# Pope asks good works in face of crises

VATICAN CITY—
(NC)—Pope Paul VI has proposed good works as a counterbalance to current world crises.

Addressing Catholics gathered in St. Peter's Square March 14 for his Sunday midday blessing, the 78-year old Pontiff urged them to undertake lenten penance in a spirit of hope.

He described present day living as "a series of grave misfortunes... economic crisis, moral crisis, social crisis, international crisis" that can evoke "bitterness, indignation, and a lack of faith in the future."

"But," the Pope said, "let us listen carefully to the asceticism and spiritual lesson of the Church, which takes away from this season of the Christian calendar the pessimism which could be attributed to it...because the Church, in just this period of review and penitence, proclaims to her faithful children an intensively positive program."

The Church, he said, "preaches the multiplication of good works. All the so-called works of charity are translated into action, from bread for the hungry to comfort for the lost."

The Pope, who looked fit and well despite his recent controversial remark that death "could not be far away" for him, urged the people not to be discouraged by hardship or difficulty.

"The more hapless or

inauspicious the surroundings, the more the spirit of charity must show itself ready and fruitful in the follower of Christ," he said: "From the boy who learns to deny himself something to give it to the poor, to the wealthy person who deprives himself of his goods to give them to the needy, and to the social economist who encompasses in his plans the unemployed, the disinherited, the Third World."

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A Cuban farmer picks boniatos in a South Dade field. The new crops were started to supply the local Latin market, but now, they have become a flourishing industry. Dade County exports tons of sub-tropical vegetables to other parts of U.S. and is beginning to export to the Caribbean and Latin American countries.

# Cuban farmers start new S. Fla. industry

By GUS PENA Voice Spanish Editor

A new million-dollar farm industry is taking root in South Dade County, all because of two immigrant Floridians named Colocasia Esculenta and Ipomea Batatas.

The two are not farmers, nor are they agribusiness executives. Indeed, they are the root products better known to the Latin community as malanga and boniato.

THESE AND other sub-tropical vegetables typical in the Latin diet were at one time imported into South Florida from Central America and the Dominican Republic. But just as the Cubans who have settled in South Florida have changed the business face of Dade County, so are they changing the agricultural heart of the area to meet the demands of a growing Latin culture throughout the United States.

Shortly after the beginning of the Cuban influx of the early 1960's, Cuban farmers started leasing acreage in the Homestead area to supply the local markets with these vegetables.

Business boomed and soon South Dade became an export center for malanga, boniato, yuca, ñame, calabaza, papaya. The first markets were New York, New Jersey, Chicago and other northern cities with large Spanish populations.

"AMAZINGLY, the trade trend is beginning to change," said Nestor Loredo, one of the South Dade growers. "We are not only exporting to the northern U.S. but even to Latin America.

"The same ships which ten years ago arrived in Miami (Continued on page Col. 7)

# PORNO FIGHT ... a new approach

By ROBERT O'STEEN Voice News Editor

A new approach to fighting pornography has begun in the city of South Miami, based on the law and based on the will of the people.

It is a technique which, if successful, could spread across the nation from town to town, hitting at the tens of thousands of "adult" bookstores and movies that have proliferated in sections of almost every city in the country like toadstools in a marsh, under the cloudy mantel of "free expression."

BERT ALBERT is a long-time South Miami political activist, a retired merchant, and a man whose face is well-known around City Council chambers and who, in cooperation with the courts, was instrumental in a dramatic drop in juvenile delinquency through his efforts at counseling and "reaching" the youths rather than jailing them repeatedly.

He and his new group, Americans for Decency, are coordinating their push through the State Attorney's office and the Chief of

"Our concern," he said, "is not the normal

individual who may go into a bookstore out of curiosity. Some people may not be hurt by a dirty book or movie that much.

"We are more concerned with the fringe person who is affected by what he reads or the movies he sees of sadism or beastiality and things like that which may really damage him or start ideas in his mind to do something to someone else.

"IN OTHER WORDS, we think pornography is not just a case of individuals doing what they want to. Rather, these stores and movies harm society and society has a right to protect itself," he said.

Exactly what is he trying to do?

The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that local community standards are one of the criteria for determining obscenity. A community can set its own standards, yet, apparently no community has actually ever determined a popular standard, leaving it to the courts or a jury of a handful of people.

Therefore, Albert intends to take a door-to-door poll in the form of a written

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# Porno fight tests public will

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questionnaire to determine what the community standards really are in the South Miami (and surrounding county and Coral Gables) area.

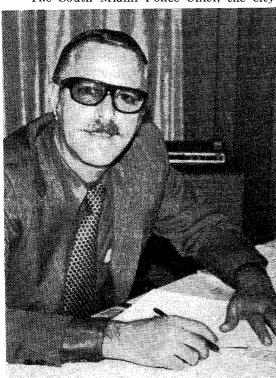
The questionnaire is a simple one with four basic questions, asking if the individual considers pictures or movies of certain kinds of specified acts to be obscene and offensive to their standards, whether stores selling them should be allowed, and asks whether the individual would be willing to view such materials and would be willing to testify in court

INDIVIDUALS do not have to give their names on the questionnaire unless they are also willing to testify in court, but the poll taker certifies by his own presence that the questionnaire is a valid statement by a citizen, unnamed.

Albert is underwriting the printing cost of the questionnaires himself, but is contacting by mail various churches and organizations for volunteer help in carrying out the project. (For further information call him at 667-1349).

The fight against pornography in South Miami is as much a matter of principle as of practicality. The city has no porno movie house and only one bookstore. But Albert's group hopes to establish a method and a precedent for fighting obscenity in general, through the fight against the one bookstore.

The South Miami Police Chief, the city



Police Chief Sal Vizzini wants to know whether the public wants him to go after pornography.

attorney, a judge and four officers are under suit now by the bookstore for violating what the bookstore operators consider their rights. This is just the latest in a four-year running fight, including numerous convictions against the store.

"THE POLL Albert is taking will help us a lot," says Chief Sal Vizzini. "We have been enforcing the law by means of legal search and seizure by warrant. Now they are suing us. Also this takes a lot of money to enforce the law, and if this poll tells us the people don't care we'll stop."

Albert and Chief Vizzini could hardly be called chummy political bedfellows out for an adventure in harassment. They have generally been at odds on local issues. But in the field of pornography they have found common agreement.

"I don't believe in 'victimless' crimes," says Vizzini. "They all have victims. In communities that have de-criminalized gambling, pornography and prostitution crimes went up. When they criminalized them again the other crimes went down."

The difficulty in fighting pornography is because of muddy legal waters and a mixture of competing "rights" and uncertainty by many well-meaning leaders as to what is obscene and what is harmful to society.

HAROLD UNGERLEIDER, chief of the appellate section of State Attorney Richard Gerstein's office, has obtained several convictions against the store. Yet the store remains in operation.

"The reason for that," says Ungerleider, "is that you can't convict a whole bookstore. You have to prosecute against a specific film or book and convict a specific clerk or a corporation.

"So when we get a conviction, they simply hire a different clerk and re-incorporate under a different name. The only thing we can do then is start all over gain with the new clerk and the new name."

Why not go after the owner himself?

"Because he is out of state (New York, in this case) and the porno offense is a misdemeanor and you can't extradite for a misdemeanor.

In other words, the only weapon against a porno operation is continued prosecution until the owner gets tired and closes down. This is not very effective because it is too laborious and only gets one store at a time.

OBSCENITY has three legal definitions, says Ungerleider: The material as a whole appeals to the prurient interest; it lacks serious artistic value; it is an affront to the community standards.

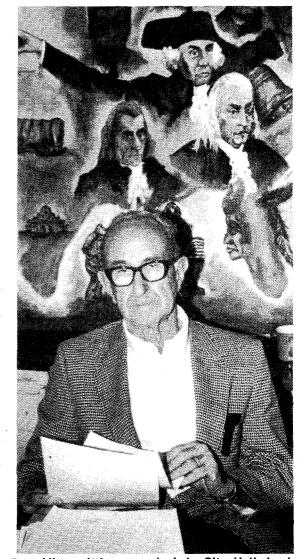
"Most porno these days is so totally raw that there isn't even any question as to the first two points. And Albert's poll will help establish the community standard criteria."

Ungerleider feels he could write a tough state law that would be constitutional and effective against total porno operations. His statute would make selling obscene materials a felony, provide for revocation of corporation charter, allow for confiscation of vehicles and would provide for accountability of profits.

He said profits accountability is an Achilles heel to Mob controlled operations. The one thing the Mafia fears above all else is authorities looking into their money, where it came from, who got it and where it goes.

Ungerleider said that in one previous case he managed to get a court ruling that would allow inspection of profits of the operation. The defendant quickly pleaded no contest.

"THEY CAN afford to take a conviction, even close down a store rather than have their whole operation exposed," said Ungerleider. The Mob's main interest in bookstores, he



Bert Albert sitting at a desk in City Hall, backdropped with a Bicentennial painting, goes over some legal documents in a pornography case.

said, is not the magazines and "marital aid" devices but the movie viewer machines that are in most of the stores. The machines are like the old nickelodeon machines, except they take a quarter for every two or three minutes and require eight quarters to complete the film. The customer stands in a private booth and looks through a viewer.

The Mob, which has historically had a penchant for slot machines or even legitimate vending machines, supplies the machines to the bookstores and also supplies the 8 mm films which may be used in the machines or may be sold across the counter.

Ungerleider says the films cost about \$3.50 and they sell them for about \$7.50 to the store which in turn sells them to the public for \$15 to \$20.

IN MOST communities the public has generally felt that obscenity was something the authorities took care of, or was something that you simply looked away from when passing by like you would a dingy bar.

Now, the approach Bert Albert is taking will give the average public a chance to make its power felt one way or the other as to whether it wants these operations to exist in their community or not.

(Next week: Victimless crimes, myth or reality?)



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### News briefs

#### Pope's health OK

A Vatican spokesman "categorically denied" March 10 that Pope Paul VI has any serious health problems. Pope Paul himself raised the question March 7 when he told crowds at his weekly Sunday Angelus talk that he was entering a week of retreat to prepare for Easter and "for death, which for us cannot be

#### 'Pizza king' gives

A Catholic high school in Minneapolis is \$1 million richer because of a gift from a man who spent 24 years making and selling pizzas after he dropped out of school. James Totino is the man who gave the \$1 million to Grace High School, a diocesan institution in suburban Fridley. Totino and his wife Rose are the former owners of Totino's Frozen Foods, Inc., a frozen pizza company which they sold last November to Pillsbury Co. for about \$22 million in Pillsbury

#### Black, white merge

Plans were made by the bishops of South Africa at their annual meeting in Cape Town for the integration of the allblack seminary at Hammanskraal with the white seminary at Waterkloof. The two seminaries will be merged into one, to be called the Catholic Institute. The 39 black seminarians will begin sharing classes and facilities this year with Waterkloof's 26 white seminarians. Next year the two communities will live together on a permanent basis.

#### Asks for renewal

Cardinal Leo Joseph Suenens of Malines-Brussels has made a strong appeal in Washington for Christian renewal, saying the future demands that Christians make a personal commitment to Christ, to each other and to the world. In an emotional speech capped by a standing ovation from the 1,500 clergy and laity at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, the Belgian primate said, "We need new Christians and we need new communities and we also need new Christian apostolates committed to the world."

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REPAIRS

# 1st ABCD returns 'encouraging'

On the basis of first returns in the 1976 Arch-Bishop's Charities Drive, results were called "encouraging" as Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll gave a preliminary report on the campaign to priests of the Archdiocese at the Cathedral Hall, last Wednesday night.

During the meeting, ABCD leaders stressed that many parishioners have yet to be contacted and some parishes have reported they are still expecting the return of

numbers of pledge cards, acpledges.

Archbishop Carroll praised the zeal, enthusiasm and work of the priests and people of the Archdiocese and urged increased efforts on behalf of the needy who benefit from the drive. The Archbishop pointed out the severe economic conditions facing South Florida and the mounting costs required to meet the increasing financial obligations of ABCDsponsored charities.

The bulk of funds for the companied by donations and 1976 Drive, some \$1,469,569, was submitted in the form of pledges which will be paid by donors during the coming months. In the past, more than 90 per cent of pledges have been paid. In addition, total cash received at the time of the general report dinner amounted to \$978,083. Of the estimated Catholic households in the Archdiocese, nearly half have sent in pledges.

> Despite economic conditions many people were

willing to give and cheerfully increase their contributions where they could or to match their contributions of last year, Miami's Archbishop said. With this spirit, he emphasized, there is every indication that our ABCD goals will be met. Archbishop Carroll said a final report of collections will be given next week. At the clergy report

dinner, Archbishop Carroll called on all to express their gratitude to God for "us to have the means to continue the various programs in the Archdiocese whereby we bring to those who are in need-whether it be in a material or a spiritual way or both-the assistance they require.

"This is what God intended we should do. This is our responsibility," Archbishop Carroll said.

Praising the support of his priests, the Archbishop said. "together we rejoice tonight and express our thanks and gratitude to the members of our flock who have listened to and responded to our pleas.'



Early returns in the 17th annual ABCD are discussed by Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll with general chairmen, Robert Brake and Alberto Alejandre; Msgr. John O'Dowd, V.F.

and Father Jose Nickse, Archdiocesan Coordinators of the campaign which benefits the needy.

# USCC backs full employment bill

WASHINGTON - (NC) -The U.S. Catholic Conference USCC before a House sub-(USCC) has joined other religious, civic and labor groups in support of a bill which would guarantee every able-bodied American the right to a job.

The measure also would mandate lowering the unemployment rate to three percent within four years.

THE BILL is the "Full Employment and Balanced Growth Act of 1976," sponsored primarily by Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D-Minn.) and Rep. Augustus Hawkins (D-Cal.).

committee, Auxiliary Bishop Eugene Marino of Washington, D.C., cited a statement on full employment passed unanimously by the nation's Catholic bishops last November and offered the bishops' "basic support" for the Humphrey-Hawkins bill.

The bill, he said, "provides the most comprehensive and useful approach to full employment before Congress.

The Humphrey-Hawkins

Testifying on behalf of the bill has been criticized by some productive or contributes less because it would involve the creation of public service jobs, but Bishop Marino defended those jobs.

"WE reject claims that work within of equal opportunity which is the public sector is necessarily chaired less productive, efficient or Hawkins. useful than employment in private industry," he said.

he said, "that a notion," nurses' hospital or a public service employee rehabilitating homes in our cities is somehow less

than those in the private sector who sell products or work in a factory.'

Bishop Marino testified SPECIFICALLY before the House subcommittee by Congressman

SPEAKER of the House "We cannot accept the Carl Albert, a supporter of the Humphrey-Hawkins bill, has aide in a general predicted Congress complete action on the bill by May 15.

> A presidential veto is expected, but supporters of the bill believe that if a veto cannot be overridden, the bill could be brought back and passed by a new president in 1977.

### Two feast days are coming up

Two popular feastdays in the Church will be observed during the next two

The feast of St. Joseph occurs on Friday, March 19, and the feast of the Annunciation will be observed on Thursday, March 25.



Pastors Day was observed by members of the Miami Serra Club during their Tuesday meeting in downtown Miami. Archbishop

Coleman F. Carroll is shown as he addressed the luncheon attended by clergy of Dade County

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# A Christian must follow his conscience

#### By FATHER DONALD McCARTHY

The bumper sticker fad of the last decade allows individuals to participate in mass communications. Some people advertise their hobbies: "Tennis is my racket." Others offer political opinions: "Don't blame me, I voted for McGovern." Recently some have publicized a brand of morality: "If it feels good, do

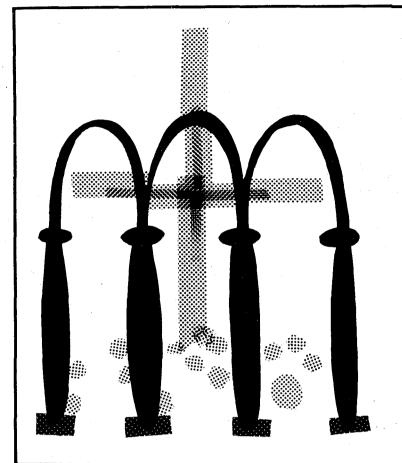
The shallowness of this norm of instant moral judgment becomes manifest upon realizing that wifeswapping, vindictive murder, and airplane hi-jacking might indeed "feel good" to some individuals.

