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On Suffering

Pope's pastors/letter shows persona/pain, family deaths, oppression, near-assassination

By Father Kenneth J. Doyle

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Pope John Paul II's apostolic letter on the Christian meaning of suffering was written by a man who is no stranger to sorrow and pain.

The document was made public at the Vatican Feb. 10 and addressed to the entire church. It was dated Feb. 11, the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Its Latin title is "Salvifici Doloris" and its title in English is "On the Christian Meaning of Suffering."

The letter touched on a frequent theme of Pope John Paul's pontificate: that while suffering is always a trial, it also calls people to perseverance and reveals human dignity. The pope knows of what he speaks.

By the time Karol Wojtyla was 30 years old, he had come to grips with the deaths of his three closest relatives.

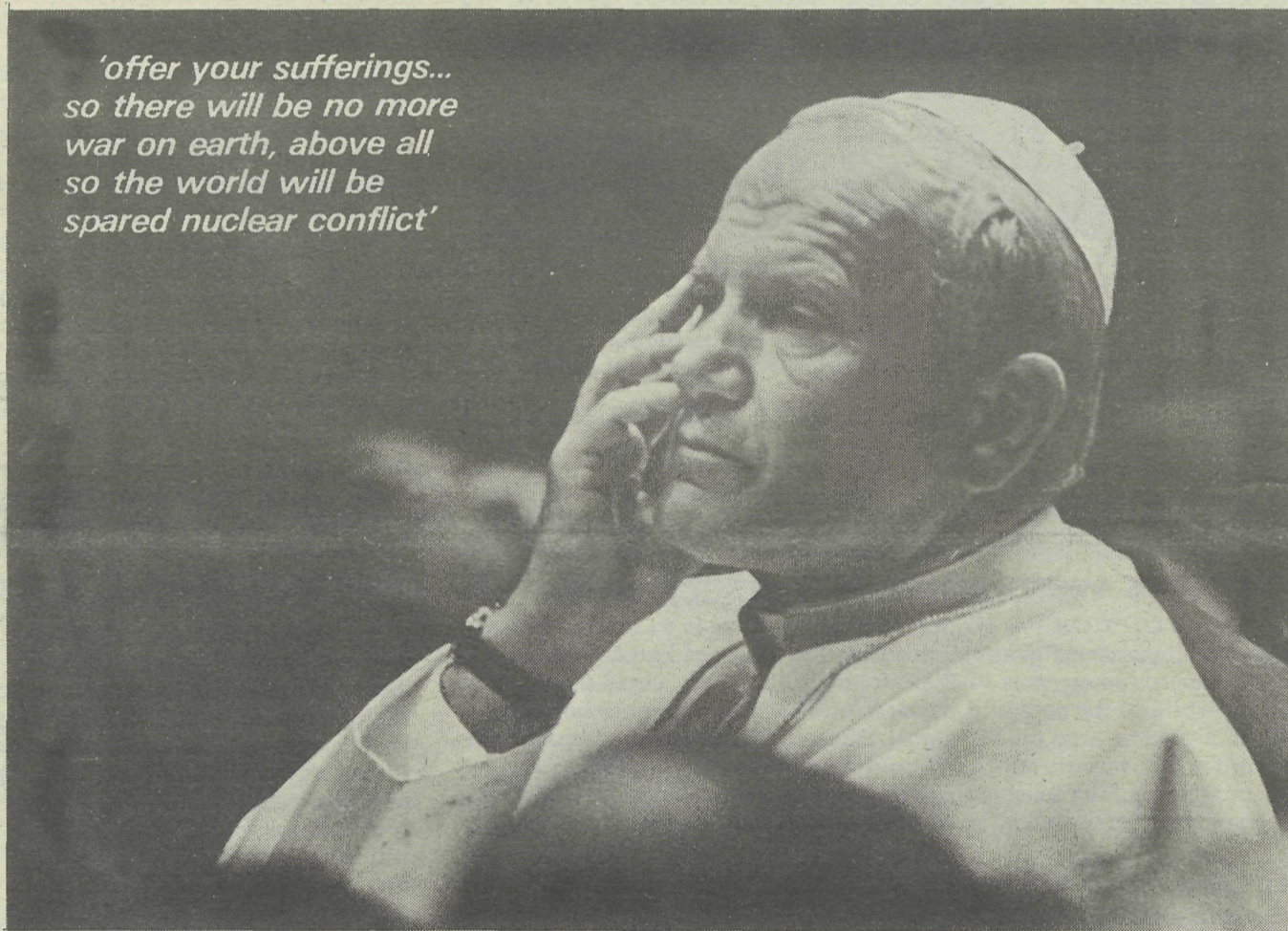
When he was almost nine years old, his mother died. His brother Edmund, a doctor, died of scarlet fever when Karol was 12. His father, with whom he shared an apartment in Cracow, Poland, died when he was 20.

Friends describe Wojtyla, on the night of his father's death, kneeling for 12 hours in prayer and grief at the bedside of the man who had been his closest companion and strongest influence.

Friends also describe the young Wojtyla as athletic, witty and friendly, but with a pensive and meditative side deepened by the struggles with tragedy.

Added to the losses of the three people closest to him, were the hardships placed on Wojtyla by the political situation during his youth.

'offer your sufferings... so there will be no more war on earth, above all so the world will be spared nuclear conflict'



War

At dawn on Sept. 1, 1939, the German blitzkrieg smashed through Poland. Several hours later, Wojtyla, then a 19-year-old university student, walked through smoking rubble to assist at Mass in his parish church.

The Nazis closed the University of Cracow, so Wojtyla, several classmates and a few teachers continued

their courses in secret, slipping individually into houses to meet and hold classes in hushed tones.

Later, during the war, Wojtyla worked in a stone quarry and a chemical plant while attending seminary classes clandestinely.

The Communist takeover of Poland after the war extended the repression of the Polish people. In

1948, as a student priest in Rome, the man who would later become pope decided to return to his homeland after Polish Communist leaders had arrested 700 priests.

Later, as Archbishop of Cracow, Wojtyla constantly did battle with government officials who prohibited parochial schools, opposed the formation of Catholic lay groups and se-

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Church striving to keep Latins

23 Million losing Catholic identity in secular America

• Bishops urge calm. Page 11

By Araceli Cantero
Staff Writer, La Voz

Faced with the prospect of 23 million Hispanics in danger of losing their Catholic identity in a pluralistic, secularistic culture, the Church in the United States has reached a critical moment in its evangelizing mission.

That was the concern expressed in different ways and with different accents during a recent Symposium on Evangelization of Hispanics which brought together local and national church leaders for three days of discussions at St. Thomas of

Villanova University (formerly Biscayne College).

"This is a privileged moment that may not come back, a 'kairos' moment given by God for some purpose," said Msgr. Bryan Walsh, director of the Ministry of Christian Service of the Archdiocese of Miami and one of the speakers at the symposium.

The Irish-born priest, an expert in immigration matters since before the first Cuban influx into South Florida in 1959, shared his own experience of adaptation to this country and recall-

ed the religious history of immigrants in centuries past.

HE TOLD of the millions of Irish and Polish immigrants who in one generation were assimilated into the Protestant mainstream because no one from the Catholic Church was here to welcome them.

"If culture is impregnated by faith, faith can be kept with not much care, but in a pluralistic society, faith that is not attended to can be lost in one generation," Msgr. Walsh said.

"I know Cuban families who came from Mariel and had kept the faith for 20 years under a Communist regime. But they lost it here in one year," he added. "If our ideas are anything, it is up to us to do some-

thing about it. The opportunity is here and is ours."

Msgr. Walsh also pointed out that in this Archdiocese, "a million Catholics were given to us. It is true we put up a church and it gets full... but we have no idea of how many we are missing."

He urged the creation of a pastoral plan of evangelization with concrete goals which can be evaluated.

OTHER SPEAKERS at the conference included Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy and Auxiliary Bishop Agustin Roman of Miami; Dolores Leckey, director of the U.S. bishops' Office of Lay Ministry; Father Mario Vizcaino, director of the SouthEast Pastoral Institute (SEPI); Brother

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Religion stifled under Chernenko

By Cindy Liebhart
NC News Service

Campaigns against religion in the Soviet Union are likely to continue under the leadership of Konstantin U. Chernenko as head of the Soviet Communist Party, two American observers of Soviet affairs said.

The "intensified propaganda campaign against religion as well as the straitened social discipline" begun by the late Soviet Ruler Yuri Andropov most likely will continue under Chernenko, said William Conyngham, professor of politics and associate dean of arts and sciences at the Catholic University of America.

"CHERNENKO HAS NEVER been active in initiating or implementing policy at any level of the party," Conyngham said. "It would be highly surprising if he were suddenly to turn into a leader with a great deal of initiative."

The 72-year-old Chernenko, who rose to prominence as the late President Leonid Brezhnev's chief of staff, is known primarily as a bureaucrat with orthodox party views.

In a speech last June, he was quoted as saying that the "rather sizable segment" of the population "still under the influence of religion" could be attributed to "the various ideological centers of imperialism." Those centers, he said, were working "not only to support religious sentiments among the Soviet people, but to give them an anti-Soviet, nationalistic slant."

Referring to the Soviet constitutional guarantee of freedom of con-

science, Chernenko continued: "Communists are consistent atheists, but they do not impose their views on anyone. Our method is one of enlightenment, persuasion and propaganda."

He added that when laws are violated or when political subversion uses "religion as a front, we act in accordance with the precepts of the Constitution."

FATHER CASIMIR PUGEVICIUS, executive director of the New York-based Lithuanian American Catholic Services, said 95 priests and an exiled bishop of Lithuania sent a petition to Andropov challenging Chernenko's remarks about religious freedom.

"In every school in Lithuania, pupils are required to choose: If you do not become a member of the Communist Youth League, you will not be accepted anywhere, the doors will be closed to you everywhere. Is not this discrimination an imposition of atheism?" the petition said.

"Unfortunately, we literally don't want to believe that militant atheism in the Soviet Union is really serious," the priest said, or that "they (the Soviet leadership) mean business when they say they are going to destroy religion."

But religious freedom is not the only problem Chernenko faces as he assumes leadership. Conyngham said Soviet society has a "series of serious problems — economic, social and cultural — in addition to issues of foreign policy."



A TALL ORDER — Cardinal Timothy Manning of Los Angeles bids Godspeed to Columbian Sister Mary Mulcahy as she prepares to leave for Lima, Peru to replace Sr. Joan Sawyer, who was killed by police in a van where she was held hostage by escaping prisoners. Sr. Mulcahy, who taught for 16 years in Our Lady of Guadalupe School in Los Angeles, will do pastoral ministry in Lima. (NC photo by Al Antczak).

News at a Glance

Scientists warn pope of "nuclear winter"

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Nuclear war could "carry in its wake a destruction of life unparalleled at any time during the tenure of humans on earth," said 18 scientists in a report to Pope John Paul II. They urged the pope to warn the world of the peril of a "nuclear winter," the long-range harmful effects of a nuclear war on the global climate. The scientists prepared the 600-word report during a Jan. 23-25 meeting sponsored by the Pontifical Academy of Sciences. The scientists said that even in a limited nuclear war, "long-term consequences might be as dire as the prompt effects, if not worse."

No one to thank for Swiss francs

OKLAHOMA CITY (NC) — Our Lady's Cathedral Parish in Oklahoma City wants to say thank for the francs. But no one seems to know who slipped the 8,000 Swiss francs into the poor box. Tiny Hafer, who regularly empties the poor box and brings the proceeds to the cathedral office, found the Swiss 500s, 100s, 10s and 5s in the poor box. The cathedral parish used the unexpected bonanza, valued at \$3,600 U.S., to establish a free loan fund for parishioners in need. Marie Barnes, a secretary at the cathedral, said that no one had admitted to making the contribution.

Growth program launched for seminarians

ERIE, Pa. (NC) — Bishop Michael Murphy of Erie has announced a new "continuum program" for seminarians under which ordination will be delayed a year while they gain supervised experience in parish ministry. Considered unique in the country by its developers, the program is intended chiefly to make the transition from seminary life to priesthood an integrated time of personal growth and ministerial development rather than a traumatic break. After working in a parish as lay ministers and deacons, new priests ordained within the program will continue in their training parish for another 18 months before they can be given a different general assignment in the diocese.

Columbian army Capt. in detention

MEDELLIN, Colombia (NC) — A court in Medellin has ordered the detention of Colombian army Capt. Jorge Valbuena, whom two priests accused last year of organizing a terror campaign in which 22 people were murdered. The 22 victims were shot in the Antioquia province of north-west Colombia. The killings were denounced by Father Jorge Mira of Segovia and Father Gabriel Yepes of Remedios.

Reagan asks for aid to Central America

WASHINGTON (NC) — President Reagan Feb. 17 asked Congress for \$8.9 billion in U.S. military and economic aid to Central America over the next five years. The legislation seeks to counter leftist advances in Central America by sharply increasing the amount of aid poured into the region. Specific measures include resuming military aid to Guatemala, relaxing conditions on arms shipments to El Salvador and assisting internal police forces. The U.S. bishops have opposed Reagan's proposals for increased military aid in the region. The proposal was scheduled for hearings in Congress, but was expected to be met with some resistance.

Girl Scouts cancel sex ed program

DETROIT (NC) — Bowing to threats of cancelled Girl Scout cookie orders, Scout officials in the Detroit area agreed to delete abortion and birth control information from a proposed program on teen-age sexuality. Parents, volunteers and Scout leaders protested when word began about a program suggested by the Michigan Metropolitan and Intervention, "for girls in grades 6 through 8. The project had received a \$25,000 grant from United Community Services and extra money needed was to have been taken from Girl Scout cookie sales."

Missionary to New Guinea beatified

VATICAN CITY (NC) — At a beatification ceremony for 99 people martyred during the French Revolution, Pope John Paul II decried contemporary martyrdom caused by religious persecution and human rights violations. Also beatified was an Italian missionary to what is now Papua New Guinea. "These martyrs invite us to think of the many believers who suffer persecution even today," said the pope of the 17 men and 83 women. He added that contemporary martyrs suffer because of "lack of religious freedom, discrimination, inability to defend themselves, imprisonment, and denial of their civil rights." The pope did not mention any specific examples of religious persecution.

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U.S. Charges leftist bias in Church agency

WASHINGTON (NC) — Some U.S. Catholic Conference officials are presenting politically biased views on the Central American human rights situation, said Elliott Abrams, assistant secretary of state for human rights and humanitarian affairs, in a Catholic newspaper interview.

"There is something of a political bias here toward the left," especially the Nicaraguan and Cuban governments, said Abrams, the Reagan administration's top human rights official.

This bias is "not on the part of the church. Not on the part of American Catholics. But on the part of people who work on this full time for various church institutions," he added in a lengthy interview which appeared Feb. 9 in *The Wanderer*, an independent Catholic newspaper based in St. Paul, Minn.

SPECIFIC individuals and groups criticized by Abrams were Father J. Bryan Hehir, USCC secretary-designate for social development and world peace; Thomas Quigley, USCC adviser for Latin American affairs; and the Maryknoll missionary society.

Quigley and Father Paul Newpower, Maryknoll director of media relations, disagreed with Abrams. Quigley said Abrams has a "misunderstanding of the function of the Catholic Conference," which testifies before congressional committees on specific issues when asked and is faithful to the policy stands of the U.S. bishops.

Father Newpower said the Reagan administration is trying to discredit church critics of its Central American policy.

Abrams said that "the information the bishops are getting from the church is coming from a very small group of people at the USCC who are sending biased collections of facts reflecting their own political views."

USCC officials are not listening to the bishops in Central America or telling the U.S. bishops about persecu-

tion of the church in Nicaragua, Abrams added.

FATHER HEHIR "doesn't have much to say, if anything, about Sandinista human rights violations or, for that matter, Cuban human rights violations," said Abrams.

The Sandinistas are the ruling coalition in Nicaragua.

Father Hehir "doesn't even have anything to say about the specifics of the persecution of the Catholic Church" in Nicaragua, Abrams said.

"If you listen to the bishops of that country there is a major effort going on there to undercut their authority, to divide and conquer the Catholic Church," he added.

"I think the only possible explanation for that is that the church in Central America is saying some things they simply don't want to hear," Abrams said.

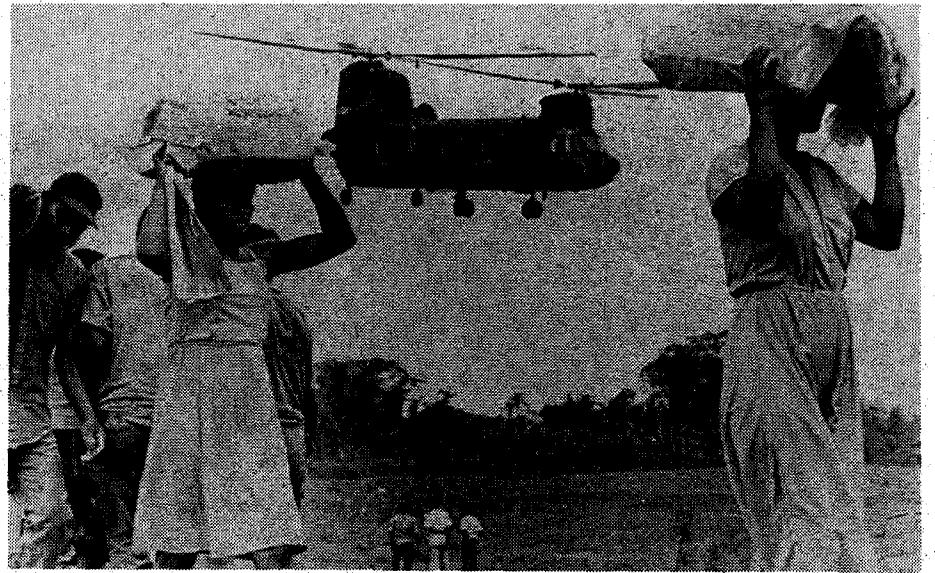
Alter jury process, black group urges

The Black Pastoral Council, meeting with Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy this week, has urged reform of the jury selection process in Florida.

The group, which is advisory to the Archbishop, felt that the systematic exclusion of Blacks from major criminal cases involving Blacks, whether as victims or as defendants, was a most serious example of institutional racism.

In its deliberations, members of the Council referred to Archbishop McCarthy's Pastoral Letter on Racism, "One People Under God," of January 7, 1983:

"The basic purpose of government is to provide a safe environment for its citizens. By its very nature, this involves sanctions against those who threaten the welfare of the Community. One of the most precious values of



U.S. HELICOPTER in Honduras takes off after bringing in food and medical supplies to Miskito Indian refugees from Nicaragua. (NCUPI photo).

