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Bishops' Unit Hits Federal Budget Cuts

WASHINGTON —(NC) — The federal budget resolution scheduled for debate in Congress "represents a misguided approach to fighting inflation that runs counter to the general welfare of the American people," stated a coalition which includes the U.S. Catholic Conference (USCC).

The statement, announced April 3, said the resolution "is based on the erroneous assumption that balancing this budget will curb inflation. Economic evidence makes it clear that such a solution is nonsense."

THE SIGNERS said that the weak, the poor, minorities and the elderly will be most adversely affected. At best, they said, "it is a symbolic gesture designed to alleviate the perceived psychological concerns of the voting public as well as the country's bond markets."

The signers of the statement included Bishop Thomas Kelly, general secretary of the USCC as well as representatives of the National Conference of Catholic Charities, the National Coalition of American Nuns and the Interreligious Housing Coalition.

Lane Kirkland, president of the AFL-CIO, and Douglas A. Fraser, president of the United Automobile Workers, were at the press conference along with representatives of the National Urban League, the National Urban Coalition, the league of Women Voters and Rural America.

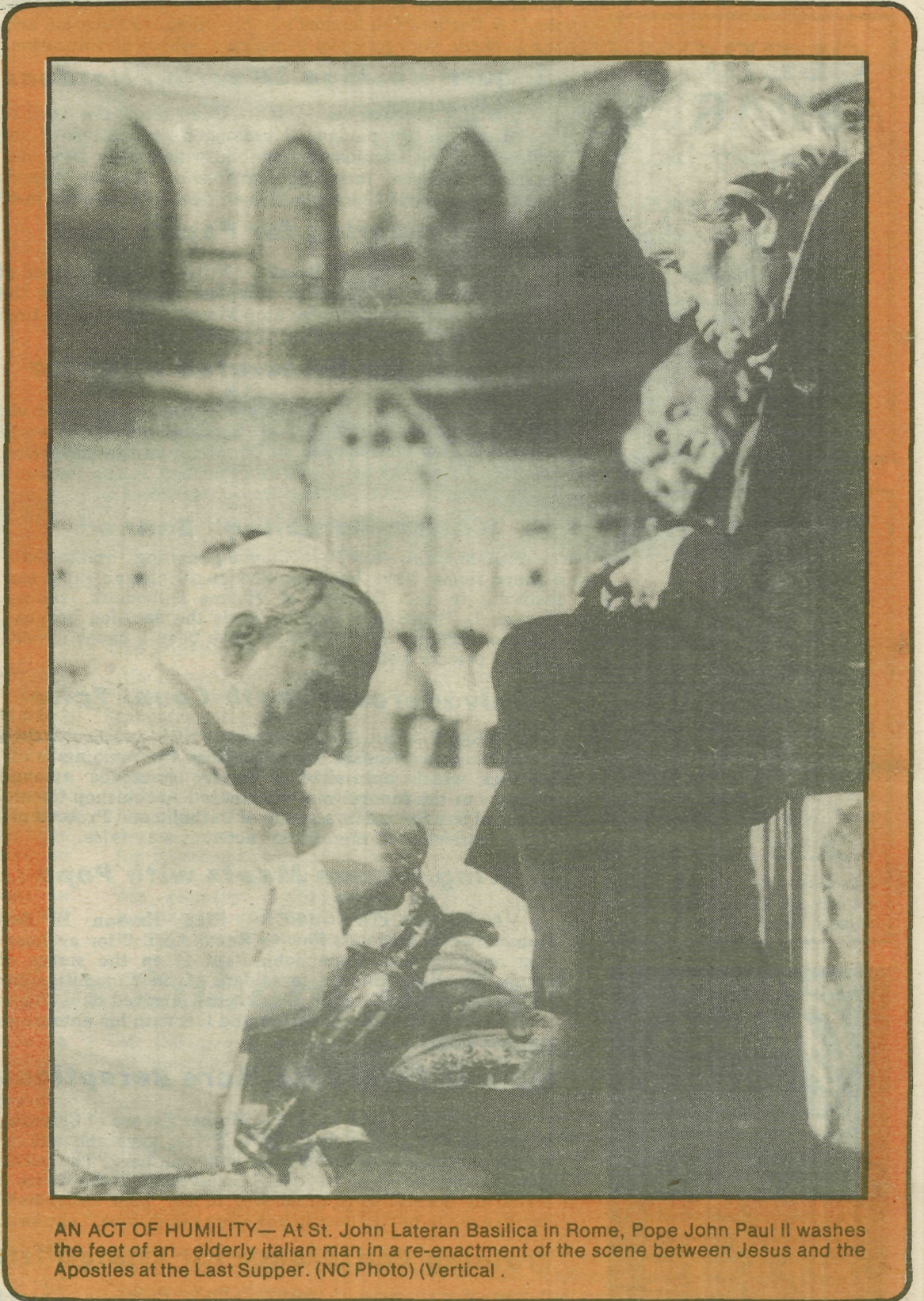
"High energy prices, punishing interest rates, ever-increasing levels of medical and hospital fees and profiteering by commodity speculators are among the real causes of inflation. Balancing the federal budget does not deal with these root causes.

"We do not oppose a balanced budget per se and certainly not when America has a balanced economy," the signers said. "We do oppose administration and Congressional proposals that place the burden of the battle against inflation on those least able to cope with the problems of our society.

"If there must be austerity and sacrifice, we are willing to do our share, but the fight against inflation must be shared by all, not carried by workers, the poor, minority groups and the urban areas where they live."

IN OPTING for this balanced budget the signers claimed, the administration and Congress chose to drive up unemployment while slashing and postponing needed programs.

"While the battleground is the federal budget, there is more involved than a series of numbers on a ledger sheet. The issue is a continuing commitment to justice and equity in improving the general welfare of all Americans, while — at the same time — having the courage to attack the basic causes of inflation," the statement concluded.



AN ACT OF HUMILITY— At St. John Lateran Basilica in Rome, Pope John Paul II washes the feet of an elderly Italian man in a re-enactment of the scene between Jesus and the Apostles at the Last Supper. (NC Photo) (Vertical)



Msgr. Jeremiah O'Mahoney, "Dean of South Florida priests," and pastor emeritus of St. Edwards in Palm Beach is dead at the age of 94. Story on Page 12.

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News At A Glance

Prayer Law Struck Down

BOSTON —(NC)— The Massachusetts school prayer law was struck down because "prayer is necessarily religious, not secular," according to an explanation from the state's Supreme Judicial Court.

Panel to Study School Aid

WASHINGTON —(NC)— Federal programs that assist elementary and secondary education, especially in non-public schools, will be studied at a workshop co-sponsored by the U.S. Catholic Conference's Department of Education and the Catholic University of America's School of Education.

Bogota Hostage Situation Hardens

BOGOTA, Colombia —(NC)— Guerrillas of the April 19 Movement (M-19) pledged a prolonged occupation of the embassy of the Dominican Republic, where they were still holding hostages, including Archbishop Angelo Acerbi, apostolic nuncio to Colombia, if their demands were not met.

Rio Preparing for Pope's Visit

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil —(NC)— The city council of Rio de Janeiro is hoping to complete repair work on the monumental statue of Christ atop Mount Corcovado in time for the visit of Pope John Paul II in mid-July.

Prayers for Persecuted in Africa

ROME —(NC)— When Pope John Paul II travels to six African countries May 2-12, Catholics throughout the world will be praying for persecuted Christians on that continent, reported Fides, the news service published by the Vatican's Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples.

"Casino Gambling" Banned

HOUMA, LA. —(NC)— "Casino gambling" and the sale of hard liquor have been banned at all church fairs and festivals in the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux. Bishop Warren L. Boudreaux said he made the decision because liquor and gambling at the fairs have been a cause of concern to priests and people.

Salvadorean Death Count False

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador, —(NC)— Although the Salvadorean government blamed leftists for bombings and shootings which unleashed a deadly stampede among mourners at the funeral of assassinated Archbishop Oscar Romero of San Salvador, a group of Catholic and Protestant church leaders said the official account was false.

King Hassan Meets with Pope

VATICAN CITY —(NC)— King Hassan II Ben Mohammed of Morocco flew to Rome April 2 for an hour-long meeting with Pope John Paul II on the status of Jerusalem. King Hassan, president of the Committee for Jerusalem of the Islamic Conference, arrived on a flight from Paris in the late afternoon and left with his entourage that evening.

Mother Teresa-No More Receptions

LUCKNOW, India —(NC)— Mother Teresa of Calcutta, winner of the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize, says she will no longer participate in ceremonies honoring her. "The public gaze that has fallen on me after I received the Nobel Prize is hindering normal work of service to the poor and I have decided not to participate in any more receptions," she said.

Training Conference for Evangelists

WASHINGTON —(NC)— The Catholic Church Extension Society, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, the Glenmary Home Missioners and the Paulist Office for Evangelization are joining to develop and promote a training conference for Catholic evangelists scheduled for Aug. 21-23 in Washington.



DELIVERS PAPAL MESSAGE — Father Javier de Nicola walks from the Dominican embassy in Bogota, Colombia, after delivering a letter to Archbishop Angelo Acerbi, papal nuncio to Colombia, from Pope John Paul II. The pope told the archbishop he admired his "example of strength, calm and prudence" during his month as a hostage at the embassy. Father de Nicola was inside the embassy for two hours. (See letters to the Editor, Page 8)

Movements Blamed on Government

PANAMA CITY, Panama —(NC)— If some leftist movements grow within the church, it is the fault of government repression and not because of church encouragement, said Archbishop Marcos McGrath of Panama City. "There is common cause between the churches and the left and other groups against repression and violence," he said after returning from the funeral of murdered Archbishop Oscar Romero of San Salvador, El Salvador.

Undersecretary of Pontifical Justice

VATICAN CITY —(NC)— Pope John Paul II named Boston-born Msgr. William Murphy, 39, as undersecretary of the Pontifical Justice and Peace Commission March 29.

Trident Protestors Sentenced

SEATTLE —(NC)— The 68 persons found guilty of trespassing in February during protests against the Trident nuclear submarine, including priests and nuns, were given jail terms and fines ranging from six months and \$500 to 60 days' suspended sentence with three years' probation and a \$50 fine.

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Mideast Heroin Causes Drug Epidemic?

A New York priest who heads a drug rehabilitation program said an influx of heroin from the Middle East may cause an epidemic of drug addiction in the United States dwarfing previous drug plagues.

The priest, Msgr. William B. O'Brien, president of New York's Daytop Village rehabilitation program, said the federal Drug Enforcement Administration reports that Western Europe "is overflowing with Middle East heroin" and larger amounts of the drug will reach the United States this year.

"THIS INFLUX of high quality Middle Eastern heroin has the potential to cause an epidemic of drug addiction 2,000 times greater than that which this country experienced in the late '60s and early '70s," Msgr. O'Brien said. "Even Attorney General Benjamin Civiletti has said we may not be able to stem a considerable portion of the tide."

Msgr. O'Brien spoke at a press conference after an emergency meeting of the Therapeutic Communities of America (TCA), a national coalition of 112 drug-free, addict treatment and rehabilitation organizations. He is the coalition's chairman.

Msgr. O'Brien cited a recent confidential Department of Justice report entitled "Operation Cerberus", which said the drug epidemic of the late 1960s and early 1970s, resulting in the addition of 700,000 young people, was caused by Turkey's average opium yield of 80 metric tons annually.

"Since the Justice Department estimates that annual production in Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan averages 1,500 metric tons annually, it is conceivable that we may soon experience the addiction of millions of young Americans," Msgr. O'Brien said. "Although it is difficult, even for us, to believe that this is possible, we must understand that massive numbers of addicts will soon be on the streets of every town and city in America."

Because of this, the priest said, the TCA deplored forthcoming substantial cuts in federal funds for



This cache of Mideast drugs is being burned. Most are not destroyed, however.

drug treatment programs throughout the country.

MSGR. O'BRIEN referred to a National Institute on Drug Abuse letter notifying all state drug agencies that the proposed cutbacks will result in the loss of 11,000 treatment opportunities nationally over the next two years. Because the Carter administration's plan also calls for the diversion of funds from the treatment of drug abuse to prevention and intervention programs, the predicted loss to treatment programs is between \$12 million and \$19 million.

"Mr. Carter is pretending that the problem isn't there when, in fact, it's growing uncontrollably," Msgr. O'Brien said. "Adoption of the administration's proposed cuts would leave treatment facilities sadly unequipped to deal with the increased numbers of addicts seeking help. In an effort to avoid such a tragedy, TCA is demanding an increase in the federal funds available for treatment and enforcement."

He said there are moves around the country to persuade state legislatures and municipal councils to pass resolutions condemning the

cuts by the federal government and demanding immediate redress. A nationwide appeal to religious leaders to ask their congregations to "flood Congress and the White House with letters demanding action" would be made, he said.

"In 1970," Msgr. O'Brien said, "700 people in New York City alone died from heroin overdoses. How many thousands must die now before it is recognized that this growing epidemic, spawned by the Middle East drug trade, is as much of a threat to America as are dependence on Middle East oil and Soviet Middle East expansion?"

Bishop Asks Help for Cubans in Embassy

Hundreds of Cubans filled the Shrine of Our Lady of Charity, near Mercy Hospital, Monday night in solidarity with the over 8,000 Cubans that entered the grounds of the Peruvian Embassy in Havana.

Here in Miami, the Cuban population demonstrated, waving American and Cuban flags while chanting "Cuba Si, Russia, No" and blowing car horns in Bayfront Park, along Biscayne Boulevard and, downtown, Flagler and Eighth Street.

Bishop Agustin Roman, Auxiliary Bishop of Miami, offered a Holy Hour Monday at 8 p.m. praying to the Risen Christ to help those in Cuba who may be under a great danger and hardship.

Bp. Roman also made a statement appealing to all nations and especially the United States, to help the Cubans in the Peruvian Embassy before a tragedy occurs.

BP. ROMAN'S STATEMENT

While celebrating Good Friday at the feet of the Virgin of Charity, Patroness of Cuba, I was praying with the Church who prays for all men, including those who do not have faith, and I meditated on one of the prayers of the Liturgy of the day in which God is asked to "free from injustice those who are persecuted and to redeem those who are imprisoned."

Today, Easter Monday, in view

of the grave events which are developing in Cuba, once more the words of that prayer come to my mind.

By this means I address the International Organizations to beg them that, in compliance with the most fundamental duties of humanity, they take fast and efficient action in order to prevent a catastrophe among the Cubans who have taken refuge in the Peruvian Embassy in Havana.

This petition which I make public as a Bishop of Jesus Christ, is no more than the echo of the conclusions of the meeting of the Latin American Bishops in Puebla "the Church makes an urgent call to

(Mexico), in which it is said that the conscience of all nations and also to the humanitarian organizations so that the right of asylum be fortified and generalized, since this is a genuine Latin American institution, a present form of the protection which in ancient times was offered by the Church," and "for nations to amplify their quotas of reception of refugees and immigrants and to rush the implementation of agreements and the mechanisms of competent integration in these actions." (No. 1292)

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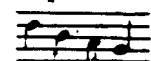
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HEARING CONFESSIONS — In an unprecedented move, Pope John Paul II sits in a confessional on Good Friday where he administered the sacrament of Penance to 30 people. The Pope said he wanted to emphasize the importance of the sacrament.

Easter Is Biggest Sensation - Archbishop

Sensational news, sensational advertising and other distractions abound in today's society, said Archbishop McCarthy in his Easter homily at St. Mary Cathedral. But none of these events are as truly sensational as the Resurrection of Christ, he added.

Following is the text of the sermon, in part:

The world is filled with sensationalism, screaming headlines, messages written in the sky, great advertising and promotion tricks. We become weary, insensitive, perhaps unable to react as we should to the genuinely sensational Good News of "Easter" to personal salvation, to the salvation of mankind by God, who is not only a Mighty Creator, but a Father — loving, personal, compassionate, communicating His Love by sharing His Divine Son to live and die for us, to transform us, to light up our lives and our eternity. That is sensational!

Our world is so filled with make-believe, the fantasy of celluloid, TV, soap operas, novels, exaggerated advertising, that life has become superficial, silly, and we find it difficult to grasp, to perceive in real depth the hidden reality underlying our everyday existence; the reality which is there because of Easter, because God, in the mystery of his own death, has given us a unique new supernatural life.

