

Abp. sees Office of Laity as a support, not threat

By ARACELI CANTERO
Voice Spanish Editor

The new Office of Lay Ministry should not be seen as threat, but as support to the apostolic and pastoral activity already existing in the Archdiocese, Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy told members of the Council of the Laity meeting for the first time last Saturday in the Family Enrichment Center.

Called by the Archbishop himself to assist him on matters related to the Diocesan lay apostolate, the newly formed council includes 26 lay members and a dozen priest consultants.

Earlier this year, representatives of diocesan organizations had been invited to submit names for the formation of the Council. Others were invited to volunteer their services.

They met all day Saturday, March 11, to reflect upon the Council's role in raising general awareness of the mission of the laity and of serving as an advisory body to the Office of Lay Ministry.

"Our concern here should be one of stimulating ministry in the Church and outside the Church," the Archbishop said

during his introductory remarks, making clear reference to the Chicago Declaration of Christian Concern.

Issued last December by a group of 47 Chicago area Catholics, the declaration stated that the role of the laity in the Church is being devalued by certain movements that, the signers say, have a clericalizing effect, e.g., the emphasis on Church ministries for lay people.

In general, the Chicago

statement expressed regret at what signers felt was lack of appreciation for the laity's role of acting upon the world through their everyday positions in life.

"I believe that the laity belongs in both places," Archbishop McCarthy commented.

But still, very little was discussed during Saturday's meeting about the laity's role in society. The reflection was centered in on the newly established Office of Lay Ministry and its formation program.

Some Council members questioned the need of creating specialized training for lay ministers and pointed out the danger of creating another elite in the Church that might separate the people from the community.

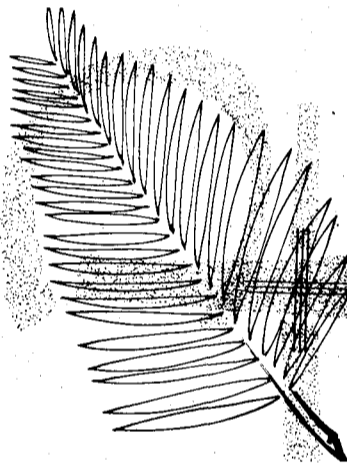
They advocated official recognition to the hundreds of committed laity already ministering in apostolic movements and parishes, some of which may not be able to interrupt their ministry in order to fulfill training requirements as set by the new office.

The Archbishop pointed out that some forms of ministry do require specialized training and some sort of planned placement, so that all areas of need may be covered.

He explained how ministry in the early Church belonged to every member of the Body, and was later on and for centuries accumulated on the priests.

"We see ministry as emerging from the Sacrament of Baptism but there is yet very little theology on the subject," said Dr. Mercedes Scopetta, Director of the Office of Lay Ministry and Chairman of the Council.

"We see ministry as the
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Palm Sunday heralds the beginning of Holy Week. Schedule of Holy Week ceremonies on page 3.



NO CLOWNING AROUND for this youngster at the South Dade Labor Camp second annual carnival—he's had it! But the fun went on for 300 other migrant children. (See page 10)

Psychiatrist to be ordained at Cathedral Saturday

When South Florida's newest Catholic priest is ordained in St. Mary Cathedral at 11 a.m., Saturday, March 18, he will answer to either "Father" or "Doctor."

Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy will confer the sacrament of Holy Orders on Dr. Sergio Garcia Miro, 41-year-old psychiatrist, who came to Miami in 1961 from Cuba.

On the eve of his ordination to the priesthood, he is confident that "As a doctor I can help people, and as a priest I will be able to help in an additional way."

He admits that he had thought about becoming a priest since his youth when he studied in Cuba at schools conducted by Jesuit Fathers. "But I wasn't sure," he recalls, "and they advised me

to wait until I was. So I went ahead with my training and practiced for a year to see if I still wanted to be a priest, knowing I could always use my medical training in the priesthood."

The son of Dr. and Mrs. Armando Garcia Comesana had completed three years of medicine when he left Havana, where his father was professor of cardiology at the University of Havana.

After arriving in Miami he was a resident counselor, for a time; at Camp Matecumbe, now known as Boystown, but then one of several centers, operated by the Catholic Archdiocese for Unaccompanied Cuban Children.

He then went to Spain where he completed medical studies at the University of Madrid in 1965. Returning to

Dade County he worked at Baptist, Cedars of Lebanon and St. Francis Hospitals, before enrolling in the psychiatric program conducted jointly by Jackson Memorial and the Veterans' Administration Hospitals with the University of Miami. Three years later he was licensed by the State of Florida and was appointed staff psychiatrist at the University of South Florida in Tampa.

Five years ago he entered St. Vincent de Paul Major Seminary, Boynton Beach, for studies in Theology. For the past year he has served as a deacon at St. Mary Cathedral.

Following ordination the newly ordained priest will be guest of honor at a reception in the Cathedral hall. He will celebrate his First Mass at 3 p.m., Sunday, March 19 at the Cathedral.



REV. DR. MIRO

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21 Members of clergy observe jubilees

"Just say I'm glad to be alive," said Msgr. Jeremiah P. O'Mahoney, a priest for 64 years, one of 21 members of the clergy who will observe jubilees marking 25, and 50 or more years of ministry during the Mass of the Holy Chrism at 6 p.m., Monday, March 20 in St. Mary Cathedral.

Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy will be the principal celebrant of the Mass during which priests of the Archdiocese will renew their commitments. Candidacy ceremonies for three major seminarians will also be included.

Msgr. Jerome Reddy of St. Jude parish, Jupiter, a priest for 65 years, said "I thank God to have served for so many years and I pray that the new young priests will stay with it all the way too."

"I THINK the biggest change I have seen in all my years was Vatican II which taught us to share our faith with others all over the world. If we would do that, really live the Christian life, we could change, not overnight, but solve the problems in the Middle East and in Northern Ireland and places like that."



MSGR. O'MAHONEY



FR FERNANDEZ



MSGR. O'LOONEY



FR. KELLAGHAN

The senior clergy to be honored are: Msgr. O'Mahoney, retired (St. Edward); Msgr. Jerome Reddy, 65 years, retired (St. Jude); Father Francisco Fernandez, 63 years, retired (St. John Bosco); Bishop Edward Dalmau, 60 years, retired (Pennsylvania Residence).

Golden Jubilarians: Msgr. John O'Looney, retired (Ireland); Msgr. Frederick Stenger, retired (St. Lucy, Highland Beach); Father John F. Leary, OMI, retired (St. George).

Silver jubilarians: Father Daniel Barrett, V.E. (St. Kieran); Father Cyril M. Hudak (St. Catherine of Siena); Father Louis Roberts (St. John Vianney Seminary); Father Leonard Stachura (Our Lady of Mercy); Father George Cardona, S.P., (Mercy Hospital); Father Romanud Dunne, S.A., (Sacred Heart); Father Daniel Fagan (St. Elizabeth); Father Jose Izquierdo, S.J., (Belen School); Father Charles Laferty, OSA, (Biscayne College); Father Louis McIntyre, TOR, (Little Flower, Hollywood); Father Angelo Nobile (Cardinal Gibbons High School); Father Joseph O'Connor, OSA, (Resurrection Church); Father J. Chester Schwab (St. Stephen

Protomartyr).

Seminarians to have ceremonies of Candidacy are John A. Barrow and Sergio Carrillo, for the Archdiocese of Miami, and Angel Pagan for the Diocese of Arecibo, P.R.

Jubilarians and their backgrounds in brief:

MSGR. JEROME REDDY

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y. and ordained May 13, 1913 at St. John the Baptist Church there, Msgr. Reddy has been assisting at St. Jude parish, Jupiter, since 1966. In addition he has assisted in Sacred Heart parish, Lake Worth; and at St. Mary Hospital, West Palm Beach.

REV. FRANCISCO FERNANDEZ

A native of Cardenas in the Province of Matanzas, Cuba, Father Fernandez del Moral was ordained in Havana on Sept. 5, 1915. From 1963 to 1969 he served as chaplain at the Sacred Heart Residence in Miami and for the past nine years has been assisting at St. John Bosco parish, Miami.

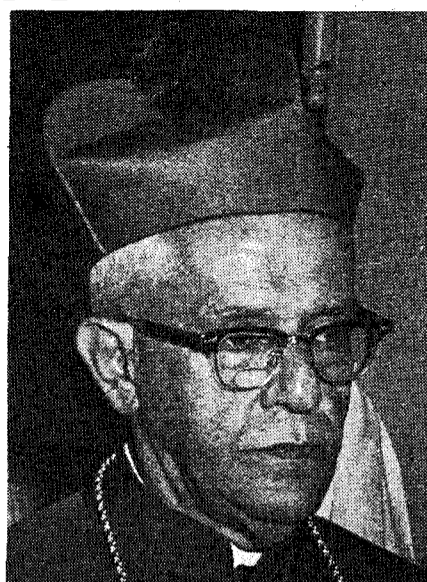
THE MOST REV. EDWARD DALMAU, C.P.

A member of the Congregation of the Passion for 60 years, Bishop

Dalmau was ordained to the episcopacy in 1935 as Bishop of Cienfuegos in Cuba. A native of Cuba, who was ordained on Oct. 30, 1915 in Rome, he took refuge from the Castro regime as a guest of Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll, in South Florida in 1960 and until 1965 served as chaplain at the novitiate of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Jensen Beach. He then served as chaplain to residents of the Pennsylvania Retirement Hotel. Following his resignation as Bishop of Cienfuegos, he was named Titular Bishop of Theuzi.

MSGR. JEREMIAH P. O'MAHONEY, P.A.

Pastor of St. Edward Church, Palm Beach, from 1949 to 1971 when he was named Pastor Emeritus, Msgr. O'Mahoney was formerly director of the Newman Club, University of Florida; and Archdiocesan Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. In 1933 the University of Florida awarded him a law degree and in 1937 he was admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court. He was named a Protonotary Apostolic by Pope Paul VI in 1966. In addition he



DIAMOND JUBILARIAN BISHOP DALMAU

served as a consultant of the Archdiocese of Miami; chaplain of the Palm Beach Serra Club, and a member of the board of the Palm Beach Catholic Service Bureau. He was ordained June 6, 1914 in St. Patrick Cathedral, New York; and is a native of Skibboreen, County Cork, Ireland. He was a close friend of the late President John F. Kennedy and others of the Kennedy family whose winter residence is in Palm Beach.

REV. JOHN J. KELLAGHAN

Retired since 1970, Father Kellaghan is a native of Mullingar, Ireland who was pastor of St. Vincent Ferrer Church, Delray Beach, from 1944 to 1963. Ordained on Dec. 22, 1928 at the Lateran Basilica, Rome, he served as pastor, St. Sebastian Church, Fort Lauderdale, from 1963 to 1965 when he was named Spiritual Director at the Cenacle Retreat House. For several years he was Vicar Forane of the East Coast Deanery.

MSGR. JOHN J. O'LOONEY

Pastor Emeritus of St. Anthony Church, Fort Lauderdale, Msgr. O'Looney was born in Inagh, County Clare, Ireland and was ordained on June 2, 1928. His first parochial assignment was as an assistant in St. Patrick parish, Miami Beach. In 1929 he became founding pastor of St. Anthony parish. He served as an Archdiocesan Consultant from 1958 to 1969; was State K. of C. Chaplain, a Parish Priest Examiner, a member of the Broward Catholic Service Bureau Regional Board and a member of the School, Cemeteries, and Seminary boards. April 13 dinner in Ft. Lauderdale.

FATHER JOHN F. LEARY, O.M.I.

An Oblate Father of Mary Immaculate, Father Leary is a native of Portsmouth, New Hampshire. He was ordained on June 12, 1928 in Washington, D.C. and has been assisting in St. George parish, Fort

Lauderdale since 1975.

MSGR. FREDERICK R. STENGER

Ordained on Sept. 22, 1928, Msgr. Stenger arrived in the Archdiocese of Miami late in 1976 and has, since that time, assisted in St. Lucy parish, Highland Beach. He is a native of Chicago, Ill.

REV. DANIEL BARRETT, V.E.

A veteran of 18 years as a missionary in Africa, Father Barrett is a native of Brosna, County Kerry, Ireland, who was ordained on June 17, 1953 at St. Colman Cathedral, Newry, County Down. Spiritual Director of the Miami Curia, Legion of Mary, he was an assistant pastor at Corpus Christi Church for three years prior to his present assignment as Vicar Econome of St. Kieran parish in 1976.

REV. CYRIL M. HUDAK

Ordained May 30, 1953, Father Hudak is a native of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. and came to South Florida in 1962. Following assignments an assistant pastor in the parishes of St. Matthew and Holy Family he was named administrator of St. John Fisher, West Palm Beach, in 1966. Since 1968 he has been administrator of St. Catherine of Siena parish.

REV. LOUIS C. ROBERTS

Born in Key West and ordained March 8, 1953 in St. Matthew Church, Jacksonville, Father Roberts' first parochial assignments were as an assistant in the parishes of Holy Family and St. Rose of Lima. He was pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle parish for 10 years and then served at St. John the Baptist Church. The priest-educator has served as president of Curley High School and principal of Msgr. Pace High and Immaculata-LaSalle High. Other assignments included director, Aquinas Student Center and to the faculties of Cardinal Gibbons High and St. John Vianney Seminary, where he is presently Academic Dean.

REV. LEONARD STACHURA

A native of Chicago who was ordained to the priesthood on Aug. 22, 1953 in Techny, Ill.; Father Stachura served as an assistant pastor in St. Joan of Arc parish from 1970 to 1973 when he was named an assistant at St. Gregory Church. In 1974 he became administrator of Our Lady of Mercy parish, Deerfield Beach.

REV. GEORGE CARDONA, S.P.

Born in Spain, Father Cardona was ordained in Barcelona on May 30, 1953. From 1966 to 1976 he was a member of the faculty at Cardinal Gibbons High School. One year ago he was appointed a chaplain at Miami's Mercy Hospital.

REV. ROMANUS DUNNE, S.A.

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Cathedral Holy Week schedule

Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy will be the Celebrant at the 11 a.m. Mass in St. Mary Cathedral on Palm Sunday. Msgr. John J. Donnelly, rector of St. Mary, will be the Homilist.

Deacons of the Mass will be William Zandri (Gospel) and Hector Gonzalez. Carlos Macia will be Cross Bearer and David Smith (both of St. Vincent de Paul Seminary) will be Book Bearer. Acolytes will be Gerardo Garcia and Paul Deegan of St. John Seminary. Mitre and Crozier Bearers will be two Cathedral servers; and a member of St. Mary Cathedral and a member of the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women will serve as lectors.

THE MASS OF CHRISM AND PRIESTLY COMMITMENT will be

celebrated Monday, March 20, at 6 p.m., at St. Mary Cathedral. Abp. Edward A. McCarthy will be Celebrant and Homilist. Concelebrants will be assisting Bishops, honored Jubilarians, Deans and Priests of the Church of Miami. Chaplains to Abp. McCarthy will be Revs. Louis Roberts and George Cardona. Chaplains to Bishop Joyce will be Revs. Daniel Barrett and Cyril Hudak. Chaplains to Bishop Dalmau will be Revs. J.C. Schwab and J. Izquierdo.

Deacons will be: A. Navarro, Deacon of Mass; Roger Lund, Deacon of Oil of Chrism; William Zandri, Deacon of Oil of Sick; Thomas Sheha, Deacon of Oil of Catechumens; Jorge Perales, Deacon of Balsam; Permanent Deacon Rafael

de los Reyes, Deacon of Ciborium; Hector Gonzalez, Deacon of Water; Yates Harris, Deacon of Wine.

Roberto Castellanos (St. John Seminary) will be Cross Bearer; Liam Quinn (St. John), Book Bearer; Stephen Hilley and John Wyatt (St. Vincent Seminary), Acolytes; St. Mary Cathedral servers will be Mitre and Crozier Bearers; and the lectors will be one seminarian and one Religious Brother.

HOLY THURSDAY MASS will be at St. Mary Cathedral at 8 p.m., March 23. Abp. Edward A. McCarthy will be Celebrant. A priest representative from St. John Seminary will be the Homilist.

Deacons will be Roger Lund (Gospel) and Permanent Deacon Rafael de los Reyes: Cross Bearer,

Sergio Carrillo (St. Vincent); Book Bearer, Gary Wiesmann; Acolytes, Cathedral servers; Mitre, Crozier, Incense Bearers, Eduardo Blanco and D. Silver, St. John Seminary; and Lectors will be from St. Mary Cathedral.

