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Teach kids concern for problems of the 1980s, Catholic educators told

CHICAGO (NC) — Catholic schools must be positively involved in the social issues of the 80s such as nuclear arms and poverty or "we will be written off as second class," national Catholic educators were told this week.

"There is a peacefulness in Catholic schools as we begin the 80s" which could lead to complacency, Jesuit Father Charles Beirne, a Brooklyn educator, told the National Catholic Educational Association convention meeting here this week.

He pointed to the U.S. bishops as an example to be followed by the educators.

"THERE IS A growing consciousness among the American bishops," he said. "They are not just talking about Communion in the hand, but they are facing the larger context — nuclear arms and El Salvador.

"As Catholic educators we must look at the shifting national priorities. We know that the school community has a limited role but we must speak out positively.

"When the secretary of state says that the U.S. will strike first with its nuclear weapons in order to 'defend the values of Western civilization,' it is unbelievable," Father Beirne continued.

"What does first strike have to do with Catholic schools? It has everything. Unless we focus on these broader issues, we are going to be written off as second-class and as concerned with only our own narrow interests."

"We have survived the 60s and 70s. We've made it. It looks like our schools will survive," he said. "However, this peacefulness can become a plateau, a complacency preventing the further maturing of the church since Vatican (Council) II.

"As we, Catholic educators, make decisions in the 80s, we must keep the



LEARNING TRIP — Preschool children laugh their delight as Sister Mary Vincent steers a golf cart through the Carmelite Learning Center, a day care facility, in Corpus Christi, Texas. (NC photo)

largest context before us," he continued. "If we go to the nuts and

bolts too quickly, we won't see the forest for the trees."

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Journey of a priest

He suffered Cuban prison, Miami racism, found his dream

By Ana M. Rodriguez
Voice Staff Writer

At the age of 48, Sergio Carrillo is about to realize a lifelong dream. It is a dream he has carried with him for as long as he can remember, in a



Deacon Sergio Carrillo will be 1st black ordained for Miami.

battlefield, in prison, in exile, through the injustices of racism and discrimination.

This Saturday, Sergio Carrillo will become a priest.

In a joyous ceremony at 11 a.m. in St. John the Apostle Church in Hialeah, the former political prisoner who at the age of 21 parachuted onto the Bay of Pigs only to languish for two years in a Cuban jail, will finally be able to do what he has always wanted to do: comfort the sick and dying, visit those in prison, teach the poor, nourish those hungry for Christ.

And yes, lead the Boy Scouts.

"I WANT TO SERVE God wherever I am called," Deacon Carrillo told *The Voice* a few days before his ordination. He recalled his experiences at the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion in 1961, the long hours in a

Cuban jail, the anguish of being a black man in a strange country where black men were forced to ride in the back of the bus and to stay indoors or in "their" neighborhoods after 6 p.m.

"The faith becomes more alive," Carrillo said of his prison experience, "the ideal becomes firmer, when you see injustices done to your own flesh, to the flesh of your friends. That gives you a deeper love of your country and strengthens your desire to work for the social justice teachings of the Church."

In this, Carrillo feels a common bond with Pope John Paul II, whom he says "tries to fight for nations and against injustices."

BORN IN HAVANA, Cuba, in 1934, Carrillo remembers wanting to become a priest since his youngest days. His love for the Boy Scouts, a

group he has been involved with for 31 years now, dates back to that time and to the leader of his scout group at the Church of Christ in old Havana, the now dead Cuban poet and revolutionary, Manuel Artime.

A devout Catholic, member of the Cuban Catholic Youth and also captain of the Revolutionary Army of Fidel Castro, Artime influenced the young Carrillo into joining his Comandos Rurales (Rural Comandos) who, after the 1959 revolution, were working on agrarian reform.

Artime's group wanted the land redistributed among the peasants, so that each would have his own plot. Unfortunately, Castro's idea of agrarian reform was the organization of communes. When push came to shove, Castro gave the order that Artime and all the members of his group

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PASSION IN THE SNOW — At the village of Kalwaria Zebrzydowska, Poland, umbrella sprout like mushrooms as pilgrims to a 17th-century shrine are caught in a spring snow shower. The Passion, foreground, is re-enacted every year near the shrine. (NC photo by Bruno Barbey, copyright 1982 by the National Geographic Society.)

Abortion restrictions approved in Kentucky

FRANKFORT, Ky. (NC) — The Kentucky General Assembly has approved several new restrictions on abortions in the state, including a requirement that doctors have the consent of parents before performing an abortion on a woman under 18.

If parental consent is refused, or if the young woman does not seek her parents' consent, the circuit court upon request can authorize the abortion if the court determines that the minor is "sufficiently mature or competent" to give her consent.

If the court judges the woman not to be mature or competent to make the decision, the legislation authorizes the court to determine if the abortion is in her "best interest."

The measure was approved with overwhelming majorities in both the Senate and House.

Gov. John Y. Brown Jr. of Kentucky was expected to allow the measure to become law without his signature. He took a similar position on three anti-abortion laws enacted by the 1980 legislature.

The legislation also provides for:
— Notification of the husband before an abortion is performed on his wife;

— "Voluntary and informed consent" by a woman before an abortion. This includes a two-hour waiting period before an abortion is performed, informing the women of the risks of abortion and the age and physiological characteristics of the fetus, and supplying the woman with printed information about abortion and alternatives to abortion.

— Statewide reporting of each abortion to the state Department for Human Resources.

Violations of most of the major provisions of the bill are felony offenses. Legislators defeated moves in the Senate to lessen all offenses to misdemeanors.

A state attorney general's opinion issued in February contended that some parts of the legislation — including informed consent, spousal notification and reporting of abortions — are unconstitutional.

News at a Glance

Reagan urges consideration of pro-life proposals

WASHINGTON (NC) — President Reagan has urged Congress to "restore protection of the law to children before birth," but did not take sides in the debate over how to do it. In a letter to Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.), released by Helms April 6, Reagan noted that there are "sharp differences of opinion" on how the current Congress should deal with the abortion issue. "But most important, it seems to me, is that the Congress consider one or more of the proposals in the near future," Reagan said. He added: "And I want you to know that you have not only my best wishes but also my prayers for your success."

Holy Name Society crusades for canonization

PHILADELPHIA (NC) — The National Association of the Holy Name Society has stepped up its crusade for the canonization of Blessed John of Vercelli, the society's founder. A campaign to obtain at least 50,000 prayer pledges is underway with thousands to be obtained at the association's 12th annual convention in Philadelphia in September. Born John Gargella near the town of Vercelli, Italy, Blessed John was a canon law and civil law professor and master general of the Dominicans. Called on by Pope Gregory X to combat attacks against spirituality, he led Dominicans throughout Europe, teaching devotion to the name of Jesus. He died in 1288 and was beatified in 1903 by Pope Pius X.

Archbishop urges Voting Rights renewal

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (NC) — Archbishop Robert Sanchez of Sante Fe, N.M., called the Voting Rights Act "a civil instrument to correct the effects of the social sin of racism" and urged its renewal by the Senate. Speaking in Albuquerque at a meeting on the Voting Rights Act sponsored by the U.S. Catholic Conference, Archbishop Sanchez also urged that no amendments weakening the legislation be added to a bill already passed by the House. Key provisions of the Voting Rights Act, first passed in 1965, will expire this August unless renewed.

Pope condemns union manipulation

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Pope John Paul II condemned manipulation of labor unions by "ideological or political interests" in a talk to Latin America trade union leaders. "Unionism becomes deformed if it is an expression of self-centered corporations or an instrument of manipulation on the part of ideological and political interests," he told members of the Latin American Confederation of Workers, which has about 9 million members in Central and South America.

Pope urges students to resist cynicism

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Pope John Paul II urged university students April 6 to resist yielding to resignation or cynicism in their life-long search for a "fuller and truer life." Speaking to some 5,000 participants in the 1982 International Congress of University Students, the pope said that the "true content and value of every authentic human need" are understood only through Christ.

Parish council decries landlords

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (NC) — The parish council of Immaculate Conception Church, which overlooks the site of the 1982 World's Fair, has decried the eviction of regular tenants by landlords who the council says are eager to make quick profits by renting to tourists. The council called the practice a "great injustice" and cited the "serious hardships" the evictions caused tenants. The protest was one of a series made by civic and church groups. Many landlords of apartment complexes and houses around Knoxville, especially in the fair area, have either evicted tenants or have raised the rental rate, forcing tenants to look for other housing.

Family rights charter?

WASHINGTON (NC) — Organizations from around the world have begun drafting a charter to protect individuals with families and the family as a unit. Father Donald B. Conroy, director of the National Institute for the Family in Washington, said a charter of family rights is needed because the modern family "is often under pressure and often is undermined, sometimes inadvertently, by governments."

N. Ireland leaders denounce British plan

LONDON (NC) — Leaders of major factions in Northern Ireland have denounced the British government's plan for a 78-member elected assembly. David O'Connell, vice president of Sinn Fein, the outlawed Irish Republican Army's political front, said, "Britain must realize that nothing short of her total withdrawal from Ireland will bring peace to our country." London would give the new assembly executive powers only if 70 percent of the assembly approves, insuring that the Catholic minority would have a voice. That condition has angered Protestants, while Catholics say the plan would not give them enough power.

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More Haitian dead mourned

By Prentice Browning
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"He is a God of justice who knows no favorites . . . He hears the cries of the oppressed . . ."

Those were the words of Pope John Paul II in a special message of sympathy for the 21 Haitians who drowned two weeks ago when a wooden freighter broke up off Boca Raton, read by Auxiliary Bishop John Nevins during an emotional memorial service at St. Clement's Catholic Church in Fort Lauderdale.

Over 2,000 Haitians, many wailing in grief, attended the ceremony for 16 of the victims whose bodies had not been identified and who were later buried at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Cemetery in North Lauderdale.

Prayers were read in English and Creole by local clergy, including Fr. Gerald Darbouze, associate director of the Pierre Toussaint Haitian Catholic Center, and speeches were made by a series of civil rights leaders who urged the freeing of the detained Haitians at Krome Ave.

REV. JOSEPH LOWERY, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference said, "Part of the American dream is being funeralized. As hope and faith in the hearts of the poor and oppressed are diminished so is America diminished."

Rev. Jesse Jackson, head of Chicago's Operation Push (People United to Save Humanity) drew cheers from the audience as he denounced U.S. immigration policy.

"They sought the Statue of Liberty and got the statue of limitations," he said of the Haitians in a demonstrative speech that was punctuated with the refrain "nothing deserving death has been done by them."

Rev. Jackson said the church "is our hope" and referred to Arch-



Haitian woman overcome with emotion at funeral at St. Clements Church in Ft. Lauderdale. (NC photo)

bishop Edward McCarthy's promise to find housing and jobs for the detained Haitians through Catholic services.

The nationally prominent civil rights leader made repeated dramatic allusions to Easter.

"America is locking them (the Haitians) out and Haiti is locking them

in. These good people are being crucified with a thief on one side and a robber on the other."

"EASTER IS a story of government leaders shifting the blame. It doesn't matter what the government does on Friday. Easter Sunday is going to come anyway. Don't you ever forget that Easter is a story of life

conquering death."

Concluding the ceremony Bishop Nevins blessed the 16 aluminum coffins draped with the red and blue Haitian flag.

"While we weep and mourn for a time when sorrow turns into faith," he said, "when all is said and done faith is all you and I have left."

A priest and his gun...

• 'Frisco gun law . . . P8

By Robert Wilcox
Voice Feature Editor

It started with a sudden, heartfelt insight — one priest's response to fear and arming in our society.

It has led to the elimination of five handguns from the public domain, and a change in the defensive attitudes of at least seven of the priest's parishioners.

Not a big dent made by Father David Russell — but a dent nonetheless.

The pastor of Kendall's St. Louis Church had the insight as he was preparing his Palm Sunday homily.

"I was thinking about Jesus'

'I know this my dear people: If there ever is going to be peace it is going to be at the price of vulnerability'

— Fr. David Russell

vulnerability as he rode into Jerusalem. He was a marked man. He knew he was going to be killed. Then it came to my mind. Jesus sought no protection except his father. He told his friends, 'Fear not those who kill the body and after that have no more than they can do.'"

He was in his bedroom. Beside him in a drawer in his nightstand was a hand pistol his father had given him. He had never used it, although he says, "I suspect I could have in the right circumstances."

So he reached in and took it out. On Palm Sunday, in the middle of his sermon, he suddenly pulled it out of his smock. "I brought it here this morning to get rid of it," he said. He put it on a Bible — "this incongruity on the word of God."

Applause erupted. Then he recalled the insight.

"I know this much, my dear people: If there ever is going to be peace it is going to be at the price of

vulnerability. I believe that there will not be peace among nations until there is peace in my own heart."

He invited parishioners who felt the same as he did to deposit their own guns in the church as a Good Friday offering. The news spread. A man of God was doing more than preaching against violence, said stories in the media, some of which went out over the wire services.

By the end of the second service on Good Friday — consisting mainly of a stirring Passion Play — five guns had quietly been deposited.

"The name of the game isn't numbers," Father Russell told a

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A businesswoman gets involved

By DICK CONKLIN
Voice Correspondent

DEERFIELD BEACH — When Laura Mucilli opened her haircutting salon last December, she had no idea who would soon occupy the vacant building next door, nor of how she would become personally involved in a controversial local issue.

She had been unaware of a year-long battle by local residents to keep a major abortion clinic — the Deerfield Medical Center — from opening on busy US-1 just south of St. Ambrose Church and School, and right next door to her beauty salon.

"The real estate man told me the place was empty and up for sale," she said. "I found out later that the clinic owners tried to sell it while they were tied up in court."

About that time, a federal judge overruled the city commission and let the abortion clinic open for business. The local taxpayers had to pay \$175,000 in legal costs and "lost revenue" to the clinic owners.

Not long after that, a daily pro-life picket line began on the sidewalk in front of the clinic, and Mucilli came out to find out what was going on. She met a friend of hers, Gloria Daly, who asked for her support and a special favor — space in her shop window for a sign offering alternatives to abortion.

Girl needed help

Mucilli and her customers daily watched a steady stream of young women go inside the clinic to terminate their pregnancies. One day a friend of one of her employees — a girl of 18 — came in and began talking about her troubled life.

"She came to me like a daughter," Mucilli recalled. "She was living with a guy and pregnant. Her father was dead and her mother lived in another state. She had been attracted to the

Deerfield Beach hairdresser fights abortion clinic next door

clinic by their offer of a free pregnancy test. It turned out positive, and an appointment for the abortion was made on the spot."

In talking with the girl, Mucilli learned that she had used drugs and alcohol. She had been baptized Catholic, but hadn't gone to church in a long time. She was confused and worried and unaware of the alternatives to abortion. She needed a job, so Mucilli gave her one at her salon.

"I even brought her home. My husband Dino talked to her like a father. We begged her not to keep that appointment — not to kill her baby and possibly hurt herself as well. Her boyfriend came over and we talked to both of them."

Mucilli asked the girl to discuss her situation with a pro-life counselor, and she agreed. Women from both the Birthline and Respect Life emergency pregnancy services met with her and took her to a pro-life doctor for an examination. The growth of her unborn baby (a taboo subject inside an abortion clinic) was described in detail, and various forms of assistance were made available to her. She seemed to be ready to change her mind and choose life for her child.

At one point the owners of the clinic found out about Mucilli's involvement.

"A man from the clinic came over to my shop one day," she said. "He swore at me and got nasty. Then he told me to be a good girl and mind my own business — and stay out of it." Then things took a turn for the worst. The pregnant girl's boyfriend came in drunk one night and beat her up.

"He had a lot of influence on her,"



Laura Mucilli points to a pro-life sign in the window of her salon.

Mucilli said. "Then other girls who had abortions urged her to have one like they did. I told her about all of the risks to her health. After all, that place isn't a hospital. What if she couldn't get pregnant again after the abortion? Customers who came in got involved in the conversations. This was all going on while I was trying to open my business. What a way to get started."

"Then the clinic owner came over and tried to harass everyone by snapping pictures of us. She even called me an opportunist. I said to her, 'Hey, you're over there performing abortions, and I'm in here washing people's hair. So who's an opportunist?'"

In spite of everything that Laura Mucilli and the pro-life counselors did, the girl kept her appointment with the abortionist. Mucilli felt discouraged about the turn of events, but others commended her for her efforts.

"Father Kubala (Archdiocesan Respect Life director) called me and said that it wasn't over. 'That girl will need you now more than ever,' he

told me. All of the commotion caused a drop in my business. I was sitting there one day, feeling really down, when the two priests from St. Ambrose Church, Fathers James Connaughton and Bryan Dalton, dropped by. They offered to run a free ad for Swiss Haircutters in their parish bulletin. Boy, that really saved the day! 'C'mon now, don't give up the ship,' they told me. And business really has picked up. Like the song goes, they 'lit up my life!'"

Proud of her faith

The picketers continue their daily march out in front, as Mucilli watches them through the shop window. Her handmade pro-life signs will soon make way for a professionally lettered one giving the phone numbers of local emergency pregnancy hotlines. While getting people to sign up for picketing has continued to prove difficult, enough people from local Christian churches have come forward to keep the effort alive.

A new local right to life organization has been formed. Mucilli is optimistic about the future.

"Whatever happened to the Hippocratic Oath? Way back before the time of Christ, doctors were committed to saving lives, not destroying them. We used to learn about it back in high school biology class. I don't know why it has to be so complicated. Even little children know where babies come from."

"If these girls would only sit down and think about it, they wouldn't do it. Today the Church and the volunteer groups stand ready to help them. If they only knew."

"I'm proud to be a Catholic. It's easy to talk about your beliefs, but another thing to get directly involved. But it feels good, even with all of the disappointments, to be able to stand up for my faith."

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From Bay of Pigs to priesthood

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be arrested.

CARRILLO THEN fled the country with a group of Artime's followers, came to Miami and began training for the Bay of Pigs. He trained in Guatemala and served as squadron corporal, paratrooper, medic and assistant to the chaplain on the ill-fated April 17 invasion.

After his release in the prisoner exchange, agreed to by both Castro and President John F. Kennedy, Carrillo once more came to Miami.

He recalls those first months here as "terrible." With about 20 other friends from the invasion, he lived in a house in southwest Miami, receiving no government aid and often going hungry. But the worst part of his exile was coming face to face with the racism that still existed in 1962 Miami.

"**IT WAS DANGEROUS** to go out at night because (by 6 p.m.) blacks had to go to the other side (the northeast section)," he said. But Carrillo could not go there because he didn't speak a word of English. During the day, "I couldn't go out with my friends either (who were white Latins) because where they went, I couldn't go."

"Somedays, we wouldn't eat. We went through some very bad times. But for the ideal of our homeland we had to suffer all of that. And that only made us stronger in our struggle."

Finally, unable to enter the

seminary here because he could not speak English, discouraged by the racism and lack of economic opportunity in Miami, Carrillo went to California.