ANOTHER popular morality slogan says that, 'Anything goes which doesn't hurt someone." But who can accurately measure "hurt?" Birth control pills may not "hurt" this generation, only the next. God can't really get 'hurt" and yet blasphemy is an infinite insult to Him. Masturbation may not hurt a physically person psychologically, but it does profane a human power which belongs directly and indispensably to the sanctity and mystery of divine creation.

Last week the article in this series entitled "The Gospel of Love" outlined the basic Christian norm of morality. Christians hold that good human actions are those which express love of God either directly or through love of neighbor or self.

However, Christians have struggled and always will, at least in difficult and complicated situations, to decide what actions are authentically loving actions. Clearly human actions do not become loving actions simply by willing it so. "If wishes were horses, beggars would ride," but most of them walk!

RATHER Christians cultivate a special habitprudence - and a special function—conscience—to judge whether specific actions can authentically convey love of God. They educate their consciences to true love by acquiring personal convictions about their love life as creatures of the heavenly Father, as disciples of Christ, and as members of His Body, the Church.



Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeonsellers,"Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market." Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me.

(Jn. 2: 15-17)

teaching is not clearly taught as itself divinely revealed. Yet the wisdom of this teaching may yet emerge if the contraceptive mentality continues to undermine marriage and the practice of chastity.

In any case no Christian may from his or her conscience simply by aping what everyone else does. Rather, Christians imitate Christ whom St. Paul calls in this Sunday's second reading, "a stumbling block to Jews, and an absurdity to Gentiles" (1 Cor. 1:23).

Jesus followed his conscience in cleansing the temple; modern Christians follow theirs in paying taxes honestly and in fighting corruption. But conscience will always cost Christians the price of a healthy tension in moral life-like trying to combine clever snakes and innocent doves. (Mt. 10:16).



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In the Old Testament God provided conscience formation. The first reading of this Sunday's Mass contains 10 principles for conscience formation - the Ten mandments. These principles must be applied to concrete cases by the individual conscience. For example, stealing is wrong but an individual can surely take what food he needs to avoid starvation. The latter action can be authentically loving of self whereas acts of 'real'' stealing cannot.

Jesus formed consciences for his disciples in his sermon on the Mount. The rest of the New Testament amplified

conscientious discipleship. Paul taught the Romans (ch.8) and the Galatians (ch.5) about life in the Spirit, and John's first epistle is a handbook for the Christian conscience. FINALLY, the Church has

helped form consciences for 2,000 years in its teaching role. The Canadian bishops recently wrote, "The teaching of the magisterium...is the definitive cornestone upon which the whole edifice of conscientious This type of dissent does not judgment must be built."

called to accept in faith the conscience formation found in divine revelation. Thus for a Catholic to refuse to admit the efficacy or usefulness of the sacrament of Penance would be to dissent against revelation and sin against faith.

In the last decade widespread dissent from the Church's condemnation of contraception has appeared.

seem to violate divine faith Individual Christians are since this particular moral



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# Immigrating takes guts, USCC meet told

### National convention of immigration workers air problems, hear talks

"People don't normally move from their homes; and when they pick up and move to a new country, there is a reason, and it takes guts," John McCarthy, USCC director of Immigration Services, told colleagues from around the country convening in Miami last week.

Regional representatives of U.S. Catholic Conference Immigration offices as well as diocesan immigration workers met for three days to hear and discuss the latest laws and regulations on immigration, deportation, handling of visas, employment, government aid, extension of stay, citizenship and other technical details involved in the handling of people who come to American shores from other countries, including illegal aliens.

ACCORDING to McCarthy, there are "millions" of illegal aliens such as Mexicans, Canadians, Haitians and others in America and no one knows how to solve the problem, how to identify them and what to do when individuals are caught.

Addressing some 65 nationwide delegates, he said, these people be reunited with "I wouldn't be able to leave home and start over. These people, the Cubans, the Vietnamese, who did have

And pointing to the benefits of immigrants to the receiving country he said, "If the Cubans left Miami tomorrow, the factories would stop, the banks wouldn't work, the clothing industry would shut down...

Moments earlier Miami's Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll had spoken of the plight of the Cubans and Haitians in South Florida, citing the unique problems encountered in 1959-61 when hundreds of thousands of Cubans suddenly poured into Miami, and there was no way to legally process and get aid for such numbers.

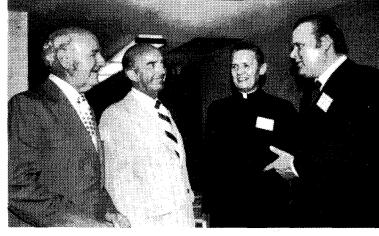
"A MILLION Cubans came through here and we fought to get the authorities to let them stay and earn a living without the usual restrictions of a visitor. And we got them designated as 'parolees' (suspended from visa restrictions). That is their official designation."

The Archbishop spoke of the hundreds of thousands of Cubans who had been caught in Spain en route to Miami and how the Church fought to let family and friends in America being accepted also as parolees.

He also criticized the handling of the Haitians who.



Abp. Carroll addresses a luncheon meet of immigration workers in Miami (above). At right, other delegates discussing their work are Hugh McLoone, USCC Southeastern regional director (left), Dr. Edmund Cummings, former NE dir.; Father Daniel Babis, Archdiocese of Miami director of Immigration; Dr. Ricardo Nunez, director of the Cuban Refugee program.



he said, were being treated inhumanely once they were on American shores for whatever reason, by being prohibited from working. Many, he said, were forced to flee to the Everglades or end up in jail.

DR. RICARDO NUNEZ.

Program, said of the Archdiocese of Miami, "When we came here and needed help, you gave us help. When we needed compassion, you gave us compassion." He told the group that while his major respon-

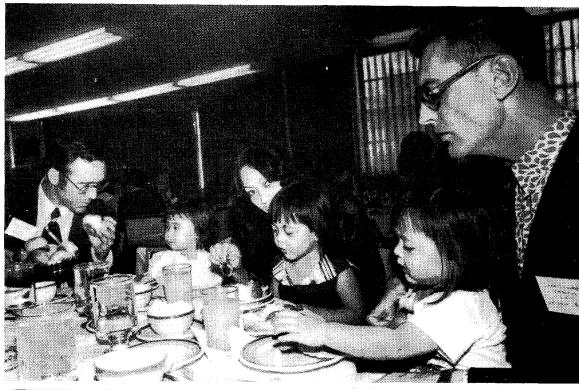
director of the Cuban Refugee sibility was to the Cuban population, he would always be open to the rights of all people who need help as his people did.

"There are 8 to 10 million illegal aliens in America, of which about five to six million are Mexicans," said L.A. Velarde, Southwestern regional director.

"Our basic approach," he said, "is toward the family. Many illegal aliens have families who are here legally, yet a father may be thrown out, leaving the family behind. We try to find ways to keep the family together somehow.

Dr. Edmund Cummings, former director of the USCC's Northeast division of Immigration Services, was honored with a plaque presented by McCarthy for his years of service.

Also present at the four Ambassadors Hotel meeting were Edward Sweeny, director of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service district in Miami; Lewis Gidel, Sweeny's assistant; Father Daniel Babis, Archdiocesan director of Immigration; and Msgr. Bryan Walsh, director of the Archdiocesan Apostolate to Travelers and Refugees.



Some delegates brought families, indicating the international flavor of their work and their personal involvement in helping non-Americans with problems in a new land.



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# Death penalty, after all?

With today's rising tide of terrorism and brutal crimes where innocent people are killed just because they happen to be in the wrong place at the wrong time, there appears to be a resurgent interest in capital punishment.

Even some liberal leaders have

suggested that there are crimes bad enough that the perpetrator ought to be executed on principle, regardless of any

deterrent effect or lack of it.

Sen. John McClellan of Arkansas, in Senate debate on a death penalty bill, said that it is a matter of whether man can justify capital punishment based on how bad the crime is, and he said "I firmly believe that he can.'

There is little question that a person can forfeit his right to life by taking someone else's and the grossness of a particular act can underscore that principle. And certainly it is understandable that a fleeing murderer be shot down rather than let him escape and kill again.

But other nagging questions on the issue still won't go away.

When society becomes bitter over

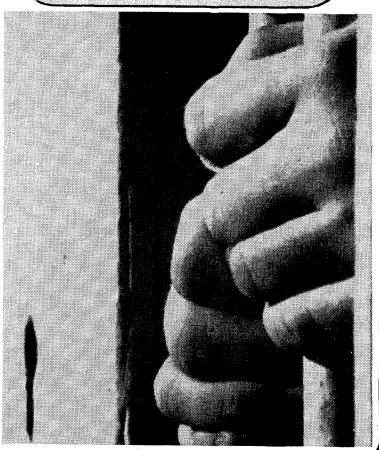
violence and terrorism, are we just playing right into their hands by becoming like the terrorists? Is this just a symptom of society's inability to cope preventively with the problem of violence and its roots and instead is attempting to lash back with equal terror? And what will this eventually do to us as a people?

When a killer is not shot on the spot but is caught calmly a year later, is tried and months later is walked down a corridor, strapped into a chair whereupon a paid employee of the state causes electricity to be passed through him until he is dead, this again raises the question of whether it would have been less cold-blooded and more meaningful to force the killer to live out his life behind bars, perhaps performing some kind of simple, unrewarding but productive work for the benefit of society or even for the benefit of his victim's survivors.

Also there is a certain irony in the very term capital "punishment."

The punishment occurs only in the dread of dying. When the capital part is invoked and the switch is thrown, that is not punishment. That ends the punishment.

# ditorials



# The devil is alive and well and in our midst



James J. Walsh

to discuss the devil. Whatever else we may say about him, the devil keeps in the news, in drama and fiction and in theology.

Some writings the past several years indicate he has not escaped the universal appraisal of whatever the past accepted. Henry Ansgar Kelly pulled a switch on the God-isdead theme, and came up with his contention that Satan has been done in. His book, "The Devil, Demonology and Witchcraft" is like a 137 page obituary, which erases most of Satan's historical credits as merely "quaint and curious lore.

Professor Kelly, as he drew to his final page, seemed to have experienced rather severe temptations. It seems his faith in what he had written throughout the book wavered and nearly flipped when he stuttered his final conclusion:

'ALTHOUGH it is possible that evil spirits exist, at the present time it does not seem probable; but whether or not they exist, it does not appear necessary to believe in them in order to cope with the problems of human life."

If the devil ever appears to Professor Kelly, the latter can read him that paragraph to assure him he never really denied him.

With "The Exorcist" and countless other works the devil has little reason to be peeved at his public image. He has always been kind of a funny bunny to many, the inspiration of endless jokes and stories and dramas. Generally speaking, except for the horror film of recent date, Lent is as good a time as he comes off like a benign imp, a kind of challenging, devilish Red Baron.

> THERE HAS been a gradual change in attitude. The old parish mission of fire and brimstone just does not go over with the same intensity today. More and more people, as miseries and wars piled up, began to say man has his hell here on earth.

> Concentration camps, Bangladesh, Vietnam, Guatemala and other evils seemed to bear this out. However, not for long. When one dips into Scripture, one finds an enormous amount of evidence not only in favor of faith in God but belief in the

In the revised Dutch by angels—as also that of the is personally realized..." devils—is a truth belonging to Catholic doctrine, and of which or theologian may try to rule the Fourth Lateran Council, for the devil out of existence, but communion of saints and the example, speaks." Also the there is no chance the Church responsibility of Christian life. supplement to the Catechism reaffirms the belief that the firmly rooted in Christian devils had been created in teaching, spirituality and holiness by God, only to rebel. tradition. To pronounce the And it adds: "The rebellion of devil dead demands more faith the wicked spirits became a than to accept his existence source of evil for our human and leaves more problems world.''

IN THE rapidly shifting trends of theology the past midst constantly demands as

depersonalize Satan and vaguely designate him as a power or force. Many find this leaves more questions unanswered than before and seems to be a contrived solution.

Karl Rahner seems to have little sympathy with this view. In his "Theological Dictionary," he repeats the fact that the Fourth Lateran Council "categorically declares that evil has not existed from the beginning, but that everything evil has temporal limits and arises from the free choice of creatures.

He states further that in 'view of the seriousness of saving history it would be untheological levity to look on Satan and his devils as a sort of 'hobgoblins knocking about the world'; rather it may be assumed that they are the powers of the world in so far as this world is a denial of God and a temptation to man."

AND HEadds significantly that "this view preserves the personal nature of the devils, which is laid down Scripture and the Catechism, we are reminded magisterium, since every that the "existence of the essential disorder in the world essential disorder in the world

Here and there a historian can go back on the doctrine so unsolved.

The ocean of evil in our years, there has been a trend to explanation more than purely

human. There is a design and pattern engineered by intelligence surpassing man's capabilities in any area. When you view the wickedness on any single night's TV news, you can't help but feel there is more at work here than depraved human plotting.

The barriers of race and' religion and language and color make men hate each other to such a degree that one finds it very difficult to believe it is merely human. There are obvious powers of evil loose which can jerk men about like puppets, at least for a time.

# Why pray for dead?

Cathedral. Readers are invited to send questions to Father Nickse, The Voice, P. O. Box 38-1059, Miami, 33138. From these he will select those to be answered in this

Q. Why do Catholics pray for the dead? Once you die you enter eternity, so how can prayers help those who have died? Are they not beyond our limitations of time and space?

A. The earliest mention of prayers for the dead in the Judaeo-Christian tradition is found in 2 Mc 12:39-45. After a battle in 163 B.C., Judas Machabee took up a collection to send to Jerusalem for a sacrifice of expiation for those fallen in battle.

The practice of praying for the dead rests upon two principal foundations: the

The communion of saints is rooted in the creative intention of God. For He intends to communicate his goodness not to many isolated individuals unrelated to one another in any significant way, but to one family that He establishes in Christ, his Son. Whatever anyone in this communion freely and lovingly

(Questions will be answered by Father does is not simply his own Jose Nickse, assistant pastor. St. Mary possession, and achievement. possession and achievement, but belongs to the whole family, and to each within it according to his capacity to

> The second foundation of prayers for the dead concerns the meaning of human activity

#### What is your question?

within the plan of God. Through Baptism we are buried with Christ in death and rise to a new life in Him.

But once a person has been incorporated into Christ he must bear the responsibility for his actions in his new condition, whether these be good or bad. He must act in the power of Christ to destroy the evil effects of his sins and to purify himself through works of penance, a task that may still remain to be done even after the actual guilt of sin is removed and he is once more restored to God's friendship.

In Christ we are one. Our prayers for one another help us on our pilgrimage to everlasting peace and joy.

Cuban farmers starting million-dollar industry

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loaded with boniatos and malangas now leave Miami loaded with these products to take to Puerto Rico and other Caribbean islands," he said.

Side by side with acres devoted to pole beans, tomatoes and limes, there are approximately 15,000 acres of land planted with sub-tropical vegetables in South Florida. Official federal and state agriculture department estimates for the 1973-74 year placed the figure at 10,370 acres, but more current unofficial estimates name a figure closer to 15,000 acres.

THE CHANGES in soil and climate have caused some problems in growing the new crops; but according to John F. McGuire of the Dade County Cooperative Extension Department, experiments are underway through the University of Florida Agricultural Experiment Station "to help the growing and marketing of these crops. Hopefully, in the near future, further progress will be made in combating the various insects and pests that annually destroy thousands of acres of vegetables," he said.

