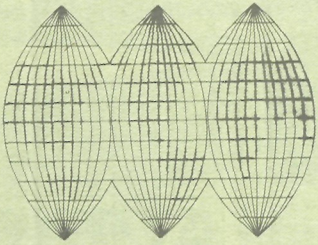


Our World



Catholics represented

Catholic representation in Congress is at an all-time high following the November elections, according to Christianity Today, a Protestant weekly. The number of Catholics increased by eight to 123. Jewish representation increased by 10 to 24. Christianity Today reported also that Presbyterians, who traditionally do poorly when Democrats win, dropped by 13.

Proselytizing Africa

Arab oil profits are being used to generate a powerful drive by Moslems to proselytize Africa, thus heightening religious tensions there, the editor of a Catholic weekly said in Buenos Aires. Father Jean Paul Beyami, editor of *Effort Camerounias* of Yaounde, Cameroun, added that "the present situation regarding Christian churches and Moslem groups could be said to approach a cold war."

No health problem

Millions of Holy Year visitors to Rome will not cause massive health problems, the secretary general of the Vatican's Central Committee for the Holy Year said here. Noting that Italian press reports have forecast sanitation problems and epidemics, Bishop Antonio Mazza said, "I did not believe it possible" that the press "should arrive at certain descriptions at times so fantastic regarding the Roman and Italian sanitary situation in general, since the competent offices . . . have shown on various occasions the greatest awareness of their responsibility in these sectors."

Butz apologizes

Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz issued a public apology for repeating a joke on Pope Paul VI's views on birth control. The joke brought calls for Butz' resignation, but President Ford, while rebuking Butz for his comment, said the seriousness of the offense did not warrant resignation. Catholics throughout the nation, including NCCB president, Archbishop Joseph Bernardin of Cincinnati, have criticized Butz's approach to the food crisis.

Condemn terrorism

The Catholic bishops of England and Wales have again condemned terrorism, declaring no Catholic "can offer support or excuse" for violence like the Birmingham bombings that killed 19 persons and injured 184 Nov. 21.

"The brutal and indiscriminate killings caused by the bomb explosions in Birmingham have excited feelings of horror and revulsion among all right-minded people," the bishops said in a message read in all Catholic churches in England and Wales on the First Sunday of Advent.

Foreign commuters OK

Mexican and Canadian commuters may work in the U.S. on a seasonal as well as a daily basis, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in Washington. The court also refused to block a Maryland program extending financial aid to religious colleges and let stand a New York State Appeals Court decision that the state must pay welfare benefits to the unborn child of a woman living with her parents, even though the woman herself is not on welfare.



**Singing in praise
of the Lord**

RAISING their voices in harmony at the Cathedral of St. Mary Sunday were the children of St. Clement Church, who sang during Communion at the Holy Year pilgrimage for children. Fifteen hundred children at the Cathedral and at St. Coleman Church in Pompano Beach attended the pilgrimage and sang during the Mass. See story and photos, p. 9.

URGES HOPE, FAITH

Abp. Carroll honored by B'nai B'rith

Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll was honored with the B'nai B'rith 1974 Humanitarian Award this week and in receiving it praised a value system based on "hope, courage and faith."

Standing before an audience filled with religious, political and educational leaders at the Eden Roc Hotel, the Archbishop said, "It would seem to me, that in citing me as the Humanitarian of 1974 you are honoring a value system more than me as a person.

"YOU are paying tribute to hope and courage and faith . . . I would think you are saying to the world with this award that we have heard more than enough from those who can say nothing encouraging in the present situation of our society."

"Like the prophets of old, we should start to say more about what is good and noble and beautiful today, even if only as an ideal or goal to desire and strive for, even if we are painfully aware that many things are unfair, unjust and ugly and they ought not to be."

The Archbishop criticized the prophets of doom who give no hope, but said, "I believe in the future because I believe in God and I believe in the divine economy of salvation of the world."

He expressed concern over certain "humanitarians" who are not committed to God and whose humanism is selective and prejudicial and therefore does not have sustaining ability. He cited Archbishop Jean Jadot's statement to the Synagogue Council of America earlier

this year:

"In ages past the religious traditions have been the progenitors and preservers of culture and civilization. With the decline of those traditions the culture and civilizations they begot tended to disintegrate and die . . . The faith of the Western World may depend on the success of our spiritual renewal."

THE ARCHBISHOP referred to Pope Paul's words that each one examine

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Know Your Faith

What is our social responsibility — to people in our own country, to those in other lands, in business? We must develop the courage to do more than complain about injustice; we must have the strength to shout in protest. Just what should the Christian attitude and action be? Read the second part of "Deeds Not Words," in Know Your Faith, P. 13-P. 16.

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Archbishop's letter

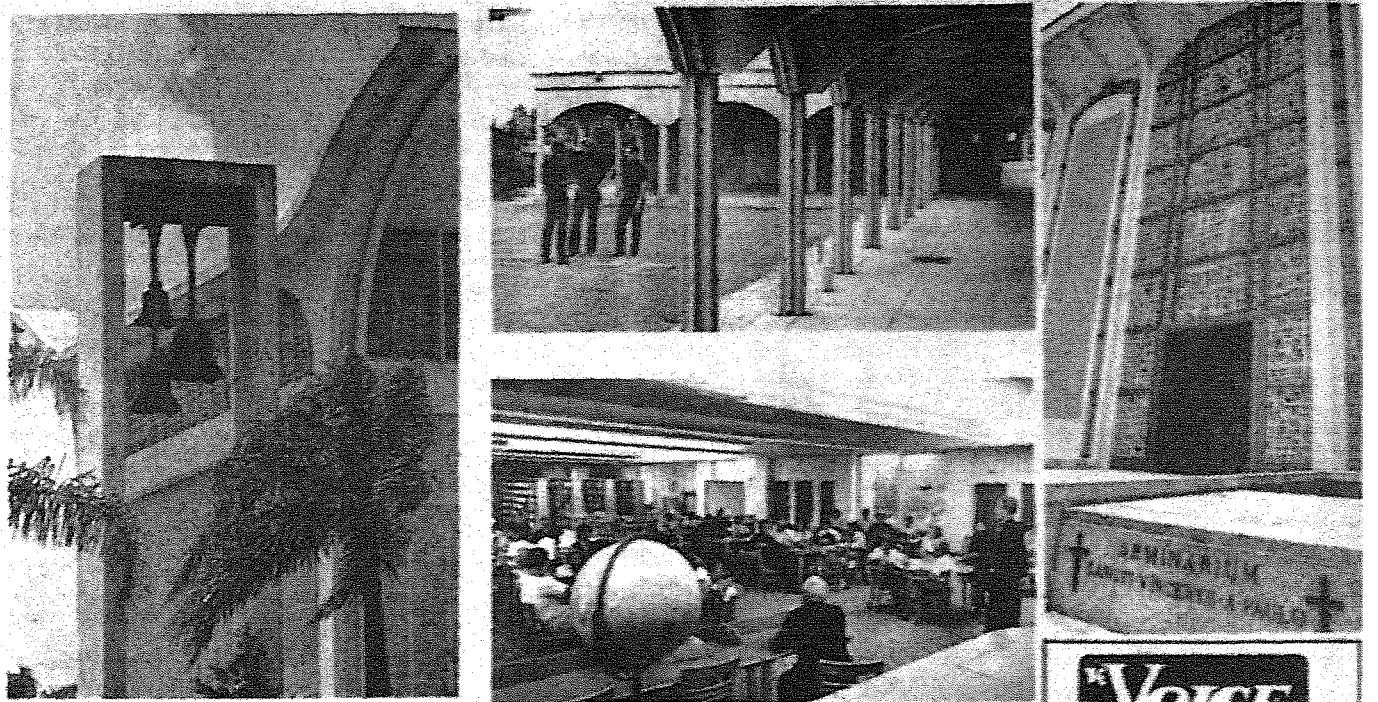
Help seminarians reach priesthood

To the Priests, Religious and Faithful of the Archdiocese of Miami:

Each December, as we prepare for the birth of Christ, I write to ask your continued help for our seminary program which prepares men to carry on the priestly work of Christ. South Florida is blessed with both a minor and a major seminary where our young men have the unique opportunity of preparing for the Priesthood within their own Archdiocese. These seminaries will provide our local parishes with the priests who will bring you and your children the teaching of Christ and the graces of His Sacraments.

Through the Annual Seminary Collection in our parishes and through the contributions of many people to their own Parish Burse by way of bequests and other forms of investment, many young men are enabled to become priests who could not have afforded the expenses of the many years of study required.

I again appeal to your generosity to pray for many priestly vocations and to support the special Seminary Collection which is being taken up Sunday, Dec. 8, throughout the entire Archdiocese. While I am aware of rising costs throughout our society, I am also confident of your continued support of the education of our future priests. I am most grateful for your past cooperation and I ask you to continue it today.



I send to all of you my paternal blessing and ask Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest, whose ministry I share, to send you and your families His peace and joy.
Very sincerely yours in Christ,

Coleman F. Carroll

Coleman F. Carroll
Archbishop of Miami

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"Unless there is stronger leadership at the top against intolerance, the danger of another Brown or Butz continues. Let the President act affirmatively, and now."

Rabbi Irving Lehrman of Temple Emanu-El, Miami Beach, reacting to Agriculture Secretary Butz's comments on the Pope.



Rabbi Lehrman

"Our goal is to arrive at both a Catholic expression of the meaning of liberty and a collective commitment to a common course of action in the years ahead."

Cardinal John Dearden of Detroit, on the aims of the NCCB Bicentennial committee.



Cardinal Dearden

"Anti-Semitism is the greatest hatred in human history . . . something strongly repressed, hence always denied."

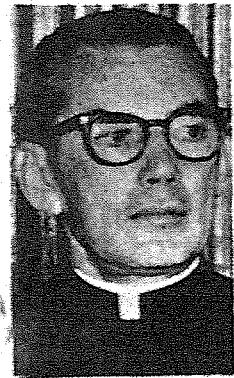
Father Edward H. Flannery, of the Secretariat for Catholic-Jewish relations of the NCCB.



Father Flannery

"The dropouts of society, the forgotten in prison cells, the elderly in sanitariums . . . will recognize us if we walk among them as one of them, like Damien at Molokai."

Cardinal Timothy Manning of Los Angeles, speaking to the U.S. Bishops at a Holy Year Mass.



Cardinal Manning

"It hits hardest those least capable of coping with inflation — the elderly and the poorest of the poor."

Sen. George McGovern, criticizing Pres. Ford's cutback of the food stamp program.



Sen. McGovern

"Apathy is one of the problems of our nation today. The faith and spirit of men like Archbishop Carroll will be stronger than the apathy fostered by the prophets of doom."

Metro Mayor Steve Clark, speaking at the B'nai B'rith dinner honoring Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll.



Mayor Clark

John XXIII prize goes to UN unit

VATICAN CITY — (NC) — Pope Paul VI has awarded the John XXIII Peace Prize to the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

The awarding of the prize was announced by the Vatican recently. The presentation was made to UNESCO in Paris by Archbishop Giovanni Benelli, papal undersecretary of state.

IT WAS the second time the prize had been awarded. The first winner was Mother Teresa, the nun who founded the Missionaries of Charity in Calcutta, India, to help the dying and abandoned poor there and in other countries.

The John XXIII Peace Prize was set up and founded through the \$160,000 peace award that Pope John himself received from the Balzan Foundation, an Italian-Swiss corporation. Pope John left his prize money for that purpose when he died the same year.

A VATICAN spokesman said the peace prize includes a sum of money, but was unable to say precisely how much money was involved in the award to UNESCO. Mother Teresa received a check for \$25,000.

In announcing the Pope's choice of UNESCO for the prize, Vatican Radio said the prize was "established to honor the venerated memory of Pope John, to serve the great cause of peace, and to encourage those who in the world untiringly dedicate themselves to help both the body and spirit" of man.

According to the UN charter, UNESCO's purpose is to promote collaboration among nations through education, science and culture in order to further universal respect for justice, the rule of law and human rights and fundamental freedoms.



HUMANITARIAN award of B'nai B'rith was presented Tuesday evening to Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll by International President David Blumberg who heads the 600,000 member organization.

Urges hope, courage, faith

Abp. Carroll honored

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himself to see what he ought to do because words of principal aren't enough without effective action.

Archbishop Carroll concluded, "I am deeply grateful to you for the award . . . and I ask you to come along with me to be men and women of hope and courage, and to quote again Isaiah, 'Come let us walk in the light of the Lord.'"

Presentation of the award was made by David Blumberg, international president of the 600,000 member B'nai B'rith.

"What is needed in the world," he said, "is not what is sent out to the world through 'the tube' (television) but what is represented here tonight."

He spoke of the new blight on mankind that is sweeping the world, terrorism, and told of being in London last

week at a restaurant when suddenly the plates jumped and the windows were blown in from an IRA bomb 200 feet away in another building.

Blumberg then cited what he called a worse kind of terrorism yet: apathy which reaches in to destroy the morality of the world. "But," he said "it is moments like these that say we do have morality in the world."

He concluded, "If you are looking for a man with a purpose in life, look for a man with a song in his heart."

Chairman and toastmaster of the event was Joseph Fitzgerald, attorney. Invocation was by Rabbi Irving Lehrman. Opening remarks were by Albert Pallot and benediction was by Father Joseph Cronin, pastor, St. Patrick Church.

Catechetical Directory to be issued

WASHINGTON — (NC) — The first draft of the National Catechetical Directory (NCD), the book that is expected to set the tone for Catholic religious education in this country for years to come, will soon be printed for distribution, it was announced here.

Msgr. Wilfrid Paradis, executive director of the massive project of the U.S. bishops, said the draft will be available in English by Dec. 26, and it is expected to be printed in Spanish by the middle of January.

Intended for use in a nationwide consultation, the printed forms of the draft will include space throughout for marginal comments and several forms at the end for persons to use in submitting suggestions to the NCD Committee.

A FIRST consultation, begun last year and based only on a general outline and background documents, drew more than 17,000 suggestions from individuals and groups around the country. The second consultation, based on the first actual draft text, is expected to bring a response many times as great.

The national consultation on the first draft is scheduled to last from January through April 1975. Following the consultation, the NCD staff will categorize the responses by topic, and a team of experts and the NCD Committee will investigate each topic thoroughly so that the draft can be rewritten in the light of the suggestions.

After rewriting the NCD Committee must submit the draft to the Bishops' Committee for Policy and Review for approval, and then a second draft will be circulated in a similar fashion, go through the same process, and finally a finished document will be approved by the nation's bishops as a statement of what religious education in this country should be and do.

Msgr. Paradis said Our Sunday Visitor in Huntington, Ind., is making an initial printing of 50,000 copies of the draft in English, 64 pages long in tabloid-size newspaper format.

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If adversity is good for the soul, it would seem that America's soul should be in an improving course.

As the Congress and the President argue over what approach to take in handling the economy, international trade and social measures; inflation continues and joblessness mounts.

And the poor and aged, as usual, are the first to be hurt.

President Ford, for instance, has issued an executive order to cut the food stamp program by \$325 million this fiscal year. He says this is one of the measures needed to hit inflation which also hurts the poor. Opponents say this cut hurts the poor immediately and should be made elsewhere.

Dogfood and catfood sales are brisk and some of it is being eaten by people. A state legislator has proposed "electricity stamps" for the poor and elderly. And the Brothers of the Good Shepherd are feeding twice as many people now as they were the same time last year.

Meanwhile, dairy farms are failing at an alarming rate and cattlemen execute calves in protest of market prices. Bread prices are projected to go up. At the same time sugar, a basic

staple, continues at record high prices, some stores requiring purchase of a certain minimum amount of groceries before sugar can even be bought. Sugar companies are reaping big profits as are gasoline corporations. In other words, some appear to be thriving on inflation and international oil cartel politics while others suffer, and outrage arises from some frustrated producers, while confusion reigns over the consumer and an air of post-Watergate suspicion lingers in everyone's mind about all the economic maneuverings among politicians and governments.

The point of all this is twofold:

FIRST, that the government must do something. It should investigate and, most important, act in the interest of justice, on those entities of the economy which have evidently profited directly from the developments which have hurt most of the people.

When a beet sugar company lists 1200 per cent profit increase while some families can't afford to buy this basic source of bodily energy, we would suggest that a peek at the industry is indicated.

When petroleum corporations raise prices enormously because "new fuel sources must be explored" and then report soaring profits during

the following year while everyone else is hurting from this inflationary bomb, we would again suggest the Congress do something besides wring its distinguished and august hands.

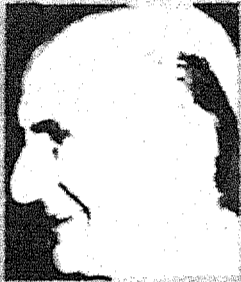
Then, as a Christmas present to the country, both Congress and the President should acknowledge honest differences, compromise and, on the assumption that doing something is better than doing nothing, pass a package of legislation that will attack inflation and joblessness with the least harm to the needy.

SECONDLY, a word about the condition of America's soul:

The belt tightening that most of us will have to do can have its blessing in an affluent society. If we do not grow bitter in spirit but accept this adversity as a challenge, then we just might be able to unify the nation, rekindle an appreciation of the more basic things in life we have come to take for granted, rid us of our pop-top and spray-can consumerism mentality and its attendant physical and mental pollution. We might again refurbish our shopworn work ethic and get together in the park on a Sunday afternoon.

For the middle-class, at least, adversity could be the best thing since Dr. Ebenezer's snake oil, good for what ails you.

The Voice
of
The Holy Father



'Spiritual certainty necessary for Holy Year celebration'

'We need inner silence, moment of solitude'

To grasp something of the religious problem, we need silence; inner silence, which also calls, perhaps, for a little external silence. Silence: we mean a pause amidst all the noises, all the impressions of the senses, all the voices, which the environment compels us to listen to, making us turn outwards, deafening us, while it fills us with echoes, images, stimuli, which, whether we like it or not, paralyze our inner freedom to think and pray. Silence here . . . means, in our case, a talk with ourselves, quiet reflection, an act of conscience, a moment of personal solitude, an attempt to recuperate ourselves.

—Paul VI, Advent 1973

'Can't to build on sand'

To undertake the religious effort that the celebration of the Holy Year will ask of each of us, a certain spiritual certainty is necessary . . . It is not possible to build on sand. Skeptical and pessimistic doubt about one's identity, about one's life, renders vain all positive effectiveness of religious and moral development . . . Our religion, on the other hand, at whatever moment of its contact with our spirit, cannot but defend itself with proofs, even in the face of hostile controversies.

—Paul VI, Nov. 20, 1974

God's answer to anxiety

We will go further and say: we will give to silence the capacity of listening . . . We know that spiritual listening allows us . . . to hear His voice, that voice of His which is immediately distinguished by the sweetness and strength, and, the word of God: the God whom we then, as if by an instinctive impulse, begin to call within us, with eagerness to know and understand with anguish and with confidence, with unusual emotion and with invading goodness: the God-Word, who has become our interior master.

—Paul VI, Advent 1973



OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, whose feast day has been transferred to Dec. 7 for this year, is represented in this statue by Ivan Mestrovic at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Works by the famed sculptor in the Archdiocese of Miami include the crucifix above the altar in Corpus Christi Church and the bronze Pieta located in Our Lady of Mercy Cemetery.

We are brought to this line of thought by the liturgical season of Advent: to be silent in order to listen; and by the pressing motive of the Holy Year, which imposes silence and prayer and which prepares God's answer to our many modern anxieties, namely, His Love and our salvation.

Prayer of the Faithful

Feast of the Immaculate Conception Dec. 7, 1974

CELEBRANT: Mindful of the Word which God has just spoken to each one of us and of His Word, whom the Father gave to us through the Immaculate Virgin Mary, let us now be one in heart and voice in asking Him to answer our needs.

COMMENTATOR: Our response today is: Lord, hear our prayer.

COMMENTATOR: That all the People of God will strive to imitate Mary, our model of faith, hope and charity, let us pray:

PEOPLE: Lord, hear our prayer.

COMMENTATOR: That all with whom we come in contact, especially the poor, the aged and the needy, may be strengthened by our example of faith, hope and charity, let us pray:

PEOPLE: Lord, hear our prayer.

COMMENTATOR: That Mary, model of the Church, will unceasingly protect and intercede for all the People of God, let us pray:

PEOPLE: Lord, hear our prayer.

COMMENTATOR: That in a genuine spirit of humility we may always thank God, our Father, for giving Mary to us as our Mother, let us pray:

PEOPLE: Lord, hear our prayer.

COMMENTATOR: That all who have sinned against God may sincerely repent in this Holy Year of Renewal and Reconciliation, let us pray:

PEOPLE: Lord, hear our prayer.

CELEBRANT: O God, gracious and loving Father, you have given us so much and have received so little in return, look with favor on this Sacrifice of Jesus, your Son, in which through your goodness we now participate, and answer our prayers which we make through Him.

PEOPLE: Amen.



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'Young aspire to truth'

The new generation of the young are aware of the deep demands of thought, and are disillusioned with the dominant materialism. They are all the more eager for certainty as food for their mind, the more scientific certainty celebrates an unquestioned triumph, without satisfying it, but on the contrary making it even more hungry. The young, therefore, aspire to truth, unconsciously perhaps to that Truth in terms of which Christ defined Himself: "I am the way, the truth and the life . . ."; "I am the light of the world . . ."

—Paul VI, Nov. 20, 1974

Fast, abstinence coming back?



By Msgr. James J. Walsh

Fast and abstinence are on the way back.

Is the Church backtracking on the repeal of fasting precepts made a few years ago? Is it about to be fish on Friday time again? Will new legislation restore the Ember days? Will it once again be no food or water before Holy Communion?

No! As far as I know, no one has heard of any new legislation being proposed along these lines.