There he spent the next 13 years, always working for the Church, leading parish youth groups, active with the Claretian fathers in Los Angeles, and with the Mexican Catholic Youth. He even studied two years of social work, a career he never finished because he decided in 1975 that he had learned English well enough and "it would be better to work for God."

So, he went to Kentucky and studied a year at St. Mary's Seminary there. When it closed in 1976, he entered St. Vincent de Paul Seminary in Boynton Beach and studied there for four years.

In 1980, having spoken of his desire to learn more about Latin America to Auxiliary Bishops Agustin Roman and John Nevins, Archbishop Edward McCarthy gave him permission to enter the National Seminary of Christ Priest in Colombia, where he has spent the last two years.

His experience in Colombia only deepened his desire to serve God's people.

"**THERE I FOUND** a great spirituality among the priests, and a great devotion to Mary also among the people. In the Colombian people I found great hospitality, kindness and love that helped me very much in

strengthening my principles of evangelization and in my priestly formation."

Six months ago, he began working as a deacon at St. John the Apostle, where many of the parishioners are also Cuban. Although he tries to avoid talking about politics there, he says he finds it difficult because that's mostly what people ask him about.

Carrillo has also served at the Shrine of Our Lady of Charity and St. John Bosco Church in Miami, and he has definite ideas about the role of priests.

"I believe firmly," he says, "in accordance with the teachings of the church leaders, and Pope John Paul II, that priests should not get involved in politics. But we should proclaim injustices and defend the rights of the poor and the humble, even though this might cost us our lives."

"**AS THE LEADER** of a community, the priest should prepare the people so that they themselves will be able to defend their religious, political and human rights," Carrillo said.

Except for an older brother who came to Miami in the 1980 Mariel boatlift, all of Carrillo's family, his mother, father, three brothers and two sisters are in Cuba. His is the first vocation in the family, he said.

Asked what lesson could be learned from the Mariel boatlift, Carrillo simply responded that "it is based on the Sermon on the Mount, the 'Magna Carta' of Christianity,

which calls us to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, give water to the thirsty. We should not care why many of the Mariel refugees are here, only how we could try and help them, and be conscious of our Christian morality.

"There are very few bad ones when compared to the virtues of the more than 100,000 Mariel Cubans who today, in silence, honor the principles of our homeland. The newspapers don't seek them out, neither do the TV stations, yet the bad actions of a few have given a bad name to a town so sacred as Mariel, where salvation began for many."

HE FEARS that many of the Cubans already here "have everything and are putting down roots in another country while forgetting to fight for our ideals, for the reason why we are here."

Staunchly patriotic, Carrillo brings to his long dreamt-of priesthood a deeper, stronger commitment, "to serve my people, of all races and nationalities, in the love of Christ and Mary."

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Pope reasserts value of family

A papal exhortation on the family was issued last December and was reported in *The Voice* at that time. Beginning today, Terry and Mimi Reilly, directors of the Archdiocese Family Enrichment Center, will write a series of personalized commentaries on the various parts of the exhortation as they apply to the individual family. The first article, below, is an overview of the papal document.

By Terry Reilly
Co-director, Archdiocese Family Enrichment Center

The purpose of the Apostolic Exhortation, "Families Consortio," of Pope John Paul II is twofold.

One is reasserting the value of marriage and family life. The other is as an immediate response to the findings of the World Synod of Bishops on the family.

One of the most exciting dimensions of John Paul's document is the issue of the empowerment of marriage and family to minister to themselves and others. Married persons and family members are called to be active participants in both society and Church life, not merely passive recipients. He sees a unique spirituality in marriage and the family that has not been expressed by a Pope prior to this time.

A challenging theology of marriage and his burning desire to provide a creative and relevant support to marriage from its preparation and through its various stages of development are highlighted throughout this exhortation. The Pope, especially, voices a pastoral concern for the help that young married couples need in today's world and the need of the whole community to support them.

A key to the document is the affirmation of the power and grace that belongs to married couples and families by their very vocation. The Pope sees marriage and the family as a community with an identity and

mission of its own. The family as an intimate community of life and love founded on and given life by love is his constant reminder. Its mission is to guard, reveal and communicate love by:

1. Forming a community of persons in mutual self-giving; for the husband and wife, it is a call for a promise of total mutual self-giving, which is realized in permanency.

2. Serving life both in its transmission in which the love expressed between husband and wife is fully human, exclusive, and open to new life, and the education of this life in the attainment of human and Christian values.

3. Participating in the development of society, the family is called to be a critical conscience of family culture and an active agent in building an authentic family humanism. The Pope stresses that the family is a society of hospitality in all its forms, especially with a preferential option for the poor and disadvantaged and that family public policy does impact on families. He encourages political intervention by families to see that laws and institutions of the states not only do not offend, but support and positively defend the rights and duties of the family. The Pope stresses a charter of family rights and importance of making these rights a reality in all societies.

4. Sharing in the life and mission of the Church. The Pope sees the family as the "Domestic Church," the "Church in Miniature," and the "Small Scale Church." The family has the same characteristic of the Church, that is, being a believing and evangelizing community, a community in dialogue with God, a community at the service of man. He develops this understanding of family at great length and asks the ecclesial body to help the family realize this reality in its fullness.

5. He lends particular attention to married people and their unique calling to deeper prayer and devotion. Of special interest is his calling of couples to conjugal spirituality.

6. The Holy Father's encouragement to married couples to deepen their lives sexually is most encouraging. He exhorts parents to provide clear, delicate sex education to their children. He reasserts the teaching that sex information should only be imparted with moral principles.

7. The Holy Father repeatedly connects Marriage and the Family with evangelization. In stating that the future of evangelization depends upon the Church of the home, he places this ministry in the highest of priorities.

The Pope's constant cry is that the pastoral intervention of the Church in support of the family to realize *itself and its mission* is a matter of urgency. He stresses that every effort should be made to strengthen and develop pastoral care for families, which should be treated as a real matter of priority. He reminds every bishop in the world that he must exercise particular solicitude in this clearly priority sector of pastoral care. The bishops must devote personal interest, care, time, personnel and resources, but above all, personal support for the families and for all those who, in the various diocesan structures assist him in the pastoral care of the family. He calls all Church leadership to invest time, energy and resources in developing a family awareness in its pastoral ministry.

The Holy Father goes on to say that every parochial community must become more vividly aware of the grace and responsibility that it receives from the Lord in order that it may promote the pastoral care of the family. He also states: "No plan for organized pastoral care, at any level, must ever fail to take into consideration the pastoral care of the family."

The Holy Father, through this Exhortation, is calling the Christian marriage and family to stand up and become what it can be and is actively committing resources to that challenge. However, there is a sensitivity in this Exhortation to the hurting family, in all its forms, and the recognition of the awesome responsibility that the ecclesial community and the domestic church has to it. The call is consistent and urgent. There is a sensitivity to the

difficulty and suffering that marriages and families experience, but also an unwavering cry to turn to the love and power of the Lord Jesus in the challenge of the cross. The Holy Father calls all to a prophetic witness because this posture is part of the fiber of our existence.

The initial reaction in the press and in some corners of the Catholic community has been negative because of the initial focus on issues of contraception, divorce and remarriage. There is a desire from them that the Church would change its position in these matters and a frustration because it has not. In failing to have these expectations met, there may be a tendency to overlook the rest of his Exhortation. This may lead to the assumption that the Church has withdrawn its compassion and concern for those who feel alienated from the Church. This could be especially true for those who are divorced and/or remarried, practicing birth control, or on the fringe of society.

The Holy Father constantly calls forth in his Exhortation an active ministry to the divorced and those struggling with the most difficult questions of intimacy and responsible parenthood. He strongly reiterates the Church's commitment to families who lack adequate income, food, housing, employment, health care and necessary services. His response to the dignity and rights of women is not only empowering, but also thorough. The Holy Father's understanding of family is inclusive of the diversity of family life experiences and recognizes, in a profound way, the difficulties facing families of single parents, migrants, refugees, etc. He calls for the resources of the Catholic community and the community at large to be available to them.

Our energies must not be diverted from the task at hand of empowering Christians and all marriages and families to realize this new vision.

The American Church has already begun this process in its Plan of Pastoral Action for Family Ministry approved by the Bishops of the United States Catholic Conference in 1978. The delegates for the Roman Synod on Families in 1980, from the American Church and the materials submitted have profoundly affected many aspects of this Exhortation.

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Schools and social issues

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WITH REGARD to tuition tax credits he added: "If the money comes from the budget for the B-1 bomber, that's one thing."

But if it comes from assistance for the unemployed or elderly "that's another," he said. "We must be careful not to sell our birthright for a cup of potage."

To safeguard against complacency, Catholic education must deal with

faculty development and "pedagogical issues," he said.

Father Bierne said "it will be essential" for Catholic schools in the 80s to build into budgets funds for faculty development — especially funds for workshops and sabbaticals, for emotional development for all faculty, and for spiritual formation, particularly for lay teachers.

"We also must get beyond the back-to-basics fix," he said.

"I am not saying that we shouldn't emphasize the basics. I am saying many innovations of the 60s and 70s have been written off as failures but never really tried.

"We have to go back and look at those innovations and see what we have lost," he said.

Schools can create a just atmosphere by conveying a structure and an order, said Brother Huether of nearby Romeoville, Ill. Every seg-

ment of life has some kind of order and students need to see that in the school, he added.

The structure of the school, however, must also make the student feel free, he said.

"The students need to know that they are children of God . . . We need to make the student realize that the Christian life provides a path — a view of life that has meaning," he said.

Priest and his gun part ways

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reporter later. "The fact that (any number would do this) is touching."

The five were "expensive" guns, said John Peremenis, a Metro deputy and the St. Louis parishioner designated to dispose of them — several .38s, a small caliber automatic "like a woman may use," a target pistol. "Not your Saturday night specials."

Lorraine LaBlanc was the first parishioner to bring one in. "We just agreed with what he said," she answered.

Building up to his Palm Sunday request, Fr. Russell had preached: "We who spend 80 percent of our tax dollars on defense . . . we who trust so much in Social Security to build ourselves a hedge against old age . . . we are still filled with fear, still full of anxiety, still insecure.

"I suggest the reason we are still afraid is we use our heads more than our hearts . . . We try to hedge our vulnerability by making our homes invulnerable . . . And all the time the answer is in the heart . . . You see, Jesus on the cross *does* make sense. It is love . . . We need less reason, less logic, and more vulnerable love . . . Jesus sought no protection except in his father . . ."

Two parishioners did not turn in their guns. But they experienced changes in their attitudes.

Bob Brown has been a policeman for 22 years. He is now a lieutenant with Metro. He wrote Fr. Russell that although he had to keep his gun for his job, and police directives say he must wear it at all times except in places like the home, he was going to stop wearing it at church.

"I've been struggling with the demands of my profession," he said. "You have to talk tough and be tough. It changes your personality." He said his was a symbolic gesture — a show of the fact that in a dangerous situation he never exercises his police authority without first asking for God's help.

Parishioner Rudy Valenti has 14 handguns and rifles. They date back to the turn of the century, collectors' items that he has spent a lot of money and time on. He said although he was not going to simply give them away, he was going to sell them.

"The sermon made me realize their symbolism. They have no place in my life."

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Pistol-ban law in Frisco backed

SAN FRANCISCO (NC) — Archbishop John R. Quinn of San Francisco supports the proposed handgun control ordinance introduced to the city's Board of Supervisors which would ban handguns except for police and sport rangers.

"Violence is a continuing and growing problem in San Francisco," said Archbishop Quinn in a letter to San Francisco's Mayor Diane Feinstein. "As a believer in the Christ who repudiates hatred, violence and vindictiveness, I share with other citizens of our city a profound concern over this problem."

The archbishop recalled that the U.S. Catholic Conference, the civic action agency of the National Con-

munity, but it is an imaginative and effective initiative toward a rational

firearms policy that will be responsive to the overall public interest."

Lay down guns, Italian mob told

NAPLES, Italy (NC) — Cardinal Corrado Ursi of Naples called on members of the Camorra, an underworld organization, to "lay down your arms" and "return to the womb of the church of which you are members by baptism."

In his 1982 Easter message, published April 7, the 74-year-old cardinal condemned the rivalries among Camorra clans that led to nearly 90 murders in the Naples province during the first three months of 1982.

"I cry out to you, brothers swept away in the coils of the Camorra, which daily bloodies our soil," the cardinal said.

"Do not oppress the people; lay down your arms; taste the bread of honest labor; give peace to your families; educate your children in righteousness; return to the womb of the church of which you are members by baptism; and contribute with all healthy social efforts to establish a new social order based on justice, freedom and collaboration among classes," the message added.

The message also urged Catholics to act against abortion, euthanasia, disrespect for the elderly, drug abuse, political terrorism and juvenile delinquency.

"Easter is the celebration of life, but in times like ours, when a slaughter is made of life, how can we celebrate Easter?" Cardinal Ursi asked.

John Molinari, president of the Board of Supervisors, introduced the mayor's plan to the board at its April 5 meeting, and there were two other proposals at that time. Supervisor Carol Ruth Silver called for tighter penalties for possession of a stolen pistol and for possession of a firearm while drunk and would bar off-duty policemen from carrying guns. Supervisor Quentin Kopp proposed strengthening state and federal laws on handguns.

The plan sponsored by the mayor states that "it shall be unlawful for any person to have in his possession, within the city and county of San Francisco, any handgun."

Those exempted from this provision include security guards, officers, off-duty police officers, licensed collectors of antique firearms, and persons using firearms on a licensed target range or shooting club.

Those violating the ordinance would be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, would be sentenced to not less than 30 days or more than six months in the county jail.

'Studies have shown that most homicides are committed against friends and relatives, not strangers ...'

— U.S. Bishops statement

ference of Catholic Bishops, in 1975 expressed support publicly for efforts at handgun control and continues that support.

Archbishop Quinn quoted from the USCC statement:

"STUDIES HAVE shown that most homicides are committed against friends and relatives, not strangers. Since a significant number of violent offenses are committed with handguns and within families, we believe that handguns need to be effectively controlled and eventually eliminated from society. We acknowledge that controlling the possession of handguns will not eliminate gun violence, but we believe that it is an indispensable element of any serious or rational approach to the problem."

Thomas E. Ambrogio, executive director of the San Francisco archdiocesan Commission on Social Justice and a member of the mayor's Task Force on Handgun Control, also indicated his support for the proposed ordinance.

"The cost of handgun violence in terms of human life and suffering is enormous," Ambrogio said in a letter to the mayor. "The proposed ordinance will not completely eliminate the abuse of handguns in our com-

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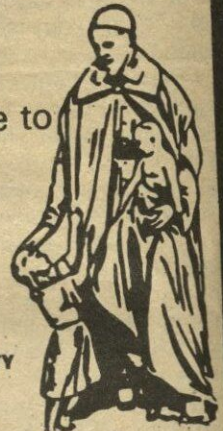
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The Bible teaches not only "Thou shalt not commit murder", but also "Thou shalt not stand idly by while the

blood of thy neighbor is being spilt". The safety of our fellow humans must become our personal concern.

Thus our Religious Heritage Committee has declared April 17-18 as "Civic Responsibility Sabbath." All churches and synagogues are being urged to focus on crime and corruption in terms of personal responsibility. Worshipers will be asked to recommit themselves to the biblical values which are the basis of law and justice in our land. Suggested means of becoming actively involved will be made available.

If all of us will resolve to make violence and crime unacceptable in our lives and in this community — in accordance with a bedrock principle of our Judeo-Christian heritage — then together we can create a community in which all can be free from fear and able to live in peace and tranquillity.

The best way to begin is to attend worship this Saturday or Sunday.

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Contraceptive rule fought

Did Congress want parents to know when kids get the pill?

By Jim Lackey

WASHINGTON (NC) — The debate these days over the Reagan administration's proposed new rules on parental notification for teen-age contraception is in some ways a classic example of how no one agrees when attempting to interpret the will of Congress.



The new rules, published in February and open for public comment until April 23, would require family planning agencies which receive federal funds to notify parents within 10 working days after dispensing contraceptive drugs and devices to teen-agers. The only exceptions would be in cases where parental notification would result in physical harm to the teen-ager, such as when there is a history of child or sex abuse.

Even before the proposal was published a number of groups, led by Planned Parenthood, strenuously objected. They characterized the regulation as a "squeal rule" since parents would be told when contraceptives are prescribed for their teen-agers, and said the proposal might lead to more — not fewer — unwanted pregnancies and possibly more abortions.

Pro-life groups on the other hand generally supported the proposal, saying it would recognize the rights of parents in raising their children and would encourage parental involvement in difficult decisions faced by their teen-agers.

Tracing 'intent'

As with all rule-making by federal agencies, this new proposal had to be justified by some action of Congress.

In this case the Department of Health and Human Services promulgated the rule based on an amendment approved last summer to the existing federal financial assistance program for non-profit family planning agencies.

The amendment said only, "To the extent possible, entities which receive grants or contracts under this subsection shall encourage family participation in (family planning programs)."

Congressional intent also can be determined by committee reports, in this case a House-Senate conference committee which filed a report saying that "while family involvement is not mandated, it is important that families participate in the activities authorized (by this program) as much as possible."

The congressional report also stated that recipients of federal grants for family planning services should

encourage participants "to include their families in counseling and involve them in decisions about services."

Based on those shreds of evidence of congressional intent the department came up with its proposal to require parental notification.

"The congressional policy of encouraging family participation in decision-making about family planning services is most clearly relevant where medical services are being provided to adolescents," the department said in justifying the new rule.

"Particularly where prescription drugs or prescription devices are being considered," the department added, "parents have a direct and legitimate concern in participating in a decision that may have long-term health consequences for the adolescent."

Such involvement cannot occur without parental notification, the department concluded.

Increase abortions or decrease sexual activity?

But while some members of Congress said the new rule adequately reflects their intentions when they approved the new amendment, others have said the department went too far in its decision to require rather than merely encourage parental notification.

In support of the regulation Sen. Jeremiah Denton (R-Ala.) said the proposal violated neither the spirit

nor the letter of the law. But Rep. Richard L. Ottinger (D-N.Y.) said the proposal contradicted existing policy since, for example, all states currently allow teen-agers to be treated for venereal disease without parental notice.

Proponents and opponents of the new rules also have been engaging in a statistical battle over the effect the regulations would have on teen-age pregnancy and sexual activity.

Planned Parenthood contends that if the regulations go into effect many young people will stop attending family planning clinics and a "great majority" will either use "drugstore methods" of birth control or no method at all, thus increasing the risk of unwanted pregnancy.

But HHS Secretary Richard S. Schweiker has his own statistics showing that an overwhelming majority of sexually active teen-agers would continue to use contraceptives even if their parents knew and that only four percent would continue sexual activity without contraceptives.