"The new agricultural industry in South Florida is another facet of the Cuban influence in Miami," Loredo commented.

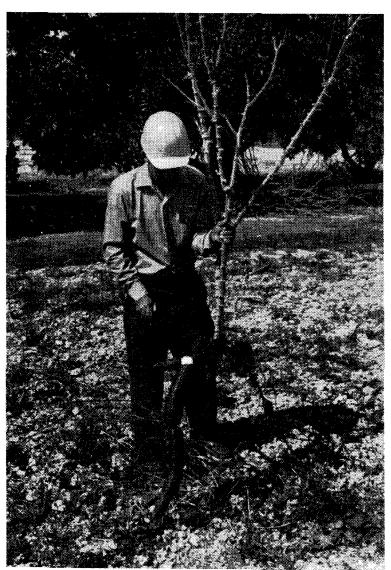
"Like the hundreds of fishermen who escaped from Cuba and are now working out of the Florida Keys and coastal waters, hundreds of farmers and peasants found a haven in the Homestead area.

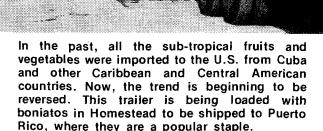
"UNLIKE THE traditional migrant workers working for a wage, many of the Cuban peasants began leasing small bits of property and accumulating a few acres at a time, working the land and marketing the products. Now some of them are in charge of farms of 300-400 acres, and instead of leasing they are beginning to purchase the land," he said.

Not only are the Cuban farmers producing the subtropical vegetables such as yuca and boniato, but they have also been a factor in the development of avocado, lime and mango production

In 1975, Florida avocado production broke all records, with a total of 876,000 bushels produced. Although production of limes and mangos has increased dramatically in recent years, local producers have not been able to meet increased nationwide demand; millions of pounds of the fruit are imported each year from Mexico, Colombia and other Latin American countries.

Today because of the influence of the Cuban farmers in South Florida, the black beans and "la yuca con mojo" served in Miami's Spanish restaurants are likely to be as Floridian as the orange slices in the sangria.





In his seventies, Placido Gonzalez is not able to work much, but occassionally he goes to Homestead, just to enjoy the smell of the fresh ground and the blossoming lemons, and to bring his expertise to the younger Cubans building a new industry in a foreign land.

Sugar cane, Cuba's main industry, was also transplanted to South Florida, not only to the sugar mill areas in Clewiston and Palm Beach, but to Homestead, where the first plantations are sprouting.

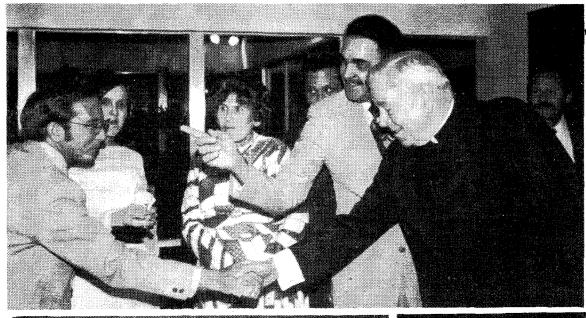


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Try it,
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It is yuca,
the root of a
blossoming
agricultural
industry
in South Dade.



The cuttings for the first boniato plantations in South Dade probably came from Puerto Rico. Now, hundreds of tons of boniatos are exported to Puerto Rico, New York, the Bahamas. Now the University of Florida Agricultural Experiment Station is helping the Cuban growers to develop a better crop in the new land.



# Archbishop praises efforts of MD's group for assisting ABCD

Miami's Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll, accompanied by Alberto Alejandre, host, greets Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Gonzalez and Mrs. Oscar

Romero at a special dinner for doctors where the purpose of the annual ABCD was explained.



Archdiocesan Coordinator of ABCD, Msgr. John O'Dowd, V.F., talks with Dr. Herbert Virgin and Mrs. Alberto Alejandre



Father Jose Nickse, who also serves as an ABCD Archdiocesan Coordinator, welcomes Dr. Moises Hernandez, Dr. Rene Alvarez and Dr. Oswaldo de la Pedrija.

# Decision on abortion vote likely to be soon in Senate

WASHINGTON—(NC)—
The Senate has blocked immediate action on a constitutional amendment to restrict abortion, but it may decide within a few weeks on whether to vote on the amendment.

Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.), in an effort to sidestep the Senate subcommittee on constitutional amendments which has voted down all proposed amendments, asked unanimous consent that the amendment be the subject of a

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Mike Mansfield objected,
blocking a vote, but the
amendment was placed on the
Senate calendar, from which it
can be taken for a vote any
time. Helms is expected to wait
two weeks or so before seeking
a vote.

Helms and Sen. James Buckley (R-Cons.-N.Y.), who supported Helms' maneuver, argue that a vote on whether to "table" the amendment or to vote on it will put members of the Senate on record on where they stand on abortion.

But observers expect that there will be a strong opposition to Helms' move on procedural grounds, clouding the meaning of a vote. The Senate is expected to reject Helms' motion by a two to one margin.

Some anti-abortion groups, including the March for Life and the U.S. Coalition for Life, have supported Helms' effort to secure a floor vote, but the U.S. Catholic Conference (USCC) has remained neutral.

THE USCC is "neither supporting nor opposing" Helms' action, according to James Robinson, USCC director of government liaison.

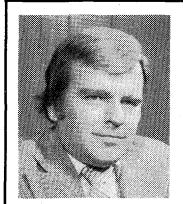
It is the bishops' policy, Robinson said, that "where and how and when the Senate considers an amendment is a matter for the Senate to decide." The USCC is "not going to enter an argument over procedure," he said.

But, he said, "should the Senate decide to consider the question of an amendment, the USCC will support the strongest possible amendment to protect unborn life."

Helms' amendment was defeated 6-1 in the Senate subcommittee last September. His amendment reads:

"WITH RESPECT to the right to life guaranteed in this Constitution, every human being, subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, or of any state, shall be deemed, from the moment of fertilization to be a person and entitled to the right to life.

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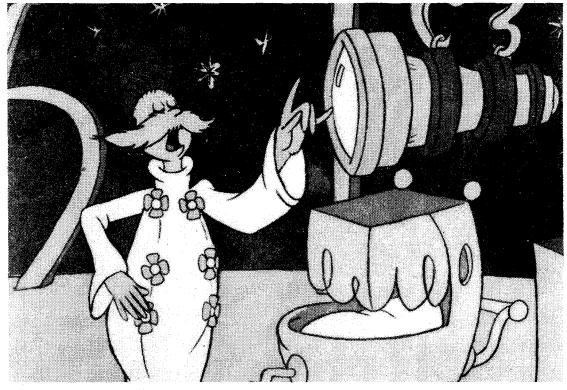
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Bloob Highway," animated special to be rebroadcast on WTVJ, Channel 4, Tuesday, March 23 (8:00-8:30 p.m., ET).

### Housewife, look elsewhere

The Suburban Woman: Her Changing Role in the Church, by Mary G. Durkin. The Seabury Press. New York. 112 pages. \$6.95.

#### Reviewed by JOSEPH R. THOMAS (NC News Service)

Throughout this book we greeted with such profoundities as the following: "The suburban woman who says that there are no differences between suburban women and other women demonstrates that she is unaware of what goes on outside her community." To which we might add that suburban women who generalize about suburban women on the basis of in-depth interviews with 10 women from the Ladies Theology Program at Mary, Seat of Wisdom, parish in Park Ridge, Ill., ought not commit books even if they claim Andrew Greeley as a brother, for surely, under other circumstances, he would be among the first to deplore conclusions based on such scanty input.

Mary Durkin, whose style can be best described as preachy, lacks a base for her ideas in those 10 interviews, she relies on her personal experiences, as if these also have universal application.

All of this apparently was sufficient for her doctoral



#### **BOOK REVIEW**

dissertation at Chicago University's School of Divinity, but the suggestion that it be expanded into a popular book was ill founded. There is, sadly, complishments of others their little of merit here, starting early in the book with the assertion that "the local churches must point to ways that the suburban housewife can live her multi-dimensional life in a manner which will be rewarding to her and her family." Just why the local fulfillment in contemporary church "must" do this par- suburban society, I don't ticular job is never made quite believe it's very helpful to echo clear. Possibly it is because the the idea, as Mrs. Durkin aplocal fire department isn't doing it.

her doctorate.

about women's role in society as about her role in the Church, and more about the need to develop a pastoral theology to enable the Church to relate to editor of The Advocate, Scanty indeed, for when contemporary women than newspaper of the Newark archabout women's role in either diocese.)

society or the Church. However, it's no longer very revealing to be told that suburban, middle-class women are experiencing a sense of frustration, that many of them have made the own "goals," that they are living with a sense of unfulfillment.

While I don't blame women-especially suburban women-for being bitter in the face of changing insights about suburban society, I don't pears to do, that at the parish level women do all the work Ms. Durkin appears to be that men don't want to do. One well situated to write about the form of chauvinism is no better topic. A housewife, a mother, a than another, after all, and I graduate of Mundelein College, suspect that the problems of a woman who went to school the suburban woman are going part-time for nine years to earn to be solved within the overall context of solutions to the But she writes as much problems of suburban living generally or they won't be solved at all.

(Thomas is managing



## television

### **Movies on TV**

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 19

9:30 p.m. (CBS)-BUSTING (1974)-A mediocre variant on the SERPICO theme-two honest policemen (Elliott Gold and Robert Blake) using unconventional methods to fight vice and the rackets - which attempts to be too funny for its own good and exploits nudity. (B)

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 20

9:00 p.m. (NBC)-CHISUM (1970)-An entertaining enough John Wayne western, with Wayne in the role of John Chisum, a cattle baron who becomes involved in a range war.

#### MONDAY, MARCH 22

9:00 p.m. (ABC)-BUSTER AND BILLIE (1974)-A simple-minded movie about a romance between the town's most popular boy and its girl with the worst reputation which exploits violence, sex, and nudity. (B)

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 25

9:00 p.m. (NBC) - TWO PEOPLE (1973) - Nice scenery, Morocco and Paris, but essentially a mindless movie about a love affair between a Vietnam deserter (Peter Fonda) and a sympathetic girl (Lindsay Wagner). It has an extended semi-nude love scene which may or may not be cut for TV. (A-IV)

#### RELIGIOUS PROGRAMS

SUNDAY

9 a.m. CHURCH AND THE WORLD TODAY—Ch. 7 WCKT. Film: "Purpose of a Congress," (Eucharistic), with Dick Bergen, moderator.

10:30 a.m.
THE TV MASS—Ch. 10 WPLG.
2 p.m.

INSIGHT-Film WINK Ch. 11.

Ta.m. THE CHRISTOPHERS—Ch. 11 WINK, Ch. 5, THE TV MASS—(Spanish)—Ch. 23 WLTV. WPTV. MARIAN HOUR-WSBR, 740 k.c., Boca Raton.

5:30 a.m. CROSSROADS-WJNO 1230 k.c., W. Palm

8:35 p.m. GUIDELINES—WIOD, 610 k.c., Miami.



# Asian-American actors are fighting discrimination

By MICHAEL GALLAGHER

In a review of a Disney film last summer, One of Our Dinosaurs is Missing, I took issue both with its use of white actors in Oriental roles and its attempt to wring laughs from Oriental stereotypes. Now Just last week, as a pleasant sequel to this, I had a long and enlightening conversation with Mr. Alvin Ing and Mrs. Catherine Okada Robin, who are the president and vice president of the Theatre for Asian-American Performing

## movies

The two main goals of their organization relate precisely to the two abuses that provoked my indignation in the Disney movie

"MY CAREER," said Mr. Ing, who also has a continuing role in the soap opera The Doctors, "was for one long period nothing but Flower Drum Song-road companies, revivals, you name it. And even that show, when it opened on Broadway, had non-Oriental actors playing some of the Oriental leads. And that was just 12 years ago." A time, in other words, when it was unthinkable for the white actor to perform in blackface, there was no difficulty in having him do "yellowface.

before their Even organization took formal shape, they took part in protests against racial discrimination. Again, however, though it was already a time when everyone paid at least lip service to the blacks' struggle, there was considerably less support for the Oriental effort. Mrs. Robin, a vibrant, articulate woman, was especially indignant about the remarks of a New York drama critic who could not understand the picketing a few years back of a musical Tea House of the August Moon. The leading role of Sakini (played, ironically enough, by Marlon Brando in the movie) was taken by a white actor, but that seemed perfectly all right to this critic because Sakini was American as apple pie.'

They later picketed two other plays, both dealing with historical Japanese themes, Road to the Deep North and Ride the Wind. In both these plays, it happened that two folk heroes, the poet Basho and the warrior Miyamoto Musashi, were played by black actors. Mrs. Robin and Mr. Ing were at pains to point out that they never blame the actor that their objection here was not to the actors' being black but to their being non-Oriental. The irony of a black actor taking an Oriental role these days, however, was one that took me back more than a little.



Asian-American actors are becoming more vocal in their desire to fill roles of Asians with actors of Oriental heritage. Some of the most famous of such roles have been played by white actors, such as Yul Brynner (pictured) in "The King and I," and Marlon Brando in "Teahouse of the August Moon."

Imagine the reaction, not only of black actors, but of blacks in general, no matter how unmilitant, if in some future film Toshiro Mifune were to don an Afro wig and play Frederick Douglass or one of the great kings of the Zulu Nation.

A MORE recent skirmish, this one successful, though in negative terms, had to do with a proposed film resurrecting Charlie Chan.

"At first," said Mr. Ing, "we thought that the producer was being honest with us, but it soon became apparent that all he wanted was approval from us so that he could cast a white actor as Charlie Chan, throwing us the sop of Orientals in the supporting roles."

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Tea House of the August Robin. They were willing to live with the character, despite the unpleasant associations. "All enough, by Marlon Brando in the movie) was taken by a white actor, but that seemed perfectly all right to this critic because Sakini was "as American as apple pie."

We were against the film, by any means," said Mrs.
Robin. They were willing to live with the character, despite the unpleasant associations. "All we wanted him to do was spoof it. For example, Charlie Chan could talk his pidgin English but only when he was dealing with whites who expected it. Otherwise he would speak normal American English."

"AND WE'RE not just taking this from the actor's viewpoint" said Mr. Ing. "Just

think of the impression it makes on Oriental children when they go to see a Disney movie, for example, and see Oriental customs and mannerisms being distorted and made fun of by white actors."

There was no trace of bitterness in the manner of either of them. They realized that they had much to do in terms of educating the public-including American Oriental Americans themselves— in the justice of their cause, and they have kept their sense of humor. Mrs. Robin was one of the writers involved in a positive attempt along these lines, a review called The Asian-American Bicentennial Blues, and some of her lyrics run like this: "We're not typically Oriental. No, not typically Oriental. We surprise a lot of people when we speak. For we have the silly habit of pronouncing all our ls, and our rs are apt to sound a bit unique."

"Yes," said Mrs. Okada, "we do appreciate our heritage as Chinese or Japanese or Filipino or whatever. But right now we want to be accepted all the way as Americans. Then we can have the leisure to be concerned about our roots."

# It's Oscar time, so here goes:

Academy Award time, Hollywood's annual orgy of fulsome self-praise is upon us once again, and since it is very difficult to ignore, let's not try. First, a ground rule or two. There is a certain logic in the way the Academy (the "Academy" - where is its campus, one wonders, and does it have a basketball team?) selects its winners, but this has less to do with aesthetic considerations than with the needs of the 'industry." The industry needs profits. Thus, though you might logically think that the director whose movie was selected as best of the year would stand a better chance of getting the Best Director award than another director candidate, precisely the opposite is true. For the first great commandment of the Academy is: "Thou shalt spread it around." A second ground rule has to do with our method of operating: we'll indicate both the probable winners and those we ourselves would pick. As for those passed over by the Academy, it would take an article twice as long as this to go into that.