But there is a bit of evidence here and there to indicate that fast and abstinence are indeed voluntarily becoming a part of concerned Christian thinking. There are some signs that what the Church hoped for in doing away with the legal regulations on food and drink is coming about. At the time when the law was changed, we were urged freely to accept the responsibility of fasting and abstaining. Thereafter a law should not be needed to push us to this valuable practice. We were reminded that the act of penance itself has no magical way of changing our hearts. It is the inner attitude, the genuine interior motive that gives value to what "we give up."

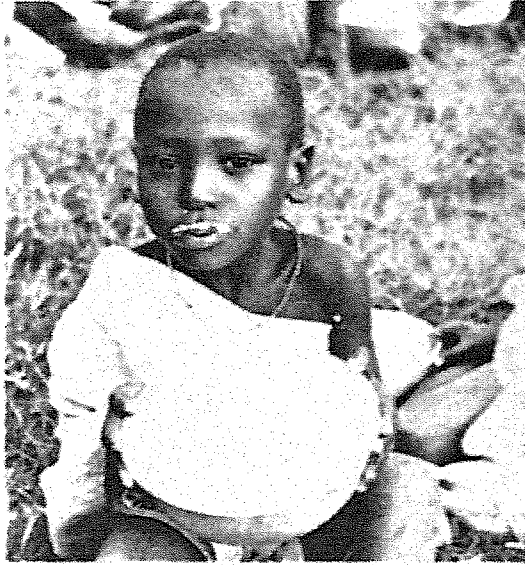
AT LEAST among some, in these days of crisis, this seems to have caught on. We are reaching out with a new motive to deny ourselves and share with others. More and more people, in hearing of the food crisis, are becoming uneasy in conscience. This massive disaster is just becoming focused in our eyes.

We can't really comprehend what it means when we hear that over 400 million people are threatened with starvation right now and that 10 million are likely to die this year from hunger. A United Nations assessment of the food situation recently stated: "History records more acute shortages in individual countries, but it is doubtful whether such a critical food situation has ever been so worldwide."

We can't understand it, but the nagging con-

viction is growing that we ought to do something about it.

A community of nuns — 430 of them belonging to the Sisters of Charity of St. Elizabeth — has resolved to follow self-imposed fasting regulations. They have signed a statement which reads: "In order to show my solidarity with the hungry people around the world and in these United States, and to show my desire to consume less so that others may have more, I pledge to join with other sisters to fast on the first day of each month."



Other religious and lay people are joining them. The money saved in the fast is being sent to the U.S. Catholic Relief Services, the overseas arm of U.S. Catholics.

The priest in charge of a large campus ministry in the State of Florida told me recently that he has been proposing to his college students that they go back voluntarily to the old precepts of fast and abstinence. And they are responding. They have a new motive, a fresh reason.

LAST WEEK Senator Mark Hatfield of Oregon planned a National Day of Fasting. He called on Americans to "willingly experience hunger" to ease the world hunger crisis.

"Failure by our government," he said, "to increase U.S. food aid following the Rome Food Conference puts a greater responsibility on individuals to act to demonstrate their concern." His Senate resolution called for a period of identification with the world's hungry through self sacrifice and sharing. He encouraged fasting as a practice "in connection with holiday and religious periods when the temptation is greatest to spend in excess on foods, gifts and non-essential items."

Two weeks ago the U.S. Bishops at their meeting in Washington heard an evaluation of the food crisis from Father J. Bryan Hehir, director of the Division for Justice and Peace. He made some very telling points, such as the following: Helping the hungry should not now be looked

"More and more people, in hearing of the food crisis, are becoming uneasy in conscience."

upon as a sharing of surplus goods with the needy from a motive of generosity. The problem now is not primarily one of charity, giving a little of what we find is left over. The problem is one of justice. "Today our surplus is gone; we are asked now, not to share our surplus, but our scarcity."

He quoted Pope Paul as saying that elementary social justice consists not only in not stealing, but in knowing how to share.

As one of the numerous thoughts he offered on solutions, he stated: "One dimension of lifestyle emerging from the heart of Catholic tradition is the use of fasting and abstinence, now governed by a social purpose of saving in order to share with others . . ."

Advent offers us a strong motive to go back to fast and abstinence — on our own, don't you think so? And use the savings — no matter how small — to put food in someone else's mouth.



By Fr. Eugene Maly

You should see salvation in the birth of Christ

GOSPEL (Second of Advent; Dec. 8, 1974).

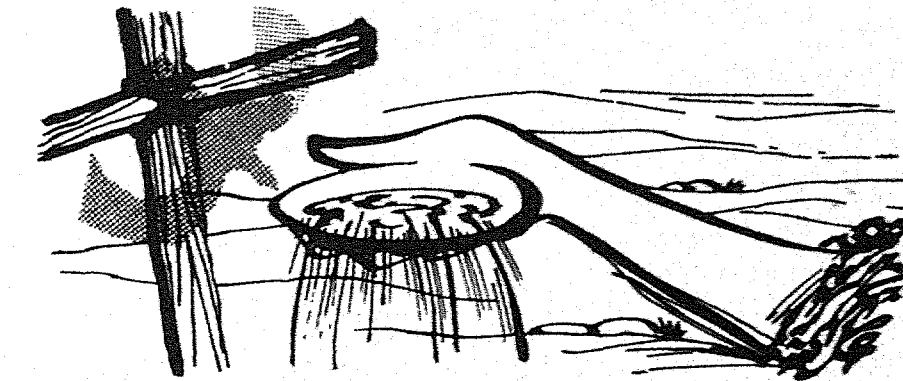
Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-9; Matthew 3:1-12.

FATHER EUGENE H. MALY

"Everything written before our time was written for our instruction . . ." So wrote St. Paul in his letter to the Romans from which one of this Sunday's readings is taken. It has been a consistent Christian teaching that the Old Testament, even though it was directed primarily to a people who lived before Christ, does have meaning for Christians, too. This would, of course, be especially true of those oracles of the prophets that speak of a messianic prince to come in the future.

We have such an oracle in the first reading from Isaiah. The prophet speaks of a "shoot" that "shall sprout from the stump of Jesse." Jesse was the name of David's father; hence we are hearing of one who will come from David's line, a royal descendant. But the shoot, or offspring, would come from the "stump" of Jesse, not from a fully blossoming tree. This suggests that the royal family will have been decimated, but that a new branch will come forth.

THE ORACLE goes on to describe vividly the characteristics of this new ruler and of his reign. Generally emphasized are the idyllic conditions that will mark the period.



Even the animal world will experience the effect of the messianic justice that will prevail. While such a paradise picture need not be taken literally, it does suggest God's concern for all of creation.

But the end of injustice is also mentioned. The new ruler will "strike the ruthless with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall slay the wicked." Again, this is picture language, but the meaning is clear enough. There will be divine judgment on those who reject God's word.

We mention this aspect of the prophecy simply because it is the emphasis made by John the Baptist in the Gospel reading. He points to Jesus as the one who will usher in God's kingdom. But He will do it

with a "winnowing-fan in his hand. He will clear the threshing floor and gather his grain into the barn, but the chaff he will burn in unquenchable fire."

We do not wish to exclude all notes of salvation. John does mention the coming baptism of the Holy Spirit which will initiate those baptized into the kingdom of God. And in the season of Advent it is proper to stress the anticipation of salvation, of the joyful reign of the prince of peace.

But such anticipation becomes unrealistic utopianism if it is not also realized that a judgment will have to be made and that the evil will be separated from the just. In a Chardin world where the evolutionary sweep to the omega point ap-

pears to leave little room for personal failure, the Bible teaching must be seriously faced. There are sinners, and there is damnation. Indeed, it is only because of such a possibility that human freedom is ultimately preserved.

THREE TIMES in the final verses of the Gospel reading is the word "fire" used. The tree that bears no fruit will be cast into the fire, obviously a reference to ultimate rejection of the sinner. Jesus' baptism will be "in the Holy Spirit and fire." It is almost certain that fire here refers to the final judgment that will either purify or destroy completely. Finally, the Messiah will burn "in unquenchable fire" the chaff that is left from the winnowing process.

These are not comfortable words. But they are a constant and unavoidable part of the Scripture message, and they are written for our instruction, as Paul tells us. These kinds of words are not even missing from the generally glory-filled oracles about the messiah in the Old Testament, as we have seen.

Still, we are, in the end, encouraged by the words of the same Paul who wrote: "May God, the source of all patience and encouragement, enable you to live in perfect harmony with one another according to the spirit of Jesus Christ, so that with one heart and voice you may glorify God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."



By Fr. John Sheerin, C.S.P.

Is UN becoming forum for gunslingers?

Pope Paul, in white, addressing the United Nations' General Assembly; Yasser Arafat addressing the same Assembly, a pistol holster strapped to his hips. Here, in this shocking contrast of peace against war we have a dramatic picture of the catastrophic change that has come over "the world's last hope for global peace."

It is being said that we must be realistic. Diplomats at the UN are saying that we ought not to live in the past with its romantic hopes about the UN but that we should simply take the UN as it is. Some even wax cynical and sophisticated, suggesting that the respectability of a terrorist group is only a relative matter.

But to be realistic, the obvious question is: Why should we accept the UN if it is becoming an organization that symbolizes the very reverse of everything contained in the peace organization's charter? We are hard put at the moment to find reasons to tolerate its existence in the United States: the UN may eventually vindicate itself, but how long can we wait?

THE TRAGIC mutation in process within the peacemaking organization is symbolized dramatically in the figure of Abdelaziz Bouteflika, president of the General Assembly. Once affiliated with F.L.N., the Algerian terrorist group, Bouteflika grasped the opportunity of expressing his support of terrorist organizations in his maiden speech to the Assembly.

On the occasion of Arafat's ap-



Yasir Arafat, P.L.O. head, arriving at UN

pearance, his maneuvers in support of the guerrilla leader might have been ignored had they been greeted with a stony silence by the Assembly. Instead, his support of Arafat was approved lustily by Arab delegates and representatives from emerging nations.

Bouteflika is the ever-present, unavoidably visible, highly vocal voice of that belligerence the UN was created to erase from the hearts of men. He makes little or no attempt to be impartial or even-handed in his decisions as president of the peace organization. Impartiality has been a hallmark of former presidents of the General Assembly. We think for instance of the Arab, Charles Malik from Lebanon, who distinguished himself as Assembly president in 1958 by his painstaking impartiality and religious spirit.

Even the two Communist presidents acted justly.

ON NOV. 13, Bouteflika not only welcomed Arafat to the Assembly but more significantly, gave an order that this stateless terrorist should be accorded the honors given to chiefs of state. He was ushered to a special armchair.

Then, when he had spoken and plans for a debate on the Middle East were underway, Bouteflika forbade the Israeli representative to take part in the debate. It was a high-handed and dictatorial gambit. Such decisions in the past have been handed down as a result of the mutual consent of Assembly members, not by fiat.

Arafat's 80-minute talk bristled with belligerence. Many members of the Assembly thought he might offer

a peace proposal in the tradition of the world body. Instead, he proposed the destruction of Israel, a member-nation of the UN created by the UN itself. Some commentators said that he took the hard line to appease his fellow-terrorists but that his own stance regarding Israel is more moderate than were his fighting words at the UN.

That might be correct, and we can all pray that it is correct. But it may also be true that Arafat put on a bellicose appearance, knowing he had a sympathetic audience in the president of the Assembly. When Muhammad Ali scores a victory in the ring he holds his hands over his head in a victory gesture.

AFTER ARAFAT finished his speech, he held his hands over his head in a victory gesture. We expect this sort of thing in the boxing ring but it is totally out of keeping with the goals and non-violent spirit of the UN. Arafat committed many outrages in his career in the Middle East but certainly his blood-and-thunder appearance at the UN was the greatest outrage ever committed against the world organization.

Some UN experts are taking Arafat's talk to the UN quite casually, claiming that the Arab nations simply need a time to "cool off" after their blunder in endorsing Arafat. For Americans, however, the immediate concern is not so much the Arab nations. Nor is it the Palestinians, nor even Israel. If worst comes to worst, Israel can protect itself. But the urgent question is: has the UN irretrievably lost its credibility, its legitimacy and its right to speak as a peacemaking assembly?

Voice of the People

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Son, take it from guys with a lot of miles behind them: To you, with lots of mileage ahead — it just isn't worth it. Don't do it!

Victor Corrigan

Prisoner praises bishops

I just read your article in the Nov. 8 issue: "Prisoners are People too, Bishops Remind Us." I found The Voice under a pile of magazines and

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started reading it. I am very glad that the bishops are calling for sweeping prison reform. It is very badly needed since all of the things that were written in your article are true.

Most people who have never set foot inside a prison or jail do not realize the terrible living conditions that exist on the inside.

I am now sitting in the Dade County Jail in Miami, so I know about the living conditions here. While it is not the worst of prisons it still has many substandard living conditions.

I enjoy reading The Voice. I get it now from the Church which I have been attending every Saturday since I have been here. That is one good thing about this place. You are allowed to attend church, which is one of our few privileges.

It is comforting to read about people on the outside who are doing something about improving the conditions of the prisons. It is nice to know that some people really care about us instead of condemning and turning their backs on us.

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By Dale Francis

Celebrate with Mary in joy, friendship

This year, since the Feast of the Immaculate Conception came on Sunday, the celebration of it was moved to the Saturday before. Now I don't quite understand this but don't bother to explain it to me because it is all right with me, I'll celebrate Our Lady's feast day whenever they say.

The changing of the day is a little confusing. It was only a few years ago that we were asked to give our opinion on whether or not all Holy Days of Obligation shouldn't be moved to the nearest Sunday. The people voted overwhelmingly against this. I'm sure it was not so much they opposed this idea, which was for their own convenience, but because when for the first time they were asked about one of the changes going on about them, they just said "no" as a kind of a response to the whole thing.

Anyhow, all things considered, it doesn't seem strange that now when a great Feast Day does fall on Sunday, which is where it was proposed to move them all, that it is switched to Saturday. But, as I said, things like this don't really bother me. You shouldn't let them bother you either. If you look at them at the right angle they might even amuse you. And if honoring Our Lady is moved a day, then that's all right. Honor her by attending her Mass on the day they've chosen and then next day say some extra prayers and honor her again.

WHAT I'd like to talk about is Mary. You read about a lessening of devotion to her on the part of some Catholics today and I suppose that is really true. It would be no surprise, for there are some who should be telling about her and talking about her who are not. And there are some who have said that the Rosary is out of date. What a shame!

And there are some who say devotion to

Mary is unecumenical, as if having His mother around would stop people from coming to Christ, for it is in Christ we'll come if there is to be unity. But some say Protestants won't stand for devotion to Mary, so it is best not to mention her.

I think I know something about this. I draw often upon my experience before I was a Catholic

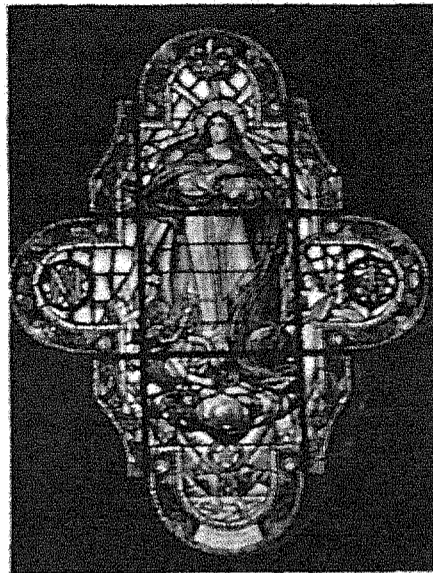
of Mary at all it was as a historical figure. Now, Jesus I thought of not as a historical figure, although I would have said He was one, but as One immediately present.

Now Catholics, if they are thinking as Catholics, do not so much think of Mary as a historical figure but as one immediately present. So it is natural that two people thinking of the same person, one thinking of the person as a figure in the past, the other as one whose presence was immediate, would think differently about that person.

AND WHY the difference? Well, it is the whole attitude towards Heaven. As Catholics we think, or we should think, of a kind of immediate presence of all who are in Heaven. That's why we ask the prayers of those in Heaven, because we feel immediately close to them. The Protestant, who does not feel this same kind of immediacy with those in Heaven, would not hesitate to ask a good friend on earth to pray for him. We do that, too, but we feel close to our good friends in Heaven and since, just as our Protestant friends would ask the prayers of their friends they felt were closest to God, so do we.

That's really the difference we have in our attitude towards Mary. It really comes just because we feel as if we know her better. And we ask her to join her prayers to ours, remembering the first public miracle of His life was after she'd come to Him. She brings us closer to Him.

There should be a joy in our friendship with Mary. I came as a stranger to her when I was newly a Catholic and now she is close in my heart and I love Our Lord more than ever because of her. There's not a day I'd miss saying the Rosary, for it is a time for thinking of His life along with her who gave Him birth, reared Him, marvelled at Him, suffered the torment of watching Him die, the unspeakable joy of knowing He rose from the tomb. Come to her feast day with joy, celebrate with Mary.



and I hope you don't mind. It is a way of sharing a remembrance of the past so that it might shed some light on the present. What I can say is that as a Protestant I certainly had no devotion to Mary, nor are there many Protestants who do. If you'd asked me what I thought of her then, surely I'd have said nothing but good. She was the mother of Our Lord and that alone was reason enough for me to be grateful to her.

But there is something you must understand, which is a very basic difference between the way Catholics and Protestants think. If then I thought

Cardinal lauds book of Boynton pastor

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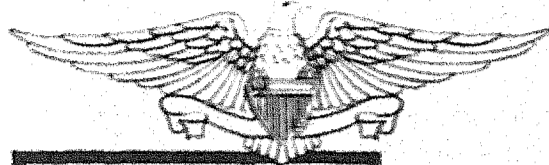
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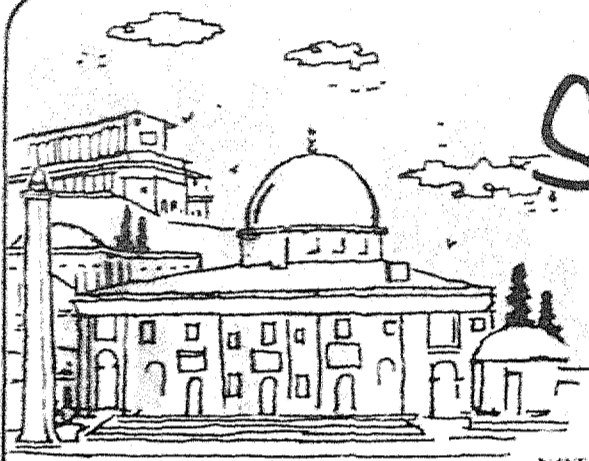
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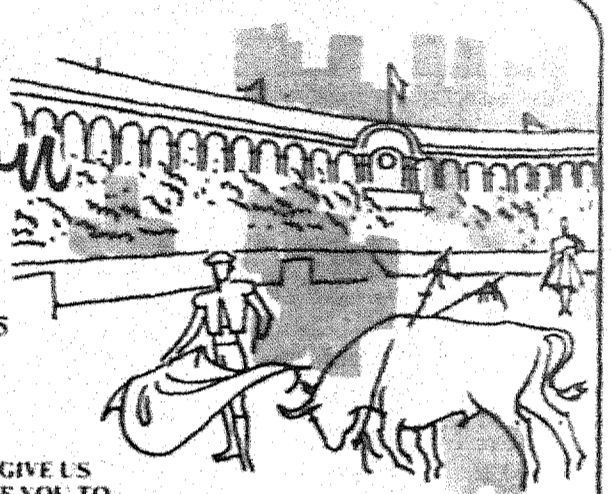
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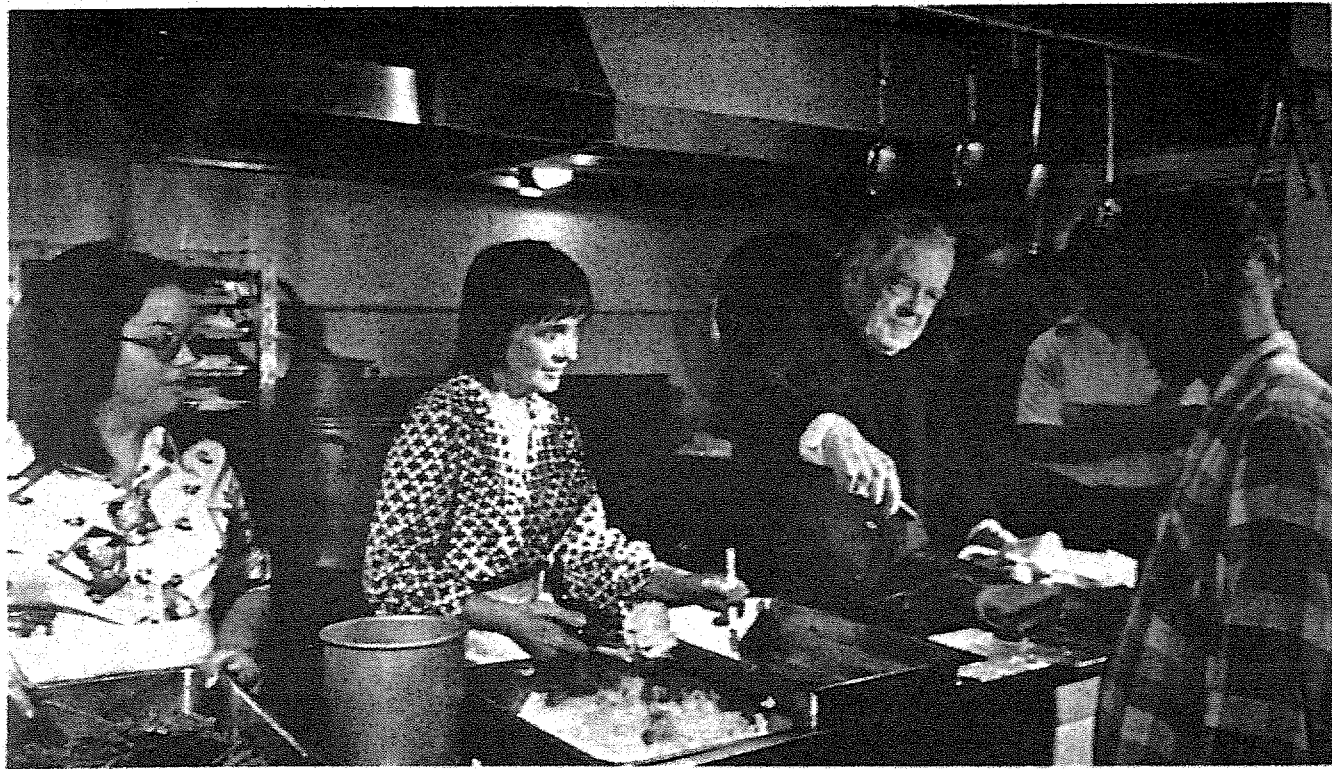
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HELPING volunteers serve the poor and hungry who came to Camillus House on Thanksgiving for a free meal is Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll, who has made his yearly visit to the house a tradition. Almost 900

men and women were served the traditional turkey and trimmings this year at the facility staffed by the Little Brothers of the Good Shepherd.

