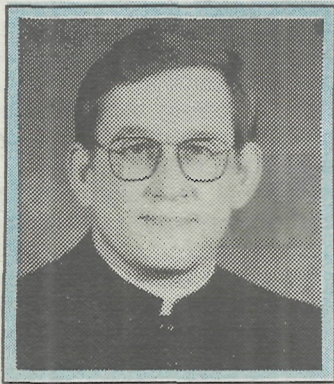


Synod opens door to change



The nature of the change, how radical, no one can know at this point. But out of it has to come change...

Fr. Kenneth Whittaker

• Reaction, below

Archbishop McCarthy will officially convoke a historic Archdiocese synod with a Mass this Monday, Oct. 7, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary Cathedral, beginning a three-year "listening" process during which all Catholics will be invited to parish or organization hearings to express their needs and views on the policies of the local church. Voice Editor Robert O'Steen and News Editor Ana Rodriguez-Soto interviewed Father Kenneth Whittaker, general promoter, and Marsha

Whelan, synod secretary. (Edited for brevity and clarity.)

VOICE: What is a synod?

FR. WHITTAKER: Synods go back to the year 300 in the Church. They began as grass-roots meetings of the bishop and his priests. [Today, as a result of Vatican II, the laity are invited to participate.] So it's a process whereby the people of a particular diocese can come together and as a result experience a spiritual renewal. It is a time when everyone's opinions and concerns are heard and it's a time for

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Lutheran-Catholic ordination proposed

ROME (NC) — An international commission of Catholic and Lutheran theologians has offered a unity plan to church leaders based on joint ordination of clergy by bishops of both faiths.

The plan is an effort to overcome theological and historical difficulties hindering a joint recognition of ministries, basically because of the Catholic position that a valid ordination can only be passed on through apostolic succession.

On the Lutheran side, it is also a recognition that the pope is a key figure in the universal exercise of ministry. Any process toward a common ordained ministry "necessarily requires the participation of the pope," said the commission.

The plan was drafted by the International Roman Catholic-Lutheran Joint Commission, a group of theologians appointed by officials of both churches to study issues that unite and separate Catholics and Lutherans.

Initially, the plan would involve ordination of selected candidates to fill specific posts.

The commission finished work on



Hurraaaaaah Jesus!

That shout was in the hearts and often on the tongues of more than 2,000 Catholic Charismatics who joyfully came together last weekend in Broward for their fifth annual conference. Stories begin on page 11. (Voice photo / Prent Browning)

the plan in 1984 after several years of study, and it was published as a common statement in September by the Lutheran World Federation in an 80-page booklet called "Facing Unity."

The plan has been presented for study to Catholic and Lutheran officials, who would have to approve it

before it could be implemented.

The pope would make the final decision on the Catholic side. The Vatican Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith assesses such statements and advises the pope on them.

"This document strives for clarity regarding the nature of church unity and a concept of that goal which im-

plies neither absorption nor return, but rather a structured fellowship of churches," said the commission chairmen in the preface of "Facing Unity."

The chairmen were Catholic Bishop Hans L. Martensen of Copenhagen, Denmark, and George A. Lindbeck, a Lutheran and a

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FROM THREE—YEAR SYNOD

Good things expected by clergy, laity

By Prent Browning
Voice Staff Writer

The coming Archdiocese synod may set the direction of the church here for the next several decades and be a milestone of lay input into Church decision making.

Some affected areas, according to pastors and lay leaders informally polled this week, include the opportunity for education and evangelization, a time to encourage greater lay involvement, and a chance to hear and perhaps resolve frictions within the church.

Fr. Michael Eivers, pastor of St. Boniface Church in Pembroke Pines, said that pastors at a recent retreat "came away with a very excited feeling that this could be a very big event."

"I'm very enthused about it person-

ally and the leaders here at the parish are also enthused."

Fr. Eivers said that he and other pastors were more interested in encouraging lay involvement than in creating more programs run by the Archdiocese.

"We are sort of 'programmed' to death. We hope that what we have will be enough."

In the meantime, he said, the laity could be doing many things that currently the pastor is involved with, such as administrative work.

"There is a heightening of awareness of just who they (the laity) are in the church and how involved they should be and they're taking ownership of the church, and that's very important," said Fr. Eivers.

Synod Steering Committee member

Michael Galligan-Stierle, director of Campus and Young Adult Ministry for the Archdiocese, said he is excited about the coming synod and that part of the excitement for the laity is that no one knows exactly what will come out of it.

"It's the opportunity of a lifetime for the laity of our Archdiocese to implement the ecclesiology of Vatican II. It truly gives them the opportunity to direct the Church's mission rather than being told what that mission is and being told to live it a certain way."

Hearings also will be held on college campuses to give young people a chance to voice their concerns, Galligan-Stierle said.

Fr. James Connaughton, pastor of

St. Ambrose parish in Deerfield Beach, also feels that the laity should be encouraged in their "bringing of the Church's teachings to the marketplace."

He believes as does Archbishop McCarthy that the synod will partly be a renewal and a response to a general "deterioration of morals" in society in general.

Fr. Connaughton said he hopes the synod will to some degree help to "counteract the deterioration of the family."

Helen Slater, a parish facilitator for the synod from Our Lady of Divine Providence in Miami believes that "families will be the strongest issue."

But it won't be the traditional family that will be as much of a topic as the

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'Poverty is worse,' says CHD director

By Julie Asher

WASHINGTON (NC) — Poverty in the United States is "a misunderstood problem," according to Father Alfred Lo Pinto, executive director of the Campaign for Human Development, the U.S. bishops' anti-poverty program.

Father Lo Pinto said he was "astonished" that a 0.9 percent decrease in poverty has been held up as cause "for celebration and self-congratulation."

The priest spoke at a press conference in Washington where he announced this year's CHD grants. A total of \$6.5 million has been awarded to 217 self-help projects throughout the country.

According to Father Lo Pinto, poverty is worse today than it was 15 years ago even though figures recently released by the U.S. Census Bureau indicate a decrease.

"while the drop of 0.9 percent is certainly welcome, simple candor requires us to see that poverty today is worse than it was 5 or 10 or 15 years ago," the priest said. "And with economic growth already much slower than it was in 1984, there is little, if any, reason to suppose that economic growth, by itself, can reduce poverty in any significant way in the future."

Father Lo Pinto said that the census bureau figures also show that the gap between rich and poor is increasing.

He said that in 1984 the bottom 40 percent of American families received 15.7 percent of the national income, "the lowest share in 37 years," while the richest 40 percent received 67.3 percent, "the largest share in the same period."

"that these deeply distressing figures have been cited as evidence of a great progress is a sad commentary, I believe, on how far we as a nation has lowered our sights, or turned our backs on the poverty that is in our midst," he added. "The evidence indicates millions of desperately poor Americans."

