

Huyen de la Verdad Sobre la Vida

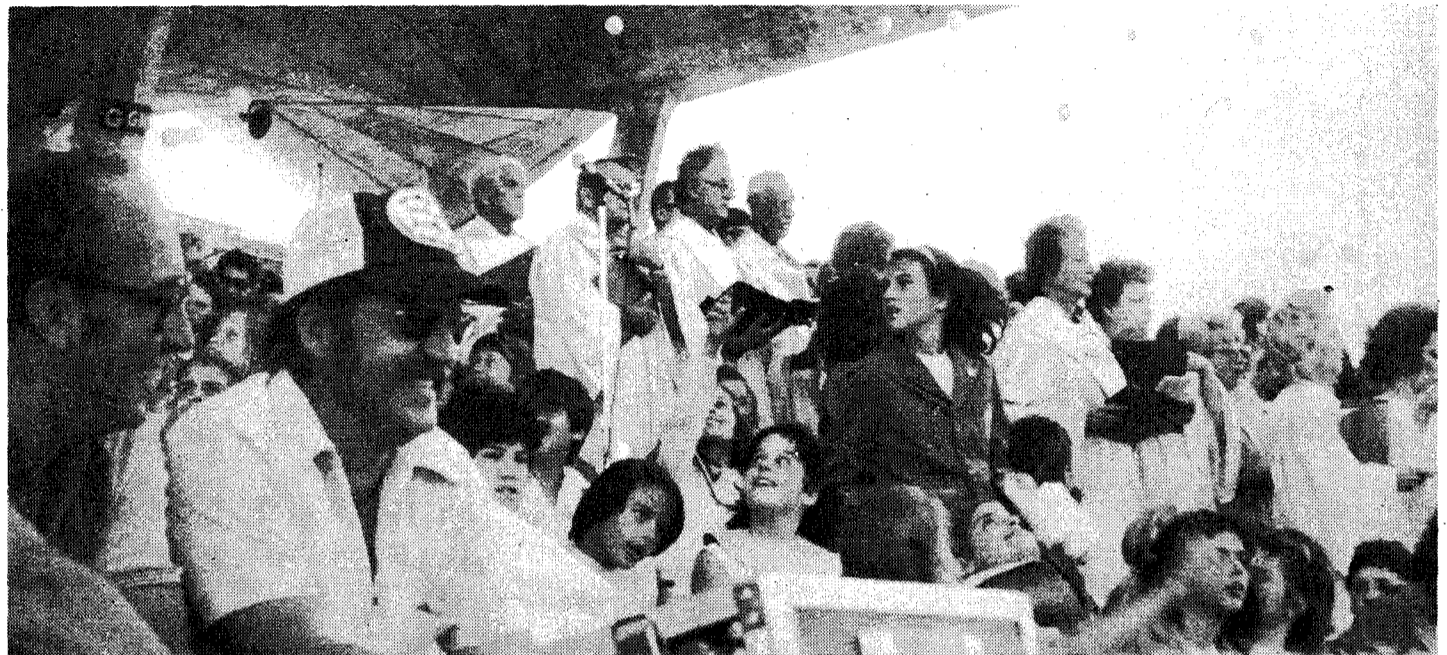
Miami, —(NC)— “Los dirigentes que tratan con el tema del aborto no deben caer en el error de los escribas y fariseos y huir de la verdad,” dijo el Obispo Thomas Kelly en la II Peregrinación Anual por Respeto a la Vida del pasado Domingo 23 de Marzo.

El Obispo Kelly, Secretario General de la Conferencia Nacional de Obispos Católicos, tuvo a su cargo la Homilía en la Misa bilingüe celebrada en el Marine Stadium de Miami con motivo de la Peregrinación. El Evangelio del día San Juan 8, 1-11 es el que trata de los escribas y fariseos que se acercan a Jesús para pedir su opinión sobre la mujer adúltera que debe ser apedreada a muerte según la ley y repitió las palabras de Jesús: “El que esté libre de pecado que lance la primera piedra.” Los fariseos y escribas se alejaron de allí porque no querían oír la verdad, dijo el Obispo.

“Hoy los contemporáneos equivalentes de los ‘ancianos’ de entonces, a menudo vuelven la espalda y huyen de la verdad acerca de la vida humana”.

“Me refiero a personas de influencia y prestigio, los que hacen opinión pública, juristas y legisladores. Quiero decir hombres y mujeres en posiciones de responsabilidad pública, quienes alegan que ellos personalmente están opuestos al aborto pero cuya posición no se extiende hasta hacer algo para desalentar y prevenir el aborto”, recalzó el Obispo.

Señaló que el juicio de Cristo en el caso de la adúltera también se aplica a nosotros. Que también nosotros tenemos nuestros pecados de que dar cuenta. “La rectitud propia no tiene lugar



en la causa por la vida ni en ninguna buena causa.” Terminó con las oraciones de los fieles rogando por la causa.

Para quienes nos hemos reunido en la tarde de hoy para dar testimonio de nuestra lucha por preservar la vida en todas sus formas, nuestro apoyo y dedicación en favor de la causa del respeto a la vida, no puede terminar aquí.

Sin embargo, la insensibilidad moral reflejada, no sólo en la práctica del aborto sino en la indiferencia y hasta la aprobación con la cual muchos consideran este mal, pudiera muy fácilmente desalentarnos y hasta hacernos perder

la esperanza de conseguir cambiar esta sea escuchado y seguido;

---para que no traicionemos la rectitud de nuestra causa con el desatino de la auto-virtuosidad;

---para que la vida humana sea apreciada y valorada como el don que es;

---y para que nosotros y todo el mundo recibamos en la familia humana a nuestros hermanos y hermanas no nacidos con la misma generosidad y con el mismo celo por su bienestar y futuro que sentimos por nosotros mismos, para que de esta manera podamos verdaderamente ser “un pueblo al cual Dios creó para sí mismo y para cantar sus

alabanzas.”

situación. Se nos aconseja... se nos presiona... a no involucrarnos, a no meternos, a permanecer callados e inmóviles ante la matanza de los no nacidos. Pero no podemos permanecer pasivos. No es posible hacerlo. Al contrario, como dijo el Santo Padre, “Debemos ser contados cada vez que la vida humana sea amenazada.”

Oremos entonces...

--- para que nuestra nación y nuestro mundo rechace la muerte y busque la vida;

--- para que el mensaje de Cristo que une la compasión con la verdad moral

Asesinado El Arzobispo de San Salvador

San Salvador, —(NC)— El Arzobispo de San Salvador, Mons. Oscar A. Romero fué asesinado el pasado lunes 24 de Marzo en horas de la tarde mientras oficiaba Misa en el aniversario de la muerte de la madre del director del diario El Independiente, quien es acusado de izquierdizante.

El Arzobispo Romero, de 62 años de edad, fué nominado el año pasado junto con Madre Teresa para el premio Nóbel de la Paz por su defensa de los derechos humanos en el Salvador. Además era muy conocido por sus ardientes sermones en defensa de los destituidos y los campesinos. Últimamente había dedicado todo su esfuerzo a lograr la paz entre los bandos políticos que luchan entre sí y que han ocasionado centenares de víctimas.

El Arzobispo no era bien visto por ninguno de los grupos ni la derecha fanatizada del gobierno ni la izquierda no



menos fanática y de ambas había recibido amenazas.

La muerte del Arzobispo a causado grandes inquietudes en el pueblo que teme se desate una ola de violencia por este suceso. Las últimas palabras del Arzobispo Romero fueron de perdón para sus asesinos.

Piden Los Fieles Mas Escuelas Católicas

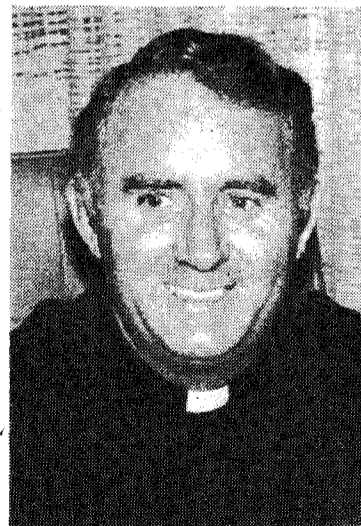
Por Gerard E. Sherry

La necesidad absoluta de mejor calidad educacional y la reputación de las escuelas Católicas en este respecto ha sido la causa del aumento de la demanda por más escuelas en el área Arquidiocesana.

Este es el punto de vista del Padre Vincent T. Kelly, Superintendente de Escuelas de la Arquidiócesis de Miami, quien puede presentar una enorme cantidad de evidencias para probarlo.

Padre Kelly dice que hasta no hace mucho tiempo se preguntaban muchos sobre la continuidad del sistema de Escuelas Católicas, especialmente en el Sur, donde era casi nuevo; no habían bastantes programas y además había muchos nuevos residentes en el área.

“Después de que la atmósfera creada por el Concilio Vaticano II se asentó” dice P. Kelly, “la gente comenzó a darse cuenta de lo que es importante y vieron la educación católica como un viable medio, que es un servicio a la Iglesia y para la comunidad. Se dieron



P. Kelly

cuenta que la educación católica proveía ante todo, valores religiosos y después, ofrecía un tremendo campo competitivo para el estudiante; por último, yo creo que proveía también un énfasis en la disciplina que estaba más o menos desintegrada en la mayoría de los sistemas escolares de la Nación.

“En la Arquidiócesis de Miami, en los últimos cinco

años ha habido una mayor demanda por educación católica. Esto se debe a varios factores; primero, el crecimiento del área; segundo, creo que el probado mérito de las escuelas; y tercero, la población Hispana de Dade County, especialmente por su tradición es deseosa de una educación Católica. La demanda, por ello, es grande. En la parte este de Dade esto es un factor determinante.

“En los tres Condados más grandes, Dade, Broward y Palm Beach, en sus áreas occidentales, no estamos llenando en estos momentos la necesidad de las gentes que piden educación católica. De hecho, es uno de mis más agonizantes momentos cuando tengo que responderles “no ahora, más adelante.”

“Tomemos como ejemplo la Parroquia de St. Kevin en la sección más al oeste de Dade. Los pastores están desarrollando una escuela elemental, idea que tuvieron unas semanas atrás, y en los primeros diez días de registración no sólo excedieron la capacidad

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Domingo de Ramos

En el Siglo IV se leía en Jerusalén, en el Domingo de Ramos, el pasaje Evangélico de la entrada triunfal de Jesús. Y el Obispo montado en un asno hacía el recorrido rodeado de la muchedumbre que llevaba ramos en sus manos y cantaban himnos a Cristo Rey.

Los Cristianos hoy, haciéndonos eco de la tradición del pueblo de Jerusalén, y en la plenitud de nuestra fe, como el pueblo de entonces también cantamos y aclamamos a Cristo como a un triunfador:

"¡Hosanna al Hijo de David!". Bendito el que viene en el nombre del Señor, el Rey de Israel."

Las palmas de hoy simbolizan, como ayer, el triunfo. Cristo derrotó al pecado. Cristo venció a Satanás y Cristo venció a la muerte.

El es el Mesías prometido. El es la plenitud de las promesas de Dios a su pueblo. A El aclamamos porque El nos da también a nosotros el poder de vencer el pecado, y la muerte. Por eso los Católicos todos aclamamos a Cristo. El triunfó y con El triunfamos nosotros.

"¡Hosanna al Hijo de David. Bendito el que viene en nombre del Señor, Rey de Israel!"

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LA PIETA

La Arquidiócesis de Miami mantiene un lugar consagrado para el reposo eterno, con el respeto y amor debidos. Es el deseo del Excmo. Edward E. McCarthy, que todos los católicos y familiares conozcan de sus derechos y privilegios en participar de tan venerables servicios. Por lo cual ha puesto a nuestra disposición nuevos planes para reservar a tiempo, ya sea en terrenos tradicionales, en nuestro bello mausoleo o en la sección para monumentos de su preferencia.

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Habla Sobre Evangelización Padre Alvin Illig

Por José P. Alonso

El pasado Lunes 17 de Marzo, en el salón de la Iglesia Catedral de Santa María, se reunieron un gran número de sacerdotes de la Arquidiócesis, invitados por el Arzobispo para escuchar el mensaje del Rvdo. Padre Alvin A. Illig, CSP, Director del Comité para Evangelización de la Conferencia Nacional de Obispos. Estaba También presente Mons. Agustín Román, Obispo Auxiliar.

El programa de más de cinco horas comenzó a las 10 de la mañana con un Padre Nuestro por el Arzobispo Edward McCarthy y un cariñoso saludo a todos los asistentes. Dijo unas palabras sobre la crisis espiritual de familia Católica alejada y de aquellos que viven sin conocer a Cristo, así como la positiva respuesta de la Iglesia al llamado a la Evangelización.

El P. Illig comenzó preguntando: "¿Qué es Evangelización?"

"Simplificando la respuesta diremos que es la aceptación de Jesucristo en la vida de una persona y compartirlo con otros." Explicó. "Miami ha abierto su corazón a este programa con mucho entusiasmo. La Evangelización es un plan para desarrollar en un período largo de tiempo y envuelve muchas facetas. Será llevado a cabo a través de las parroquias." Los resultados de estos esfuerzos se reporta-

Retiro Antiguas Alumnas del Apostolado.

Un Retiro Espiritual de Cuaresma tendrá lugar el sábado 29 de Marzo en el Colegio Immaculada—La Salle, situado en 3601 S. Miami Ave. al lado de la Ermita de La Caridad. El Rvdo. Padre Angel Villaronga será el Director Espiritual. El Retiro comenzará a las 9 a.m. y terminará a las 5 p.m. con la Santa Misa.

Esta es una convocatoria e invitación a todas las antiguas alumnas, sus familiares y amigos mayores de 12 años. Almuerzo disponible a muy bajo costo.

Padre Nickse Hablará en Cristo Rey

La Parroquia de Cristo Rey, situada en la Calle 160 y Avenida 112 del S.W., se complace en invitarles a una misión de Semana Santa bajo la dirección del Padre José Pablo Nickse. Dicha misión tendrá lugar el lunes, martes, y miércoles de Semana Santa (Marzo 30 y Abril 1 y 2) comenzando a las 8:00 p.m. El Padre Nickse, conocido predicador y comentarista de la radio y televisión en Miami, disertará sobre temas de actualidad a la luz del Evangelio en nuestros tiempos.



P. Alvin Illig

rán a la Arquidiócesis para con ellos hacer un manual que sirva de guía en el futuro. El propósito de la evangelización es la conversión de todos los apartados de la Iglesia y de aquellos que no conocen a Cristo plenamente.

CitóCitó como ejemplo de fe la historia del paralítico que presenta San Marcos en su Evangelio, Cap. 2, 3-12, quien llevado en una camilla por cuatro amigos que al no poder acercarse a Jesús y movidos por la fe abrieron un hueco en el techo y le bajaron. Jesús respondió a la fe de aquellos hombres curando al paralítico.

Dijo el Padre Illig que por la conversión se alcanza la vida de fe cuya finalidad es la que persigue el programa. Pero el éxito de la Evangelización descansa en la mano de Dios. Haciendo un poco de historia de los Evangelios dice que el primer evangelizador, según el Nuevo Testamento, fue una mujer laica, una joven judía que por fe aceptó la voluntad de Dios: María, Madre del más grande evangelizador, Cristo.

Citó el Padre Illig, sumariamente varios pasajes de la Encíclica de Pablo VI "Evangelii Nuntiandi" (el Evangelio debe Proclamarse) tales como "que el evangelizar significa llevar la Buena Nueva a todos los estratos de la humanidad, para transformarla con su influencia, desde adentro y hacerla nueva...con la persona como punto de partida y regresando siempre a las relaciones de las personas entre si y de estos con Dios...Ellos tienen que ser regenerados por un encuentro con el Evangelio que no se realizará a menos que el Evangelio sea proclamado".

Continuó diciendo que como dice la Encíclica "el Evangelio tiene que ser proclamado, por encima de todo, con el testimonio de una Santa vida Cristiana. Tal testimonio es una silente proclamación de la Buena Nueva, muy poderosa y muy efectiva. Todos los Cristianos tenemos la obligación de dar este testimonio y en esta forma ellos pueden ser realmente evangelizadores."

Hizo un recuento de las estadísticas del survey realizado por Gallup que arroja un balance extraordinario en los logros de la Iglesia Católica de los Estados Unidos pero también deja ver lo mucho que queda por hacer.

El Padre Illig es un orador que hace lucir el tiempo corto. En su disertación va amenizando la exposición de los hechos con una forma de humor muy personal. Así, como introducción a los frios cálculos del survey, contó la historia de la inmigración Católica en EE.UU., sus luchas para conservar su fe y sus costumbres en una atmósfera hostil.