Poor, hungry fed with food, love as crisis grows

They stood outside in the Thanksgiving day sunlight — old and young, men and women, even children — waiting for the doors to be opened. The delicious smells of turkey and pumpkin pie were welcome to those who waited.

For these were the hungry, the poor, the lonely, taken in by the Little Brothers of the Good Shepherd at Camillus House in downtown Miami. For many, it would be their first hot meal in a long time. For others, it was just another day of being jobless and poor. For yet others, it would be the closest they would come to a family holiday meal, for they had no family and no money to buy their own food.

Close to 900 people would partake of the hospitality of the four Brothers that day, aided by volunteers and by Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll, who traditionally helps them serve the turkey and trimmings every year.

MANY of the people were new faces to Brother Kevin, superior of the house. Others were familiar, people who eat at the facility every day or when the money runs out.

"We have a lot of people who have been eating here since we opened 14 years ago," Brother Kevin explained, adding that due to the economic situation, the number of meals served daily has increased greatly in recent months.

In November, 16,863 meals were served — usually hot stew in the morning and sandwiches in the evening. That figure is double that of last November, Brother Kevin said.

Many of those who take meals at Camillus House are elderly residents of rooming houses nearby. As the end of the month nears, rent is due and money is short — so they must take advantage of the hospitality and unquestioning giving of the Little Brothers of the Good Shepherd.

An increasing number are unemployed, laid off jobs in construction or in factories. And others have jobs, but simply cannot afford to feed their families on the salaries they make.

SO THEY come to Camillus House, for hot stew and sandwiches — or on holidays, a special meal like the Thanksgiving turkey or the Easter ham.

But as the economic situation worsens and more people need the services of Camillus House, the Brothers are having their own economic problems.

"Getting food is a serious problem," Brother Kevin said. "For the first time last week, we had to buy bread."

The Brothers used to have most of their food donated by local food businesses; but the food is not easy to come by any more.

He explained that until recently, bakeries often would donate so much surplus to Camillus House, that he would in turn donate what they did not need to Villa Maria, Gesu Church, Centro Mater and others in need of it.

But now, with the cost of ingredients going up, the bakeries only bake enough bread to meet the needs of the paying customers, and there is little surplus.

But the Brothers have dedicated their lives to providing food and friendship to the poor and hungry, so they continue to work to provide meals for those who come to them.

Every day, the line forms outside the house; and for those who wait in the line, every day they get a hot meal and a smile from the Little Brothers of the Good Shepherd is a day of Thanksgiving. — G.W.

Children's voices praise God

The melodious voices of children rang through the churches, filling them with the beautiful sounds of sacred music.

For the 1,500 youthful singers who participated, the Holy Year pilgrimage for children — held Sunday, Dec. 1 at the Cathedral of St. Mary and at St. Coleman Church, Pompano Beach — will be an event they will long remember.

Children's choirs were formed in 37 parishes and rehearsed months in advance, preparing for the occasion.

FOR children attending the Cathedral pilgrimage, there was the extra thrill of seeing the mother church of the Archdiocese for the first time, and marveling at the splendor of their Archbishop as he proceeded down the aisle wearing the mitre on his head and carrying the crozier, the staff carried by the hierarchy.

Everyone had to smile when a little lector, standing on a stool to reach the microphone, surprised the congregation as he began to recite the second reading in a booming, expressive tone.

His father, it was explained, is a radio announcer who had worked hard rehearsing his son.

Meanwhile, at St. Coleman Church, the children from St. Gregory parish delighted the congregation by walking in together in uniform — the other parishes has not come as groups, but had organized into seated groups after arriving at the church.

"YOU could just feel the ripples of excitement from the children!" exclaimed Sister Phyllis Nutting, O.P., who with Sister Joyce LaVoy, O.P., coordinated the pilgrimage.

Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll, speaking to the packed Cathedral congregation, thrilled the children with the announcement that at the conclusion of the Mass he would offer a special blessing which the Pope personally gave him to convey to the children of the Archdiocese of Miami.



CHILDREN from throughout the Archdiocese came to the Cathedral of St. Mary and to St. Coleman Church in Pompano Beach Sunday for a children's Holy Year pilgrimage, at which the entire congregation of young people sang during the Mass.

"Many priests, a bishop and an archbishop are here to join with you today: God must be very happy and pleased with you, as are your parents and teachers," he said.

Parents of children who attended the pilgrimage commented that what seemed to impress the children the most was the Archbishop's praise of their singing.

"I have never heard such good singing in the

Cathedral or in any other church in the diocese in the last 16 years as I heard here this afternoon," he said.

"It is wonderful to listen to the voices of children rising in song to almighty God."

IN HIS homily, Auxiliary Bishop Rene Gracida spoke to the children about the meaning of the Holy Year themes of Renewal and Reconciliation, and the

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STANDING on a footstool to see over the lector, Robert Foote of St. Joseph parish served as a lector at the Cathedral, delivering the second reading in a style of which any adult would be proud.

New Clinic at Centro Hispano



NEW X-RAY equipment in the Centro Clinic is explained by Dr. Enrique Huertas to Women's Auxiliary Members, Mrs. Gloria Morales-Gomez, president; Mrs. Bienvenido Benach; and Mrs. Maria Elena Pereira, shown with Sister Edita Rojo, M.D., clinic director Dr. Huertas is president of the Cuban Medical Assn. in exile.



CUTTING RIBBON to open the modern clinic, furnished through the efforts of Auxiliary members, were Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll, who blessed the new facility, Mrs. Morales-Gomez, and Sister Edita Rojo, M.D. Following the blessing the Archbishop praised the Women's Auxiliary and the doctors who volunteer their services, expressing the hope that better health care will result from the clinic expansion.

EARTHQUAKE!

George Kennedy and Charlton Heston, two survivors of EARTHQUAKE!, contemplate their next heroic move in the sensational "disaster movie" from Universal.

EARTHQUAKE! (Universal) . . . Los Angeles is leveled — and what fun it is to see, hear, and feel.

Amid the avalanche of this fall's flying, floating, flaming disaster movies with their casts of well-known thousands, most of whom, apparently to their audiences' delight, die before the final frame, Mark Robson's *Earthquake* stands out to quote from the ads, as something of an "event." Not a film really, with a beginning, middle and end, but a group of character cliches employed as backdrop for an absolutely marvelous set of special effects models and a new sound gimmick called Sensurround ("patent pending").

The scene is the city of Los Angeles and environs just before, during and after a cataclysmic earthquake that leaves, well, not even Charlton Heston standing. This time 'round Mr. Heston plays a crusading building architect (quite convenient, granted the subject) to George Kennedy's suspended policeman (he wrecked *Zsa Zsa Gabor's* front hedge), who together rescue a good portion of the population from atop and underneath the city's few remaining skyscrapers.

AMONG the big name survivors and non-survivors are Ava Gardner as Heston's estranged wife, Lorne Greene as his father-in-law, Genevieve Bujold as his mistress, Richard Roundtree as a motorcycle stuntman (the only visible black, incidentally, in L.A.), and Marjoe Gortner as a freaked-out National Guardsman. Lesser survivors and non-survivors include Barry Sullivan, Lloyd Nolan, Victoria Principal and Walter Matuschanskayasky, playing a drunk. Who, you may ask, is Walter Matuschanskayasky? Just take a close look! (A-III)



Capsule reviews

The Klansman (Paramount) is based on William Bradford Huie's novel

about our white-garbed brethren of "Wallace County" who are set upon preserving — what else? — racial purity, which in this case involves discouraging those "out of town" blacks and white students from staging a voter registration rally.

Director Terence Young chooses, with what might be described as quaint charm, to place his

dated scenario in a contemporary setting and then moves from his flagrantly irresponsible premise to make an utterly repellent motion picture. The Klansman features Richard Burton as a threadbare Southern gentleman sympathetic to the black cause, Lee Marvin as a vacillating sheriff attempting to "keep the lid on," O.J. Simpson as a trigger-happy militant, and Cameron Mitchell as a deputy and klansman with a penchant for raping those uppity black girls into submission.

Burton's motivation, not to mention his Southern drawl, might be amusing in another context, but the serious difficulties with the plot center on sheriff Marvin whose initial complexity of character turns out to be lacking in even the most primitive psychological, sociological or moral dimensions. This, however, is to quibble as

regards a film that literally makes rape, castration, murder, and racist terror into spectator sports.

As a final fillip, Mr. Young suggests in his bloody climax that the only feasible solution to racial unrest is that of O.J. as he walks away from a massacre, rifle in hand, presumably to continue his war in other climes. All concerned should stick to less morally demanding sports. (C)

Film ratings and reviews

The film ratings and reviews appearing in the Voice are furnished by the Division of Film and Broadcasting of the United States Catholic Conference solely for the guidance of our readers as to content in order to select the movies they wish to view, or for their children to see.

Following is an explanation of the ratings as they are assigned by the DFB.

- A-1—Morally unobjectionable for general patronage
- A-2—Morally unobjectionable for adults and adolescents
- A-3—Morally unobjectionable for adults
- A-4—Morally unobjectionable for adults with reservations
- B—Morally objectionable in part for all
- C—Condensed

What makes youth tick? Vital to know

THE YOUTH YEARS by William H.R. Willkins. The Judson Press. 160 p. \$4.50.

The main purpose for Dr. Willkins' writing *The Youth Years* is to help Church leaders to understand modern youth today. This book is a contemporary approach to adolescent psychology, dealing with what today's teen-agers are like and what makes them that way.

Dr. Willkins is professor of Christian education at Crozer Theological Seminary, and in addition to his teaching, he writes extensively in the field of

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denominational and interdenominational church curricular materials.

THE AUTHOR stresses within the book the role of young people in today's world: their physical, mental, emotional, and social development; their needs and problems, and the task of building a faith. He contends that you CAN understand youth if you just know enough about them. With genuine understanding, parents and youth leaders can help to develop a finer generation of youth.

According to Dr. Willkins' psychological study, adolescence is a period of transition — a connecting highway from childhood to adulthood. The fact that the adolescent is traveling the connecting highways from childhood to adulthood presents many frustrations. Although he wants to move to adulthood, he still does not want to let go completely of the security of childhood. At the same time that he wants to be independent, he is not fully ready to accept the responsibilities of such independence.

The period of socialization of adolescents is a very trying one to the parents. Dr. Willkins believes that the following qualities in youth seem to be accepted most readily: one who likes others, who shows a free spirit of entering into activities, who has an air of liveliness, and who lives by fairness and good sportsmanship.

Scouts, hobby groups, clubs of various types, church groups, and school organizations should realize that they have a tremendous opportunity to help shape the thinking, attitudes, and aspirations of youth. Because participation on a team requires sublimation of self-interest and the practice of group interest, most young people of these age groups make good team members, and they respond enthusiastically to the spirit of competition among groups. School sports are good illustrations of this spirit.

It would take pages to list the problems of youth cited in various surveys. Dr. Willkins devotes an entire chapter on the major problems which are common to almost all youth. He gives a clear view of the adventuresomeness of youth in regard to alcohol and drug addiction. In his final chapter a most inspiring account is given to building a faith which gives meaning to life. In the process of growing rapidly youth experience new thresholds of feeling which often produce a deep yearning for an explanation of the mysteries of life, of growth, and of the universe. Many of them look to religion and to the development of a faith that will give them the answers.

(Reviewed by Sister Celine Gorman of the Archdiocese CCD office.)

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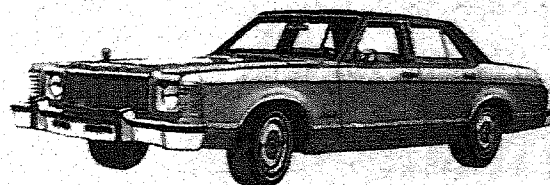
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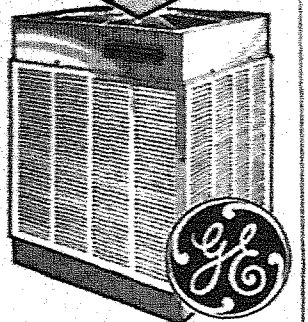


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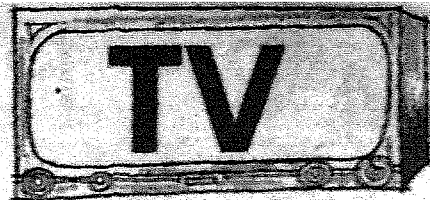
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'Feeling Good'— may do you good

In late November, Public Television launched a new self-help health series called "Feeling Good." The series of hour-long programs, which will air across the country in evening time slots, is being produced by the Children's Television Workshop, the same creative innovators who brought us first "Sesame Street" and then "The Electric Company."

The idea behind "Feeling Good" is to promote health care and health maintenance as well as to stimulate viewer responses to health problems and the warning signals of health trouble. The intended audience is basically, but certainly not exclusively, adults.

In the first program, for example, aired on Nov. 20, over 250 public TV stations, star Bill Cosby appeared in an egg-shaped swing as a "fetus" vociferously reminding his "mamma" to eat the right kind of foods (plenty of calcium, iron, etc.) and get to the clinic regularly for pre-



B.B. King



Helen Reddy

natal care. On the same show, popular singer Helen Reddy ("I Am Woman") sang an upbeat number about how a child changes a mother's life — all very positive and entertaining.

Other emphases in the show fell in the areas of mental health (a documentary about a young man who was undergoing out-patient counseling) and good nutrition (blues singer B. B. King demonstrated how to steam vegetables to seal in vitamins, minerals and flavor; there was a wild take-off on a junk-food eating TV game show).

Later shows will present material on heart disease, dental hygiene, cancer detection, weight control, alcohol abuse, and how to get good medical service.

Throughout all of the hours in the 26-week series there will run a continuing mini-drama centered in a neighborhood variety-quick-food shop. Like a little soap opera, the "Mac's Place" segments feature a rotating cast of regulars, each enjoying the spotlight at different times in order to dramatize a health consideration or present a little lesson in human relations. "Mac's Place" runs four or five times each hour, and in a sense will hold the entire series together.

— Richard Reagan
DFB Entertainment Editor



'FROSTY' — Jimmy Durante (right) plays narrator when Frosty and the neighborhood children celebrate the holiday season, on "Frosty the Snowman," animated musical special to be rebroadcast Sunday, Dec. 8 (7:30-8 p.m.) on WTVJ, Channel 4.

'Fair Lady', 'Funny Girl'

SATURDAY, DEC. 7

9 p.m. (NBC) — MY FAIR LADY, Part I (1964) — We didn't think they'd do it, but indeed they did — that is, decide to televise the smash musical movie starring Rex Harrison and Audrey Hepburn (who isn't up to Julie Andrews' performance in the original Broadway version, but does nicely nonetheless). Based on the old Pygmalion classic and, to be more precise, the George Bernard Shaw play Pygmalion, the story is a lively one about how Professor Henry Higgins (Harrison) came to "civilize," through the use of proper English grammar and speech, the Cockney flower girl named Eliza

although she is not the ugly duckling of the script. A pretty girl, no; but beautiful, yes. (A-II)

TUESDAY, DEC. 10

8:30 p.m. (NBC) — AFTER THE FALL — Television adaptation of the controversial play by Arthur Miller based loosely on the tortured and tangled life of Marilyn Monroe. Faye Dunaway stars as the MM persona, herein named Maggie. We have not previewed this particular production, but based on a reading of the original Miller play, we'd suggest a discriminating and adult audience — the drama is serious and harsh, and not very appealing at that.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 11

8:30 p.m. (ABC) — THE TRIBE — Made-for-TV adventure turns back the clock to the early days of pre-history, when "man" was of the Cro-Magnon and Neanderthal persuasions. A cast of unknowns (who would be unrecognizable in their caveman make-up, anyway) comprise a small tribe of Cro-Magnons who are just getting by, what with constant attacks by woolly mammoths, marauding Neanderthals, etc. Grunt.

THURSDAY, DEC. 12

9 p.m. (CBS) — THE PROFESSIONALS (1966) — This is a solid, straight-action shoot-'em-up Western trailing four soldiers of fortune (Lee Marvin, Burt Lancaster, Woody Strode, and Robert Ryan) hired by a ruthless rancher (Ralph Bellamy) to go down into old Me-hi-co to rescue his young wife (Claudia Cardinale). Ms. Cardinale wants to be rescued from her brutish kidnaper (Jack Palance), but she doesn't really want to go back to hubby, who beats up on her occasionally. Thus, the adventure boils down to a three-way tug of war. The film depicts the revolutionary days of Pancho Villa with swift and telling detail, but it is full of brutal action and coarse language and situation (somewhat spruced up for TV). A-III



PATRICIA NEAL and Richard Thomas portray the mother and son of a large rural family in Earl Hamner's "The Homecoming: A Christmas Story." The special, which inspired "The Waltons" weekly series; Sunday, Dec. 8 (8:30-10:30 p.m.) on WTVJ, Channel 4.

Doolittle (Ms. Hepburn). The result is a stunning musical entertainment. (Part II will be aired on Monday, Dec. 9.) (A-I)

SUNDAY, DEC 8

9 p.m. (ABC) — FUNNY GIRL (1968) — Re-created faithfully from the Broadway hit that also starred Barbra Streisand, "Funny Girl" is a sentimental treatment of certain aspects of the life of Fanny Brice, the Ziegfield Follies queen who later became radio's "Baby Snooks." It takes Fanny from her mother's saloon in Brooklyn, near the turn of the century, to the height of her career on the New York stage when her marriage to gambler Nick Arnstein (Omar Sharif) fails in spite of their love. If the real Nick and Fanny disappear somewhere in Funny Girl's theatricality, the film is still handsome entertainment. Laughs and chuckles abound from Barbra's ingratiating flair for ethnic humor and self-kidding,



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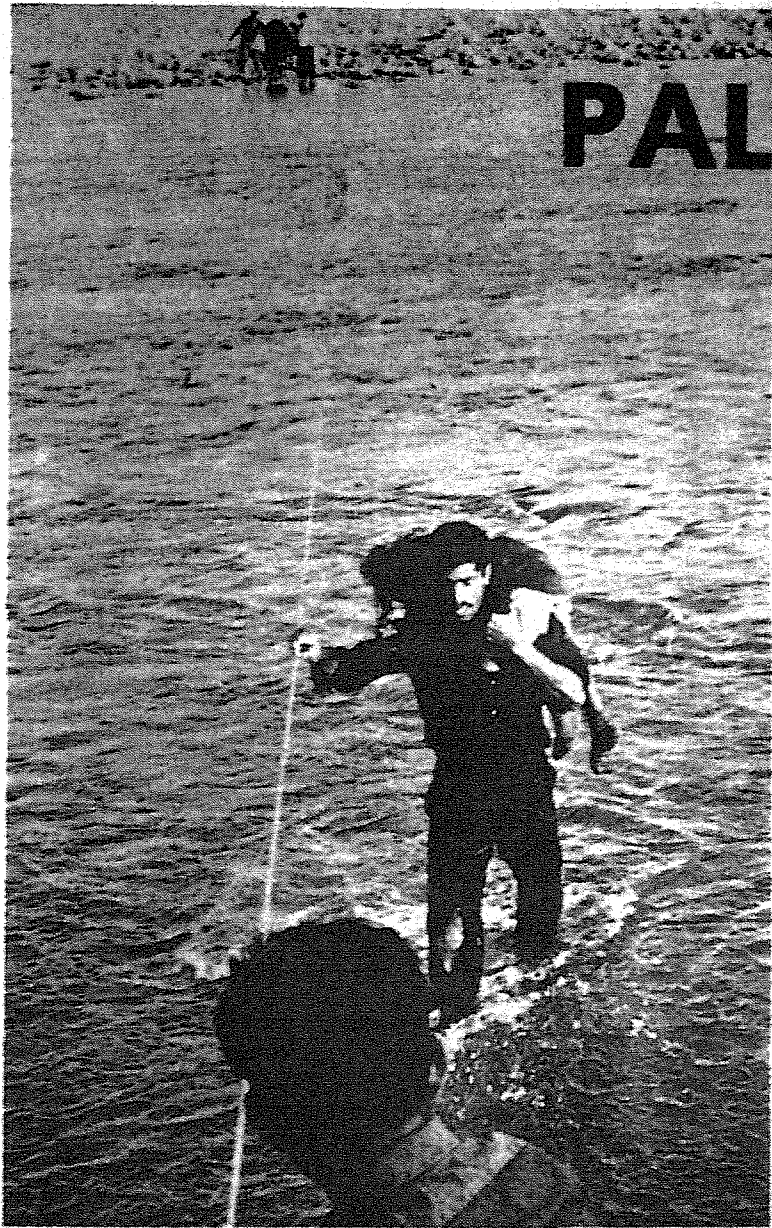
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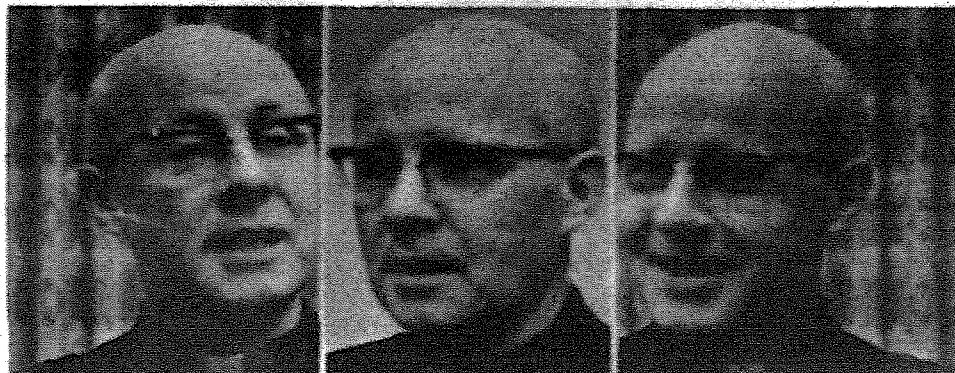
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PALESTINIANS



SOME Palestinians have fled from Israeli-held territories on the West Bank of the Jordan River into the country of Jordan, as this man is doing; others have remained in the area and have fought for its independence as a Palestinian state.



