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## Little Devil?

Not really. This little tyke is just trying to avoid the "horns" of a dilemma, how to walk without stepping on her own tail, while playing a part in a morality play put on with kiddies in San Isidro parish in Pompano Beach. The idea of the play was to tie in the themes of Thanksgiving, All Saints Day and Halloween.

## Pilgrim Pope Visits Turkey

ANKARA, Turkey — (NC)— Amid heavy security, Pope John Paul II arrived in Ankara around 1 p.m. (6 a.m. EST) Nov. 28 on a pilgrimage he described as promoting Christian unity with the Orthodox Church.

THE HEAVY security was the result of current unrest in the Moslem world because of the crisis in Iran. Turkey is a secular state, but almost the entire population professes Islam.

The pope was met at the airport by Turkish Premier Suleyman Demirel and Foreign Minister Hayrettin Erkmen, and kissed the ground.

Associate Press reported that the Turkish press was generally hostile to the pope's visit. AP reported that a confessed Turkish terrorist, Mehmet Ali Agca, a Moslem facing the death penalty after conviction for murdering a Turkish newspaper editor, escaped from prison Nov. 25 and wrote a letter to a paper saying he wanted to kill the pope.

After resting for about an hour, the pope was driven to the presidential palace to meet with President Fahri Koruturk. The only other people present for the interview were Archbishop Salvatore Asta, papal nuncio to Turkey, and an interpreter.

Before leaving Rome, the pope emphasized the ecumenical nature of his trip. He departed Rome at 8:23

a.m. (2:23 a.m. EST) on a 54-hour "ecumenical pilgrimage," his fourth trip outside Italy since 1978.

The papal boeing 747 took off from Rome's Leonardo Da Vinci Airport in heavy fog for the scheduled trip to Ankara.

BEFORE DEPARTING, Pope John Paul asked the crowd of cardinals, bishops, diplomats and laymen at the airport to pray that God would "accompany my steps on this road of great hope, which represents another important step toward the full and perfect unity of all Christians."

The pope noted that he was following in the footsteps of Pope Paul VI, who visited Turkey in July 1967, and said that the major goal of the trip was "to continue with

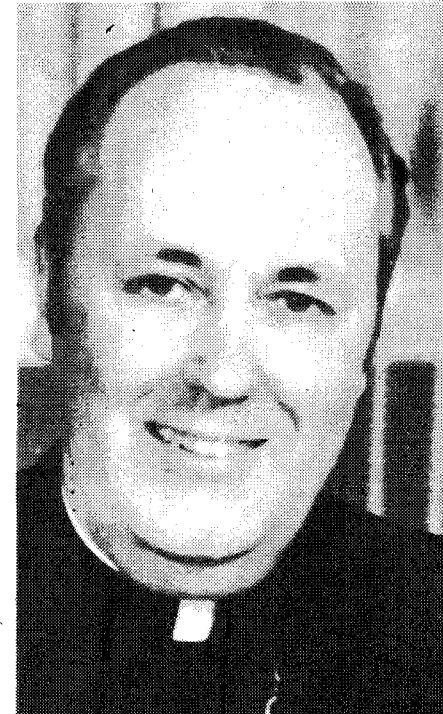
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## Installation Set In St. Augustine

ST. AUGUSTINE — Invitations are in the mail to the ceremony of installation of Bishop John J. Snyder as eighth bishop of St. Augustine.

Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy of Miami will install the new bishop in the Province of Miami in the presence of Archbishop Jean Jadot, apostolic delegate in the United States.

The ceremony will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 5, 1979, at 3 p.m. in the Cathedral-Basilica of St. Augustine.



Pope John Paul II has appointed Auxiliary Bishop Edward T. O'Meara of St. Louis, National Director of the Society For the Propagation of the Faith for the past 12 years, to be Archbishop of Indianapolis.

## Laity Bringing Back Lapsed Catholics

ORLANDO, Fla. — (NC)— Fallen-away Catholics do not blame their parish priests for their decision to leave the church. Nor do those who return to the practice of their faith list priests as the reason they returned. Faith decisions, according to information from a study authorized and funded by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, are affected more by interpersonal relationships among lay people, particularly relationships with family members and co-workers.

Conducted by the U.S. bishops' Ad Hoc Committee on Evangelization, the study involved seven U.S. dioceses — Detroit; Omaha, Neb.; Baltimore; Providence, R.I.; San Antonio, Texas; Orlando, Fla., and Oakland, Calif.

SEVERAL COMMITTEES assisted in designing the survey, including a pastoral committee of Washington archdiocesan priests and a committee which included Joel McCready of the National Opinion Research Center.

The study acquired data on three specific groups of Catholics: converts who have come into the church in the last three years; Catholics who have stopped practicing their faith in the last three years, and Catholics who had once stopped practicing their faith but have become "reactivated" in the last three years.

A non-practicing Catholic, according to the survey, is one who has not gone to Mass in the last three years other than for Easter, Christmas, weddings or funerals.

Data also indicates, according to the "initial impressions" of two people conducting the study, that committed Catholic laymen figure highly in the conversion of non-Catholics and the reactivation of fallen-away Catholics.

THE TWO CONDUCTING the survey are Paulist Father Kenneth McGuire, an anthropologist and director of the Paulist Institute for Religious Research, and Dean Hoge, a sociologist at the Catholic University of America in Washington.

Father Alvin Illig heads the U.S. Bishops' Ad Hoc Committee on Evangelization.

In telephone interviews with Hoge and Father McGuire, the Florida Catholic, newspaper of the dioceses of Orlando and St. Peters-

burg, learned that the largest segment of dropouts from the Catholic faith includes people between the ages of 18 and 24.

While withholding firm statistics until final compilation of data — to be ready for publication around June 1, 1980 — the researchers said their "initial impression" was that most adult conversions to the church are people who were married to or planned to marry Catholics.

ALSO, THEY said, most reactivated Catholics seemed to be persons who came back to the faith once their marriages had been validated following annulments of previous marriages.

Father McGuire said that

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# News At A Glance

## Abortion and Holocaust

GARRISON, N.Y. —(NC)— Catholics who compare widespread abortion in the United States to the Holocaust in which the Nazis sought to exterminate the Jewish race are being insensitive, according to Eugene Fisher, executive secretary of the U.S. bishop's Secretariat for Catholic Jewish-Relations. Fisher, writing in the November issue of Ecumenical Trends, cited the comparison of abortion to the Holocaust as one of the signs of the fragility of improved relations between Christians and Jews.

## Diocese Records Subpoenaed

TUCSON, Ariz. —(NC)— The financial records of the Diocese of Tucson have been subpoenaed by the U.S. attorney's office in Phoenix in connection with a federal investigation into the Arizona State Retirement Fund. But diocesan attorneys had already begun an internal investigation of finances before the subpoena was received, priests were told in a meeting with the bishop Nov. 19.

## MD Opposes amendment

NEW YORK —(NC)—Dr. Bernard M. Nathanson, formerly a leading advocate and practitioner of abortion, now opposes it except when a mother's life is in danger, but he does not favor a human life amendment to the U. S. Constitution, saying that a better approach would be to get Supreme Court reconsideration of the issue. Some reports on Nathanson's recently published book, "Aborting America," have indicated that he favors an amendment.

## Work on World Food Plan

ROME —(NC)— After hearing messages from Pope John Paul II and United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim, delegates to the biennial conference of the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization began work on a world food plan for 1980-81. The first week of the Nov. 10-29 conference was dominated by talks emphasizing the critical state of the world food situation and by preliminary discussion on FAO's programs and budget for the next two years.

## Near-Union at Vatican

VATICAN CITY —(NC)— More than 1,000 of the 3,000 Vatican employees have joined a new organization which is as close to a union as allowed under Vatican Law. The Committee for the Defense of the Rights of Vatican Employees was reportedly formed with the consent of Cardinal Agostino Casaroli, Vatican secretary of state, after two meetings between the cardinal and disgruntled employees.

## Dionne Father Buried

CORBEIL, Ont. —(NC)—Oliva Dionne, 76, father of the Dionne quintuplets, was buried in Corbeil Nov. 16 after a simple ceremony in Sacred Heart of Jesus Church. Dionne, his wife Elizire, 71, and his famous daughters have had more than their share of publicity since the girls' birth in 1934.

## Rural Life President

DES MOINES, Iowa —(NC)— Bishop Lawrence J. McNamara of Grand Island, Neb., has been elected president of the board of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference headquartered in Des Moines. He was elected to a three-year term succeeding Bishop Maurice J. Dingman of Des Moines.

## Land Use Statement

WASHINGTON —(NC)— More than 11,000 people participated in a recently concluded series of hearings on a proposed Midwestern bishops' land statement, and most of the comments at those hearings have been favorable, bishops from 44 Midwestern dioceses learned at a meeting in Washington Nov. 12. The Midwestern bishops held a special regional meeting during the fall general meeting of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops to discuss their proposed statement, "Strangers and Guests: Toward Community in the heartland."

## Ecumenical Prayer Service

BOSTON —(NC)— The spiritual leaders of major religious organizations joined in an ecumenical prayer service on historic Boston Common Nov. 19 to proclaim a "covenant of justice, equity, and harmony." The ecumenical service, which began with a colorful procession of 300 clergy and laity from nearby St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral, was designed as the touchstone for a massive campaign to bring the covenant out to the city's neighborhoods to be signed there by the residents.

## Pro-Life Candidate

(Undated) —(NC)—Supporters of Ellen McCormack, the Long Island housewife who ran for president in 1976 on a pro-life platform, have announced that she has decided to run for president again in 1980. But this time Mrs. McCormack will run as an independent rather than as a Democratic candidate, according to Linda Zumpano, chairman of the Ellen McCormack for President Committee.

## Local Vocations Pushed

VATICAN CITY —(NC)—Pope John Paul II had high praise for missionaries but encouraged the development of local vocations during an audience Nov. 20 with 17 members of the Colombian hierarchy. "I would like to express my appreciation and gratitude to those members of worthy religious families, who give such generous energy to this commitment amidst such difficult surroundings and many deprivations," the pope said in his Spanish-language address.

## Notice

Literature claiming to emanate from the Blue Army of Fatima and supportive of Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre is being distributed in various parts of the Diocese in Both English and Spanish.

The Voice informs its readers that the group doing the distribution has no con-

nection with the officially recognized Blue Army of Fatima whose headquarters are in Washington, New Jersey. Furthermore neither this alleged Blue Army group nor the literature being distributed has the approbation of the Archdiocese of Miami.

## OFFICIAL

The Chancery announces that Archbishop McCarthy has made the following appointment:

THE REV. CHARLES R. FLYNN, O.S.A. - to Associate Pastor, Resurrection Parish, Dania effective Nov. 14, 1979, upon nomination by his Provincial.

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# Americans Like Pope, Some Teachings

WASHINGTON — (NC)— Pope John Paul II made a profound impression on the American people, according to an ABC News-Louis Harris survey, in which 70 percent of the people interviewed agreed the pope is "one of the outstanding world leaders of this century."

On questions of church doctrine, a majority of Catholics and non-Catholics opposed the pope's views. On the question of artificial birth control, Catholics opposed the pope's stand 63-34 percent, while the population in general opposed it by 59-35 percent, and non-Catholics opposed it 58-35 percent.

**BOTH CATHOLICS** and non-Catholics disagreed with the Catholic church's opposition to abortion by about the same margin, 61-34.

Asked whether they opposed the church position of "not allowing nuns to participate more fully in the functions of the church," 60 percent of Catholics interviewed opposed it, and 58 percent of the general public opposed.

On divorce, Catholics opposed the church's stand



Pope John Paul's teachings on birth control, abortion and divorce are opposed by Catholics by even greater margins than by non-Catholics though they admire him as a great religious leader, poll says.

more strongly, 65-34 percent, than non-Catholics, by 60-35 percent.

On celibacy for priests, 53 percent of the general public, and 53 percent of Catholics interviewed opposed the policy.

In the larger sense,

Catholics are more prepared to accept the pope's views in certain areas. They say they agree more than disagree with the pope "on world issues not connected directly with the church," by 77-11 percent margin.

On "matters concerning the doctrine of the church affecting members of the church," Catholics polled said they agreed with the pope by 56-32 percent.

The poll was conducted Oct. 24-29 over the telephone with 1,500 adults nationwide, of which about 400 were Catholic.

The poll found also that 8 percent of the Catholics polled agreed the pope is an outstanding leader when asked, "As far as you are personally concerned, would you say this pope is one of the outstanding world leaders of this century or not?"

On that question, 23 percent of the general public said no and 7 percent were unsure. Of the Catholics, 13 percent said no and 3 percent were unsure. Of non-Catholics, 66 percent said yes, 27 percent said no and 7 percent were unsure.

U.S. make you feel more proud of being a Catholic, less difference one way of the

other?" The response was 60 percent more proud, 1 percent less proud and 39 percent no difference.

## The Death Sentence

By JOHN GILE

"Death."

"Death," each member of the panel repeated.

"It is unanimous," said the jury foreman. "Death."

He turned in the direction of the defendant's table.

"We will not have the usual statement by the defendant at this time," he said. A few snickers were heard around the room.

"That's how it was for the entire hearing. The advocates of the death penalty presented their case. The defendant said nothing.

Others had spoken in his defense, but to no avail. At one point, a group of demonstrators broke into the room demanding an end to capital punishment. The police jailed them for contempt.

The leader of the demonstrators made a brief statement at the jail. "When a society can execute an innocent person without hearing his side of the story or giving him a chance to defend himself, that society has degenerated to the lowest level.

"He has done nothing to harm anyone. He has not threatened anyone. He had in no way broken any law. He is completely innocent.

"To kill him is to be more brutal and savage than the most uncivilized of primitive tribes. To kill him without allowing him to defend himself makes a mockery of any verbal tributes our nation may make to justice.

"This vicious act is a most despicable crime, a violation of the Constitutional right of life, a denial of the right to due process, and a horrible violation to God's commandment against murder. I plead, I beg you, please take my life and spare this innocent one."

But his pleas fell on deaf ears.

Others voiced their dissent.

The president of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals sent a telegram complaining that the death sentence was undermining his group's work. "How can we protect animals if there is no respect for human life?"

Letters and telegrams poured in.

"Halt the senseless slaughter," wrote one irate citizen. "Put yourself in the position of the one condemned to death."

The message on one telegram was brief: "Death sentence is bad enough. Death sentence without hearing defendant is murder."

Finally the day of execution arrived. The lawyer who wanted the death penalty said there was no change in the execution plan. "The press coverage this matter has received is misleading," he said. "This is not the first time this is done, nor will it be the last.

"A lot of bleeding hearts have come forth with sentimental statements about human life and the inhumanity of the death sentence.

"Well, let me tell you this. The death penalty is cheaper than any alternative in this case. The death penalty is quicker, easier for everyone involved. And the victim will never know what hit him. As for the victim's failure to defend himself, that's his problem.

"Now the execution is going to take place as planned. Nothing will stop us, absolutely nothing. We wouldn't change our minds if God himself stood in our way."

The abortion was performed later that day at a state hospital.

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## Cesar Chavez Visits Miami

Farm labor leader Cesar Chavez takes the ten month old California lettuce strike to five Florida cities Dec. 3-7, as part of a nationwide tour. In five days he travels to Orlando, Tampa, Miami, Tallahassee, and Jacksonville.

In his first visit to Florida urban centers since the much publicized grape boycott of the mid-1970s, Chavez, president of the United Farm Workers, is seeking support for the farm union's boycott of "Red Coach" label iceberg lettuce. Red Coach is produced by Bruce Church, Inc., the nation's third largest lettuce grower and the focus of the UFW's bitter strike in California's lush agricultural valleys.

Highlights of Chavez's Florida schedule include:

Wednesday, December 5: (MIAMI)

7:30 - 9:00 a.m. Chavez joins Miami supporters "human billboarding" at S.W. 27th Ave., and U.S. 1, Miami. (UFW backers promote boycott by holding up large human billboards to passing motorists and pedestrians.)

5:45 - 7 p.m. Potluck Dinner, Riviera Pres. Church, 5275 Sunset.

7:30 - 8:30 p.m. address to students, faculty at Florida International Univ., Miami.

During the nationwide

boycott swing, Chavez also visits major cities in the states of Illinois, Missouri, Michigan, Ohio and Texas.

It is his first boycott tour since the UFW leader traveled the nation in the early and mid-1970s organizing the farm workers' grape and lettuce boycotts.

## Eucharistic Adoration

St. Sebastian Council of Women will sponsor two days of Eucharistic Adoration beginning after 11:00 a.m. Mass on Dec. 2, and ending Monday Dec. 3, The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed until 4:00 p.m. on Sunday and after 8:00 a.m. Mass on Monday. Closing with Benediction at 4:00 p.m.

The Council women will attend 8:00 a.m. Mass and Corporate Communion on Friday, Dec. 7. Monthly meeting will follow in Parish Hall. Coffee and Danish will be served.

