conjunto de guitarras de Lily Batel.

También se presentará un "fashion Show" con modelos presentados por "Flora's Boutique".

Las reservaciones pueden hacerse en el mismo Centro Hispano Católico, en persona o llamando al 371-5657.



Un grupo de jóvenes del programa católico para niños cubanos asiste al Banquete Rotario.

y agradeció el acto a nombre del Centro Hispano Católico.

Mons. Walsh que en 1961 fundó el programa Católico para Niños Refugiados Cubanos, presentó al pronunciar su discurso al grupo de jóvenes que hoy vive en el Hogar de Niños Cubanos que el mismo dirige y que "son solo una pequeña representación de los más de quince mil jóvenes que en estos diez años han sido acogidos por el Programa", expresando que si Cristo nos prometió devolver el ciento por uno de lo que hagamos por nuestros hermanos, "ciertamente, en bendiciones y alegría por la felicidad de estos jóvenes yo he recibido mucho más del ciento por uno."

Día Legionario

La Curia Reina de la Paz de la Legión de María de la Arquidiócesis de Miami está organizando un "Día Legionario" que tendrá lugar el 24 de mayo, domingo. Los distintos grupos de la Legión están movilizándose en la organización de ese evento, según informa el Padre Agustín Román, recientemente designado director diocesano de la L.M. Oportunamente ofreceremos mas información sobre los actos del Día Legionario.

Festival en Gesu

Los días 2 y 3 de mayo, sábado y domingo, tendrá lugar en los locales y patios de la parroquia de Gesu un festival a beneficio de la Escuela Parroquial y otras obras de esa parroquia, según informa el Párroco, Padre John A. Sweeney, S.J.

El sábado, comenzan-

do a las 7:30 p.m. habrá un baile para la juventud en el sótano de la iglesia, y durante los dos días habrá diferentes bazares y entretenimientos para grandes y chicos, así como una cafetería con comidas internacionales, incluyendo platos americanos, españoles, chinos, italianos y de otra nacionalidades.



En la composición gráfica dos aspectos de la presidencia del acto rotario. Arriba, el Padre Eugenio del Busto, Carlos Salas, Sister Angela, superiora de la comunidad de religiosas que atiende el Centro Hispano Católico, la periodista argentina Diana de Massot y el director de Diario Las Americas, Dr. Horacio Aguirre. Abajo, la señora de Morales Gomez, Jose Borrell, señora de Aguirre y Padre Emilio Vallina.

Crece la Campaña por el Derecho a la Vida Contra las Leyes a Favor del Aborto

Por Gustavo Pena Monte

Los auspiciantes de las leyes tendientes a la liberalización del aborto en el Estado de la Florida perdieron el primer "round" de su batalla contra la vida humana cuando la Cámara de representantes derrotó el pasado martes el primero de los proyectos que a favor del aborto se presentó en la actual legislatura.

Aunque los fuertes intereses que secundan la legalización del aborto se han venido moviendo con hábiles métodos, la campaña de repulsa popular al aborto a lo largo y ancho del estado viene ganando el favor de los congresistas como se demostró el pasado martes.

La colonia de habla hispana de Miami, en la que se cuentan numerosas personas que ya poseen la ciudadanía y están registrados como votantes, ha hecho llegar su voz de repulsa al congreso del Estado.

Organizaciones cívicas y religiosas, católicas y de otros credos, han hecho llegar al capitolio de Tallahassee su oposición a las leyes de aborto. El Movimiento Familiar Cristiano, con un telegrama firmado a nombre de más de quinientos matrimonios fue una de las instituciones hispanas que dejó oír su opinión en el congreso.

Los obispos católicos de la Florida emitieron una declaración conjunta repitiendo su oposición contra los proyectos de liberalización del aborto, asegurando que la misma "rebajará el respeto por la vida humana en general."