"En 1776 había unos 30,000 Católicos bautizados en las 13 colonias originales; hoy 200 años después hay 49 millones de bautizados católicos en nuestra Nación. En aquel entonces los Católicos eran el 1 por ciento y ahora somos un 22 por ciento. Donde había un puñado de sacerdotes y unos cuantos hermanos y hermanas trabajando en una Iglesia misionera dividida por idiomas nacionalidades y culturas hoy tenemos 57,000 sacerdotes, 130,000 monjas, y 9,000 hermanos y varios miles de diáconos permanentes que laboran en 18,000 parroquias, 10,500 escuelas, 1,800 hospitales y otras instituciones de caridad que forman las 169 diócesis en los 50 Estados de la Nación."

Indicó la necesidad de llegar a los sin Iglesia y a los alejados. Apuntó algunos métodos para atraerlos y recomendó una serie de experiencias propias, teniendo en cuenta la formación física de cada parroquia, que pudieran probarse; entre ellas el uso del correo como hacen los que promueven ventas directas. Enfatizó la necesidad de un fuerte compromiso en la obra por parte de los laicos.

Fueron cinco horas de Evangelización que corrieron fugaces.

OFICIAL

Arquidiócesis de Miami

La Cancillería anuncia que el Arzobispo Edward A. McCarthy ha hecho los siguientes nombramientos.

El Rvdo. Joseph Hayes, (recién ordenado) como Pastor Asociado en la Parroquia Holy Family, North Miami, efectivo desde Abril 7, 1980.

El Rvdo. James H. Sullivan, S.M.A., como Pastor Asociado en la Parroquia St. Charles Borromeo, Hallandale, efectivo desde Marzo 27, 1980.

Impacto en Santa Ana, Naranja

Fue una formidable experiencia para todo el equipo de Impacto que fue a Naranja hace algunas semanas para allí realizar el Impacto No. 50; en la misión de Santa Ana.

Esta misión está formada por una pequeña Iglesia, muy pintoresca, y un salón parroquial. En este último le dimos las charlas a los padres y la Iglesia tuvo que convertirse en aulas para alojar a los niños, no fue fácil, pero... allí a todo se le buscaba arreglo. ¿Por quien? pues, por dos monjitas Mexicanas Guadalupanas, chiquititas en tamaño pero, ¡Qué corazón más grande! También un sacerdote español que muchos recordarán de la vieja guardia de Cursillo, el Padre 'Lopito', que muy dispuesto para todo, nos dió desde un tema de sicología de niños, ¡Fantástico!, hasta cantarnos una charrasqueada Mexicana!

¿Qué han hecho estas Monjitas y este Sacerdote en Naranja? No tienes más que llegarte un ratito por la misión y enseguida te das cuenta; ¿Cuánto amor, cuánta comprensión humana, amistad verdadera, vida de comunidad! Todos estos trabajadores Mexicanos y Chicanos llegan a la misión como llegan a su casa, y con que cariño son recibidos y atendidos sus necesidades. Yo creo que todos los que fuimos, salimos maravillados por este ambiente tan especial que allí encontramos.

Que pena, que nuestra prensa sensacionalista de hoy, no hable de obras como la de Naranja y de mujeres como las Hermanas María Antonieta y Ma. de los Angeles, que viajan todos los días en la mañana desde Miami para pasar el día en la misión y en los campos de los alrededores, llevando la palabra de Dios y la atención humana a los más necesitados, a veces no regresando a la casa hasta tarde en la noche, después de una reunión con la juventud o con grupos de matrimonios.

También de un joven sacerdote, que consciente de la crisis de gasolina, va con su motocicleta lo mismo a ver a sus feligreses que a llevar a los niños a un paseo, siempre con un chiste y unas palabras afectuosas para todos, con una vida dedicada por completo a la misión.

El Impacto y después otro Domingo de pic-nic con nuestros hermanos Mexicanos y Chicanos será algo que nunca olvidaré. Nos conocimos, intercambiamos ideas, nos contamos cosas de nuestros

Países. Comimos frijoles ¡calientes! y tortillas con guacamol, y pasteles de guayaba, café fuerte...., les contamos con cuanto trabajo salimos de Cuba comunista para llegar a Miami, y ellos nos dijeron lo difícil que es cruzar el río.

El Domingo, en el pic-nic a la orilla de la playa, eramos... dos pueblos amigos unidos por las circunstancias de la vida o... la mano de Dios en otro país extranjero; vibraban en el ambiente emociones de cariño, afecto, amistad, la guitarra tocaba... amigo soy, tocada por la monjita del hábito blanco y el sombrero rojo, y el cura con el short verde y la gorra amarilla, le daba vuelta a los "chicos" en su moto. Cuanta alegría, cuánto amor, cuanta presencia de Dios, que de seguro sonriente y complacido se alegraba con sus hijos de distintas Nacionalidades bajo el manto de un sólo Padre.

Nos despedimos con alegría y tristeza de todos; y de nuestros amigos de mesa José y María, no sin antes dejar nuestra palabra de volver pronto, muy pronto. ¡cómo no!, nosotros, Impacto, y las guitarras cantaron entonces, "Señor, me miraste a los ojos y sonriente dijiste mi nombre..."

Más Escuelas Católicas (Viene de la Pag. 1A)

sino que la duplicaron. El resultado fue que cuando analizamos la situación decidimos sería en el mejor interés del pueblo ampliar la escuela aun cuando ya estaba siendo construida. La Arquidiócesis está ayudando a la Parroquia en este asunto."

Padre Kelly dice que en muchas partes de la Nación han tenido que cerrar escuelas Católicas pero no en Miami aunque se hayan consolidado escuelas. Pocos años atrás había unas cinco escuelas superiores y a pesar de la consolidación por las Escuelas Superiores Centrales construidas no se ha cerrado ninguna escuela.

Añade que hay que ser realista y ver que la población se ha movido hacia el oeste. "Mi interpretación de la Iglesia es que tenemos que servir a los fieles donde ellos están, no donde pensamos que debieran estar... las escuelas Católicas están especialmente comisionadas para servir a los Católicos" nos expone P. Kelly.

"En los pasados diez años hemos tratado cuanto se ha podido el mantener los costos de matrícula dentro de un razonable nivel para facilitársela al católico promedio. Los Católicos pobres que desean una educación católica para sus hijos, dependiendo de la capacidad de matrícula de la escuela local, pueda obtenerla. Yo no quiero ver la educación católica convertirse en una entidad elitista ni exclusivamente de la alta clase media. Creo que la Iglesia está compuesta sustancialmente por gente de la clase media y también creo que el sistema escolar de la Iglesia debe ciertamente servir al pobre así que estimo que las provisiones debidas deben incluirse en los programas. Pe-

ro siendo realistas, si la escuela no tiene número suficiente de matrícula y tiene dificultades económicas, es obvio que no tendrá los recursos para asistir a los necesitados. Si la escuela tiene una matrícula numerosa y está en un área pudiente yo creo que ellos debieran, y creo que lo hacen, asistir a los estudiantes necesitados."

Padre Kelly relata el caso de la Parroquia Corpus Christi como ejemplo. Hace 20 años era una de las más hermosas de la Diócesis y ahora ha perdido un gran número de feligreses que se han mudado hacia el oeste. Su escuela, muy buena y de gran capacidad ha bajado sólo en los últimos cinco años de 462 a 372 alumnos cuyas familias se han mudado. Corpus Christi está experimentando dificultades financieras.

"La responsabilidad, la dirección y la interpretación de nuestras escuelas es básicamente parroquial, pero las escuelas en necesidad reciben subsidios". Añade P. Kelly. "La escuela tiene aún que justificar su existencia en una comunidad particular, aunque sea una que es económicamente desposeída y no pueda realmente subsistir."

El Padre Kelly es Presidente de la Asociación de Escuelas Privadas y nos dice que la organización protege sus intereses en nivel estatal, legislativo y de condado. Todos los problemas que envuelvan escuelas privadas, protestantes tanto como católicas y otras, son discutidos y cuando sea necesario se busca la protección legislativa.

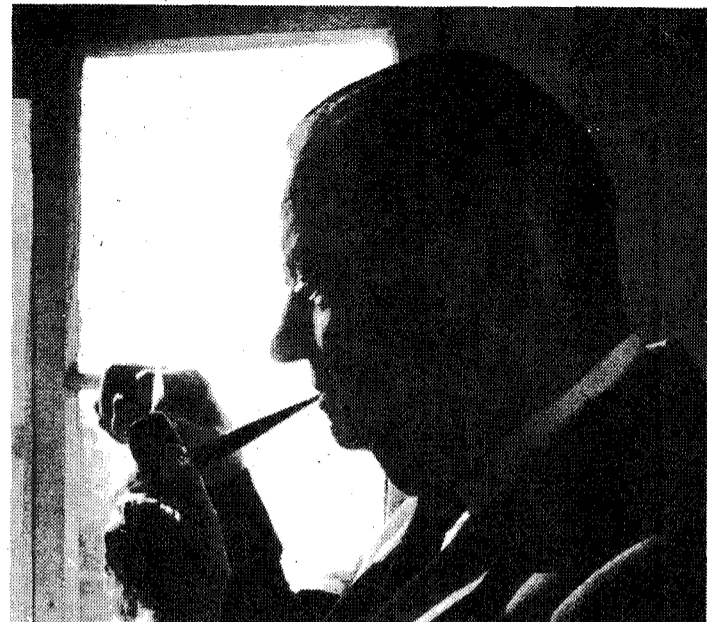
Sobre el personal de las escuelas arquidiocesanas declara que actualmente hay 1387 maestros laicos, 276 monjas y 77 hermanos y sacerdotes; esto hace un personal que es 22 por

ciento religioso y 78 por ciento laico.

"Creo que la educación Católica tiene que ser un proceso personalizado", dice, que requiere de quien está involucrado, pastor, director o maestro, religioso o laico, un compromiso de servicio. Esto es más que cumplir la obligación de leer o lo que sea. Comprometete a mostrar interés por la persona, y por todos los problemas de situaciones familiares, de sexualidad ya ún la enseñanza sobre las drogas. Todos estos factores juntos hacen mayor la demanda por educación Católica y a su vez hace a la escuela Católica más consciente de servir a la gente como ellos son".

"La Iglesia debe reconocer el hecho de que son los Católicos locales los que piden más escuelas con oportunidades educacionales sobre bases religiosas. Esto es lo que nuestro pueblo pide y nosotros debemos hacer todo cuanto podamos por satisfacer esta necesidad." Concluyó el P. Kelly.

Ben Sheppard: En Memoria



"Lo conocimos como a un amigo, de quien quedarán por siempre incontables sus memorias. Pero mas que por esto lo conocimos como un sirviente de la humanidad, en hechos y modos que son demasiado numerosos para contarlos todos..." dijo el Obispo Auxiliar John Nevins en su panegirico sobre el Dr. Ben Sheppard en la Misa celebrada en la Catedral de Miami.

La comunidad del Sur de la Florida está de duelo. Ben Sheppard, dirigente laico Católico y fundador de varias agencias de caridad y miembro de la Junta Escolar de Dade County, ha dejado de existir físicamente, pero su labor suprahumana, motivada siempre por el insaciable afán de darse a los que sufren, por su caudal de amor cristiano, quedará como el monumento a su memoria que el mismo erigió. Paladín de los abandonados, de los sufridos y de los enfermos fue el sirviente de todos sin acordarse de sí mismo. En sus empeños creó la Clínica San Lucas para el tratamiento de los adictos a drogas, la Clínica Sheppard para ayudar a las jóvenes futuras madres no casadas y un hogar para muchachos escapados de su familia, otro para ex-prisioneros, otro más para los alcohólicos y una clínica para atención de los desposeídos enfermos.

Repitiendo las palabras de Monseñor Nevins en su panegirico: "Bien hecho, fiel y buen sirviente. Entra ahora a gozar con tu Señor." O Señor, concédele eterno descanso y que tu luz perpetua brille sobre él. Descanse en paz. Amén.

Pasión de Cristo en Dade County Auditorium

La Pasión de Cristo, que ya se ha convertido en una representación tradicional en Miami, será puesta en escena una vez más en el Dade County Auditorium. Patrocinada por la Parroquia de San Juan Bosco, cuyo pastor es el Rvdo. P. Emilio Vallina, y dirigida por Antonio Lozada con un cuadro de artistas salidos de la masa de los fieles de la Parroquia, la presentación ha ido mejorando año tras año hasta alcanzar un

nivel profesional extraordinario.

La Pasión de Cristo se escenificará a las 5 p.m. del Domingo de Ramos, Marzo 30. Los tickets de entrada se pueden adquirir en Joyería Santilú, AAA Million Auto Parts, Revista Ideal, Lámparas Olmo, en la Rectoría de San Juan Bosco y en la tienda de efectos religiosos de la propia Iglesia. El costo es de \$6, \$4, y \$2.

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'Sacriligious Assassination'

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador —(NC)— Archbishop Oscar Romero of San Salvador was killed by an assassin's bullet as he celebrated a memorial Mass, and the death of his fiery defender of the poor has sent shock waves beyond this violence-torn Central American Nation.

"Let's be united in faith and hope as we pray for Sarita and for ourselves," were his last words as he fell, hit in the heart by a bullet fired from a side window in the small chapel of Divine Providence Hospital, according to reports from the Archdiocese of San Salvador.

The archbishop resided in an apartment behind the chapel.

Sarita was the mother of editor Jorge Pinto of the newspaper El Independiente and a personal friend of the archbishop. She had died a year ago. Only members of the Pinto family and a few patients were at the chapel for the early evening Mass

Abp. McCarthy, On Slaying

"Archbishop Romero's tragic death was the price a brave man paid to be true to his conscience in championing the cause of human rights.

"I deplore the outrageous, senseless use of violence and terrorism to silence or to create controversy.

"In death, may the Archbishop's voice sound an even more powerful, sobering call to justice and peace. May his restless soul have now reached the tranquil presence of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

March 24.

The killing was a "sacriligious assassination" and a "detestable crime," said Pope John Paul II.

The pope also asked the people of El Salvador to "put away forever all displays of mean violence and vengeance."

The pope's message in Spanish was contained in a cable of condolence to Bishop Jose Eduardo Alvarez Amirez of San Miguel, president of the El Salvador Bishops' Conference.

The cable was signed by the pope. Normally, a cable on the death of a high-ranking churchman is signed by Cardinal Agostino Casaroli, papal secretary of state.

According to archdiocesan sources, the archbishop had almost finished his homily when a single shot was heard and the archbishop fell to the ground near the altar. Then two more shots were fired in the air at the entrance to force the people to lie down on the floor. Four middle-aged men were seen escaping in a red compact car.

ARCHBISHOP Romero was taken to the Salvadorean Polyclinic but was dead on arrival. Doctors said a Magnum bullet had exploded in his heart and archdiocesan sources commented, "We assume the shot came from an expert."

(Some press accounts said the archbishop was assassinated by four gunmen at point-blank range at the moment of the elevation, but church sources did not give this version.)

The city traffic slowed down as news of the popular archbishop's death spread. At busy downtown



A nun kisses the forehead of Archbishop Oscar Romero of San Salvador after he was shot and brought to the Hospital of Divine Providence.

intersections and other sites, groups of pedestrians commented in hushed voice on the assassination.

Church authorities decreed a week of mourning and scheduled several services, the first one a Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral March 25 to be offered by Bishop Arturo Rivera Damas of Santa Maria, a close friend of the arch-

bishop.

Because he acted as a moderating force in the midst of polarization, Archbishop Romero was opposed by both the extreme left and the ultra-right which are competing for power in an undeclared civil war. Some 1,500 persons have died in political violence since the first of this year.

EVANGELIZATION

Laity Response Enthusiastic

By GERARDE E. SHERRY

One of the most encouraging things about the U.S. Bishops' Program of Evangelization is "the enthusiastic response of the average laity — and this because they feel the Church has to have some type of outreach."

The nation's leading proponent of evangelization, Paulist Father, Alvin Illig, said this last week in an interview after he visited several parishes throughout the Archdiocese to promote his basic theme that "evangelization in its simplest terms means accept Christ into your life allowing him to live in you and then sharing him."

"You enrich yourself to share," Father Illig said, "and one of the

things that has been missing in the life of the active Catholic community to a large extent has been that evangelical missionary flavour about some of the things we do. You know the great challenge (rankly simplified) of the American Catholic Church in the first 200 years of our existence.

"IT WAS THE preservation and the nurturing of the Faith of an immigrant people in a hostile society, and we went from 30,000 in 1776 to 63 million baptized Catholics in 1980. One percent to thirty percent of people who say they have Catholic religious preference.

Emigration from Europe for all practical purposes is over.

"The great challenge of emigration is from the South — and

that is the challenge for the people in the U.S. We are here to stay — we are not going away. We have seen the emergence of new Catholic laity in the past 25-30 years — I would not say a better laity, but they are different immigrant laity — they are educated, they are part of the warf and woof of society — they are in upward, mobile positions.

"They are not laboring people — they are almost middle-management people and these people want to be engaged in the Church community. Secondly, this new Catholic laity is a fire-tried laity. We have given our people in the last 15-20 years every excuse to leave — quarrels, fights, debates, scandals, the whole smear — about twenty percent of our people have left. The eighty percent

that are still in the pews are a fire-tried people who, like you and me, have had to make an affirmation and re-commitment to Christ, to the Church, in the last six-eight-ten-twelve years.