The "good news," he said, is that the Catholic Church through CHD is "doing something about it (poverty) by putting our money where our mouth is."

Father Lo Pinto added that this year CHD has addressed the U.S. farm crisis by awarding more than \$1 million to 31 farm-related projects.

Don't mix health care with too much business — Bishop Sullivan

NEW YORK (NC) — Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Sullivan of Brooklyn warned Catholic hospital administrators against a national trend to turn health care into a business. For Catholics, Bishop Sullivan said, health care is "not an industry but a ministry," in accordance with the teachings of Jesus. He said that in the interest of controlling costs the federal government has come to favor reliance on "free market principles" and "entrepreneurial skills." But the business approach involves policies that contradict the Catholic motivation for entering the health-care field.

Church official incensed by killings of clergy in Philippines

WASHINGTON (RNS) — A high-ranking American Catholic Church official has charged the government of the Philippines with waging a campaign of murder against Protestant and Catholic clergy, and has appealed to government leaders to halt what he called a pattern of killings. At least six members of the clergy have been murdered during the past year, said the church official, who also called on the Philippine government to investigate the recent abduction of a Catholic priest who was a frequent critic of human-rights abuses in the country. Msgr. Daniel Hoye, general secretary of the U.S. Catholic Conference, made the charges in letters to the Philippine embassy here, the Philippine church, and every American Catholic bishop.



Rosary Walk

When James and Pat Shillow of Camp Hill, Pa. pray the rosary, they take a pleasant, 140-foot walk in their backyard. Shillow created the rosary with concrete slab shaped like beads. He added a shrine with a statue of Mary show in foreground. (NC photo by C.A. Blahush).

High Court silences Justice Dept. in controversial abortion cases

WASHINGTON (NC) — The U.S. Supreme Court refused to let the Reagan administration participate in oral arguments as a friend of the court in a major case involving abortion. The administration, through the Justice Department, sought to participate in the oral arguments Nov. 5 when the Supreme Court reviews lower court decisions striking down Pennsylvania and Illinois laws that regulate abortion. The statutes to be reviewed do not outlaw abortion but both demand certain actions to save a viable fetus whenever possible in abortion and require that women be offered abortion-related information.

Third world leaders praise pastoral for its analysis of global issues

WASHINGTON (NC) — Representatives of Asia, Africa and Latin America praised the first draft of the U.S. bishops' pastoral letter on the economy for its analysis of global issues. They also urged the bishops to be clearer on the effect the economies of the industrialized nations have on the Third World. The representatives spoke at a hearing in Washington organized by the Office of International Justice and Peace of the U.S. Catholic Conference for input on the international aspects of the pastoral, particularly the section on the United States and the world economy. Copies of the representatives' prepared testimony later were released by the USCC office.

Pro-choice ad backers say 1,000 Catholics have signed agreement

WASHINGTON (NC) — Organizers say they have gathered about 1,000 Catholic signatures so far in support of signers of a *New York Times* ad last year which said there was more than one "legitimate Catholic position" on the morality of abortion. The ad, published in the *Times* Oct. 7, 1984, became the source of a highly publicized, ongoing conflict in the U.S. church after a Vatican agency ordered men and women Religious who signed it to recant. The Committee of Concerned Catholics, formed last January by signers of the 1984 statement, is organizing the new signature campaign, which began in mid-summer.

NCC study sparks call for media to end violence and sex

NEW YORK (NC) — The Communications Commission of the National Council of Churches has called for far-reaching actions by churches, public groups, government and the media industry to reduce the amount of "exploitative sex and gratuitous violence" in film, television, cable and home video. "Media violence and sexual violence in particular do seriously threaten the quality of American life," said a report submitted by a study committee of the Communication Commission and endorsed at a commission meeting in New York.

Tennessee clergy protest law that endangers 'confessional seal'

(Undated) (NC) — Tennessee's Catholic bishops and other clergy have criticized a new state law that could send clergy to jail for not reporting known or suspected cases of child abuse. According to an Oregon lawyer who recently studied the issue, Tennessee's law is similar to tough statutes passed by many states in recent years which endanger the traditional principle of clergy-penitent confidentiality. Because of the sacred nature of the confessional seal, the Tennessee law cannot change the "absolute impossibility" of any Catholic priest reporting a case learned in confession, said Bishop James Niedergeses of Nashville.

We'll write own pastoral on women, says Long Island group

ROCKVILLE CENTRE, N.Y. (RNS) — A group of Roman Catholic women has decided to write its own pastoral letter on women's issues and send it to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rockville Centre in response to the American bishops' planned pastoral on the same subject. "I'm not saying that the bishops' pastoral letter won't be appreciated, but women have their own voices and own things to say about issues concerning them," said Sister Eileen McMahon, director of the Long Island Women's Ordination Conference. The bishops' pastoral letter on women in the church and society is scheduled to be issued in 1988.

Case is closed without proof that Chicago statue 'weeps'

MUNDELEIN, Ill. (NC) — The case of the weeping statue on the South Side of Chicago is closed and the findings are inconclusive, said Father James Roache, moderator of the archdiocesan curia, in a report to the Priests' Senate. The probe did not rule out a "material explanation," he said. In May 1984, Father Raymond Jasinski, pastor of St. John of God Parish, reported that he and others had seen "tears" flowing from the eyes of a wooden statue of Mary the Mystical Rose at the church.

Church champions poor in Third World, says secular group

WASHINGTON (NC) — The Catholic Church in Latin America has changed its moral strategy in recent times and "placed itself on the side of the poor," said an official of a secular organization which promotes change. "The old strategy was for the church to align itself with the rich" and urge them to help the poor, but the church realized this was a contradiction, said Cruz Maciel, secretary general of the Justice and Peace Service, an organization based in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The service promotes non-violent social change.

USCC ask House to approve price levels for grain farmers

WASHINGTON (NC) — The U.S. Catholic Conference has urged the House of Representatives to improve farm income by approving price levels for wheat and feed grains that more adequately reflect the costs of production. According to the USCC, public policy arm of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, such a measure would improve farm income for a majority of the nation's farms.

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Ecumenism on the move

Historic Pope-Lutheran letters

NEW YORK (NC) — Bishop James Malone, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, called an extraordinary exchange of letters between Pope John Paul II and Lutheran Bishop James Crumley an expression of a "continuous and often repeated commitment" of both sides to Christian unity.

Bishop Malone of Youngstown, Ohio, spoke at a New York press conference discussing the exchange of correspondence. Bishop Crumley, president of the Lutheran Church in America, was also present.

The press conference was held at the LCA headquarters to focus attention on the letters, which had been released a few hours earlier at the Vatican as a follow-up to the meeting of nine LCA regional bishops with the pope.

Bishop Crumley, who had met with the pope in Rome in 1921, 1983 and 1984, discussed the developing Lutheran-Roman Catholic relationship and his hopes for the future in a letter to the pope dated May 22, 1985. The pope replied in a letter dated July 22.