"Rechazamos el aborto como un mal recurso de la sociedad al buscar soluciones a sus problemas," dice el documento firmado por el Arzobispo Coleman F. Carroll, de Miami y los obispos Paul Tanner, de St. Augustine; William D. Borders, de Orlando; Charles McLaughlin, de St. Petersburg y John J. Fitzpatrick, de Miami.

"Como líderes espirituales en el Estado de la Florida, nos creemos una vez más en la responsabilidad de pronunciamos sobre la importancia de la vida humana," dicen los Obispos y añaden:

"Mantenemos los valores de la vida humana, no solo por la consideración a nuestra comunidad católica, sino también en solidaridad con los ciudadanos de otros credos y militancias.

"Los proyectos presentados a la Legislatura de la Florida, ya para facilitar el aborto en determinadas circunstancias, ya para facilitar el llamado aborto por demanda, despiertan inevitables reservas morales. Reservas que trascienden la militancia religiosa y van más allá de puntos de vista personales.

"Lo que está en juego es la vida. La interrogante definitiva es esta: ¿Continuarán nuestras leyes, nuestras



autoridades médicas, y nuestros programas de gobierno manifestando el tradicional respeto por la vida, basado en el americanismo, la cultura judeo-cristiana y el genuino humanismo?

"Excluir al nonato de este tradicional respeto, creemos nosotros, degrada el respeto a la vida en general. Igualmente, posterga genuinas y valideras soluciones a evidentes problemas de la sociedad."

Se refiere el documento a las enseñanzas de la ciencia médica en el sentido de que la vida humana comienza a latir en el claustro materno y que ya desde su etapa microscópica cuenta con factores que definirán sus características físicas y psíquicas.

En la presente edición de The Voice, las ocho páginas centrales están dedicadas a un suplemento especial para defender con sólidos argumentos el derecho a la vida.

En las páginas centrales aparecen dos dramáticas fotos. En una de ellas aparece el feto ya visiblemente

formado a sólo 16 semanas de la concepción dentro del claustro materno. Ya a tan temprana etapa de la gestación, su figura está perfectamente definida. Los ojos están todavía cerrados pero ya están bien marcadas su nariz, sus labios, sus manos y sus pies.

En la otra foto aparece un feto similar, quizás unas semanas mayor, ya sin vida, en el fondo de un recipiente para desperdicios. Esta foto fue tomada en uno de los hospitales de uno de los lugares en los que el aborto ha sido legalizado. Esa foto podría repetirse alguna vez en Miami si los proyectos de legalización del aborto son aprobados por la cámara.

Aunque ya los defensores de la vida humana han ganado la primera batalla, al ser derrotado el primero de los proyectos presentados a la legislatura, todavía sigue en pie la amenaza de que otros proyectos similares puedan ser aprobados en lo que queda de legislatura.

La vida humana está en juego. El derecho a la vida de la criatura que se mueve, crece y se desarrolla dentro del vientre de su madre ha de ser defendido todavía.

En esta página aparece un cupón para recortarse, llenarse con nombre y dirección y enviarse a los legisladores.

'He' Has A Right To Live!



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Setenta Cursillistas Representarán a Miami En la Ultreya Mundial de Ciudad México

Más de 70 cursillistas de Miami partirán hacia México para participar del 22 al 24 del presente mes de mayo en la Segunda Ultreya Mundial de Cursillos de Cristiandad que tendrá lugar en la capital de ese país, estimándose que más de 40,000 cursillistas de todo el mundo asistirán.

La primera ultreya mundial tuvo lugar en Roma en 1966. "Ultreya" es una palabra del antiguo castellano que se hizo grito de ánimo entre los peregrinos que en la edad media caminaban hacia el sepulcro del Apóstol Santiago en Com-

postela, España. Hoy también para los cursillistas es palabra de ánimo, peregrinando todos los cristianos hacia el Padre, dice el Presidente del Movimiento de Cursillos en Miami, Pepin Argilagos.