BEST PICTURE: Nashville should get it on the basis of merit, and it probably will. Barry Lyndon, its closest competitor, is a mostly lifeless pageant, however lovely its pastel shades, attempting to pass itself off as a movie. Dog Day Afternoon milks its material and thus loses the strong impact it might have had. One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest is an interesting enough movie, but Director Milos Forman has tried so hard to "civilize" the conflict between Jack Nicholson's McMurphy and Louise Fletcher's Big Nurse and has allowed himself to become so fascinated with the details of institution life that the raw power of Ken Kesey's original work becomes greatly dissipated.

BEST ACTOR: Jack Nicholson, as we said, but he'll get it for his performance as Jack Nicholson—the cool, calculating hipster with his eye ever on the main chance—not as Randle Patrick McMurphy, Kesey's wild Irish hero. Al Pacino deserves the Award much more than Nicholson, for his tense, exciting performance in Dog Day Afternoon.

BEST ACTRESS: This proposes to be the most intriguing competition. Ordinarily one would write off the candidacy of a French actress playing in an "Art" film, but Isabelle Adjani The Story of Adele H. has certain unique advantages besides that of mere talent. She is young and beautiful, and she handles English very well. Thus she has the potential for a successful Hollywood career, and she could make a great deal of money for the industry. To give her an Academy Award, then, would be a good investment and thus make more bearable the recognition of foreign enterprise involved, the kind of act that Hollywood finds especially painful to perform.

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR: Despite the tones of omniscience about what the Academy may do that may have crept into our discourse before this, here is the only category in which one can speak with some assurance. Hollywood has a strong streak of sentimentality winding its way through its chill plastic innards—Elizabeth Taylor won an Academy Award one year mainly for having come through a dangerous throat operation—and if this sentimentality can be wedded to pragmatism, and even merit, a sure thing begins to take shape. Thus George Burns should take the Award here, and we have no need to say much about Brad Dourif (Cuckoo's Nest), Burgess Meredith (The Day of The Locust), Christ Sarandon (Dog Day), and Jack Warden (Shampoo).

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS: Here one man's guess is as good as another's. We would choose Ronee Blakley or Lily Tomlin (both from Nashville), leaning towards the former.

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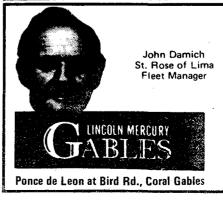
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# A time of great expectations

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

Jesus was born into a troubled world.

He started his public ministry in an even more troubled world.

His people were chafing under the rule of pagan foreigners.

TRUE, they themselves had asked the Romans to step in and take over Judea, but they had made their request out of desperation; they simply could not endure the misconduct of the Herodians. Herod the Great had been bad enough; his son, Archelaus was impossible. The Roman procurators were a mixed lot, some good, some bad, some unbearably oppressive. Good or bad they were a constant thorn in the side of the Jews, an ever-present reminder of the low estate to which they, the people of God, had fallen.

One dream, one sometimes fanatic desire possessed them: to be rid of alien domination and come into their own once more. Their dreams, their hopes were centered on the coming of the one of whom the prophets had spoken, the one whom they now called the Messiah, the "anointed one."

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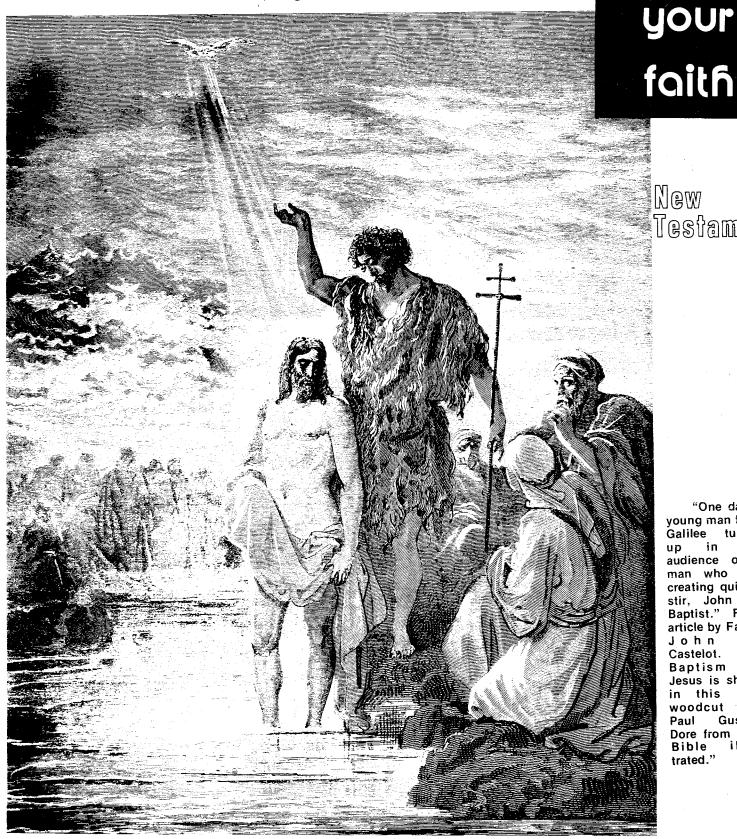
agreement on when or where or how he would appear.

The prophets had been far from clear on details; rather, they had given so many details that it was hard, if not impossible, to blend them all into a reasonable composite. Some of Jesus' contemporaries stressed one aspect of the messianic picture which had been sketched in the past, others stressed another. Most popular was the idea of a brilliant descendant of the royal line of David, a conquering hero who would lead the forces of Israel to a crushing victory over the pagans and raise Israel to the status of number one world

A strong minority emphasized the spiritual qualities of the Messiah and of his rule. He would be kind and generous, just and merciful, completely and sincerely devoted to Yahweh. Still others gave up trying to reconcile the apparently contradictory elements of the prophets' picture and looked for at least two Messiahs, one an invincible warrior and king, the other a saintly man of God. The Qumran sectaries, for instance, about whom the now famous Dead Sea Scrolls have told us so much, looked for a Messiah from the line of David and another from the line of Aaron: one a king, the other a priest. Associated with their coming in some mysterious way was to be one whom they called simply "the prophet."

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One day a young man



Testament

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"One day a young man from Galilee turned up the audience of a man who was creating quite a stir. John the Baptist." From article by Father John The Castelot. Baptism Jesus is shown in this 1886 woodcut Paul Gustave Dore from "The Bible illus-Bible trated."

from Galilee turned up in the audience of a man who was creating quite a stir, John the Baptist, and submitted to his Baptism. His name was Jesus, and He came from an insignificant little village called Nazareth. He has spent a very uneventful youth there and was now in about his 30th. year. He could trace his ancestry back to the great king, David, but the royal line had never rallied from the fall of Jerusalem back in 587 B.C. All the house of David now had to show for its prestige and glory was its family tree. Little did the crowds who pressed about the Baptist realize that there stood in their midst the One for whose coming they yearned so ardently, the One who would raise the royal house of Judah to undreamed of glory and would establish an everlasting

kingdom. But it was to be a kingdom of a far different sort from the one which the popular imagination had fashioned—and so no one took much notice of Him that day.

It was not long, however, before He drew a great deal of attention and attracted a fair number of followers. With messianic expectations running so high, it was only natural that many should at least entertain the hope that He might be "the one who was to come." Still, prudence dictated that He make no public, overt claim to being the long awaited Messiah. If He was asked point-blank, He usually managed to avoid giving a direct answer. Even after Peter's knowledgement at Caesarea Philippi, "You are the Messiah," Jesus told him to

be quiet and went on immediately to predict his passion and death. He did not deny the truth of Peter's confession, but it was going to take some time for the disciples to realize just what kind of Messiah He was and how He was going to work out his mission.

IT IS SIGNIFICANT that Peter reacted rather violently to the prediction of the passion and death and Jesus had to reprimand him sharply. From this point on, especially in the Gospel of Mark, He refers to Himself consistently as the "Son of Man." He simply did not like the title, Messiah. It conjured up too many false notions in the minds of his con-temporaries. The title, Son of Man, was mysterious, but it suited his purposes. It had taken on certain messianic

connotations since its introduction in the Book of Daniel. But the phrase itself, in its literal sense, suggested also authentic humanity, humility, lowliness, and served as a corrective to popular messianic ideas.

Throughout his public ministry He remained ultimately a mystery, even for his disciples. It was only in the light of their resurrection experience and with the aid of the Holy Spirit that they began to realize just who He was. By that time, of course, the real nature of his messianic identity and mission was clear and not open to misunderstanding. And so the apostolic Church had no hesitation about calling Him the Christ (Messiah) and could interpret his career eventually in this light in the four Gospels.

# Mirrors of His wisdom

By AUGUSTINE P. HENNESSY, C.P.

One day, two young men were walking along a country road. They were disillusioned and dejected. Their whole world of hopes and dreams had been shattered by an event which occurred in the nearby city just a few days before. The man whom they hoped would be the liberator of their nation had been nailed to a cross like a common criminal. Though their talk was lively as they walked along, anyone could see that their faces were sad.

SUDDENLY, they heard footsteps behind them, as if someone were trying to catch up with them. The Stranger who joined them was friendly enough and extremely selfpossessed, but, surprisingly, He seemed uninformed about the public execution of Jesus of Nazareth, "a prophet powerful in word and deed in the eyes of God and all the people." (Luke 24:19) So they told Him about their shattered hopes, the disturbing tales of some excitable women in their company, and the talk about a missing body and the vision of an angel.

Then the Stranger said to them:

"What little sense you have! How slow you are to believe all that the prophets have announced. Did not the Messiah have to undergo this so as to enter into his glory?"

The risen Jesus confronted Cleopas and his bewildered companion with the most searching question He can ask any man or woman to ponder. He asked them to face the shocking unexpectedness of the cross. Yet when He began interpreting every passage of Scripture referring to Himself, they felt their hearts burning within them as He spoke along the way. And before He disappeared from their sight,

they recognized their risen Lord as He broke bread with them in a wayside inn.

On a recent Sunday, thousands of us who are bewildered sometimes believers gathered around other tables to break bread with this same risen Lord. We were there because He promised to be there with us and to nourish our life with his vitalizing flesh. Like the young men on the road to Emmaus, most of us are still slow of heart to believe. The cross of Calvary never ceases to be shocking. Yet on this day we had the wonderful audacity to say "Amen" to a prayer which voiced our willingness to let our lives be stamped and engraved with the foolishness of our Lord's

Here are the words we put into our prayer:

"Father in heaven, the loving plan of your wisdom took flesh in Jesus Christ and changed mankind's history by his command of love. May our fulfillment of his command reflect your wisdom and bring your salvation to the ends of the earth." (Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time.)

To say "Amen" to this prayer involves commitment to a brave kind of loving. It is a willingness to pattern our love upon the self-emptying love of Jesus Crucified. Such a prayer is a reminder that every Christian is called to be a living mirror wherein people looking for salvation can find a reflection of Calvary's wisdom. Our own fulfillment of the command of love is meant to be touched by that foolishness of God which is wiser than men and that weakness of God which is stronger than men. (1 Cor.

This is unconventional wisdom by human standards. The toll it takes from the human spirit can at times be

terrifying. The dimensions of love as they are set forth by Calvary's cross can make even brave hearts wonder why salvation has to be such a daring and relentless adventure.

TO PREPARE his converts for this adventure, the Apostle Paul made a special prayer for them:

"May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith and may charity be the root and foundation of your life. Thus you will be able to grasp fully, with all the holy ones, the breadth and length and height and depth of Christ's love and experience this love which surpasses all knowledge." (Ephesians 3:14)

From the beginning, "the holy ones" of the risen Lord saw that there was breadth to the commandment of love as it was portrayed in the cross of Jesus. There is no room for insularity in Christian love. It

is a summons to bring "salvation to the ends of the earth." Christian love cannot block out areas of influence for itself. It is pledged to reach everywhere if it is patterned after Christ's love.

The cross of Jesus also shows that there is length to the commandment of love. It is not the feeling of a passing moment. It is not confined to periods of consolation or to hours οf humane enlightenment. It is commitment to a way of loving with an amazing staying power. It has endurance which surpasses human planations. It is rooted in the undiminishing power of Christ

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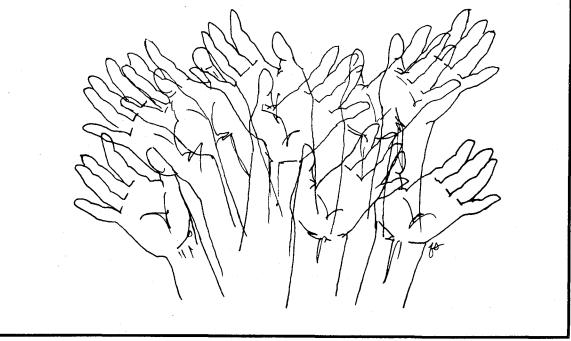
By REV. JOSEPH M. CHAMPLIN.

"Why don't you bring your friend John to our prayer group? We will pray over him, lay hands upon the poor man and he will be healed. Just like that. No problem."

THIS PROMISE of instant, easy healing came from a very sincere, enthusiastic, well intentioned charismatic priest of a southern diocese. He commented in response to my description of a pastoral incident involving an individual we called John who struggles with severe family, physical and emotional difficulties.

The ailing man has received medical treatment and psychiatric care with some success, but many of his troubles continue.

Suppose he does go to that prayer group and is not



"Suppose (an ailing man) does go to a prayer group and is not healed? Will he now feel guilty, believe he lacks faith, think God is punishing him?" From article by Father Joseph M. Champlin.

#### By ANGELA M. SCHREIBER

"I baptize thee Yvonne Marie in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit."

The moment was one of joy—the joy of witnessing the entrance of my infant daughter into the Christian community. But it was coupled with acute pain—pain because I feared she would never develop the ability to really know anything about God.

EACH CHILD whom I had borne, I considered as a special, temporary gift from the Lord. And five of my gifts were without a flaw. But this little one, lovely as she was, has what the world considers to be a major flaw—a flaw that cannot be healed—she was mongoloid.

"How could You have not made her perfect, God?" I asked. And in the next breath, "Help me accept," followed by "I can't accept

what You have done.' And finally, "God, please make it not so. Make her whole. 'Faith,' You said 'could move a mountain.' I have the faith." So I took her in my arms on her christening day and resolved the problem. It would not be so.

Time passed and I finally had to admit that it was so. God had not granted my request. Realizing that He had said no was appalling. It's all very well to say, "Everything is for the best even though you don't know why," but believing this is a different thing. And the remark that some well-meaning friends made: "You must be especially blessed to have a child like this. God knows you can cope with it. One is never asked to do more than he is able," was irritating. It was irritating because I did not want to accept God's will.

But time has a way of paving the way for many things. Yvonne was the most lovable of

all our children. And God, in his infinite wisdom, had not deprived her of response. I have, since Yvonne's birth, realized that it is indeed seldom that a child has no response at

She seemed to blossom with each passing week. We watched the other children grow more considerate; we watched them learn to love more deeply. And the day came, I'm not sure exactly when, that I realized she is perfect. I finally understood that God never makes a faulty human being. Each of God's children is unique and we each come into the world as a perfect creation.

THINKING about what I expected my child to be like when she was born brings me to reflecting upon what people expected their Messiah to be like. Many thought that surely He would rule the world, that their lives would be made easy, that existence would perhaps parallel the Garden of Eden. What a shock it

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Young men shall see visions

By REV. ALFRED MCBRIDE, O. PRAEM

When written in Chinese, the word crisis is composed of two characters. One represents danger and the other stands for opportunity.

This is how Joel understood a crisis of faith that afflicted his people in the years after the exile.

He believed that faith would grow by successfully responding to successive challenges. He lived in times that tried and tested the souls of his people.

THE CRISIS was both physical and spiritual. A spectacular locust plague was devastating the land. Joel describes it with fearful accuracy.