The future of the new regulations, however, probably will revolve around the issue of congressional intent. With some accusing the Reagan administration of flouting Congress in its proposal, and with lawsuits against the regulation certain to be filed once the rule is implemented, people on both sides have agreed that the debate will be settled only when the courts interpret what Congress actually wanted.

USCC endorses teen contraceptive rule

WASHINGTON (NC) — A proposal that parents be notified whenever federally funded family planning clinics give prescription contraceptives to teen-agers has been endorsed by the U.S. Catholic Conference.

Father Daniel F. Hoye, USCC general secretary, said the fact that no such requirement existed previously was "a national scandal."

The regulation, proposed by the

Department of Health and Human Services, would implement legislation approved by Congress last summer seeking "family participation" in government-funded family planning programs.

GROUPS and individuals have until April 23 to file written comments with HHS on the proposed rule. The rule would require family planning agencies receiving federal funds to notify parents within 10 working days

after teen-agers receive prescription drugs or birth control devices.

In his comments, released April 12, Father Hoye noted that the proposal has been attacked as an intrusion into private matters.

"In our view, exactly the opposite is the case," he said. "The very existence of a federal program for providing these drugs and devices indicates a highly questionable intrusion into family life on government's

part."

Father Hoye also rejected the claim by opponents of the regulation that it will result in more teen-age pregnancies and abortions.

"Indeed, there is no clear evidence demonstrating that federal family planning programs as currently administered have been effective in reducing the rate of teen-age pregnancy," he said.

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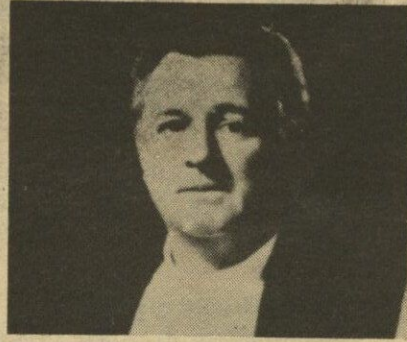
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Internationally known healing priest Fr. Edward J. McDonough will conduct a two-day Charismatic retreat at St. Brendan Catholic Church on May 15-16, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day.

This is the first such retreat sponsored by Renovacion Carismatica Hispana, the Spanish office of Catholic Charismatic Services of the Archdiocese of Miami, and everyone from the English and Spanish speaking communities is invited.

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Fr. McDonough

the retreat, which will be held at the old building in St. Brendan, located at 8725 S.W. 32 Street in Miami. Lunch will be served each day at a reasonable cost.

Fr. McDonough, who conducts Sunday healing services at Mission Church in Boston, with the approval of Cardinal Humberto Medeiros, also travels extensively every year performing what he calls "signs" of God's presence. He has taken his healing ministry to thousands of people throughout the United States,

Canada, England and Ireland, and other parts of the world. His ministry was profiled in the June, 1981 issue of *New Covenant Magazine*.

The Redemptorist priest became involved fulltime in the Charismatic Renewal movement in 1974, when he discovered his gift for healing. Described as low-key, undramatic and unassuming, Fr. McDonough says, "I don't do anything. God does the healing."

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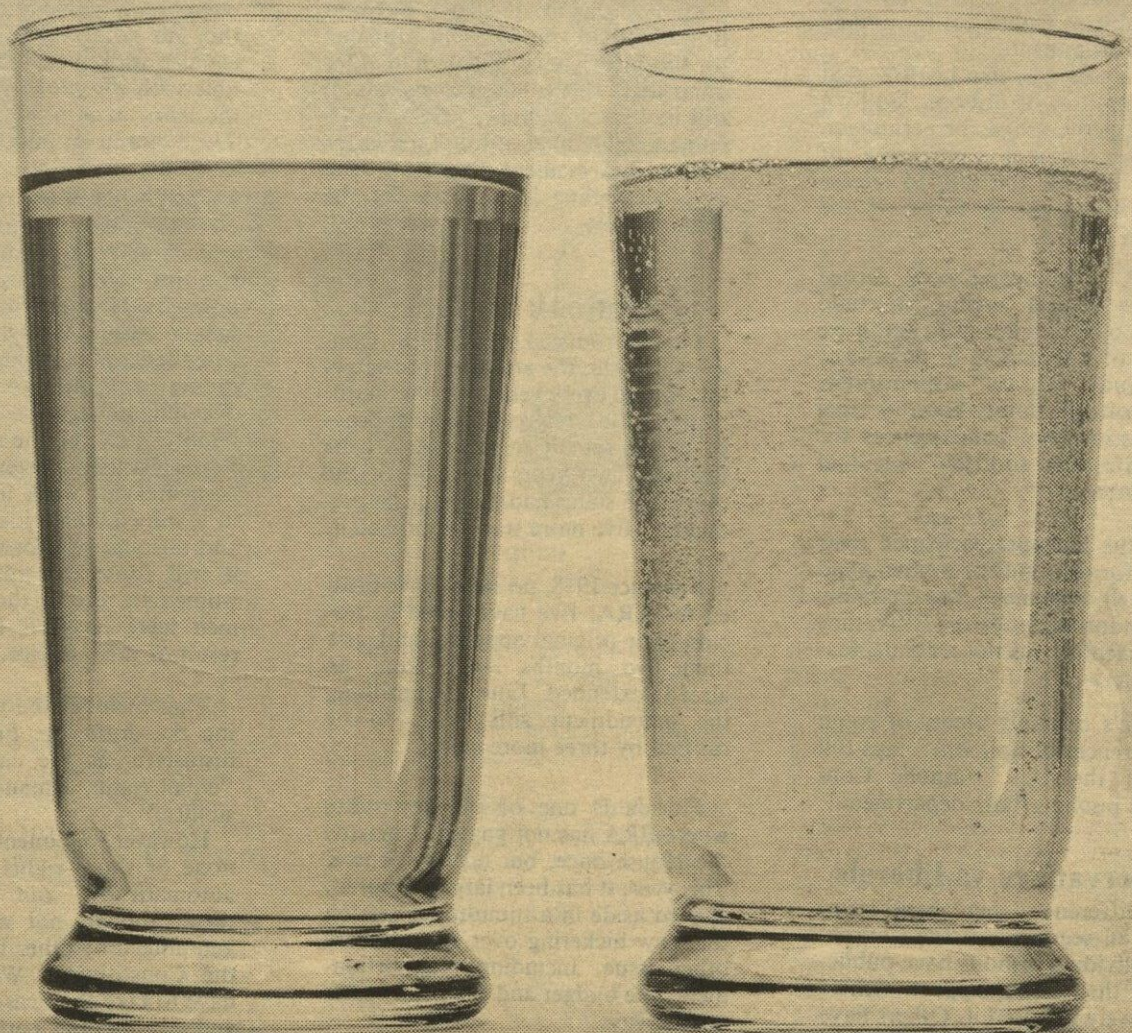
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ERA: Catholic

Less than 2 months away, opponents still argue,

By Ana M. Rodriguez
Voice Staff Writer

The Equal Rights Amendment. Fighting words for many. An issue that might die this year but, supporters say, will never go away.

Catholics are in the thick of the fight — talking, lobbying, demonstrating for both sides. Good men and women all, with a difference of opinion.

Because the battle over the ERA is one of opinion. And the problem with the much-contested amendment is one of interpretation: What would the courts do with it if it became law?

Pro-ERA'ers tend to imply that its passage will solve virtually all the problems of women in the United States; anti-ERA'ers fear it will be the straw that breaks society's back, the ultimate blow to family and country.

Both sides cannot be right. That's where the discussion, and the confusion, set in.

Bishops take no stand

The Catholic bishops of the United States have taken no official position as a group. In 1972, their Committee on Women in the Church and Society drafted a statement urging that the ERA be "closely scrutinized" because "the doctrinaire character and broad sweep of the Amendment may very well destroy the unity essential to a stable family relationship."

In terms of Catholic support, that was a big blow to the ERA. It probably fueled many groups into taking an anti-ERA position and, in fact, actively lobbying against it. The National Council of Catholic Women, Catholic Daughters of the Americas and Knights of Columbus are among the most prominent.

But it is also true that in 1978, that same committee of bishops, led by a different cleric, asked for permission from the National Conference of Catholic Bishops (NCCB) to release its own statement in favor of the ERA.

NCCB, in an unusual move, turned down the request, saying "it would not be appropriate for us to authorize issuance of a statement in support of the Equal Rights Amendment because of uncertainty as to its legal and constitutional consequences for family life, the abortion issue and other matters."

Still, the bishops reaffirmed their support for the rights of women. And while their statement was certainly not an endorsement of the ERA, they made it clear it was not a condemnation, either.

"There's certainly plenty of room for differences of opinion," says Bill Ryan of the U.S. Catholic Conference's public affairs department.

Conservatives vs liberals

And differences there have been, through all segments of the Church. Some individual bishops have publicly stated their ERA support. Others have actively opposed it. Others have stayed out of the fray.

The more traditional, conservative Catholics fight it; less traditional,

more liberal Catholic groups lobby for it; both claim the Church backs their side.

Sr. Maureen Fiedler is one of those supporters, an activist Sister of Mercy based in Baltimore who says she'd rather "do politics than teach it." In 1978, she co-founded Catholics Act for ERA. The former schoolteacher now spends her days crisscrossing the country, selling the amendment to Catholics, trying to convince them that it is not against the Church's teachings to support it.

She has spoken, debated, marched and demonstrated for ERA, and last



Anti-ERA banner at a Florida Council of Catholic Women rally.

year even chained herself with a group of pro-ERA demonstrators in front of the White House. She and the others were promptly arrested. But Sr. Fiedler believes so strongly that she is fighting for a poor and oppressed minority — women — that no amount of criticism or opposition can deter her.

Her methods may turn off many Catholics, but Sr. Fiedler is not new to politics. In the 60s, she struggled for the civil rights of blacks and other minorities. In the 80s, she expects to still be "in opposition," fighting for human rights in Central America or nuclear disarmament. Right now, she says her calling is to work for the ERA.

Outlook is bleak

First introduced in the U.S. Congress in 1923, the amendment was re-introduced every year after that until, in 1972, the Congress finally approved it and sent it to the states to be ratified. Two years later, 30 of the needed 38 states had passed it. Subsequently, five more states approved it.

But since 1978, no states have passed the ERA, five have voted to rescind their original approval and, less than two months away from an already-extended June 30 deadline, the amendment still needs to be ratified by three more states.

Florida is one of the key states where ERA has not passed. It passed the House once, but not the Senate. This year, it has been largely ignored, shoved aside in a tumultuous session that saw bickering over almost every other issue, including reapportionment, the budget and the penny sales tax increase.

Governor Bob Graham, an ERA supporter, has pledged to call a

special session on the amendment in June. Even then, the outlook seems bleak.

Economic opposition

Sr. Fiedler insists "there's a fairly good vote count" in Florida, but

blames ERA's stalling on what she calls unfounded negative propaganda coming from hard-core conservatives.

"Phyllis Schlafly and the Stop-ERA movement have their roots . . . in the right-wing, conservative economic interests of the United States . . . The conservative corporate interests in this country do not want the ERA because they do not want to pay women equally with men, they do not want to promote them equally with men. They're comfortable with the profit they make from the labor of poor women," she told *The Voice* in an interview.

The ERA will not make it impossible to outlaw abortion, or force women to work outside the home, or require that courts recognize homosexual marriages or demand unisex bathrooms, she says. It will force federal, state and local governments to change laws which discriminate against women, it will require changing the structure of the Social Security system to recognize homemakers' work and compensate it, it will eliminate job discrimination and unequal pay for equal work and it will force the military to allow women to receive the same benefits men have received for years as a result of their service.

That includes the tough part, facing the draft, Sr. Fiedler says, but distasteful as the choice might be, "equal rights demand equal responsibility."

However, opponents point out that none of those rights will be gained automatically, and that most of them, though not all, are already guaranteed by other federal laws and the Constitution. Women will still have to take their cases to the courts, and take months, perhaps even years, to do it. The Civil Rights Act of 1964 was supposed to end discrimination against blacks, ERA opponents point

out, and yet blacks are still poor, unemployed and relegated to the last rungs of our society.

Likewise, ERA, they say, is no guarantee for women.

Abortion link?

But perhaps the greatest stumbling block for Catholics has been the so-called ERA-abortion link. Observers say uncertainty as to how judges would rule on the issue is one of the concerns that kept the bishops from taking sides.

While Sr. Fiedler, citing the ERA's legislative history, maintains that no connection exists between the two issues, she concedes that abortion proponents have tried to use similarly-worded state ERAs to obtain abortion funding.

The American Civil Liberties Union tried in three states, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Hawaii, arguing in court that denying state funding for abortions while allowing it for other medical procedures is discriminatory to women.

The courts, however, completely sidestepped the ERA argument, and based their decisions on the right to privacy, the same basis which the U.S. Supreme Court used to allow abortion in 1973.

Pro-life Miami attorney Bob Brake says the argument between pro and anti ERA forces on abortion comes down to "speculation. The thing is so vague that nobody knows in advance what a court will do."

But all amendments already in the Constitution are that "broad," Brake points out, and the first thing lawyers learn in school is that "the court's going to be able to pick and choose what it wants."

The Supreme Court could even reverse its 1973 abortion decision, he says, just as the 1956 court reversed its 1896 ruling on "separate but equal."

"The judges that have ruled on state ERAs have not wanted to make that (abortion) connection . . . So it's still up in the air. It's an unanswered question," Brake says.

'Smear campaign'

Sr. Fiedler, who holds a doctorate in political science from Georgetown University, does not agree. "We have a very good idea from looking at what the courts in those states have done . . . as to how courts are very likely to rule. Theoretically they could, I suppose (do anything). But in actuality, they're not going to do that."

She sees the abortion question as part of a pre-meditated smear campaign by anti-ERA forces trying to use guilt-by-association tactics.

"Because a group has a stand on two issues does not necessarily mean those two issues have any connection with each other legally," she counters when asked about the pro-ERA National Organization for Women's

Honrados sacerdotes en jubileos de oro y plata

19 sacerdotes fueron honrados por la Arquidiócesis de Miami al cumplir este año sus Bodas de Plata y de Oro sirviendo al Pueblo de Dios en el sur de la Florida.

El reconocimiento tuvo lugar durante la solemne Misa del Crisma en la Catedral de Santa María, Miami, celebrada por el Arzobispo Edward A. McCarthy el pasado lunes 5 de Abril. Los sacerdotes honrados tomaron parte en la procesión junto al Arzobispo, los obispos auxiliares John Nevins y Agustín Román y los otros sacerdotes que concelebraron la Misa y los diáconos que sirvieron en la misma.

La Catedral estaba llena de familiares, amigos y fieles y de las

Rev. P. Robert Gill, OMI. Ordenado en Junio 14, 1932 en Washington, DC, para la orden de Oblatos de María Inmaculada. Vino a Miami en 1976 donde sirvió en la Parroquia de la Asunción, Pompano Beach y St. Timothy, SW Miami.

Rev. P. Charles Haefner. Ordenado en Wisconsin, Mayo 30, 1932. Vino al sur de la Florida en 1971 asiste en la parroquia St. Marco, Marco Is.

Mons. Daniel Harrington. Ordenado en Roma para la diócesis de Helena, Montana, Diciembre 8, 1932. Vino a Ft. Lauderdale en 1975 asistiendo en St. Anthony y St. Sebastian.



Mons. N. Fogarty



Rev. M. Cassidy



Rev. T. Goggin



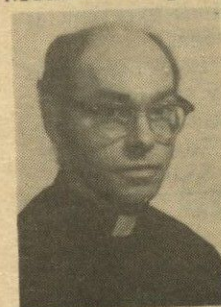
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Rev. E. Boned



Rev. B. Connors



Rev. M. Devaney



Rev. E. Doherty



Rev. R. Escala

notas del órgano y guitarras que acompañaban las voces del coro del Seminario Mayor St. Vincent de Paul.

Durante esta ceremonia fueron bendecidos los aceites u óleos sacros que son usados para unguir a los enfermos, bautizados, candidatos a las órdenes sagradas y confirmaciones. Esta bendición de los óleos se celebra sólo una vez al año en Lunes Santo.

EN SUS BODAS DE ORO

Mons. Peter Reilly. Ordenado en Irlanda en Junio 12, 1932. Ha servido en la Arquidiócesis desde 1942 en distintas parroquias y en varias posiciones arquidiocesanas. Fué uno de los primeros sacerdotes de Miami en obtener grado en Ley Canónica. Reside en Little Flower, C.G. donde fué párroco hasta su retiro.

Rev. P. Aurele Ouellet. Nació y fue ordenado en Quebec, Canadá, Mayo 21, 1932. Está en el sur de Florida desde 1978 asistiendo en St. Vincent de Paul y St. Martha.

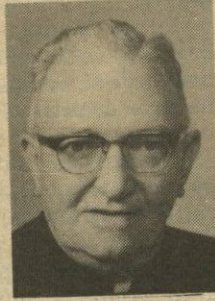
EN SUS BODAS DE PLATA

Rev. P. Martin Cassidy. De Irlanda, donde fue ordenado en Junio 2, 1957, viniendo casi de inmediato a la Arquidiócesis. Ha servido en distintas posiciones y parroquias. Es párroco de St. Gregory, Plantation.

Mons. Noel Fogarty. Párroco de Santa Rosa de Lima, Miami. Nació en Irlanda y fue ordenado en Wexford en Junio 2 de 1957. Vino a Miami en 1958 habiendo servido en muchas parroquias, Fue Canciller de la Arquidiócesis y desde hace diez años es Vicario General.



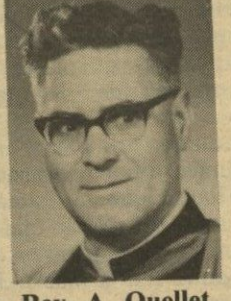
Mons. P. Reilly



Rev. R. Gill



Mons. Harrington



Rev. A. Ouellet

Rvdmo. Thomas Goggin. Ordenado en Abril 7, 1957. Ha servido en la Arquidiócesis desde entonces. Párroco de St. Ann, Naples, ocupa además otros cargos arquidiocesanos.

Rev. P. Patrick McDonnell. Ordenado en Irlanda en 1957. Vino a Miami enseguida donde ha servido en

Rev. P. Brocard Connors, O. Carm. Ordenado para la Orden Carmelita en Abril 28, 1957 en Roma. Es miembro de la facultad de John Paul II H.S. en Boca Raton.

Rev. P. Michael Devaney, OMI. De Buffalo, N.Y., fue ordenado en Junio 8 de 1957 en Wash. DC. Es Párroco de Mary Immaculate, W. Palm Beach.

Rev. P. Edward Doherty, OSA. Natural de Lyons, Mass. fue ordenado en Wash., DC. Forma parte de la facultad de Biscayne College, Miami.