Regarding Cuba, Abrams said either Father Hehir or Quigley said before a House subcommittee that "the church in Cuba is a quiet church." Abrams called the statement "a whitewash."

"It's like saying the Jewish population in Germany is quiet," Abrams said. "It's quiet because it's gone."

"WITH regard to the Maryknolls, in some cases you have religious men or women who have seen the suf-

fering of the poor in Central America at firsthand and obviously feel very, very strongly about it," he said.

"But their commitment to democracy and civil liberties somehow seems to stand in the way of improving the life of the poor, so they just cast it aside," Abrams said.

He also criticized a group of religious women opposed to; U.S. policy who were recently denied admission into Honduras where they wanted to conduct a peace vigil along the frontier with Nicaragua.

"Many Catholic groups in this country denounced the governor of Honduras for not letting them in. The fact is that the bishops of Honduras urged the governor of Honduras not to let them in — formally, with a statement by the bishops which said, 'This is a political interference in our internal affairs by foreigners, don't let them in,'" Abrams said.

Abrams also said the Reagan administration is reluctant to become involved in the human rights situation in Northern Ireland.

"The United States is much less inclined to press any human rights cause when the country under discussion is a democracy and* has a free press, where all the facts can get out," he said.

"One of the things we do when we do press a government is to speak for people who are otherwise voiceless when there is no free press or free speech," he said. "This is not the case in Northern Ireland."

Church trying not to lose Latins

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Miguel Campos, director of the Ministerial Center of the Archdiocese of Newark, N.J.; and Marilyn Kramer, founder and president of CharisMissidns, Montebello, Calif.

In his talk, Bishop Roman shared his experiences as director of the Shrine of Our Lady of Charity, whose mission is to reach those who are devotees of Mary but whom "the parishes can't reach."

Bishop Roman said Parishes are prepared to receive the faithful, but not to go out and seek them.

"When I say the Our Father I feel profound compassion for so many

people who are orphaned, who don't know God as their Father," he said.

He compared the present stage of Hispanic evangelization to a cup of coffee whose sugar has not been stirred. He said Hispanics are like the coffee, possessing centuries of Catholic faith and culture, but in need of evangelizers to stir the sugar which gives flavor to the whole.

"Now is the time!" Bishop Roman said. "Tomorrow it may be too late."

In his talk, Father Vizcaino reviewed the process for Hispanic ministry being implemented throughout the nation, whose goal is to train lay leaders to evangelize their fellow Hispanics.

"THE ENTIRE Church must evangelize," he said, but not everyone in the Church has been given that opportunity. When Hispanics are required to do so in another language, they are handicapped at the deepest level, in their religious expression, he added.

Brother Campos warned against evangelizing Hispanics here only according to the model of evangelization used in Latin America.

"If we don't help our people to make their way in this culture; if we insist on focusing on the 'separation' (between Hispanics and Anglos) or come to believe that Hispanics can 'save' the American Church... all

we're doing is fomenting nostalgia and forcing the younger generation to depend on us and our vision, which is the same as perpetuating certain forms of oppression," he said.

Leckey predicted that in the future, pastors will be mainly coordinators of a variety of ministries carried out by the laity.

Dr. Mercedes Scopetta, whose office organized the symposium, said the days of discussion will enable the office of Lay Ministry to make concrete plans for evangelization of Hispanics here. The office will seek funds for these projects, she said, from national foundations committed to this purpose.

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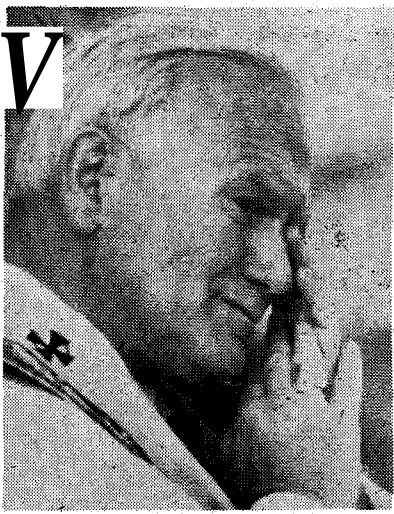
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Pope John Paul II: No stranger to suffering

Persona/pain reflected;

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verely restricted church use of the media.

Yet throughout his years as a priest in Poland, Wojtyla preserved his blend of the carefree and the profound. He hiked, camped, canoed and skied with student groups, entertaining them with a guitar at campfires but engaging them also in serious philosophical and religious discussions.

For all of the hardships which have dotted his history, the event which prompted the pope to reflect most of

all on suffering was probably the attempt on his life in St. Peter's Square on May 13, 1981.

Seriously wounded by a bullet which sliced through his intestines, the pope spent nearly 100 days in a Rome hospital.

The pope has said that his concern for the sick and the suffering intensified following his own brush with death. Last September in Vienna, Austria, he shared with a group of invalids his own experience and said that through the wonders of medicine, he was standing before them "as

a healthy man, but not as a stranger."

The experiences and reflections of the 63-year-old pope are wrapped together in his 16,000-word apostolic letter.

The pope's document is a closely reasoned and deeply philosophical essay.

In summary, it says that suffering enters everyone's life. It can be viewed as pointless, and thus lead to frustration. Or it can be seen as positive because:

- It can lead the one afflicted to a deeper union with God and secure

Mary's role emphasized by pope

Plans consecration of world to her in March

By Sister Mary Ann Walsh
VATICAN CITY (NC) — The planned consecration of the world to the blessed Virgin Mary in March by Pope John Paul II is a natural step for the man whose motto is "totus tuus sum Maria," Latin for "I am completely yours, Mary."

As a youth, he consecrated his life to her. As pope he entrusted his native Poland to her and recalled Pope Pius XII's 1954 consecration of the world to Mary.

Pope John Paul's decision to consecrate the world to her again is another public demonstration of his confidence in Mary and the exalted place which she occupies in his world.

In the United States, the announcement of the consecration came in a statement released by the U.S. bishops Feb. 14. They also made public a papal letter dated Dec. 8, the feast of the Immaculate Conception, in which Pope John Paul asked the world's bishops to join him in consecrating the world to Mary on March 24 or March 25.

MARCH 25 is the feast of the Annunciation. This year it falls on the third Sunday of Lent and so it may be celebrated on March 24, as is the case in the United States.

Pope John Paul has made clear

from the first moment of his pontificate that Mary is a main source of strength in his life.

"I was afraid to accept this choice," he told the 300,000 persons assembled in St. Peter's Square Oct. 18, 1978, to see who would succeed Pope John Paul I, "but I did so in a spirit of humility and obedience to our Lord, and complete trust in his most holy mother, the Madonna."

From that first speech of his pontificate, there have been few addresses which have not invoked the intercession of Mary or which have not praised her as mother of the church.

Not only does he speak of her at nearly every Wednesday general audience and Sunday Angelus message but he added another opportunity to praise her when he began leading the rosary on Vatican Radio the first Saturday of each month.

THE POPE frequently includes stops at Marian shrines on his foreign trips. In Ireland, he visited Knock; in Mexico, the shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe; in the United States, the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington.

The major Marian shrines at Fatima, Portugal, and Lourdes, France, have provided the very

reason for two papal trips.

His visits to shrines did not begin with his election to the papacy. They began when Pope John Paul was the young boy, Karol Wojtyla, who daily visited the Marian altar in his parish church on the way home from school.

As a teenager, he visited the shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa atop the white limestone hill of Jasna Gora, Poland's most popular religious site. There, as a young man, in 1943, he dedicated his life to her, as a document now treasured by the shrine's archives indicates.

The pope's public witness to Mary extends even to his bishop's clothing and papal shield. Since he was named Archbishop of Cracow, Poland, in 1964, the letter M has been embroidered on his robes. The same letter can be found in the lower right-hand corner of his blue papal shield divided into four sections by a gold cross.

HE CREDITS Mary with saving him from death when a would-be assassin shot him in St. Peter's Square in 1981. He visited Fatima in 1982 to thank her for saving his life. In 1983, he left a piece of his bullet-pierced sash at Jasna Gora.

The pope's emotional attachment to the mother of God is also rooted in

theology and her relationship to Christ.

At Czestochowa in 1983, the pope indicated the theological underpinnings of his devotion to the Blessed Virgin when he discussed the union of Mary with Jesus in the redemption.

He noted that at the foot of the cross Mary became united with Jesus in his act of self-emptying and he said that this union continues.

"United with him in his self-emptying, she is united also in glory which is manifested above all in the resurrection," he said. "We believe that the mother of Christ shares in the resurrection of Christ through her assumption into heaven."

The pope also reveals through his theological writings how his increasing concern for world tensions makes him focus on Mary. In his volume of essays, "Sign of Contradiction," published in 1977, the pope sees her as the one who can unite all people.

"The human body is given its life and its unity by the mother," the pope wrote. "Mary, by the working of the Holy Spirit, gave unity to the human body of Christ. And that is why our hope today turns in a special way toward her, in these times of ours when the mystical body of Christ is being more fully reconstituted in unity."

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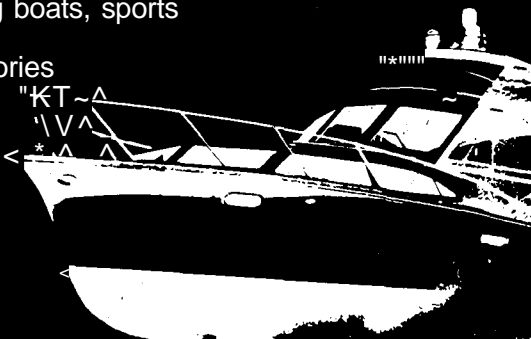
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...in pope's letter on suffering

God's blessing for other people.

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In this sense, the pope said, "suffering is something good, before which the church bows down in reverence."

To be prevented

The fact that suffering can be viewed as good does not mean that a person should acquiesce in the presence of suffering and do nothing to relieve it, however.

The pope points out that some types of suffering are directly caused by human depravity, such as war, and people should do all in their power to eradicate them.

The pope previously expressed this attitude in a talk to a group of hospital patients in Nigeria in 1982.

Although God allows suffering to exist, "he does not enjoy it... He expects us to take the ordinary means to prevent, relieve and remove suffering and sickness," the pope said.

But even after all these efforts, the pope suggested in the apostolic letter, some suffering will still exist: physical pain and the "moral pain" which comes from such things as loss of loved ones, the lack of basic freedoms, loneliness or anxiety over the future.

His letter is an instructional booklet on how to use such situations positively.

In the letter the pope shows great sympathy for those who find suffering difficult to comprehend.

"Almost always, the individual enters suffering with a typically human protest and with the question 'why,'" the letter said.

The very struggle itself to grapple for understanding and the feeling that one's suffering might be useless, are themselves a part of the pain, the pope added.

For the person mired in such anx-

ety, Christianity offers a new insight, said the letter. The life of Christ shows how suffering can be linked to love and to triumph. Integral to Christian faith is the belief that Christ's redemption is still going on, that it is being applied to new individuals and new situations each day because there are people offering their sufferings for others.

To suffer is to serve

The person who sees with this insight, suggested the pope, can be certain that "he is serving, like Christ, the salvation of his brothers and sisters" and that he is "carrying out an irreplaceable service."

An emphasis on this thesis, that those who suffer can help others, has been a constant in Pope John Paul's pontificate. Within 24 hours of his election in 1978 he went to see a friend, Polish Archbishop Andrzej Deskur, in a Rome Hospital. There the new pope told a group of patients that he was entrusting the success of his pontificate to the prayers of those who are sick and suffering.

Last Jan. 11, the pope asked the sick during a Wednesday general Audience "to offer to the Lord your sufferings for peace among people, for the return of God to those who do not know him, who do not believe in him or fight him, and so that there will be no more war on earth, above all so that the world may be spared the trial of nuclear conflict."

Another benefit of suffering, said the pope's apostolic letter, is the time which it often gives for meditative thought.

"In suffering there is concealed a particular power that draws a person interiorly close to Christ, a special grace," he said.

He also noted that "it is suffering, more than anything else, which clears

the way for the grace which transforms human souls."

By showing perseverance under suffering, the pope said, "the individual unleashes hope." This was an echo of his words in Austria last September, when he asked the sick to "teach us, the healthy, to accept it (the cross) in good time and to bear it with courage, everyone in his own way."

As to the responsibility of other people when confronted with those who are suffering, the pope's words were strong and clear. He said that

like the Good Samaritan, we must "stop beside the suffering of another person, whatever form it takes."

Sympathy and compassion, he added, are not enough. There must be "activity aimed at bringing help."

The pope brought his lesson, to a close at the end of his letter.

At one and the same time Christ has taught man to do good by his suffering and to do good to those who suffer," he said.

"In this double aspect, he has completely revealed the meaning of suffering," concluded the pope.

Papal 'yes' to conscientious objection

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Pope John Paul II emphasized the dangers of the world political climate Feb. 11-12 and praised young people who choose alternatives to military service.

He also prayed for peace in Lebanon and asked the sick to offer their sufferings for people facing "painful political and social situations."

"On the problem of conscientious objection, I would like to say that I think that it is a sign of maturity when people manage to accept another form of public service that is not military service," the pope said Feb. 12 during a visit to St. Hippolytus Parish in Rome. During the visit he celebrated Mass and met parish groups, including 400 youths.

As an example for youths, he cited Otto Schimett, a Polish commander in World War II who was executed

after refusing to gun down Polish civilians.

"HIS TOMB has remained with my people and it is visited continuously by my countrymen who venerate that young man," the Polish-born pope said.

"The church today is very concerned about the future of humanity, and its survival," the pope said, criticizing the "spiralling of nuclear armaments."

"We naturally oppose this spiral and seek, as far as is possible for us, to persuade people not to increase the means of self-destruction," the pope said.

He added that the church has an "even deeper concern" for injustice which occurs when "one part of humanity" increasingly "concentrates all the resources and wealth in its hands while the other part is hungry."

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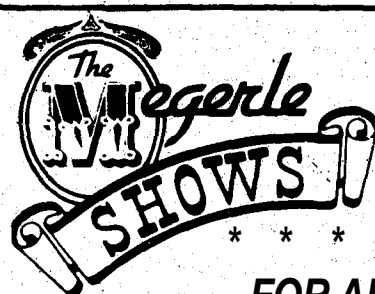
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No state religion needed in united Ireland, bishops say

DUBLIN, Ireland (NC) — If Ireland and Northern Ireland formed one nation, the Catholic bishops would not push to make Catholicism the state religion, said Bishop Cahal Daly of Down and Connor, Northern Ireland.

"We believe that the alliance of church and state is harmful for both," Bishop Daly said at a February meeting of the Forum for a New Ireland.

The forum, established last May by Irish Prime Minister Garret Fitzgerald, is drafting proposals to unite Ireland, where Catholicism is the state religion, and British-ruled Northern Ireland, which has a predominantly Protestant population.

PROTESTANTS in Northern Ireland have fought to maintain British rule, saying that they would be dominated by Catholics and would be

in danger of losing civil and religious liberties if they became part of Ireland.

Ireland's population is about 93 percent Catholic, whereas in Northern Ireland only about 32 percent of the population is Catholic. If the two were united, the combined population would be just over 70 percent Catholic.

Bishop Daly told the forum that

the bishops of Ireland and Northern Ireland would resist any constitutional proposals which might infringe upon Protestant rights or liberties. He said that the bishops recognized the Protestants' apprehensions.

The bishops had repeatedly declared, he said, that they did not seek to have Catholic moral teaching become the criterion of constitutional

change or to have Catholic principles enshrined in civil law.

BISHOP Daly added, however, that the Catholic bishops favored laws which stress the "inestimable benefit to society of the Christian vision of marriage and family life."

The Irish Constitution prohibits divorce but there is increasing agitation to remove this prohibition.

St. Pat's Parade marshal promises to low-key politics

NEW YORK (NC) — The unification of Northern Ireland and Ireland will be the only political issue of the St. Patrick's Day parade, said Thomas Gleason, 83, who was elected Feb. 14 to be the parade's

grand marshal.

Gleason, president of the International Longshoremen's Association in the United States, opposes British rule of Northern Ireland, but said that politics would be low-key in this year's parade.

But the election of a former Irish Republican Army member Michael O'Rourke, as the parade's honorary grand marshal may create political problems.

O'ROURKE, 32, is a convicted bomb-maker who blew his way out of a Dublin, Ireland, jail in 1976 before fleeing to the United States. He was arrested on suspicion of entering the United States illegally and has been held without bail in a New York jail for four-and-a-half years while fighting extradition.

Last year's controversial grand marshal, Michael Flannery, sup-

ported O'Rourke's election as honorary chairman.

The 1983 choice of Flannery, 82, created an international uproar because of his links to the IRA, which is fighting a guerrilla war against British rule in Northern Ireland.

The parade was boycotted by the Irish government and leading Irish-American politicians stayed away. The late Cardinal Terence Cooke of New York refused to review the parade until after Flannery had passed by the doors of St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Gleason, a one-time dock worker who rose through the ranks of the longshoremen's union, had supported Flannery in last year's parade. Gleason's opposition to British rule in Northern Ireland stops short of outright support of the IRA.



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College seminary replaced by 'house of discernment'

By NC News Service

The Diocese of Rochester is replacing its college seminary with a vocational "house of discernment" for upperclassmen and older men, who would be allowed to date women while they decide whether to pursue studies for the priesthood.

The change will allow post-college-age men, as well as college juniors and seniors, to live in a religiously oriented community setting and to receive individual guidance while they consider the option of priesthood, said Father Thomas Valenti, diocesan director of vocations.