'Issues of justice, peace of deep concern . . .'

The basic issue — a denial of rights, in one expert's view

(Next week, *The Voice* will present a contrasting view on the Middle East situation, in an interview with Father Edward H. Flannery, executive secretary of the Secretariat for Catholic-Jewish Relations of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops.)

The denial of rights — once the impassioned cry of Jews in their attempts to win a homeland in Israel — is the basic issue in the conflict between Israelis and Palestinians, in the opinion of a priest-scholar and Middle East expert, who was interviewed by *The Voice* this week.

Father Joseph Ryan, S.J. — away from his research at the Center for the Study of the Modern Arab World at St. Joseph University in Beirut, Lebanon, to conduct a lecture tour through the United States — stopped in South Florida to speak before several groups on the problems involved in the present situation in the Middle East.

"IN ISRAEL itself, there is a growing segment of Israeli Jewish opinion that recognition of the Palestinians is the heart of the problem, but the government refuses to accept it," the former academic vice-president of Al-Hikma University in Baghdad said, commenting that non-Jews are treated as second-class citizens in Israel.

While criticizing Israel for some of its policies, Father Ryan was quick to discount any intimations of anti-Semitism, noting that the charge is a constant problem to Catholics who disagree with Israeli policy.

"Many people are so afraid of the charge of anti-Semitism that they allow it to be used as a weapon to silence them; but someone needs to speak out, and it can be done without fanning the flames of racism," he said, pointing out that criticism of a nation's policies does not necessarily reflect prejudice toward its ethnic composition.

Father Ryan, who has worked in the Arab world for most of the years since 1945 and has written and spoken extensively on the Arab-Israeli conflict — particularly in relation to its effect on Christian-Jewish-Moslem relations — said there can be no security for Israel unless the rights of the Palestinians are recognized.

BUT the Israeli government is ignoring this reality and arresting West Bank Palestinians on what they call security grounds, he said.

"The government says the arrests are on security grounds, but the Palestinians are being held without charge under a law for administrative arrest — which, ironically, was instituted in 1945 by the British to control the Zionists," he said.

While not condoning the violence of the Palestinian guerillas under the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization's Yasir Arafat and others, Father Ryan pointed out that there is a difference between "the violence of the oppressed and the violence of the oppressor."

One of the problems is that in the United States the terrorism of Palestinians is publicized, while the "institutional" violence of the Israeli government is passed over, he said.

One example he gave of Israeli terrorism which was not publicized in the United States was a series of three scatterbombings of a Palestinian camp, killing many civilians.

"This is terrorism on a government level, carried out officially," he said.

INJUSTICE is done to the Palestinian people by emphasizing the violent aspects and not telling about the non-violent lives most Palestinians have lived in the 26 years since the state of Israel came into existence, he said.

"By and large the Palestinian people have not been violent, but have given a non-violent response to oppression."

Responding to criticism that Yasir Arafat and his Palestine Liberation Organization do not speak for the Palestinians as a whole, Father Ryan commented:

"Saying the PLO doesn't represent the Palestinians is like saying President Ford does not represent the United States because he was not elected."

A recent newspaper survey showed that 90 percent of the West Bank residents and almost 100 percent of the Gaza Strip Palestinians support Arafat, he said, mentioning that there are a few groups who feel that Arafat is not radical enough in his stand.

"THE MAIN problem of the PLO is with the United States and Israel, not



REFUGEE camps are the home of many thousands of Palestinians, who are treated in Israel as "second-class citizens," according to Father Ryan.

with the rest of the world," he said, recalling the vote of support by the United Nations, most of whose members "have struggled for their own independence and have sympathy for the Palestinians."

Father Ryan has come under attack from some sectors of the Church where the feeling is that he is taking a position contrary to that of the pontiff.

"The leadership of Pope Paul is very clear, although discreet," Father Ryan said, expressing his belief that his opinion has no conflict with that of the Church.

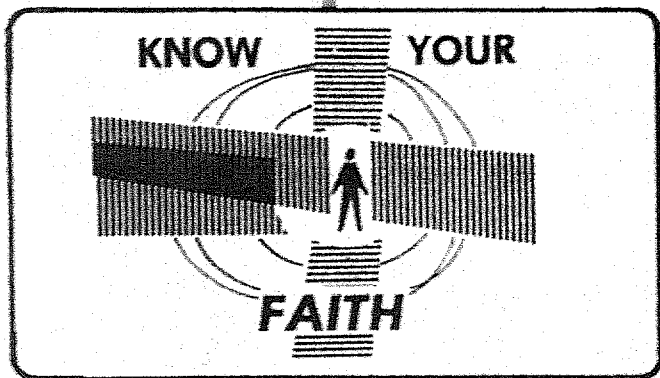
"He has spoken about the plight of the Palestinians, the denial of their

rights, and the necessity of their rights being recognized if there is to be real peace."

Because of so many variables in the Middle East situation, Father Ryan hesitated to make concrete suggestions other than a plea for recognition of the rights of the Palestinians as a people.

"The one thing that is possible and necessary is a sense of direction. The United States and Israel are facing the wrong direction," he said.

"The first requirement is to recognize the Palestinians as a people with rights — if we don't, all the rest is in vain. If we do, we still have a long way to go." G.W.



"He was the sort of boy whose imagination is so rich that he IS whatever he is playing. He not only threw himself into things; the things he was doing were, for the time of his doing them, the whole of his world."



WHERE Reasoning CAN LEAD

By JOSEPH A. BREIG

He was a boy at the time this happened — about four years of age. Now he is a man — the kind of man you can trust all the way. The kind who not only will not lie to others, but will not lie to himself. The kind who refuses to compromise truth, to water down truth even a little bit. A thoroughly honest, reliable, responsible man — the type you are not afraid to put in charge of things, in complete charge.

He was one of our sons. He was the sort of boy whose imagination was so rich that he was whatever he was playing. He not only threw himself into things; the things he was doing were, for the time of his doing them, the whole of this world. When he mounted the arm of a chair for his steed and cried, "Hi-oh, Silver, away!" he was not merely imitating the Lone Ranger; he was the Lone Ranger with his trusty Tonto at his side.

He and an older sister were constant companions, playmates from morning to night. From infancy she had watched over him with a more than motherly devotion. From the time we brought him home from the hospital where he arrived in this world, she posted herself at his crib, staying there by the hour, guarding him with a love that knew no weariness. She crawled with him while he learned to crawl, and held his hand for his earliest attempts at toddling. A

Joseph Breig, a veteran journalist, is the associate editor of the Universe Bulletin in Cleveland, holds the St. Francis de Sales Award and is the author of eight books centering on Christian marriage and family life.

more devoted pair could not be imagined, and yet —

AND YET one day she came into the house sobbing, and saying that her brother was hitting her.

She could not possibly be lying, but when I went into the back yard to remonstrate with her brother about it, he denied it.

Clearly he was lying, and clearly this was some sort of crisis, some turning point, in his

"Nothing is more common than for men to think that because they are familiar with words, they understand the ideas they stand for."

— Cardinal Newman,
"Parochial and Plain Sermons,"
19th century

life. It was a moment for him to be turned from falsehood, and turned to truth.

I went to him and knelt, to be as nearly as possible on the same eye level. He did not want to look at me, but did after I urged him to do so.

"Son," I said, "I don't think your sister is lying when she says you were hitting her. I think you did hit her. I don't think you're telling the truth when you tell me you didn't. And I think I

know why you're not telling the truth. You're afraid I'll hit you."

A flicker in his eyes told me that my last words had got through to him.

I put my hands on his upper arms and squeezed them gently. "Why do you think I might hit you? I have never hit you, and I never will hit you. So stop being afraid of me."

I GAVE him a moment to think about that. Then I said, "Son, if something is so, but you say it is not so, it is still so, isn't it? If you say this house of ours is not here, it's still here, isn't it?"

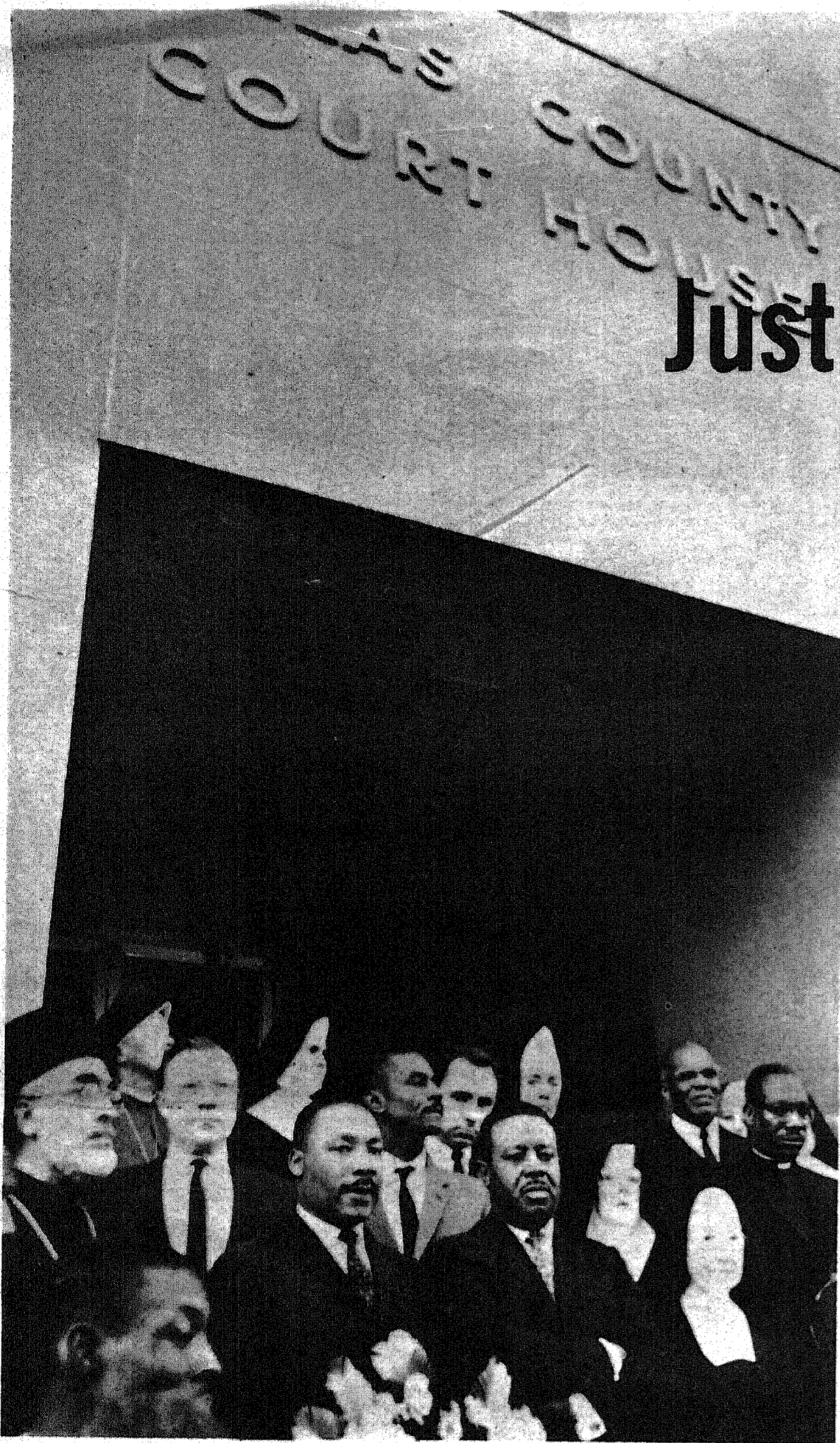
He didn't nod, but his eyes were agreeing with me.

"You see," I said, "lying doesn't change anything except us. It makes us false, but it doesn't make false whatever we're lying about. What we're lying about doesn't change. What is true is still true. So you see, lying is nonsense. It leaves everything the same except that the person who tells the lie is fooling himself."

I put my arm around him and said, "I don't ever want you to be afraid of me or your mother, because we love you. And your sister loves you. I know you know that."

He burst into tears and ran into the house to tell his sister he was sorry. And now he is a man who will not lie to himself or to anyone else, and who cannot be easily fooled when somebody tries to lie to him. He's the kind of man you'd want with you in any enterprise or situation. He's honest.

I'm glad I never hit my children because hitting is a kind of lie. It treats a reasoning, intelligent being as if he or she were incapable of being reasoned with. And that's a false



Nuns are prominent in the scene with Rev. Martin Luther King on the steps of the Dallas County Courthouse in Selma, Ala.

Justice means you and action

By REV. WALTER J. BURGARDT, S.J.
To make this Holy Year real for us, we need positive action more than we need words. Last week, I began to examine how we might make action a reality. I used the three prescriptions of

in what we call substandard housing. If the world were a global village of 100 residents, six of them would be Americans. These six would have half the village's entire income, and the other 94 would exist on the other half" (IFCO News 4/6

the ancient Jewish Year of Jubilee taken from the Book of Leviticus, chapter 25. The three prescriptions touch: (1) ecology, (2) justice, (3) freedom.

I have already considered the first prescription, have shown how it relates to ecology. Today I shall take up the second prescription. This second prescription of the Jewish Year of Jubilee has the Lord commanding: "In this year of jubilee each of you shall return to his property" (Lv 25:13). As Lucas Vischer had explained it, "Those who have gone into debt and have had to sell their land shall have their land returned to them by the 50th year. As the land and all that it may produce is God's property, mankind should share it equally. The property should not be united in a few hands but should be for the benefit of the community."

What does this say to us today? I argued earlier that we Americans need a new attitude towards those hundreds of millions in the world who do not live humanly. A graphic description of the problem caught my eye recently: "If the world were a global village of 100 people, 70 of them would be unable to read, and only one would have a college education. Over 50 would be suffering from malnutrition, and over 80 would live

(Nov.-Dec. 1973) p. 12).

SUCH a desperate situation calls not only for an attitude; it calls for action. One example on the corporate level. The churches in this country are, in many instances, powerful operations. To operate efficiently, to help the needy, they invest in stocks and other securities. But the corporations in which churches invest are not merely tools for producing income; they have social consequences. By their policies, corporations cause death, disease, injury — by decisions on pollution, plant safety, working conditions. They exercise influence and power, may even control and coerce — by propaganda, advertising, shady practices. Some corporations deal in death; napalm, poisonous gas, rockets. Some drain the resources of underdeveloped nations, while the rich in those nations get richer and the poor get poorer. Some assist racial policies by the support they give to racist governments.

The point is, the churches may no longer disregard the purposes to which their investments are put. They may not go along with a certain respected economist: "The question is, do corporate executives, provided they stay within the law, have responsibilities in their business activities other than to make as much money for

their stockholders as possible? And my answer is that they do not. . . . The executive's job is to do whatever the shareholders would like to see done, and most of the time the shareholders only want to make money. . . . There is nothing that would in fact destroy the private enterprise system more than a real acceptance of the social responsibility doctrine" ("Milton Friedman Responds: A Business and Society Interview," Business and Society Review, Spring 1972, pp. 6-8, quoted by David Hollenbach, S.J., in "Theological Studies" 34 (1973) 268).

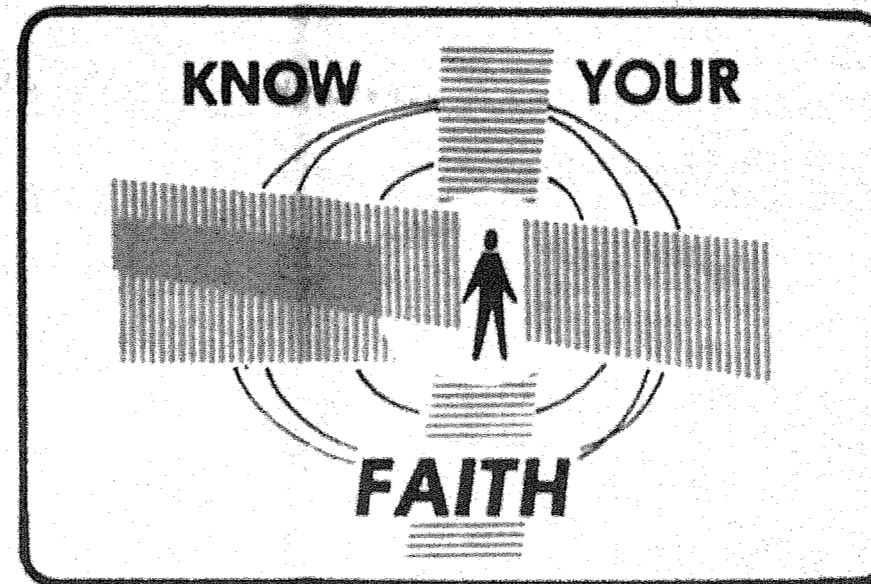
THIS, I submit, is unethical. Nothing is more destructive of humanity than rejection of social responsibility. The churches have a moral obligation (1) to know how their money is being invested, (2) to discover whether human beings are being injured or exploited by these investments, (3) to make value judgments on corporation policies, (4) to try to control unethical behavior in corporations, influence their policy, challenge their actions, and (5) in certain instances, to sell the stock they hold. The churches can be a unique force for social good. The effort to influence may be torturous — but so is death by starvation.

On the individual level, I must learn, perhaps for the first time, if my purchasing power, my

purchasing habits, support injustice: to migrant workers, to minority groups, to the poor and the powerless. Problems of the immediate present such as lettuce and grapes are too complex to settle in a paragraph. The important thing is, you may not shut your eyes to what lies behind a head of lettuce or a bunch of grapes, just because it is all too complicated or you simply cannot be bothered.

Human lives are at stake. And here enter my sins of omission. You know what agonizes me as I near life's late afternoon? I have written against injustice, preached against it, prayed against it; but I have never shouted against it, never linked arms with marchers for peace and justice, never laid my life on the line. It's always been behind a barricade; it's all been quite safe.

And are you among those who told nuns to stay in their convents, stay out of Selma and Jackson? Are you among those who say that a priest's place is in the pulpit and not on a picket line? I'm afraid the theory is no longer Christian — if it ever was. Oh yes, some nuns and priests are quite stupid in the causes they espouse and the shibboleths they shout. But even at their worst they are aware that they are their brothers' keepers.



How best to witness Christ to the world

By STEVE LANDREGAN

The New Testament is punctuated with passages urging the Christian to translate the Good News into action.

John warns against ignoring our brother in need, reminding us that "He (Christ) gave up His life for us; and we, too, ought to give up our lives for our brothers." (1 John 3:16) "Our love is not to be just words or mere talk."

James warns his readers that "you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves." (James 1:22) And the gospels relate the story of the rich young man who is unable to accept the call of Christ to sell all he owns, give the money to the poor and follow Jesus.

The Christian is called to put on Christ (Gal 3:27), to make the mind of Christ his own (Phil 2:5), so that he can say with Paul "it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me." (Gal 2:20)

The problem cuts right to the heart of Christianity. One who is baptized into Christ must do more than accept His name, he must accept and live His Good News. He is called to a

lifestyle that bears witness to his Baptism.

AT THE CRUX of the problem is the simple fact that precious few Christians know enough about Christ to begin to "put on" His mind.

Christianity is a process of becoming, it is a long and fruitful procedure that begins with Baptism and is marked by a series of ever deeper commitments to Christ. Commitments deepen through prayer, study and action as a member of His Body. It is through this process that He reveals His love to us — a process which never ceases but is never completed in this life. It seems to slow down and sometimes even collapses completely in the lives of many Christians.

Through no fault of their own, some are attempting to function as an adult on a "First Communion" faith. They have matured physically and mentally since their First Communion but not spiritually.

Most of us would look pretty ridiculous attempting to wear our First Communion suit or dress, yet we unhesitatingly wear our First Communion faith.

The problem with this is that few first communicants have learned their faith other than as

a set of very important questions and the very good answers to them. It is fine as far as it goes but it is like a lovely bud never brought to the fullness of bloom.

Christianity is a way of life. It is a way of life. It is only possible to appreciate and live the mysteries of our faith when we more fully discover the mystery of Christ's love for us.

The mystery of the Church, God's saving grace, the great commandments of love of God and of neighbor, the moral teachings of Christ and His church can only be fully lived and loved as a natural extension of Christ's love.

There are millions of Christians who have never known the joy and the peace of the fullness of Christ's love. Where does the fault lie?

PERHAPS it lies with our society which, being nominally Christian, offers comfortable complacency to the nominal Christian. Perhaps it lies with priests and deacons who fail to use the pulpit as the great instrument of evangelization it is. Perhaps it lies with us, the Church, that we don't act like a redeemed people. If, as the Second Vatican Council says, we who are the Church must be a sign to all the nations of the

redeeming love of Christ, then we had better take a look at ourselves and determine whether the sign we are making is proclaiming the redeeming love of Christ or obscuring it.