GOOD FRIDAY services will be conducted at the Cathedral at 1 p.m. Abp. Edward A. McCarthy will be the Celebrant and Msgr. John McMahon will be Homilist.

Deacons will be Thomas Sheha (Chant) and Jorge Cristancho (Eucharist); Cross Bearer, Robert Stevens (St. John Seminary); Book Bearer, Bruce Wood; Mitre Bearer, Pablo Alvarez; Acolytes (Crozier), Cathedral servers; and Lectors, one high school student and one representative of St. Mary Cathedral.

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actions performed by the people who are the Church," she said.

"We would like to go beyond the dichotomy laity-clergy. We want to urge all to become active and engage into their own and proper ministries," she commented.

Her Office has now developed pilot groups of ministry formation which involve about 70 candidates.

These candidates applied to the program either individually or sponsored by an organization of parish. Upon completion of the two year training they will go back to serve in the sponsoring organization, or will be placed by the Office according to diocesan needs.

"But we are still in an experimental stage, and we plan to develop other formation models that may incorporate what already exists in parishes and apostolic movements," Dr. Scopetta explained.

Council members then broke into small groups for further discussion and later on presented their ideas in a general session.

Among other things they recommended: incorporation of social doctrine and philosophy in the curriculum and use of laity in teaching staff, recognition of people already ministering, and

creation of formation teams that may offer workshops in parishes, thus helping to create groups of paraprofessionals in parish ministry.

The group also cautioned about the formation becoming too academic and about the danger of duplicating and not using what is already available.

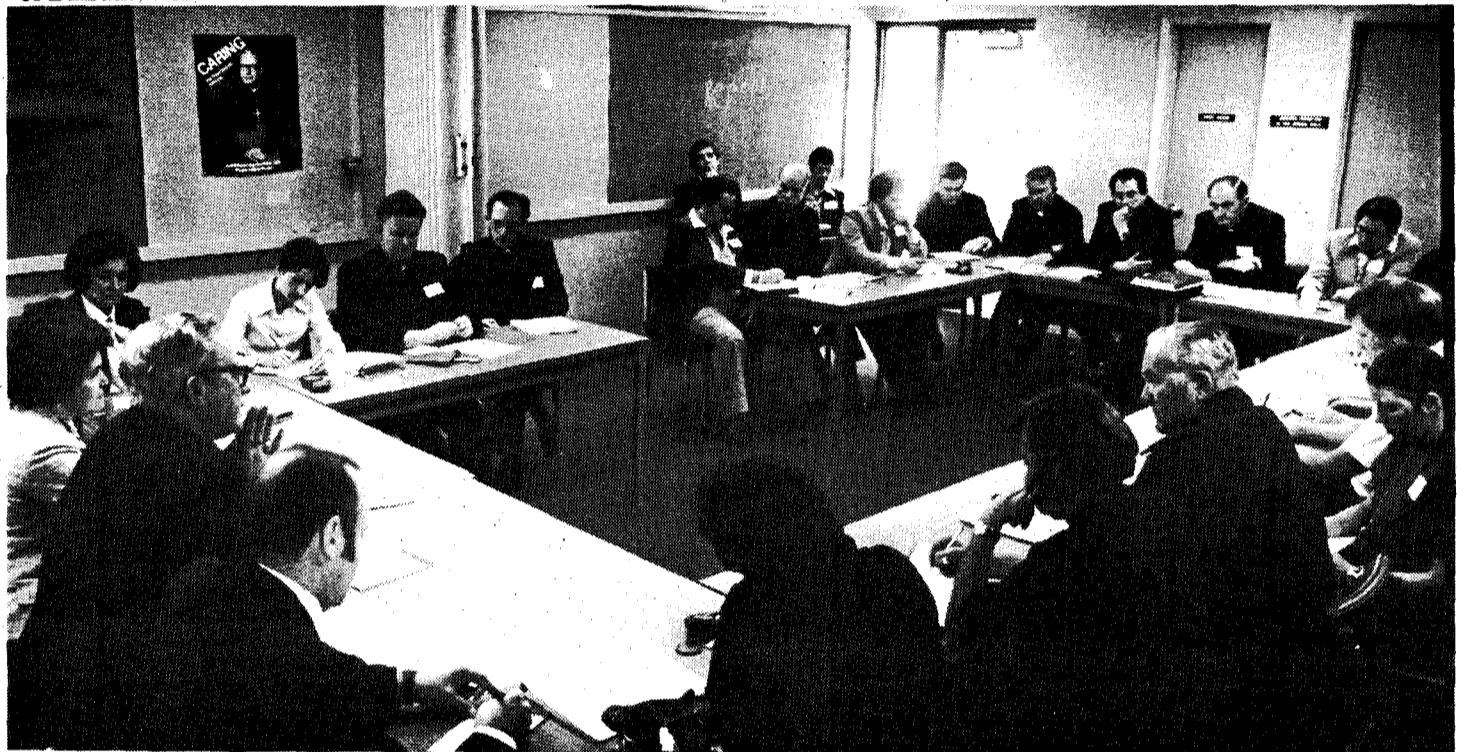
Some agreed that candidates in the Lay Ministry program should be people already with experience in ministry, not looking for an 'ego trip' and ready to walk with Christ in poverty of spirit, without forsaking their lay vocation.

They expressed the importance of maintaining good

lines of communication with the parishes. "In fact it would have been a mistake to call this meeting and ignore the priests or the representatives of groups already active in the Archdiocese," a council member remarked.

"I am deeply appreciative of your cooperation and of the way this meeting has developed," the Archbishop said before leaving.

"I want to assure you that we want in no way, to replace but to foster and promote what is already happening. We have already discovered many people involved in ministry, who are also anxious to receive some form of specialized training," he said.



Members of the Council on the Laity met for the first time last week. Shown at the head of the table from left to right are: Dr. Mercedes Scopetta, Chairman; Archbishop McCarthy and Anthony Tucci.

Abp. McCarthy mourns terrorism in Near East

Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy issued a statement this week on the recent terrorism in Near East. Below is the text.

In expressing deep sympathy over the tragic killing of innocent people in the most recent Israeli bombing, we recall the words of the 1978 Peace Day message of Pope Paul VI, "No to violence; yes to peace."

It is discouraging to realize, just as peace initiatives in the Near East were beginning to develop, that another terrorist act might jeopardize these efforts.

Israel has a right to protect its legitimate borders, and the Palestinian Arabs, who were dispossessed of their homeland in the establishment of the Israeli State, also have a right to the fulfillment of their just claims. Neither side will achieve its objectives by terrorist acts, whose only result historically has been to create innocent victims.

We hope and pray that the blood of all these victims will not be forgotten, but rather will be a catalyst for the speedy return of solid efforts toward peaceful means for solving Near East problems.

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Funeral Liturgy offered for the father of 2 nuns

The Funeral Liturgy was offered Monday in St. Rose of Lima Church for Victor A. Keller, father of two nuns, and pioneer member of the lay apostolate, who died at 79 after a long illness.

Retired 13 years ago as an inspector for the Otis Elevator Co., Keller was formerly an active parishioner of St. Mary Cathedral, after coming to Miami in 1925 from Indianapolis. Until his illness he was a member of St. Rose Ushers Club and the Young At Heart Club.

Survivors include his

wife, Hermandine; two daughters, Sister Margaret Victor, S.S.J., principal, St. Juliana School, West Palm Beach; Sister Margaret Jeanne, S.S.J., principal, St. Stephen School, West Hollywood; a son, Victor J., Hollywood; three grandchildren, one great-grandchild; a step-son, Thomas Daily, Washington, Ind.; and two sisters, Mrs. Esther Osterheimer and Mrs. Beatrice O'Brien, both of Indianapolis.

Burial was in Our Lady of Mercy Cemetery.

Raphael frescoes damaged slightly

VATICAN CITY—(NC)—Two frescoes by Raphael were damaged recently in the Vatican while restoration work was being done on them, Vatican

spokesman Father Romeo Panciroli said.

The frescoes, he said, were "The Creation of Adam and Eve" and "Adam and Eve at Work"

OFFICIAL Archdiocese of Miami

The Chancery announces that, upon nomination by the Very Reverend John Barry, C.S.S.R., Vice Provincial of the Redemptorist Fathers in Jacksonville, Florida, Archbishop McCarthy has made the following appointment:

THE REVEREND JOSEPH GORNEY, C.S.S.R. to Assistant Pastor, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Opa Locka, effective as of February 24, 1978.

Scripture, parish life top interests at 'townhall' meets



A keen interest in the Scriptures and participation in parish life are two of the concerns the people in the "townhall" meetings have expressed, according to Father Donald Connolly, Archdiocese Holy Year coordinator.

"We now have a large team of Sisters evaluating the results of the parish discussions on the Holy Year themes," he said.

"The initial results indicate that very serious consideration was given by all the participants. They have provided a number of recommendations for the future growth and health of the Church.

"SO FAR," said Father Connolly, "the primary concern that has been stated is their desire to grow in an understanding of the Scriptures and to participate more fully in parish life."

He stressed that these were preliminary findings and based only on the first-week-of-Lent discussions on the theme of Faith. Results from subsequent weeks are still coming in and being compiled.

The first preliminary figures compiled from general parish findings indicate that 63 per cent feel very strong in their faith, said Father Connolly.

What sustains them most in their faith? Sixty-five per cent said Mass and the sacraments. Sixty-seven per cent also said their personal relationship with God sustained them.

A SIZEABLE percentage, he said (34 per cent) indicated a desire for a return of traditional devotions such as benediction and novenas.

Earlier in the week Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy and Father Connolly spoke to the recently formed Council of Laity.

Father Connolly pointed out that the idea of a Holy Year did not come suddenly to the Archbishop. He told the lay people that Archbishop McCarthy had been studying the theology of holy years as well as the needs of the people for a long time.

"He had all his homework done," said Father Connolly.

One fundamental problem the Archbishop saw was the breakdown of the family, he said, explaining that the family concept was seen to include the Church as family, the parish as family and other groups as family. So the idea of a Holy Year was to have these "families" reflect on their needs and concerns and plan ways to fill those needs.

"I NEED practical ideas for programs to fill your needs," Father Connolly added.

Emphasizing the lay aspect of the Church today and the Holy Year in particular, he said, "You are an inspiration to the priests. Years ago it was so lonely with the priests doing so many things alone.

"But now the laity are helping to carry the torch," he said.

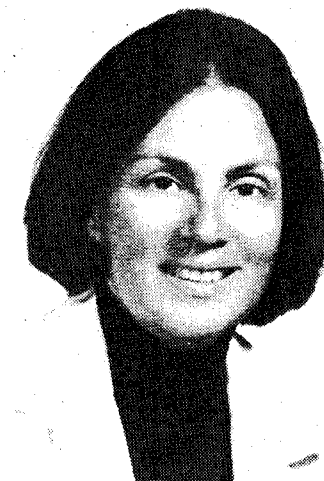
Mass of Resurrection offered for Judith Audie

A Mass of the Resurrection for Judith F. Audie was celebrated by Msgr. Peter Riley with Father Leo Austin, concelebrant, at Little Flower Church, Coral Gables.

Mrs. Audie was a former chairwoman of the International Affairs Commission of the Miami Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women. She was involved in activities at St. Theresa's parish for over 15 years. She served as vice-president of St. Theresa's Home and School Association as well as vice-president of the Little Flower Junior Woman's Club.

Mrs. Audie was also appointed by the City of Coral Gables Commission to the Civil Preparedness Board. She was a member of the Christopher Columbus High School Booster Club and a member of the Florida Association of Brown University.

She is survived by her



JUDITH F. AUDIE

husband, Joseph, her children, Mary Ann Sley, Joseph Jr., Alice, Peter, Michael, Thomas, James and Jeanne, her mother, Carmen Palermo and her husband Mario, her brothers and sister, Hector Figueroa, Enrique Figueroa and Elizabeth Martinez, all of Venezuela.

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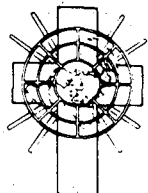
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the Friars of the Atonement, Father Dunne was ordained on June 11, 1953 at Greymoor, Garrison, N.Y. a native of Brooklyn, he came to the Archdiocese of Miami a year ago and has been assisting at Sacred Heart parish, Lake Worth.

REV. DANIEL FAGAN

Now assistant pastor in St. Elizabeth parish, Pompano Beach, Father Fagan was ordained June 21, 1953 at All Hallows College, Dublin, Ireland. Born in Ballydurrow, County Meath, Ireland, he served as an assistant pastor at Holy Family Church from 1975 to 1977.

REV. JOSE M. IZQUIERDO, S.J.

Ordained for the Society of Jesus on July 15, 1953 in Santander, Spain, Father Izquierdo has been a member of the faculty at Belen Preparatory School since 1964. He was awarded Master of Arts Degrees in Philosophy and Theology at the Pontifical University of Comillas,



FR. BARRETT



FR. FAGAN



FR. HUDAK



FR. LAFERTY



FR. O'CONNOR



FR. ROBERTS



FR. SCHWAB

Spain; and understands and speaks English, French, and Spanish.

VERY REV. CHARLES P. LAFERTY, O.S.A.

A member of the Augustinian Fathers of Villanova, Pa., Father Laferty is a native of Philadelphia who was ordained in Washington D.C. on June 6, 1953. Formerly a member of the faculty at Bonner High, Philadelphia; and at St. Nicholas High, New York City, where he served as principal, Father Laferty is presently Vice-President of Academic Affairs at Miami's Biscayne College as well as Religious Superior of the Augustinian Fathers stationed there.

REV. LOUIS McINTYRE, T.O.R.

Born in New Kensington, Pa.,

Father McIntyre was ordained in Altoona, Pa. on May 16, 1953 as a member of the Franciscan Fathers, Third Order Regular. Since 1972 he has been assisting at Little Flower Church, Hollywood; and formerly served at St. Luke parish, Lake Worth.

REV. ANGELO NOBILE

Ordained on May 30, 1953 in Chattanooga, Tenn., his native city, Father Nobile came to the Archdiocese of Miami in 1976. Since that time he has been a member of the faculty at Cardinal Gibbons High School and also assists at St. Ambrose Church, Deerfield Beach. He has a Master's Degree in Education awarded him at Memphis State University and speaks Italian as well as English.

REV. JOSEPH X. O'CONNOR, O.S.A.

Now assistant pastor at

Resurrection Church, Dania, which is administered by the Augustinian Fathers of Villanova, Pa., Father O'Connor is a native of Lawrence, Mass. who was ordained on Dec. 21, 1953 at the Augustinian College, Washington, D.C. He came to the Archdiocese of Miami late last year and has a Master's Degree in Religious Education from Catholic University America.

REV. J. CHESTER SCHWAB, O.M.I.

Pastor of St. Stephen Protomartyr Church, West Hollywood, which is administered by his order, the Oblate Fathers of Mary Immaculate, Father Schwab assumed his pastoral duties in August of 1975. Born in Sheldon, N.Y. and ordained on June 1, 1953 in Washington, D.C., he also serves as chaplain of the Catholic Daughters of America, Court Infant of Prague. He has a Doctorate in Philosophy from Catholic University of America.

Ex-head of Serra still works hard for vocations

By GEOFFREY BIRT
Palm Beach County
Correspondent

BOYNTON BEACH—Internationally known and tireless worker for both men and women's vocations, Samuel D'Anna, K.H.S., a New York lawyer, has come to reside here in retirement.

But it is no "quiet retirement" for Sam D'Anna—as he prefers everyone to call him—since he is working harder than ever in the Lord's vineyard, helping find and nurture vocations to the priesthood, and the Religious life.

Sam's labors are being funneled, as always, through the Serra International organization. In 1972-73 D'Anna, a tall, handsome, physically very fit still youngish man now in his 67th year, was elected Serra's international president and traveled extensively throughout the world promoting vocations.

On arrival in Palm Beach County with his wife, Mildred, slightly more than a year ago, he immediately transferred his New York Serra membership to the Palm Beach County Serra Club. He points out that the Serran motto is "Always go forward—Never turn back." His own motto is "Sentire cum Ecclesia," (Think with the Church).

With other Serra members, D'Anna's main objective at this time is to establish, with the help of all the pastors, and parish committees to promote interest in vocations.

This was the subject he discussed with Pope Paul VI when he and his wife had a lengthy private audience at Castelgandolfo—the Pope's summer residence—on Aug. 29, 1972, shortly after he had become Serra International president. At that time, the Serra movement was still only 15 years old.