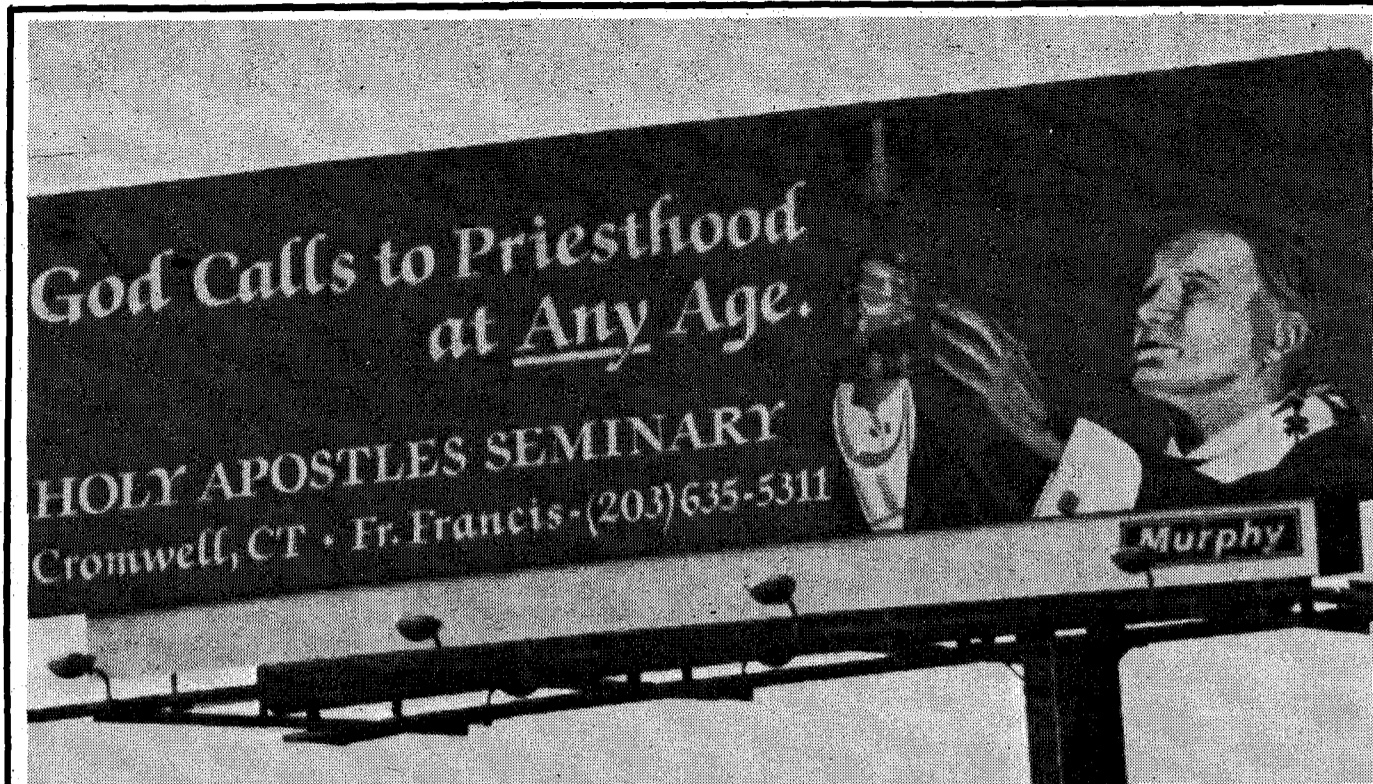
According to Father Valenti, the Becket Hall seminary will become a "house of discernment" in September. At the same time, the location will be moved from the campus of St. John Fischer College to a downtown area close to local businesses, from which the diocese hopes to attract interested men.

The distinction between a seminary and a house of discernment is important, Father Valenti said.

"A SEMINARIAN is one who has publicly declared his decision to become a candidate for the priesthood," he said. "The people who come to Becket Hall will all be looking at the question of priesthood and looking at it responsibly," but will not yet have made a decision.

Once a man has decided to pursue a priestly vocation, he would apply for admission to a graduate seminary, or school of theology, Father Valenti said.

Because they are not official can-



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didates for the priesthood, residents of Becket Hall would be allowed to date women.

"One of the issues they will be looking at in this process (of discernment) will be emotional growth and development, which includes relationships with women," Father Valenti said. With the help of a spiritual director, the men will assess "where they are in terms of those relationships."

The Becket Hall program is "meant to lead people through the necessary questions they must ask to make a well-informed decision on a spiritual basis to apply to a seminary," he added. "Once a man has made a decision to enter the seminary, dating ceases."

IN A FEB. 17 story in *The New York Times*, Father James Schwartz, director of Becket Hall, said steady

dating would be discouraged in favor of more casual group outings.

"The students will be encouraged to develop significant relationships with both men and women," Father Schwartz told *The Times*. "But if someone feels that dating exclusively with one person toward marriage or sex is OK, then Becket Hall is not for them."*

The program was redesigned because local trends indicate that an increasing number of men who have graduated from college and have worked for a year or more are "seriously" thinking about priestly ministry," Father Valenti said.

Last year, the diocese sent eight men to schools of theology, *The Times* reported. Only three of those were from the on-campus seminary

program. The other five were from a vocations program in which the men met regularly in small groups for prayer and discussion, but did not live together.

The new location of Becket Hall will be convenient for men who work in downtown Rochester. It will also be within easy commuting distance of area colleges.

Father Valenti said that the program would take a "holistic, Christ-centered" approach in which each man will develop his own program according to his needs in consultation with the director.

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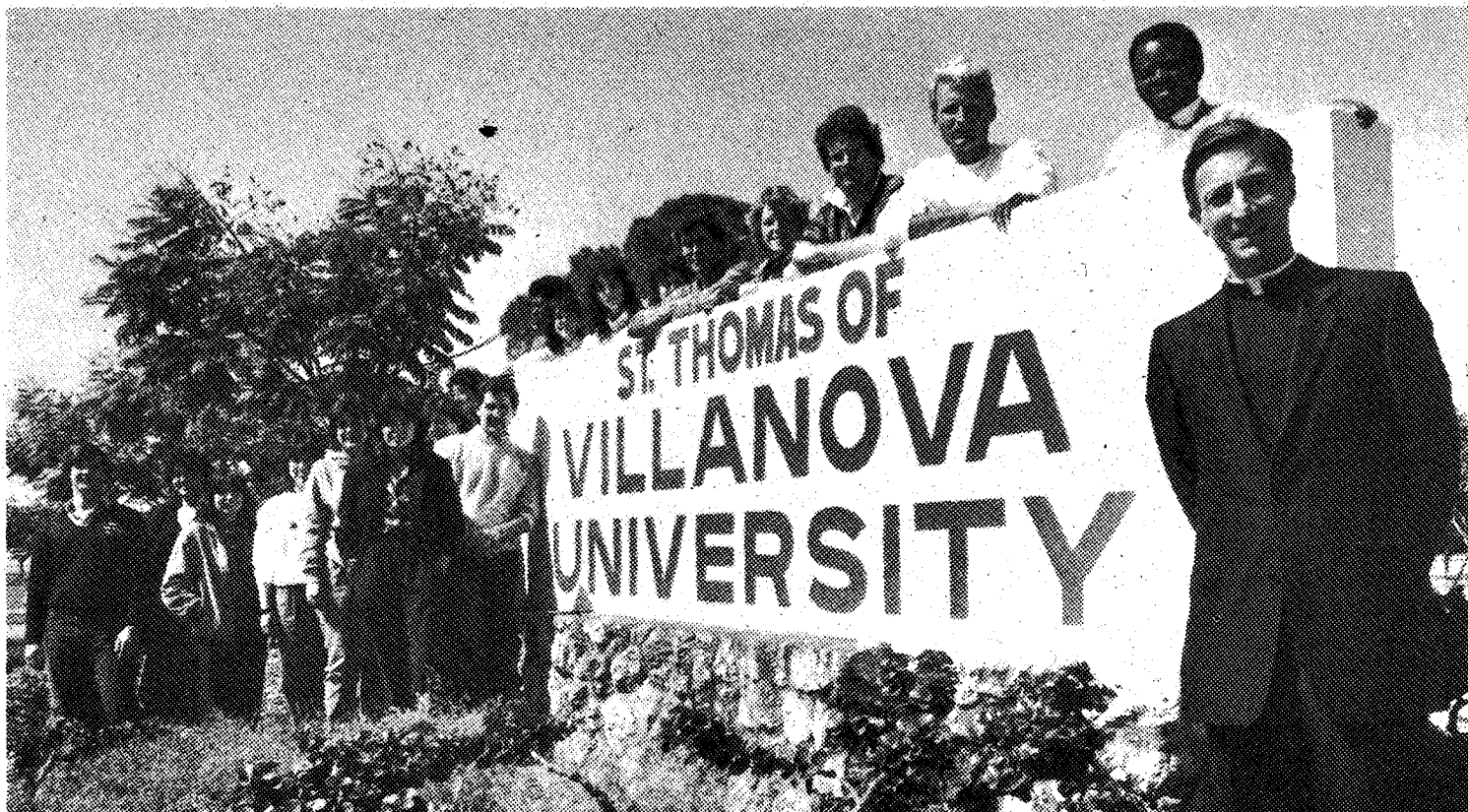
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Tax case prompts mainline churches to back Moon

By Liz Armstrong

WASHINGTON (NC) — The Rev. Sun Myung Moon, leader of the Unification Church, probably would not normally elicit much support or sympathy from mainline Christians, including Catholics.

His religious movement, which many consider a cult, has been widely alleged to mislead and co-opt gullible young people into joining a shadowy organization their parents and clergy find unacceptable for numerous reasons.

Yet religious groups are worried

'If there is no religious freedom for Rev. Moon — who is widely hated and his movement widely feared — the religious freedom of all churches is seriously threatened.'

about Moon's 1982 conviction on tax evasion charges because, his *defenders assert, the decision could lead to U.S. government harassment and even persecution of other religious groups.

Moon recently appealed the conviction to the U.S. Supreme Court.

According to John Biermans, a New York attorney working on the case, a friend-of-the-court brief has been filed with the Supreme Court by the National Council of Churches, Baptist and Presbyterian groups, the National Association of Evangelicals, and others.

Specifically, one issue raised by outside groups in such legal documents is not the tax case itself but whether Moon was treated fairly.

THE GOVERNMENT claims that Moon should have paid income taxes in 1973-75 on approximately \$112,000 in interest earned on a \$1.6 million bank account in his name and on another \$50,000 in income from stocks.

Moon and the Unification Church contend that the money did not belong to Moon personally but was put under his control to use for church purposes and that he had, moreover, paid taxes on the portion of the money he used for personal needs.

Upon conviction, Moon was fined \$25,000 and sentenced to 18 months in prison. A Supreme Court decision whether to hear Moon's case is expected later this year.

Moon's chief attorney in the high court case is Laurence Tribe, a Harvard University law professor known for supporting issues ranging from federally funded abortions to stopping nuclear power plant construction and ending a Massachusetts law that allowed churches to veto liquor licenses.

The Moon conviction is "the most significant threat to religious freedom in the United States in many decades" and "represents religious persecution by the government, with the IRS (Internal Revenue Service) at the helm" Tribe said. "If the government succeeds, the threat to churches will jeopardize virtually every religious group."

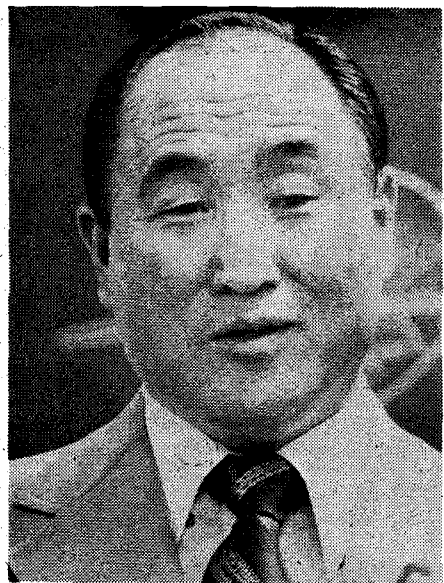
Jesuit Father Virgil Blum, presi-

dent of the Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights, which was considering filing its own brief in support of Moon's appeal, said the fundamental question in the case is religious freedom.

"If there is no religious freedom for Rev. Moon — who is widely hated and his movement widely feared — the religious freedom of all churches is seriously threatened," Father Blum said in a recent column.

FATHER BLUM wrote that church leaders concerned about the Moon case believe "that under the First Amendment a church has the right to decide how to organize itself, expend its funds and allocate its administrative responsibilities."

Father Blum pointed out that many churches hold property in the name of a church official. "Mainline reli-



Rev. Sun Myung Moon

gious groups, have no sympathy for Rev. Moon, but they feel great distress at the breach of his religious liberty," Father Blum wrote.

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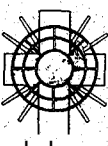
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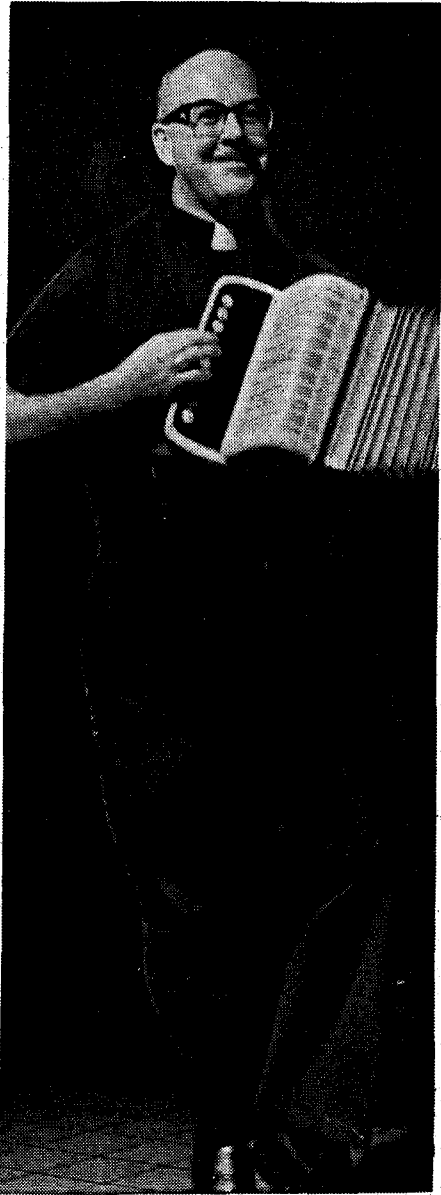
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Bishop Nevins, performing his famous Irish jig some years ago. (Voice photo)

'Dancing' bishop to join Bob Hope at benefit gala

Some 36 years ago, Auxiliary Bishop J. Nevins of the Archdiocese of Miami appeared on the Ted Mack Amateur Hour when he danced to an Irish hornpipe while accompanying himself on the accordion at the Delphi Theatre.

"Believe it or not, I won first place with the highest recorded votes (14,000) in the history of the Ted Mack television show," recalls Bishop Nevins.

On Sunday, Feb. 26, the Bishop again will appear on stage at the annual Gala for Hope, which benefits the National Parkinson Foundation. He'll join Gala headliner, Bob Hope, Master of Ceremonies, Dick Clark, comedienne, Phyllis Diller, international singer, Jose Luis Rodriguez (El Puma) and local singer, Sylvia Bennett.

At this Gala, he won't be dancing with his accordion; even though many say he is the best Irish step-dancer in South Florida.

INSTEAD, Bishop Nevins will pronounce the Benediction for this special Gala, which marks the 50th wedding anniversary of Bob and Dolores Hope.

Since 1960, Hope has served as Honorary National Chairman of the Foundation and traditionally has inspired an entourage of stars to entertain at the Gala.

"In our society, which sometimes is impoverished in spirit, it is a real joy for me to join those who offer their talents and generosity to those less fortunate than themselves," said Bishop Nevins.

The Bishop said he appeared on Ted Mack's show years ago because he was fascinated with the then new development of television.

"**AT THE** time, I believe only 16 states offered television, and I can recall neighbors gathering with the one family on the block with a TV set. So you can imagine the excitement when a local boy was chosen for

a national talent show," explained Bishop Nevins.

As a youth, he also posed for Norman Rockwell in a famous 1940 cover for *Saturday Evening Post* entitled the "California Census."

Parkinson Foundation, headquartered in Miami, provides a continuing research center which attracts noted neurologists, researchers and physicians in finding a cause and cure of Parkinson's and other neurological disorders.

Through diagnostic programs, treatment and educational services, the Foundation helps improve the quality of life for thousands of Parkinson's patients.

OFFICIAL

ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI

The Pastoral Center announces that Archbishop McCarthy has made the following appointments:

THE REV. RONALD PUSAK — to Chairman, Priests' Personnel Board, effective March 1, 1984.

THE REV. DAVID RUSSELL — to Chairman* Archdiocesan Art and Architecture Committee, effective March 1, 1984.

THE REV. SEAN O'SULLIVAN — in residence, Holy Family Rectory, North Miami, effective February 24, 1984.

THE REV. JUAN SOSA — to Director, Office of Worship and Spiritual Life; Executive Director of the Ministry of Worship and Spirituality; member of the Council of Priests, effective February 29, 1984.

THE REV. GUSTAVO MIYARES — to Pastor-designate, St. Timothy Church, Miami, effective March 1, 1984.

THE REV. EDWARD BROWN — to Coordinator of the Permanent Diaconate Program of the Archdiocese of Miami, effective March 1, 1984.

LET'S GO OUT THERE and HIT THE DOTTED LINE for THE ABCD!

HOWARD SCHNELLENBERGER
CAMPAIGN GENERAL CHAIRMAN

...Please be generous to parish drive

Bishops: alter Haitian status top

The U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service recently announced that it would adjust the Cuban Mariel refugee status from "entrant" to permanent resident, based on the 1966 Cuban Adjustment Act. However, the Service, which is under the Reagan Administration, said Haitians were not covered by the 1966 law and would continue to be subject to possible deportation. Congressman Peter Rodino has proposed amending the law to include Haitians in the law's provisions. Following are the reactions of Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy and Auxiliary Bishop Agustin Roman:

STATEMENT OF BISHOP ROMAN

This week during which we commemorate the death of Father Felix Varela, who fought for the human rights of immigrants in this country, we wish to make a statement concerning New Jersey congressman Rodino's proposed legislation for entrants. This law would grant permanent residency to the Cuban and Haitian Entrants who have arrived in this country before January 1, 1982.

We greeted with great joy that news announced last week that the Administration is planning to adjust the status of the Mariel Cubans by applying to them the 1966 law, the Cuban Adjustment Act, which up to now it had not seen fit to do. But the Administration has said that this 1966 law does not include the Haitians and that, therefore they would not receive residency, nor has the Admini-

stration declare its support of the Rodino initiative.

This lack of justice for the Haitians, refugees from a country that suffers from a right-wing dictatorship, creates some tension between these sister groups in our community. Justice demands that the Haitians, who live in the same area (i.e. Miami) as the Cubans, who have left the same Caribbean basin area for the same reasons — liberty, life, and the opportunity for a better future —

Refugee act has abrogated the conditions of the 1966 law. If this were true, then the Cubans as well as the Haitians would need the Rodino legislation.

We know that among the groups that support the Haitians there is no current wish to deny residency to the Cubans. The Mariel Cubans suffer just like the Haitians because of the lack of resident status. Their situation presently is that of a "political limbo" that impedes family reuni-

voice of the poor. For this reason we must strive so that no injustice is done to any group, in this instance, to the Haitians. Therefore we support the initiative of Congressman Rodino so that both Cubans and Haitians benefit equally under the law.