## Movie-TV Supplement

Next week's VOICE (December 7th) will carry a complete, up-to-date supplement on "Television and Movie Facts for Parents".

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# Permanent Deacons Busy After 6 Months

Permanent Deacons do a lot of things.

From baptizing infants to presiding at funeral services, from giving instructions to those preparing for marriage to consoling the sick, from conducting religious instruction classes to assisting at liturgical services — these are just some of the functions of the first class of 18 permanent deacons who were ordained for the Archdiocese of Miami last April.

Since the Church's reinstatement of the permanent diaconate for laymen, these men have sought to coordinate the responsibilities of their two worlds: the diaconate vocation and the secular profession.

Listed below are the names of the first class of permanent deacons in the Archdiocese, their parishes, secular professions and activities as deacons — six months after ordination.

**BLAHA, DANIEL** — Our Lady of the Lakes Parish; full-time parish director of Religious Education; baptizes, visits the sick; currently pursuing a degree in Religious Studies at Barry College; ordained in 1972, Chicago, IL.

**CARROLL, NORMAN** — St. Anthony Parish, Fr. Lauderdale; chiropractor; homilist, teaches adult classes in liturgy, conducts Scripture

classes at Broward County Jail, visits nursing homes, presides at weekly vespers and Benediction.

**D'ANGELO, ANTHONY** — Visitation Parish, North Miami Beach; sales engineer; presides at marriages, baptisms, Benediction for nocturnal adoration, prayer services for senior citizens groups; homilist, CCD Board president; active in Cursillo and Charismatic movements.

**GATO, TOM** — St. James Parish, North Miami; educator; presides at baptisms, Benediction and novena services; active in Bible Study group, Family Enrichment Community, Engagement Encounters, parish council; homilist, trains and schedules lectors and Eucharistic ministers, on the Archbishop's Ad-Hoc Committee on Human Sexuality, assistant chaplain for Scouting in the Archdiocese, works in Diakonia program (college-age youth retreats).

**HUMPHREYS, GOERGE** — St. David Parish, Davie; hospital administrative consultant; assistant to the director of Catholic Service Bureau and consultant in CSB for hospice care; liturgist at public and church functions, coordinator of lectors and extraordinary

ministers, parish building fund director, director and teacher of adult education and parent training on Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist; marriage preparation counselor, homilist, visits hospitals and makes home-sick calls; assistant to pastor for new church construction/design (including materials management for church supplies).

**JOHNSON, LOUIS** — St. Luke Parish, Lake Worth; police officer (personnel administrator);

**MICKWEE, GEORGE** — St. Maurice Parish, Hollywood; bank vice president and senior savings officer; Archdiocesan associate director of Permanent Diaconate program; parish director of weekly children's liturgy, homilist, chairman of lectors, presides at Baptisms, weddings and active in Cursillo.

**MONCSKO, WALTER** — St. Peter Parish, Naples; swimming pool builder; presides at wake and funeral services, baptisms and Benediction; visits the sick and shut-ins; conducts catechetical instructions for parents, God-parents and converts; member of the parish's Evangelization Planning Committee and St. Ann's Charismatic Prayer Group.

**ROLLINS, WILBUR** — St. Louis Parish, Miami; attorney; presides at weekly Benediction and exposition of Blessed Sacrament, baptisms, weddings, wakes; preparation of Marriage Tribunal histories and testimonies, conducted home blessings and enthronements, homilist, brings Eucharist to sick and elderly; participates in ecumenical Christian Prayer activities; guest speaker on diaconate, Charismatic renewal.

**SHAW, RICHARD** — St. Timothy Parish, Miami; life insurance agent; conducts convert instruction classes, visits hospital, baptizes and gives premarital instruction; cleric director of Charismatic Prayer Group, Holy Name Society chaplain, and salesman for church bulletin.

**TOURIGNY, RICHARD** — St. Luke Parish, Lake Worth; homilist, parish choir and music director; presides at Benediction, novena services; coordinates interfaith services at Mason Nursing Home, brings Eucharist to shut-ins; in charge of Spanish liturgical services; gives instructions prior to and performs baptisms and presides at weddings.

**MANUEL CANOVACA**. Office Supplies Salesman. St. Timothy, Miami. Presides over Youth Group and Adult Group for religious


formation. In charge of a catechetical class in Spanish. Currently attending shut-ins at the Federal Correction Institute. Visits the sick and needy families.

**DIEGO CHAVEZ**. Production Supervisor. St. John Bosco Parish, Miami. He serves at Nursing Home and the sick at private homes. He is in charge of a Christian Family Community. Presides and instructs on pre-marriage and pre-baptismal reunions, presiding at the ceremonies; also wakes and funerals. President of St. Vincent de Paul's Society at the parish and presides at the Saturday night Perpetual Rosary for World Peace.

**RODOLFO PADRON**. Foreman of a Shipping Dept. St. John Bosco Parish, Miami. Serves at Nursing home and sick persons in the community. Director of Parish Pastoral for the Sick. Coordinator of Eucharistic Ministers. President of St. John Bosco Brotherhood. Also leads the Perpetual Rosary on Saturday nights.

**RAY ORTEGA**. Electronic Dept. Director at a Miami Beach hospital. St. Benedict Parish. Coordinator of Lectors and Director of Pastoral for the Youth. He is a

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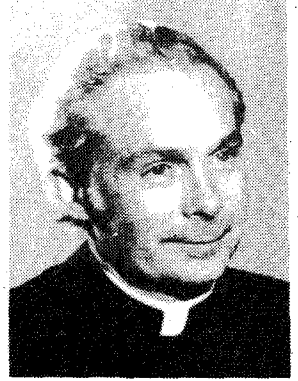
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**JORGE GONZALEZ.** St. Agatha, Miami. Medical Electronic Equipment Representative. He is Associate Director of the Prisons Apostolate. Serving at the Federal Correction Institute presides the Cursillo of Christianity. Director of the Parish Camino to Marriage Movement.



The pied piper? — no, that's Fr. Reynolds entreating "...and could we puleeze try to get all pets headed in the same direction before we get to the judges..."



A smart pussy can best survey the scene and tolerate that silly yapping down below when perched safely at shoulder height. And "Fluffy" is a smart domestic full-bred Allaykat.

## Pick a Pet? No Way!

Could you be a "judge" at a church pet competition?

Worse yet, would you go around patting pets on the head and telling their owners — can't miss?

In the first, I suppose, if you have the nerve to tell a mother that her baby pictures are not all cute.

In the second, I suppose, if you just happen to be the church pastor.

In general, I'm sure, I pass, too.

Pet lovers are a breed unto themselves. It could be a well groomed, manicured ball of fur, or a scraggly haired something that's tugging on a rope, but when you look at the owners from 8 to 80 you can bet they are all members of the "family" and who's to judge which is best-of-show.

And so I'll limit this story by telling you it was the annual blessing of the animals in honor of St. Francis and held on the school grounds of St. James Church, Fr. James Reynolds, pastor. It was followed by a pet competition. I didn't wait.

TG — the cowardly lion.



Animals have pets, too, but sometimes that love gets a little tarnished. Listen to "Tennessee" — "look at me, someday I'm a clown, she even tried to fit me with a disco skirt".

## Cambodia Contributions Dominican Bishops Send Thanks

The following letter was received in the Miami Archdiocese office of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith:

Dear Director:

Among the actions taken at last week's meeting of the Society's Superior General Council in Rome was a decision to send the sum of \$300,000 to be used by our missionary personnel in the Far East on behalf of the Cambodian and Vietnamese refugees.

This assistance is intended to equip the representatives of the Church with some substantial assistance through which they will be better able to use the many gestures of help and relief that are presently being sent to this area.

Surely all of us rejoice in this decision which so unites us in a gesture of loving concern for these unfortunate people and for the missionaries who serve them in such selfless fashion.

Edward T. O'Meara  
National Director

The National Conference of the Bishops of the Dominican Republic has sent the following letter to Archbishop Edward McCarthy.

Very Dear Brother in the Lord:

The Conference of Bishops of the Dominican Republic, meeting in an extraordinary session to analyze the damages suffered by the passing of hurricanes David and Frederick, to estimate the amount of the help received by our Church, wish to express our deepest gratitude for your generous assistance. This help will be mainly directed to the reconstruction of homes of the poor, one of the most serious problems left by the hurricanes.

God, Lord of all, and good provider, will repay with abundance your Christian generosity and your kind and compassionate spirit.

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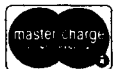
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**K of C Meeting**

The next regular meeting of Fr. Michael Mullaly Assembly Fourth Degree, will be held Dec. 4, at 8:00 p.m. at Council 3080, 325 SW 25th St., Ft. Lauderdale. This will be a business meeting.

★★★

WASHINGTON (NC) — The Knights of Columbus elected Virgil C. Dechant to his fourth term as supreme Knight at a recent meeting of the board of directors.



Transportation to Sunday Mass has begun for members of St. Bede's and St. Mary's Parishes, Key West. Requests for transportation can be made at the rectory of either parish. Shown from left to right enjoying their first ride are: Rosinda Piodela, Mildred Saunders, Joseph Rieli with Mary Recuperero, volunteer driver.

**Pope In Turkey**

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renewed commitment the effort toward the unity of all Christians."

The trip was also designed to "demonstrate the importance that the Catholic Church places on relations with the venerable Orthodox Church" and to pay homage to Ecumenical Patriarch Dimitros I, patriarch of the 14 Eastern Orthodox churches, he said.

Plans for the papal departure had been altered somewhat by the fog. A scheduled helicopter trip to the airport was changed in to an automobile ride.

BECAUSE OF the unseasonably cold weather, Pope John Paul wore a red papal mantle over his white vestment as he gave his farewell greetings and recited the Lord's Prayer.

The pope is scheduled to meet Patriarch Dimitros Nov. 30, the feast of St. Andrew, patron of the Orthodox Church and brother of St. Peter, before his return to Rome the evening of Nov. 30.

Enroute to Turkey, the pope sent messages from the papal plane to the President Sandro Pertini of Italy, President Josip Broz Tito of Yugoslavia and the chairman of Bulgaria's Council of State, Todor Zhivkov.

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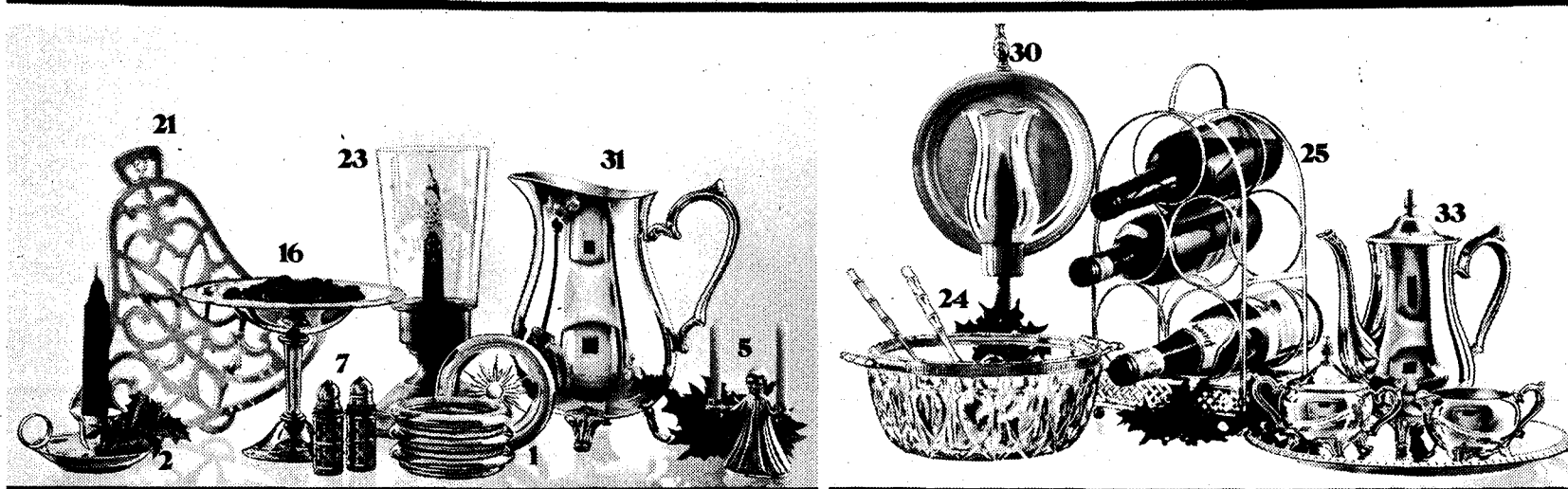
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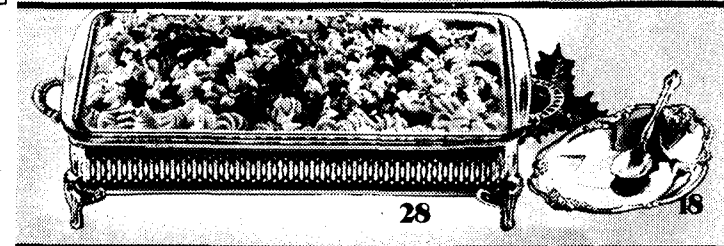
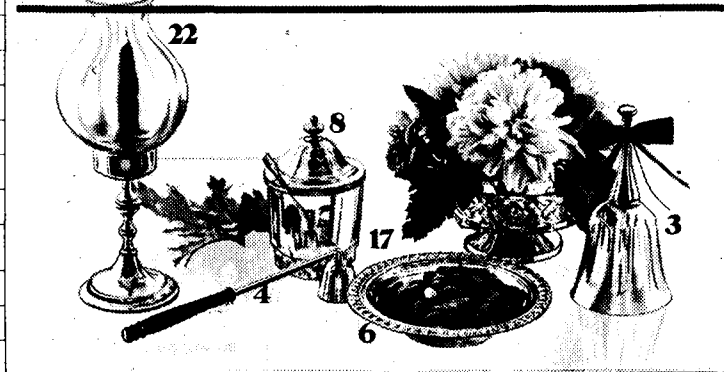
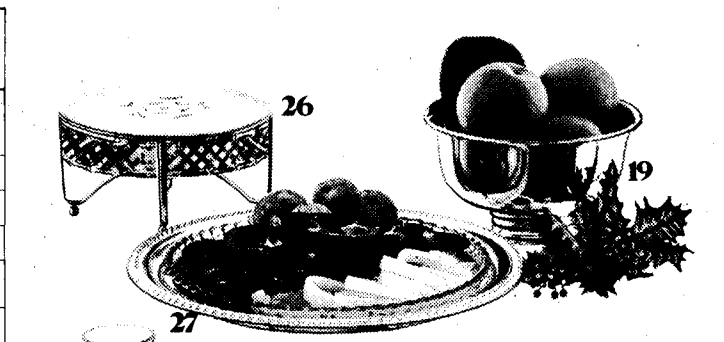
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# MATTER OF OPINION

Being entrusted, then, by God's mercy, with this ministry, we do not play the coward; we renounce all shamefaced concealment, there must be no crooked ways, no fal-

sifying of God's Word; it is by making the truth publicly known that we recommend ourselves to the honest judgment of mankind, as in God's sight. (2 Corinthians 4:1-2)

## Need For Lay Ministry

Last week we were talking about the little to be thankful for among many of our citizens. Yet, if we look at the present crisis in its proper perspective, while it might be an era of fear—let us not walk into the trap of thinking it is also an era of doom.

This is an age when we Christians must rise with an historic vision and enlivened courage, to accept the times as God's will—meeting the periods of prosperity with humility and thanksgiving, and the dark periods without panic, without lamentations—indeed, only with a disciplined faith.

Every day has its fears and doubts. We have only to read our history books to find many of the central characters have forecast the end of organized society and the doom of people threatened by some ancient or modern form of barbarity.

When we look around us, it is indeed sometimes horrible to meditate on the fate of whole peoples and the warring factions which abound in the world. We also think those Christians under Communism or the several forms of Facism, who languish in alien dungeons, while the neo-barbarians attempt to crush their loyalty to their God and their neighbors.

Yet, while we meditate on them, we remember their predecessors, Peter and Paul, and the host of other martyrs who died knowing that the Church of Christ would survive time itself. We who are privileged to live in this great Democracy have less to despair about and more for which to be thankful. We, so far, have been spared the anguish of oppression, but this still does not mean that we can sit back and let events take their course.

Christians have a special role in shaping the events of the future, and therefore must

be willing to stir out of their torpor and participate in the affairs of the parish and the civic community. This is why there is such an emphasis on the Archdiocesan program of Evangelization and the constant exhortation for lay participation.

We are reminded of the constant plea of the modern Popes for the laity to make a greater effort in the apostolic mission of the Church. Our Pontiffs have not made this plea simply because there is a shortage of priests in some parts of the world. They are reminding us of our obligations—for indeed we are duty-bound to participate in some measure in the Lay Ministry.