Rev. P. Rafael Escala. Nació en Manzanillo, Cuba. Fue ordenado en Julio 7, 1957. Vino a Miami en 1977. Al salir de Cuba sirvió en St. Domingo. Ahora es Director Espiritual en St. John Vianney Seminary. Trabaja en el Tribunal de la Arquidiócesis.

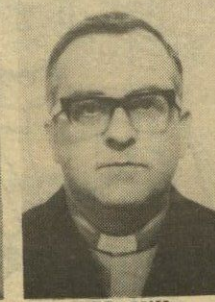
Rev. P. Robert G. Kenny. Ordenado en la Diócesis de Rockville, N.Y., en Junio 1, 1957. Vino al sur de Florida en 1973 habiendo servido como asistente en varias parroquias. Actualmente está en St. Mark, Boynton Bch.

Rev. P. Enrique San Pedro, SJ. Nació en La Habana y fue ordenado en Manila, Filipinas, en Marzo 18, 1957. En Roma obtuvo su Licenciatura en Sagradas Escrituras y en Austria el doctorado en Sagrada Teología. Durante diez años fue profesor en el Colegio Pontificio St. Pious X y en la misma época rector del Centro Estudiantil St. Francis Xavier, ambos en Vietnam. Vino a Miami en 1975 donde es miembro de la facultades del Colegio de Belén y del Seminario Mayor St. Vincent de Paul.

Rev. P. Hernando Villegas, CMF. Nativo de Colombia. Ordenado sacerdote para la orden claretiana en Septiembre 8, 1957. Sirvió en parroquias en Colombia y Ecuador donde fue miembro de la facultad del Colegio Espíritu Santo. Vino a EE.UU. en 1978 sirviendo dos años en Gary, Ind. desde donde vino a Miami. Sirvió como Asociado en St. Brendan y ahora esta asignado a St. Michael the Archangel.



Rev. E. San Pedro



Rev. H. Villegas

muchas parroquias y escuelas superiores. Párroco de St. Clement, Ft. Lauderdale.

Rev. P. Patrick Slevin. Párroco de St. Jerome, Ft. Lauderdale. Ordenado en Irlanda en Junio 16, 1957. Sirvió en muchas parroquias del sur de la Florida.

Rev. P. Enrique Boned. De España. Ordenado en Nicaragua en Oct. 20 1957. En nuestra diócesis desde 1981 sirve como asistente en la parroquia Inmaculada Concepción, Hialeah.

Rev. P. Vincent Boney, CP. Nació en Mt. Vernon, N.Y. y fue ordenado para la Congregación Pasionista en N.Y., Mayo 3, 1957. Actualmente en Our Lady of Florida Retreat House, North Palm Beach.

Muchas cosas en este mundo, con el tiempo, cambian de valor o se hacen sin el debido sentido.

El sistema de valores de cada persona depende, en gran manera, de la visión que tenga de la vida. Sobre todo de lo que piensa acerca de la futura inmortalidad.

Para nosotros, los cristianos, la fe en Jesús da a la vida un valor extraordinario, pues sabemos que nuestra permanencia en la tierra es sólo una primera etapa, como un preámbulo, de una existencia que irá superándose hasta alcanzar toda su plenitud con la resurrección.

Pero ocurre que no son pocos los que estiman que la vida en la tierra es lo único que pueden esperar y se lanzan, desesperadamente, a la búsqueda de una felicidad que consideran ligada a las sensaciones corporales, al placer carnal o a la posesión de bienes materiales.

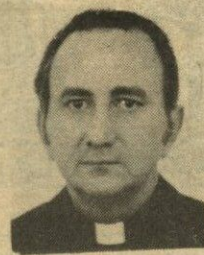
La enseñanza de Jesús va por un camino totalmente diferente, pues comienza por revelarnos el amor de un Padre que nos ama y quiere para nosotros sólo lo mejor.

Los que piensan que todo se termina con la muerte hacen derivar su teoría de la suposición de que A) Dios no existe o B) Dios no se ocupa de sus criaturas.

Los ateos, en realidad, aparecen como más lógicos, pues al negar la existencia del Creador son incapaces de concebir que la vida pueda tener trascendencia alguna. Con ello quedan atrapados en su propia red, pues aunque pretenden explicar la existencia de tantas maravillas como hay en la naturaleza sin la previa presencia de un Ser Superior, no se atreven a suponer otra cosa que la nada después de la experiencia de la muerte.

Hablando de... El sentido de la Pascua

Rev. P. Arnaldo Bazán



Lo raro es encontrar personas que admitan la existencia de Dios y, sin embargo, piensen, al mismo tiempo, que el Creador ha sido tan ridículamente tacaño que nos ha reducido a una existencia temporal, sin categoría suficiente para llenar los profundos anhelos que sentimos en el corazón.

Porque hay algo que nadie puede negar, y es que todo ser humano lleva dentro de sí, como marcada a fuego, un ansia de perfección y felicidad que no hay maneras de saciar en la tierra.

Si Dios nos hubiera creado sólo para esta vida, sería un monstruo sin entrañas al que no tendríamos más remedio que odiar con todas las fuerzas de nuestro ser, pues ha concebido unas criaturas inteligentes con el único fin de burlarse de ellas.

Esta vida sin Dios es imposible de ser concebida, pues no hay manera de explicar las grandezas del Universo sin pensar en Alguien que las hiciera posibles.

Pero esta vida, limitada sólo a la etapa terrenal, con Dios, sería todavía más difícil de concebir, pues tendríamos que aceptar la existencia de un Ser Superior lleno de maldad, dispuesto a destruir, para siempre, a las criaturas que concibió hambrientas de inmortalidad.

¿Qué dios sería ese? Tal engendro sólo merece figurar en las peores

noveluchas de ciencia-ficción.

A Dios sólo lo podemos concebir como es; tal y como se nos ha revelado, primero a través de los profetas y luego, en forma más completa, por la presencia de su Hijo Encarnado, Jesús, nuestro Redentor.

Es entonces cuando descubrimos que el mal no es la obra de Dios sino del hombre, que creado libre y destinado a gozar de las maravillas de Dios para siempre, se rebela al Creador y pretende suplantarle.

La soberbia pierde al hombre y lo enfrenta a quien busca ser su Padre. Desobediente, la criatura reclama para sí el poder de gobernarse y sólo encuentra muerte y perdición.

Pero no por ello Dios deja de amar al hombre. Todo lo contrario, aunque podía destruirlo o doblegarlo, espera pacientemente la oportunidad de salvarlo. En todo momento el Creador respeta la libertad de su criatura. Como dice San Agustín: "El que te creó sin ti no te salvará sin ti".

¿Cómo ha de salvar Dios al hombre? De la forma más inconcebible, pero que ha de probar, de manera indiscutible, que su amor es incomparable. Ahí tenemos a Dios que, en la Segunda Persona de la Trinidad, el Hijo, desciende de la máxima altura hasta la humillación suprema. El Creador compartiendo la mísera con-

dición en que se hallaba la criatura.

Jesús, al hacerse hombre, demuestra lo que Dios es capaz de hacer por vencer la resistencia de la soberbia humana. El hombre quiso ser Dios y es Este el que se abaja, haciéndose hombre, para curar definitivamente la locura que lo pierde con falsos sueños de grandeza.

¡Qué pobres resultan esas felicitaciones que rebajan este tiempo de Pascua convirtiéndolo en un sinónimo de la primavera, con sus colores y su invitación a una renovación de la naturaleza toda!

Pascua merece ser el tiempo de felicitación por excelencia, pues la muerte y resurrección de Cristo son la demostración palpable del amor de Dios y su designio salvador para el ser humano.

Pascua tiene que constituir el tiempo por antonomasia para descubrir la real grandeza de una criatura destinada a la dignidad de ser hija de su Creador.

Cristo resucitado nos anuncia que ya la muerte no tiene poder; que el hombre no está condenado a morir y desaparecer sino que es invitado a escoger, libremente, una vida de felicidad sin fin en el Reino de Dios.

Este es un tiempo para gritar a todos que Dios nos ama, porque proclamamos que Jesús destruyó las cadenas que nos ataban al mal haciéndonos rebeldes a Quien ha inventado, para nosotros, la verdadera alegría.

Queden atrás los sueños y las fantasías que el hombre fabrica para olvidarse que vive en un mundo sin esperanzas. Jesús dice: "Yo soy la Resurrección y la Vida; el que cree en mí, aunque esté muerto, vivirá, y el que haya creído en mí no morirá para siempre" (Juan 11, 25).

San Jorge

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San Jorge es uno de los más renombrados mártires de la primitiva Iglesia. Era un soldado de las legiones romanas que alcanzó un alto rango en el ejército. Por su valor y méritos militares ganó honores del Emperador Diocleciano.

Pero Jorge fue atraído por la sencillez de los cristianos y el amor fraterno que existía en sus comunidades. Al fin el también vino a formar parte de la creciente legión de los seguidores de Cristo el Señor.

Una vez bautizado renunció a su posición en el ejército. Fue entonces que comprendió la crueldad que el imperio romano, en su afán de destruir al cristianismo, ejercía contra los cristianos. Jorge personalmente acusó al emperador de cruel e inhumano y fue enviado a prisión, siendo atrocemente torturado mientras le instaban a cambiar sus creencias. Pero el valiente soldado de Cristo se mantuvo firme en su fe. Finalmente el emperador ordenó le cortaran la cabeza y murió alrededor del año 303.

Los Cristianos de Roma llevaron su cuerpo a Palestina y allí le enterraron. Mas tarde su tumba se convirtió en punto de peregrinaciones en Tierra Santa. La imagen que presenta a San Jorge luchando contra el dragón es sólo un símbolo de su lucha contra la maldad, que en la



Biblia se presenta como un dragón.

San Jorge fue declarado patrón de Inglaterra y en el siglo XIII el gobierno declaró su día "fiesta nacional". Es también patrón de los Boy Scouts.

Colección de poesías para alivio de los enfermos y sus familiares.

El Rev. Padre Fernando López, S.J., asociado a la Iglesia Gesu, ha publicado un libro de poesías, fruto de sus diez años de compartir el dolor y las penas de los enfermos y sus familiares en su misión de capellán del Jackson Memorial Hospital y del Cedars of Lebanon.

"Lira Bíblica del Enfermo" agrupa noventa poemas sobre el Amor y Providencia de Dios, Sufrimiento y Cruz, Oración, Maternidad, Sacramentos,

y Salud y Muerte. Su propósito es el fortalecimiento espiritual del que sufre; es una lectura consoladora, llena de esperanza, que seguramente hade impartir alivio al atribulado con sus tiernas y humanas experiencias poéticamente expresadas.

El libro sería un excelente regalo para los enfermos y sus familiares. Está de venta en la rectoría de la Iglesia Gesu, 118 NE 2da. Calle, tel. 379-1424. El precio: \$5.00.

Carta del Arzobispo

Queridos amigos en Cristo:

Todos estamos conscientes de la crítica necesidad de más sacerdotes para servir a nuestro pueblo católico del sur de la Florida. Nuestra población está aumentando rápidamente pero el número de sacerdotes no está aumentando proporcionalmente.

El Fondo de la Bolsa Arquidiocesana ayuda en la formación de jóvenes para el sacerdocio en nuestros Seminarios Arquidiocesanos.

Una Bolsa Parroquial es una inversión en el futuro de la Iglesia en el sur de la Florida. Por medio de la Bolsa Parroquial se hace una inversión de \$50,000.00, de la cual sólo los intereses se usan para educar a un seminarista durante los años de su formación en el seminario.

Una Bolsa es perpetua; tan pronto como un seminarista es ordenado, otro es educado mediante los intereses de la Bolsa. Se requieren muchas contribuciones para establecer una Bolsa Parroquial completa de \$50,000.00. Muchas personas han contribuido a su Bolsa Parroquial por medio de donaciones a este Llamamiento Anual y también por medio de legados en su Testamento.

La Colecta Anual de la Bolsa Parroquial se celebrará el próximo Domingo 25 de Abril de 1982. Les exhorto a la acostumbrada generosidad de ustedes ante este importante llamamiento.

Agradeciéndoles a nombre de nuestros futuros sacerdotes y pidiendo a Dios que os bendiga a ustedes y a sus seres queridos, me profeso
Vuestro, sinceramente en Cristo.

Edward A. McCarthy
Arzobispo de Miami

El camino al sacerdocio de Sergio Carrillo

Recuerdos de nuestra niñez.



Junto a Monseñor Róman y otros sacerdotes cubanos de Miami poco antes de partir a Colombia.

Por el P. Mario Vizcaíno, Sch.P.

Sergio Carrillo y yo crecimos juntos. El barrio: creo que el de la Salud, en los alrededores de la Parroquia de la Caridad del Cobre en La Habana cuyo párroco era Mons. Boza. Los años: debían ser entre los 48 y 52 cuando yo ingresé en el noviciado de los Escolapios en Guanabacoa.

Yo había preparado a Carrillo para su primera comunión en aquella populosa y bien organizada catequesis en que el grupo de Federados de la acción católica de Las Escuelas Pías de San Rafael participábamos. Nosotros estábamos encargado de los varones. Mas de 150 muchachos. También ayudábamos con la Agrupación de Aspirantes de la Acción Católica. Maño (Jose Antonio López) estaba encargado de la catequesis, y Florido de la Agrupación. Enseñábamos en ella, Guayabo (Jorge Alvarez), Maño, Florido, Cuartas, Pol (el P. Reinaldo Pol, hoy en Costa Rica), Rosendo Rodríguez,

un servidor y algunos más. El P. Luis Casabón era entonces, como laico, Director Diocesano de la catequesis de La Habana.

Carrillo participaba en todo esto. Era un negrito guapo, que se fajaba



Sergio Carrillo con un grupo de jóvenes a quienes enseñaba en Colombia.

con todo el mundo siempre que la causa fuera justa. Era el defensor de los débiles en aquel barriecito caliente que comprendía nada menos que Zanja y Campanario, Animas y Manrique y todos los lugarcitos adyacentes, para los que conocen un poquitico La Habana. Carrillo no era guapo para sí, era guapo para los demás. Todo el barrio lo respetaba mucho. Era muy bueno y piadoso. Además peleaba en los "guantes de oro." ¡Era nada menos que boxeador!

Yo lo iba a ver pelear los Domingos por la noche en un rincito que estaba cerca de la Iglesia de La Merced en la Habana Vieja. Yo le chiflaba desde afuera de la alta cerca de madera y el me "colaba" por la puerta de los baños. En el primer round se comía al adversario, en el segundo quedaba tabla, y en el tercero se le acababa el aire y se lo comían a él. Yo le preguntaba, "Carrillo ¿como es que que siempre te ganan en el tercero? Su respuesta nunca se me ha olvidado: "Mario es que para tener aire hay que comer bisté. Para tener aire hay que correr mucho y entonces te da mucha

hambre y con arroz y frijoles no te basta.

"¡Ah! Si, ahora entiendo." Nunca he olvidado esa respuesta.

Carrillo era también un corredor muy veloz. Ganaba siempre todas las competencias que realizábamos cuando teníamos las convenciones de los Aspirantes de la Acción Católica. Era buenísimo en los 100 y en los 400 metros. En los 100 metros lo cronometramos un día y estaba haciendo la misma marca de Fortún, si no recuerdo mal, creo que 10.3."

Yo lo iba a buscar para las convenciones los sábados tempranito y me lo encontraba planchando su propia camisa con aquellas planchas de carbón que se usaban en nuestras casas en aquellos tiempos.

Nuestra amistad no era superficial. Hablábamos mucho. El casi todo los días me llamaba a la hora de almuerzo a mi casa. Yo trabajaba entonces en la Compañía de Teléfonos y asistía al Instituto de La Habana por la noche. Yo tendría entonces 16 años y él unos 17 o 18. Nuestras conversaciones eran sobre nuestras actividades apostólicas, de como ayudar a nuestros amigos y algunas veces nos volvíamos mas "místicos", hablamos de nuestra fe, de cómo conservar nuestra pureza, de nuestras posibles vocaciones, etc. Carrillo luchaba por ser bueno en medio de un ambiente muy desfavorable.

Todos los años yo llevaba a mi grupo de catequesis, que eran los mayores, a hacer retiro a Belén. El P. Macho, el P. Arango o el P. Osé solían ser nuestros predicadores. ¡Buena espiritualidad, buena cama y buena comida! La experiencia para aquellos muchachos era el cielo. Cuando regresábamos del retiro no nos queríamos separar. Yo llevaba también a mi padre al retiro. Allí él aprendió a querer a Carrillo. Y se hicieron buenos amigos. El observará su ordenación desde el cielo y de seguro verá todas las cosas de otro color.

Después yo entré en el noviciado y fui a estudiar a España y a Roma. No volvía a ver a Carrillo por más de 20 años, pero supe de todos sus esfuerzos y sacrificios, de sus frustraciones y de sus luchas en contra de los prejuicios raciales en su camino hacia el sacerdocio.

Este sábado Carrillo se ordenará finalmente de sacerdote. Yo estoy seguro, que como en los años de su niñez, Carrillo será un gran defensor de los débiles y de los pobres y que muchos encontrarán en él apoyo y consuelo en su camino hacia el Reino de Nuestro Padre.

Grupo Dramático de St. Michael presenta nueva obra

La Juventud Católica de la Parroquia St. Michael, que acaba de cumplir sus primeros nueve años de existencia, esta formada por dos grupos: Senior y Junior, con un gran historial de labor apostólica; muy especialmente en el apostolado del

arte dramático se ha destacado el grupo senior.

El Grupo Senior en sus comienzos contó con la participación dinámica del Sr. Prudencio Nodarse cuando éste, al llegar a Miami con experiencia

en teatro, les dió todo su saber. Con la obra "Adolescencia," escrita por el propio Nodarse, se anotaron ya su primer triunfo. Después presentaron en sucesión "Incomprensión," "Canción de Cuna," "Nace una Estrella," durante una Navidad, y finalmente "Cuando los ojos se apagan," obra que mereció el Premio 1981 de la Asociación de Críticos de Miami (ACRIM) en la categoría "Teatro Religioso", otorgándole la estatuilla Otto Sirgo.

Ahora el Grupo Senior de Juventud Católica de St. Michael presentará "Buenos días, mamá, de Eduardo Pappo dirigida por Nodarse, el sábado 24 de Abril a las ocho de la noche en el Miami Sr. High School.

La musicalización está a cargo de otro joven muy valioso: Fifo Lliraldi.

No se pierdan esta obra de gran mensaje familiar.

Concierto de Música Latino-americana en la Iglesia Epiphany

El próximo domingo 18 de Abril, a las 8 p.m., en la Iglesia Epiphany, Red Road (57 Ave.) y 84 Calle se ofrecerá un Concierto de Música Latinoamericana por el destacado pianista Adolfo Fernández.

El maestro Fernández es natural de La Habana, Cuba, donde estudió en los Conservatorios Alfredo Peyrellades y Amadeo Roldán. Más tarde siguió estudios en la Escuela Nacional de Arte donde tomó

composición, armonía, instrumentación y física acústica. En Cuba tocó repetidas veces con la Orquesta Sinfónica y aquí en Miami ha ofrecido Conciertos en el Dade County Auditorium y en el Koubek Center.