We should not become discouraged if we see some sectors of the nation — perhaps due to lack of vision — opposed and fighting against laws favorable to immigrants. But it is necessary that we be united. In unity there is strength and our hope that this proposed law granting residency to these refugees becomes a reality for all concerned.

At this time I call upon the Cuban community of Miami to support the Rodino legislation as an expression of solidarity with our Haitian brothers; I also ask the Haitians to be in solidarity with the Cubans, and that all work so that our community may enjoy a climate of peace founded on Truth, Justice, Love and Liberty.

Abp. McCarthy's statement

I am in agreement with the statement of Greater Miami United, the National Coalition for Haitian Refugees, and the Spanish-American League against discrimination endorsing the Cuban-Haitian Adjustment Act that has been introduced by Congressman Rodino.

The Act provides a humane and equitable solution to the desperate situation of Haitian and Cuban refugees and is in the finest tradition of Our freedom loving nation.

—Edward A. McCarthy
Archbishop of Miami

should receive equal treatment. It is necessary that the law be adjusted so that both groups, Cubans and Haitians — as well as other groups of refugees like those coming from Central America — have the right to permanent residency.

There are also some doubts about the legality of the application of the "Cuban Adjustment Act" of 1966 to the situation of the Mariel Cubans. Some have argued that the 1980

fication, advancement in employment, travel outside the country, and access to federal assistance. We know that the groups supportive of the Haitians support also the Cubans in their legitimate aspirations for permanent residency in this country. These groups only want the law not to be applied in a discriminatory manner, favoring one group over another.

The Church has always defended human rights and has listened to the

Association of Deacons elects officers

At a recent meeting of the Association of Deacons of the Archdiocese of Miami (DAM) Council, the following permanent deacons were elected officers:

Rev. Mr. Arthur DeNunzio, president, Visitation Parish; Rev. Mr. Julio Ramirez, vice president, St. Agatha Parish; Rev. Mr. Bruno Wiencek, secretary, St. James Parish, and Rev. Mr. Roger Shaw, treasurer, St. John the Apostle Parish.

SHARING

Almost 150 women and men religious from the Archdiocese of Miami gathered at the Pastoral Center Saturday for the first of a series of meetings with Archbishop Edward McCarthy. In keeping with a request made by Pope John Paul II to all the U.S. bishops, the meetings are an opportunity for the religious to express their concerns and for the bishops to learn more about religious life in order to support it more effectively. Accompanied by Auxiliary Bishops Agustin Roman and John Nevins, the Archbishop celebrated Mass with the sisters and brothers said he was thankful for the good bishop-religious relationship which exists in the Archdiocese, and added that his main role in the meetings would be one of listener. (Voice photo by Ana Rodriguez Soto)



Sister tells story of her vocation

By Prentice Browning
Voice staff writer

"We are the clay in the hands of the Master," was the theme of a vocations breakfast held at Immaculate Conception parish in Hialeah Sunday which included liturgical song and dance.

Volunteers and Archdiocesan officials active in supporting vocations, including State Deputy for the Knights of Columbus John Brady and Auxiliary Bishop Agustin Roman attended the breakfast along with over 400 parishioners following a special vocations Mass.

Sister Josephine Sherry, principal of Immaculate Conception School, spoke after the pancake breakfast of how her life has been an illustration

of the influence of the hand of Christ.

SR. JOSEPHINE spoke first of the founder of her order of the Sisters of Mercy, Sr. Catherine McAuley.

Sr. McAuley, who founded the order in Ireland in 1778 did not at first wish to become a sister but only wanted to help the poor and to set a good example through her religious dedication.

As time went on, said Sr. Josephine, Sr. McAuley decided that the best way she could help the poor would be to start a religious community.

Sr. Josephine's life has also had its fill of twists of fate.

THE YOUNGEST of six children from Count Fernanagh Ireland, Sr.

Josephine decided after high school that, she wanted to become a teaching Sister of Mercy.

- She didn't know that when she left home at the age of 18 to continue her education in England that she would never return home while her mother was still alive.

When informed of her mother's death, she said, "I thought that the world came to an end."

She found solace in Psalm 23, "The Lord is my Shepherd."

Not long afterwards her father died and her sisters and brothers "scattered to the four corners of the earth."

"The security that we once knew was gone forever," she said, although there was consolation in the fact that

they all worshiped the same God.

WHEN SHE came in 1960 to Immaculate Conception, 3,000 miles from home she was told that it would probably be for only a year or two.

"That was 24 years ago. I'm beginning to think they've even forgotten that I'm here," she joked.

"My story has convinced me that the Lord is the master in my life," she said, relating her personal testimony to the theme of vocations.

"I look out and see all of you young people. Are you the clay?"

Referring to Sisters of Mercy whom she has known but who are now deceased, she concluded, "If my story will touch the heart of some young girl listening to me, then think I too can rest in peace."

Giving Boystown

By Betsy Kennedy
Voice Staff Writer

The pine trees that live on the 144 acres of Boystown have grown healthy, strong and tall, nurtured by the good earth.

The boys who live at Boystown, a facility for dependent teenage boys founded by the late Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll, are somewhat like those trees. With proper nurturing from good parents, they could grow healthy, strong and tall. But many of the 41 boys residing there have been neglected, abandoned or abused by one or both parents.

Their self-images have diminished. They suffer from the kind of emotional trauma that starts from the inside and works its way out.

Boystown has been home to hundreds of youngsters since it began first as a summer camp and then a haven for 600 Cuban refugee boys who huddled in a large room which is now the auditorium. Workers literally had to use machetes to hack through tall grass to create the facility at S.W. 137th Avenue near the Tamiami Airport in Dade, with its olympic-sized swimming pool, gymnasium and dorms designed to house 50 boys.

Director John Perrotti and a staff of eight houseparents, three social workers and a consulting psychiatrist, try to re-construct young lives shattered by broken homes and explosive violence.

Perrotti is especially concerned because over the years he has seen more and more perplexing emotional conflicts arise in the boys whom he treats like his own sons.

The boys come from all walks of life, sent by courts, their parents or social agencies such as the Catholic Children's-Home in Perrine. Sometimes, late at night, there is a tentative knock at the door — a runaway has come because he has heard of Boystown.

"It is frustrating. We used to see dependent neglected kids. Now we see emotionally handicapped kids. More children than ever have to be medicated to keep calm and lessen aggression."

More boys also have to be "remediated and stabilized before they can be returned to society," he explained.

He blames "deteriorating family life. It was never so confusing when I was a boy."

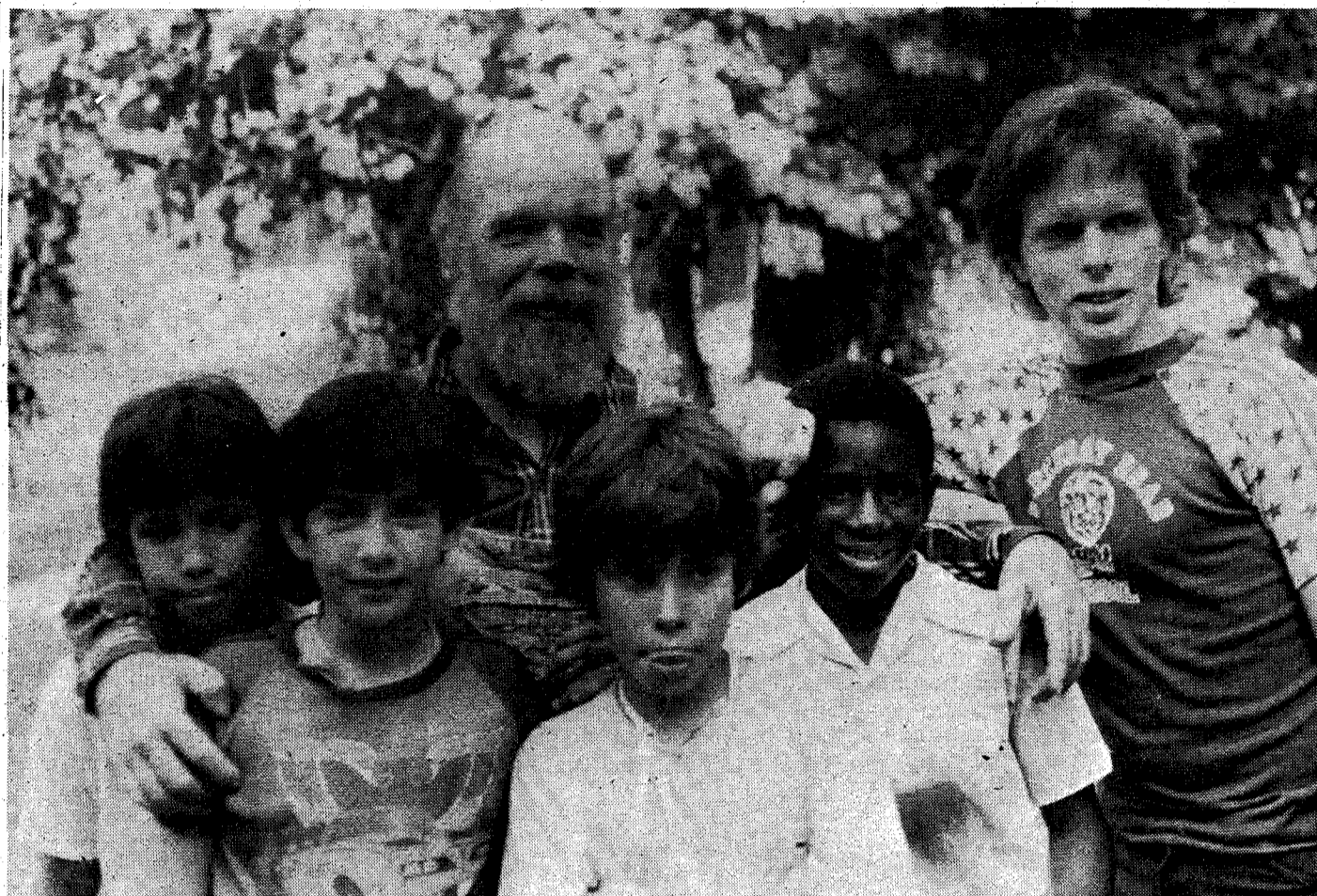
Irreparable damage

Carlos is one contemporary victim of this "deterioration." His mother didn't want him anymore, so she put him on a plane from Santiago, Chile to Hollywood, Florida, to live with his father. When he got to the airport, a timid but intelligent 14-year-old who speaks four languages — the father never showed up.

When the authorities contacted the man, he claimed the boy did not belong to him, although investigation revealed the man had been sending regular checks to the boy's mother in Santiago.

Now the boy is going blind, said Perrotti.

"The most heartbreaking thing I've seen in my 13 years here is What parents do, usually out of ignorance... Some have raped or phy-



With his sturdy arms proudly encircling his "sons," houseparent Joe McMjury of Boystown says discipline requires a delicate balance for boys who are without their parents. (Voice photo by Betsy Kennedy)



Sports such as swimming and softball play a major role in the lives of the young men at Boystown, whose teams often compete with those of local Catholic schools as well as with teams of celebrities such as the Miami Dolphins. (Voice photos)



troubled boys a chance

Boystown gives local youths refuge from bad home situations

sically abused these boys. The damage is almost irreparable," said Joe McJury, a former Franciscan brother who, like the other houseparents, is on staff 24 hours a day with six days on and three days off. McJury looks like a cross between a wiry Midwestern farmer and a zealous early apostle. He wears denim coveralls and a fiery red beard spreads like a burning bush around his face. His eyes are enkindled, too, with kindness and humor.

McJury agrees with Perrotti that the boys today are far more troubled and hurt than the ones who have passed through since the doors opened in 1941.

"They have such poor self-images. And so much rejection has been thrown on them. As far as discipline goes, we have to 'bite the bullet.' We can't be too harsh. We can't be too lenient. They get angry easily and are afraid to trust adults."

Once in a while the good life at Boystown isn't good enough to douse the anger or anesthetize the pain.

"Yes, they run away. And I lose a lot of sleep over it when they do. They usually just go into the woods. Most come back, a few don't... we can't be with each one 24-hours-a-day, every day."

Verbal violence

There is little physical violence in the dorms, said McJury, because for the most part, the boys express their anger in verbal violence.

"The peer system works here. If one boy gets out of line, the others will step in to help set him straight."

Boystown tries to give the boys everything their parents couldn't or wouldn't give them.

Funded by Catholic Community Services and private donations, it provides food, shelter and clothing. Boys attend local South Dade schools and any medical needs are met. A sports program, steered by Kim Patrick, a committed volunteer, gives them the opportunity to develop their physical abilities. A 440-yard track is currently in the planning stages and will be ready for use in perhaps April, said Perrotti.

Boys live in air-conditioned and heated dorms with TV's, bumper pool and comfortable surroundings, with 11 or 12 boys to each dorm headed by a houseparent.

Still, funding is hard to come by for the facility and Perrotti spend many long hours talking and showing films to clubs and organizations.

"I have to. It takes a lot of money to give these boys everything they need. And sometimes a big expense, like surgery, comes up." Perrotti is a man of few words, especially when it comes to summing up why he has dedicated his life to the boys.

"I used to be involved in The Catholic Youth Organization and the Police Athletic League even

when I was a youth myself. I've always been a sucker for kids..."

Remembered faces

Surrounding Perrotti are the faces of hundreds of graduates from

The most heartbreaking thing I've seen in my 13 years here is what parents do, usually out of ignorance'

—Joe McJury

Boystown who are remembered in detail by him and by their photos which completely cover all his office walls.

"When I get a call from someone who is doing good I really feel rewarded. Some make it and some don't."

He points, sadly to the photos of three who lost their lives in Vietnam and others who suffered ill fates;

In times of distress, the boys can also turn to Fr. Gary Weismann, the priest who celebrates the Mass on Sundays at the chapel on the grounds.

"But no matter how much guidance and love we give them, most would still return home in a minute," revealed Perrotti.

There are exceptions. Recently one boy stood before a judge because his mother and her boyfriend had been ruled competent to care for him again.

"I just want to go back home to Boystown," he said, meeting the judge's gaze with eyes that were far older than his adolescent years.

An average stay for a troubled youth at Boystown is three years, but many who have known no other home stay as long as six years.

Said Andy Kaplan, a two-year graduate from 1970, now a successful C.P.A. and board member of Boystown, "I don't know what would have happened to me if I hadn't stayed at Boystown. I came from a single parent family. My

mom was good to me, but she was working all the time and I became incorrigible. She just couldn't handle me."

Kaplan also feels "most of the guys during my stay were just mischievous. Now the boys at the facility seem more emotionally upset and depressed."

"The other night a graduate called me at 3 a.m. He left several years ago and we hadn't heard from him. His brother died and he just wanted to talk to me..."

Planting seeds

Out in the field behind the dorms, the sound of axes hitting wood rings out, a harsh sound in contrast to the whispering pines. Several boys are doing extra work, clearing the field and raking leaves, as a punishment for running away last week.

"Why did you run away?" someone asks.

Silence, except for the sound of the blade striking wood with a fury. "I'll show you around the place," says a friendly red-head with freckles.

"I'm 14, but I'll soon be 15, so be sure you think of me that way."

His name is Robert Kilpatrick. He wears a school shirt embellished with blue stars and a kid-next-door kind of grin.

You find out quickly he is not the kid next door.

"I'm here because I hit my step-mother. We can't get along. AH she understands is a fist."

His pal is Sean Donahue, who talks so fast you have to pick out the important words and put them together like a crossword puzzle. Sean wears glasses and says he is going to be a D.J. at a local, radio station. He somersaults over the couch as he talks.

David Redmon, an affable youth sporting a tie said he is like Robert, he can't get along with his family, especially his real mother. "Fighting at home, always fighting."



Even though Reeve Coggina, age 14, isn't in his own yard at home, he still can enjoy the outdoors by helping take care of the grounds at Boystown. (Voice photo by Betsy Kennedy)

He loves Boystown and hopes he stays for a long while.

The boys race into the dorm, punching each other playfully and tumble onto the couches to watch

TV; ...

"It's not so bad around here," said Robert. He looks wistfully outside, where the sun is setting behind the tall pines; the end of another near-perfect Florida day.

Their houseparent, Ray Guirola, says, "I hope as these boys grow I can help plant the seed that will turn them into mature, well-adjusted men instead of brash, rebellious boys."

And, hopefully, the seeds will not wither.



Robert Kilpatrick, 15, and David Redmon, also 15, share dorm chores and good times at Boystown, where houseparents help them develop a healthy outlook on life. (Voice photo by Betsy Kennedy)

Matter of Opinion

Come on, Uncle, give 'em a break

If you want you can find all kinds of excuses to do something or not to do something.

That is true of governments as well as individuals.

Therefore, if it wanted to the Immigration and Naturalization Service could free the Haitian boat people who are already here from the threat of deportation as it has now done for the massive numbers of Cuban Marielitos. Cynics are saying that the Reagan Administration, in this election year, has interpreted a 1966 law in such a way as to curry favor with hundreds of thousands of Hispanic votes. A Haitian vote here is virtually nonexistent.

As it happens, New Jersey Congressman Rodino will hopefully be successful in amending the 1966 immigration law to allow the Haitians to join the Cubans in regularized status.

EDITORIAL

But you have to wonder why the government continues to turn a cold shoulder to these hapless people. What harm can they do? The Haitians who made it here are a relative handful compared to the Latins. They are gentle, hard working and not crime-prone. Reagan's interdiction policy has stopped the flow of more Haitians here. Yet the government does not have the heart to give these black Caribbeans a break or initiate legislation to do so, and still will look teary-eyed when accused of being racially insensitive.