We must know what we are and where we are going. God has given all of us, whether we are aware of it or not, the destiny of being his adopted sons—brothers, therefore, by that adoptive act of Jesus Christ. We are not abstractions, disincarnate beings. We are flesh and blood, with a unique personality, our own heredity, our own temperament, our own history, our own resources. It is the whole of us, in our own circumstance of life, just as we really are, that is called to become an heir of God, co-heir with Jesus Christ.

It is through all that makes up our

life that we must attain our eternal destiny: our home life, our labor, our recreation, our courtship, our marriage, are no more than steps forward to our destiny. Our education, our apprenticeship in work or profession, our preparation for marriage—these things are not accidents of fortune nor of personal choice alone—they are the means willed by God whereby we are able to reach our personal perfection, fulfill our social mission and attain our salvation.

It gives us a vocation, a personal mission, which transforms our lives into a collaboration with God, with all men, for the achievement of the Divine Plan in the work of Creation and Redemption. Created by God, redeemed by Christ—we are their necessary collaborators—freely and willingly through love. Our personal vocation is expressed through our mission in the family, in the parish, in the community. This irreplaceable vocation implies an apostolic responsibility and an apostolic training, adapted to our capabilities and environment.

The eternal and divine destiny of each and every one of us demands that we be placed in continual contact with Christ so that we may share in the divine life, through Christ living in us. This is what Evangelization is all about. This is what is needed for a genuine Lay Ministry.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Show Not Over

To the Editor:

With the headline, "Show's Over on Birth Control" the Voice continues to evangelize with the gospel of believe as you please, do as you please, dissent if you please. How is it possible that a historian should contend that a firm doctrine of the Magisterium and of Tradition has faded to a "non-question" in a few years.

Another historian enlightens us, "This new religion is what countless bishops and priests all over the world, and nearly all the most influential theologians, are pretending is the Catholic Faith as renewed by the Council. No surprise, then, to see with what facility error spreads through the Church. A monsieur tells a theological society contraception is acceptable. Immediately "Catholic" magazines catechize the infidelity that Catholics need not permit this scruple of the Popes to inhibit their missing out on anything. Catholics may go and do likewise.

All non-shepherds, mitered hirelings, easily keep their cool seeing the scattered sheep worshipping and serving the gods of modernism: The words, of Pope John Paul must still resound in the ears of true shepherds, "Let the concern to foster active and effective catechesis yield to no other care whatever in any way". Catechesi Tradenda.

Catholics have a right to restitution whenever they have been defrauded into accepting anything of the new religion in the guise of authentic Catholicism. Most of all, let us pray that the Faith of the Church will again be the first and necessary qualification for holding office, that of pastor and all other canonical offices.

Fr. A. Lucking  
Pompano Beach

### More on Kung

To the Editor:

It is indeed a pity that theologians like Father Hans Kung are free to do our church so much harm through his harsh, scathing and unfair criticism of our beloved Holy Father John Paul II, published originally (of all places) "on the opposite editorial page of the October 19 issue of The New York Times", a paper that has been well known for its anti-catholic, anti-life bias. I fail to see what good could possibly be attained by Father Kung's comments, as reproduced in "The Voice". (10-26-79) In my opinion, the division, doubt and disobedience he fostered and encouraged will, I'm sure, be well exploited by the enemies of our church and of God.

We should indeed thank God that our Holy Father's attitude concerning such criticisms is like Jesus', who rather than water down or change his teachings to please the majority, let those who did not accept them leave. He gave us the example that it is God's approval that we should all seek, not that of men— if the apostles had watered down basic doctrine to please the majority at that time and gain more followers, what would we catholics have been left with after 2,000 years?

Let us heed St. Paul's warning: "The time is sure to come when, far from being content with sound teaching, people will be avid for the latest novelty and collect themselves a whole series of teachers according to their own tastes; and then, instead of listening to the truth, they will turn to myths. Be careful always to choose the right course." (2 Timothy 4:3 - 5)

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## In Advent, a Lesson From Good Samaritan

By MSGR. JAMES J. WALSH

In recent years we have been hearing much about the emphasis on joy in Advent, trying to live with the joy made possible by the Christmas event and, just as important, trying to share this joy with others. And while the old regulations of fasting and abstaining have been put aside we have still much to do. We are called to evaluate deeply our personal standing with Christ. With the added zest and enthusiasm which the Church's New Year brings, we make a serious attempt to put the house of the soul in order.

So to be joyful and to give joy. Beautiful concept! But how do we go about it? Obviously, we need some kind of a spiritual, practical crash program to turn us on these weeks. We need a program of love that can be implemented with a few guidelines. Something concrete and possible within the framework of our daily round.

I THINK WHAT I am trying to say is simply this — to appreciate the kind of love which brought Jesus to Bethlehem we should concentrate on trying to love as He commanded. When I say a "practical program" I do mean a one, two, three kind of guideline, so that we will not be working in the dark.

We can find this in the classic example of love of neighbor, the love of the Good Samaritan. Let's break that down again and relate the several scenes of his loving attitude

to our own lives.

Jesus told the story of the Good Samaritan meeting the wounded Jew in bandit infested country and taking care of him as others turned their heads the other way. He left us this heritage of love in action because it would be meaningful as long as there were two people on earth. Three things make this a genuine love story.

First, the Samaritan knew how to forget. The story would lose much of its impact, if the Jews and the Samaritans had not been bitter enemies. They never exchanged a word of greeting, much less offered a helping hand. So this Samaritan had to squash down his feelings and ignore some sour memories, as he bent over the wounded man to do what he could to help.

Second, he saw a person's need and did something about it. He could have shrugged his shoulders and kept going as the victim's own countrymen did. He could have clucked his tongue in pity and felt it was someone else's responsibility, as we so often do about places like Cambodia and the missions. He could easily have rationalized with himself and come to the fair conclusion that if the man came out of his coma and saw a Samaritan bending over him, he could be cursed and reviled for his pains. But he ignored all this. He saw the need and went into action.

Third, he did all that he could. The Gospels as a rule do not go into details. There is an amazing economy of words, a tantalizing brevity in the style of the Evangelists. However, in this case each step of love is stressed - he approached - dressed his wounds - pouring in oil and wine - hoisted him on his own beast - brought him to an inn - cared for him - gave silver pieces to the innkeeper - promised to pay further expense. He could do no more.

So we come back to ourselves.

TO GROW in love, perhaps the most important step is learning how to forget. We are so full of prejudices - inherited, acquired, fostered, never examined, taken for granted. Keep in mind when we use the word "forget" here, we don't mean digging into the memory and rooting out someone's malicious deed of the past and thus making it possible never to let it surface again. That's an impossibility. We cannot destroy a part of our human nature. Memory cannot be erased completely. To say, "forgive and forget" is misleading. But when we truly forgive we are acting AGAINST the prompting of memory. We are ignoring it. We are mastering it and are no longer enslaved by it. How clearly this highlights the fact that love is indeed an act of the will, not a product of the emotions.

When we do something kind and

it is not appreciated, we go into a slow burn. Forget it, the Good Samaritan says. Did you do the good thing to be praised? Was that the motive - to get a wee bit of applause? Or were we motivated by the love of Christ for neighbor. If this were so, then we really don't care whether we are thanked or not.

SECOND, we see people in need everywhere and do not act. Surely God does not mean us to go about like a windmill do-gooder. Even Christ passed by thousands of sad situations on the roads. But there are many times when we could have moved ourselves from comfort to discomfort to benefit others, instead of mumbling about the mess and expressing sorrow it exists.

Words. We are born tongue-cluckers. Christianity is intended to transform us from that futile habit. We must learn not to turn everything over to an agency where love is concerned.

FINALLY, the Good Sam did all that he could. By nature, we settle for a minimum. To ease conscience. To avoid criticism or gossip. To avoid inconvenience. To keep from getting involved.

Really the best way to prepare spiritually for Christmas is to walk along with the Good Samaritan and make the effort to forget the hurts of the past, to act rather than talk when there is need and to do all that we can.



## Tribute To a Retiring George Meany

By REV GEORGE G. HIGGINS

A certain amount of hyperbole or poetic license is expected when people are paying tribute to a prominent public figure on the occasion of his retirement from office.

Thus, for example, it came as no surprise that Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, in commenting on the retirement of AFL-CIO President George Meany and the election of Lane Kirkland as Meany's successor, said that "if the power were given to me to choose either the next president of the United States or the head of the American Labor movement, I would choose the labor movement, in institutional terms, as the more important job."

A SIMILAR note was struck in a recent Washington Post article on Meany and Kirkland by Walter Shapiro, former press secretary to Labor Secretary Ray Marshall. "Americans," Shapiro wrote, "have always felt uncomfortable acknowledging the unique importance of the labor movement. The head of the Chamber of Commerce is no more a Washington celebrity than an assistant secretary of agriculture. But when George Meany announced his retirement on Sept. 28, it created

almost as many shock waves as the passing of Charles DeGaulle in France."

That's a bit overdrawn, but the point is well taken. Meany's retirement at the age of 85 did, in fact, receive more public notice than any similar event in recent memory — and deservedly so. I wasn't sitting close enough to the podium to be able to vouch for this report, but I am told that even President Carter had tears in his eyes as he bade farewell to Meany (who was seated in a wheel chair) at the AFL-CIO convention in Washington on Nov. 15. And, earlier that day, when Meany broke down momentarily as he was offering thanks to God at the close of his otherwise characteristically un-sentimental farewell address, many a hardened delegate (and many an observer, including this one) reached for his handkerchief to wipe a tear away.

The great outpouring of respect and affection which was showered on Meany as he handed over the gavel to his long-time associate, Kirkland, was richly deserved, not only because of his many accomplishments as one of the truly great figures in the

history of organized labor, but also, and even more important, because of his sterling personal qualities.

As I noted in my invocation at the opening session of the convention, he is a man of "granite-like integrity, great sincerity and strength of character" — a man who, without fear or favor, always means what he says and says what he means, sometimes bluntly, to presidents and kings as well as to his associates and peers in the movement to which he has dedicated all his energy for 60 years or more.

Like the rest of us poor mortals, Meany has made his share of mistakes over the course of the years — and characteristically said so openly in a recent interview — but even his most vocal critics have never for a moment questioned his motives or personal integrity.

WILLIAM SERRIN of The New York Times accurately reflected the mood of the convention when he wrote that "union leaders have the warmest affection for Mr. Meany. It is not that they feel in awe of him. Rather, their admiration seems to be composed of fondness and respect, the kind they might have for a

favored uncle or grandfather." That puts it very well. I would only add that, while Meany's peers may not stand in awe of him as a person, they have tremendous respect, bordering on awe, for his unsurpassed record of accomplishments on behalf of the working people of the United States.

What can I say in a more personal vein about Meany as he takes on the title of president emeritus of the AFL-CIO, I owe him a great personal debt of gratitude for many favors over the past 40 years, but I would find it difficult to express my gratitude in words. In lieu of that, upon my retirement from the U.S. Catholic Conference staff, I will present my entire labor library, in his honor, to the George Meany Center for Labor Studies in suburban Maryland — a magnificent 47-acre institution which he was instrumental in founding 10 years ago and at which, so long as his health permits, he will make his headquarters as president emeritus of the federation. May God grant him the strength and the health to occupy that office, as labor's most respected elder statesman, for many years to come.

# Disappointed in Each Other

By JERRY BARTRAM

They had no money. They were driving from New York to Denver because they thought living in Colorado would make them happy.

But they fought all the way. On the outskirts of Denver the tension in the tiny car was so great that Jim pulled over and they got out.

There was a rainbow in the sky — behind their backs. "I began to feel a little desperate," remembers Kathy. "What were we to do? What could I do to change the situation? I felt I was the prisoner of my moods."

For the Webbers that moment outside Denver when they could no longer bear being trapped together in the car was symbolic of all the low points that surprised and dismayed them during their first year of marriage.

THEY HAD MET seven years before as counsellors at a summer camp. Jim saw in Kathy "a very deep person, a person of tremendous potential." She was "a challenging person. She had her own ideas."

She was drawn to him because of

his patience, his kindness, his willingness to forgive. "I think the strongest thing was his relationship with God." It "didn't depend on me." She liked that.

He was 22 and she was 20 when they formed what was supposed to be a perfect union in which high principles and mutual love met. So what was the problem?

"We expected fulfillment from each other, but we did not know how to change ourselves."

They expected to help each other grow. But before they knew it, they were up against their own limitations.

Kathy thought the emptiness in her life would be filled through marriage. But it wasn't. She found herself unable to forget or forgive either herself or him. For his part, Jim was amazed at some aspects of his own nature, his very strong temper, for example.

A few days later, shaken by what they both felt, they decided that what they might need was deeper spirituality in their lives. Even though religion was important

to them, perhaps they were not sharing this part of their lives.

"I felt enthusiasm," Jim remembers, "the desire to grow together in our rapport with God."

Kathy recalls that they began to think more of one another rather than so often of themselves. Eventually the things they did for one another — little things like washing the supper dishes, taking out the garbage — became acts of love rather than things that had to be done for the sake of peace.

Of course, they did not find the utopia they had envisioned when they married. They still were quite capable of saying the wrong thing to one another. But what they had found was the courage to start over again instead of retreating into hurt silence.

THE PROBLEMS Kathy and Jim faced are not unique. People in love tend to focus only on their good points. Faults seem to fade into the background. But being human, none of us is perfect. And marriage is the closest relationship there is between people. This union reveals both the

strengths and weaknesses of both parties. It follows that if a marriage is to grow, we must learn to accept our flaws and the flaws of the other. Gradually some of these flaws may be corrected completely; some may merely be softened; others may remain in their entirety.

JIM AND CATHY found the key to their problem. When they sought for deeper spirituality, they let the author of love fully into their lives. Jesus as gentle, tolerant and unselfish. Jesus loves us even when we disappoint him. His gentleness, tolerance, unselfishness and deep love is the nourishment marriages must have if they are to succeed.

Jim and Kathy Webber sought spiritual direction from the Focolare movement, a movement begun in World War II by a group of young people who were in constant danger of death because of bombing. These people determined to live the Gospel message every day. The movement grew and more than 30 years later is still growing. A central address is: Focolare Movement; P.O. Box 496; New York, N.Y. 10021.)



"They had no money and they were driving from New York to Denver because they thought living in Colorado would make them happy," Jerry Bartram writes. "But they fought all the

way, and on the outskirts of their Promised City the tension in the tiny car was so great that Jim pulled over and they got out. For the Webbers that moment outside Denver when they

could no longer bear being trapped together in the car was symbolic of all the low points that surprised and dismayed them during their first year of marriage."

# I Thought You Were Perfect

By EUGENE and CATHERINE FISHER

Cathie: The subtitle of this article should be "But I'm Glad You're Not." Otherwise, I would have to be perfect too, and I'm not.

Gene: We knew each other pretty well before we were married and that's kind of the key to the whole thing, isn't it? I mean, we knew many of our faults as well as strengths because we had talked everything over so much.

Cathie: Yes, absolutely. I really don't think there should be any surprises after marriage. That's what the dating process is for. Now you may find out that little things that seem trivial when you were dating are more annoying than you imagined.

Gene: But the fundamentals should be there.

Cathie: Right. Hopefully the 1950s movie vision of courtship is dead and buried. Courtship is the time for two people to explore one another and

allow themselves to be explored.

Gene: So that the revelations of the first months of marriage that we so often talked about in the manuals — things like rolling up or not rolling up the toothpaste tubes — are not really the essence of what's going on in that period?

Cathie: The first few months of marriage are pure fun. You can hardly believe that you get to spend all your free time together. It's a time for solidifying but not forming the basic relationship.

Gene: But it's still being formed. It's always being formed and deepened, perhaps no more during that period than before or after, but still in process. Marriage is never static.

Cathie: Maybe that's why that period is so important to marriage. The honeymoon, the first few months of domestic living, can color the entire relationship.

Gene: But the roles that are established in that period shouldn't necessarily be fixed forever. In our

own case we have gone through several role transformations depending on circumstances. Sometimes I have made out all the bills, now it's you.

Cathie: And sometimes you earned the money to pay the bills as when I was in law school. At other times I have been the proverbial breadwinner as I was when we were first married. The important thing about the early period of marriage is the communication model that is established. Perhaps that's why it's important not to have to focus on toothpaste tubes.

Gene: It's important not to look at the newlywed period as something apart from the rest of marriage. It's special because it's new. But because a healthy relationship is always growing and changing, marriage is always new.

Cathie: Do you mean that the honeymoon can last forever?

Gene: To answer a question with a question, why not?

Cathie: The experts tell us that the first year of marriage is the proving ground. Finances tend to be tight. Different theories of housekeeping and role expectations surface. Each has to learn how to relate to a new set of relations. You discover you have married not just an individual but a family, and possibly many of your cultural and social assumptions are not shared.

Gene: These are all real problems. Yet the couple that realizes the stresses such outside factors place on their relationship can, given communication, grow together as they face them.

Cathie: Right. And I think it's important to remember that often our behavior reflects society's expectations rather than the realities of our own situation. The first year of marriage doesn't have to be traumatic.