Los actos más importantes de esta Ultreya mundial serán en la plaza del toro de Ciudad México y en la esplanada del Santuario de la Virgen de Guadalupe. Todas las actividades estarán ambientadas en un marco multicolor de razas, lenguas y colores, juntamente con diferentes números folklóricos representativos de cada

nación, todo lo cual favorecerá el convivir cristiano de todos en una misma amistad, según expresan los organizadores.

Anteriormente a la II Ultreya Mundial los días del 14 al 17 de Mayo tendrá lugar el II Encuentro Latinoamericano de Cursillos. A él acuden más de 200 Delegados representando 20 países Latinoamericanos. El I Encuentro tuvo lugar en Bogotá en el año 1968, al cual el Secretariado Arquidiocesano de Miami envió cinco delegados representando esta Arquidiócesis.

Esta vez Miami enviará

tres Delegados, que formarán parte de la Representación Oficial que envía el Secretariado Nacional de USA, dada la importancia del Movimiento de Cursillos en las Comunidades latinas de EE.UU. Esta Delegación está formada por nueve miembros, representando todo este país.

"El que de Miami hayan invitado a tres, nos honra y nos hace pensar en la estima que tienen al Movimiento de Miami, rama latina, en el ambiente nacional, dijo el Padre José L. Hernando, director diocesano de cursillos.

Los delegados del Secretariado de Miami serán P. José L. Hernando, Director Arquidiocesano, José Argilagos, Presidente del Secretariado y Lorenzo de Toro, Vocal de la Escuela de Dirigentes.

El Tema Central a estudiar en este II Encuentro será: "Revisión de los Acuerdos de Bogotá a la luz de los Documentos de Medellín."

Con lo cual se trata de revisar y actualizar la función del Movimiento de Cursillos dentro de la situación actual de la Iglesia, en su misión de hacerse presente en las transformaciones que está viviendo Latinoamérica.

Estos encuentros consisten en dos ponencias básicas por cada día y en una serie de Seminarios de trabajo, mesas de discusión y distintos diálogos e intercambios. Las conclusiones finales son sometidas a la votación general de todos los Delegados, de lo cual resulta un Documento final,

que se dará a conocer al final de dicho encuentro.

La sede de ambos Encuentros, Latinoamericano y Mundial será en el Seminario de Tlaxcala, Mor., fuera de la ciudad de México.

Seguidamente del Encuentro Latinoamericano tendrá lugar el II Encuentro Mundial, del 17-20, donde se encontrarán los Delegados de los 45 países en que ya está organizado el Movimiento de Cursillos, representando a un total de más de 600,000 Cursillistas. Como es natural Estados Unidos también manda su Representación a dicho Encuentro, como una excepción

EE.UU. llevará la Delegación más grande, pues además de 9 Delegados nombrados especialmente para este Encuentro Mundial, a ellos se unirán los otros nueve, que en los días anteriores asistieron al Encuentro Latinoamericano; por lo cual los tres Delegados de Miami, tendrán también la oportunidad de participar en este Encuentro de dimensiones Mundiales. Esta Delegación de los Estados Unidos tiene la misión y responsabilidad de representar a 200,000 Cursillistas, que pertenecen a 120 Diócesis donde actualmente se encuentra en marcha el Movimiento de Cursillos aquí en USA.



El lunes, día 4 de mayo, a las 5:30 p.m. será inaugurada en la Galería de Arte del Edificio Bacardi una exposición de oleos de la exquisita pintora cubana Sara Martínez Maresma.

La exposición comprende una colección de flores, especialmente rosas, que la artista capta en el lienzo con

natural belleza que ha logrado la admiración del público y la crítica, así como retratos de distintas figuras de esta comunidad.