Aquí en Miami participó en Lunchtime Lively Arts Series recibiendo una Mención de Honor. Acaba de editar una selección de obras musicales de compositores cubanos del siglo XIX por encargo de la Ciudad de Miami.

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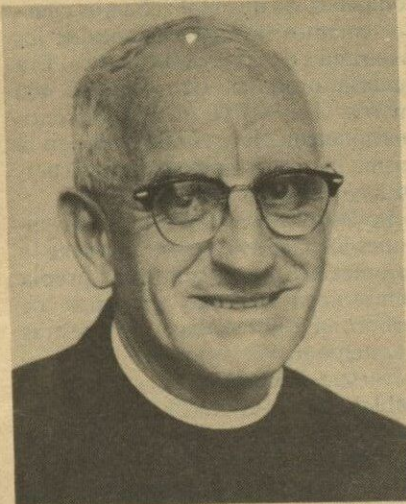
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Camillus House: Hermanos del Buen Pastor

Odisea de 32 años en pos de un ideal



Hermano Matías, fundador de Hermanos del Buen Pastor.

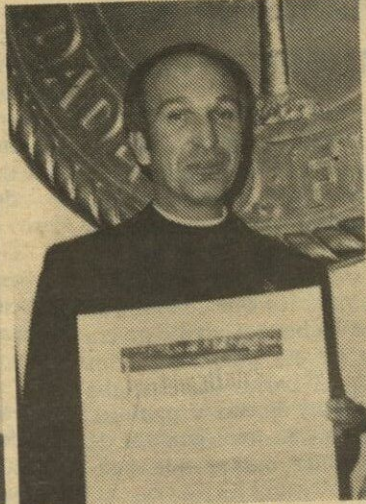
Por JOSE P. ALONSO

Fiesta de San Patricio, Marzo 17 de 1900. Thomas y Margaret Foley Barrett recibieron el sexto de sus hijos en Waterford, Irlanda, al que bautizaron con el nombre de Maurice Patrick. Su niñez fue como la de cualquier otro niño sólo que Patrick no era cualquier otro muchacho. Era alegre, vivaz, inquieto en busca de un ideal que aún no había definido. Asistió a la escuela de los Hermanos Cristianos hasta pasados los catorce años.

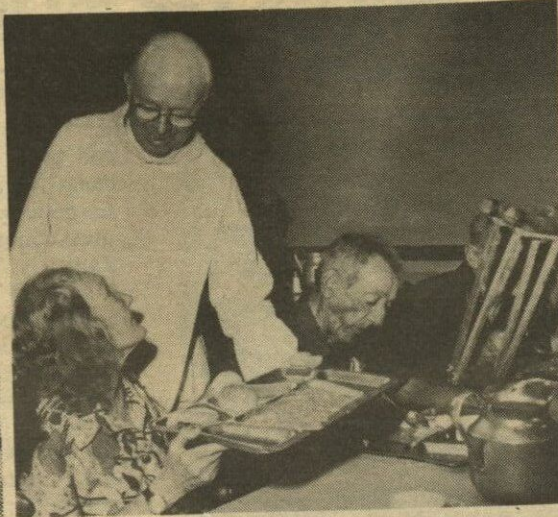
Por ésta época Patrick supo por algunas familias que regresaron de los Estados Unidos "que no les gustó lo que vieron" aquí y oyó de ellos tristes historias. De ahí en adelante soñaba con viajar a América. La visión que tuvo de los Estados Unidos, y la realización de por qué quería venir, recorrió el velo de su vocación y decidido tocó las puertas de dos o tres órdenes religiosas hasta que al fin, cuando tenía quince años, ingresó en la Orden Hospitalaria de San Juan de Dios. Después fue enviado al noviciado en Lyon, Francia, donde comenzó sus experiencias con los pobres y los enfermos, incluyendo enfermos mentales.

En el noviciado le fue dado, sin elección propia, el nombre por el cual sería después bien conocido: Matías, y que no le gustaba mucho. Después de varios años en Francia la orden le envió a Canadá junto con dos hermanos más, para comenzar en Montreal una obra de la Orden Hospitalaria. Llegaron sin dinero y sin que nadie los esperara. Los dos hermanos decidieron regresar enseguida y Matías quedó solo, decidido a todo antes que cruzar el mar de nuevo. Con el poco dinero que consiguió puso un anuncio en el periódico y pronto recibió una oleada de respuestas, de las cuales obtuvo 102 miembros para la orden. Fue nombrado prior de la nueva comunidad, pero su sueño seguía siendo América.

Con la vista puesta en Estados Unidos escribió al Arzobispo John J. Cantwell, de Los Angeles, quien le invitó a comenzar su trabajo en la Arquidiócesis. Era ya 1941 cuando arribó a Los Angeles. Pronto consiguió una choza abandonada para socorrer a los pobres. Entonces el Arzobispo compró otra casa que dedicó a Hogar de Ancianos. En corto tiempo el Hermano Matías había desarrollado tan



Hermano Paul, director de Camillus House.



Los inválidos y los ancianos son servidos en las mesas por los hermanos.

gran labor en beneficio de los desamparados que su fama comenzó a conocerse. Un buen día fue sorprendido por una llamada telefónica desde Boston. Era el Cardenal Cushing, quien lo quería enseguida en Boston. El Hermano Matías habló con el Arzobispo Cantwell pero éste no estaba muy feliz con la idea. Matías le explicó que él sólo deseaba comenzar allí otra comunidad de Hermanos Hospitalarios sin dejar su trabajo en Los Angeles y Mons. Cantwell le dió el permiso.

En Massachusetts adquirió pronto muchos amigos deseosos de compartir con él su misión y las cosas se desarrollaban rápidamente muy bien. De pronto la orden le ordenó regresar a Irlanda. El Hermano Matías no comprendió el cambio pero obedeció, angustiado pensando en todo lo que había comenzado en América y que estaba aún en vías de consolidación.

Tenía a la sazón 45 años. Por 33 de ellos trabajó duro para establecer la Orden Hospitalaria en Los Estados Unidos y Canadá y ahora regresaba a Irlanda para hacer lo que había hecho de novicio: fregar platos. No era que le importara fregar platos y atender enfermos porque eso era precisamente su vocación, pero creía que América necesitaba más de él que Irlanda. Entretanto, pensaba y oraba.

Debe haber sido para el Hermano Matías un momento duro la decisión de abandonar la Orden de San Juan de Dios y volver a América por su cuenta... Y sus votos, ¿no tenía un compromiso con Dios? Lo tenía y por eso pensaba en una orden de hermanos dedicados a los destituidos de toda clase.

Un buen día un viejo amigo de Boston, el Padre Fitzgerald, le invitaba a crear un centro en Nuevo México y sin pensarlo dos veces dejó Dublín. Más tarde el Arzobispo de Santa Fe le pidió que empezara algo propio. En este punto de su vida nació su soñada orden, que llamó "Pequeños Hermanos del Buen Pastor," en Enero 19 de 1951, aprobada por el Papa Juan XXIII. Actualmente los Pequeños Hermanos atienden más de 25 casas en todos los Estados Unidos, Canadá e Inglaterra.

El ya fallecido Arzobispo de Miami, S.E. Coleman Carroll, le invitó para discutir la posibilidad de abrir un refugio para jovencitos y en Agosto de 1961, dos días después de

la entrevista, sin dinero alguno pero con ardiente fe abrió la casa que resultó providencial por cuanto en esos días arribaban a Miami miles de niños cubanos sin sus padres.

Bajo su lema de "Caridad Ilimitada" abrió sus puertas la hoy famosa "Camillus House" de Miami. Hasta 700 comidas diarias distribuía



Frente de "Camillus House en 728 NE 1ra. Calle.

el refugio en esa época. El hermano Matías nombró director a un ex-coronel de 31 años de carrera militar, William Keane, ahora Hermano David, quien puso su estrategia a combatir las necesidades humanas junto a la fogosa caridad del Hermano Matías. Obtuvieron la ayuda de muchas instituciones y personalidades de la industria y el comercio de Miami, muy numerosas para enumerarlas, que aún mantienen su cooperación generosa a Camillus House.

Camillus House, que tuvo su primera casa en 58 NE 8 Calle, cuenta ahora con un más grande edificio que le permite atender más de 600 personas cada día, situado en 728 NE. 1ra. Avenida.

Recientemente el Arzobispo de

Miami, Exmo. Sr. Edward McCarthy, bendijo la nueva adición de Camillus House, ampliando el dormitorio y otras facilidades del refugio.

Durante los 21 años de servicios en Miami, los Pequeños Hermanos del Buen Pastor, actualmente bajo la dirección del Hermano Paul, han provisto alimentos que suman más de dos millones de comidas. Una semana reciente sirvió alrededor de 6,000 comidas a desempleados, ancianos abandonados, jovencitos sin hogar, alcohólicos, etc. La atención de Camillus House es igual para hombres que para mujeres, negros, blancos o asiáticos. Porque como dice el Hermano Paul "no hay minorías sino personas con grandes necesidades."

"Seguro que es humillante", dice el hermano Paul refiriéndose a los infelices que hacen colas, a veces de tres cuerdas, para obtener un plato de comida caliente y algunos una cama limpia y tibia donde descansar una noche. A los que son alojados se les provee ropa limpia y lo necesario para afeitarse y asearse. "Estamos hablando de dignidad masculina. Antes estos hombres eran el sustento de su familia. Pero uno no puede sen-

tirse muy 'macho' cuando tiene que estar parado en una cola esperando por alimento, ropa y un lugar donde dormir. Esto es muy humillante para ellos".

En el dormitorio gratuito del "downtown" una muestra de los 9 millones de desocupados de los Estados Unidos cambia sus sucias ropas raídas por otras limpias y luego, antes de dormir, pasa un rato frente al aparato de televisión. Más que el pan material y el vestido a los que se refería Jesús cuando decía "Porque estuve hambriento... porque estaba desnudo... etc", Camillus House da aquella otra porción del Evangelio: "esperanza al desesperado, compañía al solitario y amor a todo hermano en desgracia." Camillus House es Cristo Jesús en medio de Miami.

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from ratification deadline, issues remain unresolved

sometimes strident endorsement of abortion on demand. She points to the National Association of Catholic Charities, which is on record as supporting both the ERA and a Human Life Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

"You don't stop a move for equality very easily because that's a very high-sounding American principle," Sr. Fiedler says of the Stop-ERA forces.

"And so you don't really say, 'We don't want to pay women equally with men.' That's not a very good way to front your cause publicly. So I think they felt they had to go to producing anxieties and playing on people's fears. And that's what they really began to do. So they tied the ERA to every anxiety-producing issue to come down the pike in this country in the last seven or eight years. They tried to tie it to abortion and homosexual rights and unisex bathrooms and you name it."

"They're trying to tell homemakers that it will do away with husbands having to support their wives. They never mention the fact that states with state ERAs now have laws which say otherwise and which require the husband and wife both to contribute to the support of the family. One may contribute in a functional way, i.e. home and children, the other may contribute in a financial way."

Hurt itself?

Despite Sr. Fiedler's assertions, and the obvious extremes to which both sides have gone to back their position, homosexuals have tried in different states to use the ERA to legalize marriages between people of the same sex and groups such as the ACLU have tried to link it to abortion.

Some commentators, in fact, have said that the death blows to the ERA have been administered by its own supporters, who've tried to link it with other less-than-publicly accepted causes.

Sr. Fiedler counts on the courts to interpret the ERA faithfully and not extend it to those peripheral issues. For her, the main issue involved in passage of the amendment is one of economic justice.

When compared to men who work fulltime, she says, women earn only 59 cents for every dollar a man makes. Social Security sees women, especially homemakers, as dependents of their husbands, entitled to benefits only after he dies or retires, and left in the lurch in the meantime.

The ERA would force laws, states and the federal government to recognize that a woman's work in the home is real work and she is entitled to compensation for it, Sister maintains. It would also force employers to pay women according to the job they perform, not according to their sex.

"It would really guarantee that the homemaker have legitimate rights that she does not have now," Sr. Fiedler argues. "In other words, just because she hasn't written a check for that car sitting in the driveway doesn't mean she doesn't own part of that car. The fact that she has labored in the home and has taken care of the children has made possible the fact that he can write the check."



ERA supporter Sr. Maureen Fiedler
(Voice photo)

No sex 'distinction'

Marie Palmer, a long-time Miami Stop-ERA activist, who represents the Florida and Miami Councils of Catholic Women (CCW) on the issue, strongly disagrees with all those assertions and says the 59 cent figure is not valid because men have been in the work force longer than women, and therefore earn more.

The ERA, she says, "is a prohibition that does not recognize the distinction between male and female, man and woman, boy and girl . . . It seeks to outlaw sex discrimination by outlawing sex distinction."

The CCW's position is that women deserve equal rights but can get them without the ERA.

Social Security, Palmer adds, is "a retirement system tied to age. It is non-discriminatory" and sex neutral. Neither men nor women can collect anything before the age of 60 and "any man that elects to take his wife's Social Security (if she would collect higher benefits than he) could do the same thing."

'Extra burden'

Palmer contends that pro-ERA forces' commitment to recognizing homemakers' work includes forcing the husband to pay an additional \$1000 a year in Social Security taxes to cover his wife's work at home, valued at \$10,000 a year.

"It puts an extra burden on the family of two checks going into

Social Security. It's economically unfeasible for a man to also pay an extra \$1000 in addition to what he and his firm already pay," Palmer says.

Sr. Fiedler maintains that the "well-meaning" but "misled" anti-ERA women have not grasped the reality of sex discrimination and are staunchly defending a family stereotype that doesn't hold true for most Americans today.

"The question of equal pay for equal work is a difficult thing to define in reality," admits the nun, arguing for the need of an ERA to play almost an advocacy role for women.

"What do you do about the fact that women's work or the professions that women have historically gone into to have always been underpaid, because women's work has historically been devalued, because people have looked at that as 'the second salary' in a family. Or, 'Well, she's working because she wants to but she really doesn't need to, and so therefore we don't have to worry about paying her as much.'"

Current laws which opponents cite as being already in the books, including a federal law which sets quotas for hiring women and minorities, are subject to the changing winds of politics and often take years of litigation to enforce, according to Sister.

Family models

Women might encounter the same difficulties in enforcement if ERA passes, she admits, but insists that half the battle is won when discriminatory laws are changed to conform to the amendment in the two-year period before it takes effect.

"I think what they (opponents) are thinking of is that there's one model of family in the world, and it's male breadwinner, female homemaker and kiddies at home, a description which fits about 17 per cent of American households," Sister says.

Palmer does not dispute the charge, adding, it's "the best kind of concept for the United States of America . . . the best way that you can preserve the family, by giving the responsibility to the husband."

Sister argues that the "ideal" marriage is one "where the man and woman mutually respect and honor one another, where they make some kind of equal contributions to the household and where they provide that kind of equality training for their children."

She denies that having women work outside the home will somehow harm the children.

"It's obviously not good for children not to be cared for but that is equally the responsibility of husband as well as wife. That is not the job of the woman alone."

"Now what we need to do, of course, is restructure the economic world in such a way that both the husband and wife can spend reasonable and loving amounts of nurturing time with those children and both be able to engage in breadwinning," Sr. Fiedler says.

That's unreasonable idealism, Palmer counters, noting that "she's

really delving into what no law can get into. She's getting into the household and telling a man how he should act and a woman how she should act. No law will be able to rectify whatever occurs between a husband and wife in the home."

Women are the poor

Sr. Fiedler says today's unfortunate reality, however, is that women are being forced to work outside the home, not by ERA supporters, but by inflation.

"Women are in the work force just to make the bare necessities of life." Many of these women, Sister adds, are single parents, heads of households. For them, the ERA is a question of social justice.

"Anybody who's involved with the poor knows that about 80 per cent of them are women and children. If we're ever going to improve the economic status of the poor in this society, it's inseparable from changing the status of women and therefore inseparable from legislation like the ERA," says Sister.

She adds that Catholic Act for ERA gets most of its funding from organizations of women religious because they work closely with the poor and know them to be women.

Will of God?

Perhaps the irony of the Catholic battle over the ERA is the depth of the conviction by both sides that each is doing the will of God.

Pope John Paul II himself has been drawn into the controversy by supporters who cite his statements in defense of the rights of women as an endorsement of the ERA.

Most observers say no such conclusions about a particular piece of legislation can be drawn from the Pope's general remarks.

But in Sr. Fiedler's view, ERA supporters don't need to rely on the Pope. They can simply look back on Church teaching.

"I believe very much that the official teaching of the Church," she says, "totally supports what we're doing, particularly the teaching from Vatican II in *Gaudium et Spes*: 'Every type of discrimination . . . based on sex . . . is to be overcome and eradicated as contrary to God's intent.'"

Issue still unclear

While that statement is very clear, what remains muddled even after almost 10 years of debate is whether passage of the ERA is the best way of putting that teaching into practice.

Some Catholics, such as Sr. Fiedler, her group and the members of Catholic Charities, see it as the only way. Others, like the members of the Council of Catholic Women, fight it, convinced that the ERA will do more harm to society than good.

Still others, such as the U.S. bishops, see legitimate cause to doubt both sides.

In the words of Bishop Michael McCauliffe of Jefferson City, Mo., a pro-ERA bishop who heads the committee that wanted to go on record as supporting the amendment, "individual Catholics can make up their own minds about it."

Matter of Opinion

The ultimate drama about abortion...

Leave it to the television networks to deal with moral issues in a balanced and intelligent way.

ABC sallied forth into the abortion issue Monday night with a drama — if it could be called that — entitled "My Body, My Child." (What about the child's body?)

But the whole play was so ludicrous in concept (pun unavoidable) as to be almost more offensive to the intellect than to the moral sensibilities.

If you really want to set up someone who "needs" an abortion ABC apparently knows how to do it. First you take a woman in her 40s who already has three children but decides she just has to have another one even though well past normal child-bearing age. (Nothing wrong with that except it is completely untypical in the abortion issue.)

prise, she hits the gas pedal instead of the brake and smashes into another car, karate-chopping her womb on the steering wheel. (Apparently no steam-rollers were available). Then at the hospital the good doctors naturally must spray some more radiation into her tummy.

Voila! At last the healers see from the x-rays that she is pregnant and promptly go into a Watergate mode of stonewalling.

Indeed, the fact that at this point the doctors didn't see a quivering mass of jelly where her mid-section should have been is itself a miracle of life.