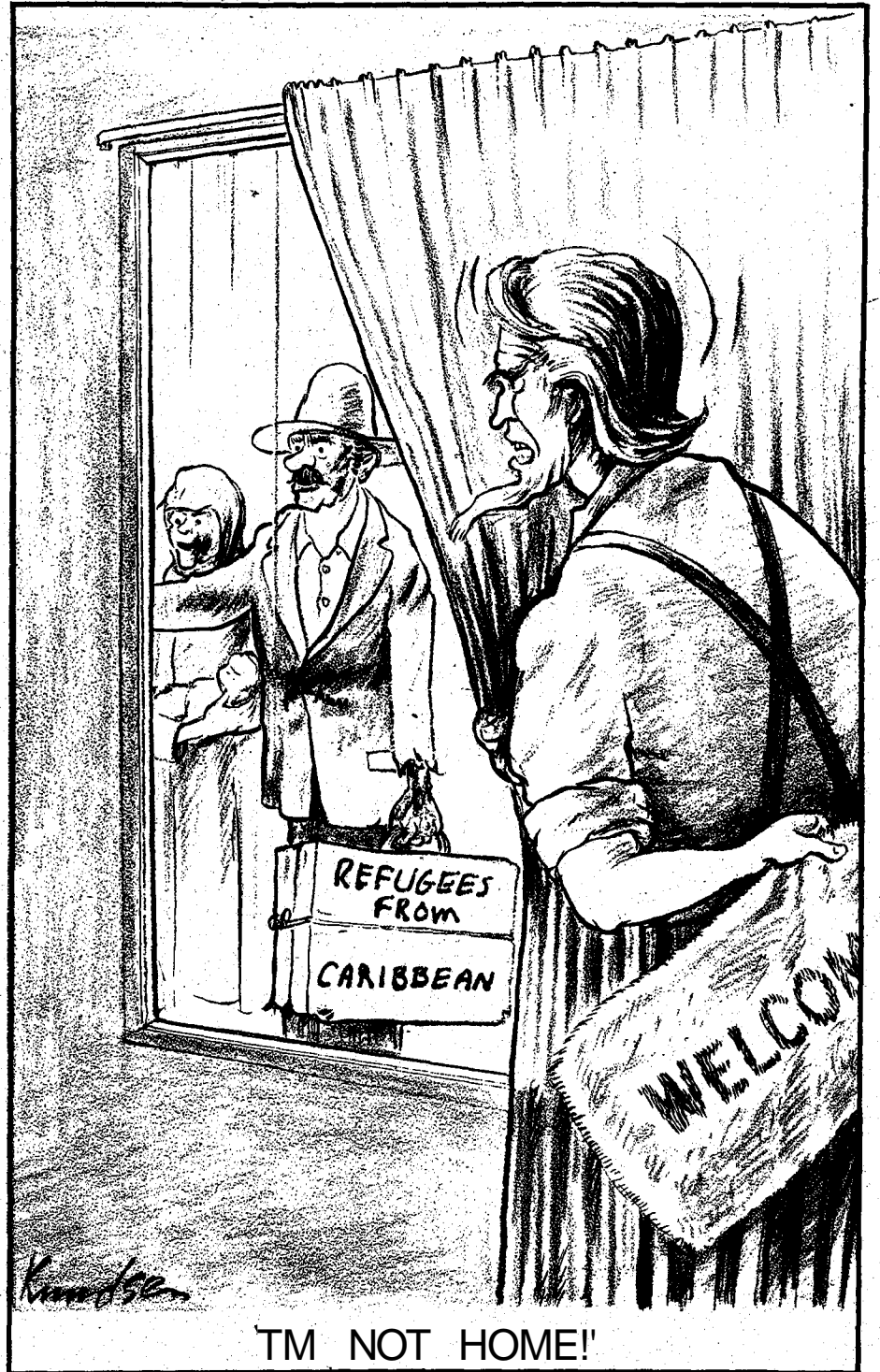
It is also instructive to note that a recent study by the Heritage Foundation's Julian Simon explodes the myth of the immigrant as a lazy welfare sop. Rather, his evidence shows that immigrants, legal or illegal, draw down much less welfare than average Americans while paying in taxes and even Social Security which they rarely get back.

Simon cites a study in San Diego in which over 2,000 illegals were deported, leaving their jobs vacant. No Americans came to fill them, as the jobs were too low paying and hard.

The general picture of immigrants was of motivated individuals and families who came here for opportunity and who hustle to become self-supporting tax-paying citizens.

But this should not be news to South Floridians. Look at what the Cubans have done here.

All the Haitians need is an equal break.



TM NOT HOME!

Letters to the Editor

Two views on TV's Swaggert

To the Editor:

I read your recent article on the Jimmy Swaggert Ministries in the Voice (Feb. 10). I feel that better spiritual discernment should have been used in writing about a man that reached hundreds of thousands of people and brings them to Jesus Christ.

This man speaks of the false doctrines that are brought about in Churches and many other Christian places that confuse and cripple the peoples of God.

I think that it would be more apt to expose Satanic things of today (like rock music, witchcraft, cults, sex, violence, taking God out of the school system, and many other problems of the world today) instead of theological quibbling that breaks the unity that Jesus seeks for in his

church.

I believe that a paper should put its money where its mouth is and if they truly believe in the power of the risen God, ask the church to pray for these ministers, and if they are really doing anything that wrong, the faith through prayer will change the problem. If you as a Christian paper don't believe in what I am saying, well, what are you doing calling yourself a Christian paper?

Finally as for him driving in a nice car, and having a pretty watch, nobody seems to care about a mobster, pimp, or prostitute having the very same things. Let me ask you, "If a child of God as a true Christian can't have these things, who can?"

Michael Ward
West Palm Beach

To the Editor:

I enjoyed reading "Sounds of the Electronic Church" by Henry Herx, in the February 10th issue of *The Voice*, very much.

If Jimmy Swaggert has managed to make \$60 million in one year, then Pat Robertson (Christian Broadcasting System) has managed to make triple or more that amount! Pat Robertson preys on the sick, lonely, crippled and desperate. He has managed to do this by one of the most ingenious deceptive methods ever devised by man. He used what he calls the "Law of Reciprocity." He claims this is a law of God and of the universe. If you give any amount of money it will be given back to you doubled or tripled by sources known only to God. He claims it is exactly like the law of gravity and must work. It is found in the Bible, "give and you shall receive double in abundance etc.," except for one thing — God does not specify how, when or where, this shall be received, whether on earth or the glories of heaven. *

Mr. Robertson promises everyone riches if only they give to him. One woman called in and said she only had \$20 and Pat Robertson said, "Do not be afraid, give it all!" Millions upon millions give and give, clinging to the false hope that all their financial and other problems will be solved.

Now this Law of Reciprocity, is one of the most fallacious means of seduction ever conducted and it can be proven.

If every man that has ever given

down through the ages automatically got back and triple, it would still be an on-going process and still going on the same today. This law would have been discovered and established centuries ago and today everyone would be well off and poverty would be unheard of. It would not have taken Pat Robertson to discover this in 1980.

Worst of all, this law reduces God to a principle, to an automatic mindless, blind force and not the personal loving God who is in absolute control of everything and behind everything is an infallibly perfect reason!

So, here we have a very anti-Catholic program, mocking our precious sacraments and doctrines of the Church, which uses a devious method to take from the desperate, to do God's work and God's work, as they are doing it, is a perversion of the Bible, a defamation of the true Church of God, a degradation of the Blessed Virgin — and all in the name of Jesus Christ!

Mary Ann Valicenti
Port St. Lucie

Jesus chose men — not permanently

To the Editor:

It's hard to believe in this day of supposed enlightenment, people still hark back to "Jesus picked men" as the rationale for not having women priests.

In the time frame in which Christ lived, He had no choice but to choose men as His first followers. The same can be said of George Washington's advisors, and for the same reason. Men were chosen because it would have been contrary to the times to choose women. This, however, wasn't meant to be a permanent condition. We now have women in poli-

tics, military, medicine, law and even in the space program.

So much for opinion. Let's deal with facts. Christ was never reticent when it came to imparting directives on how we should live. Where does He decry the idea of women priests? Where in Canon Law is it forbidden?

If we are truly to be brothers and sisters in Christ, we must recognize each other as equals. When we accept the premise of equality, we must be open to the idea that women can and will be priests.

Margaret D. Kennebeck
Miami

The *Voice* welcomes letters to the editor. All letters must be signed. Write to: Editor, *The Voice*, P.O. Box 38-1059, Miami, FL 33138-1059.

Tithing and twining

In their packet of offering envelopes, persons who belong to suburban St. Marcelline's Church at Schaumburg, Illinois find each month a special one designated for their adopted sister parish in the inner city of Chicago.

Such "twining" of churches has been a standard procedure in that mid-western archdiocese and at St. Marcelline's for some years. But in recent month this reaching Out approach has grown in several dimensions.

The seeds for expansion of that concern for the poor were sown about two years ago when the pastor, Father Warren McCarthy introduced the sacrificial giving or tithing concept. Aided by presenters from the Twin Cities, he explained this simple, challenging, biblically oriented and trust requiring approach, then watched with pleased amazement the Sunday collection leap from around \$5,000 to \$8,500.

The nearly 70% increment obviously meant that

**BY FR. JOSEPH
M. CHAMPLIN**



suggestions about doing more for their "twin" center city parish. He also witnessed an increase in the amount of food and clothes as well as money left for transfer to the poor church. In addition, a few people asked if they could not only donate these items, but also deliver them or even invite families from the "twin" church to their homes for a meal. The priests, of course, encouraged this development providing that parishioners were willing to reciprocate and go to the inner city persons' houses for dinner.

The seeds for expansion of that concern for the poor were sown about two years ago when the pastor, Fr. Warren McCarthy introduced the sacrificial giving or tithing concept'

many parishioners had changed their patterns of giving and also placed the church on a more stable, comfortable financial basis. As the weeks passed, the pastor began to, hear occasional

About this time, an associate priest at St. Marcelline's, Father Ron Lewinski, traveled to the deep south to preach a mission at a very poor parish in Louisiana. To his astonishment he dis-

covered that this church, despite its extreme poverty, gave 10% of the Sunday collection for needy communities in the Third World, specifically in Africa and Latin America.

Upon return, he described this impressive generosity to Father McCarthy. The pastor together with other staff members and consultative committees subsequently decided to propose a similar system for the people of St. Marcelline's.

During the four weeks of Advent, parishioners first heard some unsettling homilies by Maryknoll priests who had just returned from their missions in Korea, the Phillipines, Africa and Latin America.

Next* they listened one weekend to a couple in the parish who have tried to practice a simple living style at home as their contribution to overcome injustice and poverty in the world.

Finally, on the concluding Advent Sunday, the staff outlined their plan to take 5% of the weekly offering and donate that sum to the world's poor.

They are currently in the formative stage of how to distribute this money. But already two sisters working locally in campus ministry and a Chicago priest in Bolivia have been recipients of substantial checks.

Their ultimate goal is to make this more than a mere money exchange, but by correspondence and visits to promote an even closer identity and relationship between the people of St. Marcelline's and hurting people beyond the parish boundaries".

Searchers for hidden meanings

You've known people who never accept things as they appear to be but think there's some hidden meaning behind every thing. I knew a guy once that if you said good morning to him he'd worry all day about what you really meant.

The world's full of people looking for hidden meanings. They were out in full force when Pope John Paul II sent Bishop Bernard Law to Boston and Bishop John O'Connor to New York. NC News quoted a Jesuit historian who said the two appointments were different, so he was confused as to what kind of signals the Pope was sending to the U.S. Church.

Doesn't it ever occur to these people that things can be just what they seem to be—that two men appointed to these important Sees just because they were well-qualified? Is it beyond comprehension that the Pope wasn't trying to send any signals of any kind to the Church in the United States?

Surely no one acquainted with the Church in this country should have been surprised that Bishop Bernard Law was named to one of the most important Sees in the country. His rise to a position of great responsibility was as inevitable as that of Cardinal Joseph Bernardin.

THE APPOINTMENT of Bishop O'Connor was a surprise to many only because most of his career was as a Navy chaplain. He became an Auxiliary Bishop only five years ago, an Ordinary less than a year ago. But those qualities that made him a natural choice to be archbishop of New York were apparent while he was Chief of Naval Chaplains.



**BY
DALE FRANCIS**

Those who insist on analyzing appointments say, as the Jesuit historian did, that they are different. That's not strange. They come from different backgrounds and they are different men. But I've know both of them since before they were bishops and I think in some ways they are alike. They are both men of openness and frankness, they say what they mean and mean what they say. They are men who deal with people directly and not from authority. And most importantly, they are men who have shown a willingness to do things, act when there is reason for action.

There are many things that could be said about the new archbishop of New York—he's one of the best educated men in the hierarchy, he has a doctorate in political science. He understands leadership, he wrote the textbook on leadership used in training leadership, he wrote the textbook on leadership used in training naval officers. But one way you can know him best is an interview he gave in 1975 when he was Chief of Naval Chaplains. In that interview in Navy Times, he said:

I'm finding wherever I go, when I talk with groups of chaplains or with other people, there

seems to be initial amazement expressed at my own candor and frankness. Some people seem shocked that I don't seem to want to hide any secrets, or I don't seem particularly interested in defending injustices or in defending our senior decision makers.

"I HAVE very strong feeling about this. I think there's a tendency in every organization, every institution—I think this is true in the Navy and I think it's true in the Church—that we tend to be far more secretive than is warranted. I think if Watergate should have taught us anything, it should have taught us that in the long run, wide Open, frank, forthright approaches are much healthier for everyone."

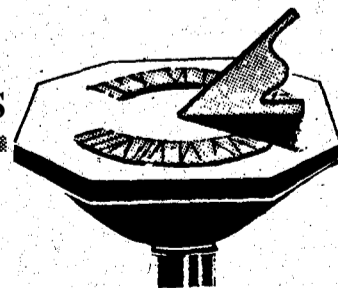
That frankness and openness has marked the life of the new archbishop of Boston! When he was editor of the Mississippi Register during the height of racial conflict, he spoke out boldly against racism and then organized dialogue between the races. When he headed the bishops' ecumenical commission, he promoted plain talk action. A layman in his Missouri diocese said of Bishop Law, "When you're talking to him, he says what he thinks and you say what you think and wasn't until later you'd think you'd been talking to the bishop."

They are different men all right, all men are different. But there are qualities of openness, frankness, directness and action they share. Come to think of it, Pope John Paul shares those qualities, too.

(Dale Francis is a nationally syndicated columnist)

TIME CAPSULES

By Frank Morgan



Jonah's message

Jonah was a Hebrew prophet of 700 B.C. One time God commanded him to go to Ninevah, an Assyrian city, to warn the inhabitants of its destruction. But instead, Jonah sailed for Tarsus. A great storm arose and the sailors believed that an evil person on board was causing it. they decided that it was Jonah and threw him overboard. The storm stopped immediately. Jonah was then swallowed by a big fish which after three days cast

him up on the dry land.

God again ordered Johan to go to Ninevah and this time, Jonah obeyed. Apparently Jonah was unable to convince the people of Ninevah to repent for in 612 B.C., a combined army of Medes and Babylonians captured and destroyed Ninevah.

If you're feeling old and discouraged, look at these statistics and take heart -

... between 75 and 83, Cornelius Vanderbilt added 100 million dollars to his fortune.

... Emmanuel Kant wrote his philosophical masterpiece at 74.

... Cato decided to study Greek at 80.

... Goethe was 80 when he finished "Faust."

... Titian painted his historic painting, "The Battle of Lepanto" when he was 98.

A woman of genius

A most remarkable book crossed my desk: "Women of Genius: The Intellectual Autobiography of So (Sister) Juana Ines de la Cruz," translated by Margaret Sayers Peden.

The book was written by a nun nearly 300 years ago, two centuries before the so-called women's movement. I be-



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lieve it to be one of the best and most courageous stands on women's rights ever written, particularly considering the culture and the place. Sister de la Cruz was a nun in the Convent of St. Jerome in Mexico City during the 17th century.

In that setting, we find a brilliant nun whom history now judges to be a leading colonial literary figure of the Western Hemisphere.

"WOMAN OF GENIUS" is the first English translation of Sister de la Cruz' response to her bishop's sarcastic demand that she should engage in more "suitable pursuits than those of the mind." The bishop reprimanded her for criticizing a sermon delivered 40 years earlier by a renowned Portuguese priest.

Sister de la Cruz' 20,000-word response is a touching monument to her learnedness and a classical defense of a woman's right to learn and speak out. For this scholar, researcher and author of essays, religious treatises, poetry and plays, learning was like air and food — essential to live.

She bucked the culture of her times, learning to read on her own at the age of 3. Fortunately she had access to her grandfather's vast supply of books.

Once, she relates, while studying Latin grammar, she punished herself for not learning fast or well by cutting off her hair. "There seemed to me no cause for a head to be adorned with hair and naked of learning," she wrote in ex-

plaining the hunger of her mind to her bishop.

Sister de la Cruz uses a kaleidoscope of references to mathematics, the Bible, law, mythology, history, theology and the sciences that leaves no doubt of her brilliance. It makes even more poignant her reference on "Women who are held to be so inept... men who merely for being men believe they are wise."

THE TRANSLATION by Mrs. Peden, professor of Spanish-American Literature at the University of Missouri, keeps true to the thinly veiled irony and sarcasm that scholars say is in the original. It also reflects the sharpness of the nun's arguments which defend the right of any person, even a woman, to pursue knowledge.

With subtle anger, Sister de-la Cruz indicates the risks of

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the pursuit by referring to Jesus: "A head that is a storehouse of wisdom can expect nothing but a crown of thorns. What garland may human wisdom expect when it is known what was bestowed on that divine wisdom,"

She expresses anguish over the intellectual wasteland that was the destiny of most young women. It would have been so great, she writes, if women were able to pass on learning in the same way they handed down domestic crafts and other traditional skills. "Oh how much injury might have been avoided in our land if bur aged wgrnen had been learned," she wrote.

Sister de la Cruz was 40 when she wrote her last work and gave up her library, out of compliance to her bishops. And with those deprivations she may well have given up her interest in living too. She died five years later, caring for others during a plague.

"Women of Genius" was published by LimeRock Press in Salisbury, Conn., and can be purchased in paperback for \$6.95.

Lime Rock Press is to be commended for reviving a fine piece of work.

(JVC News Service)

Transforming loneliness

The word loneliness has a certain stigma to it. People think of it as something to be ashamed of, something to hide. In fact, the pain of loneliness is a universal problem. Even in the best of families there are lonely people. It's part of the human condition.

God made each one of us unique and totally separate from one another. As distinct individuals we have a built-in need to be connected. It's natural to feel discomfort



BY FR.
JOHN CATOIR

from time to time.

Dealing with loneliness is another matter, however. It's important first to recognize and accept it as a fact of life. Facing up to loneliness as a moral part of the pain of living can give you some breathing space. There's no need to panic as though something strange is happening to you and you alone.

THE REAL challenge is in transforming loneliness into something useful. "Loneliness can be a tremendous spur for us to become creative in our lives," says Father Ronald Rolheiser, author of "The Loneliness Factor."

"When we accept the fact that we will be lonely we can stop looking for 'pseudo-solutions'... someone or something that will completely take away the loneliness."

People often turn to alcohol or drugs in an effort to cope, but it never works. Things only get worse and they put a strain on other family members. Instead of looking to such unreal solutions, the experts tell us to look deeper.

Often it's when we're in pain that we learn the most about ourselves and this enables us to understand others. Loneliness can make us more compassionate, more humane in our dealings with others.

"We're never going to have a hard heart if we learn to cry." Father Rolheiser once told our Christopher Closeup audience.