There are hopeful stirrings in the Church today. There are signs of a spiritual renewal that is reawakening clergy and laity alike to the need for prayer, commitment, study of Scripture, evangelization and a vital witness to Christ's living presence in the world.

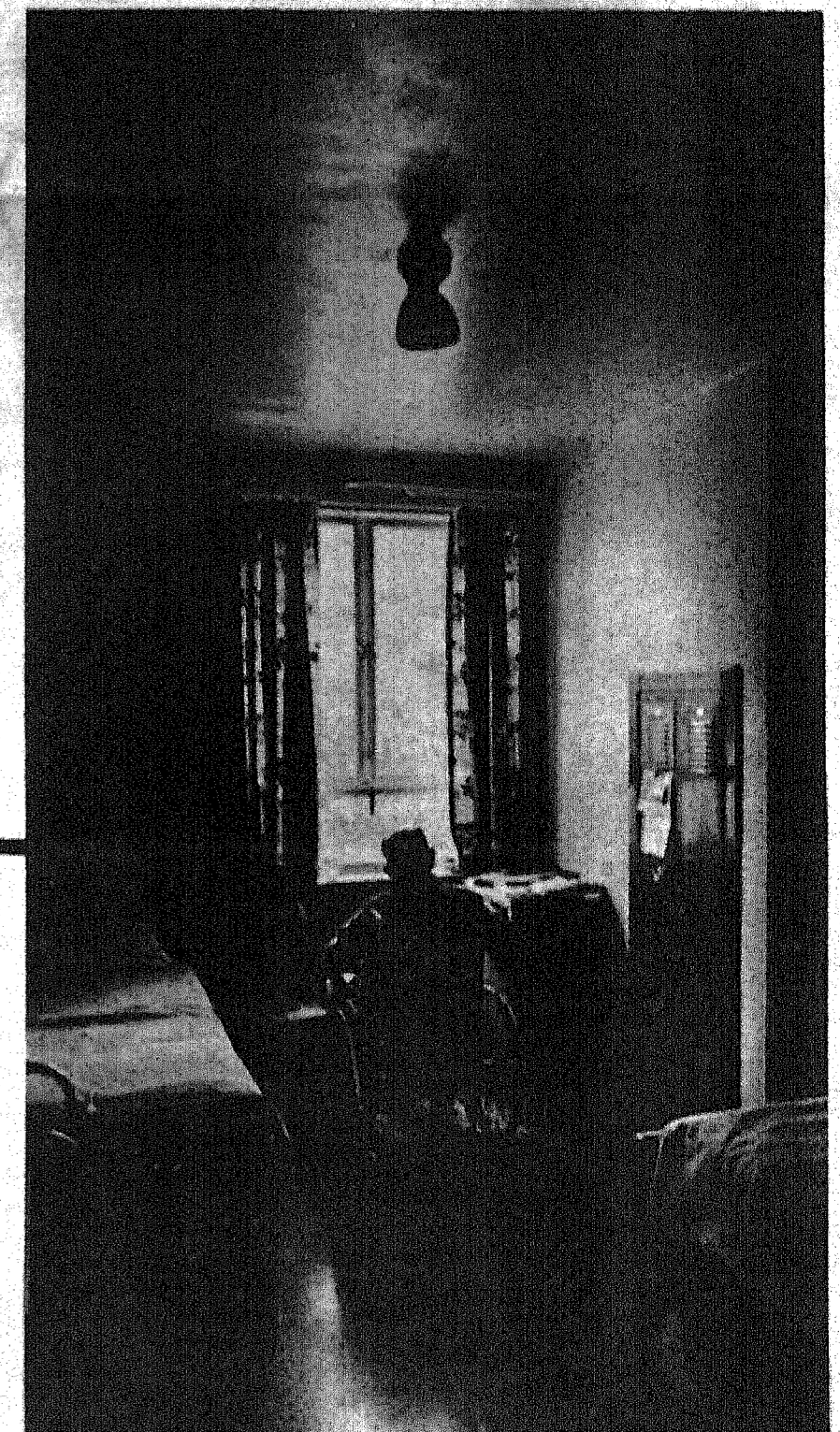
The work of reconciliation today to a great extent depends upon those who witness Christ's redeeming love to a world in desperate need of reconciliation and redemption.

Only those who know Christ can witness Christ to the world.

Only those who know Christ can discover the depth of His love and His peace in feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, setting the down-trodden free.

Only those who know Christ can mediate His love to the world reconciling man to God, with his brother, within himself and with nature by proclaiming the Good News of Salvation.

Only those who know Christ can take the Word and translate it into the deeds of Christ.



"Seek ye for a store of good deeds, men and women! for a store of good deeds is full of salvation." — Aogemadaecha, "Zend-Avesta," c. 700 B.C. (An old man sits alone... good deeds have passed him by.)

How to be ADVENTurous...

By JANET G. WATERS

Theoretically, Advent is a time of preparation for the Feast of the Incarnation. As a matter of fact, most of us are so harassed by the pressure of events that the commercial aspects of Christmas overshadow (if not eclipse) the spiritual meaning of the event celebrated.

Living in a secular culture as we do, it is difficult to "put on the mind of Christ" and integrate the spirit of the season in our homes and parish.

There is much to be said for "making Love visible" in our daily lives. The Mystery inherent in the celebration of Christmas causes us not only to look backwards in time but forward to the Second Coming. In a real sense, Eternity has already begun for us.

What better way to concretize this belief than to have a circle of greens through these Advent weeks, lighting first one candle, then another, until the four candles are aglow as we approach the Feast itself? In the ritual of lighting the candles we are psychologically preparing ourselves for the grace of the Feastday.

FOR the last 25 years we have made a large (24-inch) Advent wreath, which we suspend from the chandelier above our dining room table. With white candles and purple ribbons wound 'round, we light it each evening while we sing *Veni, Veni Emmanuel*. Other customs that occupied us have gradually fallen away as our six children have grown older.

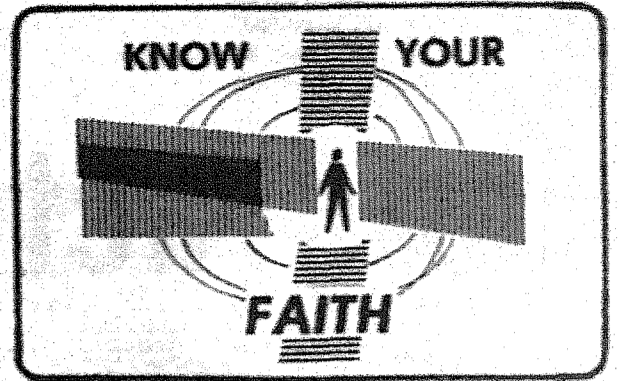
But we still hustle to get pine branches over Thanksgiving weekend and despite the myriad obstacles, we are always able to begin the Advent season with this tradition. On Christmas Eve we change the white candles and purple ribbons to red and our Advent wreath is transformed into a glowing symbol of the joy of the Christmas Octave.

At this point in time many of the young and not-so-young have left the Institutional Church to become followers of Hare Krishna or Buddha. Within the Church there is a great interest in the Pentecostal Movement and Encounter Retreats. It seems to signify a search for "the spirit," an awareness of the underlying mystery of life, an attraction to prayer.

To merely intellectualize is not enough. People want to "experience" belief. Perhaps this is a time to turn to prayer within the family — grace before and after meals, spontaneous prayers that draw a family close on special occasions, the use of symbols of the season that provide a reminder of God's divine intervention in our lives.

To help create an Advent atmosphere we could turn to sources which express our sentiments in a more effective way. For example, Christmas carols. We hear them so often before Christmas that by the time the day occurs we no longer want to listen. "Grailville Sings," a record of Advent and Christmas music (folk songs, spirituals, polyphony and chant) is excellent background music for the evening meal. Father Clarence Rivers had produced an "American Mass Program" recording that has marvelous songs rooted in the folk tradition of Negro spirituals.

ADVENT is a time to dwell on Mary's function in our lives. With women looking for models as they search for independence, Mary can fill a very special role. In addition to Scripture, we have books like Father John W. Lynch's "A Woman Wrapped in Silence," which vividly depicts the life of Mary in free verse which is both moving and easy to read.



"The Reed of God" by Caryll Houselander is an enchanting prose poem relating Mary's role in bearing Christ and bringing Him into the world. For personal reading or for group reading, Paul Claudel's classic drama, "Tidings Brought to Mary," is a tremendous realization of the Christmas mystery. The special miracle which takes place on Christmas Eve in a scene between Mary and her sister, Violaine, a leper, is one of the most touching in literature.

Christmas week is filled with Feasts that reflect the Incarnation Mystery. On the day after Christmas, we could sing "Good King Wenceslaus" on the feast of St. Stephen; on the 28th, read Charles Peguy's touching poem on "The Holy Innocents," revealing the tenderness and humor of God. If you could gather your family or friends on the 29th, the feast of Thomas Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury, to read T.S. Eliot's "Murder in the Cathedral," you would find it a rewarding experience.

If that seems more than you can manage, there is an excellent record of dialogue highlights from the movie, "Becket," starring Richard Burton and Peter O'Toole that could provide a rewarding hour in the middle of the Christmas bustle.

As you think about these suggestions, you may find other activities that would be especially meaningful for your family. This joyful season is an ideal time to stop a while in the midst of all the bustle; a time for families to come together; a time to prepare for the Christ Child; a time to think of what the fuss is all about; a time to get to the true meaning of the Mystery being celebrated. Now — this Advent season — 1974!



Behold the Lord cometh down with glory... to visit His people in peace and establish them in everlasting life.

What some other parishes are doing

By REV. JOSEPH M. CHAMPLIN

I had dinner tonight 500 feet above the ground at the revolving Space Needle Restaurant in Seattle. The sky was clear and the structure's hourly revolution gave me a magnificent overview of this beautiful area.

For 15 minutes I gazed at the sparkling blue waters of Puget Sound, then studied the San Francisco-like hills of the city itself, next looked at snow capped Mount Ranier in the distance and, finally, as the circle began to complete itself, noticed construction of the dome-covered stadium.

The evening meal came during a brief break in an intensive, several-day study institute for over 150 priests of the Seattle Archdiocese. Visits with the clergy between lectures gave me an overview of liturgical developments in that northwest section of the country much as the delightful dining spot offered a glimpse of the region's diversified geography. I jotted down a few notes in the process and summarize below the more interesting worship efforts in several of those parishes.

• Coffee and doughnuts after the main Mass each Sunday (not

too unusual) with nametags prepared by parishioners to help break down barriers and build community (rather unusual).

• A little child running up the aisle at the kiss of peace and em-

"There are different kinds of gifts, though it is the same Spirit who gives them, just as there are different kinds of services, though it is the same Lord we serve."

(From St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians)

bracing the legs of a particularly beloved pastor as he moved through the church bestowing this gesture of reconciliation.

• On the feast of the Nativity, a concert of superior quality before Mass and at appropriate intervals during the Eucharist which formed, in effect, a history of Christian Christmas music starting with ancient Gregorian chant and continuing through to contemporary carols.

• A box for Prayer of the Faithful petitions placed at the church's main entrance. These are gathered after the liturgy begins, sorted out, and combined with other intentions previously

prepared by the celebrant or worship committee.

• Stations of the cross during Lent in which couples or individuals from the parish take a station and offer commentaries on

what that particular incident in Christ's journey to Calvary meant for them. The testimony of a woman afflicted with cancer moved the congregation to tears on one Friday evening.

• A miniature Pilgrim Virgin statue rotated around parishioners' homes for weeks of family or neighborhood prayer. On the seventh night, a parish priest offers Mass at the host house for that week's family and invited guests.

• A special Thanksgiving Day Mass at which individuals bring to the church gifts for the poor and one item for later use during the family dinner. The donations are left for eventual distribution to the needy; the other element is blessed

with the ceremony, then returned home to grace the Thanksgiving meal.

• A survey evaluating the new liturgy which indicated 85 percent approval of the "changes," with only a few persons very strongly opposed to reforms of the past decade.

• Communal penance services on a Wednesday evening once each month at 7:00. This simple, low-key service gives penitents a unique hour for celebration of the sacrament, attracts a crowd of 25-50, and emphasizes the social dimension of sin and forgiveness. The two parish priests are able easily to handle the individual confessions connected with it.

• A Mass for the sick celebrated by 150 priests at the Institute with several individuals anointed during the eucharistic service. Father Michael Feeney, due for open heart surgery within the week, received at that time both this sacrament and the warm, prayerful support of his brothers in the priestly ministry, an experience which must have given him great encouragement as he faced the fears and future of such an awesome operation.

Here's what's happening

Holiday gatherings in full swing

Palm Beach County

DESSERT-CARD party will be held Tuesday, Dec. 10 at the Cenacle Retreat House, Lantana. Those attending should bring their own



FIRST GRADERS at Holy Family School, North Miami, recently joined Father James Vitucci in blessing a statue of Our Lady of the Poor located on the parish grounds.

cards. Tickets may be obtained by calling 582-2534 or 582-0726.

A FILM, "The Gospel According to St. Matthew," will be shown at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 10 and 11 in St. Edward parish hall, County Rd., Palm Beach.

LIMA CLINIC, operated by Sister M. Kenneth, O.P. for destitute and ill Indians of Peru, will benefit from a Christmas Decor Tea from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 15 at the home of Mrs. Robert C. Vance, 801 Ponce de Leon Rd., Boca Raton. St. Joan of Arc Guild members will have tickets or they may be obtained by calling 395-4858 or 391-5586 as well as after Sunday Masses on Dec. 8 at St. Joan of Arc Church.

LOURDES RESIDENCE is sponsoring a sidewalk Christmas bazaar from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 365 S. Flagler Dr., West Palm Beach.

Broward County

"CHRISTMAS IN MEXICO" will be theme of the luncheon and fashion show which St. Gregory Women's Guild will sponsor on Saturday, Dec. 14 at Williamson Restaurant, 1401 S. Federal Hwy., Fort Lauderdale. A social hour at 11:30 a.m. will precede luncheon, during which fashions from Jordan Marsh will be shown. Reservations may be made by calling 791-5672 or 587-5873.

BOYS AND GIRLS at the Pompano Beach Juvenile Detention Center were feted during November by members of St. Helen's Women's Guild who supervised games and served refreshments.

CHRIST CHILD Tea sponsored by St. Pius X Woman's Club will be held between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 12 in the parish hall, 2605 NE 33 Ave., Fort Lauderdale. A musical

program will be presented by the Broward Women's Chorus.

ANNUAL BAZAAR of St. Bartholomew Women's Club, Miramar, is scheduled for Satur-

YOUNG AT HEART Club will sponsor a holiday card and games party at noon, tomorrow (Saturday) in St. Elizabeth Gardens, 801 NE 33 St., Pompano Beach. Dessert will be served.

A MASS for members of St. Bernard Women's Guild will be celebrated at 8 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 10 at Roarke Memorial Center, 1720 NW 60 Ave., Fort Lauderdale. A social evening will follow to which husbands and guests have been invited.

K. OF C. Father Michael J. Mullaly General Assembly of Broward County will sponsor its annual Christmas party on Dec. 15 at the Council Hall, 333 SW 25th St., Fort Lauderdale. Reservations must be made no later than Dec. 10.

ST. JEROME Women's Club will meet at 8 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 10 in the parish hall. Members of the club are still collecting donations of food for Miami's Camillus House.

DECEMBER MEETING of St. Matthew Catholic Women's Club, Hallandale, is set for 6 p.m. on Tuesday, the 10 at the social hall of Union Congregational Church, 120 SW Sixth Ave.

SENIOR CITIZENS of Nativity parish Leisure Club will participate in First Friday Mass today (Friday) and a luncheon which will follow in the parish hall, Hollywood.

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day and Sunday in the school hall. Caroling and tree-trimming from 1 to 3 p.m. and visits from Santa between 3 and 4 p.m. will highlight Sunday. A children's shopping tour will be from 4 to 5 p.m. each day.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR sponsored by Blessed Sacrament Woman's Club will be held Saturday and Sunday in the parish hall, 1701 E. Oakland Park Blvd., Fort Lauderdale.

COVERED DISH supper will highlight a meeting of CDA, Court Infant of Prague on Wednesday, Dec. 11 at Nativity parish hall, 700 W. Chaminade Dr., Hollywood, at 7:30 p.m. Members will bring gifts for patients in Dania Nursing Home. Additional information may be obtained by calling 983-7490.

DEPENDENT CHILDREN under the care of the Catholic Service Bureau will benefit from gifts brought to the Christ Child celebration of St. John the Baptist Women's Guild from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 4404 NE 23 Ave., Fort Lauderdale. The Guild will sponsor a holiday boutique on Sunday, Dec. 8 after all the Masses in the parish church.

'Off the Record' will be staged

HALLANDALE—"Off the Record," the first annual variety show of St. Charles Borromeo Dramatic Society, will be staged on Saturday and Sunday evenings, Dec. 14 and 15.

The presentation begins at 8 p.m. in Madonna Academy, 3600 SW 32 Blvd., Hollywood. Tickets may be obtained by calling 929-1914.

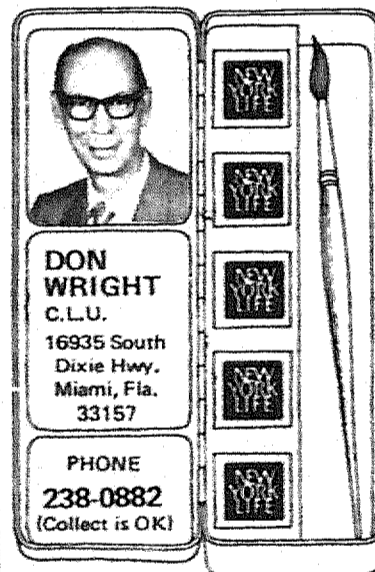
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'Night in Rome' dinner slated

COCONUT GROVE — "Night in Rome" will be the theme of the annual dinner of St. Hugh parish, which will be served Saturday, Dec. 7 at Immaculata-LaSalle High School cafeteria. Music and entertainment will be provided.

Mrs. Gerry Smith, reservations chairman, may be reached at 854-7137.

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Dade County

BOUTIQUE SALE will be a project of St. Hugh Guild members on Sunday, Dec. 8 after all Masses. Holiday adornments, trim-a-tree items, etc. will be available in the parish hall, Coconut Grove.

PARISH FAMILY dinner in St. Joseph parish, Surfside, will be held on Saturday, Dec. 14 at the Hotel Americana. Dancing and entertainment will be included.

APPRECIATION DAY from the priests of Our Lady of the Lakes Church to parishioners begins at 8:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7. Refreshments will be served and Joe Sweeney will call the Square dancing.

ST. JUDE MELKITE rite parish is sponsoring a garage sale and bazaar at 8135 Sunset Dr., South Miami from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 7 and 8. Refreshments will be available. Proceeds benefit building fund.

CHRISTMAS PARTY of the Patrician Club of St. Patrick parish, Miami Beach, begins at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 10 in the club rooms. Husbands and guests are welcome.

CORPORATE COMMUNION will be observed by CDA, Court Miami 262, during the 11:30 a.m. Mass in Gesu Sunday, Dec. 8. Meeting will follow at 1 p.m. in St. Ignatius Hall.

NATIVITY PAGEANT will be presented by members of Holy Family Woman's Club during a meeting at 8 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 10 in the parish hall, North Miami. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

COVERED DISH supper will be featured during the annual holiday party of Holy Rosary Council of Catholic Women at the home of the William Gallaghers.

BLESSING of Byzantine Bishop Michael Rudick of Pittsburgh is given to the congregation of St. Basil Church, N. Miami Beach, following celebration of the Liturgy in the church, designated by the Eastern Rite Diocese as one where Holy Year pilgrims may fulfill the requirements of indulgence.



To show appreciation—he hits the books hard

"To prove worthy of your great love and kindness, I study very hard."

This excerpt from a letter received by members of the North Dade Deanery of the Miami ACCW expresses the thanks of Joseph Seok Jong, a Korean youngster "adopted" by deanery members six years ago.

The 12-year-old son of factory workers in Seoul is enrolled in a school conducted by the Sisters of St. Paul Convent and his tuition of \$145 is paid annually by the deanery which formerly supported in the same way a young Korean girl named Angela until she was old enough to support herself.

"THANKS to you, I am very fine and enjoy my school very much," the youth wrote. I am much appreciative of you for your gracious monthly donation.

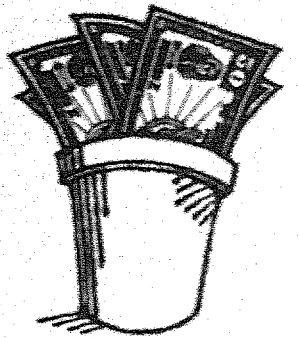
"How have you been? As a fifth grader, I was ap-

pointed as a football player in my class and enjoy it very much. I know that the Fall is coming. In this country the leaves change colors. The leaves turn from green to yellow, red and orange. It is probably the most beautiful time of the year," Joseph wrote.

The boy, who addresses deanery members as "my loving mummies" very much, because it gets very, very cold. But in God's nature, everything seems to balance out. We have times of cold, warmth, and times of fair weather. How is the weather in your country?" he asked.

also revealed that he had had his first ride on the new subway in Seoul and invited members to visit there and see it.

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Ho, Ho, Santa to visit foster home children

Santa will come early this year to dependent children under the care of the Archdiocesan Catholic Service Bureau, when members of the Women's Auxiliary will be hostesses during their 13th annual party for foster home children at St. Dominic Hall, 5909 N.W. Seventh St.

Youngsters between the ages of four and 17 will be guests for the festivities, which will begin at 1 p.m. on Dec. 14 and include a Christmas tree, refreshments, and gifts distributed by Santa.

Those planning to attend should take a toy or donation.

Bring a dish, gain entree

NAPLES — Your favorite holiday dish to serve eight persons will admit you to the "Yule Tide Gaia" supper which members of the Catholic Service Bureau Auxiliary will sponsor at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 11 in St. Ann parish hall, 439 Ninth Ave. S.