"First, the Holy Father asked about our family—children and grandchildren," D'Anna said "Then he asked about Serra and our plans," D'Anna said. "I told him that Serra's work was to involve priests, Religious and laity in working together in the cause of vocations through parish and diocesan vocations committees—that the laity must become interested in vocations.

"The Holy Father told me he considered this an

Radical feminists attempt to blowup Catholic office

ROME—(NC)—As women across Italy commemorated Woman's Day March 8, a radical feminist group tried to blow up a Catholic marriage counseling office in Bologna, and a Catholic women's group declared its opposition to abortion.

Thousands of women participated in marches and meetings around the country. Demonstrators expressed opposition to "woman as object," "marriage as a

"excellent program," D'Anna said, adding that he was delighted at the enthusiastic interest being shown today, in the Miami diocese, to this same program.

The former international president offered as part of his beliefs and philosophy, these points:

—Young people need to have a clearer idea of the beauty and relevance of the priesthood and religious life, and its ultimate goal and desirability;

—It is a Serran's duty, in his contacting those with possible vocations, to place the priesthood, sisterhoods and brotherhoods on the preferred list of options;

—When Serrans point out the sacrifices and joys of the priesthood and religious life, they should also spell out the unique opportunities and ministerial services which are also the rewards.

profession," "porno-advertising," and "black work"—a reference to the non-unionized, non-regulated, illegal, low-paid piece-work that is widespread in Italy. Much of the "black work" is done by women working at home.

In Bologna, police explosives specialists dismantled a time bomb with 50 grams (about two ounces) of TNT that was packed in a beef keg and placed outside the Catholic Lay Center.

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Fr. Ray Brown set at seminary

Priests and seminary students of the Province of Florida are invited to a series of four talks by noted Scripture scholar Father Raymond Brown at St. Vincent de Paul Major Seminary, Boynton Beach, April 5-6. Theme of the talks, at 10:30 a.m., and 2 p.m., each day, is "How the Early Church Came to Understand Jesus."

The general public is invited to a lecture Wednesday, April 5, at 7:30 p.m., when Father Brown will speak

on "Other Sheep Not of This Fold."

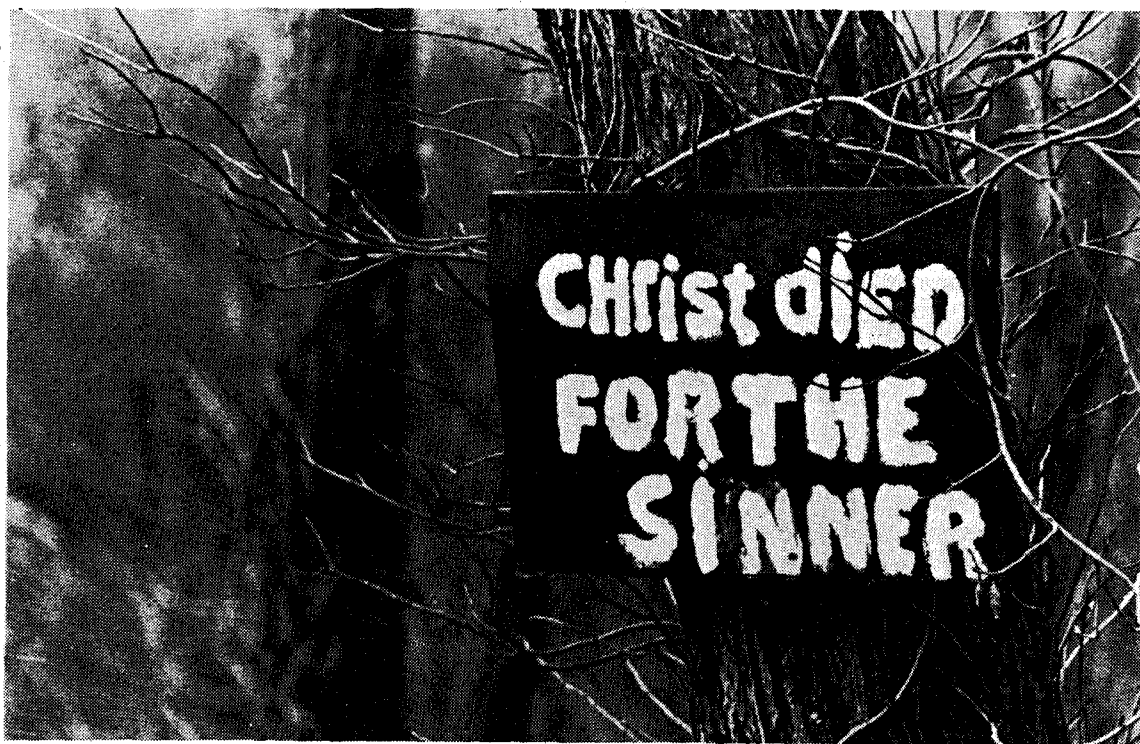
For further information call Father Gerald Grace at the seminary 732-4424.

Pope has flu, cuts audience

VATICAN CITY—(NC)—The flu has caused Pope Paul VI to cancel his weekly Wednesday general audience of March 15.

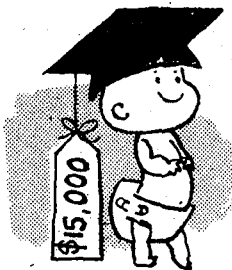
But the 80-year-old pope is to appear at the window of his apartment overlooking St. Peter's Square to greet and bless the crowd there.

The pope is in generally good health. His only serious physical problem is arthritis of the knee which often makes walking painful for him.



Roadside Reminder: A rugged tree along a rural road in Maryland carries a crudely lettered but meaningful message for Christians everywhere.

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March of Dimes move held sham

WASHINGTON—(NC)—A report that the March of Dimes is ending its support of genetic screening programs is a tactic meant to discredit pro-lifers and to increase pressure on Congress to approve federal funding of such programs, according to pro-life leaders.

At the same time, a March of Dimes spokesman denied that the organization is abandoning its support for the programs.

The funds cutoff was first reported last December, but leaders of the U.S. Coalition for Life and the March of Life said the media ignored the story until Sen. Jacob Javits (R-N.Y.) introduced a measure to increase federal support for genetic screening and counseling on Feb. 27.

For several years, many pro-lifers have been critical of the March of Dimes programs backing genetic screening, since, they say, such programs imply that children found to have genetic defects will be aborted. Judie Brown, an official of the Washington-based National Right to Life Committee, terms the screening programs "search and destroy operations."

Randy Engel of Export, Pa., president of the U.S. Coalition for Life, and Nellie J. Gray, president of the March of Dimes for Life, joined in charging that a press report of the controverted cutoff was designed to make pro-lifers appear the villains in having stopped programs which could benefit the public.

Mrs. Engel said that while the story was meant to suggest that funding of

genetic counseling and screening was ended, funding levels are in fact higher than ever and the programs are more accessible than ever to the public.

"Things don't happen by accident," Mrs. Engel said, pointing to the Feb. 27 introduction of Sen. Javits' measure in the Senate and the subsequent reporting of the cutback by the private agency. She said the March of Dimes had pledged to lobby for passage of the Javits measure.

Arthur J. Gallway, March of Dimes vice president for public relations, confirmed that his organization would lobby for passage of the bill, but said cutbacks in the agency's own genetic screening programs were minimal. There are currently 82 projects receiving \$2.5 million from the March of Dimes, Gallway said, and next year's figures will drop to 80 projects and \$2.2 million.

"That's not a sign of any alteration in our posture. Our support of research will continue unabated," he said. The organization regularly reviews and phases out some of its projects, he said.

Asked about right to life leaders' charges that there is an orchestrated campaign to generate support for the

Javits Bill, Gallway said, "Somebody's behind it—we're not."

In addition, said Gallway, "We've denied that the phase-out is a result of pressure from right-to-life groups."

Under existing legislation, the federal government is spending \$4 million a year, and will up the total to \$10 million a year for the next three years should the Javits measure be enacted.

Miss Gray, whose March of Life seeks to increase support for various pro-life measures, said her principal concern now is "to assure that testimony from right-to-life doctors and specialists is presented to the Senate."

Miss Gray, an attorney, pointed to the wording of the Javits measure, "The Genetic Disease Amendments of 1978," which says, in part, "appropriate arrangements will be made for referral and treatment of genetic conditions identified."

"Treatment," said Miss Gray, "means 'kill the kid.'"

Genetic screenings is done mainly through the technique called amniocentesis, in which a needle is inserted into the womb of pregnant woman. Fluid from the amniotic sac which

surrounds the developing fetus is withdrawn through the needle, and castoff cells from the fetus are analyzed for signs of abnormality.

Since there is no treatment available for conditions thereby detected, such as Down Syndrome (mongoloidism), sickle cell anemia and Tay-Sachs disease, children found to be afflicted with the conditions are almost always aborted.

Msgr. James T. McHugh, director of the U.S. Catholic bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities, has defended amniocentesis and the March of Dimes. It is wrong, Msgr. McHugh has said, "to condemn a diagnostic technique because of the evil use made of the information which it renders. In reality, amniocentesis is a morally neutral technique, but it may derive a moral specification from the intention of those who use it."

Benedictine Father Paul Marx, director of the Human Life Center at St. John's University, Collegeville, Minn., said center officials were "dismayed" by Msgr. McHugh's stand. He pointed out that in 1974, of 62 fetuses identified as defective by physicians using amniocentesis with March of Dimes funds, 60 were aborted.

Prayer of the Faithful

HOLY THURSDAY

Celebrant: Tonight we recall and celebrate Our Lord's last evening with his closest friends, His disciples. Let us open our hearts to the saving mysteries which He offers us to share with Him.

LECTOR: Our response today will be: Lord, send your grace into our hearts.

LECTOR: As we now celebrate Our Lord's institution of the holy sacrament of the priesthood, may Our Lord guide and protect those whom He has called to be special channels of His saving work, we pray. (R.)

LECTOR: As Our Lord transforms bread and wine into His sacred body and blood and thus gives to His Church the wonderful sacrament of the Eucharist, may we always celebrate this meal with a deep sense of awe and mystery, we pray. (R.)

LECTOR: As the Apostles are united with Our Lord, their shepherd, so may we always be united with our bishop, we pray. (R.)

LECTOR: As we, the local Church of Miami, celebrate the mystery of Holy Week, may we be deepened in our dedication to our Archdiocesan Holy Year program, we pray. (R.)

Celebrant: Holy Year Program.

PALM SUNDAY

Celebrant: During this week, Our Lord Jesus Christ invites us to enter again into the mystery of His death and resurrection. He calls each of us to live more deeply the mystery of salvation.

LECTOR: Our response today will be: Lord, deepen our faith.

LECTOR: As Our Lord enters Jerusalem today on Palm Sunday, may we truly realize that He is the Messiah who comes into our lives as the Son of God, we pray. (R.)

LECTOR: May this coming week be a time when we experience the saving mystery of Christ's love for us and thus may our liturgical celebrations this week truly be for us a Holy Week, we pray. (R.)

LECTOR: May the Holy Spirit help each of us realize this week the importance of our own vocation: that our Lord calls each of us to be holy members of His Church, we pray. (R.)

LECTOR: May the faith that we celebrate this week flow into action in our daily lives and especially bring a spirit of peace and harmony to the families in our parish, we pray. (R.)

Celebrant: Holy Year Prayer

HOLY YEAR PRAYER

(To be read with the Prayer of the Faithful)

Our heavenly Father:

Joyfully we praise You, we thank You, we love You. We are sorry for having ever offended You.

Please, Father, send Your blessings upon us, as we celebrate the twentieth anniversary of our Archdiocese by planning and working together for our spiritual renewal and growth.

Send Your Holy Spirit to help us become more Christ-like and to see Christ in each other.

Help us during this Holy Year to grow in Faith, in our prayer life, in loving You and each other, in our sense of community, in a deeper awareness of our calling to be active ministers of Your kingdom.

May we experience the grace and joy of Christian living in this world and one day be happy with You forever in heaven. AMEN.



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S. Florida Scene

S. Broward ACCW

South Broward Spring deanery meeting of the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women will be hosted by St. Bernadette Women's Guild Wednesday, March 29. Theme will be "The Catholic Woman: Every Woman's Work is a Portrait of Herself."

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., followed by a business meeting, election of new officers, and Liturgy celebrated by Father James A. Quinn, pastor. An awards luncheon will follow at the Calder Holiday Inn from 12:30 to 2 p.m. For reservations call Marie Squirlock, 584-8994, or Mercedes Noran, 434-1338 before March 22.

Reflection days

A Day of Reflection will be held at the Dominican Retreat House Tuesday, March 21, 9 a.m., to 2 p.m. Father Joseph Brown, C.S.S.R., will preach. Theme is, "I will make you a light to the nations that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth." (Is. 49:6) For reservations contact Sr. Elizabeth Ann, 238-2711.

A Senior Citizens Day of Reflection will be held at the Dominican Retreat House Wednesday, March 22, 9 a.m., to 2 p.m. Speaker will be Father Russ Nikerson, O.M.T. Theme is "Is Anything a Sin Anymore?" For reservations call Sr. Carol Ann at 238-2711.

Holy Week retreat

For the first time, Our Lady of Florida Passionist Monastery Retreat Center, N. Palm Beach, will offer a Holy Week retreat open to all Christians. Beginning Holy Thursday, March 23, the retreat will conclude early Easter morning. For reservations call 626-1301.

Abp. Sheen on tape

The Coral Gables Council, K. of C., will play two hours of tapes on the "Passion and Death of Our Lord," by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Wednesday, March 22, at 7:30 p.m., at council headquarters, 270, Catalonia Ave. The evening is free.

Lithuanian retreat

Father Vincent Andriuska, M.I.C., of Sacred Heart Church, Homestead, is conducting a spiritual renewal retreat for Lithuanians of the Archdiocese of Miami at St. Francis de Sales Church, Miami Beach. Conference talks, Liturgies and hymns will be in Lithuanian.

10th-year reunion

The Immaculata-LaSalle High School class of '68 planning its tenth-year reunion May 26-28. Members of the class who have not received any announcement should call Maria at 266-6399.

Annual fiesta

St. John Fisher Church, West Palm Beach, will hold its 12th annual Fiesta Sunday, March 19, from 1 to 5 p.m. Games, prizes, handcrafts, white elephant booth, cake sale, and international foods are featured. All profits will go toward the new parish hall and rectory.



Mercy Hospital's first "I Saved A Life" award is presented by Barbara Terp (center) to Allcia Ramon as Herbert E. Long, executive director of Mercy, adds congratulations. Miss Ramon, a University of Miami student from Puerto Rico, along with Emma Mason, helped save Mrs. Terp's life after she suffered a severe heart attack by applying mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

Biscayne benefit

Coral Gables Council, K. of C., will sponsor a dinner-dance to benefit Biscayne College and its baseball program Saturday, April 1, starting at 6:30 p.m. Sports celebrities and baseball players will attend and meet participants. A double-header game played earlier that day will be dedicated to the Coral Gables Council.

Elected to board

Father Daniel Dorrity, assistant pastor of St. Mary Magdalen parish, has been elected to the Board of Directors of the North Miami Foundation for Senior Citizens, Inc. The Foundation is a nonprofit, charitable corporation providing services to the elderly. Father Dorrity is also chairman of the Commission on Aging for the Archdiocese of Miami.

Choral music

The Miami Chorale and Miami Boychoir will present a Concert of Choral Music Saturday, March 18, at 8:15 p.m., in the Barry College auditorium. Program will be "Renaissance to Rock." For reservations call 443-7816.

Seton Hall alumni

The new president of Seton Hall, Dr. Robert T. Conley will address Florida East Coast Alumni Association at a reception Monday, March 20, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Bridge Motel, Boca Raton. Richard Regan, Seton Hall athletic director, will accompany Dr. Conley. The first layman to serve as president of Seton Hall, Dr. Conley is the author of more than 75 scientific articles and his sixth textbook will be published this month.

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EPIPHANY Church Young at Heart Club St. Patrick's Day celebration today (Friday) at 1:30 p.m., in parish center. Irish dinner, songs, jigs and games.

CORAL GABLES Council, K. of C., St. Patrick's Day dinner-dance Saturday, March 18. John O'Muncey is chairman.

ST. LOUIS Church, Soulos (singles over 35) first birthday party Saturday, March 18, at 8 p.m.