"With thankfulness to God, I recall our several personal contacts in recent years during your visit to the United States and our private conversations in Rome," Bishop Crumley wrote. "We have shared our pastoral concerns for those whom God has entrusted to our care, and our joy at the relationship that grows more open and stronger between our churches."

He said Lutheran-Roman Catholic dialogue had been "productive in surprising ways." Lutherans and Roman Catholics, he said, now "gladly acknowledge one another as fellow

Christians and believers who study together, pray together and work together for social good in our nation."

But Bishop Crumley's letter went on to say that the Lutheran-Roman Catholic relationship "remains fragile" and needs to be deepened.

"In this regard," he said, "your endorsement of our national dialogue and your encouragement of its reception by Roman Catholics in the United States would be a most welcome pastoral word and hold the promise of a bright ecumenical future."

In the reply, John Paul II said the ecumenical progress cited by Bishop Crumley was important for Catholics because the Second Vatican Council had made the restoration of Christian unity a major goal.

"It is a primary concern of mine, especially since being called to the See of Peter, which by its very nature exists to serve the unity of Christ's church," he added.

After reviewing aspects of the dialogue, the pope said, "For these same reasons I am happy that the dialogue continues in the United States between Lutherans and Catholics, a dialogue that began even before the Second Vatican Council ended. It has produced a number of impressive statements..."

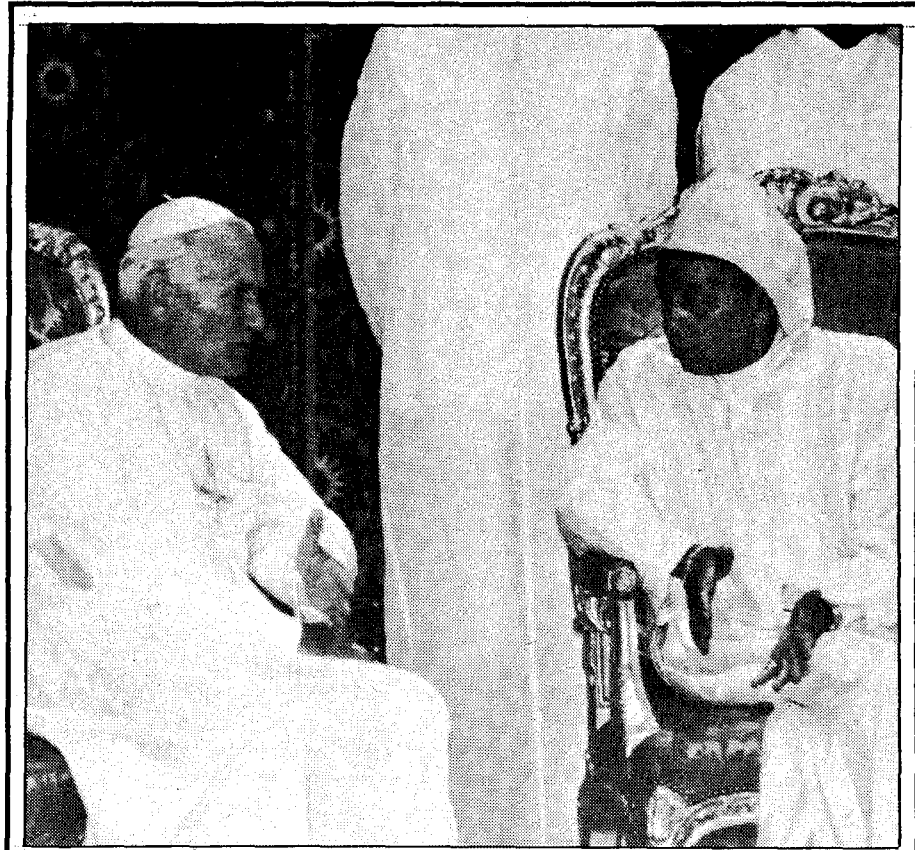
At the New York press conference, Bishop Crumley deplored the absence of official church responses to the theological conversations that have taken place thus far.

The exchange of letters with the pope is an attempt to develop some such response, he said. However, the letters are not presented as official

statements of the respective churches.

"I personally feel it is important for the churches as churches to respond to that dialogue," he said. An LCA statement on ecumenism adopted in 1984 committed the church to "respond officially to every dialogue," he added.

With 2.9 million members, the LCA is the largest of three major Lutheran bodies in the United States. The second-largest is the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (2.6 million), and third is the American Lutheran Church (2.3 million).



'Remarkable man'

Pope John Paul II and King Hassan II discuss relations between Christianity and Islam, including the situation of Jerusalem. The king later called the Pope "one of the most remarkable men I have ever met." (NC photo)

Catholic-evangelicals joint series

Religious News Service

WASHINGTON — Roman Catholic and evangelical Protestant leaders, frequently at odds over efforts to recruit new followers, have joined to publish a series of books that lay out common ground on the issue of evangelization.

The books, which address the theme of what Christians can learn from one another about evangelization, call for greater cooperation between Protestants and Catholics in reaching out to the estimated 100 million Americans who have no formal ties to churches.

Joining in the venture are the Wheaton, Ill.-based Tyndale House Publishers, a major evangelical Protestant distributor of Bibles, and the Paulist National Catholic Evangelization Association, the chief evangelization arm of the Catholic Church in the United States.

So far, the collaboration has produced two books, a newly-released one on evangelization of youth and another published recently on adults. Separate books on evangelizing blacks and Hispanics are also planned for publication this winter.

"We're trying to further evangelization and further the cause of ecumenism," said the Rev. Alvin Illig, director of the Catholic association.

Efforts by churches to recruit new members have in the past been seen as antagonistic toward better relations between the faiths, Father Illig said. But he added that the new books represent the view that evangelization and ecumenism go hand in hand.

"Evangelization is basically the effort to reach out to 100 million Americans who have no church family to call their own or have no belief in Jesus Christ,"

he said. "Evangelization invites them to take a look at the Christian values system."

William Noller, assistant editor of Tyndale, said the collaboration was an "effort toward a common objective — to reach people with the message of Jesus Christ, whether they're Catholics or Protestants."

He said that while Protestants and Catholics have cooperated in the past on evangelization efforts, through such channels as the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, this is the first joint publishing venture on evangelization.

According to Father Illig, Protestants and Catholics feel less threatened today by each other's evangelization activities. Evangelization and proselytization have long been a source of conflict between the two faiths.

Catholic leaders have frequently denounced the targeting of Catholics for conversion and what they regard as the coercive and negative approach of Protestant evangelizers, particularly the more conservative and fundamentalist groups which sometimes attack Catholic doctrines in the course of evangelization.

Protestants, on the other hand, have sometimes pointed to the lesser emphasis, within the Catholic Church, on the evangelization as evidence that the church has failed to follow the commands of Jesus, who told his disciples to go forth and teach all the nations.