St. Ann Folk Singers, organized in 1970 by Father Michael Sullivan, now administrator of St. Martin Church, Jensen Beach, will entertain under the direction of John Occhiuzzo. Another feature of the evening will be a "sing-along" of old time favorites and an exhibit of creches from foreign lands.

Hostesses for the evening will be Mrs. H. Graves White, Mrs. Edward Kennedy and Mrs. Byron Evard.

Again a 'live' Nativity scene

FORT LAUDERDALE — Their annual live Nativity scene featuring song and drama will be presented by members of St. Maurice Church at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 13; at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 14, and at 8:30 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 15 on the grounds at 2851 Stirling Rd.

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ADVENT What salvation meant to the Jews

By REV. JOHN J. CASTELOT, S.S.

In last week's article we stated the general theme that the sacred writers of the Old Testament expressed as best they could the hopes of their people for salvation and that, when those hopes became reality, they were realized in a way which immeasurably surpassed their fondest dreams. This, as we saw, is closer to the facts than to say that the prophets made predictions about the coming of Christ which He in turn fulfilled. Is this a denial of supernatural prophecy or of the fact that the prophets did foretell the future? By no means! All things are possible to God, and His inspired spokesmen did occasionally make predictions.

I say "occasionally" because this was not exclusively or even predominantly the purpose of their mission. They were sent to address themselves to the contemporary historical situation, to give God's viewpoint on that situation. They had the thankless task of awakening the consciences of the people in areas where those consciences had become, to put it mildly, very lax. They had to warn their compatriots that, if they didn't change their ways, God would surely punish them, but if they did, He would bless them. These threats of punishment obviously looked to the future, but to a historically foreseeable future. Sad to say, they were carried out over and over again, with frightening accuracy.

PROMISES of blessings were more remote, more general, more vague, and they, too, were couched in terms which reflected the actual historical situation. Like all promises, they were also hopes, hopes for salvation, hopes which we have come to call "messianic," a term which of itself would have puzzled an Amos, an Isaiah, a Jeremiah. But though the term may be of modern coinage, the hopes were theirs; they were very, very real, and they looked to the future salvation of the people of God.

In order to appreciate the uniqueness of Christ the Savior, we must form some idea of what salvation meant to the people from whom He sprang. To us the term is rich in spiritual connotations; it is the ultimate goal of our existence; eternal salvation, unending happiness in union with God.

This would have been largely unintelligible to the people of the Old Testament era. To them salvation meant liberation, liberation from war, from oppression, from injustice, from privation. Positively it meant everything designated by "the Good Life:" peace, prosperity, good health,



long life. Since the notion of life after death or, at least, of retribution in the hereafter, was either vague or non-existent until shortly before the Christian era, salvation was something to be worked out within the framework of the history of the people.

The very basis of their hope for salvation was a historical event, God's intervention to liberate them from bondage in Egypt, to form them into a nation, and to give them possession of the land of Canaan. This was the central saving act of God in favor of His people, and it colored all their subsequent thinking. For them Yahweh was, above all else, a saving God. And since He was also supremely wise, He must have had a purpose in intervening so marvelously in their behalf.

BUT WHAT was that purpose? Different answers were suggested as their historical fortunes waxed and waned over the next 1,200 years. For the most part they waned, and this presented obvious problems. But the people never abandoned hope in the ultimate achievement of God's purpose, whatever that purpose might be. Even their misfortunes were viewed in this light. If God frequently had to punish them for their infidelity, His judgment was considered a salutary judgment. Israel would ultimately attain to salvation, but it would be a new Israel, a restored, a purified Israel.

Their idea of salvation itself underwent development, refinement, purification, even if it

never completely broke out of its temporal, historical, ethnic mould. At first it connoted victory over their enemies, peace and prosperity. This largely militant and materialistic notion was never completely abandoned, but it did undergo refinement.

Isaiah speaks of an era of universal peace (2:1 ff), justice, righteousness (32). Later prophets, like Jeremiah and Ezekiel, peering through the gloom of national disaster and exile, look forward to the restoration of the people under a new covenant, under the terms of which salvation will be realized in Yahweh's dwelling in a reconstructed Temple. Militancy and material prosperity are soft-pedaled (there was little prospect of either), and peace and joy deriving from a sincere acceptance of God's will are emphasized.

Even the narrow view of salvation in nationalistic and ethnic terms broadened somewhat. In the second part of the book of Isaiah, Israel is seen as having a mission to the nations. But even here and in Is 2:1 ff salvation is offered on Israel's terms and it implies more or less clearly the submission of the nations to Israel.

But how would all of this come about? Who or what, under God, would be the agent of salvation? The answer to that question will bring us closer to our main subject of interest: the Messiah.

Prayer of the Faithful

Second Sunday of Advent Dec. 8, 1974

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COMMENTATOR: The response today will be: Lord, let there be peace.

COMMENTATOR: For the Church, that through its continuing renewal, men may find hope and peace and may grow in holiness and love, let us pray to the Lord.

PEOPLE: Lord, let there be peace.

COMMENTATOR: For the world that is torn by war and hatred, racism and prejudice, hunger, injustice and exploitation, let us pray to the Lord.

PEOPLE: Lord, let there be peace.

COMMENTATOR: That one day the lion might live with the lamb, but more importantly, that one day man might live with man in a spirit of unity, justice,

peace and love, in accordance with the will of God, let us pray to the Lord.

PEOPLE: Lord, let there be peace.

COMMENTATOR: For all who are sick, for the lonely, the forsaken, the depressed and the handicapped, let us pray to the Lord.

PEOPLE: Lord, let there be peace.

COMMENTATOR: For all who have passed through death, that they may share a life of peace in the fullness of the Kingdom, let us pray to the Lord.

PEOPLE: Lord, let there be peace.

CELEBRANT: Father, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way for your Son. Help us to prepare His way in this Advent. May the knowledge of His coming comfort us and strengthen us. May we, in turn, be an example of peace and love, a source and sacrament of hope. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

PEOPLE: Amen.

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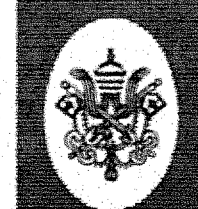
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Why parishes should have vocations committees

As the number of Parish Vocations Committees continues to increase throughout South Florida the question is often asked, "Why a parish vocations committee?"

In its search for vocations to the priesthood and Religious life, the Church has begun to focus attention on the family as the basic unit of society; on the parish, as the basic unit of

the Church; and on the school as the basic unit of religious education.

Therefore, the Archdiocese of Miami urges a vocations committee be set up in each of the more than 120 parishes throughout eight counties — a committee which will work with the pastor in all vocation activities.

"A QUALIFIED, interested and competent lay parishioner should be appointed by each pastor to serve as committee chairman," Father John McGrath, Archdiocesan Director of Vocations, said. He emphasized that the man or woman named to the post should have a "deep appreciation of the value of the religious life and an active interest in encouraging vocations."

"He should be zealous and energetic in this task and surround himself with an interested committee, which, with the pastor, will

be responsible for the organization and implementation of all vocation projects in the parish," he added.

In the opinion of the priest, who frequently visits various parishes and speaks at the Masses on the subject of Vocations, a chairman may hesitate to accept such a responsibility when it is not clear what he is being asked to do and what kind of assistance he can expect to receive.

"If a well chosen group of people are first brought together and have the opportunity to discuss what the Vocations Committee is all about, then the 'right' chairman will likely emerge from the group," he said.

ONCE FORMED, the parish committees — there are now 22 such active groups in South Florida — are the recipients of the complete cooperation of the



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committee receives information on available resources in terms of people and materials.

The following parishes now have active committees: St. Bede, Key West; Sacred Heart, Homestead; Nativity, Hollywood; St. Ambrose, Deerfield Beach; St. John the Baptist, Fort Lauderdale; Holy Spirit, Lantana; St. Christopher, Hobe Sound; St. Francis of Assisi, Riviera Beach; St. Martin, Jensen Beach; St. Ann, Naples; St. Gregory, Plantation; St. Catherine of Siena, Epiphany; St. Hugh, St. Louis; St. Dominic, Visitation, St. Rose of Lima, Miami; St. Monica, Opa Locka; St. Lawrence, North Miami Beach; St. John the Apostle, Immaculate Conception, Hialeah. —MLF

(NEXT: What are the functions of a Parish Vocations Committee?)

Voices of children praise the Lord

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need to be able to apologize for mistakes.

"If you are out on the playground and the teacher says for you to run around the school three times, it's a challenge, a race, and you'll do it," the bishop said.

"But let the teacher say to you, 'say to your friend, I'm sorry,' and all of a sudden it's different — something within us causes us to be unwilling to say to another person those magic words: 'I'm sorry — forgive me.'"

"God has forgiven us countless times, and is always ready to forgive us. If it is so easy for God to forgive us, why must we find it so difficult to be reconciled with others and Him?"

At St. Coleman Church, father Ronald Pusak, pastor of St. Joan of Arc Church, Boca Raton, told the children a story about a man whom no one would forgive for a mistake he had made, with the moral being that everyone needs everyone else.

"We all need each other, we need to be reconciled — not for ourselves, but because it is the Christian thing to do," he said.

"We have to renew ourselves in this Holy Year, in our families, our schools, our neighborhoods."

PRaising the children's singing and behavior, Sister Joyce remarked about the quality of the voices.

"I was very happy with it," she said of the pilgrimage, with a note of

pride in her voice

"The singing was beautiful," Sister Phyllis added, commenting that many children had thanked her for coming to their schools and helping them sing.

The children sang chants, traditional music, and contemporary sacred music; including two selections from the new sacramentary, which was used for the first time the day of the pilgrimage. Special choirs — from St. Bartholomew parish singing at St. Coleman, and from St. Clement parish singing at the Cathedral — sang during Communion.

Concelebrating with Bishop Gracida at the Cathedral were: Msgr. John J. Donnelly; Msgr. Jude O'Doherty; Msgr. Joseph O'Shea; Father Ignatius Fabacher, S.J.; Father Gerard LaCerra; Father John McGrath; Father Michael Quilligan; Father James Reynolds; Father Thomas Rynne; and Father Emilio Valina.

At St. Coleman parish, Father Ronald Brohamer was the principal celebrant of the Mass; joining him were Msgr. Dominic Barry; Father Rafael Bernal, C.M.; Father James Connaughton; Father Lawrence Conway; V.F.; Father Timothy Hannon; and Father Thomas Mulaney.

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It was a long, hard road—but Pace reaches top

The Archdiocese of Miami has state volleyball champs in its midst.

The girl's Volleyball team of Monsignor Pace High School became the first statewide champions of Volleyball recently by emerging on top of the 9 District Representatives competing in Gainesville.

THE PACE girls captured the title in the final match against Atlantic High School of Delray Beach, handing them a quick 15-3; 15-9 defeat with the same poise they exhibited throughout their season.

"I had a good feeling the whole time; the girls did too," said Coach Maryellen Kirwan. "They just set their goal. They knew once they'd made it that far that they were going to go all the way."

The tournament marked the first statewide volleyball championship for high schools and was held Nov. 22 and 23 at the East Side High School gymnasium in Gainesville.

BUT THE trip to the top has a history. Tracing the Pace team back to its regular season finds a fitting record of nine wins and only one loss, to rival Lourdes Academy, who ended their regular season with an identical 9-1 record. Pace then wrestled the Archdiocesan Girl's Volleyball League title from Lourdes in the ensuing playoff match-up.

The League tournament the following week in Pace's gym saw Lourdes on top, however, with Pace's only two losses in the double elimination tournament coming from Lourdes.

Advancing to the District 8 Tournament at Jackson High School, the Pace girls took their first steps towards state by downing unseeded Norland in the first night of competition. Third-seeded North Miami was the team's next opponent, and another victory brought the champs to the semi-final match against second-seeded Miami Springs; and following that win, the final against number one seeded Hialeah, whom the state-bound team handled easily despite their originally being unseeded among the fourteen schools competing.

THE ROAD to State was long, but once there the Pace team made short work of Jacksonville's Forrest Hill, defeating them 15-10; and 15-5, which advanced them to the semi-final contest against District 9 Champs Palmetto. The Pace team handled its Miami adversary 15-12; 15-8 and then moved to the final against Atlantic.

Coach Kirwan cited teamwork as the key to the champs success and also commented on the strategy for the state tournament.



STATE champs from Pace High School, celebrating their earlier district win, are, l. to r., standing: coach Maryellen Kirwan, Mary Pearsall, Cookie Elias, Joanna Locke, Margie Wessell, Diane Raymond, Rene Sylvester, Aggie Skalski, Sandy Brugnetti, Kitty Mullen. Sitting: Jeanne Herdegan, Jacie LeBel, Diane Pellman.

"We tried not to vary our play from the ordinary . . . Just know where the ball is, and play the position with a lot of movement on the court and especially teamwork . . . Teamwork won the games for us; everyone played together."

THE STATE Champs contingent included: Seniors Aggie Skalski, Gail Kozlowski, Cookie Elias, Kitty Mullen, Joanna Locke; Juniors Mary Pearsall, Ana Garcia, Dianne Raymond, Sandy Brugnetti, Jeanne Herdegan; Sophomores, Rene Sylvester, Diane Pellman, Margie Wessell; and Freshman Jacie Le Bel.

Asked about the team's chances of defending their title or of even retaining it in next year's competition, Coach Kirwan replied:

"Good. Excellent . . . A lot of good returning players . . . Definitely a good chance!"

THE ARCHDIOCESE was also represented by Cardinal Gibbons in the Gainesville State Competition. Gibbons was the winner of its District 7 tournament and earned the berth in the State Playoffs, but failed to advance to the final. Lourdes was edged out of their District 9 tournament by Miami Palmetto in a semi-final match for the title.

(Submitted by Kevin Kiley, a student at Pace High School.)

Youth Day is Sunday

Young people of all backgrounds working together — that is the goal of a special day-long program planned by the Spanish Youth Organization of the Archdiocese of Miami.

A group of Spanish-speaking and English-speaking young people from several parishes has planned a Youth Day Sunday, Dec. 8 at Assumption Academy, from 1:30 to 8 p.m.

Msgr. William Dever, Archdiocesan Director of Youth Activities, urged all interested youth to attend the program, which he explained as meaning, among other things:

- That they will know how far they can go in their restless effort to extend a Christian message to the youth in Miami;
- That they will experience the joy of working united in an ideal;
- That they will revise their own group by means of organized and carefully carried out plans;
- That they will show those who are indifferent, apathetic or irresponsible the face of the youth who has found the meaning of life and the friendship with Christ;
- That they will get the preliminary experience needed to make the future "Youth Week" an astounding success.

Baked goods and bicycles

By JOAN BARTLETT
 • Anybody want to buy a bake? There's a bake sale Sunday, Dec. 8 at Our Lady of the Lakes Church after all masses — sponsored by C.O.O.L., of course.

• If you'd rather buy a bicycle, come to the public auction next Thursday, Dec. 12, in Bayfront Auditorium, 499 Biscayne Blvd. It seems more than 100 of these poor creatures are cluttering up the City of Miami home for homeless bikes. Terms are cash

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• If a Man Answers, you must have the Lourdes Academy Drama Club. This three-act comedy will be presented this weekend, Dec. 6-8, at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium. Tickets at the door.

• What a riot — St. Timothy and Nativity CYOs are having a Santa Claus Bowl Dec. 14. Get this: the girls will play football and the guys will coach and (you guessed it) do the cheerleading. The whole thing starts off at St. Timothy Parish at 3 p.m., and will be followed by chicken dinner in the parish hall. As though that weren't enough, they're adding a jukebox social after dinner. The girls better have the Ben-Gay handy Sunday night.

• If you have come to a decision about your frog

kissing status, please get your registration in for Lyman Coleman's Frog Kissin' Serendipity Workshop to be held in Tampa

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No Christian may conform to basically immoral law, Vatican document asserts

VATICAN CITY — (NC) — No Christian may "conform" to an intrinsically immoral law but every man and woman and every Christian must be ready to influence morality and help families, mothers, and children, an anti-abortion document issued by the Vatican's Doctrinal Congregation, at the direction of Pope Paul, declared in a 6,000-word instrument calling for action against abortion and its causes.

The declaration insisted that the Church is not indifferent to human situations which lead to abortions, or "to the weight of the sacrifices and burdens" which refusal to take part in an abortion can impose. It also emphasized that much has been achieved "in the service of life" by modern medicine, and expressed the hope that "such progress will continue, in accordance with the vocation of doctors, which is not to suppress life but to care for it and favor it as much as possible."

According to the NC News Service, the document had been drawn up by the International Theological Commission under the authority of the Doctrinal Congregation.

THE DECLARATION was issued only shortly after the U.S. National Conference of Catholic Bishops authorized a demand for assurances from vice-presidential nominee Nelson Rockefeller that he would not promote "a personal viewpoint on permissive abortion."

The document consists of an introduction and five additional parts dealing with: abortion seen in the light of faith; in the additional light of reason; a reply to some objections; morality and the law; practical conclusions.

In its opening paragraph the declaration made the point: "One cannot but be astonished to see a simultaneous increase of unqualified protests against the death penalty and every form of war, and the vindication of the liberalization of abortion, either in its entirety or in even broader indications."

The document pointed to a difference between "ethical pluralism" and "ideological pluralism." It described ethical pluralism as the notion that a change in existing laws against abortion "would violate no one's conscience, for each individual would be left free to follow his own opinion, while being prevented from imposing it on others."

The declaration dismissed this "ethical" approach to pluralism by pointing to a "great difference" between the opinion and action.

"ACTION affects the interests of others more quickly than does mere opinion," it said.

"Moreover, one can never claim freedom of opinion as a pretext for attacking the rights of others, most especially the right to life."

The Doctrinal Congregation said that in the document it "proposes to recall" the Church's teaching on abor-

tion "in its essential aspects to all the faithful."

The document continued: "It hopes that all the faithful, including those who might have been unsettled by controversies and new opinions, will understand that it is not a question of opposing one opinion to another, but of transmitting to the faithful a constant teaching of the supreme Magisterium, which teaches moral norms in the light of faith."

"It is therefore clear that this Declaration necessarily entails a grave obligation for Christian consciences."

After stating the importance of its authority, the document examined the question in the light of the constant teaching of the Church from the earliest centuries.

It declared: "The tradition of the Church has always held that human life must be protected and favored from the beginning, just as it is at the various stages of its development."

It traced the Christian stand against abortion — as opposed to the pagan Greek and Roman laxness — from the first century down to the Second Vatican Council and Pope Paul VI, who declared in December 1972 that the teaching of the Church regarding abortion "has not changed and is unchangeable."

THEN considering the question under "the additional light of reason," the document observed:

"There are a certain number of rights which society is not in a position to

grant since these rights precede society. But society has the function to preserve and to enforce them. These are the greater part of those rights today called 'human rights' and which our age boasts of having formulated.

"The first right of the human person is his life. He has other goods and some are more precious, but this one is fundamental — the condition of all the others. Hence it must be protected above all others.

"It does not belong to society, nor does it belong to public authority in any form to recognize this right for some and not for others. All discrimination is evil, whether it be founded on race, sex, color or religion.

"It is not recognition by another that constitutes this right."

(This last consequence was a denial of assertions by some thinkers that society confers personhood or humanity on the human person.)

Of life's beginnings in the womb, the Doctrinal Congregation's document says:

"Right from fertilization is begun the adventure of a human life, and each of its capacities requires time — a rather lengthy time — to find its place and to be in a position to act. The least that can be said is that present science, in its most evolved state, does not give any substantial support to those who defend abortion."

Folk and Rock music set for young-at-heart

LANTANA — A concert of contemporary folk-rock music for the "young-at-heart" will usher in the Christmas season at Holy Spirit Church.

The New Life Singers and Fishers of Men will be heard in two performances on Sunday, Dec. 8 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Alumni club maps events

A planning meeting and a Christmas party have been scheduled by the Catholic Alumni Club, an organization of college or university graduates.

Discussion of next year's calendar of events will begin at 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 10 at the home of Jim Doan, 1585 NW 103 St. A holiday party begins at 9 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 14 at the home of Joan Geary, 975 NE 128 St., North Miami.

Membership in the club is open to college graduates between the ages of 21 and 35. A full program of recreational and spiritual events is sponsored by the club throughout the year.

Father Thomas Kennedy, C.M. is serving as club chaplain; John Lang is president; Jim Doan, vice president; Tom Vernon, treasurer.

Additional information may be obtained by calling Lang after 6 p.m. at 854-4006.

Membership coffee set by Broward 'pro-lifers'

FORT LAUDERDALE — A Membership Coffee under the auspices of the Broward County Right to Life Committee will be an event of Friday, Dec. 13 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Coral Ridge Country Club.

Guest speakers during the coffee will be Senator Charles Weber who will discuss "The Human Life Amendment;" Eugene F. Malin, Broward County at-

torney, who will outline activities of the American Obstetricians and Gynecologists for Life; and Mrs. Malin, president of the Broward Right to Life group, who will report on the regional and state convention recently held at Atlantic Beach.

Membership in the organization is open to anyone interested in promoting the dignity of life.

Eduardo Garcia-Allen, father of priest, dies

The Funeral Liturgy was celebrated in St. Kevin Church on Tuesday for Eduardo Garcia-Allen whose son is a priest of the Archdiocese of Miami.

Father Carlos Garcia, a member of the faculty at the Archdiocesan Major Seminary of St. Vincent de Paul, Boynton Beach, was the celebrant of the Mass for his father who died in Mercy Hospital last Satur-

day after a short illness.

A native of Cienfuegos, Cuba, Mr. Garcia was president of Garcia-Allen Construction Corp. and had been in the building field while in Cuba.

In addition to his wife, America, he is survived by another son, Eduardo of Miami, and two brothers; Osvaldo, Puerto Rico and Agustin, Honduras.