CORPUS CHRISTI Church "Make Holy the Lord's Day" Sunday, March 19, beginning with supper at 6:30 p.m., followed by a spiritual conference, Vespers, and Benediction in church at 8 p.m.

THIRD ORDER of St. Francis will meet Sunday, March 19, at 2 p.m., at St. Francis Hospital, Miami Beach. Mass at 3 p.m.

ST. JOSEPH Church Friendship Club post-St. Patrick's Day party Tuesday, March 12. Luncheon and Irish musical entertainment.

EPIPHANY Church Woman's Club Day of Reflection Tuesday, March 21, from 9 a.m., to 2 p.m. For reservations call 667-3462.

ST. ROSE OF LIMA Women's Club will have a Seder Supper Thursday, March 23, at 6 p.m., prior to Holy Thursday Liturgy. Families asked to

bring a covered dish. For information call Mrs. Elona Kurosad at 754-5211.

EPIPHANY Church Woman's Club "Stop E.R.A." coffee and letter writing session at the home of Mrs. Peggy Brodeur, 5685 SW 85 St., Thursday, March 23, at 9:30 a.m.

Palm Beach

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI Ladies Guild, Riviera Beach, sold luncheon-dessert card party at Father Borg Memorial Hall Saturday, March 18, at noon.

HOLY SPIRIT Friendship Club, Lantana, Day at Gulfstream Wednesday, March 22. Buses leave church parking lot at 10:30 a.m. For reservations call Frances Ambrose at 588-5042.

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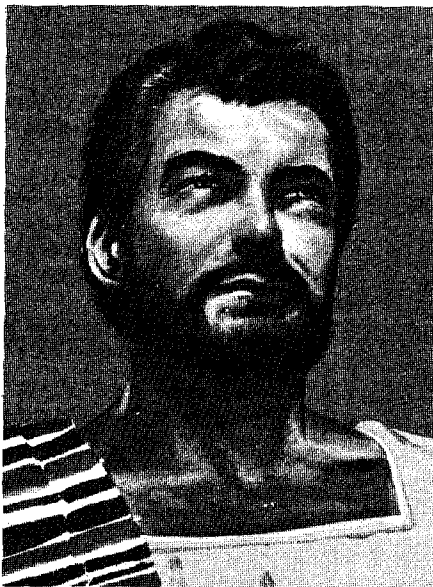
CATHOLIC WIDOW and Widowers Club St. Patrick's Pot Luck Dinner today (Friday) at 6 p.m., at Knights of Columbus Hall, 3571 N. Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale. For information call 484-3094 or 771-9976.

LAUDERDALE Catholic Singles Club (ages 21-35) Kid's Day at Easterline Park Saturday, March 18, at 1 p.m. For

information call Ed Nadig at 484-5804.

OAKLAND PARK Council, K. of C., St. Patrick's Day dance in the Council Hall, 3571 N. Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale, Saturday, March 18, at 8 p.m. Live band. For reservations call Jim Kelley at 772-9706 or Gorge Penrod at 771-0570.

OUR LADY QUEEN OF HEAVEN Senior Citizens Communion-breakfast Sunday, March 19, at Coral Springs Country Club. For reservations call Lou Nicklis at 972-4430.



ST. JOSEPH'S DAY will be observed on Saturday, March 18, since the Feast Day falls on Passion Sunday, March 19. A prayer to St. Joseph:

"Ever blessed and glorious Joseph, kind and loving father, and helpful friend of all in sorrow! You are the good father and protector of orphans, the defender of the defenseless, the patron of those in need and sorrow. Look kindly on my request. My sins have drawn down on me the just displeasure of my God, and so I am surrounded with unhappiness. To you, loving guardian of the Family of Nazareth, do I go for help and protection."

BROWARD COUNTY Right to Life meeting at County Courthouse, 201 SE 6 St., Fort Lauderdale, Room 248-1, Monday, March 20, at 8 p.m. For information call Rita Mocariski at 485-2335.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW Church Young at Heart Senior Club, Miramar, social day Tuesday, March 21.

ST. CLEMENT Seder Meal and Eucharistic Celebration Wednesday, March 22, at 7 p.m. Sponsored by St. Clement Adult Religious Education team and Bible Class.

Padre Pio film scheduled Sunday

LIGHTHOUSE POINT—A color movie on Padre Pio, the late Italian Franciscan stigmatic, will be shown in the Education Building of St. Paul the Apostle parish, here, at 7 p.m., Sunday evening, March 19.

Dr. Francis Ceravalo will speak about the noted miracle worker and candidate for canonization before showing the film.

The Church is located on NE Sample Rd. (36th St.), and NE 27th Ave. The public is invited.

Measles outbreak

A total of 25 clinically suspected measles cases have been reported as of March 7, throughout Dade County. Most of these measles cases have occurred in the school-age population and in the southern section of the county. Because of the potential for further outbreaks in this and other areas throughout the county, the Health Department strongly urges all parents to have their children's immunization status for measles reviewed by their doctors as soon as possible.

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At approximately 5:15 p.m. on Saturday, April 29, some people will take immediate possession of the valuable thoroughbred which wins the Rusty Nail Invitational Sweepstakes Race at Gulfstream. So, if you're planning to be at the track, make sure you fill out an official entry form (forms are also available at stores and restaurants throughout South Florida) for the drawing.

Gulfstream notes, this will be the first time that the winner of an actual race will be given away. In addition to winning the horse, W.A. Taylor & Co., sponsor of the event, will provide all training expenses,

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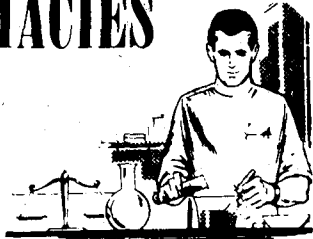
Contestants need not be present to win but entries must be mailed before April 27. Immediately prior to the race, names will be drawn at random corresponding to the number of horses in the field. The first name will be represented by the number one horse, second name by horse number two, etc. The prize will go to the person who has drawn the official winner of the Rusty Nail Sweepstakes, and, if he is present at the track, can take possession in the winner's circle.

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Annual carnival time for migrant children

Over 100 workers travelled to the South Dade Labor Camp to turn an ordinary day into a festive carnival day for more than 300 migrant children and their parents.

"This was our second year at the camp," says Beverlee McLaughen, Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women representative for Farm Laborers South. "And when we get volunteers to share in the day it means they have to bring all their own equipment, including their own tables, because we only have an open recreation field to use."

The three Dade ACCW deanery chairmen, Jean Hilderbrandt, South; Pat Deltoro, Central; and Kitty Necolettos, North; received

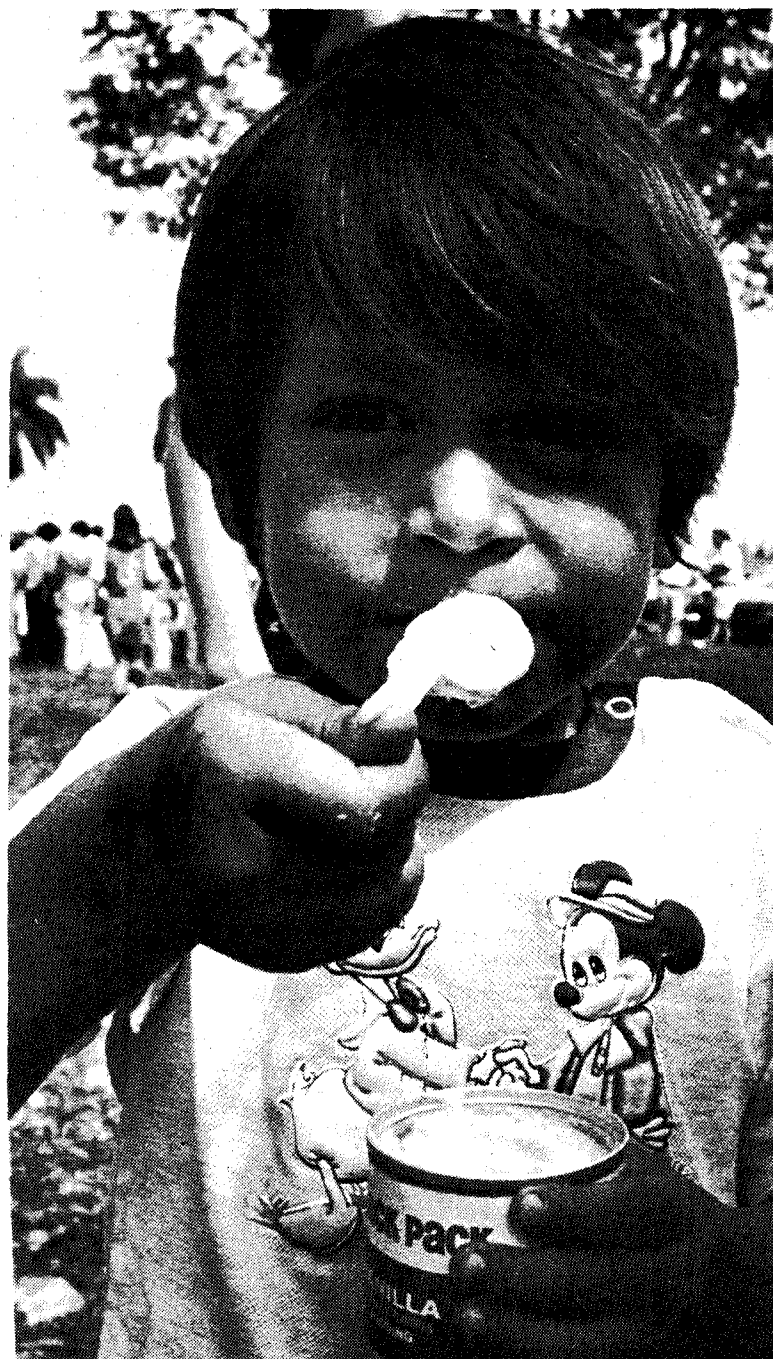
enthusiastic cooperation from all their councils for activities, all free, which included snow cones, spin art, ring toss, bean bag games, fish pond games, and the list could go on and on.

The "Fantasy Combo," a group of five boys from St. Louis spent the whole day playing music for the youngsters. Many of the teenagers from St. John and St. Brendan CYOs, along with Epiphany Girl Scout Troop 113, went around dressed as clowns. Also working with the ACCW women were members of St. Louis Scripture Study Group and Golden Agers.

Father William Davidsen of St. Brendan and Father David Russell of St. Louis joined in helping to make the second annual carnival a success.

"The prizes," Mrs. McLaughen says, "may not be the biggest or that fantastic but, all the children get a lot of balloons and little toys and you would think, from the smiles on their faces, that these were the greatest gifts in the world."

"To give an idea of the kind of cooperation we get," Mrs. McLaughen notes, "last year I walked into the Christopher Bookshop and started talking about the carnival. Peg McKuthins took my phone number and called me later to say that she and her husband and daughter would provide all the snow cones for the day."



Vanilla pudding was a popular treat at the S. Dade Labor Camp carnival.

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Neighborhoods

by Michael Novak

In American political theory, much attention is paid to the two extremes: the state and the individual. But as for the institutions that protect the individual from the state, that nourish the individual, and that mediate between the individual and the state, there is a strange and damaging silence. No concept in political programming has been more neglected than that of "mediating institutions."

It is wrong to think that "society" is composed only of politics and the state. On the contrary, mere politics and centralized state action left to themselves are invariably dehumanizing. The communal side of human existence is realized in multiple institutions.

"Society" is a complex net of smaller institutions. But other social institutions also spring from the inventiveness and the neediness of human beings: neighborhoods, unions, voluntary associations of all sorts; school systems, cultural organizations, corporations, clubs, committees, etc.

Among these, neighborhoods (like parishes) play a special role. Under modern conditions, most of us work far from our homes. For this reason, perhaps, we have neglected the hidden but continuing importance of neighborhoods to a full and satisfying human existence.

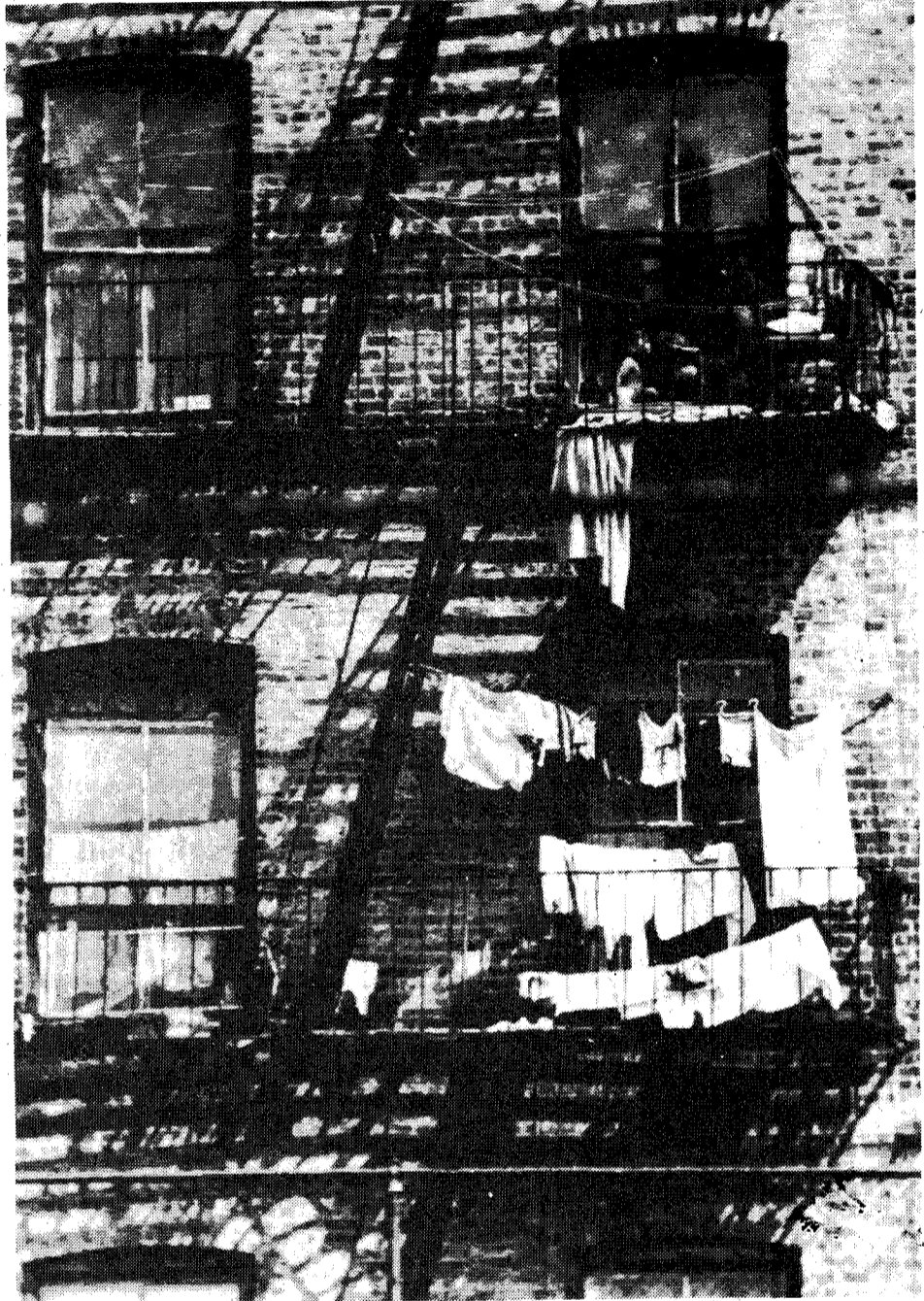
Although many of our satisfactions come at the place of work, still, those whose homes are near our own play a disproportionate share in creating the actual texture of our daily lives. If the neighborhood stores, churches, schools, parks and other amenities are particularly good, our lives seem especially blessed.

If our neighbors are friendly, helpful, and reliable, we gain countless humble benefits. The presence of a bakery—with fresh bread and other specialties—may all by itself seem to raise our standard of living by 10 percent. A good cheese shop, a wine store, a newsstand, a library—how much small institutions add to the satisfactions of daily life. A supply of good babysitters and lawn cutters, and perhaps of handymen, painters, carpenters and the like, may be worth thousands of dollars in pleasure and security.