It is this fantastic meaning of Easter that we try in faith to grasp today; that we celebrate, that is the cause of our joyful Liturgies, our happy family reunions.

Easter is not spring flowers, new clothing — though they do symbolize new life. It is not school holidays for you students, sumptuous meals, chocolate and jelly beans for children, though they reflect gaiety. Easter is the celebration of a personal gift of God to you, to me, a gift to humanity that should make other celebrations we have experienced — weddings, anniversaries, July 4th, Armistice Day, the end of World War II — sink into insignificance.

My Beloved, there is a sense in which our diocesan program of Evangelization is a celebration of Easter 365 days a year. We are called upon — all of us — to take a long hard joyful look, to really reflect together systematically, what Easter really means in our lives; what the teachings of the Gospels mean. How should a person, a people, so loved by the Saviour react, what should be the life of a person called to eternal union with God — union beginning now, not at death, but at Baptism — what influence should Easter people be on each other, on the world? How do they proclaim, witness to in their lives, the love and thirst for justice, the mind blowing event of the salvation mystery of the Cross and the empty tomb...

Easter people celebrate and proclaim the Lord's redeeming love by the love they show to each other. It means new love, in the name of Jesus, of families, of young people in our parishes, a new sense of unity among the many groups that enrich our Diocese: Americans, White, Blacks, Hispanics, Haitians — all.

Easter people are "sermon on the mount" people, angry at the Pharisees and the money changers in the temple" people. They are people committed to justice and compassion for the suffering, the refugees and others; angry at the violence, terrorism, the drug crimes that disgrace our community; the pornography that perverts our youth, the prostitution that dehumanizes our streets and our women, the promiscuity, the abortion, the racism, the white collar crime; things which reveal that Easter has not yet fully come to Miami...

My Beloved, on this happy Feast, may we recommit ourselves to experiencing, to living, to proclaiming, the meaning of Christ's Passion and Resurrection, the meaning of this greatest Feast of history; to a life of renewal by living out the Gospel, to evangelization, to transforming our families, our parishes, our communities...

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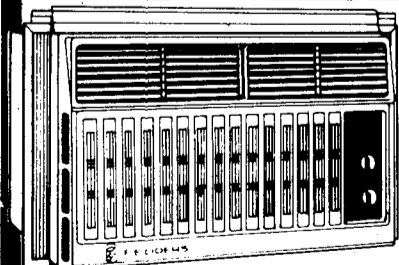
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Faith on Campus

Many students at Barry College searching for way to express faith.

By CAROL GORGA
Voice Correspondent

In the traditional Easter Vigil Service in Cor Jesu Chapel, Barry College's Father Thomas Clifford called for faculty, administration and students to profess their faith in Jesus Christ and church doctrine.

But faith, or crises of faith seems to be hard to pin down even on a small Catholic campus like Barry.

At the Easter services, the tiny chapel was far from crowded as the multitude of faithful found other ways, other places to practice. According to many concerned students and teachers, there is a change in the way faith is demonstrated at Barry:

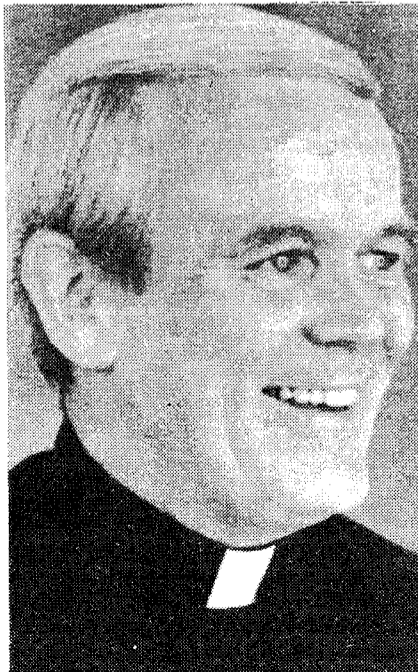
"THE STUDENTS of ten years ago were orientated more outward, more involved in political and social issues," Sister Jeanne Lefebvre, asst. prof., Social Sciences, said. "Today students have a mesmerism with the application of immediate goals, which is a pity," she said. "Education isn't just for now," she said. That doesn't mean an end to faith," Lefebvre, said but rather an alteration in the reasons and methods of worship.

"Students here right now may not be as active (i.e. in campus ministry), but they are more persevering, more stalwart, future pillar of the church types," Lefebvre said.

A distinction must be made, argue several faculty members, between faith and attending Mass

"There is a core of students who have come to mature acceptance of the community of Christ. Who can judge how much faith there is? Only God can do that. Barry College has a large core of committed Christians, certainly in its faculty and in its student body."

Fr. Clifford



regularly: "Most students here think of themselves as religious, but don't necessarily go to church," Dr. John P. Sause, chairperson, Department of Religious Studies and Philosophy, said.

"To equate 'church' and 'faith' narrows it too much: faith is bigger than the Liturgy, bigger than the creed," said Sister Kathleen Flanagan, asst. prof., Religious Studies. "The person in the pew tends to automatically think of going to church as having faith," but Flanagan believes you can't play the numbers game any more than you can "measure faith on this campus by how many people go to church," she said.

Some students, however, are not sure what contemporary faith is or what role, if any, faith plays in a Catholic education: "I question just how much Catholicism connects with education at this school, aside from the theology requirements needed for graduation," said Rem Cabrera, a junior English major.

"Faith is something you have, you believe without question," Nancy Bill, junior marketing major said.

"It is the sharing of values that is significant here, that is the basic cement holding us together," Lefebvre said. "There is a considerable number of young people who are committed to their faith; a politically mature student who knows what the social justice issues are and who involves himself in those issues, is an extension of the faith commitment. The very fact that these students exist argues against saying there is apathy," in young Catholics, she said.

"At times, I have been worried — as a teacher and as a person who believes the liturgy is important, I look around and I wonder, 'geez, where are all the kids?'" Sr. Flanagan said.

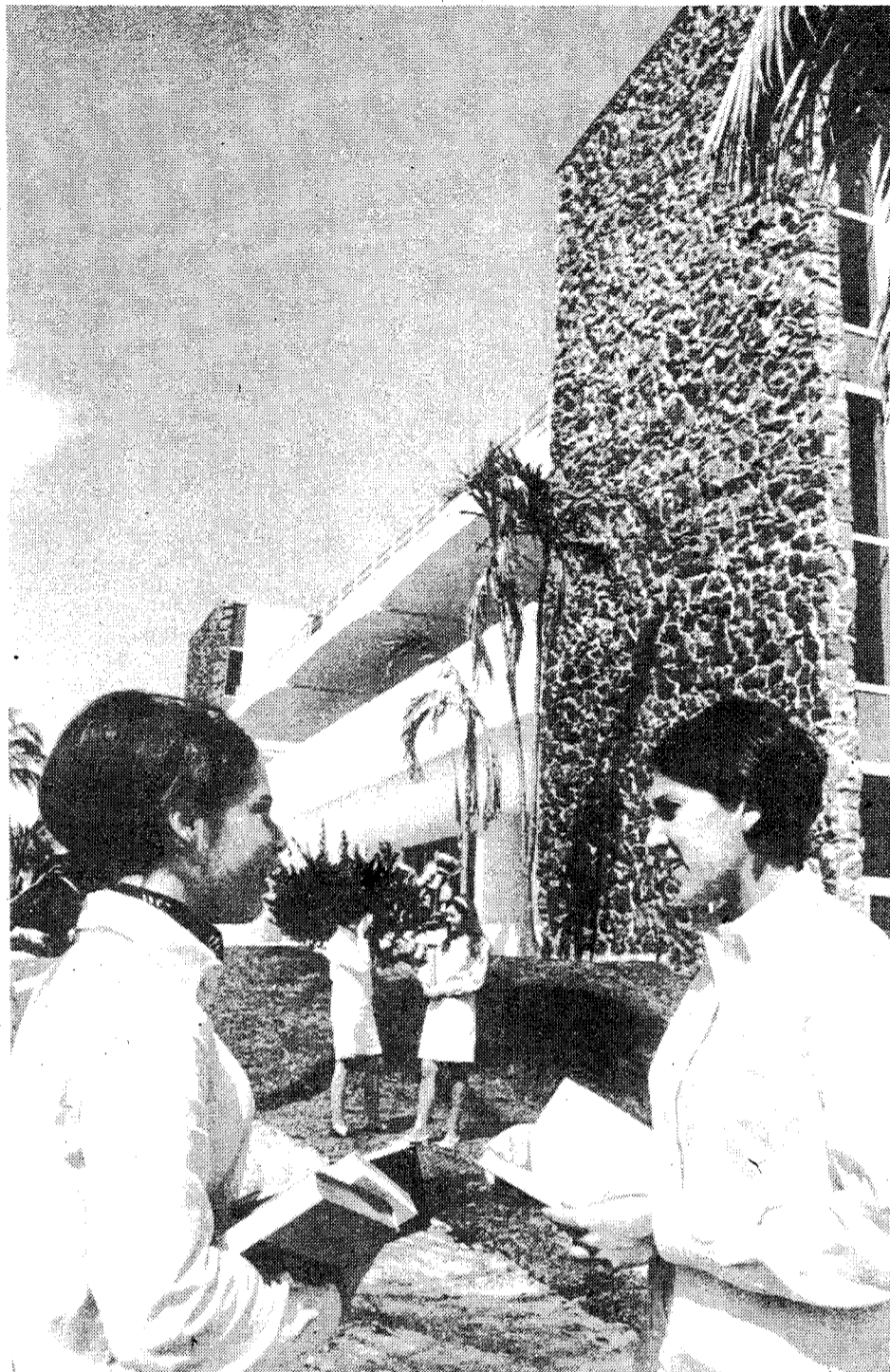
CLIFFORD SAYS that isn't something that he worries about. "There are people here with great faith that rarely come to church. For most students this is a time of searching out one's own faith," Clifford said.

Although the campus is predominantly (63 percent of full time students) Catholic, Flanagan says some people "go to church without faith out of a cultural belief or fear of punishment from God or family. Religion doesn't really become an important aspect of their lives until they are married and are raising a family of their own and want to communicate values to their own children," she said.

Students, including some non-Catholics, also admitted having trouble recognizing or accepting the faith of their classmates and teachers.

"When I see these people (religious) walking around, I think they are crazy, how can they devote their lives to something that is not true," said Lisa Lionelli, junior psychology major and agnostic.

But Lionelli also agreed "religious faith seems to be a source of strength for many people on this



campus."

"It makes me wonder if there is any real faith in God when I see people cheating on exams and plagiarizing term papers," Caroline Ryan, freshman English major said.

According to Sr. Flanagan, this doubting or rejecting is normal as students go through a typical period before they can accept faith on their own, more mature terms. "Every once in a while, I get a little concerned; There's so much more to learn about theology," she said.

Fr. Clifford agrees there are many reasons why people go to church, not the least of which maybe "a guilt trip or a hang-up from childhood," and not the most of which "may be a sincere faith commitment". "There is a core of students who have come to mature acceptance of the community of Christ. Who can judge how much faith there is? Only God can do that. Barry College has a large core of committed Christians, certainly in its faculty and in its student body," he said.

THIS CORE, in particular, the religious studies majors, is putting their knowledge of their faith to immediate use in the community," said Fr. Flanagan. These are young people that are acting as role models for younger students still working on

personalizing their faith, she said.

Among the reasons a student may decide to attend classes at Barry is the fact that they are seeking a religious school because it does stand for a value in the Judeo-Christian tradition, Clifford said.

"In the back of everyone's mind, there is a faith in God, but people here don't think about it every day, all day," Maureen Miller, senior history major said.

"In terms of a Catholic institution, Barry stands out as an example to other colleges," Bobbie Ransley, senior said.

"We lead a more 'full of faith life' here than they do at say, University of Miami," said Gloria Portuondo, education major.

"It is hard to give out Communion without passing moral judgments on people. I've even thought about resigning my position," said Miller who is an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist and was involved in the Barry unit of Bread For the World.

"Faith", said Lefebvre, "has to do with," involving ourselves in social justice issues; it has to do with how people are living as well as how they are worshipping."

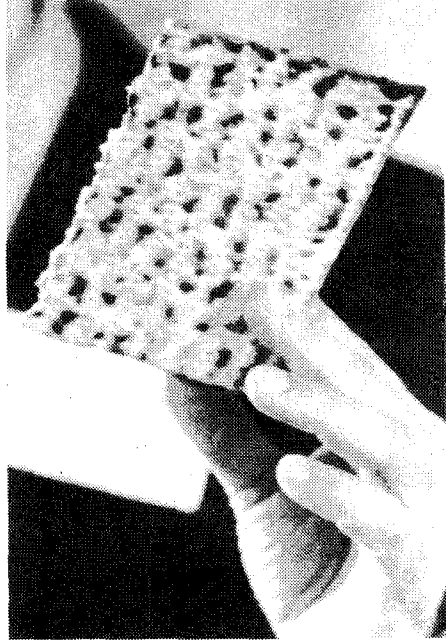
"There is so much good here that far outweighs the fact that there isn't more," she said.

SEDER in South Florida

By GEORGE KEMON

More than 154 parishioners, friends of the parish, and Jewish neighbors met to enjoy a Seder dinner at Our Lady of the Lakes, in Miami Lakes, on April First.

The traditional rites were followed and each person was asked to bring his own meal, silverware,



candle and stand, wine and a dessert to share.

All the Seder ingredients, including the appropriate wines, were used and the ritual rigidly followed to conclusion. It was a most interesting evening and one in which families came together and many met for the first time.

Prayers were offered in the Jewish tradition — not unlike Christian supplications, and participants ate of the bitter herb and the sweetsop just as the Jews did on the original occasion following the flight from Egypt.

Each part of the ritual was most significant in terms of Jewish history and recall of the event. The children asked their father (who was the leader in this case) the reasons for the various kinds of food and the mother waited upon the table supplying each need as it was requested.

The children, scores of them it seemed, ran outside to look for the golden matzoh, traditionally hidden during the meal by the father. The finder received a prize.

The evening was a most educational one and a fine way in which to practice our ecumenism and to start our own Easter season.



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U.S. Priest Helps Run Bishops' Lives

VATICAN CITY —(NC)— Overseeing the appointments, transfers and retirements of bishops in nearly 270 dioceses is quite different from counselling separated and divorced Catholics in the Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y.

But Father Fred R. Voorhes — student, part-time chaplain to U.S. Navy families, spiritual counselor and Vatican official — sees a lot of similarities.

"The same basic components — people, sacramental life, pastoral needs — are involved" in pastoral work and a post at the Vatican, said the 33-year-old priest.

But at the Vatican Congregation for Bishops, Father Voorhes primarily deals with reports resulting from the interpersonal contacts of others. He sometimes misses the close attachments he found working at parishes in East Aurora and Tonawanda, N.Y., between 1972-78.

Now he does the advance work that leads to Pope John Paul II's decisions about creating new dioceses, accepting or rejecting retirements and naming new

bishops in Australia, Canada and the United States.

On appointments, he works from a "terna," a list of three names, submitted by the papal representative in the country after consultation with various segments of the church community.

Bishops' reports on the status of their dioceses also cross his desk. As the only native English speaker in the congregation, he sometimes handles personal correspondence in English for the prefect, Cardinal Sebastiano Babbio, an Italian.

FATHER VOORHES is one of about a dozen U.S. diocesan priests working in the Roman Curia, the Vatican's central administration. He joined the staff of the bishops' congregation full-time in September after completing the class work for a doctorate in marriage and theology of the family.

When he arrived in Rome in October 1978 to begin the doctoral studies, Father Voorhes had no idea that he would end up working for the Vatican.

Several years before, he had been considered for a post in the Vatican diplomatic

corps, but he and his bishop decided that "Pastoral work had precedence."

But when he was recommended for the job in the bishops' congregation last year, plans to return to Buffalo to work in the ministry to separated and divorced Catholics were put off and he agreed to stay in Rome at least five years.

The city is not unfamiliar to Father Voorhes, who studied at the North American College in Rome between 1968 and 1972 and was ordained a priest in St. Peter's Basilica in December 1971.

But there were a lot of changes during the six years he was gone.

"Today there's much more confusion and turmoil, a lot more strikes," Father Voorhes said. "And I noticed the inflation immediately, since it's probably been 100 percent in five or six years."

On the positive side, he's noticed an increase in the



Father Fred Voorhes, at the Vatican Congregation for Bishops, deals with creating new dioceses, retirements and appointments of new bishops in America, Canada and Australia.

number of "committed youth" working for the church in

Rome.