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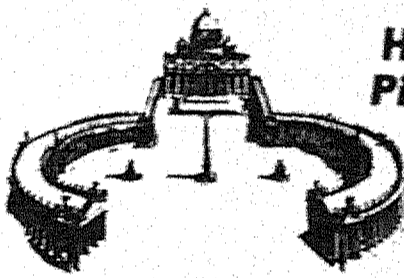
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Holy Year Pilgrimage


ST. EDWARD CHURCH, Palm Beach, will be the scene of a Holy Year Pilgrimage for parishioners of churches in Palm Beach, Hendry, and Martin Counties on Sunday Dec. 8 at 3 p.m.

Participating will be St. Christopher Church, Hobe Sound; St. Joseph Church, Stuart; St. Thomas More Church, Boynton Beach; St. Jude Church, Tequesta; St. Margaret Church, Clewiston; St. Joseph the Worker Mission, Moorehaven; St. Mary Mission, Pahokee; Holy Cross Church, Indiantown; and St. Philip Benizi Church, Belle Glade.

In Broward County, members of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs parish, Fort Lauderdale, will make a pilgrimage at 3 p.m. Sunday to St. Coleman Church, Pompano Beach.

English-speaking parishioners of St. Brendan Church, St. Agatha Church, St. Dominic Church, St. Kevin Church and Our Lady of Divine Providence Church will join in a pilgrimage on Sunday at 3 p.m. to St. John Vianney Minor Seminary.

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DIA DE LA JUVENTUD:

Jornada de reflexión y estudio juvenil el domingo en Miami

El Día de la Juventud, un programa de estudio y reflexión por y para jóvenes se efectuará el domingo, día 8, comenzando a la 1:30 p.m. en la Academia de la Asunción.

Monseñor Orlando Fernández, Vicario Episcopal de la Comunidad Hispana y Monseñor William Dever, director de pastoral juvenil están exhortando a la juventud de origen hispano a participar en esta jornada, destacando que la organización de este día significa para los jóvenes varias cosas muy importantes.

• Después de él sabrán hasta dónde pueden llegar en su afán por llevar un mensaje cristiano al resto de la juventud.

• Experimentarán la alegría de trabajar unidos.

• Revitalizarán sus propios grupos por medio de una acción organizada.

• Mostrarán a la juventud indiferente, apática, irresponsable o viciosa la cara de otra juventud que ha encontrado el sentido de la vida y la amistad con Jesucristo.

• Se entrenarán para

realizar luego la Semana de la Juventud.

Como adelantó LA VOZ hace varias semanas, el grupo de pastoral juvenil hispana de la Arquidiócesis de Miami, encabezado por el Padre Ricardo Castellanos, planea la celebración de una semana de la juventud durante el Año Santo de 1975.

El Día de la Juventud este domingo se abrirá con inscripciones y organización hasta las 2 p.m. A esa hora comenzarán los socio-dramas juveniles, en los que se presentarán los problemas, y aspiraciones e inquietudes de la juventud hispana de Miami. A continuación los jóvenes se reunirán en grupos de reflexión, después de los cuales participarán en una reunión general de conclusiones.

El programa incluye un festival de la canción, con la participación de varios grupos musicales juveniles. La jornada concluirá con una misa en la que el Obispo René Gracida, Auxiliar de Miami, será el principal

concelebrante.

Al comentar sobre el Día de la Juventud el Obispo Gracida expresó que espera que esta celebración promueva "la actividad juvenil y motive a los jóvenes a encontrar lo mejor en la vida y a descubrir al Señor, al mismo tiempo que crear entre ellos el sentido de la unidad."

En la organización del Día de la Juventud están

participando representantes de distintos grupos juveniles de diversas parroquias, bajo la coordinación de Sor Alicia Echeverri, C.M., una religiosa colombiana especializada en pastoral juvenil y grupos de base que desde el pasado mes de abril está trabajando en la pastoral juvenil hispana de la Arquidiócesis de Miami. Cooperan con ella en la organización la Madre Guadalupe, Religiosa

mexicana provincial de la Comunidad de la Asunción y Sister Beatriz, Religiosa Apostolina cubana.

El Día de la Juventud está diseñado para jóvenes entre 16 y 24 años, hombres y mujeres. Los interesados en mayor información pueden llamar a Sister Alicia, al 854-6862, a Sister Guadalupe, al 854-1313, a Lourdes Rovira al 448-1359, o a July Alvarez o Eddy Gómez, al 757-6241, extensión 260.

Para el Día de la Juventud vendrá a Miami el Padre Fabio Carmona, sacerdote colombiano experto en pastoral juvenil. Posteriormente vendrá también el Padre Ismael Mejía, Vicario de Pastoral Juvenil de la Arquidiócesis de Medellín, los que organizarán un seminario sobre apostolado de la Juventud para asesores y líderes de grupos juveniles.

Inaugurada la Clínica del Centro Hispano Católico

Al inaugurar los nuevos locales de la Clínica del Centro Hispano Católico, el Arzobispo Coleman F. Carroll tuvo palabras de encomio para la Liga de Damas, "porque hicieron posible con su esfuerzo la construcción de esta obra y la adquisición de los valiosos equipos médicos que vendrán a ofrecer un mejor servicio a la colonia hispana de Miami, más de 350,000 cubanos y más de cien mil latinoamericanos de otras nacionalidades, especialmente a los más necesitados." El Arzobispo tuvo también palabras de reconocimiento para los médicos que prestan sus servicios. En la composición gráfica el Arzobispo bendice los nuevos salones (arriba); Monseñor Orlando Fernández, Vicario Episcopal devela una placa en reconocimiento a la Liga de Damas del Centro Hispano Católico (centro); abajo, Monseñor Fernández muestra algunos de los nuevos equipos adquiridos para la clínica a la Señora Hilda García Serra de Mena y el Dr. Moisés Hernández, Presidente de las Clínicas Pasteur de Hialeah. Entre los nuevos equipos figuran Rayos X, mamografía, respira-



ción para afecciones pulmonares, electrocardiología, presión arterial y equipos para el laboratorio clínico. Además de la sala de Rayos X y el salón de cardiología, el Centro Hispano cuenta con cuatro consultas, dos oficinas y salón de espera. Sor Edita Rojo, doctora en medicina y Religiosa filipense es la directora de la Clínica fundada en 1959 y ampliada y remozada ahora con la cooperación de la Liga de Damas, presidida por la señora Gloria Morales Gómez.



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Festivales

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Hoy viernes comienza el festival de la parroquia de San Pedro y San Pablo en los terrenos y salones de la 12 Avenida y calle 13. (S.W.), que se extenderá hasta el domingo. El párroco, Padre Juan de la Calle, con la colaboración de sus feligreses ha preparado un amplio programa de entretenimientos para toda la familia.

Mañana, sábado, y el domingo se efectuará el

festival de Corpus Christi, 7 Ave. y 32 St., N.W. Monseñor Orlando Fernández, prepara dos días de fiestas con comidas españolas, italianas, americanas.

Tratándose de dos parroquias con mayoritaria población hispana, ambos festivales contarán con el alegre sabor latino. Serán ambos cita de reunión para los actuales y antiguos feligreses de las dos parroquias.

Ante la crisis del hambre

en el mundo los obispos de Estados Unidos exhortan a

AYUNAR PARA AYUDAR

En su reciente reunión anual en Washington los obispos de Estados Unidos se comprometieron a ayunar dos veces a la semana, e invitaron a los fieles católicos a hacer lo mismo, con el fin de contribuir con lo ahorrado a ayudar a los pueblos con hambre en todo el mundo. Su plan pastoral pide además que los gobiernos ayuden, que el pueblo tome conciencia del problema de alimentación, y que todo cristiano practique la frugalidad.

En su declaración sobre "La crisis mundial de alimentos — Plan de

acción pastoral," los obispos de Estados Unidos adelantaron estos conceptos:

• El hambre de los pueblos y la desnutrición, que confirma la interdependencia de las naciones y su relación con el ambiente, la población, el poder político y militar y las relaciones económicas, deben ser atacadas en dos momentos: el inmediato, con programas de emergencia que salven de la muerte a millones de seres, y el ataque a largo plazo, destinado a aumentar la producción agropecuaria en las naciones en desarrollo.

• Urge sobre todo ayudar al pequeño agricultor, como lo han hecho los misioneros cristianos en muchas regiones, en una empresa digna de nuestro continuo apoyo como creyentes. Para esta ayuda coordinada es necesario moverse en los niveles de la opinión pública, la legislación, la educación de la comunidad y una pastoral de austeridad y solidaridad.

• Al nivel de opinión

pública, debemos entender que el alimento es un bien esencial y un recurso sagrado para el hombre, y esto lo debe reflejar nuestra legislación así como nuestros programas de asistencia, tanto técnica como directa (Alimentos para la Paz); estos programas deben ser inmunes a presiones políticas o estratégicas. Por otra parte, dirigentes y pueblo deben comprender que hay que reajustar

cuotas y precios de los productos primarios que compramos a los países pobres, sin descuidar los intereses de nuestros propios agricultores. No basta un mercado libre, sujeto al impacto de las grandes corporaciones.

• Con sus medios la Iglesia debe educar a la comunidad sobre las proyecciones morales de un sistema que ha engendrado la crisis de alimentos: educar a niños, jóvenes y adultos, y antes a los líderes en el campo religioso: sacerdotes, hermanos y hermanas, seglares.

• En su ministerio

pastoral, la Iglesia debe usar los temas litúrgicos hacia el problema del hambre, por medio del ayuno y la abstinencia; debe invitar a los fieles a consumir menos alimentos, y a donar el consiguiente ahorro a la ayuda de los pueblos con hambre. Es cuestión de conciencia y solidaridad cristianas. Invitamos al Pueblo de Dios a ayunar por lo menos dos veces por semana, y a resistir la tentación de la propaganda comercial que fomente hábitos de gula y lujo. Hay que buscar a los pobres en nuestra vecindad y atender sus necesidades.

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Preparen el camino del Señor

Por el Rev. JOSE P. NICKSE

"PREPAREN EL CAMINO DEL SEÑOR"

En ese tiempo se presentó Juan Bautista en el desierto de Judea predicando de ésta forma: "Cambien de vida y de corazón, porque está cerca el Reino de los cielos." De él hablaba el profeta Isaías al decir: "Una voz grita en el desierto: preparen el camino del Señor. Allanen sus senderos."

Mt. 3:1-3

Adviento es época de preparación. Estamos preparando el camino del Señor. Estamos renovando nuestra fe.

Pero, ¿por qué esta renovación durante el Adviento, si ya hace muchos años que fuimos bautizados, si ya hace muchos años que recibimos nuestra Primera Comunión, si ya hace muchos años que vamos a la iglesia domingo tras domingo? ¿Acaso no fuimos ya convertidos? Algunos cristianos se hacen estas preguntas pensando que la preparación de Adviento es sólo para aquellos que caminan sus primeros pasos en nuestra fe.

Y pudieramos contestar con ésta pregunta: Si alguna persona que apreciamos nos anuncia su visita a nuestro hogar, ¿no nos ocupamos de limpiar la casa y preparar la fiesta? ¿No gastamos tiempo y dinero para que esta persona se lleve una buena impresión de nuestro hogar? Cuando se acerca el cumpleaños de nuestros hijos, ¿no planeamos una fiesta para celebrar la ocasión? Entonces, cuánto más no debemos preparar nuestras vidas para celebrar la venida del Salvador del mundo.

Conversión no es un momento. Conversión es un proceso. Es un proyecto. Es un compromiso de vida. Es algo que hay que renovar a menudo. Por eso la Iglesia nos brinda dos ocasiones durante el año para renovar nuestro compromiso con Cristo: el Adviento y la Cuaresma.

Es necesario preparar el camino del Señor para nuestros hijos. Si miramos a nuestro alrededor, encontramos un ambiente que no es el más propicio para nuestros hijos. Si vamos al cine, vemos que pocas películas presentan los valores cristianos. Es la época del anti-heroe. Los "buenos" ya no están de moda. Es necesario preparar el camino del Señor en nuestros hogares, en nuestros colegios, en nuestros barrios.

Es necesario preparar el camino del Señor en nuestras parroquias. Ya no podemos darnos el lujo de ser "católicos de cartelito," o sea, de ponernos el cartelito de católicos el domingo por la mañana y después guardarlo hasta el siguiente domingo. Necesitamos parroquias activas y dispuestas a predicar el mensaje de Cristo a través de sus sacerdotes y de sus fieles.

Si a veces sentimos que la descripción de Isaías ("Una voz que grita en el desierto") se nos pudiera aplicar porque parece que efectivamente estamos gritando en un desierto, no podemos desanimarnos. Una fe fuerte, sincera y entusiasta es contagiosa. Una parroquia, un hogar que viva su fe plenamente, contagia a sus miembros.

Preparemos el camino del Señor este Adviento renovando nuestra fe. Hay dos maneras que nos podemos acercar más a Cristo este Adviento: recibiendo la Comunión con más frecuencia y leyendo la Palabra de Dios diariamente.

Nosotros los cristianos estamos llamados a continuar la misión de Juan Bautista: Llevar al mundo hacia Dios.

ORACION DE LOS FIELES

SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO (8 de diciembre)

CELEBRANTE: Cristo retornará lleno de Gloria. Puesto que en Él tenemos depositadas nuestras esperanzas, oremos y vivamos de modo que estemos listos a recibirlo.

LECTOR: La respuesta de hoy será "Señor, que haya paz."

1. Por la Iglesia, para que a través de su continua renovación, los hombres encuentren esperanza y paz y crezcan en santidad y amor, oremos al Señor.

2. Por el mundo, abatido por guerras y odios, racismo y prejuicios, hambre, injusticia y explotación, oremos al Señor.

3. Para que algún día el león pueda vivir con el cordero, pero más importante aún, que un día los hombres puedan vivir con los hombres en espíritu de unidad, justicia, paz y amor, de acuerdo con la voluntad de Dios, oremos al Señor.

4. Por los enfermos, los desamparados, los deprimidos, los abatidos, oremos al Señor.

5. Por todos los que han fallecido, para que participen una vida de paz en la plenitud del Reino, oremos al Señor.

CELEBRANTE: Padre, tu enviaste a Juan el Bautista a preparar el camino de Tu Hijo. Ayúdanos también a nosotros a preparar el camino en este Adviento. Que el conocimiento de su venida nos conforte y nos fortalezca. Que seamos ejemplo de paz y amor, fuente y sacramento de esperanza. Te lo pedimos por Cristo, Nuestro Señor.

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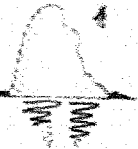
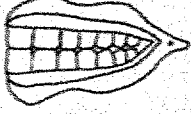


Esta fue la cena del Día de Acción de Gracias en Camillus House, el hogar. Sólo un ángulo del amplio comedor repleto de hombres necesitados, hombres sin trabajo, que acuden cada día en busca de alimento. Este año, con el aumento del desempleo y la crisis económica, las filas son más largas en Camillus House. El llamado de los obispos de Estados Unidos al ayuno y el sacrificio generoso para mitigar el hambre en el mundo y en nuestras ciudades puede encontrar eco en instituciones como esta en el 'downtown' de Miami. Ver información pag. 23.

Como cada diciembre, "al prepararnos para el nacimiento de Cristo," el Arzobispo Coleman F. Carroll dirigió una circular a todos los fieles de la Arquidiócesis recabando ayuda para "nuestros seminarios que preparan a los hombres que llevarán a cabo la obra sacerdotal de Cristo."

"El Sur de la Florida cuenta con la bendición de dos seminarios (mayor y menor) los que proveerán a nuestras parroquias de sacerdotes que llevarán a usted y sus hijos las enseñanzas de Cristo y las gracias de Sus Sacramentos."

La colecta anual del Seminario, que se efectúa este domingo, permite a muchos jóvenes continuar los largos años de estudio del sacerdocio, expresa el Arzobispo apelando al mismo tiempo por más vocación sacerdotal y mayor ayuda económica a los seminaristas.

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Por ARACELI M. CANTERO

Hace casi cinco siglos la Virgen de Guadalupe visitó el continente Americano. Durante varios días conversó con el indio Juan Diego, y su diálogo conserva aún hoy un atractivo que conquista el corazón de quien lo escucha.

El hecho ocurrió en 1531, en la ladera del cerrillo del Tepeyac, en tierras de México.

La ciudad de México fue fundada en 1473. Pocos años antes el pueblo meztizo o azteca se había establecido en la meseta de Anahuac. Tenoch, señor del pueblo, había ordenado la fundación de la ciudad de Tenochtitlan, que quiere decir "nopal sobre piedra". Después de una sucesión de luchas con las tribus vecinas y entre ellos mismos, se unieron varios reinos bajo un emperador, quien reforzó la ciudad nombrándola Mexitlin, en honor al dios de la guerra.

Este pueblo se caracterizó por su belicoidad y religiosidad. Creían en un ser supremo, "por quien se vive", sin el cual el "hombre es como nada," aunque también rendían culto a otras divinidades entre las cuales estaba Tonantzin "madre de las diosas," a quien también llamaban con otro nombre cuyo significado es "mujer de la culebra."

En 1521 fue tomada la ciudad de México. 10 años después, cuando empezaba a reinar la paz y a brotar la fe, La Señora, Madre del Dios "por quien se vive" decidió entablar diálogo con aquel pueblo que ya la había

buscado sin conocerla.

Era una mañanita de Diciembre del año 1531. El indio Juan Diego se dirigía a toda prisa desde su casa a Tlatelcolco, a llamar al sacerdote para que atendiese a su tío enfermo a punto de morir.

Cuando venía llegando al camino que sale junto a la ladera del cerrillo del Tepeyac, hacia el poniente, por donde tenía costumbre de pasar, dio vuelta al cerro, subió por entre él y pasó al otro lado... "para qué no le detuviese la Señora del cielo."

Porque la Señora le había salido al encuentro varias veces para darle un mensaje... pero hoy, Juan tenía prisa.

"Sabe y ten entendido, tú el más pequeño de mis hijos," le había dicho el primer día, "que yo soy la siempre Virgen María, Madre del verdadero Dios, por quien se vive; del Creador cabe quien está todo; Señor del cielo y de la tierra. Deseo vivamente que se me erija aquí un templo, para en el mostrar todo mi amor y compasión, auxilio y defensa... ve al palacio del Obispo de México, y le dirás como yo te envío."

"Señora, la más pequeña de mis hijas, Niña mía," le contestó Juan Diego al día siguiente. "Fui a donde me enviaste a cumplir tu mandato... pero te ruego que a alguno de los principales, conocido y respetado, le encargues que lleve tu mensaje para que le crean. Porque yo soy hombre-cillo, soy un cordel, soy una escalerilla de

tablas, soy cola, soy gente menuda. Y tu Niña Mía, la más pequeña de mis hijas, Señora, me envías a un lugar donde no ando y donde no paro."

"Hijo mío, el más pequeño," le contestó, es de todo punto preciso que tu mismo solicites, y que con tu mediación se cumpla mi voluntad."

No cabían disculpas, pues además la Señora le había prometido una señal para que le creyese el Obispo. Hoy debía ir a recogerla, pero ¿cómo dejar a su tío sin sacerdote?

Estos pensamientos llevaba mientras rodeaba el cerro para no ser visto, cuando Ella le salió al encuentro por el otro lado:

"¿Qué hay hijo mío, el más pequeño," le dijo. "¿A dónde vas?"

"Niña mía," le contestó Juan Diego avergonzado."

"Ojalá estés contenta. ¿Cómo amaneciste? ¿Estás bien de salud Señora y Niña mía?"

"Voy a causarte aflicción. Sabe que está muy malo un pobre siervo tuyo, mi tío. Voy presuroso a tu casa de México a llamar a uno de los sacerdotes amados de Nuestro Señor. Volveré luego otra vez aquí para llevar tu mensaje. Perdóname, tenme paciencia. No te engañe, Hija mía, la más pequeña. Mañana vendré a toda prisa."

Le respondió la Señora:

"Hijo mío, el más pequeño, ¿Qué es nada lo que te asusta y aflige? No se turbe tu

corazón, no temas esa enfermedad. ¿No estoy yo aquí que soy tu Madre? ¿No estás bajo mi sombra? ¿No soy yo tu salud? ¿No estás por ventura en mi regazo?"

Y con esto y asegurarle de la salud de su tío, le mandó al cerro para cortar las rosas que había de presentar al obispo como señal. Rosas que no se daban en esa época del año.

Y le dijo "Rigurosamente te ordeno, que sólo delante de él despliegues tu manta y descubras lo que llevas."

Juan Diego marchó contento y seguro, y luego que entró donde el prelado le contó todo lo que había visto y admirado:

"Señor, hice lo que me ordenaste" explicó, "que fuera a decir a mi Ama la Señora del cielo, Santa María, Preciosa Madre de Dios, que pedías una señal para creerme."

Y desenvolviendo luego su manta, una vez que se esparcieron las rosas por el suelo, se dibujó y apareció en ella la imagen de la Señora. Tal y como se venera hoy en el templo del Tepeyac.

Casi cinco siglos después esta imagen permanece.

Simbolo, quizás, de su presencia cercana. Del diálogo que esta "Preciosa Madre de Dios" mantiene con todos los 'Juan Diego' de hoy.

Ella es la Patrona de las Américas y en este 12 de diciembre nos vuelve a repetir:

¿Qué es nada lo que te asusta y aflige? No estoy yo aquí que soy tu Madre?

RESPECTO A LA VIDA

Por el DR. MANOLO REYES

Hay una obra famosa de radio, considerada como una de las clásicas, titulada: "Mirage" o "Espejismo". Esa obra se debe a la pluma de uno de los más grandes escritores contemporáneos del radio, Arch Oboler.

En esa obra "Mirage" el personaje central vive dedicado a los negocios exclusivamente. Su ansia de hacer más y más negocios es incontrolable. Y en esa vorágine llega a sacrificar horas de entretenimiento, ratos de lectura y esparcimiento, y hasta su propio hogar.

Un día el personaje asiste a un cocktail party y en un momento determinado de la recepción sale a la terraza de la casa que linda con una hermosa playa y con el mar.