"So what we have now is a body of fire-tried people, extremely capable, who are there voluntarily — they don't have to be there — if they don't want to be, and I think they want to be about the building up of the Lord Jesus. Two and one-half years ago, when I was first appointed to the Bishops' committee, I was happy with a group of twelve people or eighteen who would meet. Last night we had 175 people. Nationwide there is a growing interest in the concept of

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News At A Glance

Pope Opens Ukrainian Synod

VATICAN CITY —(NC)— Pope John Paul II opened the first Ukrainian-Rite bishops' synod in 51 years by stating the need to "assure continuity" in the leadership of the Ukrainian Rite. A reason to call the synod, which began March 24, was to name candidates as coadjutor archbishop with the right of succession to Cardinal Josip Slipyi, exiled major archbishop of Lvov in the Ukraine (Soviet Union), who is 88 years old.

Catholic Schools' 'Finest Hour'

WASHINGTON —(NC)— "Catholic schools are probably at their finest hour," Basilian Father Frank H. Bredeweg said in a summary of a National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) statistical report.

Congressional Members Challenge

WASHINGTON —(NC)— Citing the constitutional guarantee of separation of powers, 245 members of Congress have challenged the right of a federal judge to order the government to pay for abortions. The brief hardly mentions abortion, focusing instead on the constitutional issue of whether the judicial branch can order the executive branch to spend money not appropriated by the legislature.

Philly Appealing Altar Ruling

PHILADELPHIA —(NC)— The city of Philadelphia is continuing its appeal of a federal judge's decision that the city cannot pay for the altar on which Pope John Paul II celebrated Mass last October.

Pope Helps Celebrate Anniversary

NORCIA, Italy —(NC)— Pope John Paul II flew to the "cradle" of the Benedictine order March 23 to participate in celebrations for the 1,500th anniversary of the birth of St. Benedict, the patron saint of Europe.

Contribute to Literacy Campaign

WASHINGTON —(NC)— U.S. Catholics contributed \$10,000 to the literacy campaign launched by the Nicaraguan government with the help of the Central American Nation's Catholics.

Don't Cut Dignity From Budget

WASHINGTON —(NC)— Efforts to balance the federal budget and to place fixed limits on government expenditures should not be carried out if they would mean a lessening of human dignity, according to Msgr. Francis J. Lally, secretary for social development and world peace at the U.S. Catholic Conference.

Mother Teresa- India's Highest Award

NEW DELHI, India —(NC)— "I accept this honor, like the Nobel Prize, in the name of the poor," said Mother Teresa of Calcutta March 21 as she received India's highest civilian award.

Pope Gets Millionth Bible

VATICAN CITY —(NC)— Pope John Paul II was given the millionth copy of Italy's first interconfessional New Testament March 20. The Italian Committee for the Interconfessional Edition of the Bible is completing work on an interconfessional translation of the Old Testament and plans to publish its first edition of the entire Bible in three years.

Holy Week ritually the most dramatic

By MARY MAHER
NC News Service

Of all weeks in the Christian liturgical year, Holy Week is ritually the most dramatic. Scholars of Christian liturgy and drama, such as O.B. Hardison of the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, repeatedly point out that Christian worship is essentially dramatic. The drama about it is no come-on into worship.

Holy Week re-enacts the basic human journey through often difficult situations into fuller life. It does not speak of simple survival. It moves like a great, rich drama toward resolution and wholeness. It does not concentrate unduly on the tragic elements within the week. Good Friday moves assuredly toward the fuller life available on Easter. Holy Saturday initiates people whose intent it is to live the journey through baptism.

THIS CONTINUITY — through death to life — gives rise to this reflection: Christian life is a non-segmented reality. Ups are not opposite of downs; hard times not the antithesis of good times; loss is not the other side of fullness. All work together unto fullness. We need not be naive to say that while, at the same time, we know that some downs do not lead in our lives to ups, some loss never makes fuller life and hard times often grow progressively harder for those who already suffer. Yet, with the help of one's human brothers and sisters, the possibility of fuller life is there in all the hard things of life. But also, unlike the geometric principle, life always mysteriously equals more than the sum of its parts. The lives of great saints, artists and poets participate in this mystery — by living fully, often perilously and in great pain, they left the world a fullness it would not otherwise know.

This life, out from the midst of death, characterizes all major world religions. The ancient Greeks saw the earth as seasonally barren and dead and, by ritual re-enactments,

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invoked their gods to make spring and fruitfulness (life) come again in their natural, cyclic patterns. Initiation rites of all early peoples stressed that new life comes out of the necessary death to old patterns. Christians this week enter the richest drama in their history. They liturgically relive and participate in the death-into-life of Jesus whom they call Lord. It is a solemn, dramatic season. More, it is a call to the deepest level of sacredness in the human order. Christians are called into the same patterns that Jesus lived. They are promised that they will participate in grace, a share in the life of God.

DURING THIS week Christian communities pledge that they will stand to give witness, support with brotherly concern those who will be initiated into the community in the Holy Saturday liturgy. That is a pledge not to be taken lightly. The communities themselves will be signs or anti-signs of the faith which the baptized will promise. If a parish takes the life of beatitude in its midst lightly or lives in isolation from much of the world's hunger and thirst for justice, the initiates will not be supported.

Christian faith is, by its nature, communal. No one can believe alone. That fact becomes clearer and clearer in our time. In the economy of salvation people can expect that their pain and the anguish of passover to newer life will be less harsh because they will be nourished by other people's concern for them. That can be true only if Christians understand the nature of this Holy Week and live out their belief that all humans are worthy of great love and respect.

Light and darkness dramatically symbolize the inner dimensions of human experience this week. Only the courageous will live the ritual with their hearts. It is up to the communities we live in to remind us this week of our own hearts and how the Lord who rises speaks to human life as he bursts rock and stone, mostly those within us.

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Thousands Rally, Sing for Life

By ROBERT O'STEEN

"No one ever has the authority to destroy unborn life!" Bishop Thomas Kelly proclaimed forcefully, quoting the words of Pope John Paul II.

The thousands who had come from all over the state to the Second Annual Florida Pilgrimage for Life came to their feet and filled the Miami Marine Stadium with applause. In the background boaters skimmed the turquoise waters of Biscayne Bay and thousands of families lining the nearby shores of Rickenbacker Causeway, picniced and sailed in their own unofficial celebration of life on a sunny Sunday af-

ternoon.

For an hour prior to the Mass a musical celebration was led by various musical groups and choruses from throughout the Miami area and the State, singing in English, Spanish and Haitian Creole.

Leaders dealing with the abortion issue must not fall into the mistake of the scribes and pharisees and walk away from the truth, Bishop Kelly said.

Bishop Kelly, general secretary of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, gave the homily at the bilingual Mass.

The bishop cited the Gospel reading of the day, in

which scribes and pharisees questioned Jesus about a woman ordered to be stoned, then left without listening after Jesus said, "Let the man among you who has no sin be the first to cast a stone at her."

"They drifted away because they did not want to hear the truth," the bishops said.

"Today the contemporary equivalents of 'elders' are often the first to turn their backs and walk away from the truth about human life," Bishop Kelly said.

"I MEAN people of influence and prestige, opinion-makers, jurists and

legislators. I mean men and women in positions of public responsibility who say they are personally opposed to abortion but whose opposition somehow does not extend to doing anything to discourage or prevent abortion.

"I mean those who continue to speak wistfully of abortion as a tragic dilemma at a time when legalized abortion in the United States has reached epidemic proportions — 1.4 million annually, at last count."

The bishop said Jesus' reminder to the scribes and pharisees "applies to us, too. We have our own sinfulness to account for. Self-

righteousness has no place in the pro-life cause or any good cause.

"But that is no reason for us to be silent or equivocal," Bishop Kelly said, "about either abortion or the position of those who advocate or tolerate it. Abortion is evil. The policy of those who advocate or tolerate it reflects moral obtuseness at best.

"Open-mindedness and willingness to respect the views of others cannot be stretched to embrace the notion that abortion is either a good or even tolerable thing," he said.

Bishop Kelly said respect for truth as well as for human life "obliges us to make our own the words of Pope John Paul II... 'When the sacredness of life before birth

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Archbishop to Begin Holy Week Palm Sunday

Pontifical Mass celebrated by Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy at 11 a.m. on Palm Sunday, March 30 in St. Mary Cathedral, will mark the beginning of Holy Week in the Archdiocese of Miami.

Psalms, commemorating the triumphal entry of Christ into Jerusalem will be blessed by the Archbishop and distributed to the congregation.

On Monday, March 31, Archbishop McCarthy and

Auxiliary Bishops John J. Nevins and Agustin Roman will concelebrate the Mass of Chrism at 5 p.m. in the Cathedral.

During this Mass celebrated only once each year the Holy Oils used throughout the year in South Florida's Catholic Churches will be blessed. Included in this impressive ceremony will be the blessing of the oils used during confirmation, ordination, baptism and in anointing the sick.

Eighteen priests, who are observing silver and golden jubilees this year, will be

honored for their priestly service and all clergy from the 130 parishes in South Florida will renew their priestly commitments.

Archbishop McCarthy will also officiate at the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 8 p.m. on Holy Thursday, April 3, at the Cathedral and at the Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death at 1 p.m. on Good Friday, April 4 also in the cathedral. The homilist will be Fr. Robert Lynch, rector, St. John Vianney Seminary, who coordinated the papal visit to the U.S. last October.

OFFICIAL

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

THE REV. JOSEPH HAYES (newly ordained) - to Associate Pastor, Holy Family Parish, North Miami, effective April 7, 1980.

THE REV. JAMES H. SULLIVAN, S.M.A. - to Associate Pastor, St. Charles Borromeo Parish, Hallandale, effective March 27, 1980.

We Goofed

The euphoria of a successful ABCDrive set a Voice reporter off on a spin. He first overstated the goal which was 3 1/4 million instead of 3 1/2. And on top of that, made a mistake on the Clergy Coordinator of the Drive. Of course, it should have read, Father Neil J. Flemming, Pastor of St. Clare's Parish, North Palm Beach. We apologize to Father Flemming and to those indefatigable workers on a parish level to whom a great debt is owed for the success of the Drive.

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Bishops Had Urged Cut in Arms Aid

WASHINGTON —(NC)— Only hours before Archbishop Oscar Romero of San Salvador was assassinated, the U.S. Catholic Conference had urged Congress to follow the archbishop's advice and not give military aid to the El Salvador government.

Bishop Thomas Kelly, USCC general secretary, in a letter mailed to Congress had cited the "extraordinary"

appeal by Archbishop Romero Feb. 17 to President Carter urging no military aid for El Salvador.

The letter was mailed March 24 to Rep. Clarence D. Long (D-Md.), chairman of the House appropriations subcommittee on foreign operations.

BISHOP KELLY noted that Archbishop Romero's personal plea to Carter asked

the United States to "prohibit the giving of military aid to the Salvadorean government" and guarantee that the United States would not "intervene, directly or indirectly, with military, economic, diplomatic or other pressures to determine the destiny of the Salvadorean people."

"By this letter," Bishop Kelly wrote, "I wish to echo the archbishop's plea, this time from within the church in the United States."

Bishop Kelly said information being received by the USCC from the church in El Salvador showed that the government was not caught between extremists of left and right but was "itself an instrument of terror and repression, quite unable to win the political support needed to govern in peace."

Archbishop Romero's position also had received the support of Archbishop John R. Quinn of San Francisco, USCC president.

"We will be doing all we can through the U.S. Catholic Conference in Washington to see that your advice to the president is followed," Archbishop Quinn wrote to Archbishop Romero before he was killed.

"We are aware of the courageous, indeed prophetic positions you have taken during this time of great suffering and struggle for the people of El Salvador," Archbishop Quinn added.



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Pope: 'Sacrilegious Assassination'

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Several times Archbishop Romero reported receiving death threats. Early in March, at the time he was awarded Sweden's Ecumenical Action peace prize, he said there was an attempt to murder him at the cathedral. He added that 72 sticks of dynamite had been discovered hidden in the sacristy, enough to destroy the church and several blocks of houses in the populous neighborhood.

His last homily at the Mass for Mrs. Pinto gave a Christian view of death and also mentioned his risks. Following are some excerpts: "ONE CANNOT love himself so much that he

avoids all risk of life. He who avoids danger loses his life, but he who for the love of Christ gives himself to service to the neighbors will live. The grain of wheat does not die but lives forever in the crops."

President Lincoln to Visit Here

Abraham Lincoln, rail splitter, story-teller and Great Emancipator will be in Miami to conduct mock 1864 Presidential Press Conferences with student-reporters in the setting of the White House.

President Lincoln will visit Notre Dame Academy on April 1, at 8:30 a.m. on a day that will transport the entire

student body back to November 1864 following his re-election for a second term.

Highlight of the visit will be a series of press conferences with students who have prepared for their role as reporters by studying for two weeks about Lincoln, his life and times.

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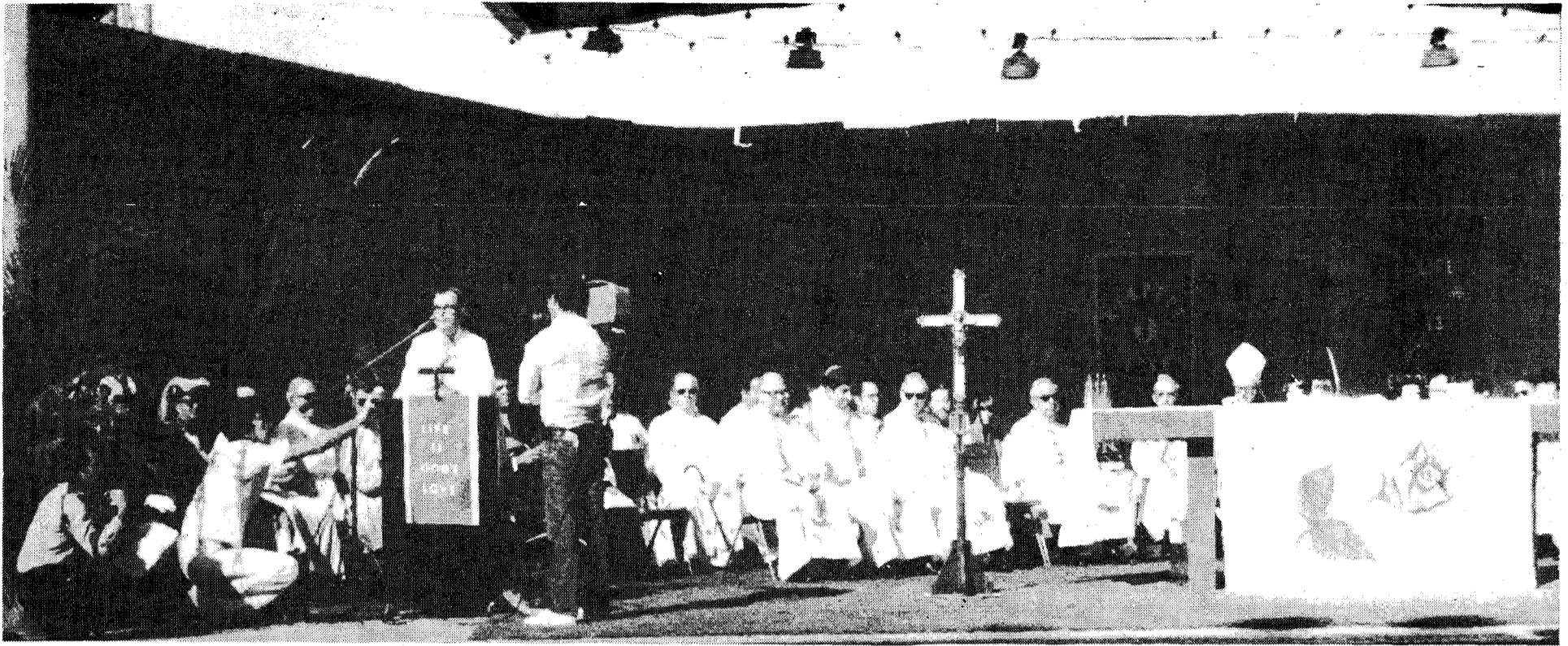
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Bishop Thomas Kelly (top left) delivers homily at Miami Marine Stadium pro-life rally. Haitian choral group was one of several leading a pre-Mass musical program while children held Respect Life balloons (right) and took it all in.

Weak Politicians Scored by Bishop

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is attacked, we will stand up and proclaim that no one ever has the authority to destroy unborn life."

The ultimate prize, as St. Paul points out is "life on high in Christ Jesus," the bishop said. "But this does not eliminate the effort to foster and protect human life and all the goods of the human person here and now. Indeed the reverse is true."

PERHAPS SOME Christians have been too other-worldly, while others have been too secular, the bishops said, but it is wrong to

suggest that either is true of Christianity itself.

"To live as a Christian means to defend and foster human goods for the sake of a fulfillment which begins here and now and comes to final completion in eternal life with God.

"Concern for human life and the goods of human persons must be consistent and all encompassing," Bishop Kelly said. "It must take in human life at every stage and in all its conditions and aspects.