But recently, Catholics and Protestants have come to the view that future "battles will not be between Protestants and Catholics, but between a body of people committed to Jesus Christ and his values system and a body of people who reject Jesus Christ and his values system, in favor of a system that espouses materialism, hedonism and consumerism," Father Illig said.

Catholic-Anglican agreement nears

Religious News Service

GARRISON, N.Y. (RNS) — A team of Anglican and Roman Catholic theologians meeting here for 10 days of dialogue came close to completing a joint statement on justification by faith and salvation in the church, said leaders of the 23-member commission.

It was not failure to agree that kept the panel from issuing its report to the two major Christian communions, said Fr. Edward Yarnold of Oxford, England, Catholic member of the commission, at a press briefing here at the conclusion of the sessions. "It's vital that every word should be right and avoid ambiguities. We've been going through draft after draft of the document and decided to hold back till next year" — when the group meets in

Wales — "until every word and comma is right."

The dialogue team met here at Graymoor, the home of the Friars of the Atonement, long associated with

Christian unity efforts. The Graymoor Friars, initiators of the annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, were organized in 1898 as an Anglican religious order devoted to Anglican

union with Rome, and in 1909 joined the Catholic Church.

The Anglican-Catholic discussion is one of dozens of bilateral dialogues going on nationally or internationally and aimed at moving Christians toward eventual unity.

Bishop Mark Santer of Kensington, England, the Anglican co-chairman, said panel members have concluded that the historical differences on salvation were not, in themselves, serious enough to justify the split and there are no grounds for a continued breach of communion.

"But it's not enough for a bunch of theologians to agree," he added. The churches must accept the work of any such bilateral commission.

Catholic-Lutheran plan

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theology professor at Yale University in New Haven, Conn.

The plan says both churches have a common base for understanding ministry in the concept of episcopate, defined as the "ministry of leadership and of pastoral supervision."

But the Catholic Church does not fully recognize ordained ministry in

the Lutheran church because Lutherans lack the sacrament of holy orders, and Lutheran bishops do not directly trace their authority to the apostles, says the common statement.

To overcome this, it offers a plan by which Lutheran and Catholic bishops would jointly ordain new candidates for the ministry over a period of years until a commonly recognized ministry exists.

Catholics, Lutherans can't share Eucharist

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Despite progress in ecumenical dialogue, Catholics and Lutherans cannot share the Eucharist because they lack a common profession of faith, Pope John Paul II said.

"There is joy and hope, because the Lutheran-Catholic dialogue over the last 20 years has made us increasingly aware of how close we are to each other in many things that are basic," he told nine U.S. Lutheran bishops visiting the Vatican.

"We experience sorrow, too, because there are important issues which still divide us in the profession of faith, preventing us from celebrating the Eucharist together," the pope added, speaking in English.

The pope spoke the same day Lutheran and Catholic officials in the United States released letters exchanged between the pope and Bishop James R. Crumley Jr., head of the Lutheran Church in America. The letters encouraged continuing ecumenical talks.

In a letter to the pope, Bishop Crumley noted "outstanding issues" between the churches, but said he was "encouraged at the theological convergence that is developing between Lutherans and Roman Catholics."

In his reply to the bishop, Pope John Paul said that restoration of Christian unity "is a primary concern of mine, especially since being called to the See of Peter, which by its very nature exists to serve the unity of Christ's church."

The pope told the visiting Lutheran bishops that he appreciated their "purpose in coming now to Rome, namely, to deepen your knowledge of the Catholic Church and to understand better its commitment to ecumenism."

"Let us resolve to be open to the Lord so that he can use this meeting for his purposes, to bring about the unity that he desires," the pope said.

San Salvador bishop shuns talks with kidnapers

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (NC) — Negotiating with the kidnapers of the daughter of President Jose Napoleon Duarte would be "a death blow to democracy," said Auxiliary Bishop Gregorio Rosa Chavez of San Salvador. In a homily, Bishop Rosa Chavez said he could understand that journalists and others would want to know the demands of the kidnapers. However, he said, the government must not "give in to the temptation of negotiation through blackmail and terror."

Pope will beatify Spanish Jesuit who brought the faith to Guam

VATICAN CITY (NC) — A Spanish Jesuit who took Catholicism to the U.S. territory of Guam is scheduled to be beatified Oct. 6 with two other members of his order. Father Diego Luis de San Vitores (1627-1672), who established the first permanent Catholic mission on the western Pacific island of Guam, is to be beatified by Pope John Paul II at the Vatican, said a U.S. priest, Father Robert Sarno of the Vatican Congregation for Saints' Causes.

Communist official accuses Vatican of political tactics

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (NC) — A top Czechoslovakian Communist Party official has accused the Vatican of encouraging political opposition in the Eastern European country. Vasil Bejda, director of Central Committee's Agitation and Propaganda Department, said in an article that efforts were underway to involve the Czechoslovakian Catholic Church "in actions to weaken and destabilize socialism" in the country. He said that the Vatican was "ever more active on the part of the most reactionary forces in the crusade against progressive forces."



Sweet Misery

A sacada or sugar cane cutter in the Philippines must work hard but can never rise above poverty. A lean crop in the Negros Occidental province indicates there will be more hunger and suffering than usual when the sugar milling season begins in this month. (NC photo from KNA).

Human-rights report claims Christians died in Burundi jails

NAIROBI, Kenya (RNS) — A number of Christians arrested in Burundi in the past few months by the government of President Jean Baptiste Bagaza have died in jail, according to a recent report released by Amnesty International. The report of the London-based human-rights organization said a Catholic priest, the Rev. Cyprian Koppriribu Ndamukeheye, 40, was among the dead.

Catholic bishops from Cuba say Castro will release 75 prisoners

NEW YORK (RNS) — Three Cuban Catholic bishops have told their U.S. counterparts that the Cuban government will soon release 75 political prisoners. On the first pastoral visit to the U.S. by representatives of the Cuban bishops' conference, they said that the decision by President Fidel Castro "had been based in good measure on overtures to President Castro by a delegation of U.S. bishops during a visit to Cuba last January," Msgr. Daniel Hoye, general secretary of the U.S. bishops' conference, said.

Italians witness 'miracle' change in saint's blood — a good omen

NAPLES, Italy (NC) — The dark, crystalized substance believed to be the blood of the martyred St. Januarius liquefied on schedule September in Naples, according to eyewitnesses including Cardinal Corrado Ursi. The phenomenon, studied but unexplained by scientists, took place before 5,000 persons in the Cathedral of St. Claire. The liquefaction was viewed by Neapolitans as a good omen for the city, situated in the shadow of Mount Vesuvius.