Gene: As you said, it's the first of many years of joyful growth.

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# Husband and Wife

## God's Gift to Each Other

By FATHER JOHN J. CASTELOT

The wisdom of Israel was not that of later Greek and Scholastic philosophy, an abstract intellectual virtue, queen of the mental faculties. It was rather very concrete, practical, down-to-earth know-how, covering every aspect of human life. Good examples of this wisdom are to be found in the books of Sirach and proverbs.

GIVEN THE importance of the man-woman relationship in everyday living, and comment to offer on the subject. The reaction to this material on the part of many a modern reader will undoubtedly be something like: "Talk about male chauvinism, blatant sexism" And admittedly this would be a fair and quite understandable reaction.

THESE BOOKS were written more than 2,000 years ago in a Mideastern cultural setting, and they reflect the attitudes of a definitely male-oriented society. Women were respected for their role in the family and sincerely loved, too, but they come through in this literature as weak, untrustworthy, scheming, dangerous. They are regarded with a lurking suspicion and, one suspects, with a subconscious fear.

Yet in the midst of all this, although still from a man's point of view, we read some truly beautiful appreciations of women, as in these lines from Sirach:

Happy the husband of a good wife, twice lengthened are his days.

A worthy wife brings joy to her husband, peaceful and full is his life.

A good wife is a generous gift bestowed upon him who fears the Lord;

Be he rich or poor his heart is content, and a smile is ever on his face...

Like the sun rising in the Lord's heavens, the beauty of a virtuous wife is the radiance of her home.

Like the light which shines above the

holy lampstand, are her beauty of face and graceful figure (Strach 26,1-4; 16-17).

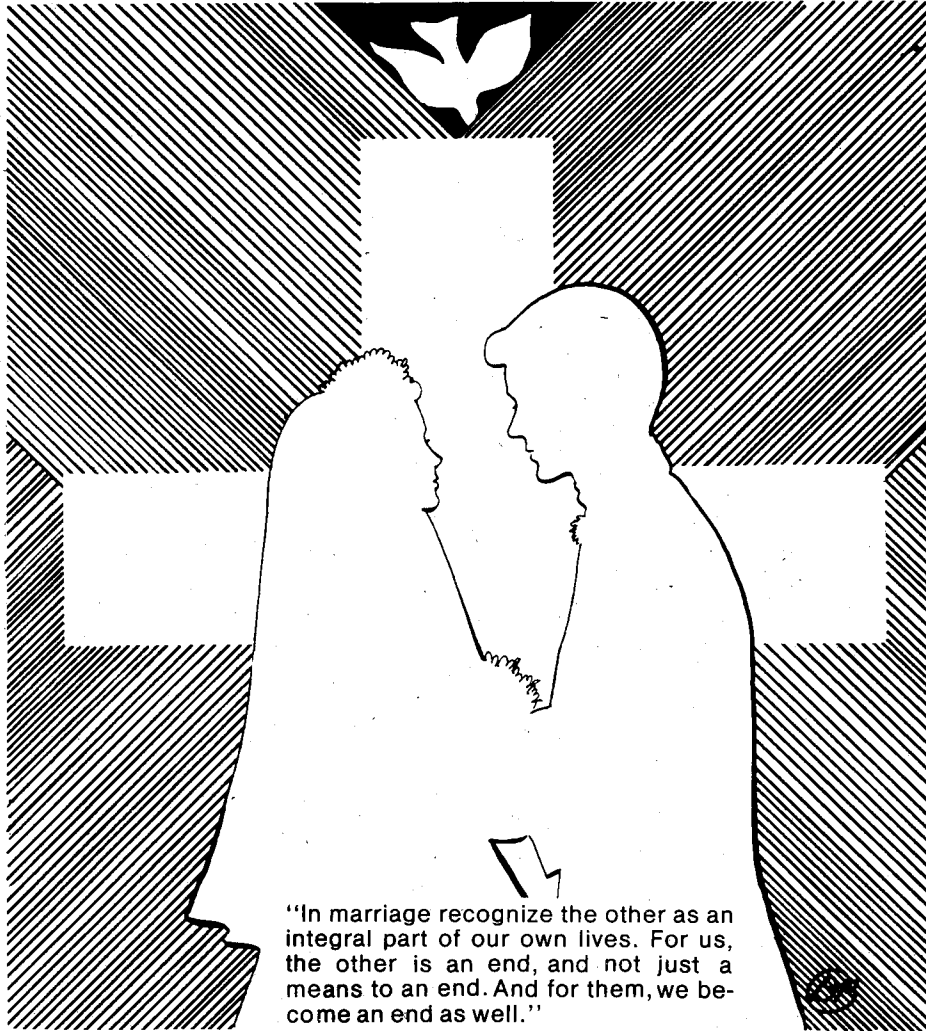
"A good wife is a generous gift bestowed upon him who fears the Lord;" she is "like the sun rising in the Lord's heavens."

THESE THOUGHTS call for further reflection. God showers many gifts upon his children even without their asking. And in prayer we do ask and respond with prayerful gratitude when we realize how generous he has been. In the ordinary course of

life, what more important gift can he give a man than a wonderful wife?

THIS WOMAN is going to share his every moment, waking and sleeping, she is going to love and care and encourage and console. In a word, she is going to determine, to an incalculable degree, his happiness for the rest of his days on earth.

Could anyone pray for a more precious gift, and, having received it, should not one thank God from the bottom of his heart every day of his life?



"In marriage recognize the other as an integral part of our own lives. For us, the other is an end, and not just a means to an end. And for them, we become an end as well."

ONE'S GRATITUDE to God can only grow deeper when one looks around and sees the many wretched marriages in which one's friends and acquaintances are trapped. The contrast is very enlightening, and this same book of Sirach does not hesitate to bring it repeatedly to mind:

There are three things at which my heart quakes, a fourth before which I quail...

A jealous wife is a heartache and mourning and a scourging tongue like the other three.

A bad wife is a chafing yoke; he who marries her seizes a scorpion.

A drunken wife arouses great anger, for she does not hide her shame (Sirach, 26, 5a, 6-8).

OF COURSE, all that is said here from the man's point of view is equally true from the women's. A woman who has found a good husband has been truly gifted by God and should be unceasingly and prayerfully grateful. St. Paul reminds us in many ways of the mutuality of the relationship. What is true from the husband's angle, is true from the wife's, for by the gift of God they now belong to each other.

Writing specifically of the marital relationship, Paul expresses the underlying obligations toward his wife, the wife toward her husband; equally a husband does not belong to himself but to his wife" (1 Corinthians 7, 3-4).

THEY ARE God's gift to each other, reason for joyful gratitude, but reason, too, to keep oneself a welcome gift and to give daily cause for thankfulness. And reason also to recognize maturely and realistically that one is not and cannot be a perfect gift — to accept the fact that one's mate is not and cannot be a perfect gift either. It would be childishly naive to think otherwise, and it would set one up for unreasonable disillusionment and bitter disappointment. Husband and wife are precious gifts of God to each other; precious, but never perfect.

## Sarah and Tobiah

-as written for children -

By JANAAN MANTERNACH

Sarah was a beautiful woman. She very much wanted to be married. But people thought she was possessed by evil spirits. None of the young men in her town would marry her.

One day Sarah was so lonely and sad that she prayed to God to let her die. God loved her and answered her prayer in his own way.

About the same time, in a far off town, a young man left home to find a wife. Tobiah was a handsome young fellow. His father, Tobit, insisted that Tobiah marry a Jewish girl from among their own kinsfolk. So the young man set out for a distant town. It happened to be the town where Sarah lived. Tobiah did not know of Sarah. Sarah did not know of him. God was bringing the two together.

God sent one of his messengers, Raphael, to be Tobiah's companion on the road to Sarah's town. Raphael

knew God's plan. So he led Tobiah not just to the town where Sarah lived, but to the house of Sarah's family.

As Tobiah and his companion traveled, Raphael told him about Sarah. He described how beautiful and intelligent she was. He said Sarah was one of Tobiah's kinsfolk. Her family were devout Jews. They honored God just as Tobiah and his family did.

As Raphael talked about the lovely Sarah, Tobiah knew he would like her very much. He was eager to meet her. Meanwhile, Sarah had no idea that a young man from a distant city was coming to her house. No one ever came to see her any more.

When Tobiah and Raphael arrived, Sarah's parents welcomed them. Just then Sarah walked into the room. Tobiah knew right away that he wanted to marry her. Not only was she beautiful and intelligent, but he noticed that she was

also kind and sensitive.

Soon Sarah left with her mother to help prepare dinner for the guests. Her father, Raguel, chatted with the two men. To his surprise Raguel learned that Tobiah was the son of Tobit, a distant relative of his. He was delighted to entertain one of his kinsfolk.

While they were waiting for dinner, Tobiah whispered to Raphael, "Ask Sarah's father if I may marry her." Raguel overheard Tobiah's whispered request. "Tobiah," Raguel said happily, "eat, drink and be merry tonight. No man has more of a right to marry Sarah than you do." But Tobiah objected. "I won't eat or drink anything until the marriage is agreed to."

Sarah was secretly wishing for the same thing. She wanted to marry and she was attracted to Tobiah as soon as she met him. Nothing would have made her happier than to be able to marry him. God's plan was unfolding.

Raguel called for Sarah. She came immediately. He took her by the hand and placed her hand in Tobiah's hand. Sarah's mother brought in a scroll. Raguel immediately drew up the marriage contract and sealed it. Then they sat down to dinner and had a great celebration.

After dinner Tobiah took his bride's hand in his and prayed: "Blessed are you, O God of our fathers... You know that I take Sarah as my wife because I love her very much.

Be good to us and allow us to live together to a happy old age."

Sarah said, "Amen, amen."

The next day there was a huge wedding feast. The celebration lasted for 14 days.

Then Tobiah took Sarah back with him to his hometown. Sarah and Tobiah lived many years together and had seven children. They loved one another to the end of their lives.

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# S. Florida Scene

## Christmas Events

Christmas Party, Dec. 7, for 40-60 Widow(ers) Club. Bring \$2.00 gift, dancing. Refreshments. 8:00 p.m. Nativity Parish Hall, 700 W. Chaminade Drive, Hollywood. There will be a Christmas Dinner Party, December 15, too. Call 987-4493, or 989-1910.

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St. Timothy Women's Guild will hold a Christmas Dance on Dec. 1, in Queen of Peace Hall, from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Music by Campbell's Caravan. Tickets \$3.00

each. Information: Call Rose Mschick 271-2057.

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Fr. Solanus Guild will host a benefit Christmas Tea Sunday, Dec. 9, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall, 1701 E. Oakland Park Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale.

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The Annual Christmas Bazaar of St. Stephen's Church, Miramar, will be held on Dec. 1, in the Youth Building, 2004 S. State Road 7, from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

and Sunday, Dec. 2, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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St. Theresa School will hold its annual Christmas Bazaar on Dec. 1 and 2 on the school grounds located at 2701 Indian Mound Trail, Coral Gables. There will be an auction, flea market, rides and attractions for all.

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S. Dade Youth Federation Christmas Dance will be held at Christ the King Parish on Dec. 14, from 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnite. Admission \$2.00 Music by "Tilt". Information, Patty Barfield, 232-2268.

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A Christmas Boutique will be held Saturday, Dec. 1 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 2, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., at St. Hugh Parish Hall, 3455 Royal Road, (In from Main Highway) Coconut Grove.

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St. Bernadette's Women's Guild will hold a Christmas Boutique Dec. 2, and Dec. 9, from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at St. Bernadette Church 7450 Stirling Road, Hollywood.

## New Chapel

St. Basil Church will establish a new chapel in Pompano Beach. Beginning Dec. 9, the Byzantine Rite Liturgy will be celebrated each Sunday in the Civic Hall, 3500 NE 16th Terrace, for Byzantine Catholics in North Broward area.

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## Class Reunion

Gesu School invites all students of the 60's and 70's (1960 to 1980) to celebrate the Diamond anniversary of the School. A banquet and dance will be held at the DuPont Plaza Hotel, Dec. 8 at 7:00 p.m. For more information call: 672-2909, 649-0612, or 379-2061.

## A Day of Prayer

St Francis of Assisi Parish, 200 W. 20th St., Riviera Beach, will hold a Day of Prayer — reaching out to the handicapped, elderly, lonely, depressed, not-so-well, and shut-ins from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Sat., Dec. 8, 1979. During the Mass the Sacrament of the Sick will be administered to all who wish it. Refreshments and entertainment will follow.

## Mission Planned

Fr. John J. Murphy, S.J., will conduct a Mission at Our Lady Queen of Heaven, 1400 S. State Road 7, North Lauderdale, for one week starting Dec. 3, and ending Dec. 7. There will be two programs daily: 9:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

## 3rd St. Dominics

Monthly meeting of the Tertiaries of the Third Order of St. Dominic, St. Thomas Aquinas Chapter will be held Dec. 2, with novices meeting at 10:00 a.m., in the Board Room of Thompson Hall, at Barry College followed by recitation of the rosary at Cor Jesu Chapel, after which Mass will be celebrated at 11:30 a.m. Visitors welcome.

## Women's Guilds

Because of the mission being held at Our Lady Queen of Heaven, the Women's Guild meeting has been changed to Dec. 11, at 7:30 p.m. at the new parish hall, 1400 S. State Road 7, North Lauderdale. There will be a short business meeting followed by the annual Guild Christmas Party. Husbands are invited to attend. Fr. Tom Sheha will be our "D.J." for the evening. Don't forget your grab bag.

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Holy Family Women's Club is sponsoring an Auction of new items, Sat. Dec. 8, starting at 1:00 p.m. in the parish hall, 14500 NE 11 Ave., North Miami.

## Widows-Widow(ers)

The Widow and Widowers club will hold their next meeting on Dec. 3, at 8:00 p.m. at the K of C Hall, 3571 North Andrews Ave., Ft. Lauderdale. Information: 563-8274 or 733-4274.

## Card Party

The "Youth at Heart" Club will sponsor a card and special games party at St. Elizabeth Gardens, 801 N.E. 33 St., Pompano Beach, on December 1, at 12 Noon. Donation \$1.25 Refreshments.

## Correction

In last week's issue of the Voice in the article, "To Fill a Need — Storefront Ministry", we stated that a group of Haitians had thrown away food given them by the Foundation. This is not so. The group was Nicaraguan and they were being fed by agents of Gen. Somosa's regime. The Voice regrets the error.

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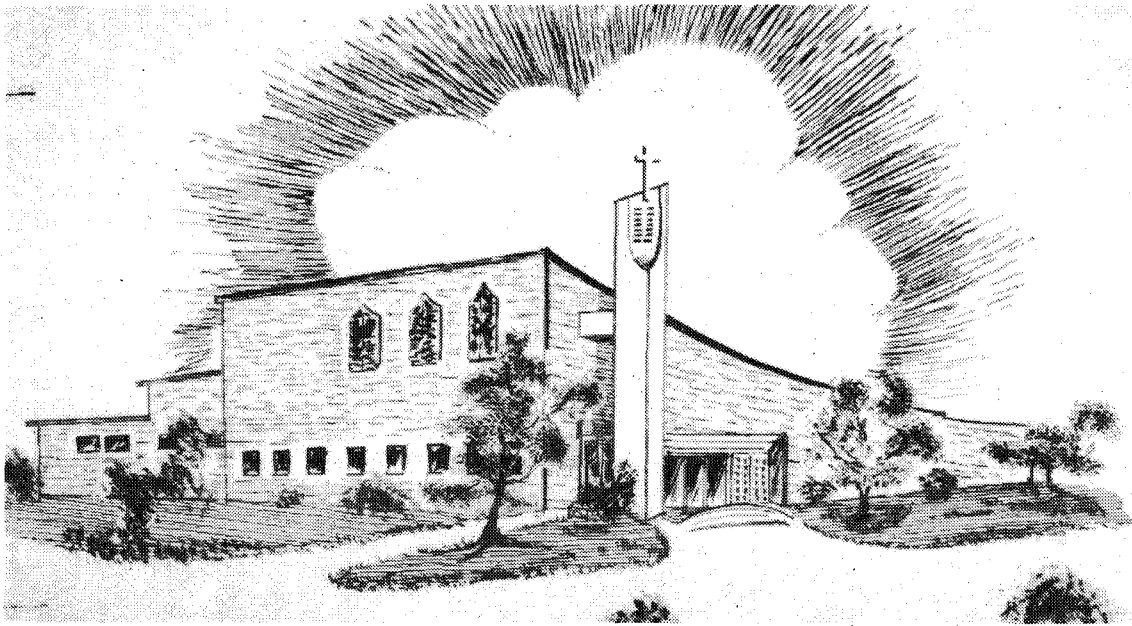
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Archbishop Edward McCarthy will dedicate St. Kieran Church, Sat. Dec. 8 at 5 p.m. Combining a design of Gothic and Modern, the new church, located at 3605 S. Miami Ave., has been constructed to take advantage of the sea breeze off the adjacent water. The church will be a focal point of Catholics in action, situated in a complex that includes Mercy Hospital; Shrine of Our Lady of Charity; St. Vincent Hall, home for unwed mothers; Carroll Manor, housing for the elderly and Immaculata-LaSalle High School. Fr. Daniel Barrett is pastor.