"The harverst of the field has perished. The vine has dried up. The fig tree was withered; the pomegranate, the date palm also, and the apple. All the trees of the field are dried up...The seed lies shriveled under its clods. The barns are broken down, for the grain has failed. How the beasts groan! The herds of cattle are bewildered because they have no pasturage. Even the flocks of sheep have perished." (1:11-

Joel sees in this devastation an image of the Day of the Lord when God will come in judgment upon an immoral people. The desolation of the farms, the widespread hunger, the disastrous effect on their incomes are a dress rehearsal for an ultimate spiritual judgment that will be even more fearsome.

Realizing that the current danger can also be an opportunity, Joel believes that the people can repent. With the power of a revival preacher Joel urges the people to throw themselves on the mercy of God. "Rend your hearts and not your garments and return to the Lord." (2:12) If they do so, the plague will end and the country can be rebuilt.

The people listened to Joel. With the sound of the shofar (trumpet) a national time of prayer and fast from food and sex ("Let the bridegroom quit his chamber and the bride her room" (2:16) signaled the people's desire to change their hearts. The Lord heard their

Joel continued the development of his theme of the Day of the Lord in words that we normally associate with the Last Judgment and the end of the world. Jesus used similar language in his own Last Judgment sermon. Bible scholars call this the "apocalyptic" style of preaching. It employs the cataclysms of nature to illustrate the wrath of God against sins and sinners. A modern equivalent would be the so-called "fire and brimestone" sermonizing.

Michelangelo captured this aspect of religious discourse in his own Last Judgment canvas on the back wall of the Sistine chapel. Doomsday language tends to crop up in times of cultural and moral crisis. It builds upon an existing fear in people to persuade them to reform their lives. Its vividness and terrifying power has often been criticized because it seems to obscure the love and mercy of God.

This is only true when the preacher exploits the fear of people and in fact does not balance his message with the spendid miracle of God's ever-present forgiveness. Biblical doomsday sermons always include the element of hope, forgiveness and opportunity. This is the origin of Joel's beautiful prediction of a joyful aftermath in which the Spirit of God will dwell among the people:

"Then afterward I will pour out my spirit upon all mankind. Your sons and daughters shall prophesy. Your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions."

St. Peter used this forecast of Joel at Pentecost to describe the real meaning of the descent of the Holy Spirit. The apocalyptic crisis of the passion and death of Jesus had' passed. The undiluted glory of the Resurrection had come, and with it the gift of the Holy Spirit for every person open and receptive enough.

DOOMSDAY talk must always keep in mind its limitations. Some speakers tend to use it too much because it possesses an odd appeal for certain audiences.

It exploits a morose psychology which takes a perverse delight in dwelling on the dark side of the moon. Crisis is a danger and an opportunity. Balanced religion always remembers both elements.

# ern St. Paul writes to his flock

healed? What then? Will he now also feel guilty, believe he lacks faith, think God is punishing him by the

That is one of the problems connected with the charismatic movement, tendencies which Fr. Richard Chachere, the Lafayette, La. Diocesan Director of Charismatic Renewal. confronted in his letter to prayer groups we mentioned last week.

• On this subject of

healing, he wrote:
"The 'release of the Spirit' should not be presented to people as 'cureall.' In fact, for people with serious problems it can be dangerous. Often professional psychiatric help would be the best advice.

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exaggeration of 'claiming healing' or 'claiming our victory.' There is danger of the pendulum swinging to the other extreme that everyone should be healed, which only brings guilt and hurt. While God's general will is for our wholeness, his will is obviously not done perfectly on

"We need to remember that Jesus learned obedience through suffering. So must we, even if God allows evil in our lives.'

On the subject of "Baptism in the Spirit," Fr. Chachere urges his people not to use the term. With Cardinal Suenens, he notes we do not maintain a duality of Baptisms, one in water and one in the Spirit. There is but one.

"The term 'release of the Spirit' seems more appropiate. It would clarify the fact that we firmly believe Catholics receive the Spirit at Baptism and Confirmation. The emphasis would then be on the power of the Holy Spirit becoming a matter of personal conscious experience.'

• On losing contact with former or non-charismatic friends:

"We should be very careful not to segregate ourselves from our noncharismatic friends and be highly sensitive to the working of the Holy Spirit in every individual; discernment largely consists in discerning good, not evil in people!'

• On using Charismatic jargon: "People should be instructed not to use phrases like "the Lord told me" as that is offensive to others and implies an 'in-group' mentality and blocks Paul's admonition 'to test all things."

For similar reasons he feels phrases like 'Praise the Lord' should be avoided in the presence of those not involved in the movement.

• On competing with parish activities:

"Give the priest his appropiate place as leader and spiritual counsellor and let the sacraments have their central place; try communal Penance services for healing of dissension. Try not to regularly have a charismatic Eucharistic celebration which might take people away from their professional or parish setting.

• On loyalty to the Church, he urged:

"A willingness to submit legitimate Church authority, locally represented by Bishop Frey.

Father Chachere recognized he was writing at length, and by necessity and purpose in rather negative fashion. His phrases, however. were not chosen lightly or "without much prayer and reflection and consultation.'

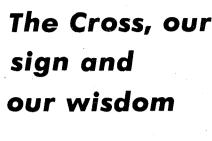
HE CONCLUDED: "So in the strength of My Lord I write to you in great confidence that you will receive these words with the love with which you have always received me. You are so dear to me and together we share an eagerness for spreading his Kingdom. May this help to bring us closer together ... "

That reminds me of St. Paul communicating to the Christians at Corinth, Ephesus or Rome.



"Joel sees in this devastation (from locusts) an image of the Day of the Lord when God will come in judgment upon an immoral people." From article by Father Alfred McBride.

# THE GOSPEL TRUTH





THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT Reading I, Ex 20: 1-17 Reading II, 1 Cor 1:22-25 Gospel Jn 2: 13-25

> By FATHER THOMAS BARRY St. Benedict Church

"My ways are not your ways." These words of Christ bring out the great truths of today's liturgy, the continuing Lenten thought and idea of Jesus as the Suffering Servant. In the lessons for today this role of Christ is made intelligible to us by Paul. Jesus continually advises us not to judge as the world judges but rather as God judges.

The brief passage from Paul's letter to the Church at Corinth that we find as today's second lesson brings home a thought and a reality that Paul was well aware of—that the Jews were looking for a sign and the Greeks for wisdom. Two views that are not as divergent as they might seem at first glance. The Jews were looking for a legitimate miracle, something such as we find in today's gospel from John. Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up. Jesus, of course, was talking about the temple of his body, but the

Jews looking for a 'sign' took Him to mean the Temple of Jerusalem, which after having taken forty years to build, would truly be a miracle if this could be accomplished in three days. Conversely, the Greeks were looking for 'wisdom,' that is they wanted to be convinced of the authenticity of the apostles' message through a greater understanding of the physical universe, a domination of which could lead to a spiritual freedom from materiality. But the Jews would not accept the signs and the Greeks would not recognize the wisdom.

Ultimately, Paul says, "We preach Jesus crucified, it is a stumbling block to the Jews and an absurdity to the Greeks." Christ Crucified has become a scandal. Today, as of old, God confounds human wisdom. Paul speaks eloquently about the folly of God being wiser than men; and his weakness more powerful than men. In the long run, only believers can penetrate behind the folly to the wisdom and to the power behind the weakness. To those who are perishing, the Cross of Christ is foolishness, but for those who accept it, it is salvation.

The Cross is the expression of the wisdom and the power of God. Paul points out further that God brings the wise men of this world to his fulness, not as man accounts wisdom, but as God does.

The emphasis for Christians in the liturgy today is to take a good hard look at ourselves. To do a little introspection. It is so easy to judge as men judge and to lose sight of the Cross as our salvation. The Cross for the follower of Christ is the true wisdom in the world and the only sign. God has revealed his wisdom to his little ones. The Cross is power because in the wisdom of accepting the cross we can come to an understanding that Christ loves us with the maximum of human love; He emptied Himself taking the form of a servant. We are summoned to be imitators of Christ and to share in his lot, both his suffering as man and his glorification as the Son of God. The Cross is our sign, the Cross is our wisdom.



### Prayer of the Faithful

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT March 21, 1976

**Priest:** Father, your ordinances are just and your decrees are trustworthy. We pray now, to find true freedom by following your will.

LECTOR: The response for today will be: Lord, we ask You, hear our prayer.

LECTOR: Jesus found his Father in the solitude of the desert. That we may listen for the voice of God in the quiet moments of our life, we pray:

People: Lord, we ask You, hear our prayer. LECTOR: Our final hope is Christ's Resurrection. That we always carry this hope, these words of

consolation to the sick and dying, we pray:
People: Lord, we ask You, hear our prayer.
LECTOR: Jesus was a man of action. That we

may not compromise our talents by last minute planning, we pray:

People: Lord, we ask You, hear our prayer.

LECTOR: The Church needs good priests and religious. That more individuals will have the courage to respond to God's call to the ministry, we pray:

People: Lord, we ask You, hear our prayer. LECTOR: Lent is a season of renewal. That we may use these weeks wisely, and come to a deeper awareness of the presence of God, we pray:

People: Lord, we ask You, hear our prayer.
Priest: Father, faith comes from hearing. Teach us to be sensitive listeners, people who can hear your words as we pray. Build our faith and help us to spread it with our love. This we pray in the name of Jesus, your Son and our Lord.

People: Amen.



Listening

A boy...and a man...deep in conversation...It is not important if the man is the boy's father, or brother, coach, teacher, or friend...What is important is their absorption in their conversation.

It's not often one sees someone genuinely listening to another...Even rarer is the sight of an adult really listening to a child...taking a child seriously...as having something to say.

When is the last time you felt someone listened to you?...really listened?...with their heart as well as their ears?...When did you last listen to someone?...to a youngster?...really listen?

Father Carl J. Pfeifer, S.J.

# 'Flower Lady' fled the Reds, made St. Clare grounds bloom

NORTH PALM BEACH—Many know Mrs. Zora Buranoski here, as the Flower Lady. But there is quite a story behind it.

Between 1964 and 1972 she transformed the desert wilderness around St. Clare's Church and its parochial school, into an area of palm trees, tropical flower beds, and a floral "island" for a statue of Our Lady, complete with a "halo" of strategically planted palms.

For six of these years, she worked on the church grounds without pay— offering up her labors as prayers of thanksgiving. The small honorarium she received in the final three years, contributed to the education of her five children.

CURRENTLY, she is engaged in another beautifying project which she will not allow to be publicized, at this time.

The Flower Lady learned landscaping, and her way with plants, as a girl Czechoslovakia, before she fled in 1948 when the Communists took over. Her father was a commercial grower of vegetables and flowers.

When the Communists took over, she managed to convince the authorities of her need to visit a cousin in America. She arrived in this country with a small statue of Our Lady, which she had brought as a gift from a priest to his sister, who is a St. Vincent de Paul Sister in Pittsburgh.

The Sisters befriended the young immigrant, and allowed her to live in their convent for three years while they helped her obtain a permanent visa to remain in America, and helped teach her English. When she arrived in 1948, she could speak only German and Slovak. In return, she helped the Sisters with domestic chores.

AFTER THREE years, she met a young American engineer whose parents had



"Flower Lady," Mrs. Zora Buranowski, tends to the trees and flowers, most of which she planted, at St. Clare parish.

come a generation earlier, from Slovakia, and who is today employed at the nearby Pratt and Whitney aircraft company. Their eldest daughter, 23, is a graduate dietician; their eldest son is a cadet at Annapolis; they have two other daughters, at Florida State University and at Cardinal Newman High School, and their youngest, a twelve year old son, is at St. Clare's School.

Currently, the beautifully maintained backyard of the family home, harbors dozens of hanging baskets, and potted flowers and shrubs, raised specially as a donation to the upcoming St. Clare Church Bazaar.

In the Buranoski front yard, smiling from a mass of lush tropical foliage, is a statue of Our Lady. And Zora Buranoski often stands beside it, looking northward and across 28 years, to when a frightened young Czechoslovakian girl with a lot of faith stood in another front yard, clutching a small statue, and knocked on a convent door in Pittsburgh, for admittance.

# Gesu class of '36 schedules reunion

The 1936 graduating class of Gesu High School is holding a 40th anniversary celebration the weekend of April 2, for members of that class and of other Gesu classes of the 1930's.

The reunion banquet for the class of '36 will be Friday, April 2, at 7 p.m. at Club Vena D'Oro, in the First Federal Building, 1 S.E. 3rd Ave., Miami.

Honored at the banquet will be Father Joseph T. Burleigh, S.J., former school director and currently assistant pastor at Gesu Church; and teachers, Sister Mary Charles, Sister Mary Lewis, Sister Monica and Mrs. Odena Tebo Kling.

April 2 will be declared "Gesu Class of '36 Day" by

The 1936 graduating class esu High School is holding th anniversary celebration weekend of April 2, for Miami City Commissioner Joseph L. Plummer, Jr., whose mother-in-law is a member of the class of '36.

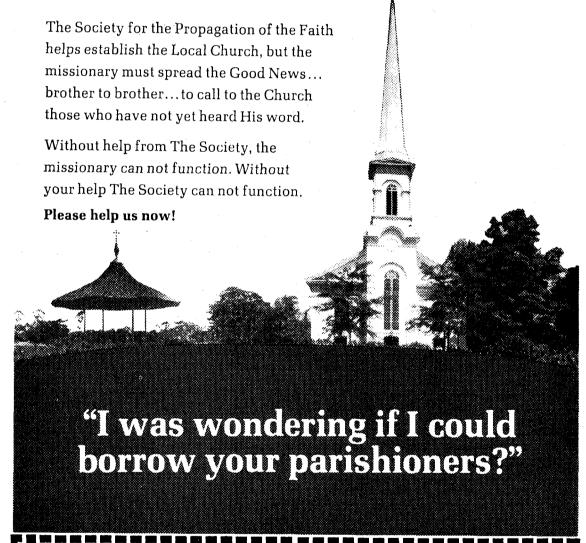
All 1930's graduates of Gesu High School are invited to attend a concelebrated Mass on Sunday, April 4, at 11:30 a.m. at Gesu Church, followed by a Dutch Treat luncheon.

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In St. Louis parish, 7 a.m. is the time attracting a large group of men each Monday for a Communion breakfast

during Lent. Participants gather in small groups to discuss their spiritual lives

### Women's groups set Spring meets

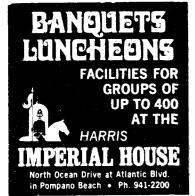
deaneries of the Miami Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women in Broward and Palm Beach Counties are slated to be held next week.

On Tuesday, March 23 women of St. Bernard parish, Sunrise, will be hostesses at North Broward Deanery meeting scheduled to begin with coffee and registration at 8:30 a.m.

A business meeting during which officers will be elected will convene at 10 a.m. Commission awards will be made and reports given by affiliation presidents. New officers will be installed during 11:30 a.m. Mass. Luncheon will be served at 12:30 p.m. where the guest speaker will be Father James Cunningham, C.S.P.

St. Juliana parish affiliations, West Palm Beach, will welcome members of the East Coast Deanery for a oneday session on Wednesday, March 24 beginning at 9:15 a.m. Mass followed by a





Spring meetings of business meeting in the parish hall, 4500 S. Dixie Hwy.

> Luncheon will be served at Ramada on the Green, across from the Palm Beach Mall at 12:30 p.m.

> Members of the Palm Beach Deanery meet Thursday, March 25 in Holy Spirit parish, Lantana where Mass will be celebrated at 9 a.m. in the parish church.

A business meeting including election of officers follows at the Manalapan Club where luncheon will also be



#### Lenten lectures at St. Clement's

FORT LAUDERDALE-"Christ the Center of Life" is the theme of a series of Lenten lectures now in progress at St. Clement parish hall, 29 St. and N. Andrews Ave.