Abp. of Canterbury blesses divorcees who remarry

LONDON (RNS) — Within hours of the publication of an article by Archbishop of Canterbury Robert Runcie urging that the Church of England be generous to divorcees who wish to remarry, his son announced he intends to marry a divorcee with a seven-year-old daughter. James Runcie, 26, a radio producer with the British Broadcasting Corporation, is to marry Marilyn Imrie, another producer with the BBC in Scotland.

Jesuits were arrested in Vietnam, says Paris source

PARIS (NC) — Several Jesuit priests and a seminarian were arrested in Vietnam during the summer and a Jesuit house was closed and confiscated by authorities, according to sources who recently returned to Paris from the Southeast Asian country. They could not speculate on the reasons for the arrests and it was not the first time the government has acted against the Jesuits, they said.

Abp. Marcel's followers call for wider use of Tridentine Mass

VATICAN CITY (NC) — The followers of dissident Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre have petitioned for wider use of the Tridentine Mass, but a Vatican official said that it is doubtful their campaign will succeed. The petition was presented to Pope John Paul II earlier this year, asking to ease restrictions on use of the pre-Vatican II Mass, said Msgr. Pie Jarry, who has handled questions at the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith regarding Archbishop Lefebvre's group.

Pope names envoy to Lebanon to begin 'humanitarian mission'

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Pope John Paul II has named a personal envoy to show his solidarity with the refugee population of southern Lebanon, the Vatican said. Father Celestino Buhigas, a Spanish Vincentian missionary who once directed the Daughters of Charity in the Middle East, will travel to the southern Lebanese town of Jezzine, a center for Christian families made homeless by recent fighting, the Vatican statement said. He will remain there "for some time" to carry out a "humanitarian mission" for the people of the region, it said.

Pope vows Church will safeguard human rights

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Pope John Paul II recalled the "monstrous capacity for destruction" of state-sanctioned racism during World War II and warned that the "ravages" of totalitarianism against human rights continue today. He pledged the church's cooperation with all people, regardless of faith, in the safeguarding of human rights around the world. The pope spoke to about 500 French and Belgian participants in the "Cruise of Friendship for Deportees and Resisters," a human rights group visiting World War II sites.

Priest arrested for protesting treatment of Soviet Jews

WASHINGTON (NC) — A Catholic priest was one of four people arrested on Yom Kippur, for demonstrating near the Soviet Embassy to protest treatment of Jews in the Soviet Union. Father Eugene F. Brake, an Oblate of St. Francis de Sales, was one of a group of Christians who traditionally stand in for Jewish protesters on Jewish holy days. He and three others, a Lutheran minister and two lay people, were arrested because they held signs displaying anti-Soviet slogans, according to a police spokesman.

Chinese Jesuit priest dies after 30 years in prison

SIGNAL MOUNTAIN, Tenn. (NC) — Chinese Jesuit Father Stanislas Chen, 85, has died after spending nearly 30 years in a Shanghai prison, said the head of an organization seeking release of imprisoned Chinese Catholic clergy. John Davies, president of Free the Fathers, based in Signal Mountain, said he learned of the priest's death in a letter from Mother Teresa of Jesus, a Carmelite nun from the Portuguese colony of Macao, near Hong Kong. "I've just heard this morning, Aug. 29, that one of your Shanghai Jesuits has died in prison," the Carmelite nun wrote, according to Davies.

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Church helps Mexicans start over

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By NC News Service

Catholic officials emphasized long-term relief for thousands left homeless and jobless as Mexico began recovering from earth-quakes which killed more than 4,000 people.

Mexican church officials spoke of the need for rehabilitation and reconstruction. Bishop Rene H. Gracida of

Emotional scars too

At the Catholic University of America Fred Ahearn, dean of the National Catholic School of Social Services, said that the earthquakes would have long-term emotional effects on the Mexican people.

Ahearn, who has studied the human aftermath of earthquakes since the 1970s, said Sept. 24 that anxiety, fear, depression and guilt would take their toll.

Ahearn said international relief workers would bring a temporary feeling that everything will return to normal.

"But the honeymoon ends when they realize that nothing will be the same. Then depression and anger set in," he said.

Relief workers also will face guilt when, after a time, they think they might have done more, Ahearn said.

According to government figures, the two quakes left 30,000 injured and thousands missing. Unofficial sources, including the U.S. Ambassador to Mexico, John Gavin, have said the death toll could go higher than 10,000.

The first quake has been upgraded to 8.1 on the Richter scale, one of the worst ever recorded.

Corpus Christi, Texas, chairman of Catholic Relief Services' Committee for Latin America, noted that the "immediate needs" of the people have been "well taken care of."

At a press conference Sept. 26, the directors of the Mexican Catholic bishops' Episcopal Commission on Pastoral Work and Auxiliary Bishop Genaro Alamilla Arteaga of Mexico City outlined the church's program, which is to be carried out with the help of a specially established Catholic Assistance Fund.

Father Enrique Gonzalez, executive secretary of the bishops' commission, said the first step was emergency aid.

Eight relief centers set up by the church after the first quake were part of that aid, he said.

The second stage, said Father Gonzalez, was in the area of "spiritual reflection," continuing to provide religious services and counseling to the people.

The third stage will be in "designing an overall strategy for rehabilitation and reconstruction in collaboration with other groups."

According to the president of the commission's board of directors, Eduardo Breton Aspe, the Catholic Assistance Fund already had received pledges totaling \$850,000 by late September.

Among contributions already received, said Breton, were: \$200,000 from the U.S. bishops, presented Sept. 25 by Cardinal Bernard Law of Boston; \$100,000 donated by Pope John Paul II; and \$400,000 from the Pontifical Council "Cor Unum," which promotes Christian and human progress.

"We already have designs for community health centers," said Father



Priest makes sign of cross over iced bodies in Mexico City. (NC/World Wide photo)

Gonzalez. "In addition to giving medical attention, they will also help in finding solutions to housing and work problems."

Bishop Gracida said relief efforts should focus on the "thousands upon

thousands" of Mexicans who have been left homeless.

"Our proposal to the board of directors of CRS will be plans for the construction of temporary housing," Bishop Gracida said.

Help poor materially, pope tells bishops

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Pope John Paul II has told a group of Brazilian bishops that their evangelization programs should include projects to help meet the material needs of their people.

The church needs dedicated pastors who "insert themselves in the life and problems of their people," the pope said Sept. 30 to bishops from Brazil's poverty-stricken northeast region.

He told the bishops to continue developing literacy programs as a key means of helping people living on the margins of society.

"With illiterates you cannot develop a true reform of structures, nor create a new social order, nor achieve a genuine liberation," said the pope.

"Providing literacy and basic education programs is a fundamental service which can be offered to a multitude of marginal people," the pope said.

Through learning to read and write a person "begins to realize his proper liberation, not that which others try to impose, but that which is convenient to him," he added.

Other problems needing solutions include malnutrition, disease and infant mortality, the pope said.

But in seeking solutions the bishops must avoid offering "partisan political alternatives," the pope said.