"We pray, then, that our nation and our world will turn

away from death and turn to life; that Christ's message coupling compassion with commitment to moral truth will be heard and heeded; that we will not betray the righteousness of our cause by the folly of self-righteousness; that human life will be esteemed and cherished as the prize it is; and that we and all persons will generously welcome our unborn brothers and sisters into the human family, as committed to their well-being and fulfillment as we are to our own so that with them we may truly be 'the people whom God formed for himself,

that they might announce his praise.'"

During the Offertory, dozens of roses were handed out to a procession of individuals representing all phases of life, the young, the old, the lame, families, various ethnic and cultural groups.

Earlier, at a pro-life luncheon sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Father Robert Lynch, Rector-president of St. John Vianney Seminary, spoke of the pro-life campaign's history in the wake of the Supreme Court's historic ruling.

"For eight long years now, they (pro-lifers) have watched, they have waited, but most of all they have worked. They have worked and worked to build a coalition of decent human beings who believe that life is sacred, that it is truly worthy of protection, that abortion is a travesty, that it is a travesty precisely because it turns the holy shrine of the mother's womb into the wicked embodiment of the child's tomb."

(See next week's Voice for complete coverage of Father Lynch's speech.)

19 Priests Celebrate Jubilees

The following priests will be honored at a Chrism Liturgy at St. Mary Cathedral Monday, March 31 at 5 p.m. Archbishop McCarthy will concelebrate the Mass at which all priests of the Archdiocese are invited to renew their priestly commitment.

50-YEARS (GOLDEN JUBILEE)

Fr. Harold T. O'HARA

A native of Chicago, Father O'Hara was ordained June 14, 1930 after completing studies for the priesthood at St. Mary of the Lake Seminary, Mundelein, Ill.

From 1952 to 1970, when he retired and moved to Pompano Beach, he was pastor of Our Lady of the Wayside Church in Arlington Heights, Ill.

Since 1975 he has been assisting at St. Henry Church, Pompano Beach and prior to that time assisted at St. Elizabeth parish, Pompano Beach.

Fr. John H. O'Connor

Born in Worcester, Mass., Father O'Connor was ordained April 11, 1930 by the late William Cardinal O'Connell.

He had studied for the priesthood at St. Patrick Seminary, Maynooth, Ireland; the National University, Dublin, and St. John Seminary, Brighton, Mass. He has a Bachelor of Arts degree awarded him at the National University.

Coming to Miami in 1968 he has been assisting at St. John the Apostle Church, Hialeah.

Fr. Laurence Mallette

A native of Ogdensburg, N.Y., Father Mallette studied for the priesthood in Montreal where he was awarded bachelors in science and arts.

He was ordained June 14, 1930 in Ogdensburg and until 1973 served as an assistant and pastor in several parishes for the French in Ogdensburg. He also served in New Mexico Missions for two years and for eight years was engaged in the hospital and nursing home apostolate in the Diocese of Lafayette.

Since coming to South Florida in 1976 he has assisted at St. Francis of Assisi parish, Riviera Beach; and Visitation parish, Miami.

Fr. John F. McKeown

Anative of Bellvue, Pa., Father McKeown, pastor of St. Pius X Church, Fort Lauderdale, since 1968, was ordained March 15, 1930 in Rome, Italy.

He had studied for the priesthood at the Roman Pontifical Seminary and Catholic University of America after attending Brevard County schools in Cocoa and Duquesne University Preparatory School. Father McKeown has a Bachelor of Arts degree earned at Catholic University and a Bachelorate in Sacred Theology awarded him in Rome.

His first pastorate was at St. Juliana Church, West Palm Beach, from 1950 to 1953. He was subsequently pastor of St. Joseph Church, Stuart; St. Helen parish, Vero Beach with its mission of St. William, Sebastian; and Visitation Church, North Dade.

From 1961 to 1964 he served as chaplain of the Serra Club for the Fort Pierce-Vero Beach area and he was a member of the continuing education of the clergy committee from 1973 to 1979.

Fr. Nicholas A. Maestrini, P.I.M.E.

A member of an in-

ternational religious society of secular priests dedicated exclusively to the foreign missions, Father Maestrini was born in Cabli, Italy and was ordained September 20, 1930 in Perugia, Italy.

He prepared for the priesthood at the Vatican and Lateran Seminary, Rome and at the Theological Seminary of P.I.M.E. in Milano. He has a baccalaureate in theology from Gregorian University.

From 1931 to 1951 Father Maestrini served as secretary to the Ordinary, publisher of the diocesan newspaper, and director of the Catholic Center in Hong Kong. In 1951 he was appointed provincial superior of his community in Detroit and served in that position until 1969 when he was named president of Maryglade College, Detroit. Coincident with that position he was development director for his community.

He retired to Tequesta in 1974 and since that time has assisted at St. Jude Church.

Fr. Joseph T. Burleigh, S., J.

A member of the Society of Jesus who was ordained June 26, 1930 in Grand Coteau, La., his native city, Father Burleigh studied for the priesthood at Mt. St. Michael College, Spokane, Wash. and St. Louis University.

From 1933 to 1943 he was an assistant pastor at Gesu Church and in 1943 was assigned to Immaculate Conception Church, Albuquerque, New Mexico as an assistant.

He served as the first pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Tampa from 1964 to 1948 and was then transferred as pastor to Sacred Heart Church, Grand Coteau. In 1955 he became pastor of St. Joseph Church, Mobile, Ala. Father Burleigh returned to Gesu parish in 1974 and in 1978 retired from active duty continuing to assist at the downtown parish.

Msgr. Joseph Caramanno

Born in Italy where he attended local schools, Msgr.

Caramanno came to the United States in 1928 and began his studies for the priesthood at St. Joseph Seminary, Dunwoodie, N.Y.

Ordained in St. Patrick Cathedral, New York City for the Archdiocese of New York on June 7, 1930, he served in several parishes as an assistant until he was named pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Yonkers, N.Y. in 1946. In 1958 he was also appointed administrator of St. Anthony parish there.

In 1970 Msgr. was appointed pastor emeritus of both parishes and retired from active duty to Boynton Beach where he assists in St. Thomas More parish.

25 YEARS (SILVER JUBILEE)

Fr. Joseph V. Tyson, S.S.J.

A native of Philadelphia who studied for the priesthood at St. Joseph Seminary, Washington, D.C. Father Tyson, a Josephite priest, has an M.A. degree earned at the College of St. Thomas.

Prior to coming to South Florida in 1970 as pastor of Holy Redeemer Church, Miami, he had been a member of the faculties at high schools staffed by his order in Newburgh, N.Y. and in New Orleans. After serving one year in his pastorate Father Tyson joined the faculty at Archbishop Curley High.

From 1974 to 1975 he was assistant pastor at St. Francis Xavier Church and from 1975 to 1980 was assistant pastor at SS. Peter and Paul Church. Since January he has been associate pastor at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs parish, Fort Lauderdale.

Fr. Michael J. Eivers

The pastor of St. Boniface parish, Pembroke Pines, is a native of Longford, Ireland, who attended Holy Ghost College in Kimmage and University College Dublin before his ordination on July 3, 1955.

He came to the Arch-

diocese of Miami in 1968 and assisted at Blessed Trinity parish, Miami Springs, and at St. Luke Church, Lake Worth where he was appointed assistant pastor in 1972.

One year later Father Eivers was named administrator of St. Boniface parish where he became pastor in 1978.

Fr. Canice T. Crawford, T.O.R.

A member of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis, Father Crawford is a native of Pittsburgh who was ordained in Altoona, Pa. on May 21, 1955, after studies at Duquesne University and St. Francis Seminary, Loretto, Pa.

From 1967 to 1970 he served as a Naval Chaplain following a 12-year period during which he was a high school teacher in Philadelphia. For one year he served in the mission office of his order in Loretto.

In 1973 he served as assistant pastor at Annunciation parish, West Hollywood and is presently assisting at Little Flower Church, Hollywood.

Fr. Mario Gonzalez

Born in Colombia, Father Gonzalez was ordained June 29, 1955 after completing studies at seminaries in Cali, Colombia.

He came to South Florida in 1971 and served as assistant pastor at Our Lady Queen of Peace parish, Delray Beach until 1973 when he was assigned as assistant pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, Hialeah.

Msgr. John J. Donnelly, S.T.B.

The rector of St. Mary Cathedral and chairman of the Health and Welfare Program of the Archdiocese of Miami-Diocese of St. Petersburg, was ordained May 26, 1955 in Tallahassee. He is a native of Philadelphia.

His first parochial assignment in South Florida was as an assistant pastor at Immaculate Conception Church, Hialeah. He also

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Priest Likes Helping 'Those at Bottom'

By Rachel Garfield

"There is a very thin line that separates prisoners from the rest of us," says Father John H. O'Connor, who has been designated the Home News' Citizen of the Week.

Father O'Connor, who has devoted decades of his 50 years as a priest, counseling male and female prisoners, drug addicts and alcoholics, points to three factors which could find any of the rest of us in prison.

These are "a different environment, a different set of values and a slightly different outlook."

Devout in his Catholic faith, the priest's ministry nevertheless reaches above and beyond denominations. Protestants and Jews speak of him as a universal man who has aroused their own eternal spark.

Roger Shaw, who worked



with him in the highly successful Operation Self-Help, one of the first drug therapy centers in Dade County and a state and national model, says: "He's God's person. He totally gives his whole life to people. He is his brother's keeper."

Father Thomas J. Rynne of St. John the Apostle Catholic Church, where Father O'Connor helps with Masses,

recalled the beginnings of Operation Self-Help.

A young priest, Father Sean O'Sullivan, had shared with Father O'Connor what he felt was a deep need in the community — help for youths caught in the drug net and support for their parents as well.

"He could have reminded Father O'Sullivan that his duties lay with the Church, but instead encouraged him with the rehabilitation program," said Father Rynne.

After suffering a hip fracture in an auto accident in Boston, Father O'Connor came to Hialeah in 1969 seeking to retire in a warm climate.

His years of active ministry, especially among prisoners and alcoholics, made retirement impossible. He led the Operation Self-Help work for eight years until Federal

money dried up and the group was absorbed by the National Institute of Mental Health.

Now a vigorous 75, with his golden jubilee set for April 11, Father O'Connor is more active than ever. He says Mass at St. John's and St. Cecilia's Churches; he is chaplain of Optimists International, Florida District, and he goes wherever he is asked.

But his most devoted ministry is with prisoners and those who are "down." He serves at Raiford, South Dade Federal and the women's prison in Broward County.

"My idea in priestly life," he said, "was to work with the ones that most people didn't want to touch, the ones at the bottom of the ladder. I wasn't interested in saving the saved. The ones the world looks down on were my prime object."

The Humor of Father O'Connor

By Rachel Garfield

stamps.

Because he's Irish and has a sense of humor, we figured that after 30 or 40 years of prison work, Father O'Connor must have a funny anecdote or two in him. We asked and we got. Here are a few from the Father's rich store.

When Father O'Connor lamented to a prisoner that a valuable stamp collection had been stolen from him in the diocese, the convict asked where he'd lived.

"Massachusetts," was the answer.

"I didn't to it," swore the inmate. "Never was up there." It turned out that he was a master thief, specializing in

Always looking for the good in souls, the Father admired a female prisoner's fine handwriting. The answer was: "Don't tell me that. That's how I got in here."

The lady was a talented forger, particularly on checks of priests.

A favorite old drunk of the Father confided that he needed money to travel to New Hampshire where a job plucking chickens awaited him.

"And so you thought you'd start practicing on me?" replied Father John.

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served as an assistant at Little Flower Church, Coral Gables and in 1959 was named administrator of St. Paul parish, Arcadia. He was subsequently appointed administrator of the parishes of Annunciation, Hollywood and St. Monica in Opa Locka, where he became pastor in 1965.

Msgr. Donnelly was pastor of Holy Rosary Church, Perrine, from 1968 to 1971 when he was named rector of St. Mary Cathedral. Now director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith and the Pontifical Association of the Holy Childhood, he is also a member of the Archdiocesan Building Commission and the Priests' Committee, Needy Parish Fund.

Fr. Francis Pala, S.P.

A Piarist priest who was born in Spain, Father Pala was graduated from the University of Barcelona and was ordained Sept. 24, 1955.

Before 1961 to 1963 he was director of the Cuban Children's Home at Camp Matecumbe and then became chaplain at St. Raphael Hall for Unaccompanied Cuban Children in Miami. Since 1963 he has been a member of the faculty at Cardinal Gibbons High School, Fort Lauderdale.

Fr. Cyril Smith, O.S.A.

Augustinian Father Cyril Smith is a native of McSherrystown, Pa., who attended the Augustinian Theologate and Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., and Villanova University, Philadelphia.

He came to Miami in 1975 to join the faculty of Biscayne College after teaching for 20 years at Archbishop Carroll High School in Washington, D.C. He the prior of the community at the college.

Fr. Christopher Petrosky, T.O.R.

Father Petrosky is a member of the Third Order of St. Francis Hospital and Nursing Home Apostolate in Opa Locka.

Born in Latrobe, La., he was ordained May 21, 1955 following studies at St. Francis Seminary, Loretto, Pa. and Catholic University of America.

He came to South Florida in 1973 after serving in high schools and parishes in Philadelphia, Levittown and Pittsburgh, Pa. For five years he was an assistant at Annunciation Church, Hollywood.

Fr. Charles Jackson

A native of Alachua, Florida, Father Jackson was ordained on July 17, 1955 at Fort de France in Martinique after studies at Le St. Esprit, parish; St. George, Frankfurt, Germany, Florida A and M. University, Tallahassee and L'Institut Catholique, parish.

He came to Miami in 1966 and assisted at Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish and at Holy Family Church, North Miami. He also served as an

assistant pastor in St. Francis of Assisi parish, Riviera Beach and Corpus Christi Church.

For four years between 1974 and 1978 Father Jackson coordinated services for Haitian refugees.

Fr. Juan M. Dorta-Duque, S.J.

Now a member of the faculty at the Belen Preparatory School, Miami, Jesuit Father Dorta-Duque, is a native of Havana who was ordained Sept. 8, 1955 in England.

He studied at the University of Havana and the Gregorian University, Rome, where he received a licentiate in Social Sciences. He also has a Ph.D in philosophy from the University of Havana and a licentiate in theology from Heythrop College, Norton, England.

Father taught in Rome and Quito, Ecuador before coming to Miami in 1967.

Fr. Florentino Azcoitia, S.J.

Now a counselor at Belen Preparatory School, Jesuit Father Azcoitia is a native of Havana who was ordained in his birthplace on June 11,

1955.

He studied for the priesthood at the Pontifical University at Santander, Spain and at Woodstock College, Woodstock, Md. and came to Miami in 1968.

Fr. Christopher Konkol

The pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle is a native of Milwaukee, who studied at Lourdes Seminary, Cedar Lake, Ind., Christ the King Seminary, West Chicago and at the University of St. Bonaventure, Olean, N.J.

Father Konkol was ordained June 4, 1955 in Cook, Indiana and came to Miami in 1962. For two years he was assistant pastor of Holy Rosary Church, Perrine and from 1964 to 1966 was assistant at St. John the

Apostle Church, Hialeah. In 1966 he was named administrator of Sacred Heart Church, Punta Gorda and its mission of Our Lady of Mercy in Boca Grande. Coincident with this appointment he served as assistant director of the Catholic Welfare Bureau, Naples; and spiritual director of the Charlotte Chapter of the Catholic Nurses.

Late in 1967 he was appointed administrator of San Pablo parish, Marathon and of St. Peter Mission, Big Pine Key. Since 1968 he has been pastor at St. Thomas the Apostle Church. He is also spiritual moderator of the South Dade Deanery of the Miami ACCW and Vocations Counselor in the South Dade Deanery.

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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)

An Appeal To Reason And Charity

Writing a final editorial for any newspaper is a difficult task for any editor. It is even more difficult for me because I have been responsible for the editorial policies of this newspaper for the past 18 months. First I want to apologize for any offense or hurt my views may have inflicted upon some of the readership—but, I do not apologize for the views themselves. This, because I believe they were correct and quite Catholic views on a variety of NOW issues.

The basic function of the Catholic Press is to inform and instruct—and it can take many directions. Some of our readers have objected to what they have termed "advocacy journalism". If by that they mean advocacy of the poor and oppressed, senior citizens and the unemployed, migrant workers and their right to collective bargaining, an evenhanded approach to women's rights in and out of the Church, and penetrative coverage of ALL issues involved in right to life—then I willingly plead guilty.

The Catholic Press has an obligation to help the Church lead the civic community in the formation of standards of morality and in the furthering of social and civic justice. If the Catholic Press takes on the job of promoting the documents of Vatican II, if it attempts to encourage the implementation of reform and renewal within the Church and within the world it will not be popular. It will meet heavy resistance from many who buy its papers or who have them sent free from parish funds. In this it will be suffering in no less a manner than the original Evangelists whose Gospel ripples eventually created giant waves sweeping across the world.