## Foster Parents Needed

The Catholic Service Bureau's Foster Child Program is in urgent need of special people who can become foster parents to children in need of love, a family, and a feeling of belonging.

The children range from infancy to 18 years of age and may need a temporary or longer term home. They might have been separated from

their families due to an illness, divorce, or other immediate trauma. CSB's goal is to try by all possible means to return children to their natural parents.

Would-be foster parents receive a small stipend to offset the cost of food and clothing for the child. While CSB would consider a single person, married couples are

preferred so the children can observe and participate in a two parent household.

A definite prerequisite for foster parents is the capacity to love and share their home with an unfortunate child.

They must exhibit patience and understanding because many of the children who come to CSB have been denied security, love and training — which are the rights of all children.

There is great satisfaction in helping a child through a difficult period by watching him grow and develop.

If you are a special person and would like to help, please contact Catholic Service Bureau 4949 N.E. 2nd Ave. or call 754-2444.

## St. Jude Women Set Program

The Christian Mothers and Women of St. Jude Parish in Tequesta will celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception with a special program Dec. 8.

Following the 10:30 a.m. Mass at the church at 204 U.S.1, Tequesta, and after reception of new members the group will proceed to Jupiter Hilton for a luncheon.

Fr. Robert Hostler, Pastor, will offer the spiritual invocation.

The theme of the program will be Mary, the First Evangelist — presented by Msgr. Jerome Reddy. A Christmas Musicale will be offered by James Clarke followed by a songfest of carols and hymns.

Mrs. William Trimble President, extends a cordial welcome to all newcomers to

join in this annual celebration. Reservations should be made by Dec. 3, by calling Pearl Lynch, Reservations Chairperson, 746-9506. Coordinator of the Christmas program is Kathleen Lake, 746-0895.

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## Memorial Mass

The Serra Club of Broward County will attend a Memorial Mass on December 12, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Gabriel's Church, Pompano Beach followed by the regular luncheon meeting at the

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# Who Goes to Movies Anymore, Anyway?

By T. FABRE

Because television is such a dominant force in popular entertainment, those of us over 40 may wonder whether there is still any point in being concerned about what's being shown at the local Bijou. Who goes to movies anymore anyway?

Well, as it turns out, far out of proportion to their numbers in the general population, young people do.

The Motion Picture Association of America has published the findings of its latest demographic survey of theater attendance. The survey was conducted by the Opinion Research Corporation of Princeton, N.J.

Moviewgoers rose to 113.7 million this year from 94.4 million in 1969, an increase of 20.4 percent. This rise exceeded the 14.3 percent growth in the civilian resident population in the same period.

Sixty-four percent of the population attended movies at some time or other during the last year. Another way of reading the statistics, however, is to say that 36 percent of the population stayed away from their local Bijou altogether all last year.

The 12-34 age group, which constitutes 56 percent of the population, accounted for 87 percent of yearly theater admissions. Those



Most movies are aimed at youth market, such as "The Rose", in which Bette Midler portrays a rock star.

over 40, who represent 45 percent of the population, only contributed 13 percent of theater admissions.

As for frequent attendance at the movies (defined as "at least once a month") teen-agers were frequent moviegoers, while another 24 percent went occasionally (once every two to six months.)

Between 1977 and 1979 frequent attendance by the total public actually declined but teen-age frequent attendance increased by a sharp eight percent. The 12-17 age group, while representing only 14 percent of the total population, accounted for 31 percent of all theater ad-

missions.

No doubt then, teen-agers are the most avid of American moviegoers, while their parents, belonging as they do for the most part to the above 40 group, are the most lukewarm.

What sort of fare do teen-agers have to choose from? Much of it is altogether dreadful stuff — exploitation pieces like "The Cheerleaders," "Malibu Beach" and "The Van," which, despite their usually carrying an R-rating from the MPAA, are aimed at the teenage market. On the other hand, there are respectable movies that are also ill-suited to immature and impressionable viewers because of their treatment of adult problems.

A good example of the latter is the current Burt Reynolds movie "Starting Over," a flawed but seriously intended picture about a man torn between his ex-wife, who was the guilty party in their divorce, and a kindergarten teacher who, having been burned in an affair, is wary to the point of panic. Though it avoids nudity, it is quite frank in its treatment of sex and, despite its PG rating, it contains some hair-raising language.

"Starting Over" is not the kind of movie, it should be clear, that most Catholic parents would want their teen-agers to see. And will be

running into at the local theater.

The burden this lays upon parents whose children are subjected to this kind of crossfire is evident. If the MPAA rating system were strictly enforced, some, at least, of this burden would be lifted. Under the system's provisions, theater owners may not admit teen-agers under 17 to an R-rated film unless they are accompanied by a parent or an adult guardian.

Given the size of the teenage contribution to the box office, however, one wonders how many theater owners are forthright enough to withstand temptation and enforce this rule strictly, especially since, unlike the laws against serving alcohol to minors, there is no legal sanction compelling them to do so. The complaints of lax observance at some theaters, moreover, are too frequent to ignore.

But even if their children were kept out of R-rated films, parents would still have to contend with the minefield of PG films ("Parental guidance suggested, some material may not be suitable for children"). The current "French Postcards," with its warm endorsement of sexual promiscuity, is but one pertinent example of the problem. And the number of PG films containing profanity and crude language is beyond belief.

All of this only serves to remind us that even if we don't go to the movies, we can't be indifferent to the impact of movies on the young. As in so many other areas, the ultimate responsibility for what movies their children will see rests squarely on the heavily laden shoulders of parents. But they need help.

The Catholic bishops of the United States have declared 1980 the Year of the Family. They are concerned about the quality of marriage

and family life and the role of the Christian family in the contemporary world.

One of the factors that affects the quality of family life is the environment to which children are exposed outside the home and within the home through the intrusion of television. Films and television compete powerfully with parental efforts to inculcate Christian values into the hearts of their children.

Through their national Office for Film and Broadcasting the bishops offer a comprehensive information service to Catholic families as they endeavor to make film and television entertainment choices that can contribute to supporting a commitment to Christian values.

Twice a month the U.S. Catholic Conference publishes a periodical specifically directed to meet the needs of parents and teachers, The Film and Broadcasting Review. Among its other features, the review publishes at least a short review on every major movie released in the United States. Detailed treatment is given to the more important and controversial films.

Outstanding programs to be broadcast by the networks and the Public Broadcasting Service are also reviewed and noted.

"In my work with kids who see movies all the time, I find your publication extremely valuable and necessary" is the way a chaplain at a Catholic high school expresses it. A non-Catholic educator in Memphis says, "As a teacher of American history and humanities, I find the Film and Broadcasting Review indispensable."

If you want to know whether a visit to the local Bijou is consistent with your family's sense of Christian living, you need to know more about the film being offered than its industry rating.

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# Youth Are 'Good News' of Church

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — (NC)— Catholic youth are "the good news of the church," 3,200 teen-agers and youth ministers were told, and with that encouraging message, they met for four days of activity at the 15th biennial National Catholic Youth Convention in Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 15-18.

The good word came from Merissa Guerin, director of the National CYO Federation at the opening session of the convention, which focused on "Today We Experience, Tomorrow We Reach Out."

**PARTICIPANTS** also explored ways to strengthen Catholic youth ministry. One of the ministry's major weaknesses is a failure to correct the perception of an instant Christian, said Mike Yaconelli, co-director of Youth Specialties and Co.

"We have to help the young understand that the Christian life is a beginning, a struggle," he said. "It doesn't happen overnight and nothing about it is black and white."

As Yaconelli said in his workshop, this instantaneous perception of Christianity often carries over into youth programs.

"We seem to want a

youth program that is quick and effortless," he said. "One that solves everything in 45 minutes and tries to get everyone to react to God in the same way. But I'm here to say it doesn't work that way and there is no reason that it should"

**F r . J a m e s O'Shaughnessy**, of Christ the King parish, Perrine, who attended the convention was deeply impressed with what he saw and heard.

"It was almost overpowering," the So. Dade priest commented. "Here were over 3,000 young people gathered together in what can be described as an electrified atmosphere. Their enthusiasm, their reaching out to each other and the solidarity among them was almost unbelievable."

To witness the togetherness, the communication of these young people was a very moving experience. They talked, they touched each other with hands and thoughts," continued Fr. O'Shaughnessy.

"BUT TOO, there was a sense of urgency among them. A questioning, unspoken, "What is happening in the world — to us," for instance.

And to see them band together in liturgy and communion was an experience and a vote of confidence in our youth of today," concluded the S. Dade Youth Ministry Director.

Effective programs already begun in dioceses affiliated with the youth federation were outlined in workshops on finances, sexuality, sportsmanship, and retreats.

Peer ministry was another topic, and according to Brian Reynolds, program coordinator at the Northeast Center for Youth Ministry it is necessary to maintain effectiveness in catholic youth programs.

One often hears, he said, that youth are the future of the church. "But I would like to offer a different perspective. They're not the

future of the church. They are the church now...for peer ministry makes them a very important arm of today's church."

Pat Bonner, federation executive council member, encouraged teens to reach out by offering encouragement and caring.

"We don't minister in a loud voice, but in a whispering secret. We show our love and concern in quiet ways, not in words only, but in actions and gifts — actions of acceptance and gifts of time," she said.

According to Father Michael Tierney, youth director of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, the choice of Kansas City as the convention site was a gift to Midwest youth programs.

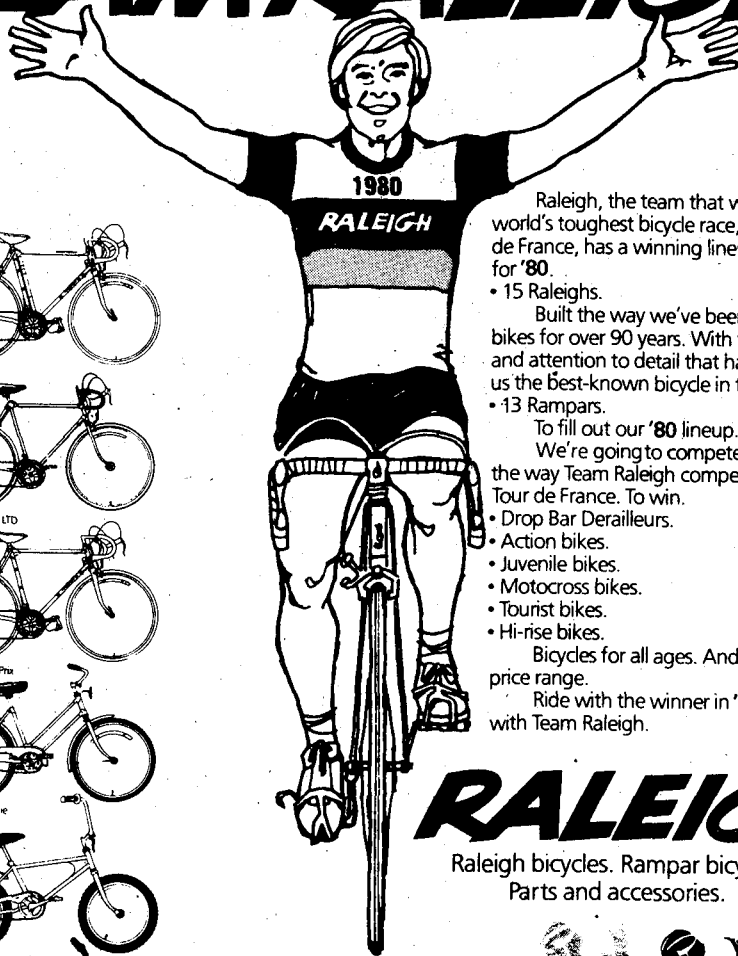
"Organized Catholic youth programs are far less common in this part of the



Fr. James O'Shaughnessy called national youth convention "almost overpowering."

country than they are on the coasts," he said. The convention provided high visibility for Catholic youth work, he said, and it gave a shot in the arm to those already in the field, and created a learning opportunity by the presence of leaders in youth ministry.

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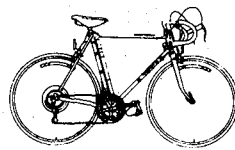
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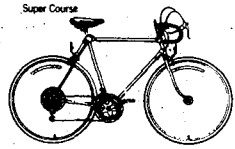
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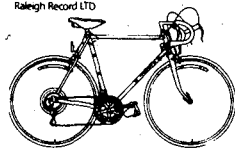
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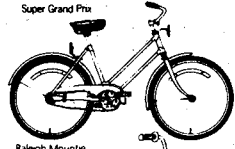
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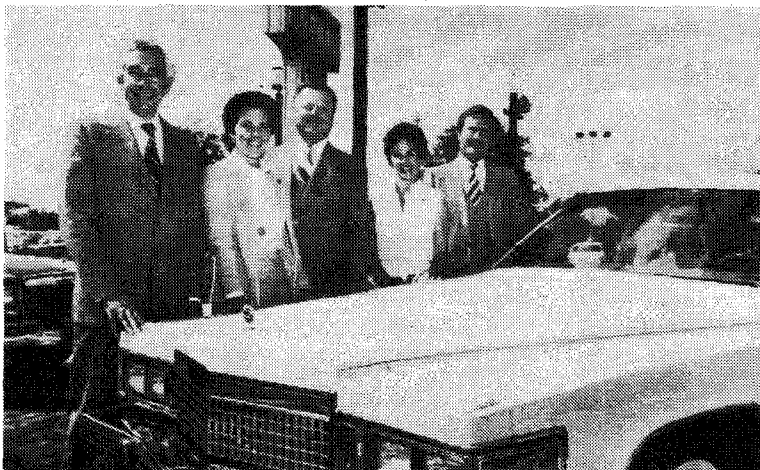
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# Gala Benefit Slated To Help New High School

BOCA RATON — A formal black tie Dinner Dance will be held at the Boca Raton Hotel and Club on Jan. 4, to benefit the new Pope John Paul II Catholic High School, formerly Central Catholic High School, being built in Boca Raton.

The high school is being built to serve students in the north Broward and South Palm Beach county areas. Classes at the school, located on Military Trail approximately one-half mile north of Glades Rd., are scheduled to start in the fall of 1980.

Chairman for the Black Tie affair, Sam Cracchiolo, Sr., has chosen the following community leaders to serve on the Black Tie Committee. Appointed as the General Chairman was Mrs. Sandra Fillichio. Other appointments included Frank Gulisano as Executive Chairman; Dick Shalla, Program Chairman; Tom Alter and John Troyan, Finance Chairmen, and Mrs. Mary Kramer, Decorating Chairman.



With the Cadillac Sedan de Ville to be given away at the Dinner Dance on Jan. 4, are from L to R, Sam Cracchiolo, Sandy Fillichio, Dick Shalla, Mary Kramer and John Troyan, all members of the Black Tie Dinner Dance Committee.

Cracchiolo observed that the reaction of the 14 parishes involved was enthusiastic. "Their immediate response to the Dinner Dance as the first effort on behalf of the school was excellent, with everyone cooperating in a total effort to help fill the Great Hall of the Boca Raton Hotel and Club."

The Black Tie dinner Dance will be hosted by Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy, with invitations extended to nationally known sports, show business and public figures. Entertainment will be provided by Charles Gresh and his 16-piks society orchestra.

"The intention of the

entire Black Tie committee is to provide everyone in attendance one of the finest evenings of fun, dining and dancing, and the opportunity to drive home a new Cadillac Sedan De Ville," Cracchiolo said. Cracchiolo also noted that each participant at the Dinner Dance will have one chance in 900 to enjoy the privilege of driving the new Cadillac home.

"Everyone knows how important this high school is to the students of this area," noted Cracchiolo. "The success of the Black Tie

Dinner Dance for the building fund is of extreme importance."

Cracchiolo continued, "As a result, we are asking for the participation of the business leaders in this area along with all concerned parents, to insure the success of this first fund raising event."

Tickets for the Black Tie Dinner Dance can be obtained from area rectories. Additional information on the Dinner Dance can be obtained by calling 392-0007 or 385-4600.

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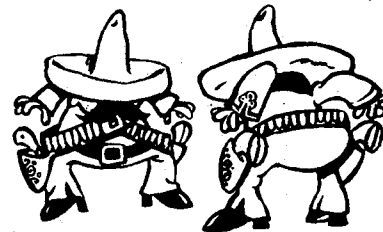
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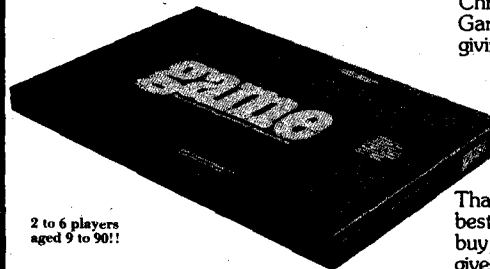
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# Correct Situations, Jesuits Are Told

ROME —(NC)— The Jesuit superior general, Father Pedro Arrupe, asked all members of the Society of Jesus to correct "questionable" situations which could lead to "confusion among Jesuits or the faithful".