"Death with Christ" will be the topic of Father Robert Magee, assistant pastor, at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 23. "Resurrection in Christ" will be discussed by Father David Punch, pastor, on April 7.

'Christ the Reconciler' will be the theme of a Lenten Penitential Service which will be conducted by Father Magee on Monday, April 12.



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#### Legion of Mary ceremonies set

Members of the Miami and West Palm Beach Curias of the Legion of Mary will participate in their annual Acies ceremonies on Sunday, March

St. Mary Cathedral will be the scene of the ceremony in Miami where a Concelebrated Mass will be offered at 2 p.m. with Msgr. Noel Fogarty,

# meetings set

Combined meetings of elementary and secondary school principals will be held throughout the Archdiocese of Miami during March.

Principals in Palm Beach and Martin Counties will convene at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, March 23, at Cardinal Newman High School, West Palm

Those in Dade and Monroe Counties will meet at 9 a.m. on Thursday, March 25, at Immaculate Conception school, Hialeah.

At 9:30 a.m., Friday, March 26, principals in Broward and Collier Counties will meet at St. Helen School, Fort Lauderdale.

School calendars for the 1976-77 school year will be discussed and adopted.

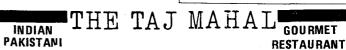
Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Miami, as the principal celebrant. Concelebrating with him will be Father William O'Shea, Father James A. Quinn, and Father Daniel A. Barrett, O.S.F., Miami Regia spiritual director.

At 3 p.m. Mass will also be Schools principals concelebrated at St. Raymond Church where Father Francis Fenech, pastor, will be the principal celebrant. Concelebrating with him will be Father Francisco Acosta and Father Enrique San Pedro.

The Fifth Annual Acies Ceremony in Palm Beach County begins at 3 p.m., Sunday, in St. Mark Church, Boynton Beach.

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"Diabetes and Obesity" will be topic of Dr. William Schmidt, endocrinologist, the parish at 8:15 p.m., Wednesday, March 24.

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ORDER of St. Francis meets at 6461 or 891-7257. 2 p.m., Sunday, March 21 at St. Francis Hospital, Miami at 3 p.m.

all-day bazaar on Saturday, center, Byron Ave. and 86th St. \*\*\*

MIAMI BEACH COUNCIL of the K. of C. will sponsor an open house at 7:30 p.m., Monday, March 22, in St. Patrick Clubrooms, Miami Beach. Guests will be par- be sponsored by parishioners of ticipants of the Basketball Free-Throw contest and their parents. Trophies and certificates will be awarded.

Lay CARMELITES will meet at 2:30 p.m., Sunday,

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#### Scripture series

- A series on Sacred Scripture opens Thursday, March 25, at 7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of the Lakes Parish Center.

Father Gerald Morris, professor of Sacred Scripture at the Archdiocesan Major Seminary of St. Vincent de Paul will be the lecturer and will continue the series on April 1 and 8.

His topics will include the Pentateuch, the prophets, particularly Amos and Hosea; and the Synoptic Gospels

March 21, in St. Ignatius Hall at Gesu Rectory in downtown Miami.

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A "Derby Night" under auspices of HOLY during the last in the series of FAMILY Woman's Club, health lectures in ST. LOUIS begins at 9 p.m., Saturday, March 20, in the parish hall, 14500 NE 11 Ave., North Miami. Refreshments will be Members of the THIRD served. For tickets call 947-

Mrs. Marie Madonna is the Beach. Mass will be celebrated new president of ST. MARY MAGDALEN Women's Club. Other officers are Mrs. Helen ST. JOSEPH Women's Phillips, vice president; Mrs. Club, Surfside, will sponsor an Helen Gaulster. recording secretary; Mrs. Thelma Morra, March 20, in the new parish treasurer; and Mrs. Mary Erba, corresponding secretary. The club will sponsor a card party and wine-tasting party on Monday, March 22, in the parish center, Sunny Isles.

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Their annual carnival will VISITATION CHURCH on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, March 25, 26, and 27, on the grounds at N. Miami Ave. and 191 St.

A covered-dish supper and Columbus Alumni Patrick's Day begins at 9 p.m., Saturday, March 20 in ST. VINCENT DE PAUL parish hall, under the auspices of the Social Committee of the Parish Council.

#### **Broward County**

A dessert card party under the auspices of ST. ANTHONY Club, Woman's Fort Lauderdale, begins at 1 p.m., Tuesday, March 23, in the parish clubrooms, A business meeting at noon precedes the party to which friends and visitors are invited.

Their annual Family Picnic will be sponsored by ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST Guild, Fort Lauderdale, between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. at Cardinal Gibbons High School campus, NE 47 St. and Bayview Dr. Games will begin at 1:30 p.m. and food will be served from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets will be available after Sunday Masses.

A St. Patrick's International dinner and dance will be held in OUR LADY

QUEEN OF MARTYRS parish cafeteria, 2731 SW 11 Ct., Fort Lauderdale at 7 p.m. today (Friday) under the auspices of the Women's Club. Music will be provided by the Ginny Kay Trio. A corned beef and cabbage dinner will be served.

\*\*\* Members of the THIRD ORDER of St. Francis, Fort Lauderdale, meet at 2 p.m., Sunday, March 21, at St. Sebastian Church, 1958 SE 25 Ave. Plans will be discussed for a Day of Recollection on March

#### Palm Beach County

A prayer breakfast is scheduled at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, March 27, at the Sand Dollar Restaurant on U.S.I. Jupiter. Guest speaker will be Lu Vitabello, Father Peter Cheng HOLY SPIRIT parish, Lantana, will give the invocation and entertainment will be provided by the Steen Family. Tickets may be obtained by calling 746-0895 or 746-5784.

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''Mad Their annual Hatters Luncheon and Fashion Show" will be sponsored by the SACRED HEART Guild, Lake Worth, at 11 a.m., Saturday, March 27 at Holiday Inn, Palm Beach. Fashions by Dutchmaid will be featured. Tickets may be obtained by calling 588-6773 or 588-1045.

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Father Vincent Mele, O.F.M., Holy Name of Jesus parish, West Palm Beach, will speak on "Ecumenism" during the last in the Adult Education Series at ST. EDWARD parish, Palm Beach, at 7:30 p.m., Monday, March 22.

\*★★ "We the People" is the theme of a Bicentennial musical which parishioners of HOLY SPIRIT Church, Lantana, will present on Friday Saturday, March 26 and 27, at Finnish Workers' Educational Club, 908 Lehto Lane, Lake Worth. Tickets may be obtained by calling 588-7828. Vera Newstead Rowley is the director of the show which will be staged on Friday at 7:30 p.m. and at 2 p.m. Saturday.

A canned goods collection to aid the needy through the Palm Beach County Catholic Service Bureau will be taken up after all the Masses on Sunday. March 21 at HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH, Lantana.



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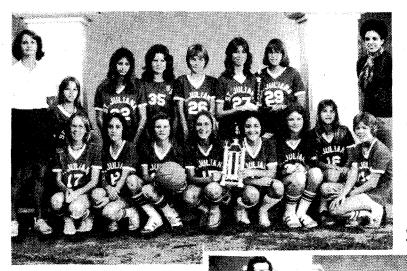
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And here is the winning male team, also from St. Juliana: Front, left to right-Joe Colome, Wesley Earl, Eric Barill, Franky Fundora, Bobby Oen, Eddie Blake, George Fana. Back-Jon Elordi, Bobby Reams, Alfredo Padron, Joe Bergquist, Michael Sylvester. Coaches: Jim O'Neal, Rick Wolpert.

# Workshops, meetings, fun times are coming up

By ELAINE SCHENK

again! Another Leadership Training Conference for parish youth group officers and future officers. And at the same time, workshops for their counselors and advisors. This is all going on the weekend of April 24-25 at St. Thomas Aquinas High in Fort Lauderdale.

The hours are 9 a.m. 6 p.m. both days—but remember, no overnight accommodations. This'll be the last leadership training conference before the end of the school year, so be sure to sign up now. And oh yeah, it's not regional.

(That means it's for people Board meeting Monday, Mar. • Wow, they're doing it from all over the Archdiocese.)

#### Your Corner

You can get more info from the Youth Activities Office by calling 757-6241 (Dade), 525-5157 (Ft. Laud.) or 833-1951 (Palm Beach).

• We're told "Anything Goes"...makes you wonder what your Archdiocesan Board is up to these days! I personally think you'd do well to keep an

22, at 6:30 p.m. in Holy Family School All CYO-ers are invited to make this effort to keep their officers in line and hear discussion on Operation S.I.G.N., the Convention and— 'Anything Goes.'

• You haven't forgotten the essay and poster contest, have you? Try to answer the question, "What have we as a nation done in the past 200 years and where are we headed in the future?" Remember the deadline is April 1. Entries can be mailed or brought to the Youth Activities Office, 6180 eye on them by attending the N.E. 4 th Ct., 33137.

## Straight Talk Why is Sabbath on Sunday?

Answering your questions is Father Richard Sudlik, O.M.I. Address letters to him c/o "Straight Talk," The Voice, P. O. Box 381059, Miami, Fla. 33138

Dear Father,

I have heard that the Sabbath was at one time on Saturday. If this is true, who gave the authority to change it to Sunday? If it was changed by man are we in sin for not holding to the true Sabbath? I know the Lord didn't change the Sabbath. He obeyed his Sunday is a mini-Easter. Father's laws.

Barbara

Dear Barbara, The very early Church

kept the Sabbath, the day dedicated to God, on Saturday as was the practice of the Jews of that time. It is important to remember that the early Christians were Jewish. The early Church, however, soon came to understand that Jesus was the center of their faith, and that his Resurrection was his most important act. The Christian Sabbath came to be celebrated on Sunday as a sign of belief in the Resurrection. Every Sunday is a commemoration of Easter. Every

The change of our day of worship to Sunday came from the inspiration of the Church. This should not be seen as

simply the work of men. It is the work of God's Spirit as seen through the actions of men. Our belief in the Church as the presence of Christ among us means that when the Church acts with authority it is to do the will of God in the world today. When we say that we believe in the Church, we are accepting Christ's promise that He will be with us to the end of



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# Sports Scene

# Net year ends badly, other sports pick up

By GEORGE FORNASH

The "out-of-towners" did a complete number on the Catholic schools involved in girls' regional basketball playoffs last week. Pace, Assumption and St. Brendan all were beaten by teams from other counties in tournament action. Fort Lauderdale Dillard opened up early in defeating Pace, 54-37 in Region 4AAA. Jackie LeBel was the top scorer for the Spartans along with Margie Wessel and Mary Pearsall. Assumption, who won their two district games on last moment free throws, died by the same sword in Region 4AA. John Carol High of Fort Pierce hit two foul shots with 48 seconds left to beat Assumption, 28-26. Elena Pernas and Mayi Rodriguez were leading scorers for Assumption. St. Brendan was upended by Fort Lauderdale Westminster Christian in Region 4A, 54-41. Westminster rolled up a big margin in the first half and coasted home. Julia Ludovici led St. Brendan.

As basketball came to an end, the girls' attention turned softball and Lourdes Academy showed that they are already in full swing. They used two home runs by Carol O'Domski to defeat Assumption, 13-5.

DIAMOND action for the guys saw Columbus' undefeated streak come to a halt at seven games as they lost to South Dade, 3-0. But before that, they demolished Miami Beach, 14-0 as the Explorers ran wild for 14 stolen bases and Tony Massaro hurled his second no-hitter in three games. Also, Kerry Nash shut out Killian, 3-0 as John Bow smashed a home run. Curley edged Pace 3-2 for their third win of the year. Nestor Paz was the winning pitcher and drove in the winning run. Belen won two games, beating Pine Crest and Fla. Christian. Jose Mendana, Jack Macia and Kiko

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Fernandez were the hitting stars and Gus Perez-Abreu and Carlos Mejides were the pitching stars. LaSalle bombed Deerborne, 12-2 behind the hitting of Ervin Gonzalez and the pitching of Jim Susi.

Pace chalked up track victories by both their boys and girls. The girls beat Westminster Christian as Stephanie Bain won the 220 dash, the low hurdles and was on the winning 440 relay team. The guys zoomed past St. Thomas, 107½-24½. Juan Diaz in the one mile and two mile run and Richard Turner in the 120 high hurdles and 330 intermediate hurdles were double winners for the Spartans. LaSalle won a triangular meet over Gulliver and Riverside. Double winners for the Royals were Julio Varona in the one mile and two mile and Tim Brown in the 120 high hurdles and the long jump. Mike Balais and Richard Boyle were double winners for Belen as they captured a triangular meet over Coral Shores and Palmer Prep. Boyle took the one mile and two mile and Balais won the shot put and the

IN TENNIS action, Carrollton edged Lourdes 4-3 behind Libby Amdur and Almeida Hatcher. Unbeaten Miami Beach then knocked Carrollton from the ranks of the undefeated, 5-2.



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# St. Joseph's marks 60th in Stuart

By GEOFFREY BIRT Voice Correspondent

STUART-St. Joseph's parish here marks its 60th anniversary today, March 19-St. Joseph's feast day-which makes it one of the older parishes in the archdiocese and the State.

A Mass celebrating the historic occasion, will be offered by the pastor, Father Matthew A. Morgan, and a large crowd is expected. However, the social events to commemorate the birthday are scheduled Sunday, March 28.

Father Morgan said that Sunday, March 21, (nearest Sunday to the anniversary) is unsuitable for the planned Golden Jubilee picnic, exhibits and displays and musical program in the church grounds, since that is the date when the sacrament of Confirmation is to be administered.

Miss Elaine Pekar, the parish director of religious education, is general chairman of the March 28 event. She also has researched the history of the parish as a contribution to the event.

In January 1915, Father Brislan, S.J., pastor of St. Ann's parish, West Palm Beach, visited Stuart as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Zarnits, who were winter visitors. He offered Mass on the porch of their home, with 11 people present.

The Zarnits donated some land in March, 1916, and the men of the tiny new parish built a small wooden frame church in which the first Mass was celebrated, Sunday, March 19. On that day, sixty years ago, the congregation totaled 35. This first Stuart church, dedicated to St. Joseph, was located on Cleveland Ave. and was used until 1947. It was served by a Father Gabriel from Fort Pierce.

Stuart had grown somewhat, and the number of Catholics in Stuart had increased considerably, but the parish continued to be served from Ft. Pierce.

The late Fr. Joseph J. Fahy administered the young parish from October 1928 until December 1935, and Fr.

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Michael Beerhalter succeeded him until June, 1942. Fr. John V. O'Sullivan, who died in December 1956, became St. Joseph's first resident pastor between June, 1942 and Oct. 1944.

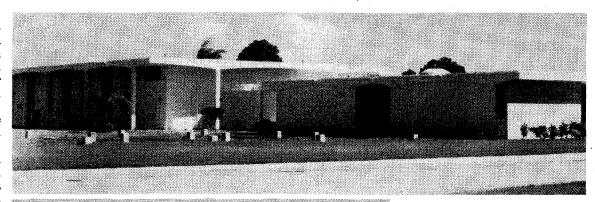
was during the pastorate of Fr. Timothy J. Geary (Oct. 1944-(Mar. 1953) that a site was purchased between Fourth Street and Osceola Ave. where the Stuart National Bank is now located.

The second St. Joseph Church was the community chapel used during World War II at Camp Murphy, in nearby Jonathan Dickinson State Park. This was sawed in half, and floated on a barge by way of the St. Lucie River, and landed near the site of the rectory on Osceola Ave. The first Mass was celebrated in it. Thanksgiving Day, November 1947. Patty Zarnits, a great grandchild of the original Zarnits, was the first child to be baptized in the new church.

The Sisters of St. Joseph had established their novitiate nearby, and in 1958 had opened St. Joseph's academy for girls in the first six grades, at Jensen Beach, and there was already discussion about starting a parochial school in Stuart.