Given the mood of the average Catholic, and his or her personal fears of the implications of the Church's mission of service today, is there any hope for the Catholic Press? Yes! The two essential ingredients for success are courage and perseverance. The courage to discard outmoded theories and a willingness to persevere even if ever haunted by the specter of failure.

There must be the constant search for new ideas—for new methods and techniques in getting across the Gospel message. Documents of Vatican II still must be reduced to manageable language and presented in attractive form so that they will be read, studied and acted upon at every level of the Church. Papal Encyclicals and Hierarchical pronouncements must be written and interpreted for the ordinary Catholics in terms they can understand.

The healthy diversity, permitted within the Church (outside of faith and morals) must be encouraged editorially, and in the

presentation of news and events. Doctrinaire Liberalism and doctrinaire Conservatism must be eliminated from the pages of the Catholic Press. They must be replaced by firm and competent diverse opinions which reflect faith, hope and charity—based on mutual respect between those in authority and the rest of the People of God.

We must avoid becoming bogged down in personalities and concentrate on the issues—not only those which unite us, but also those which divide and confuse us. The Catholic editor must take on the clothes of the "New Man," imbued with Christian optimism, founded on a deep spirituality and genuine love for the Church and his fellow man.

The obvious increase in the Church's interest and participation in the affairs of the civic community bewilders and frustrates many. Religious involvement in social issues and problems has created a backlash. Catholics have, often for the first time, been asked to give public witness to their Christian commitment, but some of our readers balk; this is not their cup of tea—not part of their upbringing.

Vatican Council II cleaned away the centuries of dust which had obscured much of the masterpiece of Christianity—but this has disturbed the defenders of the status quo. The changes in the Church also have made great demands upon priests but more especially on pastors—this, not only in the cities and the suburbs, but even in the isolated rural and mountain areas of our country. For many, it has been a traumatic experience and one for which quite a number are still not prepared.

It is also true that much of the pre-Conciliar Catholic Press was in the forefront of demands for an updating, and a reform and renewal within the Church. Now that this is taking place, those who defend the status quo, who resent change, or think it's too fast, or unneeded, have found the Catholic Press to be a worthy scapegoat upon which to vent their dissatisfactions.

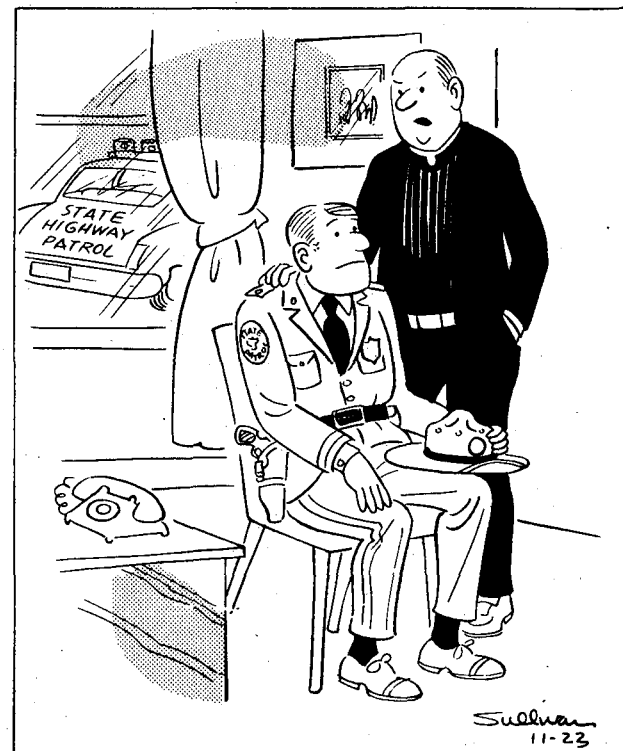
It is interesting to observe that this present era of pressure groups is one that repeats the first decisive one in our Church history—the crisis of universality, of Catholicism. The charity of Christ is wide enough to embrace the whole of the modern world, but is the charity of Christians wide enough? Is our charity universal? It is quite pertinent to ask this question today because there are some within the Church who are not free from bias; who refuse to learn the lessons of history. They are not interested in the prudential judgments of other; they have fixed minds and fixed programs. More important, although they profess to speak

for or with the Church, they do not always think with it.

Our universal charity must embrace the currents of the present as well as the currents of the past. The Church is open to all the currents of the present, which are not opposed to Divine Law. The Church is not only willing to speak all languages, it also listens to them. The Church is able to recognize all people who talk and act within the framework of essential Christian dogma. We can take our cue from St. Paul who wanted liberty in all things. We can also take refuge in the code of Canon Law that favors always (and commands all to favor) the side of liberty in disputed interpretations of the law.

Let the universality of our Catholic doctrine unify us as a group. While we should hold firmly to our sincere viewpoints, let us advance them in due charity. In our political action, let us refrain from giving it a Catholic label when we know that it is not; in our political action, let us use the Church only as a means of directing our thinking through Christ-like channels of justice and charity. And in demanding justice for ourselves, let us never forget that those with whom we differ have an equal right to justice. Outside of faith and morals, there are a variety of prudential judgments permitted within the Church. What must never be forgotten is that there can be no differences on the fundamentals of Christian doctrine. It is in this area of communications that The Voice along with the rest of the Catholic Press must be a courageous and forthright vehicle of reconciliation.

GERARD E. SHERRY



"SLOW DOWN, FRANK. YOU'RE LIVING TOO FAST!"



We Should Face Death Positively

By MSGR. JAMES J. WALSH

Holy Week has a way of putting us in a reflective mood about the serious things of life. The Church's emphasis on the Paschal Mystery means she does not ask us to dwell on Good Friday, Christ's death only, but to keep our eyes on the great victory over death in the Resurrection.

But it behooves us well now and then to consider the mystery of death itself. Holy Week seems to create a good atmosphere for this. We can easily imagine the death of others, but it is difficult to see ourselves no longer a part of this earth. And yet "It is appointed unto man once to die," sooner or later.

Some of us understandably do not want to reflect on death because we connect it with pain and suffering and becoming a burden on others. We have good reason to fear the enormous expense of being sick for an extended period in a hospital.

Then too, we have a chilling fear of the unknown. What does await us? How do we really stand with God? Have we deceived ourselves? Are we modern pharisees, outwardly people of faith, but inwardly not united with God? Is it all a pipe dream of unreality and weirdness?

Such anxieties usually clear up when faith is given a transfusion by more effort in prayer and a more

fervent approach to Confession and Holy Communion. This, too, is where reading the Gospels brings an infusion of confidence in God's promises.

WE MUST remember that a certain fear of death is good and healthy, and even necessary. St. Augustine said, "We should deal with death as we act with God. That is, as we love God, yet still fear him, so we should fear death, yet still love it...We can look on it with peace because of what it promises..."

Here is something very sad which complicates the matter of death. Sometimes there is a conspiracy within a family to withhold knowledge of impending death from a loved one. Some consider this an act of kindness, an act of love, and too often go to the tragic length of letting a person slip into eternity without giving him a chance to get his soul in order. This surely is not kindness. If a family understands the remarkable good effects of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick — which used to be called Extreme Unction — they would be most anxious to have the patient receive the peace and consolation and strength of this great gift of God. Priests have learned that fear is in the family, not the sick person, who desperately wants help.

There is another situation in which some push away the reality of death's visit, because they are not on good terms with God. They have broken with him, temporarily, they reason. They will make it up before death, break with sin and get back the grace of God.

This is vain wishful thinking for two reasons.

FIRST, we live in a time of sudden death — when one goes from perfect health to death in an instant on a highway. Christ called the rich man a fool, not because he was rich or made good use of his brains, but because he acted as if he was going to live forever on this earth. "You fool, this day your soul is demanded of you."

SECONDLY, if one is depending upon a peaceful, quiet death-bed conversion, one has not been around the dying very much. Most people about to die are fogged up with medication or are irritated with what they look on as fuss and bother around them, bone weary from the efforts made to save them, so that the last thing they feel like doing is digging up the evils of the past. Not a few times did I hear as the very last words of a dying person, "Please, Father, don't bother me now. Later." And there was no later.

Isn't the Good Thief on the cross

the only incident of a death bed conversion in the Bible?

Good Friday's radiant ray of light in the midst of all the darkness was the true understanding of death it gave us. As a consequence the followers of Christ began to accept death, by the grace of God, with peace and joy.

The appearance of a corpse is very misleading. There is death in the sense of the separation of the soul from the body. There is no annihilation of the person. The soul lives on, the body decays. In the soul, there is no loss of consciousness, but rather there is a far keener awareness of God.

THE BODY has been like a prison in many ways. Now free, the intellect is sharpened, the will is unswervingly directed where we choose to go — towards God or away from him. Towards happiness or away from its source. God's judgment is not spoken to a lifeless body which cannot hear nor yet be united with him perfectly. But the soul has this capacity, as soon as it leaves the body, as never before.

We should pray daily for a happy death. Hundreds of times we have begged our Lady to help us in that most important moment. "Pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Minister to ALL

To the Editor:

Yesterday I was privileged to attend the First Diocesan Conference for Separated and Divorced, and to hear the Paulist priest, Father James Young proclaim that no clergyman can really be a follower of Christ, who turns his back, upon, and refuses to minister to all his parishioners, including those who are separated and divorced.

Support for this rapidly growing segment of Catholics is no way to be equated with encouraging divorce and the breakdown of healthy family units. But, as Christ proclaimed His mission on earth to the divorced and despised Samaritan woman at the well, so today's followers of Christ must be willing to extend the hand of hope and welcome to those who have been deserted by their spouse, and do not need the added trauma of desertion by their Church as represented by the parish priests.

Many parishes have, with the approval of their pastors and priests, formed support groups and outreach programs, servicing the divorced and separated. I can only challenge those priests who are still not comfortable with this ministry, and my even be openly hostile, is this attitude Christ-like?
Therese M. Carracino
North Lauderdale

Backs Family Meeting

To the Editor:

On March 13, I was interviewed concerning Florida's participation in the White House Conference on Families. The results of that interview were published in several diocesan papers, as well as reported as part of a story by the NC News Service. The opening paragraph in the NC

News Service article reported that I had "criticized the handling of the White House Conference on Families at both the state and national levels." Actually, I intended to criticize Florida's failure to follow the national guidelines, not the national effort.

At this state, I have nothing but praise for the way the conference is being handled nationally. Jim Guy Tucker, the Chairman, and John Carr, the Executive Director, and their respective Committee and staff, have given sensible leadership to this large and difficult undertaking.

Hopefully, my criticism of the state's effort might bring about a good participation in this conference by the States of Florida. Time will tell.

Thomas A. Horkan Jr.
Florida Catholic Conference.

Likes 'Devotedly Yours'

To the Editor:

Each week upon the arrival of the Voice I look for Archbishop McCarthy letter "Devotedly Yours". It is always interesting, enlightening and quite often humorous.

When the Pope transferred Bishop McCarthy from Arizona to Co-Adjutor Archbishop of Miami my family and I were on vacation. We attended Mass in a most beautiful little Church in Flagstaff Arizona. I could not understand why the people were mad (their beloved Bishop was being transferred) or were sad because he was going. Now I understand. Arizona's loss has surely been our gain.

Norman B. Mitchell
Miami

Irrational Humans

To the Editor:

It is uncanny how so many rational human

beings could be so irrational about something so infinitely serious as abortion. How could so many people be lulled into believing that a living embryo or fetus is just a glob of a developing human organism?

Alone, the number of whimpering, thumb-sucking infants that have been put to death outside their mother's womb, and outside the safe guidelines set up by the courts, should tell us something.

And why do the abortion advocates insist on making a religious issue out of the abortion controversy? Is it so hard for them to believe that a deep conviction against abortion can be arrived at through reason alone?

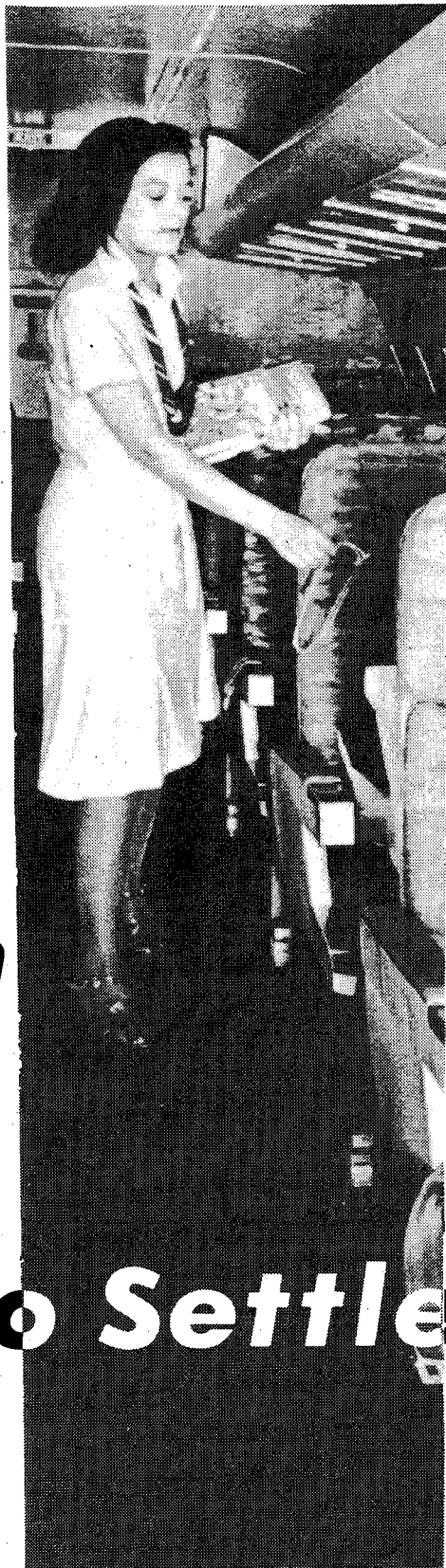
I am convinced that these people in some way are projecting their own guilt feelings when they stump for abortion. They really want to believe that they know for certain whether or not the death of a human being is involved. Some argue that it is better to be dead than unwanted, and mercifully harp on child abuse. They are the great Saviours of the world. They are saving all these unwanted children from having to face the reality of life which they themselves are running away from.

One of the reasons given by the Jewish people for not resisting the Nazis until it was much too late is that "they just couldn't believe what was happening, they doubted the truth."

What really galls me, though, is how men educated enough in law to be Supreme Court Justices could be certain enough, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that a child does, in fact, not exist, when there is such an unlimited number of expert medical opinions to the contrary.

John Hrach
West Palm Beach

The Single Adult So When Are You Going To Settle Down?



"Being single doesn't, or shouldn't, mean being solitary," James Kolar writes. "The basic way in which we are called to relate to others in the church is as a brother or sister in the Lord."

By JAMES KOLAR

My father died when I was 1 year old. Not long ago, I asked my mother how she managed to get through the first few years after he died. She replied: "I did what I had to do." That meant working two jobs, raising three children, and caring for a sick father-in-law.

When I asked who supported her emotionally during that time, she named many of our neighbors and longtime family friends. She said these people had been a real source of support for her during the difficult transition from being married to being single.

She also mentioned that, over a period of time, she withdrew from many of the relationships she and my father had developed with other married couples. When I asked why, she replied that it became increasingly uncomfortable to be the fifth person at a bridge game, or to be the only single person at a dinner or social gathering.

Recently I talked with a 25-year-old girl who is intelligent, attractive, committed to the Lord, — and single. She told me she could predict the live of conversation at her next family gathering. The more subtle would ask: "What's the name of the boy you're going with?" The more open-minded would advise: "It's good to take your time and look around before you find the right one." The most direct would simply say: "When are you going to get married and settle down?" She concluded her scenario by noting that many seem to be suspicious of the single person.

During the last 10 years the number of single persons aged 25-34

has increased more than 50 percent in the United States and the number of households headed by singles has nearly doubled. These facts do little to ease the suspicion that singles are not just in transition to a more stable and fulfilling way of life. Increasingly, the growing number of single people have found themselves coming up against cultural and societal pressures resulting in un-

comfortable and awkward situations.

There are several ways for us as a church to respond to singles. First, it is not helpful at all to define people by what they are not — in this case, to think of singles as the unmarried. Yet many in our society define the single this way.

IT WOULD be more helpful to understand that being single can be an important and legitimate call — to use the traditional terms, a state of life or vocation. The way in which a person carries out the business of living determines the authenticity of the call. In the most basic sense, our condition before the Lord is single — that is, each of us stands before him as an individual human being.

Second, we often consider persons in terms of whether they are single or married. These convenient categories are used to avoid the personal. Yet the focus should be on the person.

Every person struggles with intimacy, hopes, fears, sexuality, loneliness, security. These deeply personal struggles are not the exclusive domain of either the single or the married. Individuals in both states can avoid responsible behavior; both work at self-definition by the way they deal with these struggles.

Third, being single doesn't, or shouldn't, mean being solitary. The basic way in which we are called to relate to others in the church is as a brother or a sister in the Lord.