Father Arrupe made the call in a private "circular letter" to all major superiors following Pope John Paul II's Sept. 21 audience with Jesuit leaders. The letter, dated Oct. 19, was given to NC News Service in late November.

In his September talk, Pope John Paul mentioned

"practically the same deficiencies which had already been pointed out to us by Pope Paul VI and John Paul I," Father Arrupe said.

"A call to attention from three popes leaves little room for doubt that it is the Lord himself who, surely with love, but also with insistence, expects something better of us," he added.

The specific issues cited by the pope were "secularizing tendencies, austerity and discipline in religious and community life, fidelity to the magisterium in doctrine and the priestly character of our

apostolic work," Father Arrupe's letter said.

He told each major superior to "examine the state of the province, of its members, communities and works in light of the points already mentioned and... take any decisions needed in order to meet the expectations of the Holy Father."

FATHER ARRUPPE'S letter gave specific directions for "special meetings" to discuss the pope's "expectations" and he asked that each major superior submit a written report on the meeting at the beginning of 1980.

Among the questions to be addressed, he said, are:

o "Is there a sufficient level, in their community, of that austerity and practice of interior and exterior discipline which sustains and develops a faithful prayer life and the apostolic zeal that it inspires?"

o "Are there signs of secularizing tendencies in the community or any of its members, for example, a lack of community life, independence of superior, questionable relationships with others; failures in the observance of the vows; or is there evidence of apostolic work incompatible with the priestly character which ought to mark our activity, however varied and difficult it may be?"

In a covering letter to the circular, Father Louis Laurendeau, secretary of the Society of Jesus, said Father

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— both are nuns — she was sent to a Midwestern hospital that started her on the road to recovery.

She was the first in the community to be treated for alcoholism. "It was after coming out of treatment myself that I realized I was not unique," she said. "I was very concerned about them because after coming out of treatment I saw their side of the story."

In 1971 Sister Doody began helping other alcoholic nuns, an apostolate that three years ago turned into a full-time commitment. She maintains a hectic schedule of

personal counseling and conducting workshops.

Of the affects of alcohol, Sister Doody is blunt. "Most people will stop drinking one way — they will die. Of the small percentage who do get well, many will have relapses. But I have had people who put the cork in the bottle and it is still there."

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the Florida diocese seemed to show a greater number of proportion of reactivated Catholics than other dioceses. He said this was perhaps due to the large number of people moving to the state.

But also mentioned the diocese's adult education program and "the activity of lay people" who have been

spiritually renewed "through the charismatic experience, Scripture study or the Cur-sillo."

Both Hoge and Father McGuire said that conversions or reconversions stem from personal relationships with committed Catholics — that books, radio and television shows alone do not do the job.

HOGUE, A Presbyterian, said, "A conversion needs two things — a 'felt need' and a 'facilitator.'" The felt need is something like a spiritual hunger, a desire for unity in the family or a desire for the religious education of

children, and the facilitator is a practicing Catholic who has a personal relationship with the person in need.

"A person with a felt need and no facilitator is what we call a searcher," Hoge said.

The survey covered 200 people in each of the three categories — or about 30 people in each category in each of the seven dioceses.

The researchers summarized their impressions as follows:

- Converts in the last three years: They became Catholics primarily because of marriage to Catholics. Some may have been "talked into

it," but most were not. Some came into the church because of children or because their Catholic spouse's former marriage was annulled. Some are now Catholic because of a deep-felt personal need and the belief that the Catholic faith would meet that need. The latter constitute a rather small portion of the total number of converts.

- Catholics who have left the church in the last three years: Across the board, the researchers said, Catholics have left in disagreement with the church's stance on birth control, remarriage after divorce and, to a lesser degree, abortion. The dropouts are clustered in the lower age range of the survey, 18-24. No one younger than 18 was interviewed. These dropouts leave, Hoge said, because of an extension of a spirit of rebellion against parents or

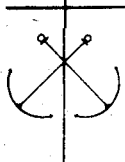
family. Also, they leave because, unequipped to live their convictions outside the home, they "get into a tizzy" when confronted by peer pressure or pressure from stronger and older people. They drop out because of dismay and confusion, according to the researchers.

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Other factors listed are irrelevance of religion, boredom, lack of commitment, apathy.

- Reactivated Catholics: By and large they return to the church because of interpersonal relationships with Catholics in their daily lives. Particularly with spouses. Some return simply because they move into a new community where they find a great spiritual need.

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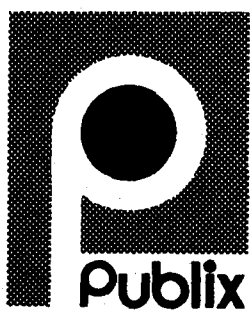
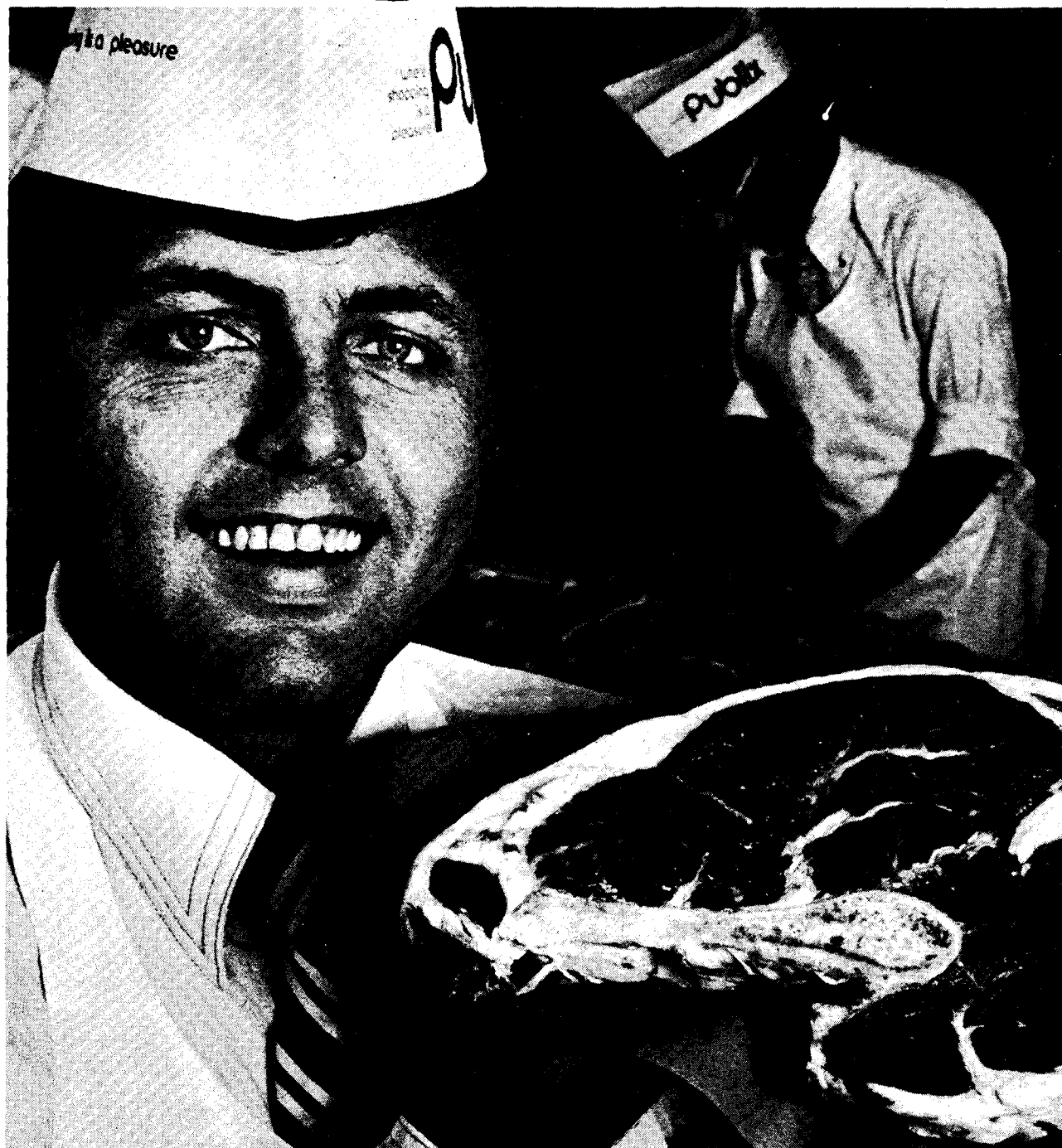
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## Special Ministers Training Day Set

A training day for Special Ministers of the Eucharist will be held at Sacred Heart Church in Homestead December 15 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Deadline for registration is Wednesday, Dec. 12. Registration Fee will be \$3.00 for lunch and materials. Checks should be made out to the Office of Worship and Spiritual Life.

In order to be commissioned as Special Ministers of the Eucharist, candidates must have attended a full day of training. Pastors are therefore required to send a letter to the Office of Worship and Spiritual Life, Archdiocese of Miami, 6301 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, Florida 33138, including the names of all those they wish to recommend. This letter should include registration and checks for fees as noted above.

## Rural Ministry on TV Show

THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD TODAY, weekly television program produced by Miami's WCKT-TV, Channel 7, in cooperation with the Archdiocesan Radio and TV Center, will explore the "Rural Ministry" Sunday, Dec. 2 at 9 a.m.

Msgr. John J. McMahon, Director of Rural Life Ministry; Sr. Violetta Esquivel, a member of the Rural Life Ministry, from Immokalee; and Janet Correa, a young adult volunteer at San Isidro parish, Pompano Beach will comprise the discussion panel.

The program will examine the lifestyle and problems of rural Americans and the Church's outreach to them. The panel will also discuss the Rural Life Ministry's approach to the archdiocesan program of Evangelization, using the experiences of the panel members to illustrate the Church's ministry toward families "whose livelihood and lifestyle," says Msgr. McMahon, "are so often misunderstood by so many."

## Ministerial Group Elects Officers

Fr. Michael J. Devaney, O.M.I., President of the Ministerial Fellowship of the Palm Beaches has announced a new slate of officers for 1979 elected at the November meeting. They are:

Fr. Raymond Hubert, Head of Pastoral Care, St. Mary's Hospital, W.P.B., President; Rev. Roosevelt Dell, Jr., Pastor, Trinity Methodist Church, 1401 9th St., W.P.B., Vice-President; Rev. Carl Hanks, Grace United Methodist Church, 1152 Cherry Rd., W.P.B., Treasurer; Rabbi William Shapiro, Century Village, W.P.B., Secretary.



## Habla Juan Pablo II a Hombres de Negocios

"Es necesario que presten oído, un apropiado oído, a las voces de los obreros y empleados y comprender sus legítimas peticiones de justicia e igualdad, sobreponiéndose a toda tendencia egotística de reservar la dirección económica sólo para ellos.

VATICANO — S.S. Juan Pablo II recibió en audiencia a unos 1,200 miembros de la Unión de Empresarios y Ejecutivos Cristianos de Italia, a quienes dijo "que todos los hombres de empresa debieran oír la voz de los trabajadores." Mucha de la insatisfacción del obrero está ligada a la "Rígida automatización mecánica" y a la despersonalización de sus relaciones con otros obreros, señaló.

"Ustedes saben y todos deben recordar que la falta de atención en esta área es culpable y toda demora, fatal." El Santo Padre elogió los esfuerzos de la Unión Cristiana de Empresarios para traer una orientación cristiana al análisis de los cambios tecnológicos, culturales y socio-económico-políticos en el campo laboral. Los urgó a promover la investigación dentro de los métodos de entrenamiento y evaluación de dirigentes de negocios cualificados.

"En estos tiempos, muchos conflictos y antagonismos entre obreros y empresarios profundizan sus raíces en el poco feliz suelo de las palabras no oídas, del diálogo rechazado o injustamente dilatado.

"No se puede evitar la situación de tantos obre-

ros de fábricas que se hayan forzados a trabajar como si estuvieran en una campo cercado con alambres de púas, corriendo el peligro de sentir atrofiada, dentro de sí mismos, la espontaneidad.

"Sólo se puede alcanzar tal nivel de deshumanización cuando la escala de valores se invierte y la productividad económica es elevada a ser la única medida del fenómeno industrial, cuando la dimensión interior de valores es olvidada, cuando las metas apuntan más a la perfección del trabajo que a la perfección del que lo realiza," dijo el Papa y terminó con un saludo especial para el Cardenal Giuseppe Siri, de Génova, por sus 30 años de servicio como Consejero Espiritual de la Unión de hombres de negocios.

## Reunión Acuerda Envolver Indocumentados en Causa

CHICAGO, —(NC)— El pueblo de los Estados Unidos ha ido conociendo muy lentamente acerca del estado de los "inmigrantes indocumentados"; pero ha llegado el tiempo de envolver a los propios indocumentados en cualquier futuro esfuerzo para mejorar su situación.

Ese fue el mensaje que unos 235 participantes en una conferencia sobre "Ministerio del Indocumentado" oyó de labios de una madre de un dirigente laboral y de un Arzobispo, en una reunión en la Escuela Luterana de Teología en la ciudad de Chicago, el pasado Noviembre 15.

"Los indocumentados son una masa sin voz, sin defensa y oprimidos en todas las formas. Se les hace aparecer como criminales cuando en la mayor parte de los casos son las víctimas" dijo el Arzobispo de San Antonio, Texas, en su discurso sobre el tema principal.

El Arzobispo Flores, explicando que los indocumentados que cruzan la frontera son movidos por una terrible situación económica y por el hambre, dijo que él jamás ha conocido alguno de estos trabajadores que haya venido a los Estados Unidos por la sola diversión de la aventura. Agregó que "nadie sufre entre

ellos, más que la mujer, que trabaja y es tratada malamente."

"Cambiar leyes injustas es importante pero no tanto como hablar con ellos, escuchar sus sufrimientos y hacer algo por lo que les concierne, mostrarles, en suma, un poco de calor humano."

El Arzobispo Flores pidió a los participantes en la Conferencia convertirse en la voz de los indocumentados, hablando por ellos cuando no puedan valerse por sí mismos.

La Sra. Olga Sandman comenzó su discurso con unas cuantas frases en Español que inquietaron a los angloparlantes que no la entendían, pero luego de aclarar sus propósitos, en inglés, recibió un muy prolongado aplauso.

Comenzó diciendo en su aclaración que "era muy importante hablar español para trabajar con los indocumentados pero yo he querido darles a probar a ustedes un poquito de lo que es sentirse echado a un lado cuando uno no comprende lo que se habla alrededor. Miles de estos pobres, en nuestras Iglesias, en nuestro medio, se sienten despreciados y sin una voz amiga día a día.

La Sra. Sandman pidió a las Iglesias todas sin excepción de credo, que deben trabajar más duro por mejorar la suerte de estos infelices. "Nuestro Dios no es un Dios neutral" dijo "Por qué entonces nuestras Iglesias juegan un papel neutral en este asunto? Dios siempre se pone al lado del indefenso".

En su turno, el veterano organizador obrero, Burt Corona, de California, comentó la historia de la inmigración indocumentada con su secuela de injusticias. Asegura que esta situación puede mejorarse si se movilizan localmente comités que combatan la discriminación racial y de trabajos y haciendo peticiones a las autoridades de Inmigración en favor de un cambio de la ley.

## De Obrero a Empresario

Hasta no hace mucho tiempo, Adam Montoya, de 37 años de edad, era un trabajador en una casa de contratistas de la industria maderera en Cuba, pequeña población del estado de Nuevo México. Pero en 1978, Montoya tuvo la oportunidad de cambiar su futuro.

El Señor Ben Casaus, del Servicio Forestal del Departamento de Agricultura, le pre-

## Acto por Día de Cultura Cubana

Mons. Agustín Román, Obispo Auxiliar de Miami, dijo la Oración Invocatoria y el Dr. Vicente Cauce, Presidente de "Cruzada Educativa Cubana" abrió el Acto Solemne conmemorativo del "Día de la Cultura Cubana" en el que se entregó a distinguidas Organizaciones y meritisimos compatriotas, el Diploma de Honor "JUAN J. REMOS", que tuvo lugar el pasado miércoles 28 de Noviembre, a las 8 p.m. en el Local Social de la "Iglesia de Todos los Santos", 1023 S.W. 27 Avenida, Ciudad de Miami, Florida, en el que se cumplimentó un interesantísimo programa.

guntó si le gustaría iniciar una firma contratista. — ¡Por supuesto! exclamó Montoya. Entonces dijo Casaus: "Usted puede hacerlo."