On the contrary, when a neighborhood begins to "deteriorate," how unpleasant life becomes. Surliness and hostility greet us in the street. Muggings and robberies raise the level, if not of fear, then of silent disgust. The closing of the bakery, or the cheese shop, or the specialty store reduces us, once again, to Wonder Bread and Velveeta. The lack of neighbors who care for their homes, the disappearance of imagination and intelligence and pride, the disintegration of quiet peace and trust teach us—perhaps for the first time—how powerful, useful, and sweet is a good neighborhood.

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above all—the presence or absence of a spirit of self-respect, self-worth, and fellow feeling. It appears, as well, to depend upon the level of social, economic, and other skills of its citizens. Neighbors whose imagination, intelligence, and hands are alive with skills are a boon: neighbors bereft of such qualities, by their empty and unproductive living, contribute less than is creative and upbeat. To develop neighborhood skills is a high social art.

Social theorists are learning, slowly, that there is such a thing as "cultural ecology." Certain human qualities advance the well being of an environment. A certain mastery of elementary skills in home repair and home maintenance, of economic skills, and of skills of human interchange, heightens the possibilities of human benefit.

The lack of such mastery destroys. Cultures vary from one

another in their living styles: noise, gregariousness, privacy, trust, outgoingness, casualness, formality, gestures, signs, symbols. Learning how to live together means learning how to graft oneself into the living texture of others in an organic way.

Social theorists need to learn more about what makes some neighborhoods work and others deteriorate. The many roles of banks and of economic institutions are obviously basic. But the capacities of citizens to take care of themselves and to unite effectively with their neighbors may be even more basic.

Most of the nation's 50 million Catholics are children of successful urban and rural neighborhoods over the last 50 years. We are preeminently "neighborhood people." If we do not show originality and creativity in analyzing and revitalizing the concept of neighborhoods, who will?

St. Vincent de Paul Apostle to the poor

by Fr. John J. Castelot

Most Catholics are familiar with the St. Vincent de Paul Society, dedicated as it is to charitable works. But they do not know much about the man in whose honor it was founded (by Frederic Ozanam in Paris, 1833). The Society reflects the kind of person St. Vincent became, for he was not always conspicuous for his altruism. He began as a peasant, became a well-to-do and self-serving cleric, and ended as an apostle of charity to the poor people from whom he had sprung.

He was born in a little village, Pouy, now renamed in his honor, in April, 1581. His parents, who had seven children, worked a small farm. The Father, however, realized that Vincent was temperamentally and intellectually equipped to profit from formal education. He enrolled him in the school of the Franciscan Recollects at Dax. Vincent finished his studies at the University of Toulouse and was ordained a priest in 1600.

This was a rather heady situation for a boy who had known little of this world and its comforts, and he reacted by seeking out all the lucrative benefices available to him. In short order he was a chaplain to Queen Marguerite of Valois, beneficiary of a small abbey, pastor of the parish of Clichy, near Paris, and providentially, chaplain to the



A deathbed repentance of a peasant set St. Vincent de Paul's priestly life on a new course.

devout and influential family of Count Philippe-Emmanuel de Gondi, who was, among other things, general of the French galleys.

In Paris he met the saintly priest, later cardinal, Peter de Berulle. This extraordinary man of prayer discerned something unusual about Vincent and persuaded him to tutor the children of the de Gondi family. Madame de Gondi was strangely drawn to the young priest and asked him to be her confessor and spiritual director. The family had extensive holdings, with peasant families working their estates. Life for Vincent, however, was not so serene as appeared on the surface. Beginning about 1611 he suffered temptations against faith which lasted several years.

In 1617, while he was at the de Gondi estate in Folleville, he was summoned to the deathbed of a peasant. The man revealed to Vincent and subsequently to others that all his former confessions had been sacrilegious and that, but for Vincent, he would have entered eternal life in this sad state.

Madame de Gondi was horrified and frightened; she felt personally responsible for the welfare of her people. Vincent, too, was shaken, and this was the beginning of a profound conversion. He had no need of the countess' urging to preach to the people in the church of Folleville and he was so successful that he had to call in the Jesuits of Amiens to help him hear the general confessions.

He developed an increasing awareness of the scandalous state of the French peasantry. Meanwhile, at Father de Berulle's insistence, he became pastor of Chatillon-les-Dombes, where he effected several spectacular conversions of fallen Catholics. From there he went to Paris, where he was named official chaplain to the galley slaves, to whom he preached.

The countess offered to establish a fund for a continuous mission among the poor. Vincent was reluctant to take charge, but eventually, she had her way. She persuaded her husband to help her found a group of missionaries for the peasants and others in country districts.

The archbishop of Paris gave over the College des Bons Enfants for the use of the new community and Vincent moved in April, 1625.

In 1633, the little company was given the priory of St. Lazare, which became their headquarters. They are known as Lazarists, although their official title is Congregation of the Missions and their popular name in this country is Vincentians. Their chief work is the giving of missions, but they are also active in the running of seminaries.

Vincent sought every possible means of aiding the poor and distressed, whether materially or spiritually. He set up groups in each parish to assist the poor and the sick, and from this movement there came, under the leadership of St. Louise de Maurillac, the Sisters of Charity. He was responsible for the establishment of several hospitals for the sick, foundlings, the aged and projected one for galley slaves in Marseilles.

His love for God and people became an irresistible driving force. Under its impulse he accomplished things far beyond his natural resources. Nor was opposition lacking. He put up with reversals, disappointments, misunderstanding, slander. This he did with amazing equanimity, for on his own avowal and that of others, he had a bad temper. His struggle to control it made him warm, considerate, consummately loving. His zeal kept pushing till the last, in spite of increasingly poor health. Typically, he died, not in bed, but seated in his chair, on Sept. 27, 1660, at age 80.

Social conc

by Fr. Alfred McBride, O.Praem.

The combination of a new spiritual emphasis with the emergence of a new form of social need created the involvement of the Church in social concern. The new spirituality called for good works. The population explosion of the urban poor in the 17th and 18th centuries summoned the Church to social concern.

Reformation Protestants had stressed justification (or salvation) by faith alone. Counter-Reformation Catholics upheld justification in terms of good works. Trent's decree on justification motivated Catholics to think of spiritual growth as a matter of intense personal activity. Thus the spiritually alive Catholic would combine a striving for self-control and virtue with a passion for the good works of mercy and charity.

Trent balanced this with undeviating attention to the grace of God. Despite the flurry of good works, meditations and asceticism by Christians, God, in a sense, did it all. Hence the Church called Catholics to a firm sacramental life, especially one

centered in the Eucharist.

The Catholic laity began to receive Communion once a week and confess their sins frequently—the once a year practice of medieval Catholics. Bishops and priests began to celebrate Mass daily. Eucharistic piety made strong demands in terms of self-discipline, self-control and regularity in prayer. Moreover, it connected good works with spiritual self improvement.

Upon whom would the spirituality of good works be focused? For the most part, upon newly arrived thousands who flooded to the cities in the wake of the Industrial Revolution. The great industrial liftoff can be dated from the 1780s. This coincided with a rapid development of human sensibility and spiritual fervor. It manifested itself in agitation against slavery, trading, a campaign against hangings for theft and ferocious games. The new "good works-spirituality consciousness" woke up the middle and upper classes to the suffering, deprived sections of the population. The poor had always been

KNOW

by Mary Maher

Msgr. Gino Baroni, a prominent Archdiocesan of Washington, D.C., long-time activist and national leader in urban neighborhood affairs, was appointed by President Carter as assistant secretary for neighborhood and non-governmental associations, consumer protection in the Department of Housing and Urban Development. He holds the highest office ever held by a Catholic priest in the United States government.

He brings to his position a deep understanding of those in our society who are poor in any way—economically, psychologically or by reason of religious prejudice. He has been part of the group of people who have been raising the issues on the streets. In a sense, I bring the issues to you. It doesn't mean that, because I can ask questions, that I know the answers. He wants his office to help train and support groups in collective action and these groups work with local government. These are his answers. He advocates a climate for change.

The son of a western Pennsylvania coal miner, Msgr. Baroni remembers the ethnic heritage of his Italian parents and his lifetime struggle to appropriate the richness of his background. He has often spoken of the theft of ethnic heritages that has happened in our society. He believes that accommodation is the way for American society to move forward. He has said, "America is not a melting pot. It's the most ethnically diverse country in the world. Let's deal with it. Let's stop imagining that we are going to come out looking like Slim or the Marlboro Man. It's true, too, that, 'Poverty is a problem because it denies what we need to carry on a creative life.'"

Msgr. Baroni has long advocated pluralism which recognizes and respects cultural diversity. He has sought a kind of peace among ethnic groups and does not minimize the gifts

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By TERRY and MIMI REILLY

Emphasize Holy Week in home

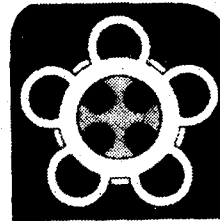
As Holy Week is upon us, I not only look back over Lent but also look forward to this whole week, especially Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. As I reflect on it, those three days commemorate so many things: Holy Thursday, the first Eucharist and celebration of the Priesthood, the agony in Gethsemane; Good Friday, the crucifixion and death of our Lord; and Easter, the most glorious feast of our Lord rising from death. WOW! No wonder it's called "Holy" Week. These critical parts of our Lord's life occurred in such a short period of time and the eternal meaning to each of them is more than the mind can comprehend.

We have a number of ways we try to commemorate these in our family. Holy Thursday Mass,

the observation of the institution of the Eucharist, is particularly meaningful for us. Usually our family experiences a "seder" meal on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday of Holy Week. The "seder" is the Passover meal celebrated by Jewish people in reflection of the angel of death "passing over" families who had the blood of the lamb on their doors while in Egypt. The Last Supper was on Passover, and the "Lamb of God" still saves us but now from eternal death. With this in mind Holy Thursday Mass has special significance. It's also the time when we celebrate the priesthood.

In the center of our dining room table there is a box covered with a purple cloth and a crown of thorns sitting on the top. They are made of the crucifixion thorn

which we picked up in Arizona. Everytime someone sees it, they shudder at the realism of that graphic illustration. Our children, too, begin to realize the suffering our Lord endured for us; even to reflect on just one aspect of the Passion such as the crown of thorns. Somehow we seem to put ourselves above all that "suffering." We seem to think that it really wasn't all that bad. Even when we pray the Stations of the Cross we often don't really think of details. We need to truly reflect on the life and particularly the agony, passion and death of Jesus. On a cupboard which is also in our dining room, we made a little cave from plaster and stones. It sits as an open cave during Holy Week and until 3 p.m. on Good Friday. At 3 p.m. we place a large stone over the opening and share a short prayer. On Easter morning we move the stone away from the opening and cheer. It may sound a little unusual but it



A family seated together sharing a crossed bread.

does help all of us to have more insight into the mystery of the death and resurrection of Christ.

Easter Sunday and the Easter bunny is kind of a struggle for me, much as Santa Claus is to Christmas. It's unfortunate that we as parents place more emphasis and excitement on finding eggs and candy that the Easter Bunny hid than of enjoying a Christ centered celebration of His resurrection. But how do we break away from all that? As a parent, it isn't easy! Maybe we can still retain some of the eggs and candy and bunnies and new clothes for Easter Mass. We really need to

tie it all in with the Resurrection. Eggs and baby chickens and baby bunnies signify new life—maybe the new life Jesus gives us. The candy is just a nice way of saying our fasting is over so let's have a little feast—the same is true with a big Easter Sunday dinner. It's really beautiful when you think of wearing your best clothes on Easter too. In other words all the "things" we do on Easter can have some significance. We need to explain to our families that these all somehow relate to Christ, otherwise they can be a great distraction.

We encourage you to take full advantage of the opportunities that your parish has for you during Holy Week. It's a time to really allow the whole family to grow, realizing more and more, the significance and beauty of the entire week. It is our prayer that you have a blessed and meaningful Holy Week and a celebration filled Easter.

—by Terry Reilly

THEME: Christ's suffering

OPENING PRAYER: Dearest Jesus, tonight we gather once again in your name for our "Family Night." Bless us this evening as we dwell upon this coming Holy Week and all you have suffered for each one of us. Help us to enter into the spirit of this entire week beginning with our family this evening. Thank you, dearest Jesus, for giving your life for all men so that we might dwell with you eternally. Amen.

LESSON

● **Young Family:** Materials: Large piece of cardboard, old newspapers, scissors, blue, red crayon.
Activity: Cardboard cross. Cut cardboard into a large cross, together look through the newspapers to find pictures of suffering, or of violence. Cover the entire cross with the pictures just previously cut out. The completed cross may be hung in the family dining area all during Holy Week. Ask each member of the family to remember a time when he really suffered physical or mental pain and have him try to relive that moment, sharing it with the rest of the family. Each of

Family Night

us has suffered in some way. It might only be a scraped knee or it may be as serious as a death or critical illness. Have each share and then have him draw a red heart somewhere upon the cross to add his own suffering to that of our Lord's.

● Middle Years and Adult Family

Materials: Bible. Read aloud Mt. 27:11-54. After a few moments, each may share with the others what the Scripture meant to him personally this evening and also a moment from the past when he experiences tremendous suffering, physically or mentally. He also may share what it was like to see someone he loved suffer deep pain. How are our own sufferings united to the crucified Christ?

SNACK (optional) Fasting is suggested.

ENTERTAINMENT: This time should also be altered to reflect Christ's Passion. This would be an ideal time for the family to plan their activities for

Holy Week. Families are encouraged to actively participate in the observances that parishes provide. These unique community experiences at the parish level should prove to be an enriching experience for the whole family. The sacrament of reconciliation can provide members of the family with a uniquely meaningful insight during this time.

SHARING: Share the experience of making peace with someone with whom you were not at peace (see lesson for last week). Some may share when they felt especially close to God during the past week. Share struggles and joys.

CLOSING PRAYER: Spontaneous: (prayer jar). Scripture: Phil 2:8, 9. Lord's Prayer. Suggested prayer: Most Holy Jesus, thank you for this evening and our family's sharings. Tonight we tasted but a small portion of your suffering for us. O, Lord Jesus, thank you for giving your life so that we might have life eternally with you. Help our family to make this Holy Week more meaningful through prayer, fasting, and our attendance at our parish Holy Week services. We praise you now and forever. Amen.

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LECTOR: Al contemplar a Jesús en su entrada triunfante en Jerusalén, recibámonos como Mesías y busquemos seguirle hasta su Resurrección, oremos: Señor, afianza...

LECTOR: Sea esta semana tiempo de experimentar el misterio salvífico del amor de Cristo hacia nosotros, y de participación sincera en la liturgia de estos días santos, oremos: Señor afianza...

LECTOR: Pidámonos al Espíritu Santo para que nos haga conscientes de nuestra vocación: llamada del Señor a ser miembros santos de su Iglesia, oremos: Señor, afianza...

LECTOR: Que la fe que celebramos esta semana se traduzca en testimonio de

Cristo resucitado y lleve la paz y la armonía a los que salen a nuestro camino, oremos: Señor, afianza...

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LECTOR: Al celebrar hoy la institución del sacramento del sacerdocio, pidámonos al Señor que guíe y proteja a los que El ha elegido como canales de su obra salvífica, oremos: Señor abre...

LECTOR: Por el sacramento de la Eucaristía el Señor transforma el pan y el vino en su Cuerpo y Sangre para alimento de su Iglesia. Pidámonos aumento de fe para siempre celebrar con fervor estos santos misterios, oremos: Señor abre...

LECTOR: Oremos para que a ejemplo de los apóstoles fieles a la memoria de su Pastor Jesús, sepamos mantenernos unidos bajo nuestro obispo, oremos: Señor abre...

LECTOR: Al celebrar como Iglesia local de Miami el misterio de la Semana Santa renovemos nuestra dedicación por llevar a cabo el programa de renovación del Año Santo Diocesano, oremos: Señor abre...

Celebrante: Oración del Año Santo.

Top CAL cagers



Centro Mater School took the Catholic Athletic League (CAL) boys' basketball championship. Pictured are Coach Butch Staiano, cagers Otto Secada, Jesus Varona, Jose Quintana, Juan Polo, Alex Garcia, Marlo Lopez, Everardo Rodriguez, Reinol Diaz, David Fernandez, Jose Martinez, and Orestes Hernandez.



Girl North All Stars in CAL basketball include Ivonne Martinez, Colleen Pellman and Alina Velez, Our Lady of Perpetual Help; Lulu McAlpin, Nelly Robles, and Nanette Suarez, St. John the Apostle; Katrina Kavanaugh and Terry Mejides, Immaculate Conception; Lisa Priscal, and Cathy Burkett, St. Patrick; Shelly Pagan and Yvonne Costa, St. James; and Colleen Appleton and Rena Rojas, Holy Family.