!Crying once in a while isn't a bad idea. But we should

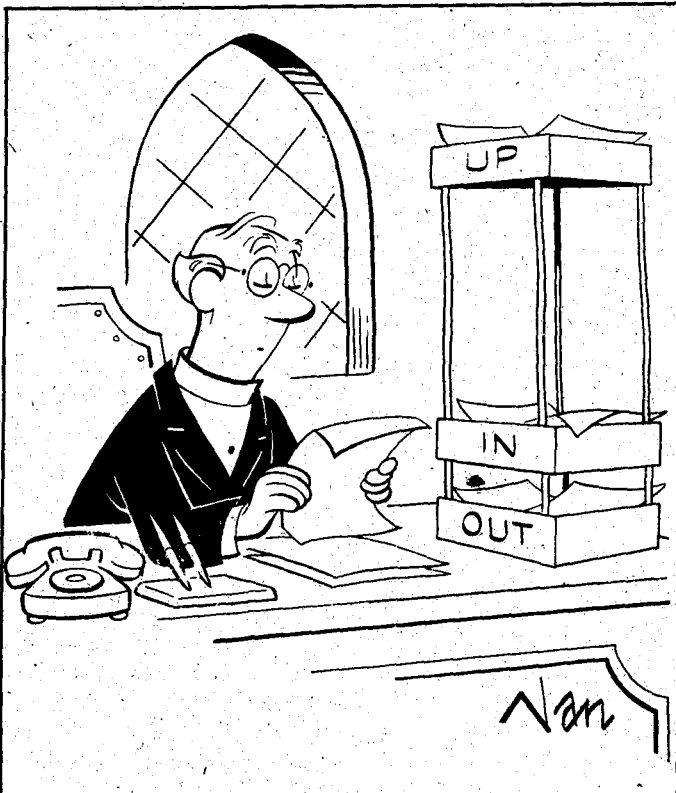
move beyond anything that smacks of self-pity.

WRITING has been a big part of my life and it fills many a lonely hour. In a way, I'm reaching out to you while I'm alone in my room. But there are times when I do get lonely or discouraged and I have to force myself to get up and visit the patients in the nearest hospital.

It takes time, but whenever I move out of myself and into the real world where I can be of some service, my loneliness dissolves. A grateful smile from a patient does me wonders.

One more thing. If an attack of Toneless hits you, turn to prayer. Talk to God about it. Trust Him and He will comfort you.

For a free copy of the Christopher News Notes, "Loneliness," send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to The Christophers, 12 East 48th St., New York, NY 10017.



Disagreeing with one you love

Q. I am 15 years old and I am adopted. My mother and I don't really get along; We're always fighting and rarely agree on anything. Do you think this has anything to do with the fact that I am adopted? (Indiana)



BY TOM
LENNON

A. I doubt it has anything at all to do with your being adopted. Among my young "non-adopted" friends are a number of boys and girls who have very frequent disagreements with their parents.

If Uncle Sam had some statistics on the subject, I suspect they would show that non-adopted children disagree with their moms and dads about as often as adopted children with theirs.

Besides, You should try to keep in mind that your adoptive parents must have loved you in a very special way when they chose you, not someone else, to be their child.

Now, about all those arguments you and your mom are having. What to do?

I wish both of you could have known my Aunt Helen and Aunt Charlotte. These sisters, after their parents died, lived together until they passed away in their 80s. that's a long, long time.

One was a Democrat, the other a Republican.

One was a liberal, the other a conservative.

One was a champion of minority groups.

And so on.

My two aunts held quite a few opposing viewpoints, but for long, long years they lived together in peace, always respecting one another.

How did they achieve that happy way of life together?

I suspect that very early they learned the wonderful skill of agreeing to disagree. Neither tried to hammer her opinions and beliefs into the other's head.

Each knew instinctively that if the other didn't like lemon meringue pie, there was no way to force her to like it.

The one who liked that delicacy was content to enjoy it herself and not fret about what the other liked or didn't like.

When Aunt Helen and Aunt Charlotte disagreed on much greater issues, their respect for one another prevented war from breaking out. As far as I ever knew, the truce was always in effect.

They agreed to disagree — and didn't fight. The result: a happy life together.

Could you and your mother learn, perhaps slowly, to live with each other as did my Aunt Helen and Aunt Charlotte?

(Send comments and questions to Tom Lennon, 1312 Mass. Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005.)

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Losing weight permanently

Dear Dr. Kenny: How can I stay slim and trim? I have no trouble taking pounds off. My problem is that I put them back on. Here I am more than 200 pounds again. I have tried many of the popular diets and have been a member of Weight Watchers and TOPS. Everything goes well. Then I hit a plateau, overeat a few times and gradually give up. Have you got a surefire plan?

Yes and no. There is no surefire plan; The key to any plan is motivation and staying with it. The key to weight loss is you, not the plan. You must take charge of your life.

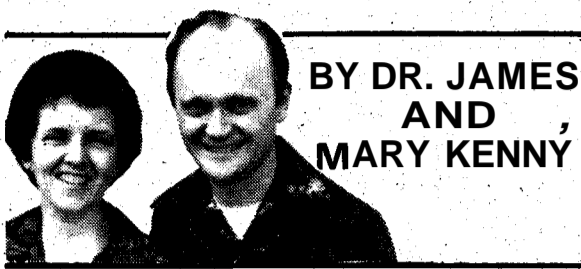
My weight loss program stresses two factors.

•1. Overeaters need to change their lifestyle. A crash diet may work temporarily, but unless you make permanent changes in eating and exercising patterns, you are likely to revert to your old ways and your old weight.

; 2. My program stresses motivation. Changing a lifestyle can be very difficult, especially in a society committed to enjoying the good life. You will need a payoff, a regular reward for doing well.

The first step is to decide on a new you, not just an image of yourself looking slim, but a new approach to eating and exercise. No diet plan will substitute for this personal commitment to change.

Eat sanely. Your body runs on food and oxygen. I suggest you avoid all foods with refined



BY DR. JAMES AND MARY KENNY

sugar, all candy, cake, cookies, pie and sugar snacks. Refined sugar gives empty calories with no nutritional value. You might switch to whole-wheat bread and cut back on processed luncheon meats.

Exercise daily for 20 minutes with an aerobic activity. Aerobic exercises stretch your heart and lungs, not just your muscles. They include brisk walking, climbing stairs, jogging, running, swimming, bicycling, handball and basketball.

You will know you are getting the required aerobic effect when your breathing pattern changes. Go slow in the beginning. You may wish to check with your physician if you have been sedentary for more than a year or if you have any suspected heart disorder.

Choosing your eating and exercise plan is one thing. Doing it is another. Motivation can be enhanced by guided imagery and charting.

Guided imagery is a combination of relaxation and modern advertising. Associate your new eat-

ing and exercise plan with highly attractive symbols. Put a message on tape so you can play it over and over.

For example: "I resolve to eat only nutritious foods, to take delight in my will power and strength of character to avoid fat and sugary snacks. I see myself walking briskly along a wooded path, feeling renewed vigor with each breath, putting myself in harmony with nature, looking forward to a new trimmer body."

Chart your successes. Most reducers make two mistakes: They get after themselves for failures and they make weight loss their goal. Weight loss is a poor goal because it is not a behavior which can be mandated.

Instead, focus on your planned changes in behavior. Keep a chart in your kitchen where you can give yourself credit each night for the Big Four: Avoiding snacks; avoiding sugar foods; following your diet; doing your exercise. Count your credits, not your stumbles. Add up your points and give yourself some small rewards along the way for point totals.

Good luck with the new person you can become.

(Reader questions on family living and child care to be answered in print are invited Address questions to: The Kennys, Box 827, St. Joseph's College, Rensselaer, Ind. 47978.)

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Is peace gender biased?

Before I go further, I admit I'm exploring an idea and I invite reader response to a serious subject: is there a basic difference between male and female enjoyment in fighting and war, and is this the basis of the gender gap we're witnessing in politics today?

In October when we were in the midst of the Lebanon bombing and the American invasion of Grenada, **Nightline** News announced the findings of a national poll taken the day of the Grenada invasion. The difference between men and women polled was dramatic. Nearly half the Americans polled said they supported the invasion but when it was broken down into gender, over 60% of the men polled were in favor compared to 30% of the women.

The next evening, at a parent seminar in our community, a young mother said, "My 10-year-old son is fascinated at the new stories showing the marines in Lebanon. He thinks it's wonderful and can't wait to grow up so he can be an army man. It's like a big carnival to him."

FOR ALL we hear about parents' programming children to violence by buying them guns, I suspect there's a more innate fondness for fighting and violence in boys than girls and this enjoyment continues throughout life. As parent of both, I

BY DOLORES CURRAN



-know that little boys exhibit early attraction to guns and tanks that little girls don't.

Little boys don't need toy guns to play war. Any toy will do. It becomes a weapon as they shoot each other from behind the cover of couches and doorways. Little girls don't play these games.

Little boys covet BB guns. I've never heard of a little girl wanting one.

As they grow older, boys relish war movies, the bloodier the better. Little girls wander away. As men, little boys read books on past wars, eulogize generals, and collect old tanks. Girls don't.

Men seem to enjoy war and fighting while women sigh and wonder why. Often we ask among ourselves, if there were no war, would men be happy?

Today the gender gap shows up over the issue of peace more than any other issue. Women, who have always been programmed to support men in

defense and war, are beginning to ask questions unheard of in earlier times: why do we need ever more military buildup? Why can't we work for peace? Why do we honor men of war over men of peace?

THE ANSWER is that, being women, we just don't understand. There's an implied accusation that if we want peace, we aren't supportive or patriotic—as if we can't read or comprehend the underlying issues of international relations.

We can and *dp*, and I believe the gender crunch is not directed to President Reagan as much as to the whole male prerogative of determining our defense policy. Women today are demanding the right to be heard on peace as well as on equality.

If my theory holds any truth* then we may be seeing a basic gender gap emerging in the home as well as in greater politics. If women become more vocally anti-war and less supportive of their sons' involvement, this is bound to have an effect, as will the increasing number of families where sons are being reared by mothers only.

Perhaps we have reached a point in civilization where women are saying we will no longer allow men and their enjoyment of war to threaten our world peace. I am not sure but I would like to hear your thoughts on this,

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Family Night

Opening prayer

Our family gathers tonight in your presence to share with one another in love. Lord, thank you for this evening and the opportunity for us to come together for *Family Night*. We pray for the presence of your Holy Spirit and for those we know who are lonely and also for those who have no one to love them. Help our family to reach out to such people. *Amen.*

Lesson

Young Family

Materials: 1 large jar or can with cover, glue, old magazines, scissors, plain paper. Make a lenten prayer jar. Have the children reflect on ways God can speak to them. (Example: through parents, friends, nature.) Everyone can cut out pictures that reflect his feelings and thoughts about conversation. The pictures may

be arranged and glued to the jar. Each person can make three or four prayers about someone or something other than himself. Mom or Dad can help with the writing if necessary. The prayers may be placed in the jar to be used at closing prayer time in future *Family Nighs*.

Middle Years Family

Materials: Bible, paper, pens. Read Scripture aloud, 2 Timothy 1:8-10 (pause in silence).

Renewal is what takes place within us and is ever so personal between each of us and our God. Reconciliation flows from a renewed spirit just like sun rays come from the sun itself. Reconciliation flows out upon everyone we meet through our senses of touch, of speech, the way we listen, the very look in our eyes.

Activities: Each person writes a letter to the family in answer to the questions (1) Who am I? and (2) How

can I reveal myself to my family through ways of reconciliation? Take about 10 or 15 minutes to write and then the letters may be read aloud or exchanged and read silently as a family.

Adult Family

Materials: Bible. Read aloud Genesis 12:1-4 then 2 Timothy 1:8-10 and then Matthew 17:1-9.

Before we can really be serious about taking up our cross and following Christ we need to first experience him in some form of personal experience. The readings above show very boldly Abraham's and the apostles' "visions" and each had a long hard journey to follow after the experience. If anyone has had some experience of Christ in his life that made a strong impression, it would be worthwhile to share it this evening.

Sharing

—Each shares a high point during

the week.

•^—Someone may share a low point or a struggle the past week.

—Each may share a moment he felt especially close to God.

Closing prayer

—Spontaneous: use prayer jar.

—Scripture: 2 Cor 5:17-19.

—Lord's Prayer and Hail Mary.

—Suggested prayer: Dearest Lord, thank you for this evening and for each member of our family. Help us to grow into a deeper awareness of One another's needs and help us to reach out to one another in love and healing. Help us to carry one another's burdens. We love you Lord, God and surrender our family wholly to you. Oh Lord, use our family to help build up your kingdom here on earth. *Amen.*

Scriptural Insights

Walk in His kingdom

BACKGROUND

The opening reading comes from the final part of the book of Isaiah (sometimes called "trito-Isaiah"). This part of the book was probably written just after the Exile, had ended. Thus, it reflects the hopeful attitude of the nation. The reading describes God gathering together all peoples from all nations.



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The gospel-reading from Luke also speaks of salvation. In the passage, Jesus spoke of the prophets being with him in the kingdom. But he described other people being rejected because Jesus simply didn't know who they were.

Readings: Isaiah 66:18-21; Hebrews 12:5-7, Luke 13:22-30

In the second reading, from the letter to the Hebrews, the author reminded his readers to discipline themselves so that they would be ready when the Lord came.

REFLECTION:

Most Catholics actively involved in a life of prayer ask themselves a particular question from time to time. They tend to ask themselves how well they know Jesus.

Perhaps they have tried to discover the presence of Jesus in their own lives, or in the life of others around them. They've tried to find the relevance of his message today in a world that ignores Christian values.

But I wonder if there's another side to the coin.

The gospel for next Sunday indicates that there is another side.

'What are some of the things we might say or do so the Lord takes notice of us?'

How well does Jesus know us?

What are some of the things we might say or do so that the Lord might take more "notice" of us? First, we might make a better effort

in living out our Christian faith. That would show the Lord (and ourselves, for that matter) that our belief is sincere.

Another thing we might do is spend more time in prayer to the Lord. Surely, he would get to know us better if we spend more time talking and listening to him.

You might protest that you just don't have enough time in the day to do everything you want to do. But after all, everybody gets the same twenty-four hours each day. Some people use that time more effectively than others. Perhaps some restructuring of your time is what is required.

Finally, we might learn to love more. After all, the Lord told us that love for others was to be the hallmark of his disciples.

If we do these things, we'll find that the Lord knows us well. And perhaps, not surprisingly, we'll also find that we know the Lord better too.

Can Catholics be Masons?

Q. We have been told in recent years that Catholics may join the Masons if certain conditions are fulfilled. Now I read that membership in that organization is permitted only when permission is received from Rome. What is the situation? Are Catholics allowed to hold membership in Masonic organizations or not? (Florida)



BYFR.
JOHN
DIETZEN

A. I'm not sure your question can be answered as absolutely as you would like. The best I can do is explain some background and then give a suggestion.

The former (1918) Code of Canon Law stated that anyone who joined the Masonic sect or other society which plots against the church or legitimate civil authority incurred automatic excommunication.

Even then, however, that proscription was not in fact as absolute and universal as it was usually understood to be for the following reason.

These kinds of regulations come under what might be called the penal laws of the church. The interpretation and application of penal laws (laws which in some way limit human freedom and apply sanctions) are nuanced and limited by many principles, which form part of the church's tradition of jurisprudence.

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One such principle is that any regulation or censure which would forbid actions otherwise open to Catholics must be interpreted in its narrowest sense. Such a regulation usually applies, for example, only where the reason for the law clearly exists in a particular situation.

Thus, membership in a particular Masonic group would be forbidden only when that organization does in fact oppose the church or government by open prejudice or persecution, undermining civil authority and so on. *

In 1974 the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith reiterated this interpretation in a letter to episcopal conferences concerning membership in the Masons. "In the consideration of particular cases," the letter said, "it must be kept in mind that the penal law is subject to strict interpretation."

Similarly, it is sound to teach and to apply the opinion of authors who hold that Canon 2335 (old Code of Canon Law) refers only to Catholics who enroll in associations which truly plot against the church. "Nevertheless, in every case the prohibition remains in effect for clerics, religious and members of secular institutes not to enroll in any Masonic societies."

In 1981 the congregation repeated the position that general principles of interpretation of penal laws should be applied to individual cases.

The later statement to which you

refer was a declaration on Masonic associations by the same Vatican congregation on Nov. 26, 1983. While the document clearly intends to tighten up the church's position on Masonic membership, it leaves areas of confusion and ambiguity, which will probably be resolved only with experience.

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The Declaration, for example, seems to want to stress that nothing is changed, that the church's negative position "remains unaltered," and that joining the Masons "remains prohibited." Yet, as others also have pointed out, a new regulation seems to be established restricting the power of local bishops.

Such bishops, it says, no longer have authority, mentioned explicitly in the 1981 statement, to judge whether a specific Masonic organization could be approved for membership. Apparently even the 1981 statement was understood differently by bishops and by the congregation. At any rate, the matter must now be referred to Rome.

The new code (No. 1374) does not mention Masons explicitly. It simply forbids Catholics to join any association which plots against the church. It seems clear that the stricter Catholic position was inspired in large part

by certain notorious activities in Italy during recent years involving the highest ranking Masonic officials, and serious conflicts with Masonic groups in other countries of Europe and Latin America.

In some of these nations Masons have been perceived as associated with extreme groups and in active and sometimes violent opposition to the church's principles and efforts for racial and social justice.

The specific effects of the new rulings in America will, as I said, have to be clarified with experience. Apparently it is not the intention of the American bishops, at this point at least, to disturb those who have joined Masonic groups in good faith during the past several years.

My only recommendation to Catholic men and women considering joining any Mason-related associations is to consult with the bishop of their diocese and follow his advice.

Q. A church in our city is named St. Raymond Nannatus. I've lived here a long time but still don't know what that means, if anything. Someone said he think it means "not born." But that doesn't make any sense. (Illinois)

Last names of people often don't make sense, but in this case whoever gave you your information has correct.

St. Raymond was a highly esteemed Spaniard who lived in the 13th century. During the time when many Christians were taken as slaves from that country to Africa by the Moslems, he was among many who devoted their lives to ransoming and bringing these people back home, sometimes even offering to take the place of those they were ransoming.

According to stories of his life, his mother died just before he was born, and he was delivered by Caesarean section. In the quaint and earthy custom of his time, he became known as the one who was "not born."

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Where were pro-lifers?

NBC abortion story goes unnoticed

If you're going to write a comedy about a sensitive topic, you'd better be a heckuva writer. Apparently, NBC doesn't have access to many of that ilk because the network failed dismally in two recent attempts at treating abortion and child molestation within the confines of a situation comedy.

BOTH TRIES were via two-part episodes of "Buffalo Bill" (abortion) and "Diff'rent Strokes" (child molestation).