The pontiff also asked the bishops to clearly state church teachings in an effort to overcome a "certain climate of uncertainty and ambiguity in the announcement of the faith."

The pope said there exists a "danger of seeing images of the church developed which in theory and practice do not conform to that" which Christ wished to establish.

Earlier this year the Vatican Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith strongly criticized a book, "Church: Charism and Power," by Brazilian theologian, Franciscan Father Leonardo Boff, as dangerous to the faith.

The book said that the current hierarchical structure of the church was not part of the thought of the historical Christ. Father Boff's views are popular within the Brazilian church.

Church now helps needy, worker says

WASHINGTON (NC) — The Catholic Church in Latin America has changed its moral strategy in recent times and "placed itself on the side of the poor," said an official of a secular organization which promotes change.

"The old strategy was for the church to align itself with the rich" and urge them to help the poor, but the church realized this was a contradiction, said Cruz Maciel, secretary general of the Justice and Peace Service, an organization based in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The service promotes non-violent social change.

"Since the advent of military dictatorships in the region," the church at the local level has provided a setting for people to organize to promote justice, said Maciel.

In a late September talk at the Institute for Policy Studies in Washington, Maciel, whose Spanish-language remarks were translated for her audience, also criticized the church hierarchy for sometimes propping up unjust societies. She did not cite any examples.

Other social "pillars" which can provide support for injustice are the law, the mass media and "the people themselves," Maciel said.

In Brazil and other Latin American countries, bishops' conferences and individual bishops are pressuring their governments for economic and political justice for the poor.

Maciel said she is working for a socialist society, but one with "a strong basis in faith."

She said that non-violent social change is possible "when moral and spiritual pressure is brought to bear on the oppressor."

"The purpose of the non-violent struggle is not to change one oppressive structure for another, but to build something new together," she said.

The "main strategy" used by the non-violent movement is to work within the "unjust power structure" and "change the structure so there will no longer be any oppression," Maciel said.

"We struggle — not to destroy the enemy, but to convert him," she said.

Aid to Ethiopia is working, Bishop says

NEW YORK (NC) — Famine relief efforts in Ethiopia are now working "very effectively" and refugee camp populations have dropped dramatically, according to Bishop Daniel P. Reilly, chairman of the board of Catholic Relief Services.

Bishop Reilly, of Norwich, Conn., returned from a 10-day inspection trip

to areas hit by drought and famine in Ethiopia.

"I return with a great deal of respect for everyone involved in this effort. There's nothing like seeing things on the spot to get an appreciation of the magnitude and the complexity of the problems as well as the effectiveness with which they are being handled,"

Bishop Reilly said.

Bishop Reilly reported 80,000 metric tons of food are now flowing into Ethiopia monthly from all donors. CRS provides 18,000 tons of that total each month. Other food donors include individual nations, international organization and private voluntary organizations.

"CRS has a far-reaching role in this overall operation since it is the major agency through which U.S. food comes into the country," the bishop said.

The bishop also reported "refugee camp populations are down dramatically. People are going back to the land to start farming again."

Priest: Vatican synod should clarify collegiality

NEW YORK (NC) — Father Richard McBrien, chairman of University of Notre Dame theology department, said that clarifying the concept of collegiality is necessary if constructive results are to come from the upcoming synod.

Pope John Paul II has called an extraordinary synod for Nov. 25-Dec. 8 to mark the 20th anniversary of the conclusion to the Second Vatican Council.

"Unless and until there is some greater measure of consensus on the meaning and practical implications of the doctrine of collegiality, the post-synodal period will continue to be marked by fundamental confusion over the proper roles of the pope, the Roman Curia, national episcopal conferences and local Ordinaries," he

said.

Father McBrien discussed the synod at a forum at St. Francis College, a Franciscan-related independent institution in Brooklyn.

Citing surprise events at Vatican II, Father McBrien said no one, not even the pope, could know what will actually happen when the synod convenes. But he said it would not have time to deal substantively with issues in the way hoped or feared by liberals or conservatives.

What the synod should do, Father McBrien said, is first "celebrate," in accordance with John Paul II's statement of its purpose, and then "mandate" that each country or region "initiate a process of study and reflection to determine as precisely as possible what the impact of the council has

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been in their own lands."

He said this study process should lead to the holding of national and regional synods, after which another international synod should be convened.

Among the topics a U.S. synod should consider, Father McBrien said, would be "the role of women in the church; the crisis in the priesthood, or

presbyteral ministry; the impact of fundamentalism in the Catholic Church; conscience formation, especially as it applies to some of the more controversial areas of official teaching on sexuality and social justice..."

"I dare say, however, that none of these processes will get underway unless we deal directly with the meaning of collegiality," he said.

Vatican II teaching on collegiality, Father McBrien said, has yet to be "assimilated" by many officials at the highest level of the Curia. He said the Vatican Congregation for the Sacraments and Divine Worship violated the principle of collegiality when it reintroduced the Tridentine Mass against the advice of 98 percent of the bishops who offered an opinion.

Pro-lifers glad U.S. won't aid China's abortion policy

WASHINGTON (NC) — Pro-lifers praised the Reagan administration's withdrawal of a \$10 million grant to the U.S. Fund for Population Activities because of its involvement in China's family planning program, which they said was abetting forced abortions.

"We're jumping for joy," National Right to Life Committee President Dr. John Willke said, noting that the Agency for International Development has set strict conditions for future funding of the agency after accusing it of involvement in China's one-child-per-couple family planning program.

Douglas Johnson, NRLC legislative director, said the administration's action "sends a strong message to the

Chinese government that forcing millions of women to submit to abortions is repugnant to the American people."

He cited reports from journalists and diplomatic sources that the Chinese government is systematically using forced abortion, even in the last weeks of pregnancy, involuntary sterilization and the killing of female infants to enforce the one-child-per-couple policy begun in 1979.

Chinese government officials have denied that their government has a policy of mandatory abortions as part of their effort to limit births.

UNFPA executive director Rafael M. Salas said the organization "does not support abortion or coercion. Its program in China is in substantial

compliance with U.S. law." He said the withdrawal of the \$10 million grant violates the pledge made by the United States.

The U.N. agency, which funds family planning programs in 140 countries, received \$36 million of the \$46 million pledged to it by the United States. The \$10 million grant will be donated to family planning programs in other developing countries.

Willke called the administration's action "the second of a one-two punch," referring to the elimination of an earlier Senate proposal that would have permitted funding of international family planning organizations which use their own funds for abortion-related activities.

"That pretty well cleans out tax money to aid abortion overseas," Willke said.

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Catholic paper: Don't sign abortion ad

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (NC) — "Don't sign the abortion ad," the *National Catholic Reporter* urged its readers in a long editorial Sept. 27.

The proposed new advertisement attacked by the newspaper expresses support for Catholics who signed a different ad last year objecting to a single Catholic position on abortion.