Boys North All Stars in CAL basketball include Mike Keavney, Eben Morales and John J. Hearn, St. Rose of Lima; Robert Cates and Juan Amortegui, Our Lady of Perpetual Help; Jeff Patnik and John Vallee, Holy Family; Mike Turulla and James Henley, St. Patrick; Jorge Hortelano, Corpus Christi; and Luis Blanco, St. Mary.



Epiphany School captured the CAL girls' basketball championship title. Pictured are Coach Sister Regina Joseph, I.H.M., and the team: Lisa Dowd, Carmen Sanchez, Lori Bean, Chris Saco, Clara Cano, Sue Kelly, Lucy Sharkey, Tina Lewis, Alicia Cuervo, Ana Maria Mejia, Jeanne Mason, Sherri O'Steen, Annabel Mejia, Glenda Martinez, Ellen Bennett, and Julie Zingale.

Broward science fair winners

The Broward County Science Fair concluded this week with students from Catholic schools taking top honors in many divisions. A total of 500 exhibits from 60 schools competed for recognition.

For the second year in succession, Shirley Renuart, a sophomore at Cardinal Gibbons High School has been named overall finalist for her project, "Hydrologic Study of Oxygen Depletion by Effluents of Urban Wastes." Shirley also won the top Audubon Award and, through the Broward Youth Fair, a \$500 scholarship for outstanding science exhibit and \$250 top homemaking award.

Scott Jones, an eighth grader at St. Elizabeth School, was selected as the outstanding middle school exhibitor with the project, "Invertebrate Immunoglobulins as a New Source of Antibiotics." Third place overall went to sixth grader Daniel Renuart of St. Paul the Apostle for, "Effects of Remedies on Acetylsalicylic Acid."

Scott and Shirley have also been selected as the two students representing all middle and high schools from Southeast Region of Florida in

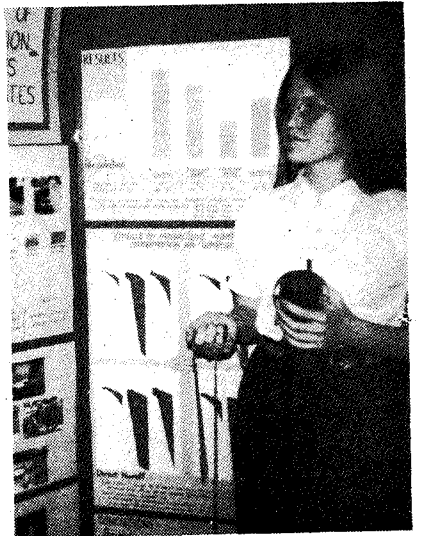
competition to read their literary and experimental papers before the Junior Academy of Science. Deborah Bizzarro of Cardinal Gibbons has been named first alternate for the competition at Orlando April 14.

Of the following winners, first-place exhibits in middle and high school will be competing in the Florida State Sciences and Engineering Fair April 18 at Niceville:

High School: behavior science—Julie Korfage, first, Lisa Diglman, second, and Glenn Aliosi, third, all Cdl. Gibbons; botany—Linda Dezolt, second, Marisa Mardigian, third, all Cdl. Gibbons; earth and space—Shirley Renuart, first, Cdl. Gibbons.

Middle School: Scott Jones, first place, biochemistry, St. Elizabeth; Jennifer Jones, second, earth and space, St. Elizabeth; Daniel Renuart, health and medicine, St. Paul the Apostle.

Elementary School: 2-grade life—Mike McGinn, second place, St. Elizabeth; 3-grade life—Elizabeth Shaw, first, James Milford, second, Kristine Cunningham, third, Andrew Dietrak, honorable mention, all St. Elizabeth; 3-



Shirley Renuart of Cdl. Gibbons High School with exhibit that won her the overall finalist title in the Broward County Science Fair.

grade physical—Jacqueline Cannavan, first, Little Flower; 4-grade life—Kristina Porraro, second, St. Elizabeth.

Special Awards: Audubon award—Shirley Renuart, first, Cdl. Gibbons; Mary McGinn, second, St. Elizabeth; and Linda Dezolt, third, Cdl. Gibbons.

Service activities

The St. Rose of Lima annual CYO Palm Sunday breakfast will be held after all of the morning Masses Sunday, March 19. All proceeds from the breakfast will be donated to ABCD.

Holy Spirit Church Youth Group in Lantana will visit patients in Atlantis Convalescent Home. All youth should meet in the parking lot at 2:15 p.m.

Aquinas and any other high schools are urged to attend. A light meal will be served. No charge.

★★★
Maritza Diaz-Silveria, a sophomore at Lourdes Academy, captured first place trophy in the Suniland Optimist Club oratorical contest. An active and involved "A" student, Maritza belongs to the National Honor Society, French Club and French National Honor Society, Math Club, and Spirit Club. She served with the Mercy Hospital volunteers and danced with the Miami Ballet Company last year.

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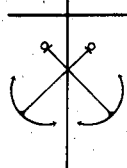
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Second annual State youth conference

By TOM FILIPPELLI

They came; overcoming flat tires, hurricane-force winds, a delay at a military base and up to 10 hours of driving. From all parts of Florida, 90 youths and adults came to Camp San Pedro for the second Florida Youth Conference.

Theme of the weekend was, "Oh God! Jesus Who?" and it focused on spiritual growth. Everything that is done in youth ministry has Jesus as its focus. By having the youth and adult leaders from each of the five dioceses

in Florida share in a growth experience, it is hoped that they will be able to return with a renewed spirit to minister.

Presentations were given on the characteristics of a Christian leader, Jesus as the focus of ministry, using a journal in personal prayer life, the spiritual formation of a retreat team, and values and life planning. In addition, miniversities, or mini-workshops, were held on aspects of Christian community, sexuality, and the role of adults in youth ministry.

Presenters included Tom Downs, author and director of adult religious education in the Orlando Diocese; Ralph Navarro, youth minister from Winter Park; Father Ed McCarthy, youth director, Orlando; Father Mike Tugwell, youth director, Pensacola-Tallahassee; and Marianne Nelson, staff member of the Diocese of St. Petersburg youth office.

A performance was given Saturday night by "Life Unlimited." They are a group of about 40 teenage and young adult singers and musicians from the Orlando area who share their own joy and spiritual witness through song. Mass Saturday night and a prayer service Sunday were coordinated by the Archdiocese of Miami.



Miami Archdiocesan youth participated in the second annual All-Florida youth conference.

Co-sponsored program on youth ministry set

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A Program for Teenagers—to help them develop their peer ministry potential and exercise it in their own parishes and schools and also to minister at Archdiocesan Retreat Programs.

There are two separate programs running concurrently at the same location on the same date. Both programs will run for eight weeks and will utilize the combined talents of the Department of Schools, Religious Education and Youth Activities.

The program will be given twice. On Mondays, beginning April 3, at St. Thomas Aquinas High School, Ft. Lauderdale, and on Wednesdays, beginning April 5, at Immaculata-La Salle High School, Miami. Time 7:30-10 p.m. Cost \$5.00 for teenagers, \$15 for adults.

For information call C.Y.A. Office or C.C.D. Office.

Theme of the Mass was, "A Journey of 1,000 Miles Begins with a Single Step." Anne Marie Flynn, Archdiocesan vice-president from West Palm Beach, delivered the homily. Anne Marie spoke of the journey representing life and when we take the first step with Christ, the journey begins to take shape. She told the conferees that putting their trust in Christ totally was like turning the lights off in a room. There is darkness at first, but things gradually take shape as the eyes grow accustomed to it. Anne Marie said we must be willing to turn off the light in order to

move forward on our journey.

The Sunday prayer service brought into focus the ideas that were shared during the weekend. Each participant was given a candle and a small bag of salt as symbols that they are to be the light of the world and the salt of the earth in spreading Christ's word in their own diocese.

Participants from the Archdiocese of Miami were; Tom Filippelli, Sister Jovanna and Frank DiMarzio from the DYA, Sister Maureen McGurran, Bob Watson, Karen Dorsey, Peggy

Krolczyk, Mike Troppe, Anne Marie Flynn, Steve Frazier, Scott Roach, Melanie Askew, Pam Hooks and Mike Murray.

All the participants agreed the conference was successful in achieving its goal of providing a time for spiritual growth. It was through the collaborative efforts of all five dioceses that the weekend went so well. A special note of recognition goes to the Cursillo men and women of the Orlando Diocese who prepared all the meals for the conference and supervised the physical set-up and clean-up.

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'Coma' has some blank gaps

No decision is easy. It only looks that way when you're young. As you get older, the decisions become more complex.

—Villain, in "Coma"

Young or old, the decisions aren't very complex in "Coma," Michael Crichton's new film, which mixes several pressing medical ethical problems (organ transplants, hospital error, the right to life, the definition of death) into a conventional, if occasionally suspenseful, horrorshow.

Writer-director Crichton now seems confirmed in an unfortunate career pattern.

Public Television starts annual auction with art

The 13th annual WPBT-Channel 2 AUCTION—"The Most Public Game in Town"—gets underway March 31, and continues through April 9. The first two days are devoted exclusively to art (paintings, sculpture, graphics, etc.) and after that everything is up for bids.

More than 900 works of art have so far been received—with more to come. Seven



Danny Kaye tells the story of "Here Comes Peter Cottontail," animated special based on the book by Priscilla and Otto Friedrich, to be rebroadcast Friday, March 24 (8-9 p.m.) on WTVJ Channel 4.

CBS recalls first years

"CBS: On the Air," a week-long series of special broadcasts recalling the first 50 years of CBS will be presented from Sunday, March 26, through Saturday, April 1, on WTVJ-Channel 4.

The broadcasts comprise nine-and-a-half hours and will be aired Sunday, 9 to 11 p.m., Monday through Friday, March 27-31, 10 to 11 p.m., and Saturday, 8:30 to 11 p.m.

Each evening's special will be hosted by stars whose programs are associated with that day of the week.

He's interested in big questions, and he has a vivid creative imagination. But in "Coma," as in his earlier movies ("Andromeda Strain," "Terminal Man," "Westworld"), he stops well short of the fascinating moral and cerebral areas those qualities might explore. He ultimately settles for hokey entertainment, which may please the stockholders and most audiences, but leaves thoughtful viewers waiting for insights that never come.

"Coma," from Robin Cook's bestseller, follows a feisty young woman doctor (Genevieve Bujold) in her investigation of a series of



by James Arnold

"bad operations" in a large Boston hospital. Apparently healthy young people, including her best friend, have inexplicably suffered "brain death" during routine surgery. At first the problem is blamed on random bad luck—in a large number of operations, a small percentage of failures is bound to occur. But ultimately Bujold uncovers a complex conspiracy to "murder" patients and then sell their organs to needy recipients for astronomical fees. The question is whether anyone will believe her story before the bad doctors get the heroine on the operating table.

Early on, a murky moral climate is established. There is the detached impersonal tedium of the assembly-line medical routine, the "M.A.S.H."-type banter in the operating room. Bujold and her live-in boy friend, an ambitious resident (Michael Douglas, in his first film role), fight bitterly over household chores and priorities. (She is clearly a strong-minded career woman acutely aware of her status in a male-dominated environment).

The unlucky friend is in the operating room for a therapeutic abortion. (The surgeon announces that fact to his team, then says, "I don't run her life"). As Bujold checks out various hospital departments, she runs into a pass from a male technician and breaks in on a couple of lab specialists making impromptu love behind the test tube cabinets.

A friendly maintenance

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man back at the hospital is executed when he is wet-mopped into a giant generator—a sizzling scene—and we're off into Hitchcockland. "Coma" is, arguably, almost a straight version of Mel Brooks' "High Anxiety," with its wicked medical plot against patients discovered by an outsider who must then be silenced.

As melodrama, it has its moments, despite ludicrously heavy use of scary music. Most of the thrills are in two chase sequences: when Bujold is pursued by an assassin through an empty medical school (she finally buries him in a cascade of frozen cadavers), and later, when she tries to escape from the creepy sanitarium. She has to crawl

along the plumbing ducts over an ultraviolet-lit room full of comatose patients suspended by ceiling wires and monitored by computers. This "slumber room" is the film's most chillingly memorable image.

The story has several puzzling gaps. For one, we never really learn who is involved in the conspiracy and who is simply among the many red herrings. And the fake-profound dialog fails to clarify the nature of the Enemy. Is it society, with its wishy-washy morality and lack of will to make ethical choices? Is it medicine, which has become an omnipotent modern priesthood? Is it simply human greed?

Crichton has apparently discovered two laws. One, if technology can go wrong, it will. Two, if there is a possibility of corruption, it will happen. The implications of both are more disturbing than his movie. (A-3, PG)

TV top tips

Sunday, March 19, 5-6 p.m., CBS, Ch. 4—"The New York Philharmonic Young People's Concert." Soprano Beverly Sills serves as commentator.

Sunday, March 19, 8-10 p.m., PBS, Ch. 2—"The Great American Dream Machine Revisited." Lively retrospective of the first 25 years of public television.

Tuesday, March 21, 8-9 p.m., PBS, Ch. 2—"Spain." James Michener's love of Spain, which he has visited for the last 50 years, is the subject of this program.

Tuesday, March 21, 9-11 p.m., PBS, Ch. 2—"A World at Bay." A live, international satellite broadcast on terrorism as assessed by world leaders, journalists and academics.

Wednesday, March 22, ABC, 4:30-5:30 p.m., Ch. 12, 5-6 p.m., Ch. 10—"The Ragtag Champs." A disorganized Little League team finds a new coach and learns a lesson in sportsmanship.

Saturday, March 25, 7-8 p.m., PBS, Ch. 2—"The Mind Machines." A program in the "Nova" science series about the computer revolution and the consequences of living with machines that can "think."



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Editorial

And now for the good news

We hear a lot about the bad things in society, the breakdown of the family, drugs, violence, preoccupation with sex and other such indicators of a troubled people.

And while these are problems that do need to be focused on and dealt with, it is good from time to time to be reminded that this nation does still have a strong central core of average normal people interested in home and family as well as wholesome forms of entertainment and hobbies.

Probably one of the best ways to judge the character of a nation is to look at its reading habits. The Gallagher Report last month listed the circulation of America's largest selling magazines and—surprise!—nowhere in the Top Ten was there a Playboy or a Hustler.

Number One, not surprisingly, was TV Guide. Everybody in all walks of life wants to know what's on the tube tonight.

Number Two was the perennial Reader's Digest, with its strong human interest appeal.



Number Three: National Geographic, an excellent educational and visual appeal publication.

Then came Family Circle, Woman's

Day, Better Homes and Gardens, Ladies Home Journal and number 10, Good Housekeeping, a cornucopia of recipes, gardening, home furnishing and such.

We left out number nine, a mild exception to the others: The National Enquirer, a relatively harmless entry, centering around the kooky rather than the kinky, with stories on movie stars, UFO sightings, the latest cancer cures and ways to increase your IQ by 50 points.

Clearly, most people still are tied to the basics: living in a pleasant environment and eating decent food.

And if you add in the millions of copies of religious publications, political, literary, educational and other specialty magazines on music, arts and crafts, camping, fashion, sports—the list is endless—a healthy picture emerges.

So, when the smut and violence peddlers say "We are just giving the people what they want," they are, in the majority sense, lying.

Did laymen ever hear confessions?



By Fr.
John
Dietzen

Q. A booklet on confession says—but doesn't explain—that laymen used to hear confessions in the Catholic Church. The book has an imprimatur, but I bet someone that this was never done. Who is right?

A. Strange as it seems, confession to laymen, or to monks or others who were not priests, was quite common for many centuries in both the Western (Latin Rite) and Eastern churches. During the early centuries, deacons and certain laymen were sometimes acknowledged to have this function in the Church, even to absolve sin, through persons with serious sins had to confess them to the bishop for public penance.

In the Middle Ages, it seems to have been rather common that people turned to monks, most of whom were not ordained at that time, for counsel, confession, and absolution. Even later, in the 12th and 13th centuries, some of the great theologians still taught that one could confess to laymen for forgiveness—not only of small but even of more grave sins.