Last June, after three months of part-time work at the bishops' congregation, he moved to Villa Stritch, a residence for about a dozen American priests employed by the Vatican.

His day starts with a 7 a.m. concelebrated Mass at Villa Stritch.

THE REST OF his schedule is flexible and includes such diverse activities as spiritual direction for seminarians, tennis, work on his doctoral thesis, participation in a priestly prayer fraternity called Jesus-Caritas, an occasional movie and what Father Voorhes calls his "ministry of correspondence."

"People from my former parishes still write" seeking counsel, he said.

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MATTER OF OPINION

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

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

Balanced Budget, Unbalanced Values

The poor you have with you always. Little wonder.

Historically, when money has become scarce, it has always been the poor segments of society that have had to pay the cruel price of topping off the government's inflated or depleted coffers.

Playing Robin Hood-in-reverse at the moment is the Senate Budget Committee, chopping and slashing at anything humane—urban renewal, mass transit, Social Security benefits, CETA jobs and such. But at the same time the Committee has actually ADDED \$5 billion to the President's proposed defense budget. And President Carter's version was already MORE than the Defense Department had requested.

Inflationary pressures apparently have built to the point where government leaders are ready to do something even if it is wrong.

But in the belief that it is wrong to produce a balanced budget over the corpses of social service projects, which the Pre-

sident is proposing and which the Congress in its marbled chambers seems only too eager to go along with, the U.S. Catholic Conference has joined a coalition of groups to oppose the budget as it is now conceived.

Their point is that a balanced budget is little more than propaganda and will have little effect on the real causes of inflation which are inequitable economic policies, a floundering energy strategy and a greedy consumer mentality.

Our point is that it always happens that way. When society has a problem with money, it is always the weakest, poorest, least likely to vote whose pockets are picked first—a kind of skimming off the bottom.

The well-off and upper middleclass who are least hurt by inflation are also the least hurt by balanced-budget-cut-the-social-services "cure". If you have enough money you can invest in Treasury Certificates, Money Market bonds and draw 14 per cent

interest to almost keep up with inflation, or invest in real estate or precious metals and gems and actually beat inflation.

As the line from the popular song goes, "The big man plays, while the little man pays."

But lest we ordinary citizens become too righteous in pointing at big government's lack of compassion, we call to mind the omnibus bond election of about four years ago in Dade County in which bonds were approved by the voters for numerous civic projects, including a zoo. Only one project failed—low cost housing for the poor.

Voters, in other words, approved housing for animals but not for poor humans.

Until we show restraint in our materialistic pursuits, we will continue to have the problem of inflation.

And until we reverse our un-Christian priorities as a society, the poor we will have with us always.



No Sign-of-Peace in Some Churches?

By REV. JOHN DIETZEN

By FATHER JOHN DIETZEN

Q. In several churches pastors do not permit any Sign of Peace whatsoever, except when a visiting priest has not been warned. How does this fit in with submission to authority and the concept of community that, as I understand it, is the reason for the Sign of Peace? (N.J.).

A. If one takes the liturgical instruction book literally, there is no absolute requirement for an exchange of The Sign of Peace by a handshake or other gesture. The official guide for the ceremonies at Mass states that after the celebrant has said, "The peace of the Lord be with you always," and the people have responded, "And also with you," the priest "may add—Let us offer each other the Sign of Peace. All exchange the Sign of Peace and love, according to local custom."

However, this is not the whole answer to your question. A statement on the Sign of Peace by the U.S. Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy notes that "the re-introduction of the kiss of peace within the Mass was not perhaps preceded by sufficient catechesis covering its history, significance and use." We are probably still suffering from this lack of understanding which affects both priests and laity. It is not helped at all by the tragic decline in appreciation of the place of symbol in liturgical ceremonies, a decline which has occurred for many reasons over the past few hundred years.

Many priests and lay people are still suspicious of any close personal interaction with another at Mass. They feel safe with words, but not with actions which might give expression to those words. So they are not comfortable with this exchanging of a sign, or kiss, of peace, even though it is simply an effort to express externally what will happen a few minutes later when those same people will share in eating the body of Christ.

While not absolutely commanded, therefore,

the Sign of Peace is more than an incidental or optional part of the Eucharist. These words from the bishops' statement may help to explain why:

"The liturgical renewal has recognized the value of the assembly and its right to participate actively in the liturgy. The (Vatican II) Constitution on the Liturgy, in indicating the various forms of the real presence of Christ, emphasized his presence in the assembly itself.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Holy Hostage in Bogota

To the Editor:

You mentioned in *The Voice* (March 7, 1980) that the papal nuncio to Colombia, Archbishop Angelo Acerbi, one of the hostages held in the Embassy of the Dominican Republic in Bogota, was chosen by the guerrillas as a go-between, "because they trust him."

Having met His Excellency last October, I can readily agree that he is indeed the kind of person who inspires confidence. Tall and stately with a ready smile and large, luminous eyes, one instantly feels his authority and dignity as well as the enthusiasm he has for his mission. A Colombian friend of mine who celebrated 50 years of priesthood last year, kindly invited me to the first small reception that was organized to meet the nuncio.

Each community of priests, friars and nuns was represented by one or two members; present also were the editor of a Catholic newspaper, the rector of a university and two or three other lay persons besides myself. We all had one thing in common: we were Catholics devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary and as we stood in a semi-circle around the Archbishop, who remained standing also he asked us to each say a few words about our motivations and aspirations in

"In view of this providential re-evaluation of the liturgical assembly, it is proper that...it is clearly stated that at the invitation addressed to the faithful all exchange the Sign of Peace according to local custom. It is not a peace that moves out from the altar, a clericalized peace, but a community peace exchanged among those in whose midst is the real presence of Christ the Lord."

regards to Our Lady.

After this, he addressed the group briefly with some interesting anecdotes concerning his own personal devotion to Mary and that of His Holiness Pope John Paul II, whose very motto refers to Her. One vivacious Spanish nun clapped her hands with joy, followed by spontaneous applause from the whole assembly when the Archbishop showed us the Miraculous Medal ring he wears and with a big, congenial smile held up a string of Rosary beads he pulled from his pocket as he said, "You see, I'm one of you. Be assured that I intend to cooperate with you in spreading devotion to Our Blessed Mother. She will help restore order and unity in the world."

And He will certainly protect Archbishop Acerbi in this present dangerous situation as he who is admittedly first and foremost a Marianist priest, is being called on to witness for his Faith. Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen said that now more than ever we need more holy priests, for "holiness is the only argument left." It shows so strongly in this man that even atheistic Communists were impressed by him and chose him out of the whole group "because they trust him."

Adelaide Currea
Miami Springs, Fla.



A Doubting Thomas Good for a Doubting 80's

By MSGR. JAMES J. WALSH

I must admit that the Apostle Thomas is one of my favorites among the Twelve. He is mentioned only four times in the Gospels, and always by St. John. But out of these brief references a candid portrait of a strong, if complex, man emerges.

Not long before Jesus died, he stated he was returning to the area where his enemies were waiting to kill him. He planned, of course, to bring Lazarus back from the dead at that time. Thomas boldly said to the others, "Let us go along to die with him." He appeared as a man of courage in that tense hour.

LATER DURING the last discourse of Jesus to his apostles just before his death, he was trying to reassure them and prepare for the fearful event of Calvary. Such phrases as these dropped from his lips, "Do not let your hearts be troubled...Have faith in God and in me...I am going to prepare a place for you...You know the ways that leads where I go..."

The most forceful reaction to this came from Thomas. He blurted out, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?"

He drew from Jesus that beautiful summary of his life and mission, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life..."

Thomas' objection provides a tantalizing insight into his character. In the light of what happened later, when he flatly denied that Jesus had risen from the dead, it appears that Thomas' was nobody's yes man. Just because Jesus had spoken as no man had ever spoken and acted as no one had ever acted, Thomas was not going to

fall in line and pass up a statement he did not understand, especially when it pertained to a trip the thirteen were to make. Where are we going? How do we get there? Let me see the map...

Apart from mentioning his name as being present when the miraculous catch was made after the resurrection, the only other reference to Thomas is, of course, the most important. And, needless to say, the most fascinating.

It is Easter Sunday. Jesus had appeared to the apostles when for some reason Thomas was not

none of it.

"I will never believe it without probing the nail prints in his hands, without putting my finger in the nailmarks and my hand into his side."

So there it was — an ultimatum. No matter that it was directed to the Lord. It did violence to his reason to accept such a ridiculous claim since he himself had seen the dead body silhouetted against last Friday's darkening sky. Much as he loved Jesus, it was intellectual suicide to believe such a monstrous claim.

We should know — but often forget — God does not bend down to

to him that day. "You became a believer because you saw me. Blessed are they who have not seen and have believed."

WHAT A GREAT friend of modern man Thomas should be. He is a man for the 80's. Only God knows how many atheists, agnostics, heretics, and especially the weak in faith over the centuries have to express deep thanks to this apostle, who had to see all the cards or else.

Since this is the spirit of this age, Thomas is all the more important as he stands beside Christ. He helps explain the fundamental meaning of faith, namely, that it is not having all the facts, all the data in, interpreted by sophisticated computers, enabling one finally to say, "Well, I must now believe."

That is not faith. It may be the right use of reasoning power with machine help. But it is not the kind of faith Jesus expected and, as God, demanded. Cardinal Danielou wrote in "The Faith Eternal and the Man of Today", these telling words, "The faith of a twentieth century Christian must be an enlightened faith, a faith that can subject its tenets to the testing fire of criticism and verify whether these beliefs come through unscathed...Our faith must be tested by storms, by intellectual and social disturbances...There is no reason why the faith should be any weaker today than it was ten centuries ago for there is nothing in our modern ideologies that should rightly shake our faith in the divinity of Christ."

Only that brought Thomas to his knees. The ultimate surrender came when he had to say, "My Lord and my God."

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present. The rest apparently were hiding behind locked doors. Thomas was out in the open. I wish I knew why...

At any rate, when he finally arrived, he ran into a storm of enthusiastic joy. They were all on top of him at once, shouting, grabbing at him, nailing him to the wall to get the good news. "The other disciples kept telling him, 'We have seen the Lord.'"

IT WAS TEN against one, but Thomas was not about to be conned into believing them, even with the unrestrained shouts of joy pounding on his ears and his reasoning power. This was too much. He would have

little man to explain himself, or at least he does not have to. He has a right to speak and to be believed. He calls and has a right to expect a response.

However, there was a change in policy here. Jesus answered Thomas' challenge, not really for the sake of Thomas, but for us. And when he returned to the same room, after letting Thomas stew in his cynicism and bitterness for a whole week, he listened with patient love as the doubter murmured on his knees, "My Lord and my God."

The perennial value of the incident is not in what Thomas did or said, but in the final words of Jesus



Budget Cutting at Expense of the Poor

By REV GEORGE G. HIGGINS

The current debate in Congress over balancing the federal budget is characterized by a meat-ax approach, aimed largely at programs that benefit the nation's poor.

As a result, a broad-based coalition of national organizations announced in an April 3 press conference in Washington, D.C., that it would oppose the budget resolution scheduled for debate in Congress in the next few weeks.

The press statement expressed the belief of a number of labor, civil rights and religious organizations that the budget before Congress represents a misguided approach to fighting inflation. The approach, it said, runs counter to the general welfare of the American people, especially the weak, the poor, minorities and the elderly.

Congress and the administration promised to balance the budget as a major step in curbing inflation. The economic evidence, however, indicates that cutting as much as \$20 billion will have only a miniscule impact on the inflation rate — perhaps as little as two-tenths of one percentage point.

At best, a balanced budget

would be a symbolic gesture. Yet, as the general secretary of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, Bishop Thomas Kelly, OP, said in a recent statement: "We should not purchase symbols at the expense of the unemployed, the elderly, the poor."

I do not mean to imply I am opposed to a balanced budget per se. However, a balanced budget is not

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an adequate solution to inflation, because it does not deal with the root causes. High energy prices, soaring interest rates, increasing medical and hospital costs, and profiteering by some commodity speculators — these are some real causes of inflation. The current budget-cutting effort may simply distract attention from the root causes of inflation.

To achieve a balanced budget, Congress proposes to:

- Make severe cuts in public-service jobs, despite predictions that the unemployed may increase by one-and-a-half million persons this year;

- cut energy assistance and child health programs designed to serve the poor;

- decrease food stamps and child nutrition programs;

- reduce foreign assistance, even though as a nation we already

give a smaller share of our wealth than almost any other Western industrialized nation.

In addition, despite the crisis in the nation's housing supply, some leading members of Congress are proposing a 50 percent cut in federally subsidized low-income housing.

I think it is important to see these proposed budget cuts in the broad context of this nation's

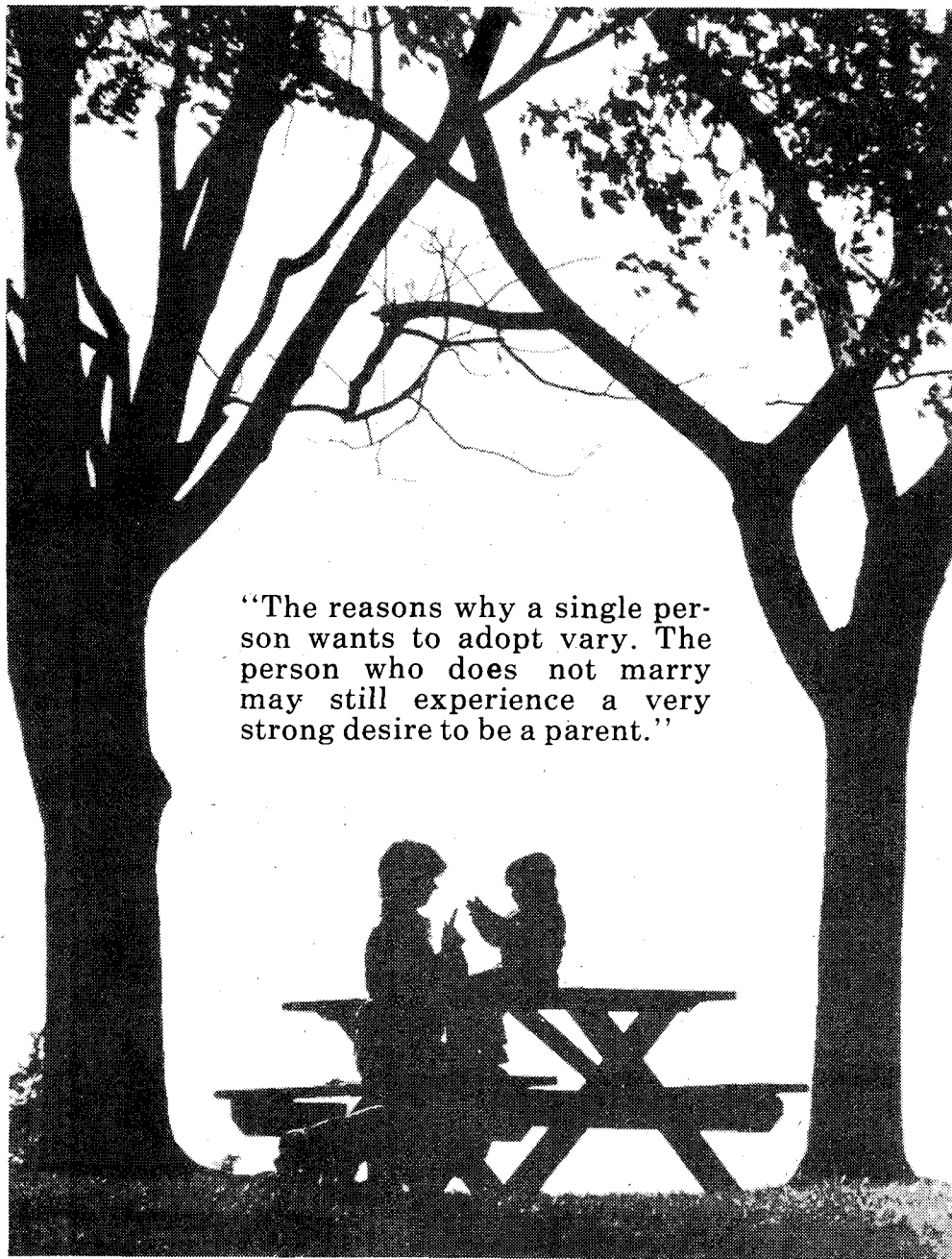
commitment to the fundamental needs of its citizens. The cuts are more than a mere aberration in the political process, attributable to fear of election-year voters who are angry about 18 percent inflation.