Yet, in practice, the church too often tends to regard being single as a temporary stage which can be left relatively unattended. So the programming, homilies, parish structures are concerned with those who are married or in a nuclear family. Those who are single often fall between the cracks. They're out of the high-school program, but not in the family-centered program.

Singles have a great deal to offer as well as to gain from others. Parish leaders can take this into account, not just by having groups and activities for singles, but by providing opportunities for different groups to come together. Both groups then can share with and be strengthened by one another. In this way people could come together, not as categories but as persons, living out what they perceive God's call to them to be.

THE PARISH community can make a conscious effort to include singles in its various groups and activities. Parish festivities such as picnics, field days and other special events should include invitations especially for singles. They should be invited to participate in an active way in liturgies and religious education programs. Singles themselves, within a parish, can form support groups for singles and help sponsor parish activities.

Singles have the opportunity to offer the parish much that others, because of circumstances, cannot. The parish as a community of faith and service also has the opportunity to offer the single its support. Together as a parish family, singles, couples, religious and the ordained can grow together in mutually beneficial relationships.

Relationships Enriching To Everyone

By CECILIA M. BENNETT

Contrary to the popular stereotype about singles today, not all are egocentric, isolated individuals only out for a good time. Being single requires the same fidelity to self, to becoming, to which all are called. This call to fidelity is a continuing process that puts us in relationship with others and is nourished through these relationships. The lonely single is often a person who is not only unhappy with self, but who lacks relationships, whether with friends, family or church community.

THE DEVELOPMENT of these relationships is often difficult for the single. Society, on the one hand, puts pressure on singles to appear as part of a couple, and on the other, perpetuates the image of the swinging

single who never puts his or her feet on the ground.

Parents and other relatives often put pressure on singles to settle down, marry and have children. This prodding can make family gatherings uncomfortable for single persons, especially if they are being asked constantly when they are going to set the date.

The churches, through their strong family orientation, often seem to discourage singles from participating in church activities. Liturgies and homilies often give singles the impression that there is no place for them in the church community.

If families and church communities are aware of some of the obstacles that block singles from developing relationships that are

enriching, both groups can begin to work to overcome those obstacles. Singles and their community of family, friends and church can begin to reach out and support each other.

As a single person involved with the church, academic studies, a career, family and friends, I have experienced the rewards of these relationships. This past Christmas, I spent an enjoyable three weeks with my sister, brother-in-law, and 2-year-old niece in Rome. My being single enabled us to be together as a family during the holidays. Together we did some traveling, celebrated Christmas, and spent long hours visiting into the night. We listened and danced with my niece to Miss Piggy on the John Denver-Muppets Christmas album. The experience was mutually enriching for the four of us.

KNOW YOUR FAITH

Enjoying The Single Life

By PATRICIA O'BRIEN FISCHER

"Being a bachelor is going to the doctor and finding out that you've got a bad case of the flu, then having to stop for groceries on the way home because there's nobody there to do it." This is Tom Lennon's definition of his lifestyle.

The 57-year-old bachelor and free-lance writer of Dayton, Ohio, has the ability to laugh at himself and the predicaments that come with being single in a world that is mostly twosomes and twosomes plus. Tom does not have a wife or children and no longer has relatives living in Dayton.

But Tom has a host of good friends and kind neighbors. He believes friends and neighbors are essential for the emotional health of everyone, especially for the single person.

The young-for-his-years writer makes friends easily because he is outgoing and, most important for a single person, he is not ashamed, embarrassed or apologetic about being unmarried.

Tom's friends are a key to his sense of fulfillment. Among his many friends are children, young men and women, the middle-aged, the elderly, singles, couples, priests, religious, the kind of people one meets at symphony halls and museums, the kind who are heavily into sports.

TOM, LIKE most single people, did not one day decide to be a bachelor. In high school he thought God was calling him to be a priest. So after graduation, he entered a Dominican seminary. Six years later he received a bachelor of philosophy degree.

But, Tom did not continue his studies with the Dominicans. He wondered if he might not be more suited to the contemplative life of the Trappists. After two years at the Trappist Abbey of Gethsemane in

Kentucky, however, he realized he did not have the physical stamina to continue.

By then in his mid-20s, Tom went to live with his mother and sister Margaret who had moved to Dayton, Ohio. Still unsure of what he was going to be "when he grew up," as Tom facetiously puts it, he worked for a short while in a lens factory.

Tom left the factory because he had stumbled onto his life's work — writing. At a friend's suggestions, he applied for and got a job as a writer at the George A. Pflaum Publishing Company, then a force in Catholic classroom periodicals. Tom especially enjoyed writing for young people. He worked for Pflaum as an editor until the company went out of the children's newspaper business.

During the years at Pflaum, Tom dated and seriously considered marriage. But at some point in his life — he's not quite certain when — he recognized that marriage was not his vocation. He felt he had already found the life God wanted for him. His vocation in a sense had chosen him.

The single life gives Tom a lot of freedom to be alone with God. He enjoys having hours free to indulge in his favorite hobbies — Shakespeare and opera.

But Tom is gregarious too and genuinely enjoys people. He takes most of his meals at restaurants in the modest neighborhood where he lives rather than cooking at home because he wants "to be with people."

THE PAST seven years have been rough for Tom. His free-lance writing and editing assignments have been punctuated by long periods of unemployment. Right now he is in Florida, teaching homiletics and carrying out writing assignments for a seminary.

Living with the insecurities of



Tom Lennon, the 57-year-old bachelor and free-lance writer of Dayton, Ohio, "believes that friends and neighbors are essential to the emotional health of everyone and especially to that of the single person." Among his many friends are children, senior citizens, singles, marrieds, priests, religious, a French poodle, several Siamese cats, and a German shepherd dog named Bo, says Patricia O'Brien.

the last few years has not been easy, especially after the age of 55, a time when many people retire on a pension. Tom knows that even with only himself to support, he will live his golden years with a good deal of insecurity.

But still he is cheerful and has faith. The single person who is open to friendships and not ashamed to let his vulnerability show is not likely to be alone. The single life — like the married life — is hard. But for Tom, it is a good life too.

St. Paul and Christians Vocations

By FATHER JOHN J. CASTELOT

Poor St. Paul! He receives so much abuse from people who either do not know about or who simply ignore one of the first rules of literary criticism: any writing must be read and understood within its general and immediate context. Words, sentences, whole compositions take meaning from the context in which they appear, and that is their "literal" meaning, the meaning intended by the author.

Advocates of women's lib work themselves into righteous indignation at Paul's supposedly sexist views. In all honesty, it must be admitted that Paul wrote in a male-dominated culture. He did not live in a cultural vacuum and some of his statements — even when taken in context — are less surprising when that is kept in mind.

BUT, CONSIDER this statement of his: "There does not exist among you Jew or Greek, slave or freeman, male or female. All are one (person) in Christ Jesus" (Gal. 3:28). Any man who could make that statement was surely not capitulating blindly

to his cultural conditioning, but was struggling toward development of a new culture, a new worldview, a new Christian order. Such a development, by its very nature, required time; Christian culture did not bloom overnight. Many of Jesus' "kingdom parables" were stories illustrating mysterious and painfully slow growth.

A passage from Paul which has often been lifted out of context is the following one:

"I should like you to be free from all worries. The unmarried man is busy with the Lord's affairs, concerned with pleasing the Lord; but the married man is busy with the world's demands and occupied with pleasing his wife. This means he is divided. The virgin — indeed, any unmarried woman — is concerned with things of the Lord, in pursuit of holiness in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has the cares of the world to absorb her and is concerned with pleasing her husband. I am going into this for your own good. I have no desire to place restrictions on you, but I do want to promote what is good, what

will help you to devote yourselves entirely to the Lord" (1 Cor. 7:32-35).

As it stands, this passage has often been understood as an indication that one can lead a fully Christian life only outside of marriage. After all, the unmarried are really in a position to be wholeheartedly concerned with pleasing the Lord. The clear implication is that a great percentage of Christians are relegated to mediocrity.

But what did Paul mean? Only a study of the context can answer that question. In the immediately preceding verses is a clear indication of what Paul's real concerns were: "I tell you, brothers, the time is short...for the world as we know it is passing away" (1 Cor. 7:29-31).

Paul shared with his fellow Christians of that first generation a firm expectation of the imminent return of the risen Lord, the end of the current era, and the definitive establishment of God's reign.

Throughout this section of the letter he is exhorting the Corinthians

to live in detachment from the concerns of this life. He thinks familiar social institutions and cultural patterns soon may be things of the past. They should be regarded now as of no real moment in view of the Lord's coming. That should occupy all their attention and color all their attitudes.

OBVIOUSLY, the situation has changed since Paul's day. In fact, a great many married couples are profoundly "concerned with the things of the Lord." One can opt for marriage selfishly or unselfishly, just as one can opt for other lifestyles selfishly or unselfishly.

And in our changing cultural patterns and increasing number of young men and women are choosing the single, lay state as their way of life, doing so out of the best of motives. It is cruel and unchristian to regard them with suspicion, as odd or egocentric, and to embarrass them by forcing them to justify their choice.

It is their choice, a perfectly legitimate one, and one with the potential for Christian living of the highest caliber.

Obituaries

Msgr. Walsh's Father

Mr. Richard Walsh, father of Msgr. Bryan O. Walsh, died in Limerick Ireland, on March 15. Msgr. Walsh flew to Ireland to say the funeral Mass of the Resurrection. Mr. Walsh is survived by his wife,

Katherine Rose, of Limerick, three daughters, Mrs. Patricia Hoilihan, of Galway, Mrs. Rosemarie O'Brien, of Dublin, and Mrs. Aileen Harrington, of Limerick, and son Anthony Walsh of Dublin.

Sister Catherine Patricia

Sister Catherine Patricia, an Adrian Dominican Sister at St. Anthony's Convent in Fort Lauderdale, died last Friday, at the Broward General Medical Center. Sister Catherine taught at St. Anthony's School from 1945-52, from 1955-56, and from 1973 until the time of her death.

She is survived by nephews and nieces in Ireland, Scotland, Australia and the United States. A Mass of the Resurrection was said on Tuesday, March 25, and burial will take place at the Dominican Motherhouse, Adrian, Michigan.

Legion of Mary Acies Ceremony

The Legion of Mary will hold its annual Acies Ceremony on March 29, at 2:30 p.m., in St. Mary's Cathedral.

Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy will be the celebrant of the Mass and Bishop Robert P. Joyce, D.D., the concelebrant.

Notre Dame Glee Club to Sing in Area

The University of Notre Dame Glee Club will appear in concert at the Second Presbyterian Church, 1400

No. Federal Highway, Ft. Lauderdale, for the benefit of the Notre Dame Club of Ft. Lauderdale.

Noted Liturgist-Musician Featured at Meet

By KEVIN THOMAS

As the author of publications such as "Guidelines for Effective Worship," "The Ministry of the Celebrating Community" and "Music in Catholic Worship," it's no wonder that Fr. Eugene Walsh, S.S., was chosen to give the keynote address at the National Pastoral Musicians 1980 Region 4 Convention April 14-17 at the Deauville Hotel on Miami Beach.

Fr. Walsh, a priest in the Archdiocese of Baltimore, has titled his keynote presentation "Sunday Mass: Life-Giving Fiesta." He will touch on such vital subjects as: The community as

minister to itself, the relations of roles in celebration, faith as a cornerstone and the opportunities of cultural diversity.

"AT SUNDAY Mass we either give life to one another or we deprive one another of life," stated Fr. Walsh, "the stakes are high."

The eminent liturgist and musician ranks high among the members of the liturgical movement in the United States, having been on both the Board of Directors of the National Liturgical Conference and the Advisory Board of the Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy. Awarded a Doctorate in Theology from Catholic



Fr. Eugene Walsh, S.S.

University, Washington, D.C., Fr. Walsh is now on the faculty there, lecturing in the theology department of the School of Religious Studies and conducting seminars in celebration skills. He also conducts workshops (such as those to be given at the Miami Beach convention), throughout the country.

FOR THOSE of the clergy who are unable to attend the full conference, Clergy Day on Wednesday, April 16 is the answer. On that day Fr. Walsh will talk on "The Priest Makes Life-Giving Signs," at which time he will present principles and practical suggestions for leading the people in making life-giving signs at Sunday Mass. Other workshops on that day will be given by Fr. Lucien Deiss and Monsignor Joseph Champlin, the latter of whom will also join Fr. Darryl Ducote of the Dameans in a question-and-answer session.

For further information concerning any aspect of the convention you may contact Rev. James Fetscher or Sister Mary Tindel at 6301 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami or call 757-6241.

concert at Columbus High School, at 3000 S.W. 87th Ave., (Galloway Road) in Miami. Any proceeds from the concert will benefit scholarship and other funds of the high school and the Notre Dame Club of Miami.

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Out of all the weeks in the year, Holy Week is by far the most meaningful to us Christian families. All of Lent has been helping to prepare us for this powerful week. Holy Week is like a giant spring gushing forth with life giving water to fill each of us with memories of Jesus in the last times of his life on earth. Holy Week without her Good Friday could never produce the Giant Triumph of Easter Sunday.

Activity ideas:

1. **Crown of Thorns.** materials; bible, branches from a tree of shrub, stick pins, purple paper or material. Make a crown with the bare branches and tape stick pins here and there to resemble a thorny crown. Place the crown on the purple material, and sit silently for about a minute or so. Read aloud Mark 15:16-41. Share a short prayer together. Place the "Crown of Thorns" in the center of the meal area for this week to remind the family, Jesus gave himself totally for each of us.

2. **Family Paschal Candle.** for families with small children it's very difficult for them to understand the sufferings of Jesus. It's best with them, to share that Jesus had to leave but returned again Easter. The Paschal Candle helps to focus on HOPE. Materials; large milk carton, melted paraffin, string, (or a large store bought white candle), five cloves. Place the five cloves

on the candle in the shape of a cross, to signify the 5 wounds of Jesus. The candle may be burned for a short time nightly for the 40 days after Easter to signify the presence of Jesus.

3. **Letters.** materials; paper, pens. Each family member write a letter to Jesus mentioning all the events of this Holy Week and what Christ's suffering means to each personally. Then compose a short family letter to Christ. Plan to read aloud the letters the evening of Good Friday.

Snack Time (Optional) Fasting is suggested.

Entertainment. This time should also be altered to reflect Christ's Passion. This would be an ideal time for the family to plan their activities for Holy Week. Families are encouraged to actively participate in the observances that parishes provide. These unique community experiences at the parish level should prove to be an enriching experience for the whole family. The sacrament of reconciliation can provide members of the family a uniquely meaningful insight during this time.

Sharing. Share the experience of making peace with someone with whom you were not at peace.

— Some may share when they felt especially close to God during the past week.

— Share struggles and joys.

Closing Prayer

- Spontaneous: (Prayer, Jar)

- Scripture: Phil 2: 8,9

- Lord's Prayer

- Suggested Prayer: Most Holy Jesus, thank you for this evening and our family sharings. Tonight, we tasted but a small portion of your suffering for us. O, Lord Jesus, thank you for giving your life so that we might have life eternally with you.

'Health Care a Right' to Life

The right to life "clearly implies the right to health care," readily accessible and at reasonable cost, a Congressional subcommittee was told here.

Msgr. Bryan O. Walsh, Executive director of the Catholic Service Bureau of the Archdiocese of Miami, said March 21 that the Catholic Church's approach to the issue of National Health Insurance "is rooted in the fundamental tenet that every person has the right to bodily integrity and the means which are necessary and suitable for the development of life."

"IN THE third century of our national existence," Msgr. Walsh said, "we have little difficulty in identifying widespread disparities in the availability of treatment, facilities and personnel. It is our opinion that few areas have as much to gain from the enactment of a national health care program as South Florida.

"At the present time, some 40 percent of the ad valorem taxes of Dade County go to pay for medical and hospital care for those of our community who cannot afford to pay for themselves and who are ineligible for Medicaid or Medicare programs. This enormous tax burden on the citizens of Dade County is a serious burden which is caused at least in part by those who move here seeking a more benign climate, by the fact that we are a tourist resort and by the fact that we have become a major port of entry for refugees fleeing political oppression.

"It is also apparent that in most other counties of this state, people are denied access to an acceptable level of health care because they or their communities are unable to pay for it. From the vantage point of South Florida, the very mobility of the American people means that only through a National

health care program can all our citizens have equal access to an acceptable standard of care.

"Our experience has shown that whenever restrictions are placed on who may be covered under a National Health Insurance program or attempts are made to define eligibility, many will either never be covered or will lose protection at a critical moment. It is therefore our position that coverage should be universal, including all U.S. citizens, resident aliens, and aliens admitted for employment. We also believe that benefits should include preventive services, physician services, and all inpatient, outpatient and medical services.

WE RECOGNIZE the value of a national philosophy of living largely by oneself and through one's own efforts in making this country strong. We reaffirm theresponsibility each person has for his own

health and wellbeing and, therefore, we support and urge a strong program of health education. Indeed, without such a program, even a liberally funded approach to medical care would be inadequate and inherently weak. We see a National Health Insurance program as an important vehicle for health education, health education which would be primarily preventive in tone, covering illnesses and ailments which people can take steps to prevent themselves.