It was during the pastorate of Fr. Noah E. Brunner (Mar. 1959 - Dec. 1961) that tragedy struck the parish. Fire gutted the church in January, 1960 leaving only the walls and roof standing. how Father Brunner donned a fireman's helmet and, acbuilding to rescue the Blessed temporarily, at the Sisters' novitiate.

The diocese had acquired the present tract of land on 10th Street, and on April 10 three months after the fire, a dedicated by the Arch- conditioned. bishop on July 23, 1961.





Present Church and School in St. Joseph parish, Stuart, shown above, was built in 1961. At left is the original church formerly used at Camp Murphy as a community chapel. First Masses were celebrated in the early 1900's in the parish.

At this time, the parish totaled about 410 families. The school opened on September 13, 1961, with Sr. Mary Alacoque Newspaper accounts report as principal. There was an enrollment of 100.

Fr. John Januszewski companied by Fire Chief Milton became the new pastor in Griffin, entered the flaming December 1961 and remained until August 1968. During his Sacrament. Masses were said, pastorate, the school was enlarged to include Grades 5 through 8 (1966), and the present rectory was built.

Fr. John J. McAtavey (Aug. 1968-June1972) was the pastor when the parish hall was church-school building was built, and the church air-

St. Joseph's present pastor

is Fr. Matthew A. Morgan, who took over his responsibilities in June, 1972. His assistant pastor is Fr. Aloysius Lucking.

Four parishes have been created from St. Joseph's -St. Cristopher's, Hobe Sound; St. Jude, Jupiter; Holy Cross,

Indiantown, and St. Martin DePorres, Jensen Beach. Today, children are bused to its shool from the St. Jude's and St. Christopher's parishes.

Today, there are 1141 families in the present boundaries of the parish, and the school has an enrollment of 246 in grades one through eight.



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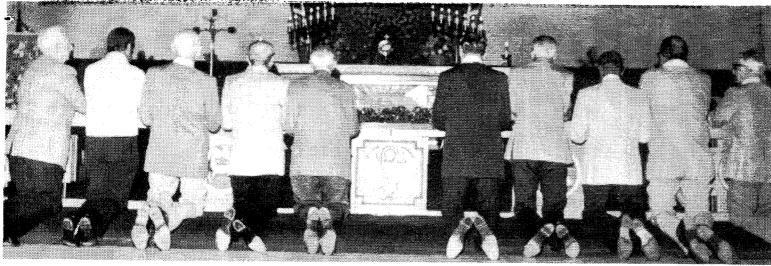
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Nocturnal Adoration Society members are shown as they kneel before the altar in Little Flower Church, Hollywood, during exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Some 75 men are now

members of the parish group, one of several now active in the Archdiocese of Miami.

# They pray while others sleep

HOLLYWOOD - The Nocturnal Adoration Society, which invites men to assemble Blessed Sacrament, is one of for the 41st International Eucharistic Congress.

to the Eucharist is the purpose Eucharistic prayers which are of the Eucharistic Congress, recited for one hour. Another Father Charles Ward who is

of Miami for the Congress, emphasized that those participating in Nocturnal in church and pray before the Adoration "are living examples altar during exposition of the of the kind of devotion which the Congress is intended to the national organizations most foster among the faithful. They actively involved in preparation are doing year round what the Congress advocates," he said.

Traditionally the devotion Since renewal of devotion begins at 10 p.m. with

throughout the hours of the receive credit for their presence. night. At 6 a.m. a priest celebrates Benediction of the the Nocturnal Adoration Blessed Sacrament.

Hours of adoration are rotated monthly so that in the course of a year each Nocturnal Adorer will have easy as well as difficult hours. Those whose health does not permit them to rotate hours may always make use of the first hour of adoration. Under the new group of men arrives to pray at regulations of the Society, Archdiocesan Coordinator of 11 p.m. while a third takes over wives of men may accompany preparations in the Archdiocese at midnight, and so on them to the devotion and

At Little Flower parish, Society is now in its 13th year participating in devotions on the First Fridays of every month. They have a current

mailing list of 75 persons.

Those interested inaugurating a unit of the Nocturnal Adoration Society in their parish are urged to write Nicholas Costea at 2223 Madison St., Hollywood, Fla., 33020, or to call him at 923-

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A specially-designed "Eucharistic Mission" carrying out the themes of the 41st International Eucharistic Congress slated for August in Philadelphia, will begin Monday, March 21 in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Opa Locka.

Father Charles Mallen. C.SS.R., coordinator spiritual preparations in the Archdiocese of Miami for the Congress, will conduct the mission which will emphasize Hunger for Freedom, Hunger for the Spirit, and Hunger for Jesus, the Bread of Life.

Devotions will be held at 8:15 a.m. and 8 p.m. daily through March 26 in the parish church at NW 135 St. and 28

According to Father Mallen a special banner is being prepared linking the Congress to the bicentennial year which will read "200 Years of Freedom: 2,000 Years of Faith.

Father Charles Ward is Archdiocesan Coordinator in South Florida of the spiritual renewal program in preparation for the Eucharistic Congress.

## Seminary setting record, Archbishop announces

number of students-more than 80-are studying for the priesthood at St. Vincent de Paul Major Seminary, Boynton Beach, Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll announced Sunday.

Speaking before a capacity crowd at The Breakers Hotel at the annual St. Patrick's Brunch arranged by St. Edward's Guild, the Archbishop first spoke of the growth of the Church throughout the Archdiocese of Miami during recent years. He then added:

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The Archbishop also drew the attention of the more than 500 Palm Beachers, to the Catholic charitable and welfare needs of the diocese, and thanked them for their past financial help and prayers for meeting these responsibilities, especially during the just-

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#### Importancia del testimonio

La Buena Nueva debe ser proclamada, en primer lugar, mediante el testimonio.

Supongamos un cristiano o un grupo de cristianos que, dentro de la comunidad donde viven. humana manifiestan su capacidad de comprensión y de aceptación, su comunión de vida y de destino con los demás, su solidaridad en los esfuerzos de todos en cuanto existe de noble y bueno. Supongamos además que irradian de manera sencilla y espontánea su fe en los valores que van más allá de los valores corrientes, y su esperanza en algo que no se ve ni osarían soñar. A través de este testimonio sin palabras, estos cristianos hacen plantearse, a quienes contemplan vida, interrogantes irresistibles: ¿Por qué son así? ¿Por qué viven de esa manera? ¿Qué es o quién es el que los inspira? ¿Por qué están con nosotros? Pues bien, este testimonio constituye ya de por sí una proclamación silenciosa, pero también muy clara y eficaz, de la Buena Nueva. Hay en ello un gesto inicial de evangelización. Son posiblemente las primeras preguntas que se plantearán muchos no cristianos, bien se trate de personas de las que Cristo no había sido nunca anunciado, de bautizados no practicantes, de gentes que viven en cristiano pero según principios no cristianos, bien se trate de gentes que buscan, no sin sufrimiento, algo o a Alguien que ellos adivinan pero sin poder darle un nombre. Surgirán otros interrogantes, más profundos y más comprometedores, este provocados por testimonio que comporta presencia, participación, solidaridad y que es un elemento esencial, en general el primero absolutamente en la evangelización.

Todos los cristianos están llamados a este testimonio y, en este sentido, pueden ser verdaderos evangelizadores. Se nos ocurre pensar especialmente en la responsabilidad que recae sobre los emigrantes en los países que los reciben.

Necesidad de anuncio explicito

22. Y sin embargo esto sigue siendo insuficiente, pues el más hermoso testimonio se revelará a la larga impotente si no es esclarecido, justificado-lo que Pedro llamaba dar "razón de vuestra esperanza"-, explicitado por un anuncio claro e inequívoco del Señor Jesús. La Buena Nueva proclamada por el testimonio de vida deberá ser pues, tarde o temprano, proclamada por la palabra de vida. No hay evangelización verdadera, mientras no se anuncie el nombre, la doctrina, la vida, las promesas, el reino, el misterio de Jesús de Nazaret Hijo de Dios.

La historia de la Iglesia, a partir del discurso de Pedro en la mañana de Pentecostés, se entremezcla y se confunde con la historia de este anuncio. En cada nueva etapa de la historia humana, la Iglesia, impulsada continuamente por el deseo de evangelizar, no tiene más que una preocupación: ¿a quién enviar para anunciar el misterio de Jesús? ¿En qué lenguaje anunciar este misterio? ¿Cómo lograr que resuene y llegue a todos aquellos que lo deben escuchar? Este anuncio-kerigma, predicación o catequesis-adquiere un puesto tan importante en la evangelización que con frecuencia es en realidad su sinónimo. Sin embargo no pasa de ser un aspecto.

### ORACION DE LOS FIELES

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LECTOR: Nuestra respuesta será: "Señor, escucha nuestra oración." Jesús fue a orar en la soledad del desierto. Para que sepamos callar y escuchar la voz del Padre, oremos al Señor.

PUEBLO: Señor, escucha nuestra oración.
LECTOR: La Resurrección del Señor es nuestra esperanza. Para que llevemos su mensaje y dé consuelo a los que sufren, oremos al

PUEBLO: Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

LECTOR: Jesús fue un hombre de acción. Para que pongamos nuestros talentos al servicio del Pueblo de Dios, oremos al Señor.

PUEBLO: Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

LECTOR: La Iglesia necesita sacerdotes y religiosos. Para que aumenten las vocaciones en nuestra comunidad latina, oremos al Señor

PUEBLO: Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

LECTOR: La Cuaresma es la oportunidad de renovar nuestra fe. Para que escuchemos y vivamos la Palabra de Dios, oremos al Señor.

PUEBLO: Señor, escucha nuestra oración.

**CELEBRANTE:** Padre Santo, confiamos en tu providencia. Ayudamos a escucharte y a seguirte como fieles discípulos de Cristo, quien vive y reina por los siglos de los siglos.

PUEBLO: Amén.

# El Mesias esperado

P. Juan J. Sosa

Jesús nace en un mundo lleno de conflictos, y en ese mismo mundo comienza su misión de predicar un mensaje inigualable y dinámico. Los Romanos gobernaban a Judea. El pueblo de Israel había pasado de mano en mano a través de su historia: Asirios, Babilonios, Persas, Griegos, Sirios. Incapaces de formar un gobierno por sí mismos, el Imperio de Roma tomó las riendas de este pueblo sin líderes.

No obstante, el pueblo de Israel anhelaba ser liberado una vez más. En la tradición profética e histórica que los unía al pasado y les proveía de una esperanza en el futuro, los Israelistas soñaban con el Mesías que iba a venir de la casa de David, un héroe guerrero que destruiría el dominio de los paganos y devolvería el poder y la gloria de Israel al mundo entero.

Mientras una gran mayoría ensalzaba las cualidades humanas y físicas del Mesías, unos cuantos trataban de señalar sus cualidades espirituales: un hombre justo, generoso, misericordioso, honesto y dedicado por completo al servicio de Yavé. En otros círculos religiosos y políticos, los Iraelitas buscaban dos Mesías para compaginar las cualidades que muchos habían esperado en uno solo: uno sería, pues un guerrero invencible, y el otro un hombre santo, un hombre de Dios. La secta de Qumram, descubierta recientemente por Manuscritos encontrados en el Mar Muerto, esperaba un Mesías que iba a nacer de la línea de David v otro de la línea de Aaron: en otras palabras, uno iba a ser Rey, y el otro, Sacerdote. Finalmente, el Mesías esperado iba a ser reconocido por muchos como 'el profeta'.

En cierta ocasión, y en este ambiente, un joven de Galilea se apareció ante Juan Bautista que iba pregonando la conversión y el bautismo de penitencia. El grupo de Juan puede haber sido uno de los grupos Baptistas que desde lo más profundo de la tradición judía llamaba a la conversión radical al espíritu de la Ley del Señor. Este joven de Galilea, sin embargo, se sometió al Bautismo de Juan. Podía trazar su descendencia a la línea real de David que no había sido interrumpida desde destrucción del Reino del Sur en el año 587 B.C. La muchedumbre no le reconoció; no podía imaginarse que este joven era el 'esperado' el que iba a predicar un Reino diferente, y les iba a ofrecer la única y verdadera

No pasó mucho tiempo para que Jesús, el joven de Galilea, atrajera la atención de un grupo de seguidores, hambrientos por un estilo de vida diferente. Muchos de ellos creían que El era el Mesías. Jesús prudentemente les pedía que no dijeran nada. Cada vez que se le señala como tal Jesús, sin negarlo, resiste tal proclamación. En el Evangelio de Marcos se le conoce más por Hijo del Hombre, que por Mesías. Simplemente parece que a Jesús no le gustaba el título de Mesías

por la complejidad que llevaba en sí y por los conceptos confusos que el pueblo le había dado a dicho título.

Durante su vida pública, Jesús permaneció como un Misterio para todos los que le conocieron y convivieron con El. En muchas ocasiones sus mismos discipulos no le comprendían. No fue hasta después de Su Resurrección, que la luz del Resurrección, que la luz del Señor disipó la oscuridad de sus seguidores. Fortalecidos por la Presencia de Su Espíritu pudieron poco a poco discernir quién era Jesús y cómo Su Misión

iba a completar el plan salvífico que el Padre había ofrecido a Su Pueblo.

Esto es la experiencia de la Iglesia Primitiva para quien no había ninguna duda sobre Jesús. El era el Cristo, el Ungido, el Mesías esperado por las generaciones pasadas que iba señalando el camino de peregrinación las que generaciones del futuro emprenderían: un camino donde el caminante no estaría solo; El le acompañaría; un camino trazado para aquellos que le proclaman y le aceptan en sus corazones.

# Conoce tu fe

Versión al Español Por P. JUAN J. SOSA

# En tiempos de Jesus

La situación social y política del pueblo de Israel aparece bien marcada en el tiempo en que aparece Jesús de Nazaret a predicar su Mensaje. En Palestina, pues, hay una serie de tradiciones y de grupos que expresan conceptos similares aunque a veces conflictivos. Observando a estos grupos brevemente el lector pueda darse una mejor impresión del cuadro político-religioso en que Jesús se desenvolvio

FARISEOS: un grupo minoritario que da gran importancia a la Ley de Moisés. No tienen ellos la formación que tienen los ESCRIBAS quienes son los especialistas que interpretan las Escrituras. Viven en grupos pequeños. Jesús les reprocha más la hipocresía con que ellos pretenden vivir los extremos de la ley.

SADUCEOS: pertenecen a la aristocracia de los Sacerdotes. De ellos se escoge al Sumo Sacerdote del Templo de Jerusalén. Sus actitudes son sumamente conservadoras y se oponen, pues, a Jesús con sus ideas radicales. Se oponen también a los Fariseos, ya que los Saduceos no creen en la resurreción de los muertos.

MOVIMIENTOS BAPTISTAS: grupos que anuncian la venida de una época diferente, de una era de salvación. El signo ritual usado por ellos es el bautismo de penitencia para el que utilizaban agua. Se oponen violentamente al Templo y a las barbaridades que en él se realizan (i.e. sacrificios de animales). Cada grupo se desenvuelve bajo el liderazgo de un llamado "profeta"; Juan Bautista es uno de ellos.

CELOTAS: movimiento revolucionario que quiere arrojar a los romanos de Palestina para restaurar el prestigio del pueblo. Los romanos consideran 'celota' a todo movimiento originado en Galilea; así consideraron a Jesús.

ESENIOS: miembros de un monasterio que descansaba al borde del Mar Muerto. Posiblemente se originó alrededor del año 150 antes de Cristo. Son cultos y están relacionados con los fariseos, pero en el mismo espíritu que los celotas, los esenios viven al margen del judaísmo oficial.

ANCIANOS: seglares ricos y poderosos que rehusan renunciar a sus privilegios; en su mayoría, los ancianos son altos funcionarios de Jerusalén.