I fear the budget cuts are part of a broader, political shift — a gradual but steady abandonment of many social commitments which this nation has made over the past three decades. This shift is coupled with a strong tendency to solve economic problems at the expense of the poor, the weak and those who are politically least influential.

This trend must be resisted, and I believe the church can and should be a key factor. The church was present when the major social programs of our nation were initiated. We supported them because the programs helped to guarantee the fundamental dignity of all persons and to meet their essential human needs.

The church must likewise be present now — defending the need for essential social programs and opposing the proposed budget cuts which would hurt the poor most severely.

Single Adults



"The reasons why a single person wants to adopt vary. The person who does not marry may still experience a very strong desire to be a parent."

Father Francis M. O'Connor writes: "The person who cannot, or chooses not to, marry may still experience a very strong urge to be a parent. Religious and moral principles may preclude giving birth out of wedlock. When this is true, adoption offers an alternative solution."

Single Parents

By FATHER FRANCIS M. O'CONNOR, S.J.

The traditional image of parents who adopt children in our culture is shifting and taking on a new dimension. Those who apply at the adoption agency are usually married couples.

But within the past few years a new phenomenon has emerged: the single parent who adopts children. While firm statistics are difficult to find, the single, adoptive parent is becoming gradually more common. This single parent is usually a woman, but occasionally a single male appears at the agency to have his name added to the inevitable waiting list.

THE REASONS why a single person wants to adopt vary. The person who does not marry may still experience a very strong desire to be a parent. Religious and moral principles often preclude the physical parenting of a child out of wedlock. Adoption offers an acceptable alternative.

At other times, a single man or woman may be drawn by love and compassion to offer a permanent home to a child who has known only a string of temporary foster homes. Each move from home to home is interpreted by the child as another rejection. A permanent home can save the child from a life that is both transient and sad.

Another reason is that some children are difficult to place. Adoption by a single parent may be a solution for the adoption agency.

Whatever the reason, the adoption of a child is a major decision which usually introduces a dramatic change into the life of the new, single parent. A parish community which includes members who are single, adoptive parents can become a significant influence in the lives of these parents. Parishes can help in many ways.

During the sometimes long and trying period of waiting for agency approval, the prospective, single

parent needs patience and hope. Without a partner at home to share this time, the single person needs comfort and strength from parish friends who are just "there" as a loving family.

Once the child arrives, other needs surface. If the parent's life has been independent and free, that inevitably changes. The new parent now must stay close to home and may find life much more confining. If the new child is very young, the absence of a husband or wife usually means the extensive — and expensive — use of baby sitters. An alert parish community can offer to help single parents occasionally when they must spend extra hours at work or attend meetings.

IN OUR PARISH — Holy Cross in Durham, N.C. — members, including myself, the pastor, will take a couple of adopted children overnight on a weekend to give the single parent a night off. (When the pastor takes his turn, the rectory is never quite the same!)

If adoption spells a new life for the parent, it also has a deep effect on the child. When the child is the product of a series of foster homes, he or she may well ask: "Is this just another foster home for me?" or, "When will I have to leave here too?" It can take many months or even years for the child to answer that question. A loving parish community, and especially the younger members, can provide a sense of belonging to replace, or at least decrease, the child's insecurity.

Sensitive members of a parish community often discover as they care for single, adoptive parents that they themselves are being ministered to — by the single parents. The courage and unselfishness inherent in single persons' willingness to radically alter their lives constitutes the love of Jesus for his little ones in our day. The single parent who adopts a child manifests that love. Through that gift the single parent cares for and ministers to the parish community.

Love and Its Simple Qualities

By FATHER JOHN J. CASTELOT

We are reliably informed by writers of the first Christian centuries that the consistent reaction of pagans to the Christian communities was one of amazement. They expressed it this way: "Look at those Christians — how they love one another!"

In a world characterized by selfishness, cold indifference, inhuman class distinctions, hostility and violence, here were groups made up of all kinds of people from all strata of society living together in mutual acceptance and peace. And the acceptance was not just grudging toleration; they loved one another to such an extent that as communities they projected this dominant image of love.

Today, almost 20 centuries later, what picture does the Christian community, the parish, the Catholic Church, project to our

world? When the church is mentioned in just about any context, how often is its love the first thing to come to mind? Do our primary preoccupations give rise to an image in which love figures dimly, if at all?

Still, love is supposed to be our overriding concern. Jesus said: "This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you." (Jn. 15:12). In fact, Jesus wanted love to be the hallmark, the badge of identification, of his true followers: "This is how all will know you for my disciples: by your love for one another." (Jn. 13:35).

Paul was only echoing Jesus when he wrote in so many places about the absolute primacy of love, especially in that classic "Hymn to Love" in 1 Corinthians 13. This magnificent passage ends with the ringing pronouncement: "There are in the end three things that last: faith, hope and love, and the greatest of these is love."

WHAT IS THIS love without which Paul says we are nothing? It is not some mythical, mystical, detached, abstract virtue floating around somewhere on cloud nine. It is the love which we are supposed to have for each other as human beings created in God's image and likeness. This means we are given a share in his creative love for everyone and everything. When Paul describes this love, he lists the down-to-earth qualities that should characterize it:

"Love is patient; love is kind. Love is not jealous, it does not put on airs, it is not snobbish. Love is never rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not prone to anger; neither does it brood over injuries. Love does not rejoice over what is wrong but rejoices with the truth. There is no limit to love's forbearance, to its trust, its hope, its power to endure"

All of this is so human! But it is also Christian, because only Christ's power enables us to love as authentic

human beings should love.

Bemoaning our unfortunate corporate image does not imply that, individually, Christians are not loving people. They are, thank God, very loving. Their love is constantly manifesting itself in surprising ways.

More and more often, we hear of single people adopting children who would otherwise not know love. Single people, who choose to care for a child, display a special kind of unselfishness in voluntarily restricting that freedom which is theirs. They also show ingenuity in adapting their lives in order to give the child not only love but companionship.

Such a relationship calls for the support of the whole parish family, the community of love. It stands forth as a model of that selfless love by which Jesus wants his followers to be recognized.

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"Single parents can find more than just another person in their home. They usually experience a maturing process going on within themselves as well as in their children. Parents find themselves suddenly taking on roles such as guidance counselor, disciplinarian, confidant and friend."



Single Adoptive Parents

By MARY COYNE

People often assume that a single person is either too busy for husband and children or never had a chance for marriage and children. These assumptions are often unfounded and untrue.

Many singles lead full, rich lives. Still the single person may find a void in his or her life. Today some single people are making the important decision to adopt, a decision they would not have dreamed they could make 20 years earlier.

Betty, 39, decided to adopt a child several years ago. She never had wanted to marry and was satisfied with her career as an elementary school teacher. All her life Betty had loved children. She

chose her career because of this.

At age 33 she began to contact adoption agencies. She found the going rough. So many questions were asked: Can you adequately care for a child? Do you have the finances to properly raise a child? Do you have good relationships with family and friends? Will your child have others to depend on for an extended family relationship?

Adoption agencies do not make it easy for a single to adopt but they no longer make it impossible. Most agencies are concerned with the motives of the single persons. They must have better reasons than not having found a suitable mate or being lonely. Agencies look for older singles, often in their 30s, who are content to settle down and raise a child. The single person at times will only be considered for children who

could not be placed with couples. This might mean an older child.

Betty found that the agency had questions she herself had not considered. But she also felt that she had the kind of life that was suited to raising a child. Betty felt she and her friends had enough love to make a child feel cared for and wanted.

Finally, after a two-year search, the agency gave Betty permission to adopt a 14-year-old girl, Laura.

Betty's faith helped her through the entire process. She was raised as a Catholic and attended Catholic high school and college. "My faith was always important to me," she said. "I wouldn't have thought of adopting if I didn't have God to help me."

Betty said that sometimes

shortly after she adopted Laura, she talked to her about church and religious values. "Like most teenagers, Laura was not sure about what her religion meant to her," Betty said. "But after a few, long talks I think we've grown to understand how important religion is in our relationship."

AS BETTY has discovered, single parents can find more than just another person in their home. They usually experience a maturing process going on within themselves as well as in their children. Parents find themselves suddenly taking on roles such as guidance counselor, disciplinarian, confidant and friend.

If Laura becomes a mother herself someday, she will have the strong values, the love and the sense of responsibility that Betty has provided — as only a parent can.

An Adopted Daughter

By JANAAN MANTERNACH

A beautiful, young Jewish girl named Esther lived in the great kingdom of Persia. Esther, in Persian, means "star."

Esther stood out like a star among the other young girls in Susa, her home town. Everyone loved her, especially her parents and her uncle, Mordecai.

Esther's parents both died while she was still young, leaving her an orphan. She was very sad. Her uncle, Mordecai, decided to take Esther into his home. He adopted her as his daughter.

Because Esther was so beautiful, the king of Persia invited her to live at the royal palace. There were other young girls there, but the king liked Esther best of all.

Mordecai missed Esther very much. He worried about her. He wondered what would happen to her in the palace of the Persian king. So each day Mordecai walked back and

forth in front of the palace hoping to hear how Esther was doing. One day he heard that the king had named Esther queen of Persia.

About the same time the king gave a man named Haman a high position of honor in the kingdom. This meant everyone had to kneel and bow down before Haman wherever he went.

MORDECAI REFUSED to kneel before Haman. As a devout Jew Mordecai would bow down only before God. When Haman learned of this, he plotted to have Mordecai and every Jew in the kingdom killed. Haman's servants rolled dice to set the day on which Mordecai and all the Jews would be killed. The dice pointed to the 13th day of the month.

Haman then told the king lies about the Jews. He said the Jews refused to obey the king's laws. He said they should all be put to death. The king told Haman to do whatever he pleased. So Haman sent out a decree in the king's name to the

whole kingdom ordering the Jews to be killed on the 13th day of the month of Adar (February-March).

The king did not know that Esther was Jewish. Mordecai sent a message to Esther begging her to save the Jews from death. Mordecai told Esther that he and all the Jews in Susa would fast and pray for her.

Esther was terribly afraid. She prayed to God for help. She believed God was more powerful than the king of Persia with all his armies. She believed God cared about her and the Jewish people. So she begged God to help her change the king's mind.

Esther prepared two great banquets for the king. During each banquet he promised to give her anything she asked because he loved her very much. Calling up all her courage, Esther asked the king to spare her life and the lives of all the Jews in the kingdom. Esther told the king she was a Jew, the adopted daughter of Mordecai. She said

Haman decreed the death of the Jews because he was angry at Mordecai.

BECAUSE OF HIS love for Esther, the king immediately punished Haman. He then invited Mordecai to the palace and gave him Haman's important job. The king told Mordecai to write up a new decree about the Jews. Mordecai's decree saved the Jews from death and ordered them treated with honor. Esther as queen approved the decree and had it sent all over the kingdom.

Mordecai and Esther then ordered the Jewish people to celebrate this great day every year on the 14th and 15th days of the months of Adar. They called the feast Purim, because the dice thrown to set the date of the Jews' death were called "purim."

Jews around the world still celebrate the feast of Purim each year. This year Purim was celebrated on March 2.

Msgr. Jeremiah O'Mahoney, JFK's Winter Pastor, Dies

PALM BEACH — The Funeral Liturgy was celebrated Thursday in St. Edward Church, of which he was pastor emeritus, for Msgr. Jeremiah Patrick O'Mahoney who died Monday of pneumonia at the parish rectory.

Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy was the principal celebrant of the Mass of the Resurrection for the priest-lawyer nationally known as the "winter pastor" of the late President John F. Kennedy.

Hundreds of Florida priests, civic leaders, and community dignitaries participated in the Mass for the Irish-born priest known throughout the state.

A NATIVE of Skibbereen, County Cork, Ireland, where he received his early education, the 94-year-old priest had attended Niagara University and St. Viator Seminary and College, Bourbonnais, Ill., before ordination to the priesthood on June 6, 1914 in St. Patrick Cathedral in New York City.

Prior to coming to Gainesville, Fla. in 1928 when he was named director of the Newman Club at the University of Florida, Msgr. O'Mahoney had served as director of the Seminary Dept. of the Extension Society, Chicago; was a member of the faculty at Creighton University, Omaha, Neb. and

a chaplain at the U.S. Submarine Base, New London, Conn.

For 21 years as director of campus ministry at Crane Hall, he ministered to and advised Catholic students at the university and also enrolled in classes for a law degree awarded to him in 1933. That same year he was admitted to the Florida Bar and Federal Court. In 1937 he was admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court.

In 1934 Msgr. O'Mahoney was general chairman for the first national convention of the National Federation of Newman Clubs held in Jacksonville. Coincident with his appointment to Gainesville he also became the first Diocese of St. Augustine Director for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith in 1928 and served in that position for 10 years. He was the recipient of the National Award of the Cardinal Newman Honor Society and in 1933 received the Certificate of Merit from the University of Florida.

Msgr. O'Mahoney was elevated to the rank of a domestic prelate in 1953 by Pope Pius XII and in 1966 Pope Paul VI conferred on him the highest honor given to monsignori. The designation of Protonotary Apostolic granted him the privilege of wearing a mitre and a bishop's ring at certain times.



Msgr. O'Mahoney welcomes President-Elect John F. Kennedy to St. Edward parish, Palm Beach, in November 1960. Msgr. O'Mahoney had been a close friend of the Kennedy family for many years and traveled in Ireland later with President Kennedy. (Voice photo by Bill Sanders.)

In 1949, the late Archbishop Joseph P. Hurley, then Bishop of St. Augustine, named Msgr. O'Mahoney pastor of St. Edward Church, a post from which he retired in 1971 as pastor emeritus.

DURING PRESIDENT Kennedy's term of office a "hot line" to the White House was installed in the parish rectory for the convenience of the Chief Executive who attended Mass in St. Edward Church when his family was in Palm Beach. A photo of Msgr. O'Mahoney welcoming President Kennedy to St.

Edward Church on the Sunday after his election in 1960 was reprinted in newspapers and magazines throughout the world.

Msgr. O'Mahoney, who had a Ph.D. in Philosophy from Fordham University, Bronx, N.Y., was Diocese of Miami first director of the Society of the Propagation of the Faith from 1958 to 1960 and for 11 years was a consultant of the Archdiocese of Miami. He was director of the Priests' Eucharistic League from 1959 to 1971 and had served as a member of the

regional board of director of the Catholic Service Bureau and chaplain of the Palm Beach Serra Club. He was a consultant of the Cemeteries Board from 1969 to 1971.

Quattelbaum Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements for the burial in Our Lady Queen of Peace Cemetery.

Fr. John O'Donovan of St. Rose of Lima Parish, Miami Shores, as well as the Sisters of Mercy of Boca Raton, all come from Skibbereen, Ireland

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K/C Dinner/Dance

Boca Raton Council, K of C Council No. 7166, will sponsor its 2nd Annual High School Benefit Dinner-Dance on April 19, 1980. The Affair will be held at Ascension Catholic Church Parish Hall, Route 1, North, Boca Raton. Price per person is \$10.00 with roast beef dinner at 7:00 p.m., followed by dancing from 8:00 p.m. til midnight. Tickets limited to 150. No tickets sold at door. For tickets contact Mike Fscette at 391-4263, Carl Marturana, 395-5734, Ed Hudak, 368-7424, or Ed Cass, 482-2316.

Rummage Sale

On April 19, Boystown of Florida will hold its annual Rummage Sale, at Boystown, 11400 SW 137 Ave., adjacent to the new Tamiami airport. Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. A wide variety of items are for sale — pianos, organs, furniture, motorcycle, boats, etc. For more information call Boystown of Florida — 279-1722.

Single Catholics

Want to meet never-married Catholics in the Palm Beach area? Want an alternative to bar hopping? Catholic Youth Adult Club, (18040) Call Roger 683-3800 or Mary Beth 844-782 or Jo Ann 832-9386.

Flea Market

St. Clare's Women's Guild is sponsoring a Flea Market on April 19, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in St. Colare's Parking Lot, 821 Prosperity Farms Road, North Palm Beach. Household items clothing, plants, jewelry, baked good, misc. items. For information call Janet Mc Donough, 622-0286 also call her for registration for space, Margaret Plikaitis, 622-8938, or the parish office, 622-7477.