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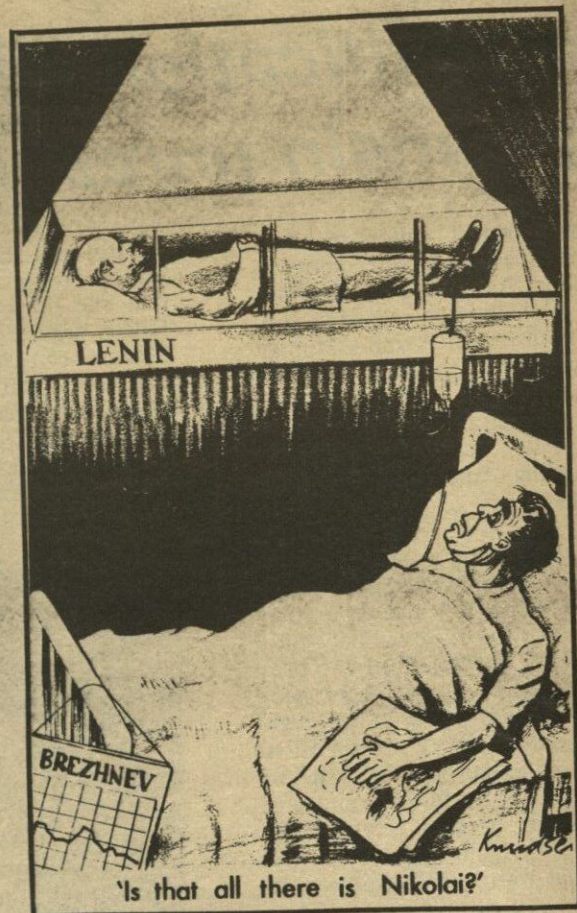
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Then you put her through just about every possible trauma a pregnant woman can undergo, short of being steam-rolled. First you have a gaggle of incompetent or disinterested doctors mis-diagnose her. Then you have them spray her womb area with radiation in the x-ray department. At one point she stumbles and falls on the steps. No, that's not enough. Through all this she is eating amphetamines and barbiturates like peanuts.

If there is anything left of her womb or developing baby at this point beyond the standard "blob of protoplasm" even that must not be left to chance, ABC must have decided. So for the final *coup de gras* we have our stoned mother take off in the family stationwagon where, to no one's sur-

prise, she hits the gas pedal instead of the brake and smashes into another car, karate-chopping her womb on the steering wheel. (Apparently no steam-rollers were available). Then at the hospital the good doctors naturally must spray some more radiation into her tummy. Voila! At last the healers see from the x-rays that she is pregnant and promptly go into a Watergate mode of stonewalling. Indeed, the fact that at this point the doctors didn't see a quivering mass of jelly where her mid-section should have been is itself a miracle of life. All this time, our mother's mind is also being turned into a blob by all her friends and relations who can't understand why she is behaving in such a poorly and sickly manner.

But then, you couldn't really blame them. The mother, portrayed by Vanessa Redgrave, was something to behold. We have seen zombies in old Saturday morning Sam Katzman serials with more life in them. You felt that strings were holding her up through the whole production lest she collapse under the weight of her somnolent face — this, even before half the bad things happened to her. When her husband told her he loved her, you wondered why. But do not fear — ABC is not unmindful of the pro-life side. Her husband gives her a little speech about how they'll work it out even if the baby is some kind of monster. Then in marches her sister, who is the usual square-jawed flaming pro-life zealot screaming about "murder!" "murder!" that



you have come to know and love in any TV show.

Finally, there is her father who has terminal something-or-other — probably apathy — telling her he had to let his wife "pull the plug" on herself, and sometimes "you just have to let 'em go."

Oh, and of course, all these people are members of Guess What faith?

Actually, ABC did miss out on one other possibility in this definitive abortion drama. If only the mother had been raped by a crazed gorilla...

Letters to the Editor

Salvador editorial too wishy-washy

To The Editor:

Before writing this letter, I took great care in reading your April 2 Editorial several times.

In my opinion, "The First Step for El Salvador" is not what the readers expect from a publication such as *The Voice* a journal which should at all times, expound the very principles of Christian and Democracy on which this Country was founded.

The people of El Salvador turned out in outstanding percentages to

carry out an honest plebiscite. They spoke quite clearly and eloquently, but many "red" and "pink" minds are still stinging from this experience.

Often well meaning journalists are taken in by an incredible amount of propaganda and "tainted facts" and of course their job is to pass it on, to communicate this misinformation.

Allow me to respond to those rambling questions (from the editorial):

Yes! El Salvador still has hopes. It never ceased to have them. Yes! There are many good solid and honest Salvadorians ready to save their country at whatever cost from the red enemy which promises only

hatred and destruction. Yes! We must indeed congratulate them and express our enthusiastic support.

And No! There won't be a next time — as the Editorial suggests. The communists and leftists started the

civil war and it has engendered nothing but pain and unnecessary killings. They have, therefore relinquished all rights to another chance!

Jose Gonzalez-Puig
Miami

Help make a priest through education

Dear Friends in Christ,

We are all aware of the critical need for more priests to serve our Catholic people in South Florida. Our population is increasing rapidly but the number of priests is not increasing proportionately.

The Burse Fund of the Archdiocese assists in the training of young men for the priesthood at our Archdiocesan Seminaries.

A Parish Burse is an investment in the future of the Church in South Florida. By means of the Parish Burse an investment of \$50,000 is made, for which the interest alone is used to educate a seminarian for the years of his seminary formation.

Such a Burse is perpetual; as soon

as one seminarian is ordained, another is educated through the interest of the Burse. It takes many contributions to establish a full Parish Burse of \$50,000. Many people have contributed toward their Parish Burse by donations to this Annual Appeal and also by bequests in their Wills.

The Annual Parish Burse Collection will be held next Sunday, April 25. I encourage your continued generosity to this important Appeal.

Thanking you on behalf of our future priests and asking God to bless you and your loved ones, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Edward A. McCarthy
Archbishop of Miami

Thanks for showing fiscal spending

To The Editor:

Thank you for publishing the audit on the Archdiocese of Miami in the April 2 Voice.

Fiscal accountability is an important part of life. The other end of the spectrum is, of course, the Cardinal

Cody arrogance: "I answer only to Rome and to God."

Daniel R. Morgan
Miami Beach

(Note: The Chicago Archdiocese publishes a fiscal report each year. — Ed.)

Using medicare dollars against unions

An administrative law judge of the National Labor Relations Board recently threw the book at a Midwestern Catholic hospital for illegally trying to thwart the right of its workers to organize into a union for the purpose of collective bargaining.

The judge charged the hospital with a number of unfair labor practices and ordered it to post a notice on all of its bulletin boards promising to "cease and desist" and henceforth to obey the law.

The hospital is getting a lot of bad publicity as a result. At considerable cost it hired a management consulting firm in hopes of preventing its workers from organizing.

THIS IS not the only hospital to have done so. A number of voluntary health facilities have hired



By Msgr.
George Higgins

services, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services — with mindboggling inconsistency — has decided hospitals can spend Medicare dollars to hire consultants who specialize in blocking unions.

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such consulting firms in recent years.

To make matters worse, the consulting firms and their clients in the health-care industry have now persuaded the federal government to subsidize their anti-union tactics.

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Union officials estimate this decision will cost the Medicare program more than \$30 million a year. HHS disputes this estimate, but has declined to cite a figure of its own.

FURTHERMORE, HHS has agreed to make back payments to hospitals for past anti-union

campaigns. As a result, one hospital will try to recoup \$18,000 it spent for an attorney who successfully blocked an effort last year to organize the hospital's registered nurses.

Bowing to pressure from the American Hospital Association and other health-care agencies, the Reagan administration has reversed a ruling by the previous administration that such payments are illegal because they "are clearly not related to patient care," and once again left itself open to charges that it is anti-union.

To add insult to injury, an aide to HHS Secretary Richard Schweiker explained the reversal of policy by stating for the record that the department "found it very difficult to distinguish" between the Medicare-covered educational activities consultants perform and anti-union propaganda. "We are absolutely not anti-union," he insisted, "but the old policy was virtually impossible to administer."

NONSENSE. There are scores of neutral experts in and out of the government who could resolve this phony dilemma by teaching HHS how to distinguish a legitimate consulting firm from one that specializes in blocking unions.

The new policy will thwart the right of hospital workers to organize while giving respectability to these consulting firms, and the administration knows it.

Thus, despite its pious protestants to the contrary, it shouldn't be surprised that many people have concluded that the Reagan administration is in fact anti-union. (NC News Service)

Nikodim, Man of Faith

I would like to cite a glorious example of a man and a priest in a totalitarian state who managed to live an exemplary religious life, even under the pressures of communism — Metropolitan Nikodim of Leningrad and Novgorod.

The metropolitan was the second highest prelate in the Russian Orthodox Church at the time of his death at the age of 48 in 1978. He died during a private audience with Pope John Paul I. He was recognized widely for his interest in ecumenical affairs and worked hard to build new bridges of understanding and brotherhood between the Russian Orthodox Church and the Roman Catholic Church.

I had the pleasure of talking with him several times during ecumenical meetings in the United States where he was a representative of a World Council of Churches.

A **NASTY** and untrue rumor then had it that Metropolitan Nikodim was a communist plant who had worked his way up the communist apparatus while officially allied with the Russian Orthodox Church. In fact, his life was marked by integrity and unselfishness.

Metropolitan Nikodim was a convert from communism. Apparently he longed for unity with the Catholic Church. He was born in 1929 and came originally from an area not far from Moscow. Ultimately he became the patriarchal exarch for Western Europe and the president of the Holy Synod Commissions for Ecumenical Relations.

One sign of his long-term interest in church unity was his choice of a thesis while studying for a doctorate. The metropolitan wrote his thesis on



By Fr. John B.
Sheerin, CSP

Pope John XXIII.

At the time of his death, Pope John Paul I commented, "Two days ago Metropolitan Nikodim died in my arms. I had been responding to his ad-

Secretariat for the Promotion of Christian Unity, described Nikodim as "one of the great figures of contemporary ecumenism. And I can confirm this myself through my personal acquaintance with the metropolitan and the Christian friendship that united us. His love of Christ and of the church drove him to the pursuit of unity."

Metropolitan Nikodim lived a thoroughly Christian life. On one occasion, he greeted the patriarch of Moscow, stressing the theme that Christians find themselves constantly up against the problem of how they must believe, pray and act as faithful followers of Christ.

Metropolitan Nikodim said that true Christians center their lives around the individual perfection

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dress. I assure you that never in my life had I heard such beautiful words about the church as he had just spoken. I cannot repeat them. They remain a secret."

IN HIS address at the funeral of Nikodim, Cardinal Jan Willebrands, head of the Vatican

of the Christian person. "That must be found, of course, not in isolation from the surrounding world and from those around us but with necessary involvement with them in service in the spirit of Christ."

May the angels lead Metropolitan Nikodim into paradise! (NC News Service)

Are we preparing for war?

A year and a half ago a quiet campaign began to alert the United States to the dangers of the escalating nuclear weapons race.

Called the Nuclear Weapons Freeze campaign, its results are now being counted: 23 city councils and 150 town meetings have at this writing adopted resolutions calling for a halt to nuclear weapons production.



By Antoinette Bosco

Even more impressive has been the fact that legislatures in nine states have adopted similar resolutions. This is particularly noteworthy because the opposition to nuclear weapons is coming from respectable leaders who have policy-making powers on a state level.

Interestingly, a growing number of U.S. Catholic bishops are protesting the nuclear arms race. Archbishop John Quinn of San Francisco, for example, recently argued for an honest debate by the United States and its NATO allies on a "no first use" pledge regarding nuclear weapons.

ARCHBISHOP RAYMOND Hunthausen of Seattle, in personal gesture of conviction, sent a pastoral letter to his flock in which he announced he was withholding 50 percent of his federal income taxes to protest the nation's participation in the arms race — a kind of dissent not usually associated with the hierarchy.

Respectable protestors also come from the scientific and

medical communities. Members have set up groups such as Physicians for Social Responsibility and the Union of Concerned Scientists. People in these groups are open about the horror and devastation of a military victory through nuclear arms — what they call "a madman's joke."

Harvard physician Dr. James Muller founded International Physicians Against Nuclear War. Physicians in the group say outright: "The medical facts are clear. You cannot survive a nuclear war."

Muller said nuclear bombing of the United States would kill 100 million, and leave another 60 million "terribly injured and ill from radiation sickness, trauma and burns." Some 80 percent of physicians and hospitals would be gone, leaving little medical care available, he noted.

A nuclear war would be a devastating holocaust, Muller explained on NBC's Today Show.

IT HAS TO be significant when legislators, bishops and physicians find themselves strongly supporting a common position protesting the policies of the president of the United States. I think they are worried because they see lots of signs that seem to indicate this country is preparing for war.

There is another important factor in talk about the nation's security — the military and the draft. The government has announced it is taking steps to force the 500,000 or more 18-year-olds who have not yet registered for the draft to comply. The government says it will impose fines and imprisonment on those who disobey.

Andre Gingerich, in a Today Show appearance, explained that he is refusing to register in protest over our nation's evident preparation for war. "The issue is so serious, you have to take a stand to put a stop to plans for nuclear war," Gingerich said.

The message I hear clearly is that a new unity is in the making, joining Americans of diverse professions, backgrounds and situations into a common cause of survival. That in itself is a sign of peace. (NC News Service)

Town finds a new spirit

All things considered, every one in Fort Wayne, Indiana, is agreed. If they had had a choice in the matter, they would have soon not had that flood.

But since they had it, every one was agreed, too, that some good things came out of it. Maybe most important of all, the



By Dale Francis

people learned something about themselves — and they liked what they learned.

Fort Wayne, with 173,000 people, is the second largest population center in the State of Indiana. But something about it, Fort Wayne never did become a big city but remained a town, which is saying something nice about it. There are beautiful parks, an outstanding civic theater, a restored downtown movie palace that brings in travelling road shows, excellent schools and half a dozen colleges.

IT IS A NICE TOWN but there have been problems. International Harvester was a major employer, it was the place they made the four-wheel drive sports vehicles, and then International Harvester ran into financial problems that harmed the city. There have been labor-management problems at major plants. Unemployment has been high. The crime problem hasn't been out of hand but it has been enough to worry. There's been the problem of drugs and young people. Hard rock concerts at the coliseum aren't allowed because of that. Fort Wayne wasn't a city in trouble but it was a city with its share of problems. The way things were going, especially with the economy, it figured things were going to get worse before they got better.

And then came the flood. Fort Wayne is proud of its three rivers — the Three Rivers Festival is the city's biggest week long event. Now and then one of the rivers overflowed its

banks and everyone remembered the great flood of 1913. But the Maumee, St. Mary's and St. Joseph Rivers were the center pieces of the beauty of Fort Wayne until in March they swept over vast areas, inundated more than 3,000 homes and threatened thousands of others.

It was then Fort Wayne learned something about itself. There are places struck by natural disasters where martial law must be declared to control the looters and scavengers. In Fort Wayne, the people came out but not to loot and to scavenge but to help.

IN THAT city of 173,000 there were more than 60,000 volunteers who came to help others. What Fort Wayne learned in its adversity was that this was a community where people cared about each other. In that population there were thousands homeless, needing the care of others. There were older people and younger people not able to help and yet more than one of three of the people of Fort Wayne became volunteers.

They established first aid centers and shelters, people brought food and supermarkets donated milk, bread, canned goods. Churches opened the door of their social centers. Everywhere people were helping.

Especially the young people volunteered. They became the shock forces in the battle against the rivers. The levees turned into mudbanks, the water lapping at the top, a break would flood thousands more homes. It was the young people who filled 50-pound sandbags, loaded them on to trucks, took them to where human chains of volunteers built new flood walls. There were 1,200,000 sandbags, more than 25,000 tons of sand were used, and all of this was done, not by government agencies, but by the people and especially the young people.

The flood waters have gone down, but the spirit in Fort Wayne is still high. There's work to be done in cleaning up after the flood but the mayor of the city is appearing on television, telling the people that Fort Wayne is going to use its new found spirit to meet the problems that were there before the flood. What was learned was that people can, if they care, meet the problems they face. What they learned at Fort Wayne, we should learn, too. (Dale Francis is editor of the Washington Catholic Standard.)

Handling peer pressure

Q. Some of my friends want me to try marijuana. I'm not sure I want to. But it's getting harder to say no. What should I do if I don't want to smoke pot? I'm not sure I can handle it. (Indiana)

A. A young man named Jeff has a good way of describing your problem. He calls it the challenge of "saying no in a yes society."



By Tom Lennon

Our pop culture encourages not only young people like yourself but adults as well to say "yes" to any pleasure they want, even if it's not good for them. The actor, Treat Williams, remarked, "It's a self-indulgent time, a selfish time."

Probably for years to come you'll be encouraged by some people to do drugs, to waste yourself on booze, and to get into any kind of sex that pleases you.

WHEN YOU'RE older there'll be pressures of various kinds to spend lots of money on luxuries; to say, "To hell with the poor." And there may be people who'll try to push you into doing something dishonest to make big bucks.

How can you say "no" when people make it sound attractive to say "yes," and even, in a way, make it sound sensible?

Jeff would tell you, as he has told hundreds of young people he speaks to, that the sky won't fall if you say "no," not even if you say it loudly and even hotly.

"My younger brother Tony is a very secure guy," says Jeff. "he thinks the kids who get into drugs are kids who are insecure and feel they have to prove something. Tony doesn't feel he has to prove anything about himself to anybody."

LAST WINTER Moira, a 15-year-old girl in our parish, laughed as she told me about a party she had been to. The parents let their son have beer at his party, she said.

"But I'd bet \$10 that half the kids there drank beer just because they thought it was the thing to do and not because they really wanted to. I searched around in the fridge for some Pepsi and drank that, and nobody laughed at me or put me down," Moira said.

Jeff told me of a 14-year-old boy whose girlfriend pressured him into trying pot.

"I hated it," the boy said. "It burned my throat, so I told my girl I couldn't do it anymore. And I don't. The world hasn't come to an end. My girlfriend is still my girlfriend."

These young people deserve congratulations. "Saying no in a yes society" is something to be proud of.

(NC News Service)

When children become a battleground

Dear Dr. Kenny: My son is 19, single and in the service. His father and I are divorced. I met my son last week when he was on leave, and he seemed happy to see me.

Well, that was the only time I got to see him. He neither called nor came to see me and left without



By Dr. James and Mary Kenny

saying goodbye.

I was heartbroken and still am, for you see, I can't disprove anything that his father says about me.

My son implied that his father told them I'm promiscuous. My ex-husband despises me and has sought revenge by turning our five children against me.

I never thought my oldest son believed him, but I guess he does. Please tell me what I can do to win him over. — Indiana

There are so many uglies of divorce. You have described one of them: the tendency to fight

through the children.

Each parent tells the child things calculated to get the child to think well of the speaker and ill of the other.

Should one parent suspect this is happening, that parent, to defend himself and to fight back, must present the other side. Since divorced parents are often not talking to each other, there is no chance for them to meet and discuss their resentments between themselves.