En su primer esfuerzo, el aficionado ofreció entrecortar los árboles en exceso de un pinar de 50 acres. Con una propuesta de \$1,600 consiguió el contrato.

Algunas de esas parcelas tenían, 2,500 árboles por acre, o sea 2,000 árboles de más.

"El 70 por ciento del trabajo lo hice yo mismo y solamente contraté un ayudante para hacer el resto."

En agosto Montoya fue más ambicioso e hizo una propuesta que le permitió ganar un contrato por \$41,000 para entrecortar los árboles en 800 acres de terreno. Esta vez no lo podía hacer sólo y tuvo que contratar ocho personas pagándoles de 4 a 7 dólares por hora. De sus ganancias anteriores compró más sierras de cadenas. El siguiente contrato fue de \$7,700 para entrecortar árboles en 220 acres.

"Algunas veces otros contratistas presentan propuestas más bajas, pero no me desanimo," dice Montoya, "simplemente sigo luchando."

## Santo Padre Visita A Turquía

ANAKARA, Turquía, Nov. 28. — En medio de una fuerte escolta de Seguridad Turca, S.S. Juan Pablo II descendió del avión Papal 747 que lo llevó en lo que él mismo llama "peregrinación por la unidad Cristiana con la Iglesia Ortodoxa."

La fuerte escolta se debe a la tensión creada por Irán. Aunque Turquía es un estado secular, casi toda la población es Islámica.

El Papa fue recibido en el aeropuerto por el Premier Suleyman Denirel y el Ministro del Exterior Haynettin Erkmen. Después de descansar una hora fue conducido al Palacio Presidencial para su entrevista con el Presidente

Fahri Koruturk.

Antes de partir hacia Turquía el Papa pidió a la multitud de Cardenales, Obispos, diplomáticos y pueblo laico, que fue a despedirlo, que rogasen a Dios para "que me acompañe en este camino de grandes esperanzas, que representa un importante paso hacia la unidad perfecta de todos los cristianos." El viaje fue también inspirado en "demostrar la importancia que la Iglesia Católica pone en las relaciones con la venerable Iglesia Ortodoxa" y rendir homenaje al Patriarca Ecuménico Dimitrios I, de las Iglesias Ortodoxas Orientales, con quien se reunirá el día 30 del presente mes.

## Desde Tierra Santa Gracias a Fieles de Miami

S.E. Arzobispo McCarthy ha recibido esta carta del Comisariado Franciscano de Tierra Santa, en Washington, D.C.

Su Excelencia:

Hemos recibido la colecta, ofrenda del Viernes Santo, del generoso pueblo Católico de la Iglesia de Miami para el año 1979 por la suma de \$24,173.38.

Los Frailes Franciscanos del Comisariado de la Tierra Santa estamos muy agradecidos por la colecta que usted y sus fieles, han llevado a cabo tan generosamente para el ciudadano de los Santos Lugares y mantenimientos de nuestras actividades misioneras. Por favor haga llegar nuestra gratitud a sus fieles asegurándoles que serán recordados en las Misas y oraciones de los Franciscanos de Tierra Santa.

Es la continua ayuda de los fieles la que habilita a los Frailes de la Custodia para ayudar a mantener la "Presencia Cristiana" en Tierra Santa, manteniendo los lugares sagrados en la vida del Señor, y trabajar para mejorar la suerte del pueblo que ahora habita donde Cristo vivió y trabajó. Sin el interés y la asistencia de ustedes, nuestro apostolado no podría durar por mucho tiempo.

Como por las palabras de San Pablo, que el "Señor multiplique sus favores entre ustedes para que siempre tengan de todo y aún les sobre para hacer buenas obras." (2 Cor. 9:8)

Pidiéndole a Su Excelencia bendiga los trabajos de Tierra Santa, somos agradecidamente suyos en Cristo.

Rev. Matthew M. De Benedictis, OFM  
Comisario

Asi Eran Ellos...

## Santa Bárbara

Por P. Juan Sosa

Las vidas de los Santos son un reflejo del amor de Dios a los hombres. Indiscutiblemente señalan la presencia de Dios en el mundo en una forma especial. En ellas palpamos a hombres y mujeres que siguieron el Evangelio de Jesús y murieron fieles a Su Mensaje. Más que los milagros que realizaron, es ésta la característica más singular de una vida santa en unión con Jesús y con la Iglesia: leer y vivir el Evangelio del Señor.

Precisamente una de estas vidas es muy popular entre mucho público de Miami. Verdaderamente, la devoción a Santa Bárbara ha sido tan popular que ha sufrido una serie de cambios confusos. Los párrafos que siguen esperan aclarar un poco esta confusión y ofrecer varias dimensiones de la verdadera y auténtica relación de los Santos con la Iglesia.

### UN HISTORIA DE FE

Bárbara nació en Nicomedia, la capital de Bitinia, hoy en día Ismidt en Turquía asiática. Aquí mismo vivió y fue martirizada hacia el año 235 a la edad de dieciséis años.

Su familia era muy acomodada. Su padre, Dióscoro, era un ferviente pagano sometido al emperador romano Maximino. Bárbara pudo conocer por sus buenos maestros a los mejores poetas, oradores, y filósofos de la época. Entre estos maestros se encontraba un discípulo de Orígenes quien transmitió a la dulce joven la fe cristiana.

Al descubrir la verdad de la revelación, Bárbara seguidamente abandonó la religión politeísta de su familia.

Sintió gran devoción por la Santísima Trinidad hasta el punto de ordenar abrir una ventanilla en el castillo de su familia para honrar esta gran verdad de la fe cristiana: Dios es Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo, un sólo Dios pero tres Personas, tres modos diferentes de relacionarnos con El. El edificio que tenía dos ventanas comenzó a lucir tres en honor del primer misterio de nuestra religión.

Muy pronto se dió cuenta Dióscoro del paso que había dado su hija. Al no poder aceptarla en esta forma, comenzó dulcemente a apartarla de estas ideas. Más adelante, viendo que ella no cambiaba, la entregó a los verdugos para ver si ante el temor y el sufrimiento llegaba a renunciar su fe. Viendo, finalmente, que ningún tormento lograba cambiar aquel corazón convertido a Jesucristo, Dióscoro reclamó para sí el triste honor de degollarla en una cercana colina.

Bárbara se arrodilló en el suelo, dió gracias al Señor de que al fin le abrían las puertas del Paraíso y de un tajo cayó al suelo su cabeza. Seguidamente, según la tradición, una centella mataba a su padre y verdugo.

Un cristiano llevó su cuerpo a Gelaso donde los fieles veneraron su sepulcro y esparcieron su devoción por los muchos favores que eran concedidos por Dios en nombre de la Santa. La fama de este sepulcro llegó a extenderse mucho más desde el siglo VII.

Los Padres Bolandistas, especialistas en la vida de los Santos, reconocen los milagros manifestados por su intercesión en favor de los moribundos que se convertían. San Pío V reconoció y confirmó el culto de Santa Bárbara en el Año 1568.

## Misa Solemne a Sta. Bárbara

El martes 4 de Diciembre a las 8 a.m. en la Iglesia Sn. Juan Bosco, se ofrecerá una Misa solemne en honor de Santa Bárbara, seguida de una procesión que recorrerá las calles cercanas a la Iglesia.

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## En Honor de Ntra. Sra. de Guadalupe

Con motivo de la festividad de Ntra. Sra. de Guadalupe San Isidro se verá honrado con la Presencia de Monseñor Agustín Roman, Obispo Auxiliar de Miami, quien celebrará la Santa Misa en honor de Nuestra Señora de el domingo 9 de Diciembre a las 11 a.m. Después de la Misa habrá una comida de toda la familia parroquial a la que están todos invitados.

También Mons. Román celebrará Misa Solemne en honor de Ntra. Sra. de Guadalupe el día 12 de Diciembre en Our Lady Queen of Peace, Delray, a las 7 p.m. Durante la Misa se cantarán nuevas canciones y después habrá fiesta en el salón parroquial presentando números folklóricos.

## Festival en St. Peter y Paul

La Parroquia de Sts. Peter y Paul celebrarán su festival justo cuando esta edición vea la luz. Se prometen grandes atracciones y premios. La fecha es: Noviembre 30 y Diciembre 1 y 2.

## Aspirantes al Diaconado

En nuestra anterior edición publicamos un aviso de la Oficina del Programa para el Diaconado Permanente, notificando que ya se están aceptando solicitudes. La fecha anunciada no es correcta.

He aquí el texto correcto:

La Oficina para el Diaconado Permanente de la Arquidiócesis de Miami anuncia que ya se están aceptando aplicaciones para el próximo curso de 1980. El programa es de tres años de estudios antes de la ordenación como Diácono Permanente.

Los interesados pueden obtener la planilla apropiada dirigiendo una carta de solicitud al Rev. Sr. George N. Mickwee, Director Asociado del Programa, La Cancillería, 6301 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, Florida, 33138. Las planillas e instrucciones le serán enviadas por correos.

## Huber Matos Invitado de AFL-CIO en Casa Blanca



A la recepción que con motivo de la 13ra. Convención Constitucional de la AFL-CIO, ofreció el presidente Carter a los representantes del Comercio Internacional en la Casa Blanca, fue especialmente invitado el Comandante Huber Matos con su señora esposa María Luisa y su hijo Huber, Jr.

El Presidente Carter le manifestó a Matos cuánto se había alegrado al conocer la noticia de su liberación y que él consideraba un honor haber podido conocerlo personalmente. Huber aprovechó la ocasión para agradecer al Sr. Presidente su interés y esfuerzos realizados por la liberación de él y de los otros presos políticos Cubanos, Matos ya había escrito una carta al Presidente donde acreditaba la política de Carter sobre derechos humanos como una gran ayuda en su liberación y decía "la política sobre los derechos humanos es un gran estímulo para los prisioneros políticos cubanos y un importante apoyo para los que

encaran abusos en las cárceles cubanas." Matos expresó su confianza en que el Sr. Presidente continuará sus esfuerzos para la liberación de los miles de presos que todavía hay en Cuba.

Carter agradeció las palabras de Huber y reafirmó su total dedicación a los derechos humanos de todos los pueblos, en Cuba y en el mundo entero.

## Teatro Infantil en San Isidro

Celebrando las festividades de Halloween, Todos los Santos y Dar Gracias, en la Parroquia de San Isidro, Pompano, presentaron una obra de teatro infantil en la que tomaron parte los niños de la Parroquia. Como final de fiesta, el Padre John O'Leary celebró la Santa Misa especialmente dedicada a los niños uniéndose así a la celebración del Año Internacional del Niño.

## AVISO IMPORTANTE

Literatura que anuncian venir del Blue Army de Fátima y apoyando al Arzobispo francés Marcel Lefebvre está siendo distribuida en varias partes de la Diócesis, tanto en idioma inglés como en español.

LA VOZ y THE VOICE hacen saber por este medio que el grupo que está distribuyendo tal literatura no tiene conexión oficial alguna con el Ejército Azul de Fátima cuyas oficinas generales están en Washington, New Jersey. Aún más, ni este mencionado grupo ni la literatura que distribuyen tiene la aprobación de la Arquidiócesis de Miami.

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# Todos Esperamos Algo... o a Alguien

Por Hna. Bertha Penabad

Todos esperamos algo... o a alguien... o a algo de alguien... La Creación entera anhela ardientemente la manifestación de los hijos de Dios, según nos dice San Pablo en su carta a los Romanos (cap. 8, v.19).

Es el gran misterio de la vida. La Expectación. Cuando ésta se acaba, cuando ya no esperamos nada, se rompe el hilo de plata que nos liga a la existencia, o nos convertimos en "Zombies" que pululan y a veces sonríen, con pequeñas sonrisas que recuerdan el rictus de las máscaras griegas.

Para el cristiano que vive su fe, el gran remedio es la eterna y rejuvenecedora esperanza que se nos recuerda cada día y anualmente nos vacía de fondo a fondo y nos vuelve niños. ¿Quién no juega con los juguetes de sus hijos, o nietos, o sobrinos o primos, o amigos? Recordemos que la familia latina es infinita...

En Belén todos volvemos a la infancia, pero no la de los juguetes (aunque éstos nos encantan... y de ello dan fe los muchos trenes eléctricos que se le compran a bebidos de dos años y medio...) ¡Sí! Belén nos lleva a la infancia, aquella a la que Jesús prometió el cielo cuando dijo: "Si no os hacéis como niños..."

Estamos en Adviento... El Santo Advenimiento, el que nos recuerda que el cielo es ya, si actuamos como niños sin rencores, ni envidias, ni ansiedades ni todas esas cosas responsables de nuestras arrugas, úlceras y aburrimientos...

Nuestra Iglesia es la única que se atreve a proclamarlos jóvenes a los 80 años... "Ad Deum qui laetificat juventutem meam" y el canto que entonamos con tanta seguridad: "Te ofrecemos, Señor, nuestra juventud"... aunque seamos bachilleres de 1930..."

Además nos ayuda a renovar nuestra juventud con bombos y platillos. Porque tuvimos la suerte que España nos trajo la fe, España, a quien le encantan las panderetas y los villancicos con aires de tiovivo de feria.

Nuestros hermanos de la península escandinava inventaron esa bella costumbre del "Advent Wreath". En nuestros países latinos y en la Madre Patria, no se conocía mucho esa bella costumbre... nos lucía un poco bobo ese reunirse los cuatro Domingos de Adviento alrededor de unas ramitas verdes y cuatro velas (una por cada domingo y los 4 grandes profetas que anunciaron al Mesías).

Nosotros somos mas "Terre y Terre" como dicen los franceses y nos preparamos de otra forma, pero preparamos... comprando ya los turrónes, almendras y avellanas y utilizando el "Lay Away" que nos encanta... y los "credit cards" que también nos dan tanta seguridad... de que no nos daremos cuenta al pagar... Es de notar que de los españoles no heredamos el deseo de ahorrar, tan notable en

ellos... para algo existía (sobre todo en Cuba) la Institución del fiado...

Y todo esto nos recuerda la seguridad que nos daba que el bodeguero nos fiara, o el chino de la esquina, o el boticario (también en la esquina); y sobre todo el "polaco", aquel que venía con una maleta de cuero que amarraba con correas también de cuero, de donde salían miles de varas de telas... que nos hacían pensar cómo las volvería a meter...

Nos preparamos a nuestra manera, con nuestras costumbres que son sagradas, como aquí el pavo de "Thanksgiving" ... tal vez no pensemos mucho en la renovación interior... de eso se encarga la Iglesia, que, como madre matracuillosa y buena, nos cambia el traje todos los años y nos sumerge en una corriente de renovación, "Sine qua non".

San Juan Bautista que grita en el desierto se nos hace familiar... ya casi lo habíamos olvidado desde las hogueras de San Juan el 24 de Junio...

"Enderezad, preparad el camino al Señor",  
Rellenad los valles,  
Enderezad lo tortuoso...  
¿Qué más nos hace falta?.....  
Y nos llega Navidad y nos metemos en la ronda de baile y canto que es eterna porque donde nace un Dios es primavera siempre, y aunque a veces no sabemos explicarnos cómo será ese cielo que el niño nos promete, ya anticipamos a lo que sabrá, y desde ahora ya lo gustamos en esta anticipación del Santo Advenimiento.  
¡Bendito Sea!...

## Baile de Gala de Liga Contra el Cáncer

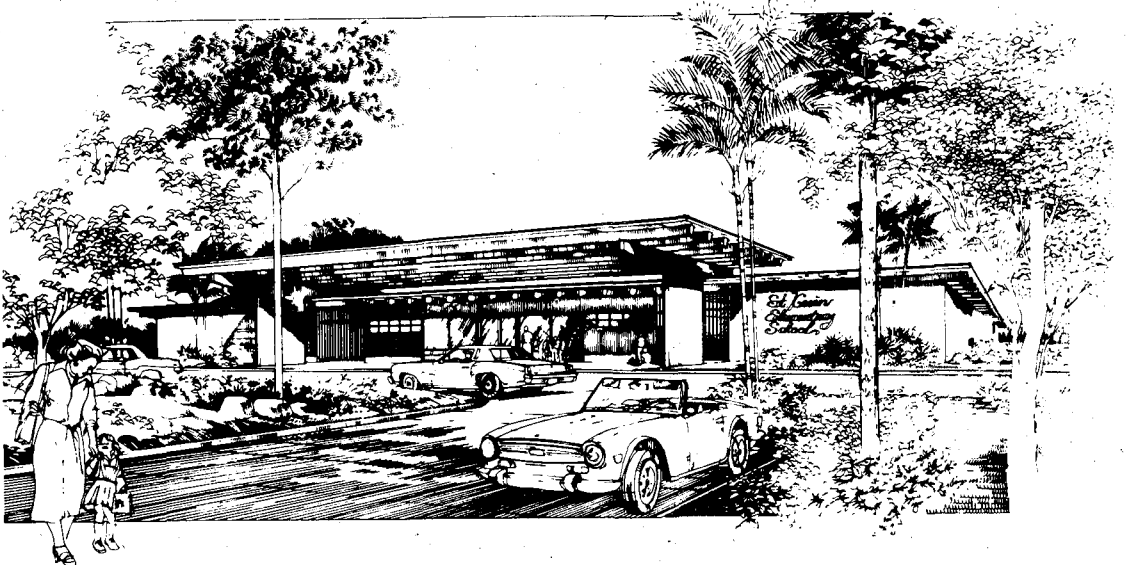
El Baile de Gala Anual de la Liga Contra el Cáncer se efectuará este año en el Hotel Fontainebleau, el 8 de Diciembre, nos comunica la Administradora de la Liga y muy estimada amiga Carmencita San Miguel. Como ya es de todos conocido, el propósito es recaudar fondos para la humana lucha contra el asesino número 1 de nuestra época.