HERODIANOS de Galilea: también quieren expulsar del país a los romanos que son extranjeros y opresores. De por sí, los herodianos son partidarios del Rey Herodes. Creen al principio que Jesús es el indicado para esta misión política de devolverle el Reino a Herodes por completo: poco después se dan cuenta de su equivocación.

La religión oficial judaica tiene que sufrir una reforma. Carece el espíritu de liberación que desde Moisés había acompañado al pueblo de

No responde a las necesidades del pueblo porque vive cubierta de leyes y obliga a los que la practican a vivir de las leyes. Los diferentes movimientos que como tradiciones surgen al margen de la religión judía se conviertieron en señales proféticas que llamaron al 'cambio' radical en busca del mensaje de Yavé.



#### COMENTARIOS EVANGELICOS

### Al fin y al cabo, Dios es Dios

Por el Rev. JOSE P. NICKSE

Jesús subió a Jerusalen. Encontró en el Templo a los vendedores de bueyes, ovejas y palomas y también a los cambistas, sentados detrás de sus mesas. Hizo un látigo con cuerdas y los echó fuera del Templo...A los que vendían palomas les dijo: "Saquen eso de aquí y no hagan de la Casa de mi Padre un lugar de negocios."

Juan 2:13-25

Antiguamente, antes de las Misas de guitarras, el saludo de paz y cuando el sábado Santo era el sábado de Gloria, nos machucaban en la cabeza el "santo temor" de Dios.

Llegaron los cambios. Ahora hablamos de amor y de paz, comulgamos de pie, y hasta podemos ir a Misa el sábado por la noche para tener el domingo "libre." Aquel Dios rugidor del pre-Vaticano II se nos ha convertido en un tigre de papel.

Esto, por supuesto, es una caricatura.

Pero es una realidad que en nuestros tiempos a veces perdemos la perspectiva de la omnipotencia divina de un Dios que al fin y al cabo,

"¡Qué cosa más espantosa es caer en las manos del Dios vivo!" Así nos dice el autor de la Carta a los Hebreos en el capítulo 10. Porque si es verdad que el evangelio nos presenta un Dios que es amor, también nos presenta un Dios que es justo, que es el Todpoderoso, creador de cielos y tierra. Y por ser Dios Todopoderoso, tiene el poder de sanar, de restaurar, de dar vida aun a los muertos.

¿Cuál es la reacción del Profeta Isaias al sentir el llamado de Dios? Sentirse maravillado ante la grandeza de Dios y exclamar: '¡Ay de mí!, estoy perdido.'

¿Y la experiencia de Pablo camino a Damasco? ¿Acaso no quedó ciego y tan impresionado que no pudo comer o beber por tres días?

La Cuaresma es un buen momento para re-descubrir a nuestro Dios. Un Dios que nos puede amar y salvar precisamente por ser Dios. Y no entendamos mal a Dios. A Dios no se le teme como pudieramos temer cualquier cosa de este mundo. Tememos, respetamos, y amamos a Dios porque es el Misterio de la misma existencia.

Es verdad que Dios se hizo hombre. Es verdad que Dios prefirió el pesebre a un trono de oro. Es verdad que Dios murió en una cruz como un vulgar criminal. Pero Dios sigue siendo Dios.

La presencia de Dios llena al hombre de temor y alegría; tranquiliza e inquieta al mismo tiempo. Ponerse en la presencia de Dios, a través de la oración privada o comunitaria en la Iglesia, es arañar el misterio del infinito.

Nuestra vida de fe debe ser alegre, humana, orientada hacia nuestros hermanos. Pero nunca debe ser un sentimentalismo artificial, sino una experiencia profunda de la presencia de Dios en nuestras vidas. Una experiencia realmente única; porque...

Al fin y al cabo, Dios es Dios.

# Anunciación

En el silencio de una profunda oscuridad, suceden las cosas más grandes.

Así fue concebido el Niño-Dios dentro de las



entrañas de la Virgen María, cuando ella consintiera en hacerse Su Madre.

¿Por qué Dios escogió venir a nosotros a través de una muchachita desconocida salvo en su propio pueblo y entre sus propios parientes? Miremos. Entre las múltiples virtudes que obsesrvamos en María aparece la que hace la síntesis de todas las demás: la virtud del honor. Fue el honor lo que hizo que María guardase "todas estas cosas en su corazón'' y las meditase. No quiso ir a anunciar todo a sus amigas y vecinas, ni sus alegrías ni los profundos sufrimientos que padeciera. Ella fue humilde, no queriendo destacarse así misma. Mientras crecía dentro de su cuerpo el Rey del cielo, guardaba un sigilo absoluto e iba meditando lo que Dios hacía a través de ella. Así pudo penetrar este misterio y saber responder a El en cada momento.

Celebramos este jueves, día 25 de marzo, la festividad de la Anunciación. Es apropiadísimo que esta fiesta caiga encajada en la temporada de Cuaresma, pues así fue escondida en la historia, en Nazaret, en la vida silenciosa de una joven callada, la iniciación del Nuevo Testamento, la llegada a la tierra del mismo Dios hecho hombre, el primer paso en el cumplimiento de la Promesa, la profecía, y los sueños de toda la historia.

Sepamos escuchar silenciosamente la voz del Señor que se hace oir insistentemente dentro de nosotros. No apaguemos esa voz interior que nos llama a algo más grande, más santo.

Como María, guardemos en el corazón las penas y las alegrías de nuestro vivir, y en la oración iremos descubriendo en ellas los signos de la presencia de Dios.

El se hace presente en nuestra vida y nosotros le servimos de cauce para que otros le encuentren.

Busquemos los signos de Dios en nuestra mundo. El está ahí para los que saben descubrirle.

María le reconoció y respondió. Por eso hoy tenemos a un Redentor Hermano.



### Nuestro mundo

## **Bicentenario** en St. Dominic

Con ocasión del año bicentenario de este país, tuvo lugar la pasada semana en la parroquia de St. Dominic, un acto homenaje preparado por los estudiantes del programa de adultos de esa parroquia.

Los estudiantes, que han aprendido inglés a través de este programa inciado por Rhea Gravel hace unos seis años, pasan hoy de los 2,000 y muchos son ya hoy ciudadanos americanos.

El acto se inició con la invocación del padre José J. Yoldi, O.P. y la entrega de la bandera de Estados Unidos por un oficial de la Legión Americana el Sr. Jacques F. Russell, a los alumnos

Frank de Varona, Director del Centro de adultos de Coral Park habló sobre el sentido del año bicentenario, y agradeció a la parroquia el haber colaborado por varios años en el programa.

El acto incluyó la participación de los alumnos con cantos, poesías y un buffet internacional preparado por ellos mismos.

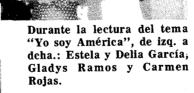


Rhea Gravel (izquierda) inició el programa hace seis años. Lloyd L. Brumfield

(derecha) Director del programa de adultos del Condado de Dade, habló a los participantes sobre "América, tierra de in-migrantes." Según informa Rhea

Gravel, organizadora de los cursos de inglés, el programa forma parte de la división de educación para adultos del condado de Dade y depende del Centro para Adultos de Coral Park High School.

Las clases tienen lugar en el local parroquial de St.





Conversando con el padre Yoldi (izq) Frank de Varona, director del Centro de educación de adultos, Coral Park.

Dominic 5909 N.W. St., de lunes a viernes comenzando a las 9 a.m. durante 16 semanas, por un coste de \$5,00. El próximo curso se inicia el 21 de Abril.

#### Después del terremoto

E N CIUDAD GUATEMALA— el Comité Cristiano de Emergencia que reúne a 1,500 voluntarios de nueve organizaciones católicas para ayudar a las víctimas de los devastadores terremotos de febrero, ha pedido que los trabajos de reconstrucción se concentren en "el desarrollo humano" de las clases pobres, por siglos víctimas de la injusticia, sobre todo los indios. Agrega que la mejor forma es ayudarles a levantar de nuevo sus cosechas y su artesanía cerámica, tejidos, canastas y cueros- que son su principal fuente de ingresos. Estas actividades, heredadas de los antepasados, resultaron impedidas por el desastre.

#### El Papa y la muerte

EN CIUDAD VATICANO, un funcionario explicó que cuando el Papa Paulo VI dijo en su reciente audiencia de Cuaresma que "participaré en un retiro espiritual para prepararme para la Pascua de Resurrección y para mi propia muerte," expresó un tema de meditación y no un juicio sobre su salud, que sigue siendo buena. Además, el Papa estaba impresionado por la muerte de su

amigo Mons. Enrico Bartoletti el 6 de marzo; el prelado era secretario de la Conferencia Episcopal de Italia.

#### Operación Taza de arroz

El Catholic Relief Services (CRS) informa que 130 diócesis de Estados Unidos participan en "Operación Taza de Arroz," en la cual millones de Católicos donan el dinero que ahorran con sus ayunos de Cuaresma, a obras de beneficencia en los países pobres. El mismo CRS dice que 6.5 millones de tazas que distribuye en parroquias, se agotan rápidamente.

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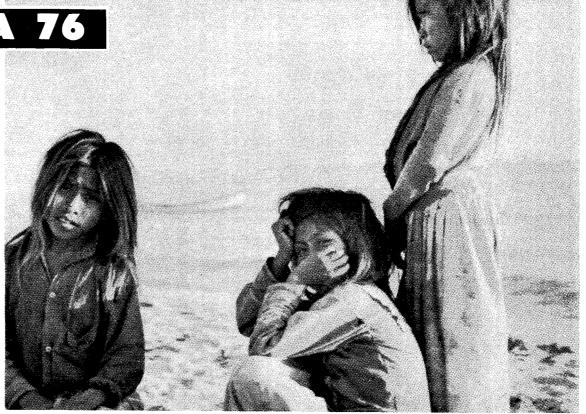
Padre compasivo y lleno de bondad, quieres curar las heridas de nuestro egoismo, y nos llamas a la oración, al ayuno y a compartir con nuestros hermanos. Cuando la debilidad oscurezca nuestro peregrinar Sea Tu compasión para nosotros un rayo de esperanza. Condúcenos por la Cuaresma del arrepentimiento a la bellara de la classifa Pagaval.

a la belleza de la alegría Pascual. Te lo pedimos por tu Hijo Jesús. Amén.

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# Estudian problemas de inmigrantes, exiliados e 'ilegales' en Estados Unidos

"Para que uno deje su país tiene que haber una razón muy rande y hace falta mucho valor," dijo el director de Servicios de Inmigración de la Conferencia Católica de Estados Unidos, John McCarthy, ante directores del servicio católico de inmigración de distintas partes de la nación reunidos en Miami.

Los delegados vinieron a estudiar durante tres días los actuales problemas y las más recientes leyes y regulaciones sobre inmigración, deportación, visados, empleo a extranjeros, ayuda gubernamental, extensión de visas, ciudadanías y otros detalles técnicos que afectan a los extranjeros que vienen a Estados Unidos, legal o ilegalmente.

Según Mc Carthy, hay "Millones" de inmigrantes "ilegales," especialmente mexicanos, canadienses,
haitianos, y nadie sabe cómo
resolver el problema, cómo identificarlos, qué hacer con ellos
cuando son descubiertos.

Hablando antes 65 delegados de distintas parte se Estados Unidos y autoridades e invitados locales, McCarthy dijo que él creía que nunca "podría salir de mi país y empezar una nueva vida en una tierra extraña como hicieron los cubanos y los vietnamitas. Hay que tener mucho

Destacando el aporte de inmigrantes y refugiados políticos, el visitante dijo:

"Si los cubanos se fueran de Miami mañana, se pararían las factorías, los bancos no trabajarían, la industria textil cesaría."

Momentos antes el Arzobispo Coleman F. Carroll se había referido al clamor de los cubanos y los haitianos en el Sur de la Florida, recordando los problemas que surgieron entre 1959 y 1961, cuando cientos de miles de cubanos comenzaron a llegar a Miami y no existía un proceso legal para aceptarlos y mucho menos para darles ayuda en cantidades tan masivas.

"Un millón de cubanos pasó por aquí y tuvimos que luchar para que las autoridades les permitieran permanecer y ganarse la vida sin las usuales restricciones que se aplican a visitantes. Se les designó como "parolees" (exentos de restricciones de visado)."

El Arzobispo recordó también que otros cientos de miles de cubanos se vieron en España sin posibilidadad de venir a Estados Unidos y cómo la Iglesia trabajó para lograr que también se les permitiera entrar como "parolees."

Criticó el actual tratamiento a los haitianos, dijo, "en forma inhumana después de que llegan a las costas de Estados Unidos por una u otra razón." Muchos se han visto forzados a escapar hacia los Everglades o terminaron en la prisión, añadió.

El Dr. Ricardo Núñez, director del Programa para Refugiados Cubanos, al hablar sobre la Arquidiócesis de Miami diio: "Cuando llegamos aquí y necesitamos ayuda, ustedes nos dieron ayuda, cuando necesitamos compasión, nos ofrecieron compasión."

Añadió Núñez que aunque su responsabilidad principal era con los refugiados cubanos, él siempre estaría abierto a atender los derechos de todos los pueblos que necesitan ayuda como la necesitó su pueblo.

Hay entre 8 y 10 millones de extranjeros ilegales en E. U., de los cuales unos seis millones son mexicanos, dijo L.A. Velarde, director regional de la división del Sudoeste.

"Nuestro interés básico es la

familia," expresó. Muchos ilegales tienen familiares que están aquí legalmente; de súbito, el padre, por ejemplo, es expulsado del país dejando atrás toda una familia. Tenemos que buscar entonces la forma de mantener unida a esa familia de alguna forma."

Entre los presentes se encontraban Edward Sweeny, director del Departamento de Inmigración y Naturalización de E. U. en Miami; Fr. Daniel Babis, Director Diocesano de Inmigración y Mons. Bryan Walsh, director diocesano del Apostolado de Viajeros y Refugiados.

# Caballeros de Colón celebran aniversario; donan ómnibus

El Consejo Nuestra Señora de la Caridad de los Caballeros de Colón, integrado en su mayoría por cubanos, celebrará el décimo quinto aniversario de su fundación en Miami con una comida en el Hotel Holiday Inn del Aeropuerto, el sábado, día 27, a las 7:30 p.m. y una misa el domingo, 28, a las 11 a.m. en la

iglesia de San Roberto Belar-

Como otra forma de celebrar su aniversario, los Caballeros de Colón Cubanos donarán un minibus para la Marian School de niños excepcionales. El ómnibus fue adquirido con la recaudación de la reciente venta de caramelos por las calles denominada

#### Escenificarán La Pasión aquí

El domingo 11 de abril será presentada en el Gusman Hall la escenificación de la Pasión de Cristo, con cuadros de su Vida, Muerte y Resurección, en tandas de 3 y 7 p.m.

"Es un esfuerzo que, como todos los años, realiza nuestra comunidad parroquial para dar un mensaje de fe y amor a los hombres para que al comenzar la Semana Santa Cristo llegue a todos," dijo el Padre Emilio Vallina, Párroco de San Juan Bosco

Campaña del Tootsie Roll, dijo Plácido Fernández, director de relaciones públicas del Consejo.

El Gran Caballero del Consejo Caridad, Francisco Ruiz, informó que para asistir a los actos vendrá a Miami el Caballero Supremo de la Orden de Caballeros de Colón en Estados Unidos, John W. McDevitt.

En el acto se celebrará también el bicentenario de Estados Unidos y los 94 años de actividad de los Caballeros de Colón

#### Retiro para jovenes y adultos en Hialeah

Con charlas para los jóvenes y para los adultos, tendrá lugar en la parroquia de St. John the Apostle, 451 E. 4 Ave., Hialeah, una tarde de Retiro Espiritual. El retiro será el domingo 4 de abril a las 3:30 de la tarde terminando con la Santa Misa a las 6:30. El predicador para los adultos será el padre Angel Villaronga, O.P.



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