SOON "QUIZZING and discussion" begin. "What did your father tell you about me?" "What did you do at your father's?" "Was his new girlfriend there?"

When the examination is finished, the speaker usually implants a few negative ideas about the absent parent. "I never wanted this divorce." "Your father is drinking his life away." "It's easy to be a weekend parent."

Separation plus paranoia lead to more and more vindictiveness. Each parent does the "quiz and attack." The perceived unfairness accumulates, and the game gets rougher.

The answer to this spiraling hate is to get off the merry-go-round. If you have mean things to say, then address them directly to your ex-husband. If you don't see him regularly, then phone him or write him.

Communicate any angry message directly to him, not through your son. If he chooses to use your son's mind as a battleground, do not join

him there.

DO NOT attack your husband through your son. That is unfair to your son. In the long run he needs to think positively about both parents. He did not get a divorce from either parent. You did.

Allow him to respect his father. An attack by you on his father will dirty you more than it will his father. I suspect that your husband's attacks on you will also boomerang eventually and hurt him in your son's eyes.

Do not spend all your time and energy defending yourself to your son. If your husband's accusations are untrue, deny them briefly and let them be. Get on with the more positive business of loving your son.

If you cannot visit with your son at this time, then phone him. Or write him. Give him news of yourself and of the family.

TELL HIM what you are doing. Write of your dreams and disappointments. Write regularly for awhile even though he does not answer. Tell him you love him.

Why waste time telling him what is wrong with his father or why you are not a bad woman? Instead, use your mother-son time to be chatty, informative and positively loving.

(Reader questions on family living and child care to be answered in print are invited. Address questions: The Kennys; Box 872, St. Joseph's College; Rensselaer, Ind. 47978.) (NC News Service)

Hiding behind busy-ness

Remember Maureen, the woman who wanted a deeper relationship with her non-communicative husband? Well, I got lots of mail on that one. It was evenly divided between those who, like Maureen, felt her pain and despair over facing 25 years with a husband who never talked or listened to her and those who had little patience with her complaint.

These latter, almost to a person, said, in effect, that Maureen needed to stop feeling sorry for herself and get involved in some meaningful volunteer work. "There are all kinds of organizations out there waiting for women like Maureen to help," wrote a representative writer. "Let her get off her duff and over to the Red Cross or the soup kitchen to get some meaning out of life." Others sent long lists of local agencies looking for volunteers.

I hear what these writers are saying but it bothers me because it emphasizes what I see as one of the major blocks to good personal communication: an accepted cultural attitude that says that busy-ness and activity can compensate for lacking intimacy. It's this attitude that drives men (and now, women) to workaholicism to make up for empty relationships in personal lives. And that isn't any response to those who expect and want more than a physical marital relationship.



By Dolores Curran

The irony in Maureen's case is that she already over-volunteers. That's how I met her, in fact. She spends most of her time and gets most of her interpersonal satisfaction from church work, an activity in which her husband shows little interest.

I asked her to respond to writers' suggestions that she become busier to alleviate her marital loneliness and she said, with some evident anger, "Don't tell me to get more involved. I didn't marry to find intimacy in the Red Cross."

I've noticed that when couples begin to lose their relationship, their activity level with others rises, whether it's in work or organizations. They join more clubs, take more courses, work more overtime — all of which alleviates the need and opportunity to focus on the problem in the first

place, which is dwindling interest in one another. If they volunteer together, it's an opportunity to relate, at least, but that's a rare move for these couples.

Rather than telling a Maureen to get more involved we should encourage couples to strip themselves of these artificial outlets and focus on their deep human hunger for each other. I think it was indicative that few of the writers so impatient with Maureen were impatient with her husband's lack of communication and interest in their relationship. They echo our society's belief that busy-ness and activity make up for missing love, and that if they don't, it's the person's fault for wanting more.

That simply doesn't work. The most frenetic people are still unhappy and seeking. Adding to their calendars only masks temporarily their need for intimacy.

In an era where too many middle-age couples are breaking up after 20 years of marriage and Little League, we need to look at the basic relationship, not the activity schedules. We need to focus on the partner who refuses to nurture intimacy, not the one who wants it. And that means changing some deeply rooted attitudes in us that say that if we're busy enough, we don't need love. (All Publishing Corp.)

Family Night

OPENING PRAYER

Alleluia, alleluia
Praise You
Our Eternal King.
Alleluia, alleluia
Our eternal life
You did bring.
Alleluia, alleluia
Your joy and love
Within us ring.
Alleluia, alleluia
Your eternal praise
Forever we do sing!

Amen.

THEME:

Something to think about. Easter has always brought the promise of eternal life for us, yet it's impossible for us to comprehend this great, great mystery. Somehow though, nature itself can give us some hints in grasping the mystery. We think perhaps, nature's most precious example of the promise that is to be ours, is that of the caterpillar becoming the butterfly.

ACTIVITY IDEAS:

Young Families. Materials: paper, scissors, colors, string, 2 coat hangers.

Share a discussion about Easter symbols and how their message tries to convey Easter's mystery. Eggs can turn into chicks, flowers come from small seeds or unattractive bulbs. Even the Easter bunny, perhaps, comes from the reality of rabbits having as many as five litters a year. Of course, share about the butterfly and then make a mobile using the different special Easter symbols.

Middle Year Families and Adult Families. Read aloud, John 20:1-18. Share reflections on what this means

in our own lives today.

ENTERTAINMENT:

Songfest of joyful melodies.

SHARING:

1. Someone share a memory from a favorite Easter of the past.
2. I enjoy my family because . . .
3. This lent and Easter has made me . . .

CLOSING PRAYER

Repeat the opening prayer or share spontaneous prayers. (Contributed by Mimi and Terry Reilly.)

Scriptural Insights

BELIEVING WITHOUT SEEING

Readings: Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 5:1-5; John 20:19-31

Only last week we celebrated Easter Sunday, and how busy we have been since then. Always something new. Lucky for us that we have the church to remind us of things that remain always true and are always the same, such as the Faith, and Christ Jesus, and real people.

All four gospels record the fact of the resurrection, relating how Jesus appeared to many of His friends. John tells us of one occasion when Jesus appeared to the apostles who were gathered together more or less in hiding. Only Thomas was absent.

JESUS' FIRST word to them was quite unexpected. We could understand it if He had scolded them, but instead He greeted them with the word: "Peace!" Many times before He had urged them, "Do not be afraid;" now, all negatives aside, He said "Peace be with you," and showed them His wounds.

Next, Jesus breathed upon His disciples. When God breathed upon Adam, Adam began to live; Jesus breathes upon His friends, and they come alive. The Holy Spirit is His gift to them, giving them the power to forgive sins. Forgiveness is the lovely companion of peace.

Jesus' words plainly give the apostles the power to forgive sins. Obviously such a power is to be used with discretion. A sinner who is not disposed to repentance cannot be forgiven by mere words; did not Jesus once warn against casting pearls before swine? How immensely consoling to hear His assurance that sins can be forgiven!

Thomas was missing on this occasion. From what we know about him, he was a generous, energetic, material-minded, and stubborn man. Now he lays down his conditions for believing: he had to see, first.

Jesus is most tolerant of His

children, but He is always the Master. He let Thomas stew in his own juice for a week, and then appeared to the Twelve. Thomas capitulated at once, and gave voice to the first explicit act of faith in the Risen Jesus: My Lord, and my God!

THOMAS the apostle was what we call a "loner," or a rugged individualist. That is not all bad, since each person is in fact utterly unique. However, we are never really alone, and we can always learn from other members of the community, especially of that believing community we call the church. The opening prayer of today's Mass reminds us of the brotherhood into which our baptism has initiated us.

Like the apostles, we form a community that is "of one heart and one mind." We too believe in Jesus' resurrection and in the forgiveness of sins. Through our brothers and sisters we share in the social and missionary

works inspired by Jesus' teachings, and we are supported by the faith we share together. We "belong," and we are part of the action.

Jesus said to Thomas — you could call this a Ninth Beatitude! — "Blessed are they who have not seen, and have believed." The apostle John tells us, in his usual luminous style, that "anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world. This is the victory over the world — our faith."

Powerful words, these; though few, they say a lot. Faith gives us a sense of proportion, and in its light we are able to evaluate properly the events of our ever-changing world.

To each of us, Jesus says, "Peace!" To each of us, His words of forgiveness are available. For all of us, our faith spells victory over the world, the flesh, and the devil. Rightly, the alleluia's continue.

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Families . . . (Continued from page 6)

regarded in many areas as a leader in the area of Marriage and Family Life Ministry. In 1977, Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy instituted a concerted effort to assist families in their apostolic calling by opening the Family Enrichment Center. The Archdiocesan plan for evangelization sees the family not only as the primary community to be taken into consideration, but also an absolutely necessary one for any effort in evangelization to succeed. In the plan for evangelization, the family was and is the first consideration. The year 1980 was the Year of the Family in the five-year plan of evangelization for the Archdiocese. This Exhortation affirms and challenges us in the Archdiocese of Miami, in the American Church and in the Universal Church to continue this call to marriage and family ministry by, with and for marriages in a fuller and deeper way.

Let us read, pray and break open

the depth of this Exhortation, asking the Spirit to guide us in making this "New Vision" of marriage and family a reality.

In the weeks to follow we will be writing articles on the many specific aspects of this Exhortation. You can read this weekly series on the Family Life page of *The Voice*.

Auxiliary members to meet guardian angel

MIAMI SHORES — Barry University Auxiliary members will meet a Guardian Angel. Patricia Bell, Hialeah Gardens realtor and mother of four, moonlights as a crime fighter on Miami Beach. Bell will speak at the Auxiliary meeting on Tuesday, April 20 in Thompson Hall, 10 a.m. Her topic will include the mission of the Guardian Angels and achievements in reducing crime.

Auxiliary membership is open to all men and women for an annual fee of \$5. For further information, call Phyllis Saunders, ext. 311.

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American Catholics

Book traces history, asks 'how Catholic are we?'

AMERICAN CATHOLICS: A HISTORY OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN THE UNITED STATES, by Father James Hennesey, S.J. Oxford University Press (New York and Oxford, 1981). 397 pp., \$19.95.

Reviewed by Father Robert Emmett Curran, S.J. NC News Service

"History will judge . . ." is a phrase that self-serving politicians have used ad nauseam during the past 20 years. If truth be told, historians do like to have the final word.

In the late 60s my mentor in graduate school kept sitting on a 1,000 page manuscript he had spent over a decade putting together on the religious history of the American people. He could not bring himself to publish it because he could not yet see how the religious ferment of the 60s would play itself out. He finally stopped waiting, published the work, and won a National Book Award for his effort.

Father Hennesey has no illusions about giving us the last word about the history of American Catholicism. What he has given us is the best comprehensive study to date of the Catholic experience in America. Nine years in the making, "American Catholics" not only tells the story of the church in America but integrates that story within the larger history of American society more successfully than any previous survey.

(Father Curran is an associate professor of history at Georgetown University and writes on American Catholic history.)

Early Christians on '2000 Years'

The early Christian Church will be the topic of the next "Christianity — 2,000 Years" produced in Ft. Lauderdale. Bishop Robert F. Joyce and Joseph DeGance, historian, will speak on the program which will air April 21 at 7:30 p.m. and April 23 at 8:30 p.m. on Selkirk Cable Television Channel 25.

DESPITE its European origin, American Catholicism, Father Hennesey shows, rapidly took on a distinctive non-European character that from its earliest days in Maryland celebrated religious liberty and fostered lay participation. This Maryland tradition matured with Bishop John Carroll who envisioned an American Church in communion with Rome but internally autonomous, shaping its own system of local government according to norms appropriate to a democratic society (Bishop Carroll, for instance, wanted bishops elected by the national clergy.)

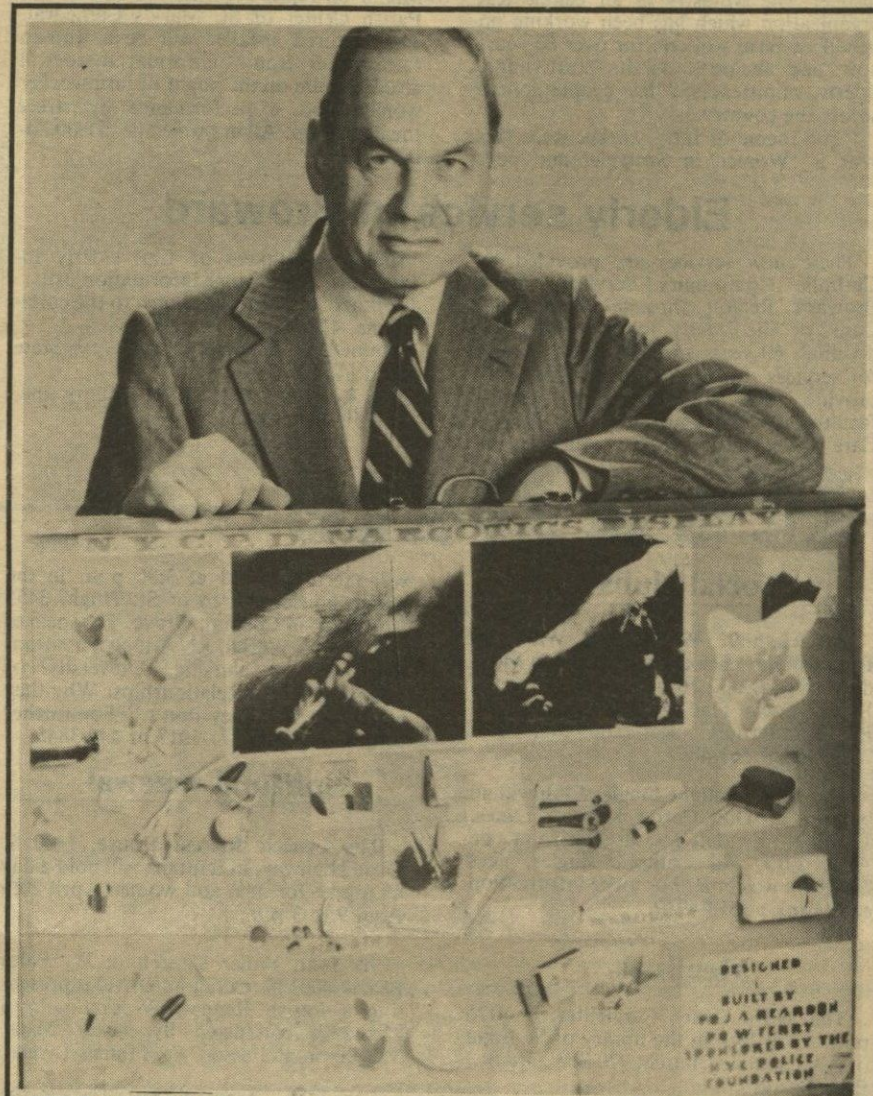
Bishop Carroll's vision was virtually dead before his own death in 1815. Rome allowed only Bishop Carroll himself to be elected by his fellow priests. The clergy itself, including the bishop, was not prepared to share power with the people. Through the early decades of the 19th century the authority of lay trustees was systematically broken in a series of parish struggles.

As authority and decision-making shifted toward Rome in the 19th century the American church itself became dominated by the foreign-born. Father Hennesey reminds us that, despite some notable failures with the Poles, Lithuanians, and Carpatho-Russians, the church was spectacularly successful in responding to this enormous influx.

The anti-Catholicism that such growth periodically engendered merely strengthened the role of the church as a "collective self-defense" against the hostility of an alien culture.

Although prosperity and bigotry combined to defeat Al Smith in 1928, the New Deal provided an unprecedented opportunity for Catholic leadership at the national level. The halcyon period for American Catholics, however, was from 1939 to 1958 as membership, vocations, educational institutions all expanded rapidly on a seemingly endless upward curve.

WE ALL KNOW what happened to that curve. Cultural assimilation, Vatican II, Vietnam, "Humanae



SPECIAL REPORT — NBC News Correspondent Edwin Newman examines how drug habits of the 1960s counter-culture have moved into the mainstream of America's middle-class in an NBC White Paper "Pleasure Drugs: The Great American High," airing April 20 from 10-11 p.m. on WCKT, Channel 7. (NC photo)

Vitae," whatever the mix, it added up to an unprecedented crisis for American Catholics.

Father Hennesey in confronting this crisis raises the question: "How deeply Catholic has the immense Catholic body in the United States, with its panoply of schools, and other institutions, really been?" In what sense has it been an authentic Christian community, bound together by social ideals rather than instincts of collective self-defense? The author invites the reader to reach his own conclusion.

A close reading of his history in the light of this question will, I think,

prove both sobering and challenging to any one who cares about the church in America.

Epiphany Church holds Latin American Concert

Cuban-born pianist Adolfo Fernandez will perform at a Latin American Music concert that will be held at Epiphany Church, Red Rd. at 84th St., on Sunday April 18 at 8 p.m.

Mr. Fernandez who has performed solo concerts at the Dade County auditorium recently edited a selection of nineteenth century Cuban composers' works for the city of Miami.

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Without God, I am nothing

By Katharine Bird
NC News Service

Not long ago, the priest began, a woman of many sorrows came in for a talk. Beset by a series of tragedies in her personal life a number of years earlier, she had turned first to alcohol and then to pills in a futile attempt to escape the problems.