Home/School Assn.

The last general meeting of the St. John the Apostle Home and School Association for the school year will be held in the Parish Hall, 479 East 4th St., on April 16, at 7:30 p.m. This will be the final opportunity for parents wishing to register their children in St. John's for the upcoming school year of 1980-81, to obtain their new enrollment cards in the H and S Association. Currently valid

membership cards in this organization will be a requirement when registering students for school the following week.

St. Francis Fraternity

St. Francis Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order will meet on Sunday, April 20, at 1:15 p.m. at St. Francis de Sales Church, 621 Alton Road., Miami Beach. The reception ceremony will be held after the devine office and profession will take place during the 2:00 p.m. Mass. Meeting and fellowship will follow in the church hall.

Auction/Barbeque

An Auction and Barbeque, sponsored jointly by the Men's Club and the Women's Club, of St. Richard Parish, will be held on the parish grounds, 7500 SW 152 St., April 19., Auction starts at 1:00 p.m., and the Barbeque dinner will be served from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tickets for dinner are \$5.00 for adults \$2.50 for children and should be purchased by April 13. Anyone wishing to donate items for the auction please call the parish house at 233-8711.

Immaculata Festival

Immaculata LaSalle High School will be holding its first Festival beginning April 18, and run through Saturday, April 20. The festival will take place on the grounds located at 3601 S. Miami Ave., next to Mercy Hospital. Prizes, rides, games, Cuban and American food. Hours are: Friday, April 18: 6 p.m. - 12 midnight; Saturday, April 19: 12 Noon - 12 Midnight, Sunday, April 20, - 12 Noon to 12 midnight.

Garage Sale

St. Kieran's Parish is holding a Garage Sale on the Parish Grounds at 3605 S. Miami Ave., on April 12 and 13, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Card Party

Marian Towers Fourth Floor card party April 17 at 11:30 a.m.

Wedding Anniversaries

Couples celebrating their wedding anniversary during the month of April are cordially invited to renew their marriage vows on Sunday, April 13, at the St. Lawrence Church at the 11 o'clock Mass. Following the Mass the St. Lawrence Council of Catholic Women will host a reception for those couples, their families and friends in the cafeteria. 2200 NE 191 St. No. Miami. Please bring your wedding albums so we may share your reminiscences with you.

Villa Maria Breaks Ground for Pavilion

After two years of planning and obtaining the necessary governmental approvals, Villa Maria Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, sponsored by the Sisters of Bon Secours, officially began its newest phase of development — a new pavilion, March 29. Church dignitaries, government and community organizations, as well as Villa Maria Board members, staff, patients and families, gathered at the site of the expansion to participate in the ground breaking ceremony.

Warren R. Slavin, Executive Director, welcomed the audience. Robert Ferguson, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, introduced each of the speakers, as well as the members of the Board of Trustees.

After the speakers' comments, John J. Nevins, Auxiliary Bishop, blessed the site of the new pavilion.

Widow-ers Club

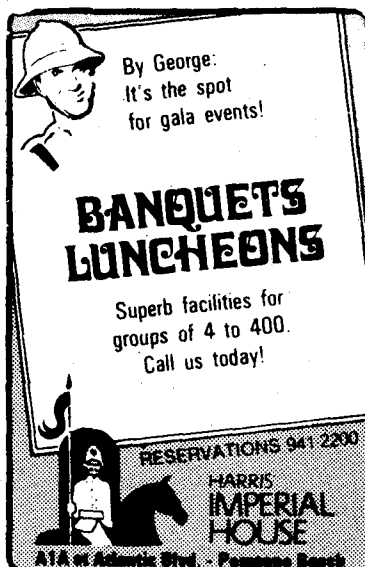
The Catholic Widowers Club is sponsoring a Hayride / Square / Dance / Barbeque on April 19. The cost is \$16.50 per person and reservations must be made. Call. 987-4493 after 6:00 p.m.

Women's Club

The St. Lawrence Council of Catholic Women will have a general meeting with election of officers on April 14. At the school cafeteria, 2200 N.E. 191 St., at 8:00 p.m.

Rummage Sale

St. Lawrence Council of Catholic Women will hold a Rummage Sale on April 12, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 2200 NE 191 St.



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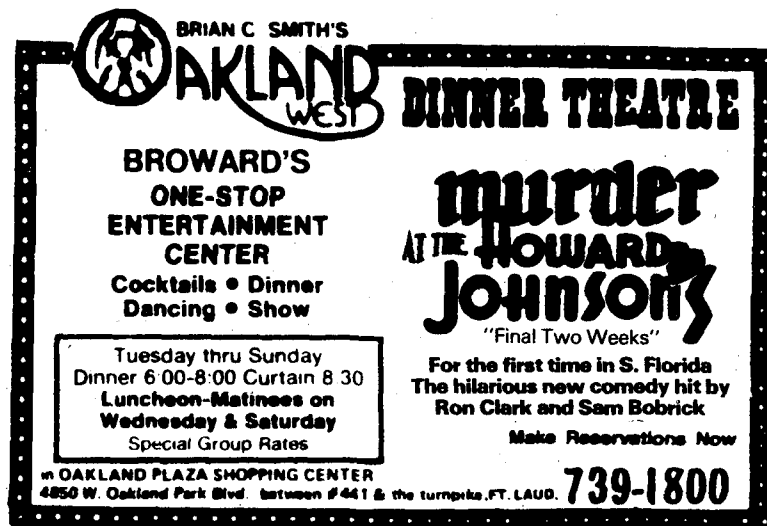
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'Squires Month' Set by Knights

April has been proclaimed "Columbian Squires Month" according to David Yoham, chief Squire of Our Lady of Good Counsel Circle 1223 in Coral Gables.

In making the announcement, Chief Squire Yoham explained that the original proclamation was issued at the Supreme Headquarters of the Knights of Columbus in New Haven, Connecticut, by Supreme Knight Virgil C. Dechant. The Columbian Squires is the Official youth group of the Knights of Columbus.

The proclamation stated, in part, that the Columbian Squires has been "forming Catholic Young men into knowledgeable, responsible, and involved citizens for over fifty-four years." presently 18,000 young men belong to over 950 circles throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico, and the Philippines.

The Chief Squire pointed out that our Lady of Good Counsel Circle has planned varied activities to help celebrate "Columbian Squires Month" in the Gables and the Southwest Greater Miami area.

Among these is a campaign designed to bring the benefits of membership to practicing Catholic young men in the area between the ages of twelve and eighteen. He urged interested, eligible young gentlemen to contact him or his brother Jerry at 261-7805.



MSGR. BRYAN WALSH, Director of Catholic Service Bureau, Inc., was presented the annual "Helping Hands" Award by Variety Children's Hospital, at their 30th Anniversary Dinner held recently at the Omni International Hotel. Mr. and Mrs. David M. Walters made the presentation.

Beach Orchestra Concert To Benefit Curley High

Archbishop Curley High School of Miami will host a benefit concert to be performed at the Theatre of the Performing Arts in Miami Beach on April 15, at 8:00 p.m.

Under the direction of conductor Barnett Breeskin, the Miami Beach Symphony Orchestra will perform works by Alfred Eisenstein, well-known local composer whose composition Adagio Lamentations reflects aspects of the "Holocaust". He will also present a piano solo.

Irene Patti Swartz, Metropolitan Opera trained soprano, and Bal Harbour resident will present a program of operatic arias.

A treat following intermission will be the Miami Boys Choir.

The program is an ambitious one and certainly promises to be a fine evening of entertainment. It affords us a great way to contribute to the High School's financial



ALFRED EISENSTEIN

needs and enjoy a pleasurable evening as well.

Tickets are deductible and can be purchased from the school by calling 751-8367. They are also available at Tapesville, 34 Miracle Mile, 444-8595; Allegro, 256 Giralda Ave., 442-8948; or they may be purchased at the door on the night of the concert.

For additional information please call Mrs. Maureen Joseph, ticket chairman at 576-4934.

Dominicans Set Centennial Celebration

The year 1980 is a very special year for the Dominican Sisters of St. Catherine de Ricci who serve in our diocese as well as dioceses along the east coast, in the midwest and southwest United States, and Latin America.

The community has completed 100 years of ministry to the people of God through spiritual retreats, religious education, pastoral ministry, residences for young women, social work, teaching, hospital chaplaincy, campus ministry, ministry to the separated and divorced Catholic, and marriage tribunal ministry. The sisters special

concern has always been the spiritual needs of women: their family, career, and the joys and sorrows of living out a spirit-filled vocation. The memories of the pioneer Sisters, their dedication and deep trust in God's Providence, becomes a sign of faith for the past 100 years, and a pledge of hope for the next 100 years!

Spiritual needs will always be a reality to be awakened, or a seed to be nourished. The spiritual provides substance for faith, and a sense of the Father's living presence...NOW!

The latest established retreat facility is the DOMINICAN RETREAT HOUSE in South Dade. It was dedicated by the late Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll, and opened for retreats in December, 1961.

The retreat house was planned for women's retreat programs. Presently, the Sisters see the retreat house as a center for spiritual renewal and growth, for special time to evaluate our relationship with the Lord and significant persons in our life, and for an opportunity to deepen our commitment to share the 'Good News'.

Their programs of spiritual retreats are planned to serve the needs of women, men, married couples, youth, spanish-speaking, young mothers, religious, and some ecumenical groups.

It is staffed by Six Sisters who devote all their time and energy to the promotion and planning of retreat programs, and the administration of the retreat house as well.

The first complete

program year was 1962, the statistics show that 835 people attended retreats. 1979 was the outstanding year, 3880 people walked through the doors and were touched by the Lord in a special way, and went out from the retreat house to share the Good News by living our Father's love. So let us join with the Dominican Sisters in prayers of praise and thanksgiving...

You are invited to join the Sisters of the Dominican Retreat House for their celebration here in Miami on April 19, 1980 at St. Louis Church. Auxiliary Bishops John J. Nevins and Agustin A. Roman will concelebrate a Mass of Praise and Thanksgiving at 3:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served after Mass at the Retreat House on 7275 SW 124 Street.

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"The United States should support and strengthen the government of Lebanon, persuade Syria to withdraw its forces in an orderly manner...so they can be replaced by the Lebanese army, step by step..." — Cdl. Cooke

Palestine Homeland Key to Peace

--Cardinal

By AGOSTINO BONO
NC News Service

Finding a homeland for the Palestinians is the key to settling Lebanon's domestic problems, according to Cardinal Terrence Cooke of New York.

The United States government should use its influence to obtain a Palestinian homeland, the cardinal added in a report made after a recent fact-finding trip to Lebanon. He did not say where the homeland should be.

The United States also should pressure Israel and the Palestinian guerrillas to end their hostilities in Lebanon, he added.

The activities of these external forces are a major reason causing domestic strife between Lebanese Christians and Moslems, he said.

Lebanon's 3.2 million people are about evenly divided between Moslems and Christian-led militiamen and supporters of the Palestinians, mostly Moslems. But the divisions were mostly political with Christians and Moslems fighting on both sides.

"Lebanon has become a battleground for external forces. Israeli forces and Palestinian forces have made the southern portion of that unfortunate land almost a desert," said the cardinal.

HE WAS REFERRING to the use of southern Lebanon by Palestinian guerrillas as a launching pad for raids into Israel and Israeli counterattacks into Lebanon. Guerrillas are aided by the presence of numerous Palestinian refugee camps in Lebanon.

"The armed Palestinian presence and the Israeli incursions

into Lebanon are interposed foreign elements blocking the internal reconciliation of Moslem and Christian Lebanese," he said.

"It was said to me on all sides, both by Christian and Moslem, that one of the basic causes of the Lebanese problem is the world's failure to provide a Palestinian homeland," said Cardinal Cooke.

The United States "should use its influence to obtain a homeland for the Palestinians, but not at the territorial expense of Lebanon," he added.

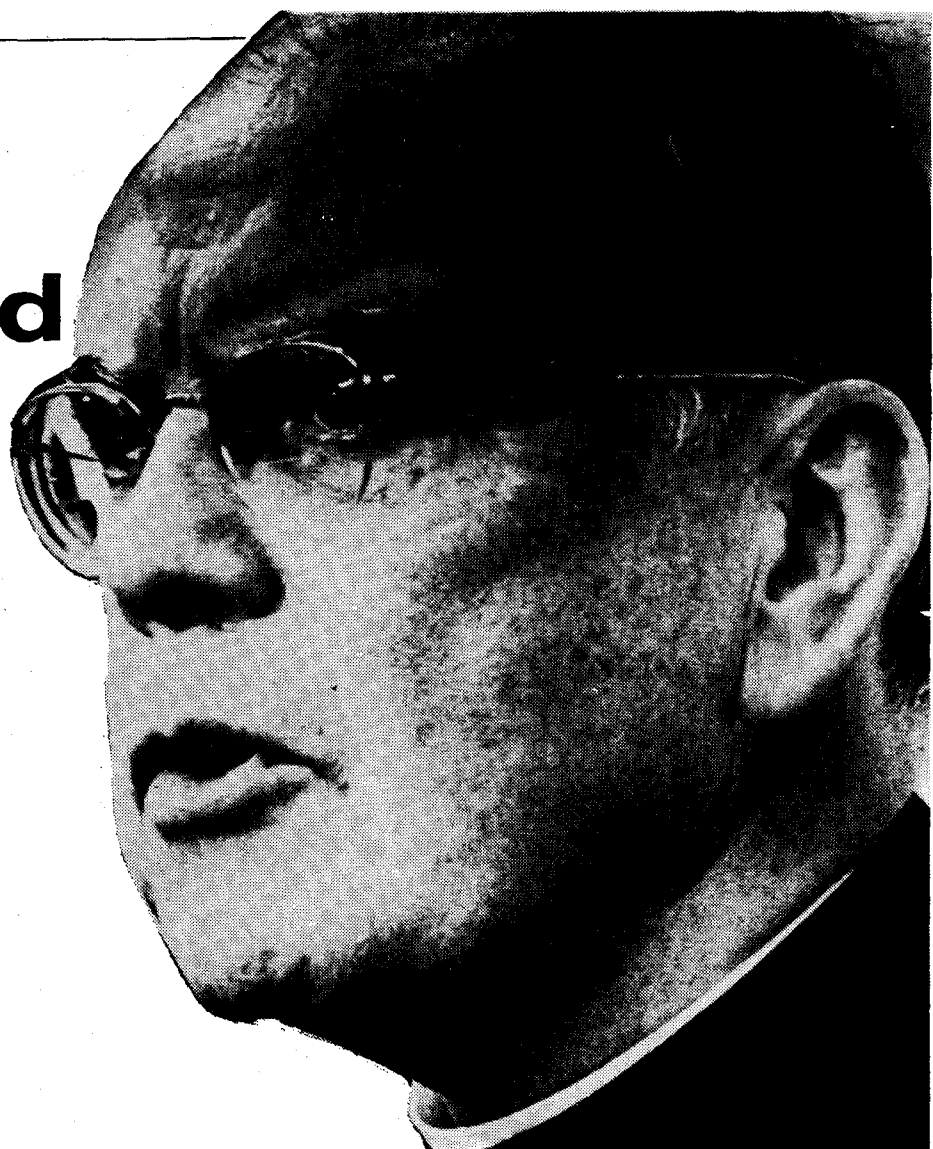
Christians and Moslems also agree that the unrest and violence in Lebanon "is not principally due to religious strife" but is caused by external pressures, he said.

Cardinal Cooke stressed that the settling of domestic problems should be left to the Lebanese as they have a history of peacefully solving disputes among themselves.

"Lebanon historically has nourished genuine pluralism on the basis of mutual respect among its diverse cultures and communities," he said.

TO HELP accomplish this, the United States "should support and strengthen the central government of Lebanon" and "persuade Syria to withdraw its forces in an orderly manner from Lebanon so that they can be replaced by the Lebanese army, step by step, over the whole of Lebanese territory," said the cardinal.

Syrian troops entered Lebanon after the 1975 fighting started as an Arab-approved buffer force between warring Lebanese factions. But they have often been accused of engaging in partisan fighting, mostly in favor of the Palestinians and their sup-



porters.

Currently, the central government is very weak with Syrian troops, armed Palestinians and Christian-led militiamen controlling different sectors of the country, said Cardinal Cooke.

Militiamen hold a strip of territory along the Israeli border and cooperate heavily with Israeli troops.