Was this confession and

absolution considered to be what we now know as the sacrament of Penance? It's hard to say, because the technical theology of this sacrament developed in detail rather late, mainly after the 13th century. For a long time, theologians disagreed on the point. St. Thomas Aquinas, for example, seemed to say that confession of mortal and venial sins to laymen had some sacramental value. Others said such a confession was useless, from the sacramental viewpoint.

Question Box

At any rate, as theology developed, confession became more and more limited to the priest or the bishop. One ecumenical council said that confession should be made by each Catholic to "his priest" at least once a year. Much later, the Council of Trent decreed that only confession to a bishop or priest fulfills the requirements for the sacrament of Penance.

Q. A couple of times recently, I have seen people (in one case a priest) bow toward the altar of the Blessed Sacrament instead of genuflecting. Can you tell me why they do this? Shouldn't we genuflect if we really believe in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament?

A. Genuflection (bending one or both knees as an act of reverence) happens to be the act of reverence Catholics in our part of the world are most accustomed to, largely because it was a common act of reverence to civil rulers in the Roman Empire and in the western world in general. But a profound bow can be just as reverent. Until perhaps 300 years ago, in fact, bowing was a common way of showing reverence to the Eucharist or the crucifix. It was considered quite proper, in fact, for young girls to curtsy to the Blessed Sacrament.

Bowing is still used in preference to genuflecting by some religious orders, and is the practice almost exclusively in the Eastern churches.

Regardless of time or country, some appropriate sign of reverence to Our Lord in the Eucharist is required both as adoration and as a sign of faith.

Q. My niece's boy is married outside the Church to a divorced girl. They tried to arrange to be married by a priest, but it took too long, so they were married at her Protestant church.

As a Catholic, am I permitted to give this boy and his wife presents or money for Christmas and their birthdays? I think a lot of him, and want to be sure I am doing the right thing.

A. These kinds of situations always call for difficult and often painful decisions. While one cannot presume to judge another individual before God, you obviously believe, based on your Christian convictions about marriage, that the boy has done something seriously wrong.

Surely, if he claims the right to do this thing, you have at least as much right to do yours. In no way should you be expected to deny your beliefs, or act contrary to them, or pretend you approve his actions. At the same time, you wish to preserve a good relationship in the family, and to let him know he still has your love.

My own conviction is that in such circumstances much more is gained by honey than vinegar. Give the gifts that you feel appropriate, and make sure he realizes your affection for him.

Zaire youth seek priesthood

ROME—(NC)— The number of major seminarians in the Republic of Zaire in central Africa has increased by 308 in the last two years to a current total of 703, the international Fides service reported.

In the 1975-76 scholastic year, there were 279 philosophy students and 116 theology students for a total of 395 in Zaire's 11 seminaries. In the 1977-78 scholastic year,

At the same time, I think you owe it to him to let him know clearly (and this need be done only once) how you feel about what he has done, especially since there seems to be a respectful attitude toward you as his great-aunt. You should not be in the permanent position of wondering whether he is misinterpreting your actions as an agreement with what he has done.

Should he become angry with you for saying what you think chances are good this will be because he feels a genuine guilt over his actions, and resents being reminded of it by someone close to him. If this happens, hard as it may be for you, you will have done a considerable favor for him, both psychologically and spiritually.

(Questions for this column should be sent to Father Dietzen; 1113 W. Bradley; Peoria, Ill. 61606).

there are 569 philosophy students and 134 theology students.

There are 295 first-year philosophy students this year. Last year, there were 216 and the year before 166.

In addition to the increase in students in diocesan seminaries, religious congregations in Zaire have also had larger numbers of applicants.



By Msgr.
James J. Walsh

How should we deal with death?

Holy Week has a unique way of drawing us into a reflective mood about the more serious things of life. If it doesn't, we are not really tuned in to the rhythm of the awesome events of this week.

Good Friday, if we slow the pace and hold still for a few moments, inevitably must make us think of death. Not only the death of Jesus, but our own. By nature we dislike this. We can rather easily imagine other people dying, but it is difficult, even in imagination, seeing ourselves not a part of this earth. And yet, sooner or later, and soon at the latest, it will be noised abroad that we have died.

Part of our reluctance to reflect on death is traced to a normal reaction. We usually connect death with pain and suffering and being a burden on others. We fear, and rightly so these days, the enormous expense of being sick for an extended period in a hospital.

There's also the abiding, reasonable fear of the unknown. What does await us? Books such as "Life After Life" and much of the writing of Dr. Elizabeth Kubler-Ross has helped considerably, not to remove the mystery of death, but to ease some of the fear of it.

And yet, the Christian who has been raised on biblical concepts of mercy in this life and justice in the next, has other questions shrouded in the unknown. How do I really stand with God? Have I deceived myself? Did I turn my back on the light of self-knowledge, a grace of God? Have I substituted for it the shadow of my own self-assurance?

One of the urgent reasons at any time, whether ill or in good health, to make effective use of the sacrament of reconciliation and of Holy

Communion is to gain more of the light of faith and the strength of fortitude.

A certain fear of death is healthy and even necessary. "We should deal with death," Augustine said, "as we deal with God. That is, as we love God, yet still fear him, so we should fear death, yet still love it... We can look on it with peace, because of what it promises."

Many people nowadays who have been blessed with a deeper reality of the presence of Jesus in the soul find themselves at times actually looking forward joyfully, not morbidly, to union with the Lord and the whole world of God, so far beyond our imagining.

Some push away the thought of death because they are uneasy with God now. There's been a break in their friendship. They realize it. There's no denial of it. They are going to make it all up. But not just yet. They will break with whatever the evil is, but not now. Before death, well before it, grace will be theirs again.

This is a vain hope for two reasons. First, we live in a time of sudden death, when one goes from perfect health to death in a moment in an accident. When Jesus called the rich farmer, who built those huge, beautiful barns, a fool, he was not condemning him because of his wealth or the use of his wits. He was a fool beyond the telling because he acted as if he was going to live forever and wallow in his greedy satisfactions. "You fool, this day your soul is demanded of you."

Secondly, if one is depending upon a peaceful, quiet death-bed conversion one is asking for odds in the supreme gamble which Nick the Greek would never give. Most people nowadays are so fogged up with sedation, so irritated with the fuss around them, so bone weary from the

efforts made to save their life, the last thing they feel like doing is digging up the evil of the past and carefully setting it straight. I often heard, as a hospital chaplain, these last words spoken by a dying person, "Please, Father, don't bother me now. Come later." And there was to be no later.

Isn't the only death bed conversion in the Scripture that of the Good Thief?

Good Friday's radiant ray of light in the midst of all the darkness was the true understanding of death it gave us. More than that, it offered us the ability, by God's grace, to accept death with peace and joy.

The appearance of a corpse, especially in this day of magic cosmetics, is very misleading. There is death, of course, in the sense that the soul has been separated from the body. The spark that animated us, the principle of life has disappeared.

However, there is no annihilation of the person. The soul is just now really beginning to live its potential, while the body decays. In the soul, there is no loss of consciousness. (Notice in all these current books on "after-life" there is a stress on consciousness and light.) Once freed of the body, the soul is more keenly aware of the reality of God. The body has been like a prison for many years. Now free, the intellect is sharpened, the will to go for all eternity...towards God or away from him. Towards the source of happiness or away from it.

God's judgment is not spoken to a lifeless body which has lost hearing, and is incapable of being united with him perfectly. But the soul finds a new capacity for truth and love and fulfillment, undreamed of in this life.

No wonder all of our life we pray for a happy death. We say in the Hail Mary, "Pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen."

Rank and file Demos form Life lobby

Ellen McCormack, the first Right to Life candidate for President, isn't campaigning much these days but her spirit lives on within the Democratic Party.

The Long Island, N.Y., mother of four, founder of a pro-life organization known as Women for the Unborn, felt back in 1975 that the Democratic party wasn't listening to the majority of Americans who oppose abortion killings. She and a group of supporters decided to bring the issue to the people via the presidential primaries. To do that you needed a candidate. Ellen decided to run.

For the first time ever, millions of Americans heard the pro-life message from Ellen and Boston's Dr. Mildred Jefferson via TV commercials. TV stations and networks who had previously refused to give both sides of the issue now found they were required to do so under the FCC's Fairness Doctrine for political candidates. People all over the country raised money for the campaign with garage and bake sales.

The results surprised everyone. Not only did the effort recruit thousands of new volunteers for the Right to Life cause, but several states sent elected McCormack delegates to the Democratic National Convention.

When they arrived, many of the McCormack delegates and others held a caucus to discuss a proposed



Ellen McCormack

pro-abortion plank in the party platform. They met with a Carter aide who promised that it would be removed, only to learn later that it had been left in after strong pro-abortion lobbying. The group formally organized under the name Democrats for Life, and vowed to keep the pro-life spark alive within the party.

Their next event was the National Conference of State Legislators in the fall of '76. A brochure was distributed to the attendees, many of whom pledged to recruit new members back home. A quote from Thomas Jefferson, taken from the cover of the 1976 National

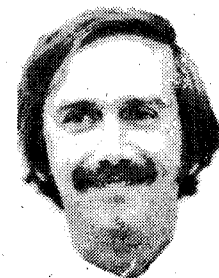
Democratic Convention Program, appropriately described the objectives of the new group:

"The care of human life and happiness, and not their destruction, is the chief and only legitimate object of good government."

Organizational meetings were held again at the 1977 March for Life in Washington and at the summer National Right to Life Convention in Chicago.

Former Indiana Senator Burnett Bauer, Membership Director for Democrats for Life, was in South Florida recently, and discussed his organization's goals with local Democrats. He explained that the current nationwide membership drive is aimed at recruiting new people as well as building a political force that can provide needed support for pro-life Democratic candidates at all levels. Bauer, who was a leader in fighting permissive abortion laws in the Indiana legislature, was also a founder of the Indiana Right to Life Committee.

Last year many Florida Democrats, from local rank and file workers up to Raleigh Green, a candidate for governor, spoke out against the state party's newly adopted pro-abortion platform. At the national Young Democrats convention on Miami Beach last summer, Democrats for Life literature was given to the delegates, and several signed up as active



By
Dick Conklin

supporters.

Ellen McCormack and her family are living happily on Long Island, not in the White House. The campaign is long over, another candidate was nominated and elected, a man who still refused to support human rights for unborn children or to meet with national Right to Life leaders.

But the Democrats for Life haven't lost the momentum they started back in the primaries. The movement continues to grow and promises to have its say in future platforms and campaigns. As one local party leader put it, "The Democrats who favor abortion aren't going to vote Republican. They have nowhere else to go. But the pro-life people in the party are the 'swing voters' who can defect whenever we don't offer a suitable candidate. They can make the difference."

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● Apoyan tratados Canal

PHOENIX, Ariz.—(NC)— Los dos obispos de Arizona, Mons. James S. Rausch de Phoenix y Mons. Francis J. Green the Tucson, han pedido a los senadores de su estado que aprueben los tratados del canal de Panamá pues reconocen el derecho de esa nación a su soberanía, y dan a Estados Unidos la oportunidad de dar un ejemplo en su política internacional de justicia y buen raciocinio, según afirman.

● Crece población étnica

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—(NC)— Los niños procedentes de minorías étnicas llegan al 54,29 por ciento de los alumnos de las escuelas católicas, dice la oficina de educación de la arquidiócesis, pues de los 76,777 niños, 41,638 son hispanos, negros u orientales. Los hispanos suman a 30,378. Ampliando el informe, otras fuentes aseveran que para 1980 la población hispana de Los Angeles alcanzará a un 28.8 por ciento del total.

● Logros contra pornografía infantil

PROVIDENCE, Rhode Island—(NC)— Después de que el semanario diocesano The Providence Visitor publicó una serie de artículos sobre el negocio de la pornografía en este estado, con detalles concretos, agentes federales y la policía registraron una bodega en un barrio residencial, confiscaron unos \$2 millones en revistas y películas y arrestaron al distribuidor Kenneth Guarino por contravenir leyes de 1977 contra la pornografía infantil

Vaticano explica silencio impuesto a sacerdote sobre homosexualidad

WASHINGTON (NC)— La visión del sacerdote John J. McNeill S. J. en su libro "La Iglesia y el homosexual", y sus declaraciones públicas sobre la cuestión han causado "falsas esperanzas" entre los católicos homosexuales y han confundido a la comunidad en general, dijo la Congregación Vaticana sobre la Doctrina, en una carta en la que impone silencio al sacerdote.

El texto de la carta, enviada el pasado mes de junio al Preposito General de la Compañía de Jesús, Padre Pedro Arrupe, fue enviada por la congregación vaticana al cable de noticias católicas, NC, el pasado 6 de marzo, para publicación en *Origins*.

La carta ordena al Padre McNeill que cese sus declaraciones públicas orales o por escrito, sobre el tema de la homosexualidad y pide que se retire el "imprimi potest" o permiso eclesial de sucesivas ediciones del libro "La Iglesia y el homosexual" publicado en 1976.

Dicho libro afirma que "no existe probada obligación moral de abstenerse de relaciones éticamente responsables entre homosexuales" y que por lo tanto las normas civiles y eclesiales deben aceptar tales relaciones como legítimas," afirma la citada carta.

Al tomar tal posición, dice el Vaticano, el libro "clara y abiertamente advoca una posición moral sobre la homosexualidad que es contraria —tanto en teoría como en la práctica— a la tradicional y presente enseñanza de la Iglesia."

Al discutir el "imprimi potest" concedido al libro, por el sacerdote jesuita Padre Eamon Taylor, superior provincial del Padre McNeill, la Congregación Vaticana afirma que dicho permiso de publicación "normalmente indicaría que el contenido del libro estuviese de acuerdo con la enseñanza de la Iglesia, y exento de peligro en cuanto a su puesta en práctica.

"Esto no es claramente el caso del libro del Padre McNeill," añade la congregación. El Padre Taylor concedió el "imprimi

potest" para permitir la discusión del tema entre 'intelectuales' y 'expertos' en el campo de la teología moral" y no para una más amplia diseminación, según explica la citada carta.

Por su parte, el Padre McNeill afirmó en su libro que "era importante para mí que el libro fuese introducido y aceptado en la corriente de la reflexión y debate católico."

"Al parecer la intención del Padre Taylor, al conceder el 'imprimi potest', no coincide con el propósito y actuación del Padre McNeill," dijo la oficina vaticana, al

declarar también que las "apariciones públicas del sacerdote en varias ciudades de los Estados Unidos, continúan siendo fuente de escándalo, tanto por las falsas esperanzas que se les da a los católicos homosexuales como por la confusión que causan en la comunidad general."

Según fuentes informativas, el Padre McNeill, que ha cancelado su concertada conferencia para el congreso nacional de Dignity, organización para homosexuales católicos, ha aceptado la orden del Vaticano.

P. Greely a educadores de la fe

'Fomenten capacidad de maravilla'

WASHINGTON (NC)— En este mundo de burocracia e industria, los profesores de religión deben ayudar a los estudiantes para que preserven su capacidad de maravilla, afirmó un sacerdote-sociólogo ante un congreso de educadores de la fe en Washington.

El Padre Andrew Greely señaló lo que él considera necesario para poder enseñar religión efectivamente.

"El educador de la fe no es alguien que descubre una nueva verdad, sino una antigua, y en el proceso se descubre él mismo". El maestro "debe proteger la experiencia de gracia de una precipitada y demasiado intelectual racionalización".

Para el Padre Greely, "la religión es básicamente algo basado en la experiencia y no en la razón.

"La dimensión cognitiva queda algo alejada de la experiencia," dijo, añadiendo que "la religión se originó del misterio... la quinta esencia del origen de la religión es el asombro, la capacidad de maravilla." Solo después de la inicial experiencia religiosa es que la gente "comienza a reflexionar y teologizar."

"Nos gusta maravillarnos," dijo el sacerdote, "porque maravillarse significa que pasan y pasarán cosas maravillosas."

Los profesores de religión deben "ayudar a la gente a reconocer la experiencia religiosa en el vivir de cada día, ya que estas ex-

periencias son asequibles a todos, son signos de gracia, que no necesitan una plataforma espectacular para ser experimentadas.

PRESENTARAN LA PASION



Foto 1977

Como en años anteriores tendrá lugar la presentación de la Pasión de Cristo, en el Dade County Auditorium, el domingo 19 de marzo a las 3:00 p.m., por la Parroquia de San Juan Bosco. Información y entradas en San Juan Bosco, 649-5464.

Piden ordenación de mujeres diáconos

WASHINGTON—(NC)— Más de 50 Directores Diocesanos de programas de Diaconado Permanente han pedido a los obispos de la nación que pidan al Vaticano la posibilidad de ordenar mujeres como diáconos permanentes.