I will remark only in passing on the extra dollop of bad taste exhibited by the network in airing its abortion segments during the week set aside by



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pro-life groups to mark the anniversary of the insane Supreme Court decision which now allows the annual killing of 1.5 million unborn children.

Such timing demonstrates how little attention is paid on TV to the tens of thousands of Americans who annually give up their comfort, sleep and, in some cases, pay to march in Washington, D.C. on behalf of those voiceless millions.

But, no matter in what season they were aired, the "Buffalo Bill" episodes were distressing on two counts—first in their content and second in the fact that little attention was paid to them. Shame on the producers of the show for the first; shame on us for the second.

WHEN "MAUDE" presented a two-parter on abortion several years ago, many stations refused to carry them, countless people were outraged and much media attention went to that character's decision to kill her child.

The "Buffalo Bill" two-parter drew minor complaints from a few pro-lifers, no affiliate nervousness and little remark from the media. In the intervening years, abortion has become as American as apple pie and mass murderers. That erosion of sensitivity is becoming as disturbing as the executions performed on babies by doctors.

If you didn't see the "Buffalo Bill" series, let me fill you in quickly: the

show stars Dabney Coleman as an egotistical, loutish, insensitive, boorish and sexist talk-show host on a local Buffalo station.

The director of the show-within-the-show is Jo-Jo, played by Joanna Cassidy. Although she displays independence and intelligence in most matters, she is, for reasons unknown, attracted to Bill and it is he who fa-

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thers her child.

SHE BECOMES depressed and angry, and finally decides to kill the life inside her. Her friends at the station take various viewpoints, even holding a vote which turns out 11-8 that she keep the child. Another woman staffer tells about her mother who was advised not to carry to term a late-in-life baby.

"I don't want to upset you," she says to Jo-Jo, "but that baby was me."

Along the way, views got the usual cliches: abortion is a simple operation (just as being nuked is a simply way to die compared to being bludgeoned); abortion is a private matter (meaning only the woman, not the living child); abortion is a brave decision made by women in distress (are there really 1.5 million woman in distress every year)?

I wonder what will come next on "Buffalo Bill." Will Jo-Jo suffer any physical or emotional after-effects? Will some staff-members (such as the boss, who, the script made clear, opposed abortion because "most people in my parish do" but later admired her pluckiness) feel differently about her because of her choice to kill? Will she regret her action? Or will we go on to other topics?

I **THINK** "Buffalo Bill," on this occasion, was a lot of buffalo bull.

Then there was the two-part "Diff'rent Strokes," in which Arnold (Gary Coleman) and his sister (Dana Plato) were kidnapped by a man who tied up the little boy and made advances toward the teenage girl.

There were laughs along the way, Arnold saves the day by escaping and being hypnotized to remember the man's license number, and no one gets hurt.

"That all bothers me. I want my six-year-old girl to be cautious and care-



One of the most enduring musicals of all time, "South Pacific," will be aired at 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, on PBS, Channel 2.

ful around strangers. I don't want her to think that strangers tell one-liners and treat you kindly. In fact, such men would beat Arnold senseless and rape his sister.

Trying to teach children through a sitcom can be helpful, but this wasn't because it was too sanitized and cute.

NBC, you tried hard, but you blew it—twice.

Capsule reviews

RECKLESS (R) (O)

This pretentious, slow moving account of star-crossed teenage lovers (Aidan Quinn and Daryl Hannah) in a grimy, impoverished steel town treads numbingly familiar ground. First time director James Foley has found no way to re-charge the old formula nor has writer Chris Columbus discovered anything of significance. There is a strong bid for the teenage audience with an abundance of nudity and arty sex.

UNFAITHFULLY YOURS (PG) (O)

A famous conductor (Dudley Moore) wrongly suspects his wife (Natassja Kinski) of being unfaithful and fantasizes revenge while on the podium. It is an expensively mounted comedy but not a very funny one. Though otherwise innocuous, moreover, it is marred by an ill-conceived shower scene and bedroom sequence. The filmmakers give Moore a blank check to transact movies, but the winsome petulance, drunken walk and

the pratfalls that constitute his trademark bag of tricks cannot save the film.

USCC film ratings:

A-I, general patronage; A-II adults and adolescents; A-III, adults, A-IV, adults with reservations; O, morally offensive.

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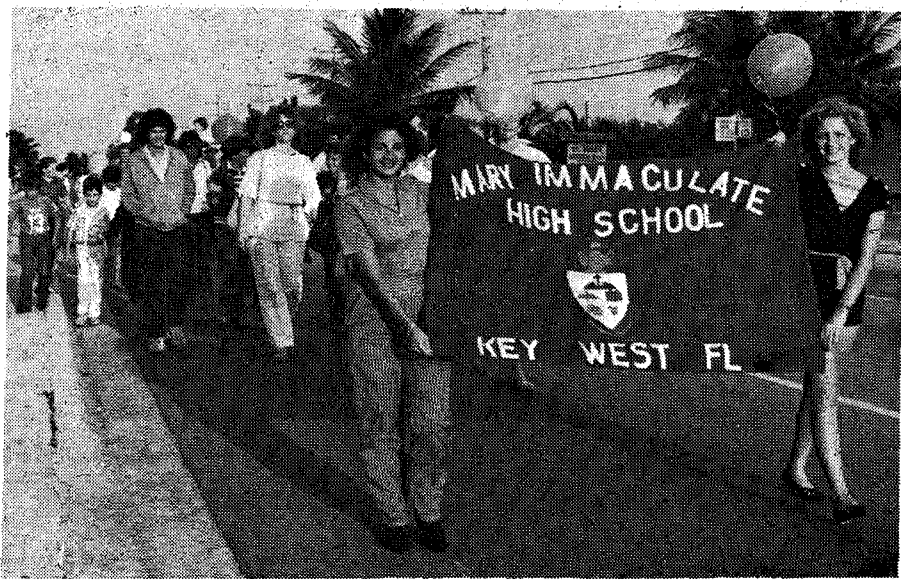
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CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S WALK. A group of people of all ages from the Catholic Community participated in a celebration walk at the conclusion to Catholic Schools Week. The walk from St. Bede to St. Mary, Star of the Sea in Key West was followed by a dinner to raise funds for Catholic Schools.

American Life Lobby to hold seminar

The American Life Lobby will present a Life Awareness Conference at the Holiday Inn, AIA at Sunrise Blvd. from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Feb. 25th. The conference will explain the problems of contemporary society, present solutions and motivate Christians. Seminar topics given by Paul and Judie Brown will include secular

humanism, pro-life politics, anti-family groups and the political environment.

As director of Life Amendment Political Action Committee, Paul is best known for delivering the vote to beat senators on the LAPAC Target List, the pro-death "Deadly Dozen." An expert on the subject of political

action and the media, he is a grassroots motivator.

President of American Life Lobby, Judie is an expert on the interrelationship of secular humanism, abortion and Planned Parenthood. In 1982 she received the Protector Award.

• For information contact Mrs. Florence Morehead at 772-1840.

Morality in Media to hold awards luncheon

Senator Phillip D. Lewis will be an honored guest and speaker at a Morality in Media of Palm Beach County awards luncheon which will honor some of those who have worked hard to control the wide dissemination of obscene materials.

Luncheon will be served at twelve

o'clock-donation \$12.00 per person. Cocktails will be available in the Monte Carlo Room preceding the luncheon at 11.30 a.m.

Reservations are limited, please call 588-1870, 585-6978 or 582-0194 to make definite reservations for the luncheon by March 11th or tickets

may be sold.

Reservations will be held at the door upon receipt of your check made out to Morality in Media of Palm Beach County, P.O. Box 4227, Lantana, Fla. 33462.

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Lay ministry develops parish program

The Office of Lay Ministry and the Catholic Service Bureau have developed a format which will explore ways we can all become more fully involved in carrying on the work of our own parish community and to live more fully our lives of faith received at our baptism.

Parishioners from the parishes of St. Ignatius of Loyola, St. Paul of the Cross, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Clare, St. John Fisher are invited to par-

ticipate in this six week program which will take place on six consecutive Wednesday evenings" from 7:30 - 9:30. The program will be held at a different parish each week.

The dates are: March 6 - St. Ignatius of Loyola; March 13 - St. Paul of the Cross; March 20 - St. Francis of Assisi; March 27 - St. Clare; April 3 - St. John Fisher; April 10 - St. Ignatius of Loyola.

Vilanova hosts alcohol/drug treatment luncheon

State Attorney Janet Reno will address a luncheon meeting of the Alcohol/Drug Abuse treatment community on Thursday, March 1, at the Miami Women's Club. March is traditionally Alcohol Awareness Month in Florida, but both the alcohol and other drug abuse providers, and their friends, are observ-

ing awareness month this year. The theme of this year's luncheon is A CALL TO ACTION.

St. Thomas of Villanova University is principal host of the luncheon. Fr. Michael Hogan, O.S.A., director of Substance Abuse Ministry in the archdiocese, is chairperson.

Parent effectiveness program offered

Would you enjoy a short series of evenings geared to helping you to become a more effective parent and a less hassled and happier person? The Family Enrichment Center has the answer for you in its six-session Positive Parenting Program in which you are invited to participate.

The series will cover the following topics: understanding children's behavior, the encouragement process, communication - how to listen and how to be heard, natural and logical consequences, and the family meeting. All topics are explored with warmth and humor and with the underlying goal of developing responsibility and relationships within the family.

The classes will be offered in Epiphany Parish in South Miami. They will be held from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Tuesdays starting February 28th. Classes will be conducted by Rev. Michael Flanagan, psychologist and counselor for the Catholic Service Bureau in Miami and by Mrs. Carol Farrell, mother of six, who is responsible for the Ministry to Parents in the Archdiocese.

The fee for the series is \$20 per person or \$30 per married couple. Partial scholarships are available. Registration is limited. Interested persons may register by calling the Epiphany Rectory and asking for Leyda Vazquez-667-4911.

K of C holds Tootsie Roll Giveaway

On March 2, 3, and 4, 1984 the Florida State Councils of the Knights of Columbus will launch its 10th Annual Tootsie Roll Giveaway to benefit the handicapped people of Florida.

State Chairman, Joe Matthews of North Miami, chairman for the 10th consecutive year, stated that the goal for this year is \$365,000 and a 100% participation by the 140 councils and 25,000 members.

This program which was started in the State of Illinois spread quickly throughout the 42 jurisdictions including the State of Florida. The Governor proclaims the 1st weekend of March as Knights of Columbus weekend.

Since the programs inception in 1975 of which \$74,500 was collected through last years \$323,500 the total amount of money raised to date is \$1,482,183. On the average 85% of all the moneys collected was given directly to Florida's retarded citizens groups.

Seeking prayer petitions

"Call to me and I will answer you" Jer. 33:3 Each Monday morning the employees of the Pastoral Center will gather to pray for the intentions of you, our brothers and sisters of the Archdiocese. Petitions will be included in our daily prayers of the week, as well as during this special time of community prayer. We invite anyone with a prayer request to write (no phone calls, please), to write to the following address: Prayer Petitions, Archdiocese of Miami, 9401 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, FL 33138.

Black heritage celebration

Christ the King church in Perrine will be having a black Catholic Heritage Night on Feb. 25th, Saturday, beginning at 6 p.m. for dinner. A program of African art and costume, poetry, music, and sacred dance will follow at 7 p.m. Tickets \$5 adults, \$3 children.

Fr. McGrath's mother dies

Mass of Christian Burial for Mrs. Frances McGrath, whose son is a priest in the Archdiocese of Miami, was concelebrated Monday at St. Mary Cathedral, Ogdensburg, N.Y.

Father Gerald McGrath, principal at Archbishop Curley-Notre Dame High, was the principal celebrant of the Mass for his mother who died on Feb. 16 at the age of 83.

It's a Date

The Widow and Widower's Club of Broward County will have a social gathering on March 4th from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. every 1st or 3rd Sunday, at the Wilton Manors Recreation H&B, 509 NTE 22nd Drive in Wilton Manors. For more information call 473-8913 or 564-1180. There will be no meeting on March 18th.

Our Lady of Lourdes Academy will sponsor their annual auction held at the School auditorium, 5525 S.W. 84th st. in Miami on Feb. 24th. Cocktail hour and browsing: 7 p.m. Auction 7:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. It will also be held on Feb. 25th from 1:30 to 5 p.m. Furniture, silver, china, painting, many items of value will be auctioned.

St. Francis hospital will host a lecture on medical ethics and values given by Dr. Tristram Engelhardt, who is both a philosopher and a physician, on March 5th at 8 a.m. For more information call 868r2783.

Monsignor Pace High School Booster Club welcomes Parents, Alumni, and Friends to a "Lots of Luck Dance," Saturday, March 3rd, 8 p.m. at the school, 15600 N.W. 32nd Avenue. Enjoy music, dancing, buffet and door prizes. For reservations and tickets call: 887-7314. Free-dance \$5.00, \$7.50 at the door.

The Women of the Light of Broward will host a "We brunchon March 17th at the Holiday Inn on Powerline Rd. in Ft. Lauderdale.

Call 721-8486 for advance reservations.

Holy Apostles Byzantine Catholic Church is having their annual picnic and holy year celebration at 4868 Hypoluxo Rd. in Lake Worth on Feb. 26th from noon to 5:30. Ethnic foods, live music, dancing. For further information call Fr. Basil at 968-8500.

The Marian Center Auxiliary will be having a Day at the Races on Feb. 29th at 11:30 p.m. at the Hialeah Race track. Tickets are \$25. Same name, address and check to Mrs. Robert Reck, 520 Brickell Key Drive, Miami, 33131. Tickets include admission, program, reserved seat luncheon and valet parking.

Saint Andrew Catholic Church, 9950 NW 29 Street, Coral Springs, will be holding its annual Mardi Gras, MARCH 1-4. International Foods, Rides, Game Booths, Costumed Characters. Special appearance by 98 Gold, WBSS on Saturday night 7-11 pm. March 1 (Thursday, 4-16 p.m.), March 2 (Friday, 4-11 pm), March 3 (Saturday, noon to 11 pm), March 4 (Sunday, 1-9 pm).

The Hobe Sound Chapter of Catholic Golden Age, the National association of Catholics 50 years of age and over will hold their regular meeting on March 19th following the

noon Mass at St. Christopher's, 12001 S.E. Federal Highway, US1 in Hobe Sound. Non-members, as well as CGA members are welcome to attend.

St. Henry's Women's Guild is sponsoring a St. Patrick's Day Dinner - Dance on Saturday, March 17th. Cocktails 6:30 - 7:30. Dinner at 7:30. Dancing from 8:00 to 12:00. Cash bar \$1.00. Door prizes. For reservations please call 785-2450.

The St. Francis Hospital Auxiliary, is please to announce that Cache fashion boutique will produce a fashion show at the Auxiliary's annual "Flowers in Springtime Luncheon" at Indian Creek Country Club on March 8.

For additional information concerning the St. Francis Hospital Auxiliary "Flowers in

Springtime Luncheon," please call Eleanore Lombard or Noel King, Director of Financial Development at St. Francis Hospital, at JS68-2783.

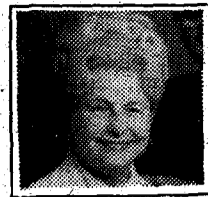
The Greater Hollywood Catholic Widowers Club will hold a Covered Dish Feast on Friday, March 2, 1984, at 7:30 p.m., at Nativity Parish Hall, 500 Chaminade Cjve, Hollywood. Ladies bring dish \$4.00 value. Gentlemen pay \$4.00. Everyone pays \$1.00 admission. Music for dancing, fun and games. For further details, please call 981-2508 or 431-8275 after 8 p.m.

Little Flower Church will hold its monthly healing Mass at the "old" church will be celebrated by Father Antonio E. Mendoza this Sunday at 5 p.m. The church is located between Anastasia and Sevilla.

Deadline for the It's a Date section is the Monday before each Friday issue. Please send to It's a Date, The Voice newspaper, P.O. Box 38-1059, Miami, Fla. 33238-1059. Because of postal regulations we cannot print notice of bunco games, bingo, or raffles. For our convenience double space notices in lower case, beginning with the name of the church or organization and continuing with only the basic information regarding time, place, tickets, and a brief description of the event.

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GOD in the Human Situation

By Sister Christine Hope Allen, RSM
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Georges Vanier was a striking military hero, who led a life of great honor as a colonel of the Royal 22nd Regiment of the Canadian Army, as a diplomat in England and as ambassador to France. During his career, however, he also reached some important conclusions about prayer.

For him, prayer began in the family.

Vanier was 70 when he became governor-general of Canada in 1959, the post he served in until 1967. His installation address began with the words: "May Almighty God... bless this sacred mission... and help me to fulfill it in all humility. In exchange for his strength, I offer him my weakness."

VANIER was born in Montreal in 1888 and studied law before joining the army in 1915. He distinguished himself under heavy fire and received the military cross before being seriously wounded and having his right leg amputated above the knee.

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"I know that, but don't you want a few officers with brains as well as legs?" Within three weeks Vanier was back in the army.

In 1921, Vanier married the deeply religious Pauline Archer from Montreal, who greatly influenced his life as a Catholic. It was on Good Friday in 1933 that he accompanied her to a lecture given in London by a Jesuit priest. Vanier told the priest after the lecture that he now realized how much God loves people.

From then on Vanier accompanied his wife to daily Mass.

The Vaniers had a daughter and four sons. Their son Jean founded L'Arche, the communities for the handicapped; Therese is a physician at St. Christopher's Hospice in London; Benedict is a Trappist monk in Oka, Quebec.

Vanier once said: "In the interplay of responsibility and dependence within the family are also found the wellsprings of love, love for God, for one's religion and for one's country."

DURING Vanier's diplomatic career, the family lived in London and Paris. As the pace of his career increased, the Vanier's life of prayer grew more intense. The couple decided to give 30 minutes each day together to silent prayer, sometimes in church, other times at home.

According to their son Jean, those times of prayer were sometimes dry and difficult. At other times, Vanier himself records that he really experienced God's love.

In one note written sometime between 1945 and 1954, he described his prayer in some detail: "Today as usual I started by thanking God for allowing me to come to see him... I said... I wanted to love him more." Then Vanier asked God "to show me how to love him as I did not know and needed his help."

But that day Vanier said he had a surprise. "I began to repeat, in a way which was both intense and spontaneous, that I loved him, thanking him for giving me the grace to love him thus. For some time I could not move on to the next point, but just kept repeating that I loved him and wanted to love him more."

This man came to look upon the Spirit as one who lends dignity to human beings and allows them to transcend their limitations. The interweaving of prayer and active service became Vanier's pattern of life. And it is difficult to imagine a more active life.