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One Liberal Abortion Bill Is Killed

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In a joint statement issued early this week by Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll, Metropolitan of the Province of Miami; Bishop Paul Tanner, St. Augustine; Bishop Charles McLaughlin, St. Petersburg; Bishop William Borders, Orlando; and Bishop John J. Fitzpatrick, Miami; the state's prelates pointed out, "We uphold the value of human life, not only for the constant consideration of our Catholic community, but also in association with fellow citizens of other faiths and persuasions."

"The proposals before the Florida Legislature," the Bishops said, "either to sanction abortion in additional circumstances or to permit abortion on demand, prompt unavoidable moral reservations. These transcend religious affiliation or particular social views."

Florida's Bishops emphasized that "the central issue is life. The pivotal question is, will our laws, our medical skills and our governmental programs continue to manifest the American, the Judeo-Christian and the genuinely humanitarian respect for life?" they asked. "Excepting the unborn from this traditional respect, would, we believe, lessen respect for life in general. It

would also postpone truly worthwhile solutions to problems evident in society.

"Our teachings," the prelates said further, "encourage sexual and parental responsibility, respect for law and the building of a society in which everyone will enjoy human dignity. With the generous support of our people, human needs are met daily through our institutions and agencies. Abortion, on the other hand, would solve nothing, and would create deeper problems."

As six crippling amendments proposed by opponents of the defeated bill were voted down, House Minority Leader, Rep. Donald Reed (R-Boca Raton) lead the successful debate which resulted in Tuesday's surprise vote before a gallery of some 500 spectators.

One of the legislature's chief opponents of liberalized abortion during the past two sessions Reed told lawmakers that the proposed bill would permit parents to "murder their child" and "knock off the fetus."

Holding up a surgical instrument known as a curette, he explained in clinical detail how a fetus may be cut to pieces during an abortion and noted that there was no definition of viability either in the dictionary or the proposed bill. "By the time a

doctor gets through cutting up arms and legs with this little goody," Reed said, "No one is going to be able to tell whether it was viable or not."

"If people are really concerned that a baby might be born with a mental or physical defect why not let it die after birth," the legislator who is a Presbyterian asked. "It is obviously more rational than chopping the baby up into little pieces within the uterus where you can't see it on the chance it has a defect. How about those babies who are non-defective? They have a right to life."

Rep. Miers who terms Florida's present abortion law, "absolutely inhumane" told the House, "We have no right to sit in this legislative chamber and play God."

Donald Tucker (D-Tallahassee) told fellow representatives that although his church (Mormon) takes a stand against abortion, it is his opinion that such a decision should be made by the woman herself. But he expressed a lack of understanding as to why so many persons who oppose liberalized abortion laws "demonstrate such a callous concern for those children already among us," pointing up the lack of interest in legislation proposed to aid dependent and impoverished children.

In response to Rep. Maxine Baxer (D-Miami) who co-sponsored the defeated measure and told legislators that she is "deeply concerned with life, but I'm more deeply concerned with the quality of life," Rep. Carey Matthews (D-Miami) said he could hardly consider abortion as improving the quality of life.

Pointing out that his adopted children might not be alive today if abortion had been legalized some years

ago, Matthews said, "The next logical step to me to relieve a woman's pain and suffering would be to kill a child already born or deformed. The more we kill, the less chance we have of bringing quality of life into a better world," he stated. "I consider that a step backward in the progress of man."

Meanwhile observers in the state capital pointed out that reiterated contentions of supporters of abortion reforms that the Catholic Church "offers the only organized opposition" to liberalized abortion, are unfounded.

Of the 65 members of the House of Representatives who voted against the defeated bill, they pointed out, only 28 were members of the Catholic Church. They added that when the House General Legislation Committee cleared the bill last week, the six dissenting votes were cast by three Catholics, two Baptists, and one Presbyterian.

As The Voice went to press four other measures for liberalizing existing abortion laws were still alive — one in

the General Legislation Committee of the House of Representatives, two in the Senate

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NEW YORK — (NC)

— A New York City health official predicted here that the demand for abortions at the city's hospitals would be somewhere between 20,000 and 100,000 a year after the new state abortion law goes into effect July 1.