"The needs of our elderly citizens and others for long term care have never been satisfactorily met. Again, coverage should be universal. The consumer's freedom of choice should be preserved and we would also urge recognition of the provision of services for the elderly within the context of religious-cultural traditions.

Amarillo Editor Named Bishop

WASHINGTON —(NC)— The editor of the Amarillo, Texas, diocesan newspaper, Msgr. Leroy T. Matthiesen, was named bishop of the diocese.

Bishop-designate Matthiesen, 58, has been serving

as apostolic administrator of the diocese since the resignation last August of Bishop Lawrence M. DeFalco, and as editor of the West Texas Catholic. He is also pastor of St. Francis Church, Amarillo.

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St. Mary Magdalen Women's Club will hold a collection outside the Church on March 29 and 30 for flowers for Easter for the altar. There will be a general meeting on April 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. Refreshment before the meeting. Speaker will be Fr. Edward Iszewski.

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St. Boniface Women's Club will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday April 1, in the Parish Hall, 8330 Johnson St., Pembroke Pines, at 8:00 p.m.

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The Women's Guild of St. Bernard's Church will hold a regular meeting on April 8, at 8:00 p.m. in the parish center, University Drive and Sunset Strip, Sunrise. There will be a card party on April 11, at the Parish Center at 8:00 p.m. A water tank will be purchased for the poor of Kenya, South Africa from the proceeds of a Cake Sale to be held after all Masses next Sunday (Palm Sunday.)

S. Florida Scene

The Catholic Women of St. Stephen's will hold their regular monthly meeting in the trailer, April 17, on Thursday evening. Remember its time for elections so come early and vote.

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St. Lucy's Women's Guild of Highland Beach will have an Installation Mass for the new 1980-81 officers at St. Lucy's Church, April 8, at 10:30 a.m. followed by a luncheon at the Vintage Restaurant, 715 S. Federal Highway, Boynton Beach. Social Hour 11:30 a.m. Luncheon at 12:30 p.m. Hostess Jean Story, 368-0415.

Catholic Daughters

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Holy Spirit, No. 1912, Pompano Beach, Fl., will sponsor a Dessert / card Party March 29, at 12 Noon at St. Elizabeth's Gardens, Pompano Beach. Donation \$1.25. Refreshments. Any one may attend. Proceeds for Charity Fund. For information call 941-5546.

Day of Recollection

A "Day of Recollection" will be celebrated March 30, Palm Sunday, by the St. Stephen's Council of Catholic Women. Mass is at 12:30 p.m. in the Church, then we will

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meet in the trailer. You are asked to bring your own lunch. Prayers, meditation, and benediction, will take place from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Bazaar Sale

St. Joseph's Women's Group will hold a Bazaar Sale on March 29 and 30. Saturday hours: 10 - 5:30 p.m. Sunday, 9 - 2:40 p.m. 8625 Byron Ave., Miami Beach.

Hillel Center

The Hillel Center serving the campuses of Miami Dade Community College - North, Barry, and Biscayne colleges will feature a model Seder, singing and dancing at a Passover Program. There will be special guests from the faculty of Barry and Florida Memorial Colleges. The topic of discussion will be on Passover and how it affects the Black Culture and Christian Liturgy. The Passover Program will be held on Sunday, March 30, at 7:30 p.m. Barry College, in the Faculty Room Lounge, LaVoire Hall. For reservations and information call 681-5540. The program is open to the public.

Pancake Breakfast

St. Bartholomew C.C.D. will sponsor a Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast, March 30, in the Parish Hall. Cost: \$1.75, adults, children, \$1.00

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palm Sunday Brunch, at 11:30 a.m. at the Versailles Hotel, 3425 Collins Ave., M.B., Reservations: Leslie Klein, (evenings) 754-1734. Tickets, adults \$5, children \$3.75.

Luncheon and Fashion Show

There will be a luncheon and fashion show at Harris Imperial House in Pompano Beach on March 29, sponsored by St. Henry's Women's Guild. Donation will be \$10.00 per person. Lunch will begin at 12 Noon with styles by June Knight. Louise di Pretoro, reservations, 974-7752.

Epiphany CYO Easter Events

Epiphany CYO will host an Easter Egg Hunt, April 6, after 9:30 a.m., in the school court yard, for toddlers through 6th grade. There will also be an Easter Bonnet parade and contest for the fanciest or funniest bonnet for those in junior high school and adults. Prizes will be awarded.

Widow and Widowers Club

Catholic Widow and Widowers Club will hold their next meeting on Monday, April 7, at 7:30 p.m., at the K of C Hall., 3571 North Andrews Ave., for information call 563-8274 or 733-4274.

Holy Week Retreat

CENACLE RETREAT HOUSE in Lantana announces a HOLY WEEK RETREAT for religious and laity (both men and women) to be conducted by Reverend Robert Perry, Dominican Theologian and Spiritual Director.

The retreat opens Wednesday evening, April 2nd, after supper - and closes Easter Sunday morning after the Eucharistic

Celebration and breakfast.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be administered Wednesday evening. The atmosphere of the retreat will be one of silence, prayer and reflection. The spiritual conferences will focus on the understanding of and participation in the solemn days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

Private retreat days for those making the Holy Week Retreat are available Monday through Wednesday of Holy Week by special arrangement.

For further information/reservations, call Sr. Helen Tiemann at 582-2534.

Gold and Silver Anniversary

Couples celebrating their 25th and 50th wedding anniversaries are invited to celebrate this joyous event at four different anniversary celebrations to be held throughout the Archdiocese.

On May 3rd at 3:00 p.m. in Sacred Heart Church in Lake Worth, Archbishop McCarthy will be the celebrant of the Mass honoring couples from the Archdiocese.

Bishop Roman will be the celebrant at the Mass on May 24th at 10:30 am at Little Flower Church in Coral Gables.

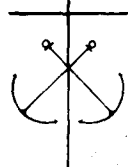
On May 24th a Mass will be celebrated at 3:00 p.m. at St. Coleman Church in Pompano Beach. Bishop Nevins, will be the celebrant.

On May 31st at 10:00 a.m. Archbishop McCarthy, will celebrate a Mass at St. Peter's in Naples honoring couples from the West Coast of the Archdiocese.

Couples in the Archdiocese wishing to participate in these anniversary celebrations are asked to call their parish rectory at least two weeks prior to the date of the Mass they wish to attend. They are to give their names and addresses, marriage dates and which location they will attend for the celebration of their silver or golden wedding anniversary.

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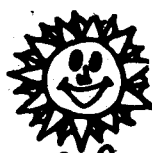
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Reflections of the Holy Land

By
FR. VINCENT SHEEHY

Ben Gurion Airport in Tel Aviv had the usual tight security when we arrived on El. Al Flight 016 from New York City. Even before we left New York we were interrogated twice on the purpose of our trip to Israel. The El Al Security personnel were polite and even apologized for the strict security. We told them that we understood their concern. It was the eve of the signing of the Peace Treaty and the fear of terrorism was obvious.

After an eleven hour flight from New York City, we arrived in Tel Aviv. Two additional hours lapsed before we got our luggage and cleared customs. We decided to go directly to Jerusalem which is about a 45 minute drive from Tel Aviv. With a few other passengers we hired a Cheroot (limosine) for the drive to Jerusalem. One of my fellow passengers was a young Rabbi from Milwaukee who was going to the Rabbinical Seminary (Yeshiva) in Jerusalem. He greeted me with Shalom (Peace!) and I told him that we shared his message of peace, especially for the Holy Land. We had a pleasant conversation, but avoided any mention of religion or politics. It is difficult to avoid speaking of religion or politics in the Holy Land, since both are so much a part of this troubled land.

We arrived in Jerusalem and I was beginning to feel the fatigue of travelling for fourteen hours. We went to the Casa Nova Franciscan Hospice in the Old City and within an hour I had eaten and went to my room to get some rest.

At least I thought I would get plenty of rest. My room faced the small winding streets of the Old City. But, I was not prepared for the cacophony of sounds that are common in Jerusalem during the night. St. Saviour Franciscan Church is about 100 yards from the Casa Nova Hospice. The Church bells of St. Saviour Church ring every fifteen minutes — twenty-four hours a day. Just when I thought that I had adjusted to the intermittent sound of Church bells, I heard a blaring sound at 4:00 a.m. that I never expected. The Moslems began chanting for one hour during the night, with amplifiers at the top of the minarets of each mosque. That blaring sound is enough to threaten any Peace Treaty. Between the sound of the Christian Church bells and the Moslem Prayer Chants, I don't know how the Jews can take it!

NEEDLESS TO say, I never got to sleep in spite of the fact that I was exhausted. So at 5:00 a.m. I got up and began to prepare for my first full day in Jerusalem. I opened the shutters on the window and the dawn was just beginning to appear. I



The Via Dolorosa marks the path taken by Jesus to Calvary.

began reading morning prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours and the opening hymn was so appropriate for the dawn over Jerusalem, that I decided to chant. If the Moselms, can do it, so can I. So I began singing the beautiful hymn:

"Morning has broken, like the first morning.

Blackbird has spoken
Like the first bird;
Praise for the singing,
Praise for the morning,
Praise for them springing
Fresh from the Word..."

To see the dawn over Jerusalem was worth all the exhaustion of the trip.

At 6:00 a.m. I left the

hospice and walked the half mile to the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre where the Tomb of Christ and Mount Calvary are located. The Basilica originally was built by the Emperor Constantine in the 4th Century. Queen Helene, Mother of Constantine, had previously commissioned the excavations at this site where the pagans had formerly erected a temple of Venus to eradicate any trace of the Christian tradition of the site of Calvary and the Tomb of Christ. Ironically, the efforts of the Pagans only strengthened the authenticity of this site. St. Helena had the

pagan temple of Venus razed and during the excavations uncovered the True Cross, which was authenticated by miracles. At the request of his mother, the Emperor Constantine built the Basilica large enough to include Calvary and the Holy Sepulchre (Tomb of Christ).

UPON ENTERING this Basilica, I knelt before the rock slab where the Body of Christ was placed after the Crucifixion and venerated this sacred spot which by tradition the pilgrims kiss as a mark of respect.

It was my privilege to offer Mass at the Holy Sepulchre at the Tomb of Christ. I shall never forget this wonderful experience. Later I participated at Mass at Calvary, and visited the Crypts in the Basilica that give further evidence of the Sacredness of this Shrine.

My first full day in Jerusalem began at the Holy Sepulchre and I returned there twice again that day to meditate on the reality that at this site the Son of God died for us, and redeemed the world.

I had intended to be in Nazareth for the Feast of the Annunciation (March 25) for the Solemn Mass offered by the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem. But there was no possibility of making reservations at any hotel or hospice in Nazareth at that time. So, instead I offered Mass again at the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre at the traditional site where Christ appeared to St. Mary Magdalen after the Resurrection.

The Greek Orthodox Patriarch was celebrating the Liturgy at the Tomb of Christ and the chanting of the Greek Monks echoed throughout the massive Basilica. The Coptic (Egyptian) orthodox Archbishop was also offering Mass at the small coptic altar behind the tomb of Christ,

with a Coptic Choir chanting the Liturgy. The pungent aroma of incense was everywhere. A Motion Picture company from Athens was filming this special Mass being celebrated by the Greek Orthodox Patriarch with Twelve Greek priests participating. It was the Commemorative Mass for Greek Independence Day and a large group of Greek Pilgrims attended.

The solemn Mass for the Latin rite began at 8:30 a.m. Since the Latin Patriarch was in Nazareth for the Feast of the Annunciation, a retired Italian Archbishop, living in the Holy Land, officiated. The Latin Liturgy was enhanced by three choirs: Franciscan Monks, Arabic Girls' Choir, and an Arabic Boys' Choir. The Solemn Mass was offered in Latin and Arabic.

I will not even attempt to describe the profusion of chanting that reverberated throughout the Basilica with five separate choirs and three Liturgies!

On Monday, March 26, 1979, the Peace Treaty between Egypt and Israel was signed in Washington. We were advised by some of the Christian Arabs to remain at the Casa Nova Residence, rather than travel outside the Old City on that day. Arab businesses, both Christian and Moslem, were closed in protest over the Treaty. Arab students boycotted the schools for that week.

It had rained all night and as I went to the Dining Room for breakfast, I felt that it might be wise to remain at the Casa, since even the weather did not encourage any traveling that day. At the breakfast table, I spoke with a few Americans and Australians whom I had met, to see what plans they had. I told them I was scheduled to offer Mass at Ain Karim, about five miles from

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Jerusalem at the Shrine of the Visitation. It was at Ain Karim that the Blessed Virgin Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth, who was to become the Mother of St. John the Baptist. (Priests visiting the Holy Land are expected to make reservations in advance in order to offer Mass at various Shrines because of the large number of priests visiting these shrines.)

SO ON THAT Monday, March 26, in spite of the rain and the warning of some of the Arabs, a group of us, — Americans and Australians — hired a cheroot and with a Franciscan priest from Aberdeen, Scotland, who has resided in Jerusalem for 38 years, we drove to Ain Karim. The rain never stopped, but in spite of the rain Ain Karim looked beautiful.

The town is located on the side of a hill. Most of the Arabs have left. The Mosque is closed. The Christian Arab Parish Church of St. John the Baptist built on the site of the original birthplace of the saint is supported primarily by pilgrims. The Basilica of the Visitation is beautiful with gardens and walkways around it. After Mass we left Ain Karim which is also the site of the Hadassah Hospital, supported by Hadassah (The International Organization of Jewish Women). At the Hadassah Hospital are the famous Marc Chagall Stained Glass windows.

The weather had turned cold and the rain continued. I had brought some pre-packaged foods like soup mixes, instant coffee, etc. just in case the food in Jerusalem wasn't the greatest. However, the food at the Casa was excellent and plentiful. I had also brought from the States a bottle of bourbon to ward off the chill of the Jerusalem nights. Even before I took a shot of Old Grandad, the hail stones began pounding the windows and the courtyard with such a force that I thought the window glass might break. Because of the weather, I remained at the Casa for the remainder of that day.

The next morning at breakfast, I heard that a bomb had exploded at the Bus Terminal in Jerusalem and another bomb had exploded at night a few hundred feet from the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre. There were also clashes between Israeli soldiers and Arab students near the Mosque of Omar in the Old City. It had been a rather eventful day.

The next day the sun was shining and the temperature was over 70, so we formed a small group and hired a cheroot for the trip to Mt. Tabor, Nazareth, Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee and the ruins of Capernaum. It is a distance of about 90 miles between Jerusalem and Nazareth, yet it took us over three hours because of the local traffic and the road-

blocks. (We also made a brief stop at Jacob's Well, sacred to Jews and Christians.) There were six roadblocks (one every 15 miles approximately). Each time we were told by Israeli soldiers to vacate the car and show our passports. They searched the trunk of the car and un-

source of funding for these sacred places. It is a tangible way for all of us to support the Shrines of the Holy Land.)

I offered the Mass of the Transfiguration at Mt. Tabor. It was a wonderful experience. We drove to Nazareth and spent an hour



The Tomb of Our Lord viewed by the late Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen.

derneath the hood.

At one of the roadblocks, when an Israeli soldier asked to see my passport, I asked him if he were an American since he spoke like one. He said that he was from Chicago. I told him that I also had been raised in Chicago. It turned out that we were both from the same neighborhood (Rogers Park) near Loyola University on Chicago's North side. We spoke about Chicago for a few minutes. He apologized for the security inconvenience, and we parted with "Shalom."

CLIMBING MOUNT Tabor (2,000 feet) the Site of the Transfiguration of Christ is difficult even by car. The road is narrow and steep. Our Arab driver must have had a refresher course at the Indianapolis speedway because on a few of those hairpin turns, I thought we were gone for sure.

Like most of the Catholic Shrines in the Holy Land, the Church of the Transfiguration atop Mt. Tabor is staffed by the Franciscan Fathers who are the official custodians of the Catholic Shrines. The Franciscan communities do a wonderful job of maintaining these shrines. (The Annual Good Friday Collection which is held in every Catholic church for the benefit of the Holy Land Shrines is the main

visiting the magnificent Basilica of the Annunciation completed in 1969 by donations from throughout the world. It is truly one of the masterpieces in the Holy Land. The Architect must have been a genius. He preserved the antiquity of the site of the Annunciation while creating a modern and functional church.

We had lunch in Nazareth at an Arab restaurant which I know will never get the Holiday Magazine award for fine cuisine.

We continued to Tiberias and along the Sea of Galilee, visiting the holy places where Christ appointed Peter as his Vicar and first Pope. There is a small chapel of the Primacy at that site. We walked down to the Sea of Galilee and blessed ourselves with the water. The Sea of Galilee is clear and very clean, which is not true of the Jordan River where Christ was baptized by his cousin, St. John the Baptist.

We drove on to the ruins of Capernaum where Peter had his home and where Christ had preached in the Synagogue. There have been extensive excavations at Capernaum by the Franciscans and sponsored by the Italian government.