La resolución pasó unánimemente durante la reunión anual de la Asociación Nacional de Directores de Programas de Diaconado Permanente, asociación de carácter no oficial a la que pertenecen unos 50 de los 112 Directores Diocesanos.

La resolución se dirigió al Comité sobre el Diaconado Permanente, de la Conferencia Episcopal, que preside el obispo Eugene

Marino de Washington.

● Otras resoluciones aprobadas por la Asociación incluyen:

● Que los diáconos permanentes puedan administrar el Sacramento de los enfermos.

● Que el Comité Episcopal para el Diaconado cree normas para la incardinación (permiso diocesano para el ministerio) y excardinación de los diáconos.

La Asociación se reunió por segunda vez desde su creación en 1976. Los Directores diocesanos de Programas de Diaconado llevan reuniéndose anualmente 8 años, bajo los auspicios del Comité Episcopal para el Diaconado Permanente. Unos 50 pertenecen a la Asociación que hizo las peticiones.

Más refugiados durante 1977

Según un informe publicado en Nueva York por el Comité Internacional de Rescate, 1977 fue el año más activo desde la creación de la organización, a raíz de la persecución de Hitler en Alemania en 1933.

El informe dice que en 1977 pudo ayudar a refugiados en 30 países de Asia, Africa, América Latina, Europa Oriental y la Unión Soviética.

El mayor continente de refugiados

procedió de Indochina donde más de 1,500 personas por mes huyen de Vietnam en pequeñas embarcaciones. Entre 2,000 y 3,000 laocianos cruzan mensualmente el río Mekong para entrar en Tailandia, donde hay campamentos con más de 100,000 refugiados.

El Comité Internacional de Rescate es una agencia no sectaria que por 45 años ha estado ayudando a refugiados que escapan de regímenes totalitarios. Muchas iglesias contribuyen con sus campañas financieras.



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En la Arquidiócesis de Miami tienen lugar todos los años más de 8,000 bodas de católicos y un gran porcentaje de ellas son entre jóvenes de cultura y habla hispana. ¿Por qué no anunciarse en nuestras páginas y llegar con su producto a cientos de futuras parejas hispanas que necesitarán sus servicios?

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●Denuncian fraude en elecciones

CIUDAD DE GUATEMALA—(NC)—El tribunal electoral tuvo que interrumpir el recuento de votos de las elecciones del 5 de marzo cuando demócratas cristianos y otros líderes denunciaron con pruebas fraudes a nivel municipal y nacional. Para entonces llevaba una ligera delantera el candidato derechista coronel Enrique Peralta Azurdia, y le seguía el populista general Romero Lucas García. El demócrata cristiano general Ricardo Peralta Méndez iba de tercero, pero se quejó que muchos de sus fiscales habían sido sacados de las mesas de votación "a punta de pistola," y de que los que tabulaban el voto estaban alterando los resultados. Ya se presentaron los primeros actos de violencia, que evocan la que siguió en 1974 a similares acusaciones.

●Papa vende arte probecas de jóvenes

ROMA—(NC)—El Papa Paulo VI regaló unas 2,000 obras de arte y artesanía a beneficio de los estudiantes del tercer mundo en Roma, unos 9 mil en un total en toda Italia de 26,000. Radio Vaticana comenta que con frecuencia estos estudiantes pasan trabajos porque no tienen beca y viven muy solos.

●Protestan proyecto de ley pro-aborto

FLORENCIA, Italia—(NC)—El Movimiento pro Vida protestó contra la componenda hecha al formar nuevo gobierno a costas de una ley que restringiría fuertemente al aborto; la que se piensa aprobar permite el aborto provocado durante los tres primeros meses del embarazo. Los demócratas cristianos querían restringirlos, pero los comunistas y socialistas se opusieron.

●La SIP honra, ora por periodistas asesinados

CANCUN, México—(NC)—El P. Albert J. Nevins del semanario católico Our Sunday Visitor celebró una misa en sufragio de dos miembros de la Sociedad Interamericana de Prensa muertos recientemente, el periodista argentino Alberto Gaínza Paz, quien falleció en diciembre, y el dirigente nicaragüense Pedro Joaquín Chamorro, asesinado en enero.

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Miembros del nuevo Consejo de laicos y sacerdotes asesores durante primera reunión. Presidiendo a la izquierda la Dra. Scopetta, el Arz. McCarthy y Anthony Tucci, moderador de la reunión.

“No queremos suplantar sino apoyar labor apostólica realizada”

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comentó la Dra. Scopetta.

Después de la discusión por grupos, los miembros del Consejo presentaron iniciativas sobre el programa, entre ellas: Incorporación de nociones de doctrina social y filosofía, y uso de profesorado seglar en las clases. Reconocimiento oficial de las personas ya ejerciendo labores pastorales y creación de equipos móviles que puedan dar talleres intensivos en las parroquias.

El grupo señaló peligros de demasiado

énfasis en lo académico y duplicación. También pidió que candidatos en el programa cuenten con experiencia práctica en tareas pastorales y estén seguros de su motivación. “Que no se consideren un grupo élite y no olviden su vocación seglar,” dijeron.

De interés común fue la búsqueda de comunicación efectiva con las parroquias. “Habría sido una equivocación convocar esta reunión, olvidando a los sacerdotes o representantes de movimientos,” dijo uno de los participantes.

El Consejo se reunirá cuatro veces al año y realizará su labor a través de varios comités. El sábado se formaron equipos para trabajar en áreas de: movimientos apostólicos; asesoría a la Oficina de Ministerios laicales y planificación de reuniones generales.

Los participantes también escucharon al Padre Donald F. Connolly, quien habló del progreso del Año Santo en la Diócesis y agradeció la cooperación del laicado diocesano.

Acercamiento ecuménico pero no a intercomunión

“... Por todo el mundo, hombres y mujeres de ambas confesiones (católica y anglicana), clero y seglares, rechazan la desunión,” dijo el arzobispo de Canterbury, Dr. Donal Coggan y primado de la Iglesia Anglicana, al cerrar recientemente las celebraciones de la Semana de la Unión de las Iglesias, celebrada en Londres.

En su predicación, el arzobispo anglicano continuó: “Católicos han recibido la comunión de manos de sacerdotes anglicanos y viceversa. No sólo los he visto, sino que he participado yo mismo: en Oceanía y en otras partes del mundo. Esto me ha emocionado profundamente.”

El prelado anglicano hizo confesión de las faltas cometidas por su Iglesia hacia el catolicismo, pidiendo perdón por la postura de “suspensión, de frialdad, incluso de desprecio, que nos ha caracterizado durante quince o veinte años y que quizás existe todavía hoy.”

La palabra del primado anglicano no representan novedad en sus trayectoria unionista. En su visita al Vaticano en 1977, dio a conocer su deseo, de que “la intercomunión sea cada vez más frecuente, con o sin el consentimiento de las autoridades superiores.”

La Curia Romana reaccionó entonces publicando en el periódico vaticano L'Osservatore Romano, una respuesta en que advertía que puesto que no se había restablecido el acuerdo sobre el contenido de la enseñanza de los apóstoles sobre la fe que debemos anunciar, sobre las estructuras necesarias al servicio de la comunión, no podía realizarse aún la participación conjunta en la Eucaristía.

Por su parte el Cardenal Hume, arzobispo católico de Londres reaccionó a las palabras del Dr. Coggan durante la semana de la unidad, diciendo que “le había hecho feliz su toma de postura aunque él no pueda compartirla.”

A su vez el Cardenal aceptó la invitación para pronunciar una alocución, también histórica, ante el Sinodo Anglicano reunido en

Londres.

Fue calurosamente recibido por los prelados anglicanos y se dirigió a ellos subrayando cuatro cuestiones que afectan al hombre actual, ya sea que pertenezca a la Iglesia católica romana o a la anglicana: Los temas fueron: dignidad humana, relaciones raciales, pornografía y desarme.

Sobre el tema de la intercomunión dijo que es necesario que se tenga “una fe común” antes de que se quiten las barreras que impiden la intercomunión.

“Estamos en una comunión parcial — señaló el cardenal Hume—. No hemos llegado

a la plena comunión que debe ser nuestra meta definitiva.”

También recalcó que se debía huir de la tentación de la insularidad y mirar a la Iglesia de todo el mundo, coincidiendo en esto con los recientes comentarios del Delegado Apostólico de su Santidad en los Estados Unidos Arz. Jean Jadot, quien dirigiéndose a un grupo interesado en la formación continuada del clero afirmó “que a veces los católicos mantienen cierta mentalidad de barrio” permaneciendo encerrados en los problemas propios.

Permite 'intercomunión' limitada Arquidiócesis de Kentucky

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—(NC)—La posibilidad de intercomunión limitada, que permitirá a otros cristianos bautizados recibir la Comunión en iglesias católicas, bajo circunstancias especiales, quedó señalada en las nuevas normas ecuménicas de la Arquidiócesis de Louisville.

Al anunciar el cambio, el Arzobispo Thomas J. McDonough dijo que la revisión está basada en una instrucción emitida por el Vaticano en 1972 por el Secretariado Vaticano para la Promoción de la Unidad Cristiana.

El Padre Stanley Schmidt, Director de la Oficina de Asuntos Ecuménicos de la citada diócesis, dijo que la nueva norma puede facilitar a familias con miembros de distintas denominaciones cristianas, el que se unan más en su vida litúrgica.

El Padre Schmidt indicó que en cada caso los individuos deben tener una entrevista previa con el sacerdote y ejercitar la prudencia.

Las nuevas normas de la diócesis de Louisville exigen que para que otros cristianos bautizados reciban la Eucaristía en la Iglesia Católica deben:

- “Tener fe en el Sacramento según lo entiende la Iglesia Católica.
- “Experimentar una seria necesidad espiritual por recibir la Eucaristía.
- No tener acceso por un prolongado período de tiempo, a un ministro de su propia comunidad de fe.
- Pedir el Sacramento de su propia iniciativa.
- Estar en disposición de recibirlo y comportarse como cristianos.

Otra de las revisiones de las nuevas normas indica que ministros no católicos pueden predicar en templos católicos, mientras la predicación tenga lugar antes o después de la Misa, y con permiso de la Oficina Diocesana. Tal permiso no es necesario en el caso de celebraciones litúrgicas que no incluyen la celebración de la Eucaristía.

Comienza Semana Santa

Con la Misa del Domingo de Ramos - de Pasión, celebrada en la catedral de Sta. María por el Arzobispo Edward A. McCarthy, dará comienzo la Semana Santa de 1978. Predicará la homilía el rector de la catedral Mons. John J. Donnelly.

La Misa de los Santos Oleos que incluye la renovación del compromiso sacerdotal, tendrá lugar el lunes 20, a las 6 p.m. también en la Catedral. Será principal celebrante y predicará la homilía el Arz. McCarthy y le asistirán varios sacerdotes que celebran el aniversario de su ordenación.

El Arzobispo también será principal celebrante de la Misa de Jueves Santo en la Catedral, a las 8 p.m. y de los servicios de Viernes Santo a la 1 p.m. en la Catedral.



Ministerios laicales a primera reunión de Consejo de Laicos

“No queremos suplantar sino apoyar labor apostólica realizada”

Por ARACELI CANTERO

La nueva Oficina de Ministerios Laicales no quiere sustituir sino apoyar a la labor apostólica y pastoral que ya existe en la Arquidiócesis, afirmó el Arzobispo Edward McCarthy ante el Consejo del Laicado que se reunió por primera vez el sábado, en el Centro de Enriquecimiento Familiar.

Convocado por el Arzobispo para asistirle en cuestiones del apostolado seglar arquidiocesano, el nuevo consejo está formado por 26 laicos representando a organizaciones diocesanas interesadas en participar, y 12 sacerdotes en calidad de consultores. El grupo se reunió para reflexionar sobre su papel de concientización sobre la vocación de los laicos y de cuerpo asesor a la Oficina de Ministerios Laicales.

“Nuestra meta es fomentar el ministerio laical dentro y fuera de la Iglesia,” dijo el Arzobispo en sus palabras introductorias. Hizo referencia a la reciente “Declaration of Christian Concerns”, documento firmado por 47 seglares de la Diócesis de Chicago, en la que los firmantes afirman que el papel del laicado en la Iglesia se está devaluando. Dicho documento arguye que tal devaluación se está llevando a cabo con la nueva tendencia de movimientos clericalizantes que fomentan ministerios eclesiales entre los laicos.

En general la declaración indica que no se valora el papel del laicado y su misión en el mundo a través del ejercicio de su trabajo y profesión.

“Creo que el laicado tiene un papel dentro y fuera de la Iglesia,” comentó el Arzobispo McCarthy.

Pero la reunión del sábado no llegó a tratar el tema de los laicos en la sociedad, ya que la reflexión quedó centrada en la Oficina de Ministerios Laicales y su programa de formación.

Durante la discusión, los participantes cuestionaron la necesidad de crear programas de formación especializada y señaló el peligro de crear un grupo élite y separado del pueblo. Subrayaron que ya muchas personas están comprometidas en servicios pastorales en movimientos y parroquias, “muchos de los cuales no podrán interrumpir su labor para recibir la formación requerida

por la oficina”.

El Arzobispo señaló que algunas formas de ministerio requieren preparación especializada y cierta planificación, “para que todas las áreas necesitadas queden cubiertas.” También indicó que en la Iglesia primitiva los ministerios eran ejercidos por toda la comunidad y que con los años fueron quedando acumulados en los sacerdotes.

Según explicó la Dra. Mercedes Scopetta, Directora de la Oficina, existe aún poca reflexión teológica sobre el ministerio laical.

“Vemos esta labor como consecuencia del sacramento del Bautismo,” dijo.

“Quisiéramos evitar dicotomías entre

Corresponsabilidad implica más que toma de decisiones

HOLYOKE, Mass. (NC)— La corresponsabilidad implica mucho más que la toma de decisiones, afirmó el Padre Robert Kennedy ante un grupo de católicos de Nueva Inglaterra.

Durante la Convocación en Holyoke, Mass., el experto en derecho canónico afirmó que “cada uno de nosotros tiene un papel, ya sea aportando ideas, datos, tomando decisiones o evaluando las decisiones hechas.”

Unos 20 obispos de la región y cerca de 200 personas de 11 diócesis, participaron en la jornada de reflexión sobre “Corresponsabilidad en la Iglesia.”

El concepto de la co-rresponsabilidad está arraigado en la vida de la Iglesia, según dijo el sacerdote. “Cada persona participa en el sacerdocio de la Iglesia y debe ejercitar su ministerio sacerdotal al servicio de los demás,” añadió.

La meta del proceso de toma de decisiones en la iglesia es que ésta refleje su variedad de talentos, según el padre Kennedy.

“Podemos aprender mucho de la comunidad comercial, del campo político y de las ciencias del comportamiento, en nuestro modo de poner en práctica el tipo de toma de decisiones que exige la corresponsabilidad. En la Iglesia debemos y hemos de estar

laicado-clero y animar a todos al ejercicio de sus ministerios propios,” dijo.

Su oficina ha iniciado varios programas pilotos de formación de ministros laicos con unos 70 candidatos. Estos entraron en el programa individualmente o presentados por parroquias o movimientos. Al terminar los dos años de formación regresarán a sus parroquias o movimientos o serán colocados por la Oficina según necesidades diocesanas.

“Estamos abiertos a sugerencias y planeamos otros modelos que utilicen las posibilidades de formación ya existentes,”

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Psiquiatra cubano a ordenarse sacerdote

Tendrá lugar a las 11 de la mañana del sábado 18 en la Catedral de Sta. María la ordenación sacerdotal del cubano, Doctor Sergio García Miró, médico psiquiatra de 41 años, en los Estados Unidos desde 1961.

Recibirá la Orden Sagrada de Presbítero de



Sergio García Miró

manos del Arzobispo de Miami, Monseñor Edward A. McCarthy.

“Creo que como médico puedo ayudar a la gente, pero como sacerdote podré ayudar de modo especial,” dijo en vísperas de su ordenación.

Vía crucis Pablo VI en TV

El próximo Viernes Santo, 24 de marzo, el Canal 23 de Miami transmitirá en vivo y por satélite desde Roma el tradicional Vía Crucis del Santo Padre. Como de costumbre, el Vía Crucis tendrá lugar en el Coliseo en el corazón de la Roma Imperial.

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