While the new ad presents itself as proclaiming "solidarity" with "Catholics whose right to free speech is under attack," in fact it "does nothing of the sort," NCR said.

"The advertisement being proposed is a deceitful, dishonest and divisive effort by a small, single-issue group... Thinking and caring Catholics should steer clear," said the newspaper, an independent national Catholic weekly published in Kansas City.

The original ad, published last October in *The New York Times* was sponsored by Catholics for a Free Choice. It argued that there is more than one "legitimate Catholic position" on the morality of direct abortion.

Catholics for a Free Choice was one of several organizations that distributed copies of the new ad, seeking signatures on it and contributions to defray costs of publishing it in *The New York Times* as well. NCR described the sponsor of the new ad, Committee of Concerned Catholics, as "the latest ad hoc group to appear at CFFC hands."

It accused CFFC of "bad faith" and said the organization "has used the women Religious" to further its own ends at their expense. "It saddens us to see them so used," it commented.

Two of the nuns who signed the ad and a spokeswoman for CFFC said NCR had misinterpreted their positions and the facts in the case.

"We have not been used... we are adult women who have made choices," said Sisters Barbara Ferraro and Patricia Hussey in a joint response. The two nuns, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, were contacted by phone in Charlestown, W. Va., where they run Covenant House, a facility for homeless women.



DETROIT VIP — In grandfatherly fashion, Polish Primate, Cardinal Jozef Glemp, greets 4-year-old Magda Nawrocki, who is dressed in Polish costume to honor his visit to her school, St. Florian's in the Detroit suburb of Hamtramck. (NC photo by Bob Buchta).

Ferraro calls Cardinal 'single issue bishop'

NEW YORK (NC) — Geraldine Ferraro has called Cardinal John O'Connor of New York "a single-issue bishop" who used "an increasingly strident voice" to criticize her position on abortion during her 1984 vice-presidential campaign.

The comments by Ms. Ferraro, a

Catholic, appear in her book, "Ferraro: My Story," which was written with Linda Bird Francke. Excerpts of the book about her campaign, which is to be published in November by Bantam Books, appeared in the Oct. 7 issue of Newsweek.

Ms. Ferraro said that Cardinal

O'Connor had "every right and even the responsibility to speak out on the subject of abortion," but she said there were other issues confronting the church like nuclear arms and hunger.

She cited his statement that he could not see how a Catholic in good conscience could vote for a supporter of

legal abortion.

Father Peter G. Finn, director of the Communications Office for the New York Archdiocese, said Oct. 1 that Cardinal O'Connor had no comment on Ms. Ferraro's remarks and added that the cardinal had not yet seen the article.

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N.Y. teachers get delay in remedial law

A federal court in New York has granted the New York City school system a one-year delay in carrying out the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling that public school teachers may not provide remedial services in parochial schools.

The delay was granted on the condition that the chancellor of the New York City Board of Education report every 60 days on the progress being made to conform to the Supreme Court's July 1 decision.

In that decision, the court struck down a New York City program that allowed public school teachers to teach remedial classes in parochial schools. The program used federal Chapter I (formerly Title I) funds, which aids educationally disadvantaged students.

At the same time the court struck down two educational programs in Grand Rapids, Mich., that provided auxiliary services such as remedial math and reading, art, music and physical education.

In an August letter U.S. Secretary of Education William Bennett told public school officials that the public school systems must continue to offer programs to assist disadvantaged children who go to parochial schools. Since then public and private schools systems around the country have struggled to find ways to carry out that mandate without being in violation of the Supreme Court's ruling.

Richard E. Duffy, U.S. Catholic Conference representative for federal assistance, who works with parochial school officials, explained that some

of the schools appear to be dropping out of the Chapter I programs because of the difficulty in receiving the services.

In some cases, he said, the public school systems are providing Chapter I services only to public school children.

In others they are offering the programs to private school students only on public schools premises. "It's disruptive, students lose time in transit and in winter it will be worse," Duffy said.

In Florida the commissioner of education, Ralph D. Turlington, announced in August that Catholic schools involved in the transfer of remedial education programs to neutral sites would be given a year to make the transition.

Catholic school officials in the Chicago Archdiocese, which has the largest parochial school system in the country, have been meeting with public school and state officials each month to find methods of providing remedial services without sending public school teachers into parochial schools.

Mercy Sister Mary Brian Costello, superintendent of schools, said officials plan to visit various locations to choose neutral sites where classes can be held. Also, a computer program has been considered. "The students would get the program" without teachers being brought in or moving the students, she said.



TRIVIA WHIZ — Sister Carol Cimino is mobbed by the media as she returns from an appearance in the TV game show "Jeopardy." She plans to donate her winnings of \$9,989 to Nazareth Academy in Rochester. (NC photo by Jeff Gouldina).

Farmworkers' conditions 'subhuman' says bishop

MONTEREY, Calif. (NC) — Bishop Thaddeus A. Shubsda of Monterey took a two-hour tour of the living conditions of farmworkers at a nearby strawberry ranch and called the conditions there "appalling and subhuman."

"It is my hope that we can have a united effort to alleviate these conditions throughout the state of California," he said.

The bishop visited the camp after diocesan workers told him of the living

conditions of the workers. He wanted to see the situation himself.

Forty members of the local and national press accompanied the bishop to the ranch, north of Salinas, which is part of the Monterey Diocese.

Bishop Shubsda saw workers living in holes burrowed into the ground in a eucalyptus grove near the headquarters of the ranch. Others were living in small wooden shacks, old partitioned Pepsi trucks, in leaky barns, boxes and in latrines turned on their sides.

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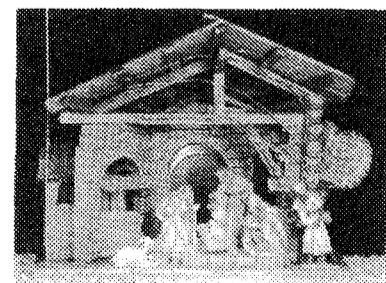
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Why choose a Catholic school?

Chicago parents say education, discipline

CHICAGO (NC) — Catholics with children in Catholic schools in the Chicago Archdiocese say they chose the schools less for their "Catholicity" than for the quality of education and discipline, according to a study released in September.

However, more than 70 percent of all respondents said that having a child in a Catholic school makes the family feel closer to the church and to parish activities.

Sister Mary Brian Costello, a Sister

of Mercy who is superintendent of schools, said she was disappointed that only 20.6 percent of the parents interviewed believed that "Catholicity" was the "most important" factor in choosing a school, but added that parents' other reasons were still "value judgments."

The study was commissioned by the archdiocese to find out how people perceive the Catholic schools and why or why not parents choose them for their children, according to Sister Costello in an interview with the

Chicago Catholic.

The archdiocese, Sister Costello said, wants to develop a marketing plan for the elementary schools and high schools.