THEN WE continued to the site of the Sermon on the

Mount, or the Beatitudes, where Christ had taught "Blessed are the Peacemakers..." Our guide on these tours was always a Franciscan or a Christian Brother. We read from the Bible as we traveled to those sites sanctified by their association with Christ.

I would suggest to Christians planning a trip to the Holy Land that you insist on a Christian Guide, preferably a Franciscan. The Israeli Guides are friendly and polite, but they are indifferent to the Christian concept of the sacredness of these shrines.

I heard one Israeli Guide refer to the Beatitudes as the "Catholic Commandments, but they have only eight of them." Another Israeli Tour Guide never mentioned Christ or his teachings on the Beatitudes, but instead she kept talking about the "serenity of the place and the pretty flowers and trees, etc." I felt like advising her that this was not a horticulture lesson. (Even if you are on a packaged tour of the Holy Land, insist on a Christian Guide and be sure to bring your Bible).

We left the site of the Beatitudes and drove again along the Sea of Galilee to the Jordan River and then back to Jerusalem. We encountered several more roadblocks, but I stopped counting them after the ninth one. It had been a long day.

There are soldiers everywhere in Israel, and I, literally, mean everywhere. They are posted outside of all shrines — Christian, Moslem and Jewish Holy places — and at most street corners. Almost one-half of Israel's budget is for defense. The soldiers are usually polite to visitors, but the Arabas may get a more critical treatment. Maybe the Peace Treaty will ease the strain on defense expenditures and allow for other priorities for the people, like better housing and health services, particularly in the Arab sectors.

I found both Jews and Arabs very courteous and kind. They are both great Semetic people and they made us feel very welcome as pilgrims to the Holy Land.

OUR NEXT excursion outside Jerusalem was to Bethlehem and the ancient Basilica of the Nativity built by the Emperor Justinian as an addition to the original church constructed under the Emperor Constantine. The Basilica of the Nativity is one of the oldest shrines, since unlike most other shrines, it was not destroyed by the Persians. The Persians spared Bethlehem because the paintings of the Wise Men (Magi) depicted them wearing Persian clothing so the original Basilica remained intact.

We were anxious to see as much of Bethlehem as possible so we spent several hours there and at the Shepherds' Church a few miles outside

the town of Bethlehem. I met a Franciscan Brother at the Shepherds' Church (built by donations from Canada). The Franciscan Brother was also a native of Chicago. Small world!

Since the Lenten season was already into the fourth week and Holy Week was quickly approaching, I decided to spend Thursday, March 29, at Mt. Sion to visit the Cenacle where the Last Supper took place. It was a good walk to Mt. Sion, but I needed the exercise, so a few of us walked it. We visited the German Benedictine Church of the Dormition (Sleep) of the Blessed Virgin Mary where according to tradition, the Virgin Mary "fell into a deep sleep." Some early Church writers were hesitant to say that Mary died, because death is one of the penalties of sin, and they hoped to avoid any apparent contradiction between her preservation from all sin and the concept of death as a penalty of our fallen nature.

FROM THE Church of the Dormition of Mary with its commanding view of the City of Jerusalem, we walked to the Cenacle of the Last Supper. I was disappointed with the Cenacle. It is not the room where Christ offered Mass at the Last Supper. Instead it is a replica of the Cenacle. It was constructed by the Crusaders in the 12th Century on the same site where the original Cenacle was located. It is not under the custody of the Franciscans. The Israeli Government controls it. The Blessed Sacrament is not present there on the site where the First Mass was offered by Christ. The Cenacle replica is on the 2nd floor of the Crusaders — constructed building. On the first floor is the alleged Tomb of King David, a sarcophagus of doubtful authenticity. A Jewish School (Yeshiva) adjoins it and also a Moslem Mosque. The indifference to the Cenacle was disappointing.

On Friday, March 30, we planned to visit the Shrines commemorating the Passion of Christ. So, we decided to take a local bus to Mt. Scopus, the site of the Discourse on the Our Father (Pater Noster Shrine) and also the site of the Ascension of Christ into Heaven. (A ride on an Arab bus is a once-in-a-lifetime experience.) It was a disappointment to discover that the site of the Ascension is under Moslem control. And even though it is open to Christians, it would be much better maintained if the Franciscans had custody of it. Both the site of the Cenacle and the site of the Ascension are under the jurisdiction of non-Christians who are indifferent to their sacredness. And it seems that nothing can be done to change this situation which the Christian community finds so disappointing.

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We walked down the road from Mt. Scopus past the Cemeteries of the Israeli War Dead and continued on toward the Mount of Olives at Gethsemane. We passed the beautiful Russian Orthodox Church of St. Mary Magdalen, built by the Czar as a memorial to his mother, the former Czarina. The Russian Orthodox Church was locked, which is frequently true of some of the Orthodox churches in Jerusalem.

We stopped to pray at the Dominus Flevit (The Lord Wept) Church which has a panoramic view of Jerusalem.

At Gethsemane, we paused at the Garden of Olives (Mt. Olivet) which still has productive olive trees. We participated in a celebrated Mass at the Catholic Church of All Nations at Gethsemane, and later stopped to visit the Tomb of the Blessed Virgin Mary at which the Assumption of Mary occurred.

EVERY FRIDAY during Lent at 3:00 p.m. the Franciscan Fathers conduct the Way of the Cross (Via Dolorosa) along the narrow streets of the Old City. Amid the congestion of shoppers and merchants, the Faithful following in the footsteps of Christ, make this sorrowful journey along the cobblestone alleys and streets of Jerusalem. The culmination of the Way of the Cross is the last few Stations at the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre where the Crucifixion and Death of Christ are commemorated at Calvary, and also His Burial in the Tomb. The Stations of the Cross are a vivid reminder of the love that Christ had for each one of us.



Byzantine mosaic marks the site of the Miracle of Loaves and Fishes at Tabgha.

After the Stations were completed, we began walking back to the Casa when one of our friends suggested that we walk to the Western Wall (Wailing Wall) before sundown, which is the beginning of the Jewish Sabbath. We arrived at the Western Wall to see thousands of Jews from all parts of the world gather at this Holy Site. The Western Wall is part of the temple built by King Herod. Excavations indicate that the lower part of the Wall dates back to the original temple built by Solomon.

Only males may touch the Wall at the enclosed area. A table with a large supply of yamalkas is located near the entrance to provide head-covering for any male who does not have a hat or yamalka.

I placed the yamalka on my head while young Rabbinical students were running to join other young Rabbis in prayer. Before approaching the Western Wall, each of them would wash his hands. I

walked up to the Wall and placed my hands on it and prayed for peace in the Holy Land.

Crevice of the Wall are filled with slips of paper on which prayers of thanksgiving and petition are inscribed. All of the men, especially the Rabbis, were praying in a cadence, while bowing continuously from the waist. I could not understand the continual bowing, so I looked around to see if I could see anyone who obviously was an American. I saw a young man about thirteen

wearing a Chicago White Sox Baseball cap and a Dallas Cowboys Jacket. I spoke to him and asked where he lived in the States. Would you believe it — another Chicagoan! I've met more Chicagoans in Jerusalem than I have in Miami. Considering the recent record of the Chicago Bears, I could understand why he was a Dallas fan.

I ASKED HIM why the men were continually bowing. Was it a religious rite? He told me that it helps them recite their prayers more easily, but he wasn't really sure of the reason for it. I am still puzzled by it, but maybe a more knowledgeable person could explain it.

That evening we had dinner with Father Francis Furlong, S.J., Director of the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Jerusalem. Father Furlong was a classmate of Archbishop McCarthy at Catholic University, Washington. Father Furlong also taught theology to Father John Edwards, S.J., Pastor of Gesu Church, Miami, at St. Mary Seminary, Kansas.

We toured the Pontifical Biblical Institute with its impressive collection of artifacts that predate Biblical times. Students from all over the world study Scripture at

this Institute.

Our visit to the Pontifical Biblical Institute sparked an interest in going to Qumeran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in 1947 by a Moslem Bedouin who chanced on inhabiting an isolated cave in the mountains near the Dead Sea, and happened to find the Scrolls preserved in sealed clay pots. The Scrolls of the Essenes, a Jewish Sect, that lived in the area of Qumeran two centuries before the time of Christ revealed many facts about the theology of the Jewish Essenes. The discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls was a major advance in Biblical scholarship.

SO A SMALL group from the Casa left for Qumeran by way of Jericho, which is considered the oldest city in the world. Jericho is an oasis in the Judean desert. It has natural springs of water that offer an abundance of fresh water to the orange groves and almond groves that flourish in Jericho. Flowers are everywhere. Jericho is especially noted for its beautiful roses and bouganvillea.

We stopped in Jericho for orange juice and then continued on along the highway bordering the Dead Sea. No

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Church Is Against Divorce, Not People

By GERARDE E. SHERRY

A major problem in the Catholic community has been that "many have felt that to be against divorce, we had to be against divorced people," Paulist Father, James Young, Chaplain of the North American Conference of Separated and Divorced Catholics, said in an interview here.

"We had to reject them, stigmatize them and put them out of the Church community," Father Young said. "We are learning to say that when we are seen as a compassionate community, alert to people who are hurting, reconciling and healing towards them, it makes our traditional values look better."

"THE MORE we talk openly about the stresses that people are experiencing in their marriages, the more it may help the married to deal with them. It is not unique to have these stresses. Support groups prevent the hasty remarriage — the rebounding factor after the breakup. Church support groups buy people some time and cushion the transition that they go through."

Father Young said that a recent new study shows that "one out of four parishes in the country now have some kind of support group or ministry for divorced Catholics."

"Divorced people will not be ministered to unless their parishes are ready to accept them and make them feel welcome and part of parish life," he said. "That is where

the most significant gains are occurring — at the grassroots level where the average divorced Catholic is experiencing a kind of attitudinal shift in the Church. It is a big help. Where once they felt unwelcome, nothing was ever done or said about them — they feel a kind of

them put together a kind of spirituality of how to deal with failure, death and loss and also how to cope with the single life."

"ALL OF OUR best information from the U.S. Census statistics and other sources show us that there will be no downturn in the

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attitudinal shift where they are hearing this talked about, preached about, in their parishes.

"I think what it does is to deal with the religious collapse that divorced people go through. At this time when a marriage breaks up, they have to face a lot of probing questions like 'What happened to the grace of the Sacrament? Weren't marriages made in heaven? Didn't God wish me to marry this particular person? Now that I have messed up this marriage, can I ever get straight with God again? I obviously cannot get back together with this person, so is this an unforgivable sin? Will I be punished by God forever?'"

"So, there is a whole kind of religious system collapse. I think the shape of this ministry in the parish is to offer people the kind of support and community they need at this very vulnerable and difficult time. It helps them deal with not just the probing questions, but helps

number of divorces in the 1980s. It is a sad consequence of life in post-industrial society, relating to the profound changes in the institution of marriage itself. Certainly, relating to the freedom people have — affluence, education, mobility, some of which are very good — but it has taken a toll in the loss of kinship networks, religious supports, ethnic supports. It has put people in a very vulnerable situation.

"Also, I think the narrowing economic horizon of the 80's and the stresses and strains that it is bringing to married life — all of these things suggest that we are going to live with a significant amount of divorce in the next decade. The Census Bureau says that if current trends continue, we anticipate 40 percent of all new marriages will end in divorce. Of all second marriages which people enter into, 45 percent will end — a third of all marriages will be second marriages. There is no indication that it is going to go

away.

"It points to deficiency on the part of the whole society. People are still ill-prepared or ill-informed about what modern marriage requires. The romantic illusion that you meet the right person and that everything will work out is still enormously tenacious. When people get married, the kinds of new role definitions in male and female roles, changing place of children in marriage, economic stresses, longer life — so many of these factors are things that people are just beginning to work through and cope with."

The Paulist priest said that the Church has in no way backed off from "the Lord's insight that when two people marry, they should commit themselves to each other until death."

"STILL THE WAY people understand their relationship in marriage and the way they structure their marriage is different," he said. "Some people say the key word to modern marriage is equality — where in the past, marriage was assumed to be male-dominated — female submissive — man's place in the world — woman's place to stay home and rear children, etc."

"Now we say that marriage is a meeting of complimentary equals. That men and women have distinctive human sexuality, but at the same time each has rights to education, personal development and so on. We are just beginning to cope with this in this generation — about what this kind of marriage is going to shape down to be — idealism has reached ahead of our skills to pull it off."

Father Young said that current research shows that "there has been no diminishment of our people's desire for lasting marriages."

"But, we are finding that people are having a hard time pulling off the lasting marriages they want," he said. "You might say there is a skills gap, and they might not have the skills necessary on one level to be really sensitive to each other over a longer period of time. For example, an interesting piece of data is that people who are religiously observant, divorce less than the population at large — people who go to church — probably people who are serious Catholics — take the Church's teachings seriously — also worship regularly — may bring a spiritual energy to the problems that come to every marriage."

"When you think about it — what marriage preparation has to be today is to prepare people for the inevitable crises — or the crunch points which are going to come as they change and grow through life. I like to feel that people who pray and are spiritually grounded may have resources to bring to those tough times — and that

others who may have less personal religious depth may be blown apart by them."

"I think the 80's are going to be a time when the parish will have to absorb some of these extra-parochial concerns into its own life. The parish will have to become more personally oriented. It cannot be just a place where sacraments are dispensed' classes are taught, or the Mass is celebrated. The ministry — which is the clergy and lay people together — is going to have to be more articulating, nourishing of family life. I think this is what the Bishops' Pastoral Plan on the Family has suggested."

"The parish structure has to grow and change to be able to be faithful to its calling to support people in permanent marriages. It has to be more of a community in which it gathers people together — young marrieds — this is another group we need to gather together. People are saying the most vulnerable period is the second to sixth year when the romantic illusion crumbles, when people for the first time face the sacrifices which marriage involves and how they weather the storm of that and the growth that is required of them."

"It is often a time couples are so surprised that things are not going well. They never talk about or deal with it until things get bad and that is why there is a need for the parish to gather groups of young marrieds — where they can openly talk about the adjustments they are going through and see some modeling from others."

"This could be very effective. So, I would think if I was a pastor in a parish today, I would be trying to convene people and get them together in these like groups — not to segregate them — but offer them special resources so that the parish as a whole can also be a community that transcends this."

Pope Visiting Africa May 2-12

VATICAN CITY —(NC)— Pope John Paul II will visit Zaire, the Cor Kenya, Ghana, Upper Volta and the Ivory Coast May 2-12.

At his weekly general audience March 26, the pope described the African trip as apostolic.

"May my visit cause an increase in Christian faith...and stimulate all the people of the continent to work for authentic human progress at the service of brotherhood and peace," he said.

"With this visit I wish to pay homage to all Africa and express my sincere affection to all the inhabitants of this dear continent," said the pope.

Laity Response Enthusiastic

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evangelization. The crowds keep getting bigger and bigger and many workshops are being conducted by laity."

FATHER ILLIG said that he hoped that most people at the grassroots of parish life would be sympathetic to evangelization "not fight it and say an occasional prayer of its success, besides being willing to urge parish councils to put a few dollars aside to try and reach the unchurched and the alienated."

"Ninety-seven percent of all time, money and effort spent by the Catholic Church in the U.S. is being spent on nurturing and maintaining the Faith of the active Catholic community," he said. "And I don't say that is bad — it is not bad in terms of the past and not bad in terms of the present. I am hoping that by 1990 — ninety percent of the time, effort and money will be spent on nurturing and maintaining the faith of the active Catholic community. I would also hope that ten percent of our time, effort and money will be in working with the twelve million inactive Catholics, the seventy million unchurched, ecumenical dialogue with



seventy-five million Protestant brothers and sisters, and inter-religious dialogue with eleven million friends who are religious, but not Christian.

"So, we are looking for a gentle, slow, broadening of vision. As Christ said, He came to save everybody. Therefore, we have an obligation if we are Christians — to have a love for our brothers and sisters — to try and reach out and share with them. So, this basically is what I am hoping — twenty percent of the people by the end of ten years begin to engage in evangelization commissions, inviting people to Mass, sharing outreach programs and two-thirds sympathetic — then roughly ten percent of the parish community give of their resources."

"The first people to begin to be enriched will be our own Catholic people. But when we share, Jesus said He was the Divine Physician, the Good Shepherd, we want to do what Christ did. He said he founded a Church for sinners — we are not dismembered spirits — but doing this type of work you enrich and strengthen your own family."

"IF YOU CONSTANTLY look at yourself, your vision gets smaller, shallower and more niggardly, and closed, and if you look at all the little warts and wrinkles, but if you begin to reach out — we are supposed to be something of a selfless people, not a selfish people."

"Evangelization calls you to be selfless. Most parish councils work on primary nurturing, maintenance programs, etc. I don't say that is wrong; that is where it has to be if we are to start — but it cannot stop there. We have to have building and structure, liturgy, education, social ministry financial — should not we also stop occasionally and see what we are doing to reach out to the unchurched; what are our plans next year for Ecumenical dialogue? Ecumenical dialogue does not just happen. It is worked out — it is developed."