City health services administrator Gordon Chase predicted the rise in abortion requests in the wake of New York's law allowing abortions within 24 weeks of conception with the consent of the woman. New York's law has no age or residency requirements.

Timetable Of Sunday Masses In Archdiocese

The Sunday Mass schedule for the Archdiocese of Miami is as follows: 7:30, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12:30, 2:30 and 4 p.m. (Spanish).
BELLE GLADE: St. Philip Basil, 7:30, 9:30 and 12 noon (Spanish).
BOCA RATON: St. John of the Arch, 7:30, 9:30 a.m. and 12 noon, 6 p.m.
Ascension, 8:30, 10 & 11:30 a.m., 4:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m.
BOYNTON BEACH: St. Mark, 8:30, 11 a.m., 12 noon.
CLEWISTON: St. Margaret, 8 a.m., 12 noon.
COCONUT GROVE: St. Hugh, 7:30, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12:15 (Spanish) and 5:30 p.m.
CORAL GABLES: Little Flower (Church), 7:30, 9:30, 10:30, 11:45 a.m., 1 and 4 p.m.

St. Augustine, 7:30, 9:30, 12 noon, 5:45 p.m.
St. Raymond, Coral Gables Elem. School, 8 a.m., 9:30, 11 a.m. (Spanish) 12:15 a.m. and 1 p.m.
CORAL SPRINGS: St. Andrew, 8:30, 10:30, 11:45 a.m.
DANIA: Resurrection (2nd St. and 5th Ave.), 7:30, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12 noon and 6:30 p.m.
DEERFIELD BEACH: St. Ambrose (NE 12th Ave.), 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m., 12 noon and 5:30 p.m.
DELRAY BEACH: St. Vincent, 6:30, 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m., and 5:30 p.m.
FORT LAUDERDALE: St. Anthony, 7:30, 9:15, 10:30 a.m., 12 noon and 5:30 p.m.
Blessed Sacrament, 6:30, 8:30, 11 a.m. and 12:30, 6 & 7:30 p.m.
St. Clement, 6:30, 8, 9, 10, 11:15 a.m., 12:30 and 7 p.m.
St. George, 7, 8, 9:30, 11, 12:30, 5:30 p.m.
St. Helen, 3055 NW 23 Way, 8, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12:30 & 5:30 p.m.
St. Henry, 700 NE 56 St., 9 & 11 a.m., Pompano Harbor Track, 7 & 10 a.m., St. Jerome, 8:30, 10, 11:30 a.m., Queen of Martyrs, 6:30, 8, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12:30 and 6 p.m.
FORT LAUDERDALE BEACH: St. Pius X, 7, 8, 9:30, 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.
St. Sebastian, Harbour Beach (Latin), 9:30, 11 a.m., & 5:30 p.m.

HALLANDALE: St. Matthew, 6:15, 7:30, 8:45, 10, 11:15, 12:30 & 4 p.m.
St. Charles Borromeo, Hallandale Recreation Center, 9, 10:15 a.m. & 12 noon.
HIALEAH: Immaculate Conception, 7, 8, 9, 10:15, 11:30 a.m., 12:45 (Spanish) & 6 and 7:30 p.m. (Spanish).
St. John the Apostle, 6, 7, 8, 9:30, 10:45 a.m., 12 noon, 1 p.m. (Spanish) 5:30 and 6:30 (Spanish).
HIGHLAND BEACH: St. Lucy, 8:30 and 10:11, 8 p.m., 10:10 St. Ocean Blvd.

HOBE SOUND: St. Christopher, 7, 9 a.m.
HOLLYWOOD: Annunciation, 8, 9, 11:30 a.m., 7 p.m.
Little Flower, 5:45, 7, 8:15, 9:30, 10:45, a.m., 12 noon, 5:30, 6:30, 7:30 p.m.