Georges Vanier, military hero and at one point governor-general of Canada, led a deep life of prayer. (NC photo)

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pressed his concern that faith was becoming much less a family affair. Other activities may express people's unity to one degree or another, he observed. But prayer "goes to the very essence of our being, touches all that we feel important in life."

Vanier hoped his work would help to transform the world around him. Near the end of his life, Vanier wrote in a letter to Jean: "It is more and more obvious that God is sustaining me. Left to my own human resources I could never accomplish all that I am undertaking at this moment."

"I sense very clearly and irrefutably that the prayer which I made at my installation is being answered, that he is exchanging his strength for my weakness. But for how long?"

He died March 5, 1967:

The story of Georges Vanier

Early

By Father John Castelot
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The early Christians in the Greek City of Corinth had a question for St. Paul to solve. It concerned a mixed marriage of those times.

What was to be done if one spouse in a pagan marriage decided to become a Christian? It seems that some Corinthians, instituted the Christian spouse should then separate from the pagan spouse.

But Paul's view was different. He thought the couple should remain together unless the non-Christian partner made it impossible for the spouse to live in a Christian partner made it impossible for the spouse to live in a Christian way. Here is his reason:

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"The unbelieving wife is consecrated by the believing husband. If it were otherwise, your children should be unclean; but as it is they are holy." (I Corinthians 7:14)

PAUL is using the terms "consecrated, unclean, holy" not in their usual sense of being in or out of God's favor. Rather, he is thinking of a prior stage of "holiness" or "uncleanliness," the result of living in a good or bad environment. More than we perhaps realize, we are influenced by the atmosphere and the value system of our society.

If that atmosphere and value system are right, the chances of living good Christian lives are very good. Conversely, if the atmosphere is poor, it can damage our chances.

That is why the unbelieving partner in the marriage and the children of the family are "consecrated." They are living in a household whose atmosphere and attitudes are Christian.

Families and prayer

By Suzanne Elsesser
NC News Service

One image of families at prayer that frequently comes to my mind pictures a bearded, Victorian father, a mother and a handful of children, formally dressed and with hands folded in front of them, seated at a round table.

The table holds an oversized family Bible from which the father is reading, all the others have heads bowed. A gas lamp with stained glass shade hangs over the table, which is covered with a heavy fringed cloth. Everyone is very serious.

The image makes me uncomfortable as a parent. For a long time I held it as my model of family prayer. But it certainly was not what happened in my own family.

At our house, the round table has a white formica surface, the overhead light is electric, nobody ever looks that serious and the phone usually rings when we sit down together. (Is it wired to the kitchen chairs?)

BESIDES, the one time I tried a family prayer service the kids looked at me as if I had dropped in from another century. I was not confident enough to try again. Maybe I didn't do something I should have done when my children were younger. Now I am not so certain that is the only way the Holy Spirit leads prayer in families.

When I think of family people who pray, I think of my friend Sandy. He's not Catholic, but he comes to Mass on Sunday. He sits way in back of the church dressed in blue jeans, scuffed shoes and old sweater. "I pray a lot," he says, "and I like to come here to do it."

I know he prays. He's even shown me the stone park bench where he's spent hours in quiet prayer overlooking the waters of Long Island Sound. I don't know what words Sandy uses to pray, but I do know he credits God directly for help in raising his 14-year-old daughter alone. He's not praying with her but he is praying for her.

FOR ME, prayer with family has tended to come in song. As a child I remember peering over my grandmother's shoulder to see the words in the hymnal as she hit flie notes of favorite hymns on our old black upright piano. Her longish fingernails clicked a bit as she touched the keys.

I'm a Catholic now. But I grew up in the Presbyterian Church. For me as a child, those hymns around the piano were like the nightly rosaries of many Catholics families.

Song was important for me again recently as seven of us crowded into my mother's room to pray after she suffered a crisis in a chronic illness. We were led by a Methodist minister. My father, an active Presbyterian lay leader, suggested we start with a hymn. We sang, gaining confidence in our knowledge of the words as we went along.

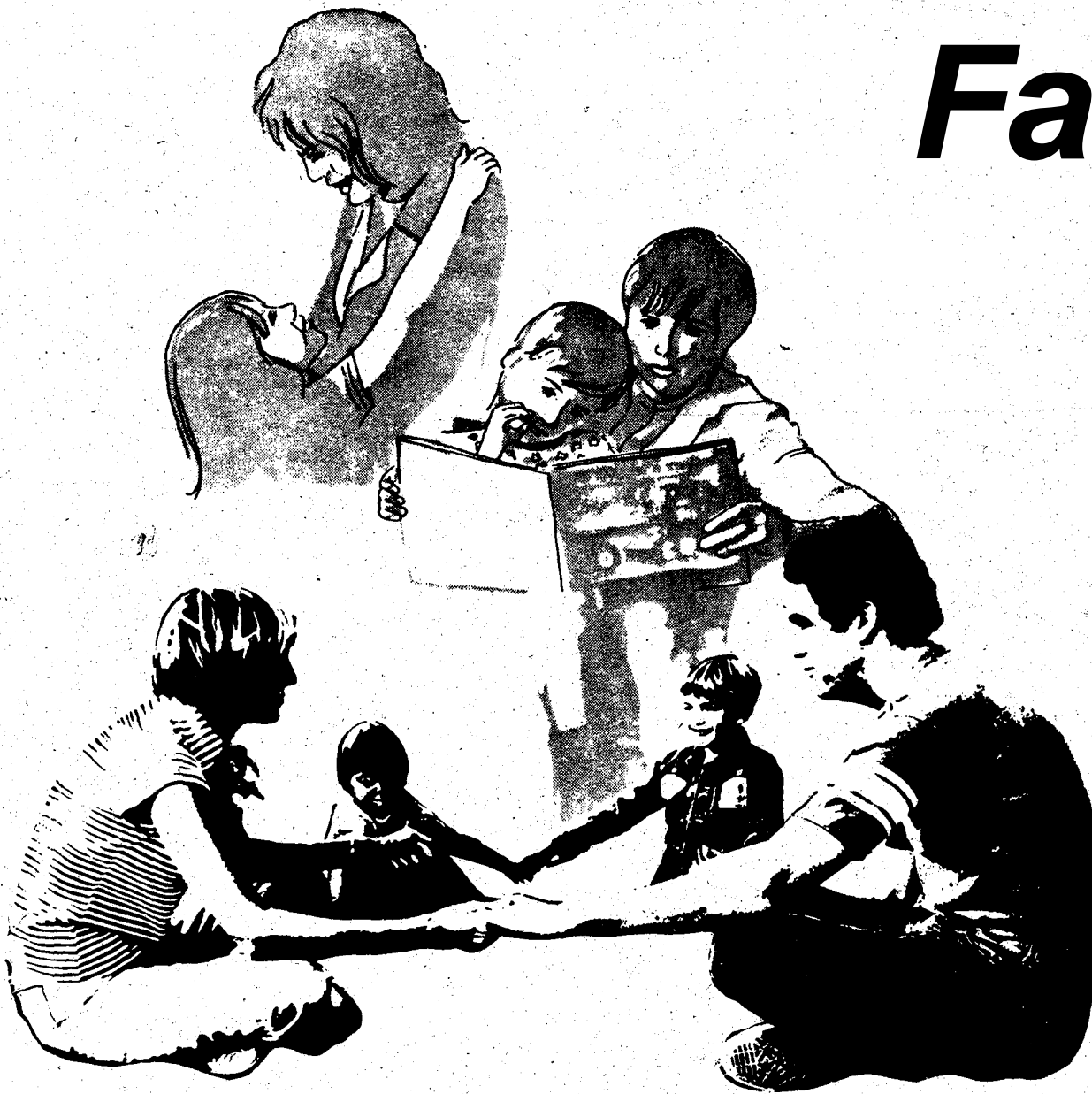
Surprised by an enthusiasm for prayer and song he had rarely found in hospital rooms, the minister asked if we were "church people."

"We sure are," my father responded, "but you've got a real ecumenical collection here!" He introduced the family: "Cousin Evelyn, a retired nurse, a Methodist; her friend Helen, a Congregationalism my daughter, Sue, a convert to Catholicism; and Dolores, a Southern Baptist who helps us at home."

TOGETHER our family prayed. We prayed for mother's health and with tears in her eyes she reached out to take my hand as I sat next to her.

We prayed for my father who sat with head down on the edge of the bed mother had vacated for the room's one comfortable chair. We prayed in thanksgiving for Jesus who gave so much to each of us.

And we sang again, oh, did we sing again — "What a friend we have in Jesus — all our sins and griefs to bear, what a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer."



Families pray in many ways, writes Suzanne Elsesser this week. Not all family prayer has to be formal and very serious. (NC sketch)

Christian homes

An important element of such an atmosphere is prayer. When God is brought consciously and formally into family life, it makes an impact on the home.

When love is perceived as really living in the family, it will almost certainly be a loving family. Nothing can lead to that perception better than prayer together — simply, unaffectedly — before and after meals, at the end of each day, whenever the family feels a special need.

"Such family experiences with prayer were common among the first Christians. They prayed as a family. Even the first places for Christian worship were in homes."

There is a dramatic and fairly lengthy story about this in Scripture. It is the story of Cornelius, the Roman centurion in Chapter 10 of the Acts of the Apostles. He is described as "religious and God-fearing." This phrase reveals that Cornelius, although a pagan, was strongly attracted to Judaism.

CORNELIUS and others like him would have been welcomed into the synagogue. The biblical "account shows that he distributed alms to the poor. top.

Cornelius prayed often to God. The same was true of his whole household. They followed his example.

Scripture says that one day Cornelius encountered a messenger from God who said: "Your prayers and your generosity have risen in God's sight, and because of them he has remembered you."

Cornelius was directed to send for Peter, who was visiting nearby. Peter arrived and preached to them. In fact, we read, Peter had not finished speaking "when the Holy Spirit descended on all who were listening" to his message.

What is noteworthy is that this was a family experience. It involved Cornelius' whole household.

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Christianity readily found its way into the home then. How does it find its way into homes today?

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Moveover, R2D2

Priest creates space-age pal—talking robot

LATROBESPa. (NC) — In the world of make-believe, robots like R2D2 and C3PO of "Star Wars" fame are mature adults, but in the real world/working robots are still infants," said Benedictine Father Cecil G. Diethrich.

FATHER DIETRICH, who was president of St. Vincent College in Latrobe for 11 years, returned to teaching and to his robotics laboratory at the college in August. He is the principal investigator and project director for developing educational robotics at St. Vincent.

Robots are not to be confused with "automated machinery for repetitive tasks" which have been used in factories for decades. The robot is "a more sophisticated machine which can be programmed to do many different tasks," Father Diethrich said.

In June 1983, Father Diethrich's project received funding to acquire "small, high-tech educational model robots suitable for teaching and research," he said. The three robots, one which the priest assembled himself, allow faculty members and selected students "to investigate robot manipulations and control systems."

THE COLLEGE'S ROBOT lineup, which sounds like the cast of a science fiction movie, includes a

Health-Zenith HERO I, a Rhino XR2 and a Microbot TeachMover.

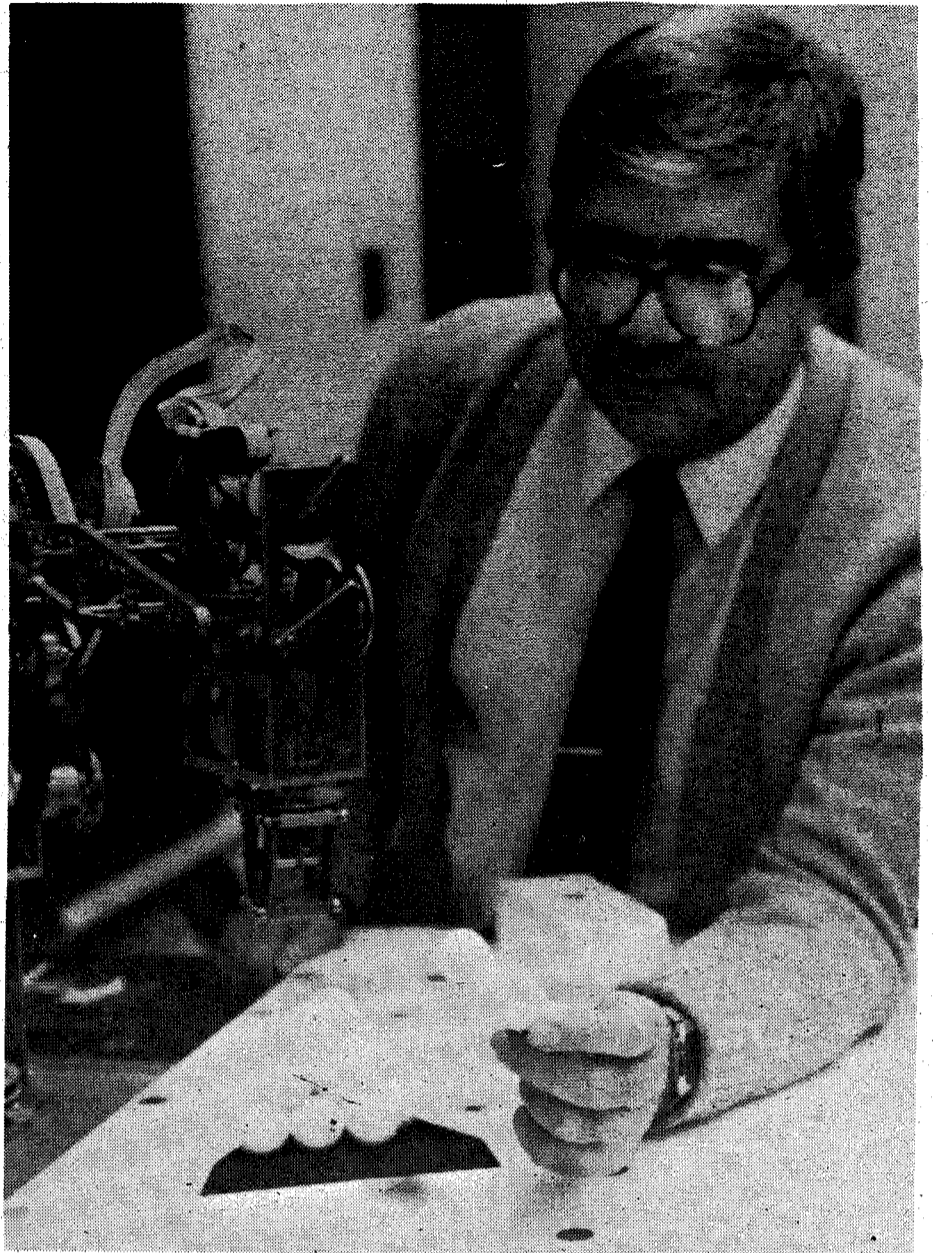
The HERO is the most entertaining of the three, said the priest, who holds a master's and a doctoral degree in nuclear physics. It can move around, talk, respond to spoken commands and sense motion, light and sound. The other robots are controlled with personal computers.

While Father Diethrich conducts his research on campus, only a few visitors have seen what the robots can do. "I probably should take HERO to a Bearcat basketball game some night and put on a little half-time show," he said. "I think people would be fascinated by what this fellow can do."

Even toys become educational aids for Father Diethrich. A Milton Bradley Big Track Tank, for example, is used to demonstrate simple robotic control principles, he said.

Father Diethrich said his goal is to develop courses, student research projects and continuing education workshop experiences with the robots.

IN ADDITION, the sociological impact of jobs should be considered, he said. "What was done yesterday by the human is being done today by the robot much more efficiently. The potential impact on



MASS ASSEMBLY - Fr. Cecil G. Diethrich puts a robot through its paces in the robotics lab at St. Vincent College in Latrobe, Pa. Fr. Diethrich, former president of the college, has assembled three robots in the lab and says robots may soon be on the mass assembly line to create new jobs in the future. (NC photo).

people and their way of life may be overwhelming."

While developing robots has the potential to create new jobs, Father

Diethrich said he is concerned about "premature programs for training robotics technicians. Who needs a robot repairman today?"

Faith game puts Catholics on square one



Children in Arlington, Va. gather at the dining room table to play "Knowing Your Faith," designed by Fr. Ron Luka, a Claretian Father from Oak Park, Ill. The game challenges both adults and children to learn more about their religion. (NC photo).

By Betsy Kennedy
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TRUE OR FALSE: A priest who was formerly stationed in Miami has come up with a winning idea for a game to teach Catholics "the basics of faith."

The answer is true, and the question and answer game invented by Fr. Ron Luka, a Claretian priest from the Provincialate in Oak Park, Ill., is "easy to play and a learning tool—at the same time," he says.

It all started when Fr. Luka was babysitting for some children whose parents were on a weekend retreat. Fascinated by their board games, he observed the children were having fun and learning at the same time.

The imaginative priest had long felt there was a need for a useful aid for educators who were limited in the classroom hours allotted for teaching religious classes in parochial schools. He also felt educators needed to "get back to conveying the language and terms of faith."

He decided "why not a game to teach the faith?"

It proved to be a good way to get Catholics to square one and "Knowing Your Faith" became the obvious choice for its name.

Since the most revered spot in the Catholic Church is before the altar, Fr. Luka decided to base the game on a series of numbered moves which would take parishioners (players) from the back pews to the front pews, with the winner being the first one to arrive there. Players choose from colored markers and dice and a spinner determine the questions and answers to be asked.

The "essential Catholic trivia" in the game consists of 480 questions in 10 categories: Bible quotes, Bible facts, Christian beliefs, Christian

prayer, Christian living, other religions, religious people, religious quotes, religious places and religious things.

Even Catholics in the know can be stumped by some of the more difficult questions, such as, "what did Vatican II say about the vocation of the laity?" (ANSWER: of its very nature the Christian Vocation is also a Vocation to the Apostolate... the member who fails to make his or her proportionate contribution to the development of the Church must be said to be useful neither to the Church nor to himself (herself).) (Doc. on the laity, part 2).

Other religions, from Buddhism to Taoism are covered in the game, to add to its color and diversity. A typical question in this section might be, "What are the words of Shema that are as special to the people of Israel, as our sign of the cross is to Us?" (ANSWER: "Hear O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one." (Deut. 6:4).

Although the game is geared for ages 8 to adult, young players are allowed with the consent of other players to keep questions in one category throughout the game until their knowledge is increased.

Because Fr. Luka has spent many years in-family life ministry, he believes the game will also help families to spend much-needed time together in fun and conversation.

He does not plan to manufacture the game for distribution in the general market place because it is "specifically Catholic."

However, it will be sold to pastors, directors of religious education courses and auxiliary religious resources for confirmation candidates.