"Christians have a more particular reason to appreciate Lebanon. For this little country is perhaps the one place in the world where Christians and Moslems can live together without one community

dominating the other numerically and politically," he said.

Lebanon has about 500,000 Maronite-Rite Catholics, who form the largest Christian group in the country.

Cardinal Cooke visited Lebanon from Dec. 29, 1979, to Jan. 3, 1980, at the invitation of the Association of Catholic Patriarchs and Bishops of Lebanon. He went as a representative of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Cardinal Cooke prepared the report for the NCCB and it was read into the Congressional Record by Rep. Mary Rose O'Carroll (D-Ohio).

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STREET PEDALER — Msgr. James W. Asip, 67, director of the Brooklyn Society for the Propagation of Faith, pedals his 10-speed bicycle down a Brooklyn Street bypassing most cars and pedestrians who are caught up in New York's transit strike. The t-shirt he wears over his clerical suit reads, "Asip's the name, mission's my game."

NCCB Pastoral Letter on Health

WASHINGTON —(NC)— The U.S. bishops will get their first look at a proposed pastoral letter on health care when they meet in Chicago April 29 to May 1.

Liturgists: Pope Didn't Change Eucharist

By JOHN MAHER

WASHINGTON —(NC)— Pope John Paul II's letter to the bishops on the Eucharist neither introduces new changes in the Mass nor does away with the reforms approved by the Second Vatican Council, liturgists commenting on the letter said.

The liturgists noted that the letter cannot be interpreted as restoring the Latin Mass celebrated according to the rite approved by the Council of Trent in the 16th century, the Tridentine Mass.

"In no way can it be interpreted as a re-introduction of the Tridentine Mass," said Divine Word Father Thomas Krosnicki, executive director of the secretariat of the U.S. bishops' Committee on the Liturgy. The letter is "repeating the present directives with regard to the use of Latin, what the liturgical books state and the present practice of the church," he said.

"At the same time," Father Krosnicki noted, "the letter is urging sensitivity toward those who by background have a fondness for Latin."

Both Father Krosnicki and Father G. Thomas Ryan, director of the Center for Pastoral Liturgy at the Catholic University of America in Washington, noted that the letter was a pastoral reflection on the Eucharist addressed primarily to the bishops, and through them to priests, deacons and the laity.

The letter is "restating what has already been said," Father Ryan said. Calling it a "reminder," he added, "There's nothing really new."

DESCRIBING the papal letter as an "attitudinal statement," Father Ryan said it stresses the need to "safeguard the sacred dignity" of the Eucharist.

The pope apparently is "a little concerned that people have gone overboard on

change," he said.

Father Ryan also noted that the pope points out that there are procedures and norms for having a Latin Mass according to the reformed rite.

Father Frederick R. McManus, vice provost of the Catholic University of America and former executive director of the secretariat of the U.S. Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy, said there is "no implication whatever" in the letter that the Tridentine Latin Mass is being restored. The pope is merely saying, he explained, that "those educated or brought up in Latin should have the opportunity to have Mass in Latin."

Father McManus said the letter is a reminder that "if Latin is used, the provisions of the (Second Vatican) council with regard to the participation of the people and the provisions of Pope Paul VI for the revision of the liturgy are to be observed."

Celebration of Mass in Latin, he added, "should be done so as not to interfere with the 95 percent of the people who prefer the liturgy in the vernacular."

Father McManus noted that the pope expressed concern about people receiving Communion while in a state of serious sin. "The pope seems to be saying that this may be more likely to happen when more and more people go to Communion," he said. "I could not even speculate whether there would be many instances of this."

Concerning receiving Communion in the hand, Father McManus said, "I've never heard of a single authenticated case of abuse" of the practice. "The pope is very clear that the practice is not to be changed," he added.

IN THE LETTER, the pope "reflects on the importance of the Eucharist in relation to the Christian life," Father Krosnicki said. "He sees it as important for the

unity of the church."

Then, in the context of the importance of the Eucharist, the pope "offers us some caveats," Father Krosnicki said, citing the letter's statements that:

- o There is to be no replacement of scriptural readings by other texts;

- o The homily is the place for the use of non-scriptural texts;

- o The order of the liturgical books is to be followed;

- o Proper vestments are to be used.

While the Second Vatican Council stated that complete participation in the Mass involves the reception of Communion, Father Krosnicki said, the pope "wonders whether everyone is properly disposed" to receive Communion.

Concerning Communion in the hand, the pope "notes that the practice is approved by the church," he said. "At the same time, there are cases of lack of respect" or instances where people are not given the option of receiving Communion on the tongue, he added. "I'm not aware of any widespread abuse," the priest said.

FATHER KROSZNICKI said the pope introduces "no new liturgical reforms, but does ask for change if people have not been respectful of the Eucharist."

The papal letter contains "food for thought for everyone," he said, "for those who have not accepted the Vatican II reforms" and "for those who in excessive enthusiasm have gone to another extreme."

The letter is "not giving in to Archbishop (Marcel) Lefebvre (the leader of a movement opposing many of the Vatican II reforms and insisting on the celebration of Mass according to the Tridentine Rite)," Father Krosnicki said. "It says that the norms of the recent liturgical reforms are to be respected. It's not backtracking."

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Something for Everyone At Music Convention

By KEVIN THOMAS

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Music, it is said, is a force that brings people together. This is happily true for Gary Ault, Mike Balhoff, Buddy Caesar and Darryl Ducote (better known as The Dameans), four diocesan priests who hail from various areas of Louisiana.

Nationally known for their original liturgical music, The Dameans have produced seven albums as well as traveling throughout the United States presenting workshops, singing concerts and providing music for liturgies. Their entertaining

and instructive talents in the field of liturgical music can be experienced first-hand at the National Pastoral Musicians Convention, ("Faith and Fiesta"), to be held April 14-17 at the Deauville Hotel on Miami Beach.

EXAMINING the vast scope of music for the liturgy, the convention will offer something for anyone interested in planning and/or experiencing good liturgy. The Dameans will not only conduct workshops during "Faith and Fiesta," they will also present a concert the evening of "Youth Day," April 15. Their first session will be "Celebrant and Musician: Roles in Dialogue."

The Dameans' other workshop is part of the special above-mentioned "Youth Day" package available for those attending the whole convention or those

able to attend one day only. That day will feature, as well as The Dameans, Brother Alfredo Morales, ("Musicians: Ministers of Faith") and other talented speakers — artists presenting such inviting sessions as "Guitar as a Liturgical Instrument," "An Alive and Lively Gospel" (on the subject of Sacred Dance) and "El Repertorio Contemporaneo Español". The Dameans, on that day, will speak on "Music in the Rhythm of the Liturgy", examining the flow and rhythm of liturgy and music's place in that flow.

For further information on this "first-of-its-kind-in-this-area" convention contact either Fr. Jim Fetscher or Sr. Mary Tindel at the Office of Worship and Spiritual Life, 6301 Biscayne Blvd., Miami 33138 or phone 757-6241, Ext. 241 or 242.

Fr. Devaney Receives Award

WEST PALM BEACH.— This week, Fr. Michael Devaney, O.M.I., Pastor of Mary Immaculate Church, Spencer Drive, West Palm Beach, received a special award recognizing his "sterling leadership, unselfish devotion and humanitarianism" as President of the Ministerial Fellowship of the Palm Beaches during the last two years.

The Reverend Carl Hanks, Pastor of the Grace United Methodist Church and host on this occasion, presented the plaque to Father Devaney during special ceremonies noting the "deep appreciation" of the Ministerial Fellowship.

The members of the Ministerial Fellowship of the Palm Beaches also welcomed William J. Brooks, General Manager of Channel 5 T.V. as guest speaker. Father Raymond Hubert, M.S., Director of Pastoral Care at St. Mary's Hospital, is now President of the Ministerial Fellowship of the Palm Beaches and presided at the meeting.

Bp. Tracy Dies In New Orleans

BATON ROUGE, La. —(NC)— The founding bishop of the Baton Rouge Diocese, retired Bishop Robert E. Tracy, died April 4, Good Friday, in New Orleans.

Bishop Tracy, 70, was bishop of Baton Rouge from November 1961 until his retirement in March 1974. He was succeeded by Bishop Joseph V. Sullivan.

A native of New Orleans, Bishop Tracy served as auxiliary bishop of Lafayette, La., from 1959 to 1961. He had been a priest for 47 years.

Fla. Bishops, Officials Invited to 'Red Mass'

Gov. Robert Graham and other Florida cabinet officers, members of the judicial, executive, and legislative branches of government, and area lawyers have been invited by Bishop Rene H. Gracida to attend the annual Red Mass Wednesday April 16 in the Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More at 6 p.m. The Mass, celebrated by Florida's seven Catholic bishops, coincides with the beginning of Florida's legislative session.

The Red Mass, or the Votive Mass of the Holy Spirit, is offered to ask the Holy Spirit to keep lawyers, judges and legislators true to the course of justice.

Fr. Frederick R. McManus, a legal scholar at

Catholic University of America, will be the guest homilist. He has served as a consultant to the pontifical commission for revision of the code of canon law, was awarded an honorary LL.D. from Stonehill and St. Anselm's colleges, received the Pax Christi Award from St. John's University.

Concelebrating with Bishop Gracida at the Mass, which is open to the public, will be: Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy of Miami, Bishop John J. Snyder of St. Augustine, Bishop Thomas J. Grady of Orlando, Auxiliary Bishop John J. Nevins of Miami, and Auxiliary Bishop Agustin Roman of Miami; and Bishop W. Thomas Larkin of St. Petersburg.

Acolyte Rites Slated for 10 Candidates

Auxiliary Bishop Agustin Roman will confer the Ministry of Acolyte on 10 candidates to Permanent Diaconate April 19 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Seminary, Boynton Beach.

The candidates comprise the second class of permanent deacons in the Archdiocese of Miami.

Those who will receive the Ministry of Acolyte, and their parishes, are:

Mitchell Abdallah, Annunciation; William Bennet, San Marco; Ignatius DiLeonardo, St. Stephen's; Vincent Farinato, St. Stephen's; Jose Guerra, Our Lady of Divine Providence; James Hampton Church of the Little Flower, Coral Gables; Joe Pearce, St. James'; Roger Shaw, St. John the Apostle; George Sutcavage, St. Pius X; William Watkins, Little Flower, Hollywood.

Present on the altar during the ceremony will be the first class (1979) of ordained permanent deacons and clergy of the Archdiocese.

Youth Convene in May

The Archdiocesan Youth Convention will be held at Boca Raton College Friday, May 31 through Sunday, June 1. The theme for this year's meeting is "Reach Out."

Deadline for registration is May First. The fee is \$45. After deadline the cost will be \$50.00 Up to 14 youth and adult advisors per parish can participate. All will be accepted on a first come first serve basis.

The convention will feature a production of "The Witness," workshops, talks, and a banquet and dance.



Kelly Hyatt of Columbia, S.C., sits barefoot as she appears before a Senate Judiciary Committee hearing in Washington. The committee is holding hearings on the reauthorization of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974. At left is Sister Barbara Scanlon.

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The people of St. Pius X Parish at Ft. Lauderdale celebrated the 50th anniversary of the ordination of their Pastor, Fr. John Francis McKeown at a special Mass on Palm Sunday and with a surprise reception in the Church Hall, at which

he was complimented in various ways by the faithful of St. Pius X Church.

Fr. McKeown is the son of the late Doctor Arthur H. McKeown and his wife, Catherine Devlin McKeown of Rockledge, Florida. He was reared at his maternal

grandfather's winter residence, which was built in 1893 on the banks of the Indian River and was for many years, the headquarters of the missionary priests in the Indian River District.

Father McKeown attended public schools of Brevard County and attended

the Catholic University of America at Washington, D.C., where he was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He finished his preparation for the priesthood after five years at the Pontifical Roman Major Seminary of the Lateran University and was ordained to the priesthood by Cardinal Pompili, Vicar of Rome, March 15, 1930. Aside from his theological studies, he was trained in scientific historical research and was granted the rank of Philosopher in History.

Upon returning to Florida, Father McKeown was assigned to St. Paul's Church in Jacksonville as assistant pastor, where he remained until October 1934, when he was made Rector of the North Florida missions, with residence in Perry and with churches in Perry, Madison, Live Oak and Lake City.

In 1940 he entered the Army as a chaplain and experienced combat duty in the South Pacific.

After World War II, Father McKeown was administrator of Christ the King Parish in Tampa. He then went to Eustis, to St. Mary of the Lakes Parish, where he remained until Auxiliary Bishop, Thomas McDonough, sent him to West Palm Beach to build St. Juliana Church, School, Cafeteria and Convent and to become Pastor. After this, late in 1953, he was transferred to Stuart as Pastor and to complete the construction of the mission of St. Christopher's at Hobe Sound.

After less than two years in Stuart, he was assigned as Pastor to St. Helen's Parish in Vero Beach. During the ten years he was there, he completely decorated the new Church of St. Helen and built the School and Convent. In 1964, Archbishop Carroll called him to Miami to be Pastor of Visitation Parish, where he remained until 1968, when he was appointed Pastor of St. Pius X Parish of Fort Lauderdale, where he now remains active.

In addition to his parochial work, Father McKeown has fulfilled several assignments for the Secretariate of State of the Church in North and South America.

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Too Much T.V.? Try Her 'Diet'

By STEPHENIE OVERMAN

Television watching is like eating cookies, Joan Wilkins believes — it's easy to overindulge. So she devised "a television diet to help people lose 10 pounds, 20 pounds or 30 pounds."

A lot of people must be fed up with their television diet because Mrs. Wilkins said her book, "TV Guide-Away," has generated a "fantastic response."

From her home in Pearl River, N.Y., she said she has had several hundred orders for the television book which tells people how to "watch some, a little bit or none" through a

"Have you ever watched your children watching television? They look like they've had the child knocked out of them."

Joan Wilkins

four-week step-by-step program. Information on the book was published in the U.S. Catholic Conference Communication Department's Media Notebook column sent out by NC News Service.

"All kinds of people write in asking for the book. I've had letters from at least 20 states" and feedback from about 500 families, she said March 3. However, she said she has not received any response from the television networks.

Typical responses from families, she said, are "we need all the help we can get," "My children were drugged by the machine," and "I got my family back" after

learning to "pull the plug" on television.

Mothers are concerned that they'll have no entertainment for their children without television, Mrs. Wilkins said, but mothers learn that children do know how to play and the children are almost relieved when they're told they can't watch so much television.

"A friend asked me once, 'Have you ever watched your children watching television? They look like they've had the child knocked out of them.' I think that's a good description, *there's no life in them, they just stare*," Mrs. Wilkins said.

MRS. WILKINS doesn't rely just on her own observations. She said she drew from all the studies she could find to explain the dangers of television.

In her book she lists "25 things I find really terrible about television."

Television encourages violent behavior, faulty nutrition and makes mini-consumers out of children, she charged. "They're told to buy sexy jeans when they're six," she said.

The list of terrible things includes physical problems such as eye disorders and hyperactive or lethargic behavior extremes. Mrs. Wilkins said the American Medical Association and the American Pediatric Association have found an increase in television-related accidents, epileptic seizures and nightmares.

"The brain goes into an alpha state when a person watches television. It's like a sleep state, there are dreams, but they are not pleasant," Mrs. Wilkins said a UCLA study has shown. "When a child comes out of the alpha state after watching television all



morning, he's cranky," she said and has a difficult time responding to people.

Television is "making it easier for children and adults to relate to things" instead of people, she charged.

"In "TV Guide-Away" Mrs. Wilkins maps out ways for people to help each other cut out television watching. She gives hints on activities for families "to help them maintain their sanity.

"It doesn't dawn on people to just turn it off — they need instruction," she said. She's found that often people hedge the problem of how many hours of television they watch.

"TV-Guide Away" is available from the Roan Press, P.O. Box 785, Pearl River, N.Y. 10965. The price is \$3.95 plus 70 cents postage.)

'Sound of Music' Gone From Families?

by JOSEPH LAROSE



MARIA VON TRAPP

NEW ORLEANS—(NC)— The woman known to millions as Maria in the movie "The Sound of Music" lives in Stowe, Vt., at the Trapp Family Lodge, which her son Johannes manages.

The young Austrian novice, who became the wife of Baron von Trapp and the mother of his — and, later, their — children, is today the grandmother of 30 children and great-grandmother of 11.