Nativity, 7, 8, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a.m. (Spanish), 1, 5, 6 (Spanish), 6:15 p.m.
St. Bernadine, 7, 8, 9:30, 11, 12:30, 7 p.m.
HOMESTEAD: Sacred Heart, 6:30, 8, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12:15 and 6 p.m.
IMMOKALEE: Lady of Guadalupe, 8:30 and 11:45 a.m.
INDIAN TOWN: Holy Cross, 8 a.m.
JUPITER: St. Jude, 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.
KEY BISCAYNE: St. Agnes, 7, 8:30, 10 (Spanish), 11:15 a.m., and 5:30 p.m.
LABETTE: Mission, 10 a.m.
LAKE WORTH: St. Luke, 7, 8, 10:10 a.m., and 6:15 p.m.
Sacred Heart, 7:30, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.
LANTANA: Holy Spirit, 7, 8, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.
LIGHTHOUSE POINT: St. Paul the Apostle, 8 and 9:15 & 10:30 a.m. in Yacht and Tennis Club.
MARCO: Catholic Church of San Marco, 8:30 a.m. (Marco Yacht Club).
MARGATE: St. Vincent, 8, 9, 10:15, 11:30 a.m.
MIAMI: St. Brendan, 6:30, 8, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a.m. (Spanish), 1, 5:30, 6:45 (Spanish) and 8 p.m.
Assumption of Blessed Virgin (Ukrainian), 8:30 and 10 a.m.
Corpus Christi, 6, 7, 8, 9:15, 10:30

(Spanish) 11:45, 1 p.m. (Spanish), 5:30 (Spanish).
Gethsemane, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11:30 a.m., 12:30 & 5:30 p.m. (Spanish).
Holy Redeemer, 7:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. (Spanish).
International Airport International Hotel, 8 a.m., Sunday and Holy Days.
Mekelle, Mission, 2625 Coral Way, 11 a.m.

St. Catherine, Killion High School, 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.
St. Francis Xavier, 7, 9:30 a.m.
St. Ignace, 7, 8:30, 10, 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. (Spanish), 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (Spanish).
St. John, Boca Mission, 1301 W. Flagler St., 8:30 & 11:30 a.m. (English), 7, 10 a.m., 11, 7:30 p.m. (Spanish).
St. Kevin Mission, Concord Theater, Bird Road, 9, 10, 11 a.m.
St. Kieran (Assumption Academy), 7:30, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12 noon (Spanish) and 5 p.m., Latin 7 p.m.

St. Mary's Cathedral, 7, 8, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12:30, 5:30 and 7 p.m. (Spanish).
St. Michael, 7, 8, 9, 10:30, 11:30, 12 noon, 6 & 7 p.m. (Spanish).
St. Peter and Paul, 7:30, 9:30, 10:45, 12 noon, 5:30 p.m. (Spanish).
St. Robert Bellarmine, 2425 N.W. 27 Ave., 8 a.m. (English), 11 a.m., 1, 7 p.m. (Spanish).
St. Timothy, 7, 8, 9, 10:15, 11:30 a.m., 12:45 p.m. (Spanish) and 6:30 a.m.
St. Thomas the Apostle, 7:30, 8, 9, 10, 11 a.m., 12:15 and 6 p.m.
St. Vincent DePaul, 2100 NE 103 St., 7, 8:15, 9:30, 10:45 a.m., 12 noon and 6 p.m. (Spanish).
MIAMI BEACH: St. Francis de Sales, 7, 8, 9, 10:30, 11:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.
St. Joseph, 7, 8, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12:30 and 5:30 p.m.
St. Mary Magdalen, 7:30, 8:45, 10, 11:15 a.m., 12:20 and 6 p.m.
St. Patrick, 6:30, 8, 9, 10:15, 11:30, 12:45, 6, 7 p.m. (Spanish).
MIAMI LAKES: Our Lady of the Lake, 7, 9, 10:30 a.m., 12 noon, 6 & 7:15 p.m. (Spanish).
MIAMI SHORES: St. Rose of Lima, 7, 8, 9, 10:30, 12 noon and 6 p.m.
MIAMI SPRINGS: Blessed Trinity, 6:30, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12:30, 6 & 7 p.m. (Spanish).