Angry and upset, she blamed God for the way her life was progressing; she stopped going to church and gave up praying. Her family repeatedly begged her to stop drinking and to

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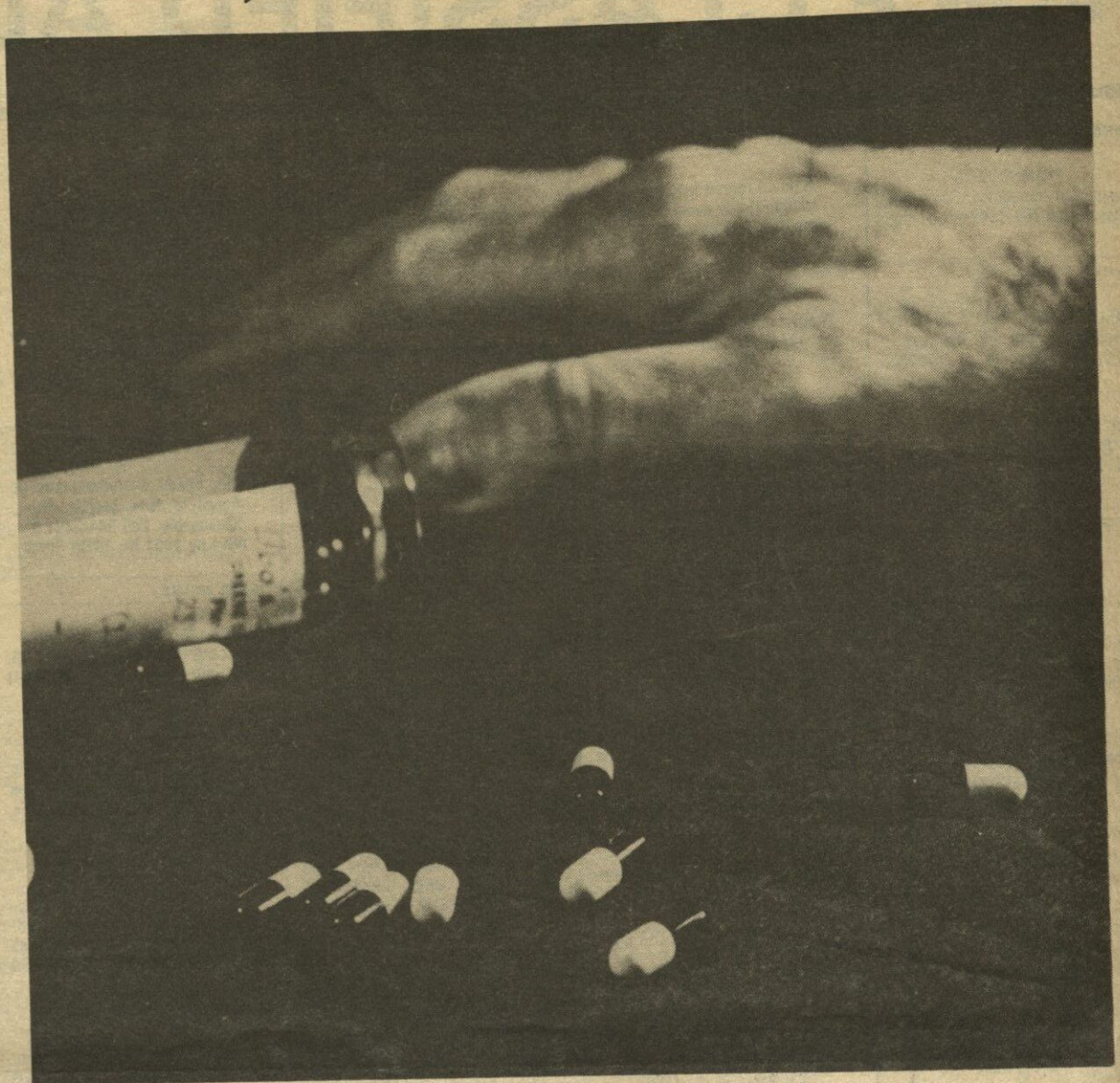
leave the drugs alone. But caught fast in the grip of her misery, the priest explained, the woman would not listen.

However, as time passed, she began to worry about her life. Gradually she became aware of just how much pain she was causing her family, the priest said.

AFTER A TIME, the woman decided to try to put her life in order. She soon discovered that this was not easily done. She found out, also, that she needed help to alter her destructive pattern of living.

So, for a time she went to a psychiatrist to talk over her feelings and difficulties. This helped.

The priest's account of this woman's story was given in his Sunday homily. Eventually, he said, the woman became aware there was a void in her life which the psychiatrist could not fill. Even though she was making good progress now in fighting her addictions, she felt some vital



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dimension was not being touched.

Finally, the woman concluded that she would never be a complete human being without returning to the God she had abandoned. Eventually, she began to attend church services once again.

That nameless woman stands, for me, as an illustration of the traditional Christian insight that faith has something to offer to the whole human being. Slowly and painfully, the woman seems to have learned that a human being is a complex mixture of spirit and body, intellect and emotions, and that faith is addressed to all these parts of life taken together.

FOR CHRISTIANS, the model is Jesus Christ. For him, the life of God embraced all of life. The Gospels portray him as a man of action in the years of his public ministry: He heals, teaches, worships, makes friends, travels, ex-

periences profound feeling for others and goes about daily living with zest.

But, the Gospels note, Jesus periodically withdraws from the rush of events and goes alone to some quiet place to meditate.

That the faith can find its way into all of life was recognized in the sixth century by the father of Western monasticism, St. Benedict of Nursia. He drew up a Rule which established a daily plan with a carefully orchestrated mix of private prayer and physical labor and study, punctuated always by the community prayer of the monks at set hours.

For hundreds of years since then, the Benedictines have followed a similar daily rhythm. For them, the varied pursuits of daily life are not placed in separate compartments. Rather, faith and work, body and spirit, are seen as parts of the unified life.

**I Believe ...
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By Father John J. Castelot
NC News Service

Jesus was exasperated when the disciples did not understand him. But he did not write them off as hopeless. Instead, he began to open their eyes, gradually, patiently, persistently.

According to Mark's Gospel, miracles cannot lead to an insight into the true identity of Jesus. Such understanding can come only through faith as a gift of God.

But people must be willing to believe, open to accept God's gift.

The light of faith pierces human blindness — sometimes in a sudden flash, as is illustrated by the cry of the centurion on Calvary. (Mark 15:39) And the centurion had seen no miracles, only the death of Jesus.

Usually, however, faith dawns gradually, even painfully, and the growth of understanding is a slow process.

THE ATTEMPT of Jesus to cure the blindness of his disciples will be the theme of the second part of Mark's Gospel. Chapter 8:22-33 serves as a sort of bridge to this next part.

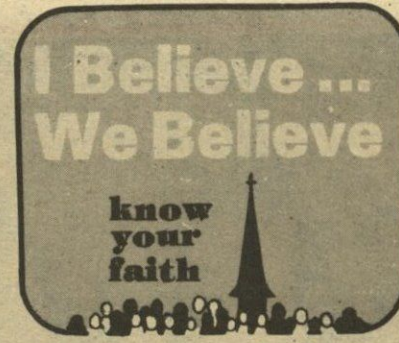
This hinge section opens with the cure of a blind man at Bethsaida. Mark very cleverly inserts this account here. The disciples have just demonstrated incredible blindness. "Have you eyes but no sight?" he asks them sadly in Chapter 8:18.

Now Jesus demonstrates his ability to restore sight. It is a most unusual miracle, but its very unusual features help to bring out what Mark is trying to say. Most of Jesus' cures are instantaneous; this one is in two stages.

Jesus asks, "Can you see anything?" The man replies, "I can see people but they look like walking trees!" Then a second time Jesus lays hands on the eyes of the man who now will see perfectly. Jesus sends him home with the ad-

Seeing...

Reaching for wholeness



By Dolores Leckey
NC News Service

Jesus urges us to love God with all our mind, all our strength (bodiliness), all our soul — and to love our neighbor as ourself.

The startling thing about Jesus' teaching is that it's not merely words. We can look at his public ministry — the gospel accounts — and see how he lived, how he loved, fully engaged with other persons.

He brought the fullness of his personhood to his many acts of love.

The life of the mind, for example, was not dismissed by Jesus. Quite the opposite. He begins intellectual endeavors at an early age, arguing with the rabbis in the temple.

The body was not denied by Jesus. The ordinary interactions of eating and drinking, and of conversations with all kinds of people,

mark the pages of the Gospel. Furthermore, his healings involved his own body: Jesus touches the sick in vivid ways.

Remember the mudpack made from his own spittle which he applied to the eyes of the blind man? His last evening on earth was focused on the perpetuation of his bodily presence in sacred bread and wine. And finally, his dead body was anointed with spices, as well as much sorrow.

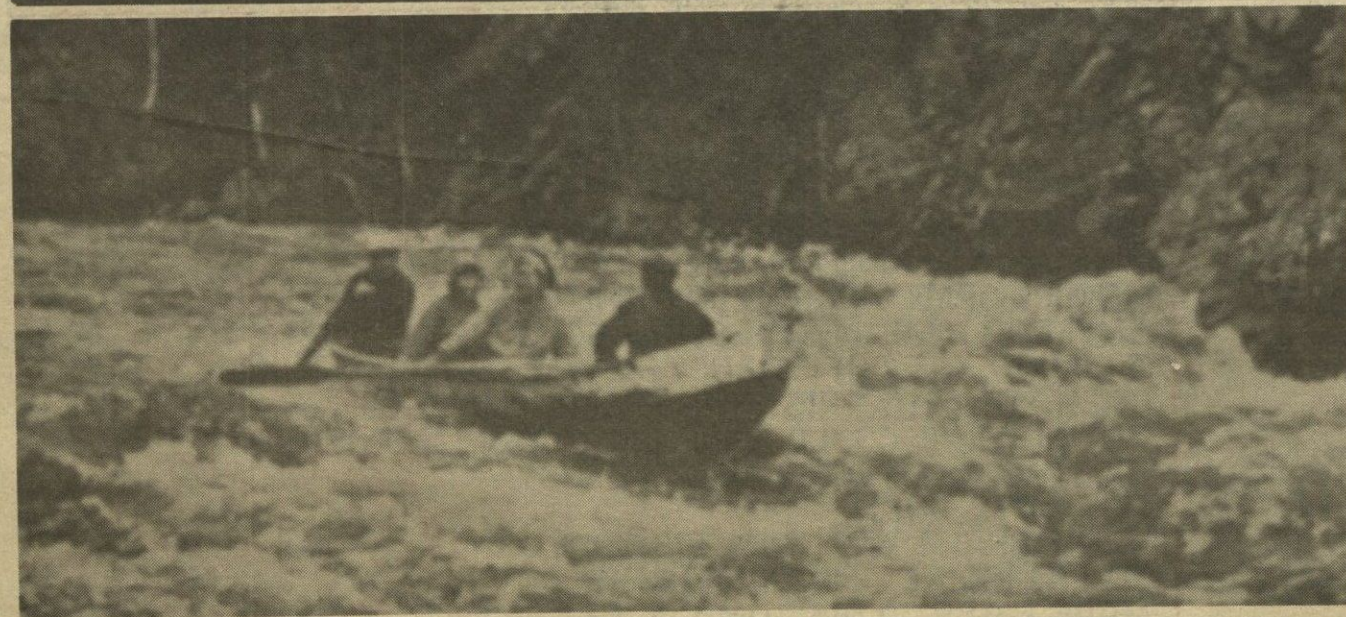
JESUS DEALT with emotions, too. He experienced anger, we read. And he cried. He wept when his friend Lazarus died, and when he thought of the fate of Jerusalem.

I suspect he also wept when he saw the poor widow put all she had into the temple treasury.

Jesus had a way of probing into the emotional recesses and defenses of the men and women who followed him, and who sought his help. Again and again he asked those who would be cured or freed: What do you want?

In this way, Jesus insisted that people get in touch with the centers of themselves — with their freedom, choice and responsibility. In Jesus'

Daily prayer and meditation are as essential to a whole, complete life as exercise and relaxation. (NC photos)



time, as in our time, this is a pathway to emotional health.

Throughout his public ministry, Jesus was alert to the world of the spirit. He battles principalities and powers at the same time that he encourages people to look within their own hearts and there to glimpse the spirit of the living God.

The approach Jesus takes is a whole approach. He is open, and fully present. It's the kind of openness and presence that Father Kadowaki thinks is necessary for those who wish to be part of God's kingdom.

THE QUESTION for contemporary Christians is how, practically speaking, to be attentive to the development of the whole person.

Dr. Karl Menninger, in a conference some years ago with superiors of religious orders, suggested some daily disciplines that can be a beginning of integration — of wholeness — in a Christian's development. He recommended that each day time be set aside:

- a. to pray and meditate in quiet and solitude;
- b. to do something we like — something just for fun;
- c. to read something intellectually or aesthetically stimulating;
- d. to exercise — to appreciate our bodies;

- e. to control our weight through the proper use of food and alcohol.

Many people I know have variations on the Menninger theme. Some have adopted a special diet. Others do yoga before meditating. One friend takes a study day once a month.

Still others, convinced that a whole life requires some artistic expression, have begun to sing or dance, to paint or do pottery, to weave or sculpt.

In so doing, these people have come to agree that Jesus meant us to throw our full energy into the affairs of life — like St. Irenaeus in the second century, who cried that "The glory of God is the human person fully alive."

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monition, "Do not even go into the village."

Later, at Caesarea Philippi, Jesus asks the disciples who people say he is. They give him a confused answer. "Some, John the Baptizer, others, Elijah, still others, one of the prophets." (They "see" but only confusedly.)

Then the second question: "And you, who do you say that I am?" Peter answers straightforwardly, "You are the Messiah!" (They now saw perfectly.) And just as Jesus had ordered the man not even to go into the village, now he tells the disciples not to let anyone know this.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT of Jesus, we're discovering here, will come only gradually; even then it will be incomplete until the cross and resurrection bring the full light of faith.

For as will be shown, Peter's apparently clear insight was not clear at all. He still had a great deal to learn, as they all did, and from now on Jesus will be shown trying to

teach them.

This is the last of three reactions to Jesus which punctuate the first part of Mark's Gospel. The first was the decision of the Pharisees and Herodians; the second was his rejection by his kinsfolk and townspeople.

Now there is this climactic third reaction.

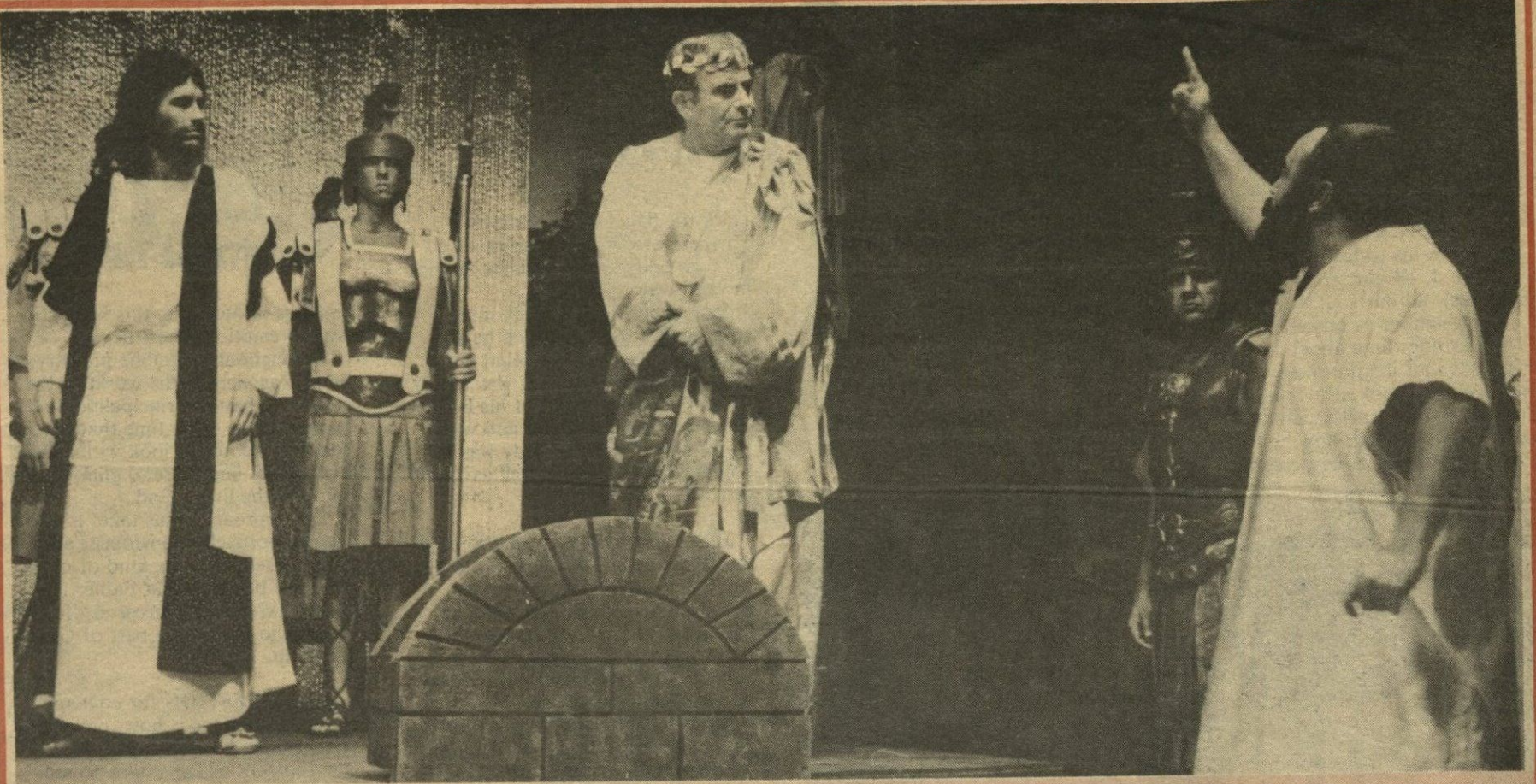
But, as it turns out, it is as disappointing, if not so final, as the other two. For Peter does not really understand.

The story of the cure of the blind man at Bethsaida serves another purpose. You might think of it as part of a bracket enclosing the next section of the Gospel.

This cure is like the first arm of the bracket. The second arm of the bracket will be, significantly, the cure of the blind Bartimaeus in Chapter 10.

In between the brackets — two cures of blind men — we see Jesus' efforts to dispel the blindness of his disciples.

Mark was a clever writer.



Passion Play

"Crucify him!" a Pharisee demands as Sed Mangano as Pontius Pilate and Greg Sendler as Christ look on during a dramatic presentation of the death of Jesus at St. Louis parish in Kendall this Easter weekend. After the sentencing on stage, Sendler carried a cross around the interior of the church before he being strapped to it in the altar area. (Voice photo by Prentice Browning)

And God created...frogs

By Hilda Young
NC News Service

Marie's frog died last week. It was a rough event for our little 9-year-old.

She had watched it mature from a tadpole-ardarting, a little piece of life that we had scooped from a pond during a picnic.

We all watched fascinated during the ensuing weeks as the unnamed bug-eyed thing metamorphosed before us in its Tupperware swamp. Tiny black specs turned into little legs. The long tail shrank.

IN SLOW MOTION the rather grotesque tadpole turned into the cutest darned emerald green, half-inch-long frog you ever saw.

The funeral was simple. Spouse volunteered a tiny cardboard box that had been used to store the railroad watch that had belonged to his grandfather. The watch disappeared during a burglary, but he had hung on to the box as it still carried sentimental value. It was a dandy coffin.

My husband and I looked up "frog" in the Concordance of the Bible to see if Scripture might have something comforting to say to Marie about frogs. It didn't. As a matter of fact, frogs play a rather dastardly role in the Bible. Obviously, that wouldn't do.

We opted for the creation story, specifically the fifth day (Genesis 1:20-23) when God "created sea serpents and every kind of living creature with which the waters teamed . . ." And so forth.

I WONDERED what the authors of the Genesis story would have thought if they knew their wonderful story would someday be used to console a little girl whose frog had died.

We felt God's presence very much. The incident served as a gentle reminder of how present God should be to us in so many events of life. But, too often, we are so numbed by places to go and things to do that we miss him.

the Saints *by Luke*

ST. GEORGE IS ONE OF THE GREAT MARTYRS OF THE EARLY CHURCH. HE WAS A ROMAN SOLDIER AND ROSE TO A HIGH RANK IN THE ARMY.

St. GEORGE

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