Invitan la Coordinadora General y Vice Coordinadora, Sras. Lourdes Palacio de Aguila y Bebita Mallorca de Martínez Ferrer, la Chairperson de la Liga, Sra. Mercedes Malaussena de Ferré y la Chairperson de Sorteos, Sra. Martha Muxó de Días de Villegas.

## Retiro Para Jóvenes

El Sábado 1ro. de Diciembre se celebrará un Retiro Espiritual, para jóvenes mayores de 16 años, en el Seminario St. John Vianney, 87 SW Avenida y 29 Calle, comenzando a las 9:00 a.m. Ha sido organizado por La Oficina de Pastoral Juvenil y el Rev. P. Sergio Cabrera será el Director Espiritual.

# St. Kevin tendrá Escuela



Ya ha comenzado la construcción de la Escuela Elemental de St. Kevin. El arquitecto local, Amaro Taquechel, es el diseñador de este moderno plantel que cuenta con un sistema de ventilación que no necesita aire acondicionado. Se espera que estará abierta en Septiembre de 1980. Está situada en SW 127 y la 42 Calle en Miami.

## Una Casa de Colores...

Por Eduardo Gutiérrez

Todos los cursillistas saben muy bien que desde hace 12 años la "Casa de Emaus" ha venido enraizándose más y más, no solo en el suelo de Opalocka sino también en el corazón de todos los que han pasado por allí, incluyendo los de otros movimientos que tienen su "casa" en Emaus. Las raíces morales que se han desarrollado con la savia salvífica absorbida en el viejo caserón, (barraca suena muy poco hogareño) han hecho llegar su doctrina evangélica al corazón de miles que hoy son católicos comprometidos con su fe en toda la Arquidiócesis.

Los testimonios de renovación católica y de conversiones son tantos que nuestras páginas de La Voz no alcanzarían, en varias ediciones, para publicarlos todos. Y sin embargo "Emaus", árbol que ha dado tanto fruto, está a punto de ser arrancado. Nuestro más caro deseo es trasplantarlo, no permitir que su raíz y su tronco mueran por falta de suelo donde seguir vertiendo su vivificante savia.

Por eso, a ti, cursillista, activo o enfriado, quisiéramos llegar, tal gracia solo el Espíritu Santo puede obrar, para poner en tu mente y corazón lo que significaría la pérdida de esta casa para nuestra causa Cristiana. Sabemos que podemos contar con Jesús, que nos prometió estar siempre con nosotros, pero El también nos necesita para lograr la parte material de este empeño: adquirir Su nueva "casa" para "Emaus". Piensa que si no alcanzamos esta meta solo oírás "Emaus", porque "La Casa", ya habrá sido destruida. Seremos unos parias buscando albergue para mantener viva nuestra causa.

Unete de corazón a este propósito de "tener nuestra propia casa". Comienza por comprar y vender las papeletas ya en circulación para nuestro grandioso Festinavi de Colores que llevaremos a cabo en St. John, Hialeah, los días 13, 14, 15 y 16 de Diciembre.



Grupo de jóvenes aspirantes al título de "Reina" que participaron del retiro celebrado en Clewiston.

## Aspirantes a "Reina" Hacen Retiro

Las candidatas al Reinado Hispano de la Florida tuvieron un Día de Reflexión en Clewiston, el pasado día 18 de Noviembre, como preparación para la fase final del concurso en que se elegirá la nueva Reina.

Monseñor John McMahon, Pastor de Our Lady Queen of Peace en Delray, dirigió el retiro al que no solo asistieron las 35 candidatas sino también los padres de ellas y todos los que laboran en este empeño. El tema fue la "Formación de la Comunidad" basado en el amor fraterno. El propósito del retiro fue presentar la dimensión espiritual del concurso. Tuvo un formato muy dinámico con presentaciones audio visuales variadas. La coordinadora de todo este evento fue la Sra. Patricia Stockton.

Este Reinado tiene por objeto promover los valores morales, culturales y tradiciones del pueblo latino en general y

de cada grupo nacional en particular. La selección de las candidatas es, por lo tanto, hecha sobre esta base de valores. Cada región selecciona una candidata que luego asistirá a la eliminatoria final. A todas, cada una por separado, se la hace al final del desfile una pregunta cuya respuesta será definitiva en la elección de la Reina.

El acto final del concurso se llevará a cabo en Belle Glades el 9 de Febrero de 1980.

## OFICIAL

La Cancillería anuncia que el Arzobispo Edward McCarthy, ha hecho el siguiente nombramiento:

El Reverendo Charles R. Flynn, O.S.A., Pastor Asociado a la Parroquia de la Resurrección, Dania, efectivo desde Noviembre 14, 1979, con la nominación de su Provincial.

## CORRECCION

En nuestra edición de la semana pasada en el artículo "Llenando Una Necesidad" se decía que "un grupo de Haitianos desperdiciaban la comida" No fue así. El grupo en cuestión era de Nicaraguenses alimentados por simpatizantes del Gral. Somoza. La Voz siente sinceramente este error.



# El Diácono Permanente ¿ Quién es, Qué Hace?

El ministerio del Diácono no es nada nuevo, aunque sí una sorpresa para nuestro siglo. Este ministerio, que fué uno de los primeros en la Iglesia primitiva, fue reincorporado a la vida de la Iglesia, gracias al Concilio Vaticano II en el que los Padres de la Iglesia movidos por el Espíritu Santo hacen más real la presencia de Cristo en su Cuerpo Místico, (el total de los fieles) poniendo a nuestro alcance el participar con Jesús de Su Sacerdocio. Porque una verdad que muchos han olvidado es que todo bautizado es un ministro de la Iglesia; ministerio que ejercerá en su estado, en su profesión y en su vida social comunitaria.

La presencia del diácono quizá sea mejor comprendida si pensamos en él como un símbolo: es la representación de la Iglesia que sirve a la Iglesia; los fieles sirviendo a los fieles según el mandato divino: "Amáos los unos a los otros como yo los he amado"

Todos estos diáconos que enumeramos fueron ordenados en la Iglesia de la Catedral St. Mary, por Su Excelencia, Edward McCarthy, Arzobispo de Miami, el día 29 de Abril de 1979.

**MANUEL CANOVACA.** Casado. Su esposa se llama Vickie. Tienen 3 hijos.

Su profesión es: vendedor de efectos generales de oficina.

Asignado a la Parroquia de St. Timothy en la calle 56 SW. Además de servir en la Liturgia, Canovaca dirige un grupo de jóvenes y uno de adultos. Tiene a su cargo una clase de Catecismo en Español. Atiende también, junto a otros voluntarios, a los presos del Instituto Federal de Corrección. Su Ministerio también abarca visitas enfermos y familias necesitadas de la Parroquia.

**DIEGO CHAVEZ.** Casado. Su esposa se llama Julia. Tienen 1 hija.

Es Supervisor de Producción en una planta local. Asignado a la Parroquia de San Juan Bosco, donde atiende un Hogar de Convalecientes adultos y enfermos en casas privadas. Tiene a su cargo una Comunidad de Vida Cristiana. Es presidente de la Sociedad San Vicente de Paul de la parroquia, por cuya sociedad atiende a unas 15 personas. Comparte con el Rvdo. Sr. Padrón la celebración del Rosario Perpetuo por la Paz del Mundo y por los presos Cubanos, todos los sábados por la noche.

**RODOLFO PADRON.** Casado, su esposa se nombra Amelia. 3 hijos, (dos niñas)

Profesión: Jefe de embarques de una Compañía maderera.

Asignado a la Parroquia de San Juan Bosco, en Flagler y 12 Ave., atiende un Hogar de Convalecientes y otras enfermos llevándoles la Sagrada Eucaristía y consuelo espiritual. Encargado de la Pastoral de Enfermos. Coordinador de las funciones de los Ministros Extraordinarios de la Eucaristía. Presidente de la Asociación de Hermanos de San Juan Bosco. Los Sábados por la noche dirige el Rosario Perpetuo por la Paz del Mundo y por los presos políticos cubanos, en cooperación con el Rev. Sr. Chávez.

**RAY ORTEGA.** Casado. Su esposa se nombra Rosemary. Tienen una hija.

Está empleado en un Hospital de Miami Beach donde es Jefe del Dpto. de Electrónica.

Ray fué asignado a la Parroquia de St. Benedict, en Hialeah, tiene a su cargo la coordinación de los lectores y comentaristas y es asistente del Director de la Pastoral Juvenil. Miembro de la Pastoral Vocacional Hispana.

**JOSE GARCIA.** Casado. Su esposa se llama Maria. Tienen 3 hijos.

Ejecutivo de una Compañía inversionista donde tiene el cargo de Administrador General.

Asignado a la Parroquia de St. Brendan, 87 Ave. S.W. El ministerio lo lleva al Instituto Federal de Corrección, atendiendo allí a un grupo de reclusos dos veces por semana. Asistente del Padre Director de la Organización de Jóvenes Católico y de los Adultos en la Parroquia. Charlas y entrevistas con los Padres de los niños que hacen la la Comunión.

**JORGE GONZALEZ.** Casado. Su esposa se llama Silvia. Tiene 5 hijos.

Es representante de equipos médicos electrónicos y especialista en métodos y sistemas administrativos.

Asignado a la Parroquia de St. Agatha., 107 Ave. SW. Sirve en la Santa Misa y otras funciones Litúrgicas. Es Director asociado del Apostolado de Prisiones y Coordinador Asistente del mismo apostolado, para otros penales. Su ministerio lo ejerce en el Instituto Federal de Corrección, donde atiende el



Diáconos Permanentes en el Seminario St. Vincent durante su Retiro Espiritual

Cursillo de Cristiandad. También tiene a su cargo el grupo del movimiento Camino al Matrimonio, de la Parroquia.

**MANUEL GONZALEZ.** Casado. Su esposa se nombra Hortensia y tienen 4 hijos.

Profesión: Mecánico de motores marinos y dueño de la empresa.

Asignado a la Iglesia St. John the Apostle, en Hialeah. Está a cargo de las conferencias pre-bautismales en Español. Asiste también como consejero en las reuniones de los Caballeros Católicos y de un grupo de Cursillos. Atiende enfermos en hospitales y en ccasas privadas. También atiende servicios de funerales.

**JOSE P. ALONSO.** Casado. Olga es el nombre de su esposa. Tienen dos hijos casados y un nieto.

Editor de la sección hispana de The Voice (La Voz).

Asignado a la Parroquia de St. Brendan, 87 Avenida S.W. de Miami, donde sirve en la Liturgia. Ejerce su ministerio mayormente en la prensa. Maestro de religión en el programa del C.C.D. de la Parroquia. Colaborador de la Liga Orante Diocesana. Miembro de la Pastoral Vocacional Hispana. Atiende ocasionalmente enfermos en hospitales.

**RAFAEL DE LOS REYES.** Casado. El nombre de su esposa es Dulce María. Tienen 3 hijos.

Ordenado Diácono en Washington, D.C. para la Arquidiócesis de Miami en Diciembre 8, 1973.

Profesión: Ingeniero Civil, Contratista.

Asignado a la Ermita de Ntra. Sra. de la Caridad del Cobre. Director Espiritual Asistente del Movimiento Camino del Matrimonio, atiende las dos reuniones de fines de semana mensuales; dos reuniones del secretariado del Movimiento y una noche de reflexión al mes para los jóvenes en vías de matrimonio y anualmente un retiro espiritual y tres jornadas de reflexión.

**GREGORIO VELEZ.** Su esposa se llama Carmen. Tienen 4 hijas casadas y nueve nietos.

Ordenado en Chicago en Mayo, 1976 se mudó para Miami en 1977.

Asignado a la Parroquia de la Divina Providencia, en West Flagler, atiende algunos ancianos llevándoles la Sagrada Eucaristía y confortándoles espiritualmente. Sirve a los ancianos en sus necesidades de transporte y otras de orden material. Tiene con ellos reuniones sobre Vida Cristiana.

**DANIEL BLAHA.** Fué ordenado en Chicago en 1972. Esta asignado a la Parroquia Our Lady of the Lakes.

Trabaja como Director parroquial de Educación Religiosa. Además administra el sacramento del Bautismo y visita a los enfermos de la parroquia. Está estudiando en Barry College por su Diploma en Estudios Religiosos.

**NORMAL CARROLL.** Casado. Profesión: Doctor en Quiropráctica.

Asignado a la Parroquia St. Anthony de Fort Lauderdale donde enseña liturgia a adultos, dirige clases de Escritura Sagrada en la Cárcel del Condado de Broward. También visita los Hogares de Convalecientes y preside las oraciones de la tarde y Bendición.

**ANTHONY D'ANGELO.** Visitation Parish es su centro de ministerio, en North Miami Beach.

Tony es Ingeniero de Ventas. Preside en matrimonios, bautizos, visita a los enfermos, imparte la Bendición con el Santísimo durante la Adoración Nocturna, dirige los servicios de ora-

ción para el grupo de ciudadanos mayores; Presidente del C.C.D., activo cursillista y carismático.

**TOM GATO.** Casado. Tiene 2 hijas.

Se dedica a la Educación como profesión.

Fué asignado a la Parroquia St. James de North Miami. Preside Bautismos, Adoración Nocturna, y novenas, activo en el grupo de estudios bíblicos, Comunidad de Enriquecimiento Familiar, Encuentros Pre-matrimoniales, Consejo Parroquial. Entrena y coordina los Lectores y los Ministros Eucarísticos, trabaja en el Comité Ad Hoc del Arzobispo sobre Sexualidad Humana, Capellán asistente para los Scouts de la Arquidiócesis. Trabaja además en el Programa Diakonia (retiro para juventud universitaria)

**GEORGE HUMPHREYS.** Casado. Consultor en Administración de Hospitales.

Su Parroquia es St. David donde tiene a su cargo la coordinación de Lectores y Ministros de la Eucaristía. Director del Fondo de Construcción Parroquial, Director y maestro de Educación Adulta y del programa de Padres de Niños de 1ra. Comunión y Confirmación. Consejero Matrimonial, visita enfermos y asiste al Pastor en la adquisición de materiales para la Iglesia. George es además asistente del Buró Católicos de Servicios y consultor en asuntos de albergue para huérfanos.

**GEORGE MICKWEE.** Casado. Vicepresidente de un banco y oficial Ejecutivo de Ahorros.

Asignado a su Parroquia, St. Maurice, Hollywood, Es Director del programa Litúrgico para Niños, Director de los Lectores a quienes entrena. Presiden bautizos, bodas y trabaja activamente en los cursillos.

George es además, Director Asociado del Programa del Diaconado Permanente.

**WALTER MONCSKO.** Casado. Se dedica a la construcción de piscinas. Fué comisionado a su Parroquia St. Peter, en Naples. Walter presta su ministerio en servicios fúnebres, bautizos, bendiciones; visita enfermos y reclusos. Atiende las clases catequísticas para padres y padrinos para los bautizos. Trabaja en el Comité de Planificación de Evgangelización Parroquial y en el grupo de Oración Carismática St. Anne.

**WILBUR ROLLINS.** Casado. Abogado de profesión. Funciona como Diácono en la Parroquia St. Louis, Miami, donde preside la Exposición y Bendición semanal del Santísimo Sacramento, Bautizos, bodas, funerales, atiende la preparación de expedientes para el Tribunal de Matrimonios. Asiste a los enfermos y a los ancianos y participa en actividades de oración ecuménicas.

**RICHARD SHAW.** Casado. Es Agente de Seguros.

Su ministerio lo realiza en St. Timothy, 56 St. SW, en Miami, donde dirige clases para convertidos y educación pre-matrimonial, bautizos, Capellán de la Sociedad del Sagrado Nombre de Jesús, del Grupo de Oración Carismática. Colabora además en el boletín Parroquial.

**RICHARD TOURIGNY.** Está asignado a la Parroquia St. Luke, en Lake Worth.

Es director Musical del Programa del Diaconado y del Coro Parroquial. Además preside Bendiciones con el Santísimo Sacramento, y novenas. Coordinador de servicios Inter-Iglesias en el Mason Nursing Home, le lleva la Eucaristía a los reclusos, está a cargo de los servicios litúrgicos en Español, atiende la instrucción previa al bautismo y matrimonio y preside su celebración.