MARIA VON TRAPP was in New Orleans to talk on "Freedom" at St. Rita Church. She has a healthy, weathered, outdoorsy look and clear blue eyes that reflect a lifetime of purpose and serenity.

She recalled that in Austria people certainly didn't think they would lose "their precious freedom. Time and again it happens," she said. "We must remember that no free country can exist if there is fear."

Mrs. von Trapp shared some

firm views on contemporary family life that related to her theme on freedom.

She called the baby-sitter the "tragedy of our time. Time and again I say, 'Get the mothers back in the home.'

"The baby-sitter is reading or watching television. She hears the baby cry. She hates to be disturbed, but she changes the baby, then puts it back in its crib and picks up a book or returns to her program.

"When the mother hears the baby cry, she picks up the baby and changes it, and she loves it and cuddles it. Because it's her baby. Before, we had grandparents and uncles and aunts that were part of the family."

Divorce, she said, is about "the worst (thing) that can happen. But it's almost a matter of everyday life now. It's very tragic."

The idea of working mothers is very distasteful to her. "The mother belongs in the home. The word

'baby-sitter' didn't exist when we came to America (just before World War II). Now many mothers work for the second car. As a result, there's no family spirit."

AT ODDS with each other, she said, are family faith and television. "There's no substitute for family prayer. I am amazed that prayer should be considered something exceptional. Saying grace used to be a matter of course, not just a formality."

"Television could educate a nation in one year, could elevate a nation," she said. "And what does it do? It plays to the most base instincts...TV is the unpaid baby-sitter."

Ultimately, Maria von Trapp believes, the health of a society is judged by its attitude toward children. And "abortion tells you much about the attitude toward children and people are considered stupid if they don't have an abortion. This will draw the wrath of God on the nation."

Because, she said, "when God came, he came as a helpless newborn baby. He sanctified birth. With abortion, nothing is sacred, nothing is holy."

Obispo Román Pide Ayuda Para Cubanos en Embajada

Una gran multitud de Cubanos se congregó en la Ermita de la Caridad en Miami, llenando todo el área en solidaridad con los miles que han ocupado la Embajada de Perú en La Habana, para pedir a la Patrona de Cuba que auxilie a sus hijos que ansían libertad.

Unos 20,000 Cubanos demostraron su simpatía por la causa de sus hermanos agitando banderas cubanas y americanas mientras gritaban "Cuba Si, Rusia No" y sonaban las cornetas de sus autos en el Bayfront Park, a los largo de Biscayne Blvd., el "downtown", Flagler y la Calle 8.

Monseñor Agustín Román, Obispo Auxiliar de Miami, ofreció una Hora Santa a las ocho de la noche del pasado Lunes día 7 de Abril, rogando al Señor Resucitado que ayude a los cubanos que corren un gran peligro en La Habana en estos momentos.

A continuación ofrecemos la apelación que hiciera Mons. Román a todos los pueblos, en especial a los Estados Unidos, para que socorran a los cubanos asilados en la Embajada Peruana antes que ocurra una tragedia.

Apelación de Mons. Román
Cuando celebraba el Viernes Santo

a los pies de la Virgen de la Caridad, Patrona de Cuba, oraba con la Iglesia que reza por todos los hombres, incluso por los que no tienen fe, y meditaba una de las oraciones de la liturgia del día, en la cual se pide a Dios que "libere de la injusticia a los perseguidos y redima a los encarcelados".

Hoy, Lunes de Pascua de Resurrección, ante los graves acontecimientos que están desarrollándose en Cuba, vuelven a mi mente una vez más las palabras de la liturgia y me dirijo por este medio a los organismos internacionales para exhortarles a que, en cumplimiento de los más elementales deberes de humanidad, lleven a cabo una acción rápida y eficaz que pueda evitar una catástrofe entre los Cubanos que se han refugiado en la Embajada del Perú en La Habana.

Esta petición que hago pública como obispo de Jesucristo no es más que el eco de las conclusiones de la reunión de los obispos latinoamericanos en Puebla en la cual se dice que "La iglesia hace un urgente llamado a la conciencia de los pueblos y también a las organizaciones humanitarias para que se fortalezca y se generalice el derecho de asilo, institución genuinamente lati-



noamericana, forma actual de la protección que brindaba antes la Iglesia", y "para que los países amplíen sus cuotas de recepción de refugiados y emigrantes, y que se agilice la implementación de los acuerdos y mecanismos de integración competentes en es-

tas acciones", (no. 1292).

Confío en que la comunidad Católica de Miami cooperará en los esfuerzos humanitarios que se realizan actualmente en la ciudad.

Agustín Román
Obispo Auxiliar de Miami

Firman Documento por Violencia en Salvador

San Salvador —(NC)— Una bomba lanzada según testigos desde el Palacio Nacional sobre la muchedumbre de 200,000 personas que asistían a los funerales en la Plaza Barrios del arzobispo asesinado de San Salvador, Mons. Oscar Romero, y los disparos

desde el mismo sitio causaron más de 40 muertos y 250 heridos. Muchas de las víctimas murieron asfixiadas o estrujadas contra la cerca al abalanzarse la aterrorizada muchedumbre hacia la catedral o las calles laterales para escapar a las balas. La Coordinadora Re-

volucionaria de Masas que ayudó a la concentración popular fue acusada por la junta militar de provocar el desorden, pero testigos que incluyen a los dignatarios de varios países y las delegaciones protestantes firmaron una aclaración sobre puntos específicos,

que dice en parte:

"Nosotros obispos, pastores de diversas Iglesias cristianas, superiores de órdenes religiosas, sacerdotes y laicos nos vemos en la obligación de rectificar el comunicado del gobierno pues no sólo hay graves falsedades en la narración de los hechos sino también en su interpretación que pueden llevar a graves errores y confusiones."

"Nadie pretendió arrebatar el cadáver de Mons. Romero; por el contrario todas las personas y grupos se portaron con gran respeto y devoción hacia sus restos."

"La Coordinadora Revolucionaria de Masas entró en la Plaza Barrios pacífica, respetuosa y ordenadamente y sus dirigentes colocaron una corona junto al féretro."

"Es falso que haya habido presión alguna por parte de la coordinadora para obligarnos a permanecer dentro de la catedral. Si nos quedamos dentro de ella aún después de que empezó la agresión fue por nuestro deseo cristiano de acompañar a tanta gente aterrorizada, que se apretujaba penosamente en el interior del sagrado recinto."

"Pudimos apreciar desde las gradas de la catedral y sus torres, ... que, (a) súbitamente se escuchó la detonación de una fuerte bomba que varios testigos aseguran haber visto arrojar desde el Palacio Nacional, (b) luego sonaron ráfagas y disparos que varios de los sacerdotes aseguran procedieron de la segunda planta del Palacio Nacional, (c) pudimos comprobar la presencia desde primeras horas de los cuerpos de seguridad en las calles de San Salvador y los accesos a la ciudad, (d) podemos asegurar que algunos miembros de la Coordinadora realizaron algunas acciones consistentes sobre todo en quemar carros supuestamente para asegurarla huida de la gente."

Los firmantes agregan que "nos sentimos solidarios y continuadores de la misión profética de Mons. Romero, haciéndonos eco de sus últimas palabras con que suplicaba y ordenaba en nombre de Dios que cese la represión y se suspenda toda orden de matar." Además, "somos testigos de la grave deformación de los hechos y de la falsa interpretación que ha dado el gobierno de El Salvador."



Los cadáveres de mujeres, niños y hombres yacen en las calles de San Salvador. Estos tristes y vergonzosos hechos, producto de la más elemental falta de principios Cristianos, son la muestra de que ninguno de los bandos contendientes, radicales de izquierda y derecha, están capacitados para dirigir los destinos de un pueblo.

¡Deja que Salga Mi Pueblo!

Por Hna. Bertha Penabad

Esta frase bíblica se hizo realidad una vez más en este Domingo de Pascua de Resurrección, cuando el grito de 10,000 hermanos nuestros, allá en nuestra patria, nos hizo repetir esa oración que esta vez salía de los que ya habíamos pasado el Mar Rojo y queríamos tenderles una mano, en la cual depositábamos nuestro corazón.

El pueblo Cubano en masa se volcó a las calles de Miami, como siempre, con ese aire festivo que ribetea aún nuestras más profundas tragedias... Porque en éso no tenemos nada de griegos, y nuestros dolores y nuestras angustias siempre las envolvemos en fino papel de colores y con su "toque de choteo" cubano que para nosotros es parte de nuestra "sacralidad".

No podíamos dejar de terminar ese día, mojados por dentro y por fuera, sin llevar todo a los pies de Nuestra Virgencita de la Caridad. Allí, unidas a nuestro Pastor "guajiro", nuestro Obispo Msgr. Román, en nuestra Ermita que se encuentra frente a Cuba y es un pedazo de Cuba, terminamos el día, mejor dicho "comenzamos" el día, pues esta obra de unión y de ayuda entre hermanos no debe dejar de comenzar y continuar.

Como el pueblo Hebreo, nuestro exilio no es producto de una fatalidad del destino. Tenemos una "misión". Quiera el Señor hacer que lo comprendamos cada vez más y con mayor profundidad.

Festival Inmaculada-Salle

Desde Abril 18, Viernes, hasta el Domingo 20 se celebrará el primer festival de La Inmaculada — La Salle High School. Habrá toda clase de atracciones, aparatos mecánicos, juegos y gran variedad de comidas cubanas y americanas.

Durante el Domingo 20 habrá premios entre ellos un Monte Carlo completamente equipado. Las utilidades que dejen tanto el festival como la rifa serán usadas para renovar las facilidades atléticas y adquirir materiales educacionales muy necesitados. Los ex-alumnos de La Inmaculada — La Salle y todo Miami están invitados a asistir a este festival de primavera que estará abierto durante las siguientes ho-

ras:

Abril 18, de 6 p.m. a 12 de la noche.

El 19 y el 20, desde las 12m. a las 12 de la noche.

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Los Encuentros Familiares tendrán su próximo encuentro los días 12 y 13 de Abril, este Sábado y Domingo, en el Seminario St. John Vianney, 2900 SW 87 Avenida en Miami.

La Misa Familiar Comunitaria será el Domingo, día 13 a las 8 p.m.



El pasado Lunes 31 de Marzo se celebró la Santa Misa del Crisma y por el Jubileo de Oro y Plata de 19 sacerdotes de nuestra Arquidiócesis. El principal celebrante fue el Arzobispo de Miami, Reverendísimo Edward A. McCarthy y concelebraron los Obispos, deanes y sacerdotes en su jubileo. La Homilía estuvo a cargo del Señor Arzobispo McCarthy, quien los congratuló por sus muchos años de servicio a la Iglesia y les deseó muchos años más llenos de las bendiciones de Dios.

En la Misa se bendijeron los óleos sacramentales y se renovaron los votos de todos los sacerdotes, diáconos seminaristas y diáconos permanentes. Los sacerdotes que celebran su Jubileo de Oro son:

Reverendos Padres John F. McKeown, Joseph T. Burleigh, SJ, Monseñor Joseph P. Caramano, Nicholas Maestrini, P.I.M.E., Lawrence Mallette, John H. O'Connor y Harold T. O'Hara.

Los sacerdotes en su Jubileo de Plata son:

Monseñor John J. Donnelly, STB, y los reverendos Padres Michael Eivers, Mario González, Charles L. Jackson, Crhistopher Konkol, Francisco Pala, SP., Christopher Petrosky, TOR, Cyril Smith, OSA., Joseph V. Tyson, SSJ, Florentino Azcoitia, SJ., Canice T. Crawford, TOR, y Juan M. Dorta-Duque, SJ.

La Voz les desea a todos una larga vida de dichas en el servicio a Cristo Nuestro Señor.

29 Monjas Celebran Jubileo

El día 12 de Abril, Sábado, justo a la salida de esta edición, se celebrará en la Catedral de Sta. María, en Miami, una solemne Liturgia Eucarística con motivo de los Jubileos de Rubí, Diamante, Oro y Plata de 29 dedicadas Hermanas de distintas congregaciones quienes han ofrecido un buen número de años a los fieles de nuestra Arquidiócesis.

Presidirá la ceremonia el E.S. Arzobispo de Miami, Edward McCarthy.

Jubileo de Rubí. Muy pocas religiosas pueden disfrutar el privilegio de la Hna. Mary Ethel Baronner, SSND, de la Parroquia de la Visitación de Miami.

La Hna. Mary Ethel celebra su Jubileo de Rubí, es decir 70 años sirviendo al pueblo de Dios.

Jubileo de Diamantes. Hna. Mary Agnes Goheen, RSM, que sirve en el Hospital Holy Cross de Ft. Lauderdale, alcanzó el privilegio de celebrar su Jubileo de Diamantes 60 años de servicio a la Iglesia Católica.

Jubileo de Oro. 15 hermanas de distintas congregaciones cumplen los cincuenta años de servicios a la Iglesia Católica en sus fieles. Ellas son: la Hna. Mary Aidan Brennan, OP; Hna. Helen Mary Clements, CBS; Hna. Laura Dougherty, CJS; Hna., Ruth James Donohue, OP; Hna. Mildred Dubbs, OP; Hna. Doris Dutko, OSF; Hna. Emeline Evler, SSND; Hna. Rebecca Fromme, RSM; Hna. Mary Catherine Gaboer, OSF; Hna. Mary Clarette Fromme, RSM; Mary Rita Kelly, OSF; Hna. Mary Salome Kreft, SSND; Hna. Mary Patrick McClain, RSN; Hna. Mary Edward Mayer, OP; y la Hna. Paul Marie

Robertson, OSF.

Jubileo de Plata— Las siguientes 12 religiosas celebran su 25 aniversario. Hna. Anthony Atanasio y Hna. Gemma Atanasio, ambas de la Orden Religiosa de Nuestra Señora de la Caridad del Refugio, y ambas hermanas, hijas de los mismos padres y nacidas ciegas; pero este defecto físico se vio compensado por un tremendo coraje, un inagotable espíritu de servicio al prójimo y fortaleza de carácter. Ambas cumplen sus veinticinco años con la Iglesia de los cuales han servido más de 10 años en la Arquidiócesis de Miami. Hna. Marie Christopher Bursellson, SSJ; única nativa de la Florida entre todas las jubilantes. Hna. Mary Doran, OLVN; Hna. María Asunción García, RF; de España; Hna. Barbara Mary Marshall, RSM; Hna. Emmanuel McBarron, RSM; Hna. Frances McCabe, CBS; Hna. Eilish Murtagh, RSM; Hna. Yolanda Pomante, OP; Hna. Josephine Sherry, RSM; y por último la Hna. Agnes Valimont, quien no estará presente para la celebración debido a que volvió a la vida de clausura después de servir en la Arquidiócesis por 7 años. Su Jubileo será celebrado en su Monasterio de New Jersey.

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Cuando el Amor Construye, Dios Construye

Por José P. Alonso

No conocemos a una sola persona a quien no le gusten las historias, tanto las reales y heroicas como las de ficción. Cada día el género humano crea nuevas hazañas. Algunas no pasan del interés local mientras que otras captan la atención internacional.

Nuestra historia de hoy es una de estas últimas. Su personaje no busca fama ni gloria propia sino hacer su parte en la historia universal que escribe toda la humanidad. Comenzó en Puerto Cortés, República de Honduras, 54 años atrás con el nacimiento de una niñita a quien le pusieron por nombre María Rosa y quien quedó huérfana poco tiempo después. Una pareja de muy cristianos sentimientos la tomó en adopción brindándole seguridad y abundante amor, necesidad primaria de toda criatura.

Este personaje de leyenda pasó esta semana pasada por Miami acompañada de quienes han venido a ser también caracteres importantes en su obra: el Rvdo. Padre Guillermo Arcenault, misionero Canadiense, la señora Mirna Díaz de Mejías y dos de "los hijos" de María Rosa, la Srta. María Dolores Asturias de 22 años y Guillermo Legoll, de once.

Conocedores de la historia



A la hora de las comidas la "madre" dirige la oración

que está escribiendo María Rosa logramos que, a pesar del poco tiempo de su estancia, nos concediera una entrevista (cuatro horas) para obtener más información acerca de su vida y sus logros.