Allí se sienta en uno de los bancos de la terraza a libar el licor, cuando de repente, en la lejanía, en la arena de la playa, avista a un individuo que parece estar haciendo algo en la playa.

Movido por la curiosidad, el personaje de la obra, parte de la terraza y se dirige hacia donde avistó al individuo. A medida que se va acercando va viendo los contornos de la persona. Se trata de un anciano al que no se le ve la cara. Se acerca más y puede ver perfectamente entonces que el anciano está escribiendo nombres y fechas en la arena de la playa. Y el mar, en constante flujo y reflujo, va borrando los nombres y las fechas. Pero cuando el individuo llega al límite de su sorpresa es cuando ve que el anciano sin levantar sus ojos, fijos en la arena, escribe el nombre del individuo que lo está observando y una fecha — fecha relativamente cercana.

Entonces es cuando el personaje se da cuenta que aquel anciano es la muerte, que las fechas que escribe, marcan el día de la muerte de aquellos cuyos nombres eran escritos en la arena. Y que a él le queda bastante poco de vida.

Y cuenta la historia que el individuo dejó a un lado su fiebre de negocios y se dedicó más a hacer en el poco tiempo que le quedaba, todo el bien que no hizo en los años de su vida.

La moraleja de esta historia es que si los seres humanos pensarán más a menudo que todos, irremisiblemente todos habremos de morir un día determinado, la vida se vivirá mejor.

Pero es que el sistema actual de vida tampoco ayuda. Ante todo proyectamos nuestra existencia en un medio sumamente materialista, un mundo donde la carne y el dinero tiendan a apagar los impulsos de la vida espiritual.

LEIAMOS en las páginas de la Biblia, en las páginas de la Historia Sagrada, como el pueblo de Moisés, cuando este subió al Monte Sinai, se entregó a adorar un becerro de oro. Y aunque en los tiempos actuales no tengamos una estatua de un becerro de oro... ¿cuántos hay que tienen su vida dedicada a hacer dinero, a hacer más dinero, más negocios, y día tras día adorar con su comportamiento materialista al becerro de oro?

Esta actitud en multitud de ocasiones impide la dedicación a las cosas del espíritu. Impide que crezca en el alma, el sentimiento verdadero de la caridad hacia

Cuántos extraños viven hoy en día bajo el mismo techo de un llamado hogar.

El hogar no es un paradero donde se va a comer, a bañarse y a dormir. El hogar es un crisol donde se forjan familias y caracteres. Lo demás podrá llamarse con la denominación que se quiera, pero jamás se le podrá calificar de hogar.

El hogar necesita comunicación.

El hogar necesita entendimiento.

El hogar necesita calor.

El hogar necesita caridad.

Antiguamente se decía que se viene al mundo con dos jabas: una para recibir y otra para dar.

Soy de los que creo que a este mundo se viene con una sola jaba. La de dar. Y que jamás se tenga miedo a que la jaba quede vacía. Dios, en su infinita bondad, siempre la abastece. Y por mucho que se de y se vuelva a dar, siempre habrá más para seguir dando.

Este es el sentido de la caridad humana. Y el derecho a experimentar esa característica espiritual no es privativa de nadie en particular, sino pertenece a todos los humanos, sin distinción alguno, porque todos, sin distinciones, somos hijos de Dios.

Por eso, ay de aquél que invocando mejoras para su pueblo, ay de aquél falso profeta que alegando soberanía, independencia o libertad se permita poner odio en el alma de sus hermanos.

El ser humano nació para experimentar la caridad como sujeto activo o como sujeto pasivo de la misma.

Y como la caridad es la forma más sublime del amor puede afirmarse que Dios puso a sus criaturas en la tierra para amar y para ser amadas.

El amor mueve montañas!

Quizás la palanca que pedía Arquímedes para mover al mundo está en el amor!

El odio — antítesis del amor — lo destruye todo.

El amor — antítesis del odio — todo lo perdona, todo lo comprende, todo lo da, todo lo sublimiza. Y construye.

El derecho de Amar

El hombre cuando vive para sus instintos, cuando lo domina la materia o el dinero, es una máquina, una

computadora. ¡Es un dera razón de la vida y está cada vez más cerca de Dios.

El hombre cuando vive amando, descubre la verda- mismo.

BREVES

Miami y el Mundo

La parroquia de Nuestra Señora de la Divina Providencia (Our Lady of Divine Providence) tendrá un baile mañana, sábado 7 de diciembre, de 9 p.m. a 1 a.m. en el Salón Parroquial de San Bredan, 8725 SW 32 St., Diez dólares por pareja.

Falleció el señor Emilio Eirós, Padre del Hermano Manuel Eirós, S.J., del Colegio de Belén de Miami. Una oración por su alma y nuestra condolencia a su viuda, señora Dolores Vázquez de Eirós y sus hijas, señorita María Eirós, bibliotecaria asistente de la Biblioteca Guiteras del Colegio de Belén, y señora Carmen Eirós de Novellas.

Cincuenta años de vida religiosa cumple hoy, domingo, 8 de diciembre, festividad de la Inmaculada Concepción, el Hermano José M. Arrieta, que en Cuba fué profesor de los colegios Monserrat, de Cienfuegos y Belén, de La Habana. En la actualidad forma parte de la comunidad jesuita de Miami.

Los obispos de Alemania Oriental lamentan en una pastoral que el régimen comunista de este país monopolice la educación de la juventud, hostigue a los jóvenes que tratan de practicar su religión y ejerzan una persecución sutil contra sus padres en el trabajo.

En la iglesia de St. Kevin fue oficiada el pasado lunes la liturgia fúnebre por Eduardo García Allen, que falleció el 30 de noviembre en el

hospital Mercy Hospital García, este último sacerdotas larga enfermedad, dote de la Arquidiócesis de Entre sus deudos figuran Miami, profesor del Seminario viuda, América y sus nario Mayor San Vicente hijos Eduardo y Carlos de Paul.

Modas de Oscar de la Renta

Oscar de la Renta, el mundialmente famoso modisto dominicano que radica en New York vendrá a Miami el domingo 5 de enero para ofrecer un 'fashion show' a beneficio del Centro Hispano Católico el que se ofrecerá con un 'Champagne-Cocktail Party' en los salones de la boutique Martha's en Bal Harbour. La donación para participar en el primer acontecimiento social benéfico del año será de 25 dólares por persona. La señora Gloria Garmendía de Morales Gómez, presidenta de la liga de Damas del Centro Hispano Católico, que ofreció la información, dice que para reservaciones y mayor información debe llamarse al 371-5657. "El aporte de Oscar de la Renta y de los directores de Martha's, así como la generosa acogida que estoy segura tendrá este acto en la colonia hispana de Miami hará posible que el Centro Hispano Católico siga mejorando sus servicios a los más necesitados," dijo Gloria. Ofreceremos más detalles.

ORACION DE LOS FIELES

FIESTA DE LA INMACULADA CONCEPCION
Sábado, 7 de diciembre

CELEBRANTE: Atentos a la Palabra de Dios que acabamos de escuchar y a su Verbo, que el Padre nos dió a través de la Inmaculada Virgen María, seamos un solo corazón y una sola voz pidiéndole que atienda nuestras peticiones.

LECTOR: La respuesta de hoy será "Señor, escucha nuestra oración."

1. Que todo el pueblo de Dios se esfuerce por imitar a María, nuestro modelo de fe, esperanza y caridad, oremos.

2. Que todas las personas con las que tenemos contacto, especialmente los pobres, los ancianos y los necesitados, sean fortalecidos por nuestro ejemplo de fe, esperanza y caridad, oremos.

3. Que María, modelo de la Iglesia, interceda constantemente por el pueblo de Dios, oremos.

4. Que en genuino espíritu de humildad expresemos siempre nuestra gratitud a Dios, Nuestro Padre, por darnos a María como Madre nuestra, oremos.

5. Que todos los que han pecado contra Dios se arrepientan sinceramente en este Año Santo de Renovación y Reconciliación, oremos.

CELEBRANTE: Oh, Dios, Padre amantísimo, tanto nos has dado y tan poco has recibido de nosotros. Mira por favor este sacrificio de Jesús, Tu Hijo, en el que por tu bondad participamos ahora y atiende las oraciones que te hacemos por El.

PUEBLO: Amén.



DAYTONA'S Jack Wade watches as teammates Steve D'Agresta and Dale Ramsey exchange baton in the mile relay. Looking on are, David Wiggins - Sanford, Ken Stack - Orlando (back to camera), Wade, John Benedict - 1223 counselor and, Mike Yoham (39) - 1223 chief squire and event chairman.

Squires set new records at meet

Old records tumbled one by one over the Thanksgiving weekend as Columbian Squires from throughout the state gathered at St. Vincent de Paul Major Seminary, Boynton Beach, for their Third Annual Athletic Event.

Host Circle 1223 of Coral Gables lost their title as state champs to Msgr. Bishop Circle 1400 of Orlando, who pulled ahead of Daytona Beach Circle 2371 in the last event. Final cumulative scores were: Orlando 62, Daytona 55, Sanford 36, Gables 26, Marian Circle 1364 (North Miami) 16 and Cristo Rey Circle 1572 (Miami) 0.

Vitamins—'How much help?'

FORT LAUDERDALE — "Vitamins — Vitalizers or Victimizers" will be the subject of the next free health lecture at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 11 in Holy Cross Hospital.

Dr. Arnold Berliner, specialist in internal medicine will discuss vitamins

and what they can and cannot do.

A question and answer period will follow the lecture.

Because seating in Dye Auditorium is limited, reservations must be made by calling 771-7423 any weekday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Circle 1233 members began the weekend Friday by mowing two miles of turf for a 440 track, setting up the broad jump pit and installing a P.A. system. As other circles arrived, they helped prepare for the next day's events.

ORLANDO'S Stan Krajcsky set new records for the Squires in the 100 dash at 26.25. Daytona's Jack Wade set a new record in the 440 run in 1:03.25; and in the 50 yard butterfly at 39.00. Steve D'Agresta of Daytona established a record of 2:40.50 for the 880 run. A new record was set in the mile relay by Sanford with a time of 4:42.25, and Orlando set 59.75 as a new record in the free-style swimming relay.

A surprise was in store for the participants, especially State Squire Chairman Len Boymer, when it was announced that a new award for sportsmanship would be awarded in Boymer's name.

A tie for the award saw Michael Yoham, chief squire of Circle 1223 and general chairman for the event; and Dale Ramsey of Circle 2371, receive duplicate trophies.

The three-day event closed with Mass celebrated by State Prior Father Daniel Dorrity, followed by the awards presentation.

THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC OFFICE FOR MOTION PICTURES Ratings Of Movies On TV This Week

FRIDAY, DEC. 6

1 p.m. (6) The Breaking Point (Objectionable in part for all)
4 p.m. (5) The Cossacks, Part II (Family)
8 p.m. (4) The Blue Max (Objectionable in part for all)
OBJECTION: Two grossly explicit scenes of lovemaking have no place in a motion picture which is being widely advertised as an action film about World War I fighter pilots with the clear implication that it is suitable for general audiences. The graphic depiction of the sexual encounters is dramatically unjustifiable for the adult viewer and can be seriously harmful to young audiences.
8 p.m. (6) Prince of Players (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
8 p.m. (12) Bell, Book And Candle (Unobjectionable for adults)
11:30 p.m. (4) Trog (No classification)

SATURDAY, DEC. 7

2 p.m. (5) But Not For Me (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
3 p.m. (4) Seven Seas To Calais (Family)
3 p.m. (7) Marines, Let's Go (Objectionable in part for all)
OBJECTION: Low moral tone; suggestive costuming
9 p.m. (5 & 7) My Fair Lady, Part I (Family)
11:30 p.m. (4) Bridge To The Sun (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
11:30 p.m. (7) The Hustler (Unobjectionable for adults)
11:30 p.m. (10) Serpent of the Nile (Objectionable in part for all)
OBJECTION: Suggestive dancing, costuming and situations.
11:30 p.m. (12) The Invisible Key (Objectionable in part for all)

SUNDAY, DEC. 8

11:59 a.m. (6) Ride 'Em Cowboy (Family)
1 p.m. (6) King Richard and the Crusaders (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
2:30 p.m. (10) Bad For Each Other (Objectionable in part for all)
OBJECTION: Reflects the acceptability of divorce
3 p.m. (6) Quentin Durward (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
4 p.m. (4) The Further Perils of Laurel and Hardy (No classification)
4 p.m. (10) The Man From Larimore (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
4 p.m. (12) Jubal (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
9 p.m. (10 & 12) Funny Girl (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
11:30 p.m. (4) The Magnificent Yankee (Family)
11:30 p.m. (5) Andy (Unobjectionable for adults)

MONDAY, DEC. 9

1 p.m. (6) The Buccaneer (Family)

3:30 p.m. (10) Count Three And Pray (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
4 p.m. (5) Istanbul Express (No classification)
8 p.m. (6) Serenade (Family)
9 p.m. (5 & 7) My Fair Lady, Part II (Family)
11:30 p.m. (4) Madron (No classification)

TUESDAY, DEC. 10

1 p.m. (6) We Joined The Navy (No classification)
3:30 p.m. (10) Eight Iron Men (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
4 p.m. (5) Tammy And The Doctor (Family)
8 p.m. (6) Black Orchid (Family)
11:30 p.m. (4) Rome Like Chicago (No classification)

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 11

1 p.m. (6) Girl In The Red Velvet Swing (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
3:30 p.m. (10) Across The Wide Missouri (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
4 p.m. (5) The Naked Jungle (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
8 p.m. (6) White Christmas (Family)
8:30 p.m. (10 & 12) The Tribe (No classification)
11:30 p.m. (4) The Desperados (Family)

THURSDAY, DEC. 12

1 p.m. (6) Violent Saturday (Objectionable in part for all)
OBJECTION: Suggestive sequences; methods of crime too minutely detailed.
3:30 p.m. (10) Hell Below Zero (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
4 p.m. (5) Man's Favorite Sport, Part I (Unobjectionable for adults)
8 p.m. (6) Somebody Loves Me (Unobjectionable for adults and adolescents)
9 p.m. (4) The Professionals (Unobjectionable for adults)

FRIDAY, DEC. 13

1 p.m. (6) The Virgin Queen (Family)
3:30 p.m. (10) Human Desire (Objectionable in part for all)
OBJECTION: Low moral tone
4 p.m. (5) Man's Favorite Sport, Part II (Unobjectionable for adults)
7:30 p.m. (12) The Interns (Unobjectionable for adults)
8 p.m. (6) Good Morning, Miss Dove (Family)
11:30 p.m. (4) The Valley of Gwangi (Family)

SATURDAY, DEC. 14

1 p.m. (4) Children's Film Festival
2 p.m. (6) Leech Woman (Objectionable in part for all)
OBJECTION: Low moral tone; excessive brutality.
Followed by Mad Ghoul (Objectionable in part for all)
OBJECTION: Excessive gruesomeness
8 p.m. (5 & 7) Disney movies: Arizona Sheep Dog; followed by The Three Lives

of Thomasina
11 p.m. (6) Missing Guest (Family)
11:30 p.m. (4) Honeymoon Machine (Family)

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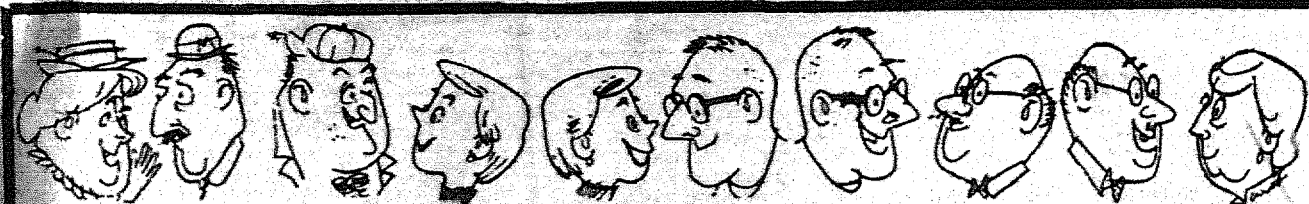
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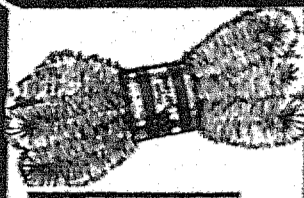
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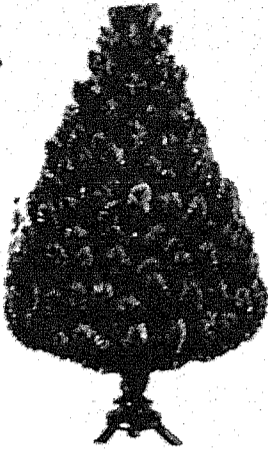


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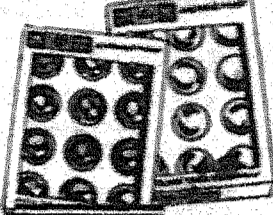
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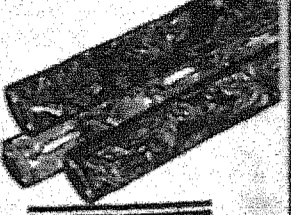


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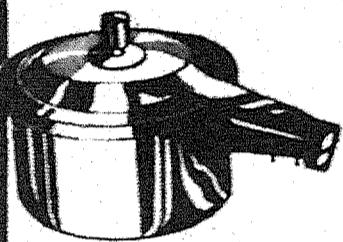


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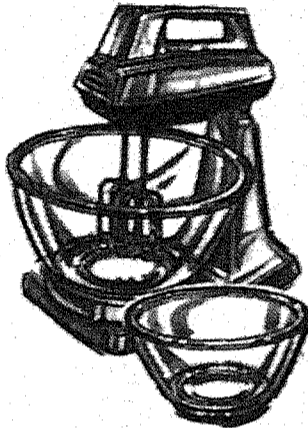
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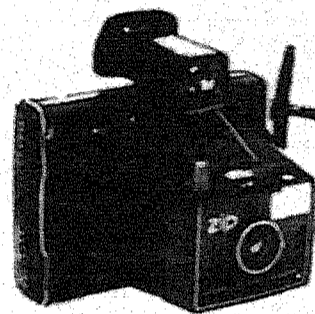
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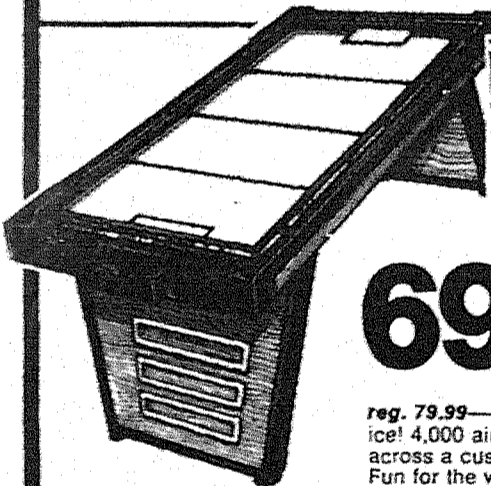
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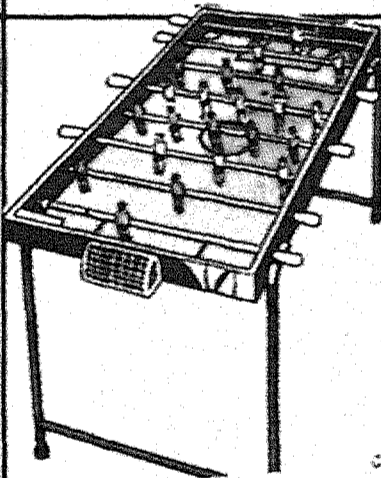


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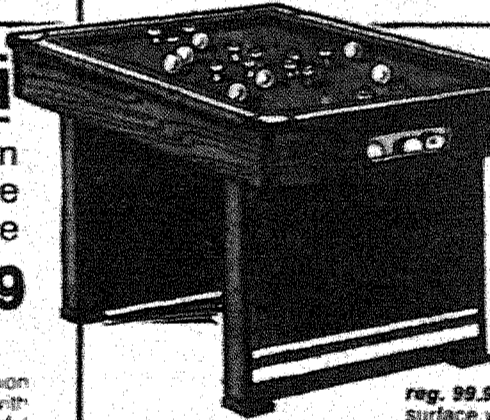


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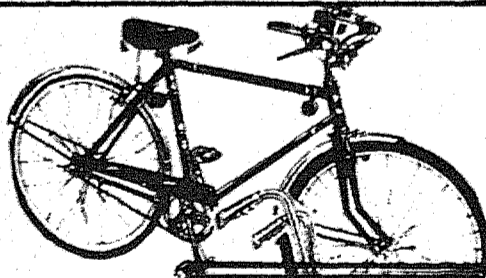


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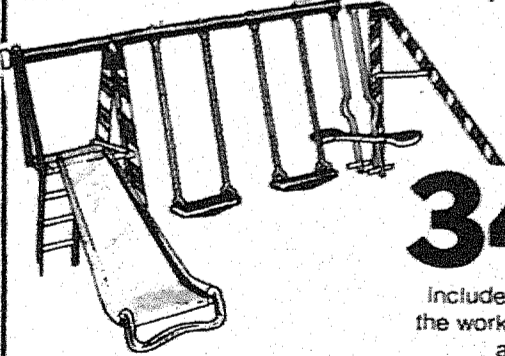
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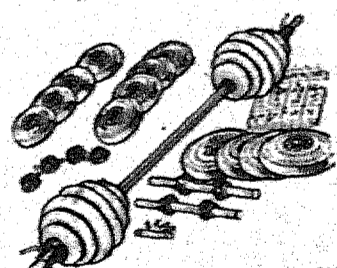
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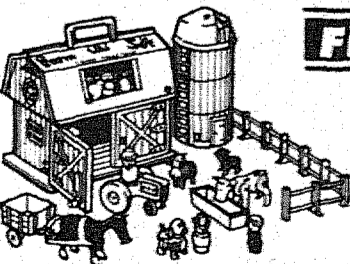


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