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MOORE HAVEN: St. Joseph, 10 a.m.
NAPLES: St. Ann, 6:30, 8, 9:30, 11, 12:30 and 6 p.m.
NARANJA: St. Ann, 11 a.m., 7 p.m. (Spanish) 10 a.m.
NORTH DADE COUNTY: St. Monica, 7:45, 9, 10:15, 11:30 and 6 p.m.
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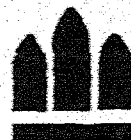
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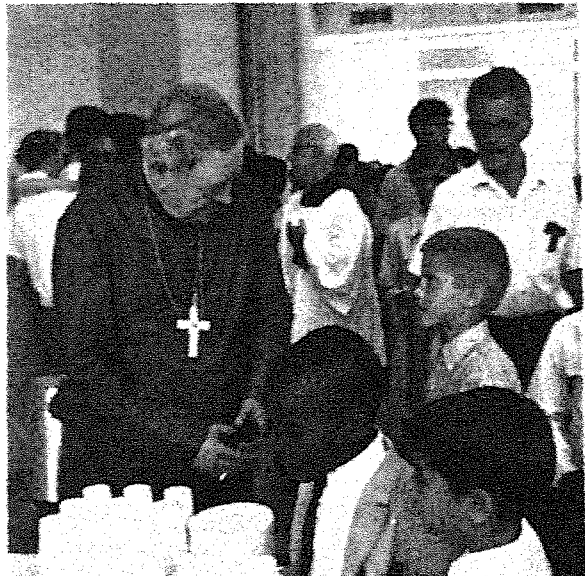
Multi-Purpose Addition To Church Is Blessed

PERRINE — A new multi-purpose addition to Christ the King Church was blessed by Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll during ceremonies last Sunday.

Completely air-conditioned, the new structure was designed by Miami architect Thomas J. Madden, Jr. and provides additional space for overflow crowds participating in Sunday Masses as well as four classrooms for CCD classes and adequate room for meetings of parish organizations and social events. A kitchen, several storage rooms and rest rooms are included.

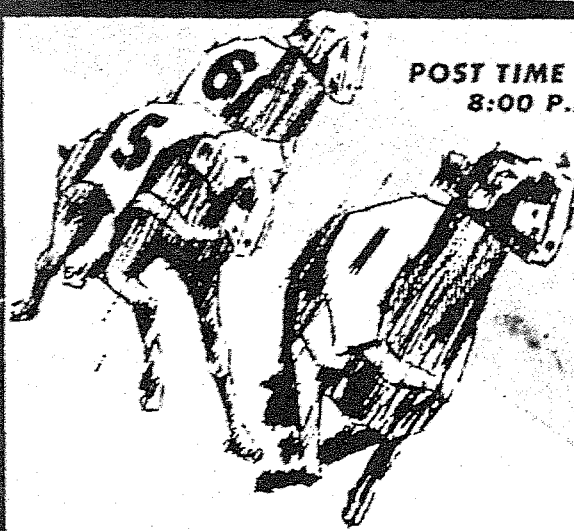
According to Father Edward G. Bowes, S.S.J., pastor of the South Dade parish established by Archbishop Carroll eight years ago, the number of parishioners has increased so rapidly that there is frequently "standing room only" at Sunday Masses. In addition, he pointed out, youth of the parish have had to attend catechetical classes at Holy Rosary Church.

Funds for the building of the new parish center were raised through a campaign in the parish last year, he said. Christ the King parish plant also includes a rectory.



PARISH YOUTH talked with Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll during reception which followed blessing of new parish center which provides facilities for many activities.

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