Nos dice María Rosa que desde muy niña sintió que cuanto la rodeaba, familia, amigos, naturaleza, todo le hablaba de Dios y en todo sentía su presencia; pero a la vista de un niño abandonado, o de un necesitado, la embargaba una muy profunda compasión. Tenía once años cuando expuso a sus padres estas inquietudes y ellos decidieron

mandarla a estudiar con las Hermanas Franciscanas. Allí creció en cuerpo y alma y allí descubrió su vocación: dedicar su vida a los huérfanos y necesitados de Honduras, y tomó los hábitos Franciscanos. De su propia orfandad ganó la experiencia que guiaría su ideal: el cariño que sus padres adoptivos le brindaron a ella debía ser disfrutado por todos los huérfanos.

"Poseer ese cariño es un derecho de todo ser humano. El ser huérfano no invalida tal derecho". Este lema es el motor que impulsó el comienzo de esta historia.



La Aldea Infantil de San Francisco en Construcción

13 de Marzo de 1967. Sor María Rosa se entera de que 14 niños que vivían en la Cárcel Central de Tegucigalpa, hijos de hombres y mujeres recluidos en el Penal y con quienes vivían, según costumbre en el país, hasta cierta edad, iban a ser sacados de la cárcel. ¿Qué sería de estas criaturas sin familia que velara por ellos? Pudo más su corazón que su razón y corrió a recoger a los infortunados. Empujada por la necesidad de subvenir a sus necesidades se dio a la tarea de buscar ayuda entre las personas que "tenían algo". Mirando al cielo dice que "una vez más Dios extendió su mano generosa en mi vida para proveer los medios".

Un buen número de Hondureños sintieron que la apelación de Sor María Rosa era un asunto que los atañía a todos y prestaron su apoyo. Tal fue el interés de estas generosas personas que además proveyeron los fondos necesarios para construir diez casas, según planeó la monjita, donde albergar a los niños. Sor María Rosa y sus colaboradores se dieron a la tarea de buscar y entrenar a las personas que habrían de ser "madres" para estas criaturas. Único requisito, mucho amor por los niños.

Estaban ya en construcción las diez casas cuando llega a Miraflores el nuevo Párroco, el Padre Guillermo, cuando

oye de la obra de Sor María quiere ir a la aldea" para ver qué está haciendo esa monjita loca." El Padre se quedó admirado y enamorado de la obra. Hoy es uno de los pilares del proyecto y es Director de "Amigos de los Niños" pero su entusiasmo va más allá de la dirección. Su mano está en todo y dondequiera; construye muebles, es plomero, mecánico, electricista, etc. Es un hombre de acción y se le ve en la granja enseñando a sembrar, a cosechar, a preparar alimentos... Como Sor María Rosa, ya llama a los niños "Mis Hijos".

Sor María habla del P. Guillermo con mucha gratitud y admiración y dice que es muy callado y nunca habla de lo mucho que hace por los niños.

El experimento dio muy satisfactorios resultados y los hombres y mujeres que ayudaron a Sor María decidieron formar una asociación bajo el título de "Amigos de los Niños". Fue tal el entusiasmo y el interés despertado que el Gobierno de Honduras y el pueblo prestaron su ayuda a la obra. Las diez casas estaban ya superpobladas.

"De nuevo sentí la presencia de la Divina Providencia en mi camino", repite Sor María Rosa." Esta vez a través de la Kinderdorf S.O.S. Interna-

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Vivir es Seguir a Cristo Dando Frutos de Vida

Por Hna. Margarita Gómez,
RMI

Ya se acerca la Jornada Juvenil y el Festival de la Canción Vocacional. El día 27 de Abril tendremos de nuevo la celebración de este acontecimiento en la juventud católica de Miami.

Ser cristiano es tomarse la fe en serio; es ser consecuente con el bautismo recibido y llevarlo hasta sus últimas exigencias.

El lema de esta Jornada Juvenil ha brotado de la reflexión sobre lo que es el bautismo.

Uno de los jóvenes que forman el Comité organizador di-

ce: "Discutimos durante un tiempo y, tras seria reflexión, llegamos a convenir todos en este tema: Vivir, es seguir a Cristo dando frutos de vida."

Preguntamos: ¿Para qué es esta Jornada Juvenil?

"Queremos concientizar a todos los jóvenes de su bautismo, de las exigencias que para cada uno tiene según los dones recibidos de Dios, ayudarles a descubrir su vocación y a optar.", dice la Hermana Margarita, Director-Asociado del Departamento de Vocaciones.

Eduardo, ¿Puedes decirnos cuándo comenzó a celebrarse este evento?

"Comenzó hace tres años.

Pensamos que Dios seguía llamando a vivir el compromiso cristiano con radicalidad. ¿Por qué no ser voz de Jesucristo en la canción?"

¿Qué acogida han dado los jóvenes a esa iniciativa de la Pastoral Vocacional?

"La acogida ha sido muy entusiasta", continúa Ana María. "Cada año el Comité Organizador está formado por jóvenes de varias Parroquias y siempre aprendemos de los años anteriores y tratamos de mejorar."

¿Ha habido muchos fallos en el pasado?

"Algunos, pero no los llamaría yo fallos. Un certamen de este tipo requiere mucho trabajo, lleva muchos detalles, y siempre se queda alguno suelto.", nos dice Eduardo.

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"El Festival no existe por sí mismo, — nos informa Ana

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Cuando El Amor... (Viene de la Pag. 3A)



Sor María Rosa y Padre Guillermo muestran un hogar a Carlos Márquez durante su visita.

tionale". auspiciadores de Aldeas Infantiles SOS creadas hace treinta años por Hermmann Gmeiner, ciudadano suizo sobrecogido por la cantidad de huérfanos que había en Europa después de la II Guerra Mundial. (La Voz, Diciembre 14, 1979, "30 Años de Aldeas Infantiles").

La Junta de Directores de la Kinderdorf SOS tuvo noticias de la obra que realizaba Sor María y la invitaron a afiliarse Amigos de los Niños al programa SOS, permitiéndoles recibir ayuda de tal organización.

La SOS Internacional facilitó los medios para la construcción de la Aldea Infantil SOS "Kennedy" y el gobierno de Honduras prestó ayuda y tierra y en 1970 ya se pudo alojar el excedente de niños de la Colonia Miraflores. Bajo el programa de la SOS se seleccionaron y entrenaron las mujeres, que serían "madres SOS" y que estarían a cargo de "la familia". Cada familia consta hasta de nueve niños y cuenta con la ayuda de las "tías". Este papel de "Tía" es el que corresponde a María Dolores Asturias, quien acompaña a Sor María Rosa, Ministra Laica Comprometida, y que luego de haber sido favorecida por el programa inicial decidió quedarse a colaborar en él.

Cada niño tiene su "padrino" y de éstos Sor María ha conseguido varios cientos en todas partes del mundo, incluyendo los Estados Unidos. Los padrinos tienen contacto directo y personal con los niños. La Asociación ofrece casa y todo cuanto necesita la "familia" para su subsistencia. La Aldea consta de varios edificios de varias casas cada uno, escuela, centro comunitario, campos de recreo y un Director-Consejero.

Cuando el trágico huracán Fifi azotó a Honduras dejando tras sí irreparable daños en vidas y bienes, la previsión o inspiración de Sor María Rosa salvó incalculable número de vidas. Evacuados los niños de la Aldea de Choloma por temor a la inundación, el lugar se convirtió en el campamento para damnificados del país donde se facilitó toda clase de ayuda médica, material y espiritual. En este momento se incorporaron los esposos Mejías y ella, Mirna Díaz de Mejías es actualmente la Secretaria Ejecutiva de "Amigos de los Niños".

Sor María Rosa y el Padre

Guillermo acaban de ver un sueño más cobrar vida con la inauguración de la última parte de la Granja-Complejo "San Francisco de Asís" que es un proyecto educacional-habitacional ubicado en El Valle Zamorano para muchachos y muchachas mayores de trece años que vivirán en edificios separados, situados a cada lado del complejo. En el centro está la escuela de estudios superiores, la enfermería, la capilla, los talleres de oficios, la escuela de agricultura y ganadería y dirección. A corta distancia está la Casa de Oración y Retiros.

La granja cuenta con una enorme extensión de terrenos, en su mayor parte cedidos por el Gobierno como piloto experimental para extender el programa a toda Honduras.

Ha sido tal el impacto de esta obra que el Instituto Nacional de Formación Profesional les ha brindado maestros técnicos y agrícolas para enseñar todos los oficios y todo lo relacionado con la agricultura, ganadería y apicultura necesarios para el desarrollo del país. La Granja se abastece a sí misma y ayuda al abastecimiento de las otras aldeas con el producto de sus tierras labradas, ganado, leche, cerdos, carneros, aves de corral, colmenas, etc.

Tiene 34 edificios y está habitada por 300 jóvenes, más el personal que los atiende.

He aquí una síntesis de todo lo realizado por la Asociación Amigos de los Niños bajo la iniciativa de Sor María Rosa y el apoyo del Padre Guillermo Arcenault.

Casa de Jóvenes Varones en la Colonia Miraflores. Son las diez primeras casas construidas en 1967.

Casa de Jóvenes Señoritas, construida después del lado opuesto a la de Varones en Miraflores.

En estas casas los jóvenes viven en grupos familiares bajo la supervisión de un director, un consejero, una secretaria y siete personas más a cargo del programa.

Aldea Infantil SOS "Kennedy". Tiene 40 hogares con unos 300 niños.

Aldea de Sula SOS. Consta de 16 edificios que albergan 206 niños y personal al cuidado de ellos. Está situada en Choloma, Dpto. Cortes.

Granja "San Francisco de Asís. Valle del Zamorano. De ella hemos dado todos los detalles.

Aldea Infantil SOS de

Tela. Es la mas nueva de las aldeas con trece hogares que alojan 100 niños y personal.

Casa de Jóvenes señoritas, alquilada a la Diócesis de Tegucigalpa. Viven allí 30 jóvenes de 16 a 22 años que asisten a la Universidad y trabajan para ayudarse después de haber completado su aprendizaje en las aldeas y casas de jóvenes.

Casa de Salud en un edificio de tres plantas con todas las facilidades médicas y dentales para atención de externos y de enfermos internos incluyendo una sala para infantes, laboratorios, farmacia, comedor, cocina, almacenes y vandería.

Centro Especial para niños con problemas de asimilación donde se analizan las aptitudes del niño y se recomienda la profesión más a tono con su habilidad y gusto.

Hogar "La Immaculada", también para niños con problemas que necesitan internamiento para atención especial. Situado en Choloteca. Extiende sus servicios a todos los niños del país, sin excepciones. Está atendido por cuatro jóvenes especializadas.

Por último, el Hogar Esperanza "Dorothy Gray", que lleva el nombre de la dinámica y generosa mujer norteamericana pionera en el apostolado para jóvenes madres abandonadas. Este programa es tan rico en amor, comprensión, formación y rehabilitación que merece crónica aparte.

Sor María Rosa Legoll ya no pertenece a Honduras, es de toda la humanidad. La Kinderdorf SOS Internacional le encomendó la edificación de las dos aldeas de Guatemala, la de Nicaragua y la del Salvador y la reorganización de la Aldea SOS de Quito, Ecuador donde existen tres. Hay Aldeas Infantiles de la SOS en México, Perú, Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Paraguay y Colombia. También en Egipto, Israel, India y otros países de Asia y Africa. Las primeras se edificaron en Europa.

La Sociedad Amigos de los Niños, Aldeas Infantiles SOS tiene padrinos en Miami y dos de ellos se encargan de todo lo relacionado con información sobre el programa; son los señores Carlos Márquez, quien pasó unos días visitando las Aldeas, y puede llamarse al teléfono 552-6710 y Luis Torres, por el 271-2235.

Baile de Amor en Acción

Para el Sábado 19 de Abril esta anunciado el baile que patrocina el grupo "Amor en Acción". Tendrá lugar en el salón de Ntra. Sra. del Líbano, 2025 Coral Way de 8 p.m. a las 2 a.m.

Los tickets de entrada se pueden comprar en la puerta y costarán \$6 por persona.

La recaudación del baile será para continuar los esfuerzos de "Amor en Acción" para continuar la construcción del Plan Casas de Nam Palan en Haití.

Pongan su Amor en Acción asistiendo a este baile familiar que tiene un fin de caridad cristiana.

Curso de Pastoral Hispana



El Rvdo. P. Casiano Floristán, del Instituto Superior de Pastoral de Madrid, con un grupo de alumnos de Pastoral Hispana.

Un curso bajo el título "Principios de la Pastoral Hispana" para comprender la dinámica Apostólica Hispana será ofrecido en junio próximo en el Instituto Pastoral del Sureste.

Serán presentados distintos aspectos de la problemática pastoral y su aplicación a nuestra situación concreta.

El curso será dirigido por un equipo de profesores. El P. Ricardo Ramírez, C.S.B., vicepresidente del MACC, tendrá a su cargo los temas de "Principios de Pastoral" y "Pastoral Familiar" los días 16 al 19. El P. Mario Vizcaino, Sch.P., Director del Instituto Pastoral del Sureste, desarrollará el tema de "La Pastoral Hispana

Regional" en los niveles juvenil, urbano y rural, durante los días 20 y 21 y el P. Casiano Floristán, del Instituto Superior de Pastoral de Madrid, presentará los temas sobre "La Acción Pastoral" durante los días 23 al 28.

El curso tendrá lugar del 16 al 28 de junio, 1980 en S. John Vianney College Seminary, 2900 SW 87 Ave., Miami, Fl. 33165. Podrán obtenerse con él tres créditos a nivel de graduados y 5 créditos para estudiantes por trimestre.

El costo del mismo es de \$180.00 con créditos y de \$50 sin créditos. Si necesita más información sobre el curso llame por favor al teléfono 223-7711.

Convención Fe y Fiesta

La Convención de la Pastoral Nacional de Música, que tendrá lugar en el Hotel Deauville en Miami Beach los días 14 al 17 de Abril, es la única reunión de su tipo donde por cuatro días consecutivos los interesados pueden compartir y aclarar ideas con los expertos sobre problemas de música litúrgica y aprender toda la gama de variaciones que pueden levantar la espiritualidad de la Parroquia a alturas inimaginables.

El programa de la Convención "Fe y Fiesta" ha sido planeado localmente de manera que las sesiones de interés especial y las de trabajo enfoquen las necesidades de nuestra Iglesia local en el sur de la Florida. Creemos ha de ser la mas significativa convocatoria de música litúrgica en la historia de la Arquidiócesis y los músicos, líderes de coro y sus cantantes, clérigos, juventud y educadores disfrutarán y crecerán por igual con esta experiencia.

El hermano Alfredo Morales, nacionalmente conocido en el campo de la Música li-

túrgica, Monseñor Joseph Champlin, Vicario Diocesano para Vida Parroquial en Syracuse, N.Y. Padre Lucien Weiss y el Padre Eugene Walsh, tendrán a su cargo las sesiones especiales. El grupo "Los Damaens," que tantos discos han producido, tendrán a su cargo la parte musical del programa y tomarán parte en las sesiones de trabajo.

Recomendamos a los interesados que se apuren en hacer sus reservaciones, pues la convención ha sido anunciada en toda la nación y muchas ya han sido pedidas desde Newfoundland, California, Puerto Rico, Minnesota y otros lugares incluyendo Canadá. Sería muy desagradable encontrar que no tenemos sitio para los interesados en la música litúrgica de nuestra Arquidiócesis. Así que "prever vale más que lamentar", apresúrese en hacer sus reservaciones.

Si necesitan alguna información adicional pueden ponerse en contacto con el Padre Jim Fetscher o la Hna. Mary Tindel por el teléfono 757-6241, extensiones 241 y 242.

Seguir a Cristo... (Viene de la Pag. 3A)

Maria.— Está formando parte de una Jornada de Reflexión Juvenil Vocacional. La Jornada y el Festival es obra de todos los jóvenes, lo llevamos adelante con la colaboración de todos.

El Hermano René Hernández dirigirá la reflexión del día. En el panel vocacional habrá representantes de los distintos estilos de vida en la Iglesia. Cada una de estas personas aportará su propia experiencia.

El grupo de Santa Cecilia nos abrirá la reflexión del día.

— añade Eduardo.— Ellos han preparado una representación oración, que como todo lo que este grupo presenta será de lo mejor.

La Jornada Juvenil tendrá lugar el domingo 27 de Abril, día Mundial de Oración por las Vocaciones, en la Cafetería del Seminario St. John Vianney. Comenzará a las 9 de la mañana para terminar hacia las 5 de la tarde con la celebración de la Eucaristía. Para cualquier información llamar a la Hermana Margarita al 223-45461.