Telephone interviews were conducted in the spring with 1,066 parents. Of that number, 798 were Catholics who had children in Catholic schools; 136 were Catholics who had children in public schools; and 132 were non-Catholic parents who had children in Catholic schools.

Seventy-four percent of parents of

children in Catholic schools rated those schools as "excellent" or "very good." They also said they believe their schools are superior when it comes to quality of teachers, academic standards and preparation of students for college.

Catholic parents of children in public schools, however, indicated their schools are better than their Catholic counterparts because of the variety of subjects taught and the "ethnic racial mix of the students."

- Sixty percent of Catholics whose children go to public schools indicated that the cost of Catholic schooling was important in their selection of a public school. Eighty-five percent stated that public schools were as convenient or more convenient than Catholic schools.

- Fifty-six percent of those with children in Catholic schools said that their youngsters were more involved in the Catholic faith since attending their school, while 38 percent saw no change.

Almost all the participants said they think the financial base of the Catholic schools is very vulnerable and that keeps the schools from having special programs for the gifted, physically disabled and learning disabled.

Religious unite against apartheid

WASHINGTON (NC) — The Leadership Conference of Women Religious and the Conference of Major Superiors of Men have issued a joint statement condemning apartheid — strict racial separation — in South Africa.

The statement said the effects of the policy of apartheid upon individuals and families are "disastrous" in the "political, legal, economic and social spheres."

The LCWR and the CMSM pledged to undertake a "massive education program to galvanize the U.S.

Catholic population in its opposition to apartheid."

"The education we're talking about will help people know about basic facts of life in South Africa, including the nature of apartheid and particularly the denial of human rights that takes place because of it," said Franciscan Father Joseph Nangle, co-ordinator of peace and justice issues for CMSM.

The statement was signed by Divine Providence Sister Lora Ann Quinonez, LCWR executive director, and Father Roland Faley, CMSM executive director and former head of

the world's Third Order Regular Franciscans.

The two groups said they wanted to show solidarity with the U.S. bishops. The Administrative Board of the U.S. Catholic Conference issued a statement against apartheid. The U.S. bishops' board also urged approval of the Anti-Apartheid Act of 1985 pending before Congress.

Recently, the LCWR and the CMSM wrote a joint letter to Herbert Beukes, South African ambassador to the United States, protesting South Africa's system of apartheid and the declaration of a state of emergency.

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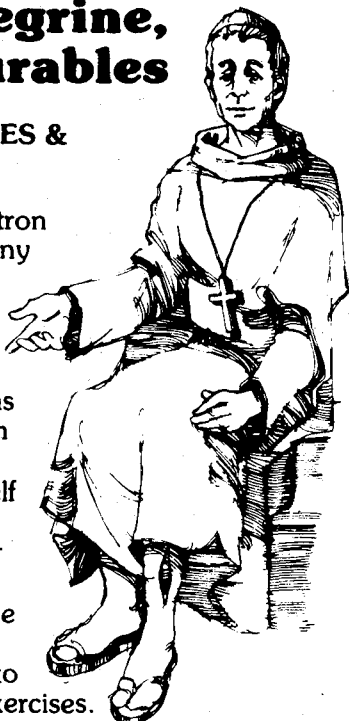
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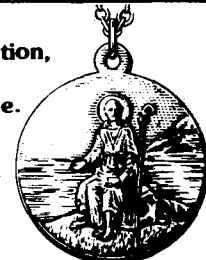
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The Archdiocese of Miami hosted the Florida Catholic Administrators' Conference Oct. 2-4. The annual gathering gave Catholic school principals and administrators from all over the state an opportunity to share dreams as well as discuss their mutual interests and concerns.

The theme of this year's conference was, "Love Makes the Difference." The four main speakers, Sr. Lourdes Sheehan, RSM, Fr. Paul Carrier, SJ, Sr. Clare Fitzgerald, SSND, and Dr. Zacharie Clements concentrated on the areas of Leadership, Opportunity,

Vision and Excellence in Catholic Education today. A series of workshops presented by mostly local talent explored areas of specific interest.

Special entertainment for the conference Thursday evening included a performance of "The Witness" by the Joyful Noise Ensemble from Coral Springs.

The Conference closed on Friday at noon, following a concelebrated liturgy offered by Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy, Archbishop of Miami, who was joined by a number of bishops and priests from around the state.

Missioners are universal sign of love

Dear Friends in Christ:

I write to encourage the fullest participation of all of our parishioners in the Archdiocese in the celebration of World Mission Sunday on October 20th.

Our concern for the universal Church is by no means limited to this one day of the year. Yet the day is set apart so that all parishioners of our Archdiocese might be one in prayer and sacrifice for the missionary work of the Church which be-

longs to each one of us as individuals, as family, and as parish.

I ask your generous support on Mission Sunday, October 20, as a sign of your generous spirit of mission that goes hand in hand with being a Christian.

Joined with you in prayer for the missionary work of the Church.

Devotedly yours in Christ,

**Edward A. McCarthy
Archbishop of Miami**

— Official —

Archdiocese of Miami

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

The Reverend Kenneth Whittaker - to Chaplain, Troop K. Florida Highway Patrol, effective September 18, 1985.


The Reverend Paul Edwards - to Associate Pastor, Sacred Heart Church, Homestead, effective Oc-

tober 2, 1985.

The Reverend Luis Rivera - to Associate Pastor, St. Benedict Church, Hialeah, effective October 2, 1985.

The Reverend Victor Babin, S.S.C. - to Associate Pastor, St. Michael the Archangel Church, Miami, effective October 2, 1985.

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2,200 Cheer hero Jesus

At annual Charismatic convention in Broward

By Prent Browning
Voice Staff Writer

They filed in slowly to the Broward Community College auditorium in Pompano Beach this weekend, lingering for awhile outside to buy spiritual tapes and books.

But before long they were literally dancing in the aisles, almost 500 strong, linked together arm to shoulder in a long line encircling the crowd, an exuberant mass of singing Christians.

At the annual Charismatic conference this year, over 2,000 Charismatics attended to listen to speakers, sing songs, receive the Holy Spirit, and renew their faith.

With many young people sitting in the bleachers at the back, the three-day gathering last weekend, sometimes resembled a gigantic spiritual pep rally.

"And why not cheer Him," said Jackie Tucci, coordinator of Charismatic Services and organizer of the annual event. "Jesus is our greatest hero."

Indeed, a persistent theme at the conference was the need for new committed Christians, Christians not too proud to call Jesus by his first name, to share their faith and its transforming power.

"We (Christians) have lost the visible lifestyle evident in the early Christian communities," said Dr. Mercedes Scopetta, a clinical psychologist who founded the Office of Lay Ministry for the Miami Archdiocese.

Addressing the Charismatics Saturday, Scopetta said that Christians have "overadapted" themselves to the society at large.

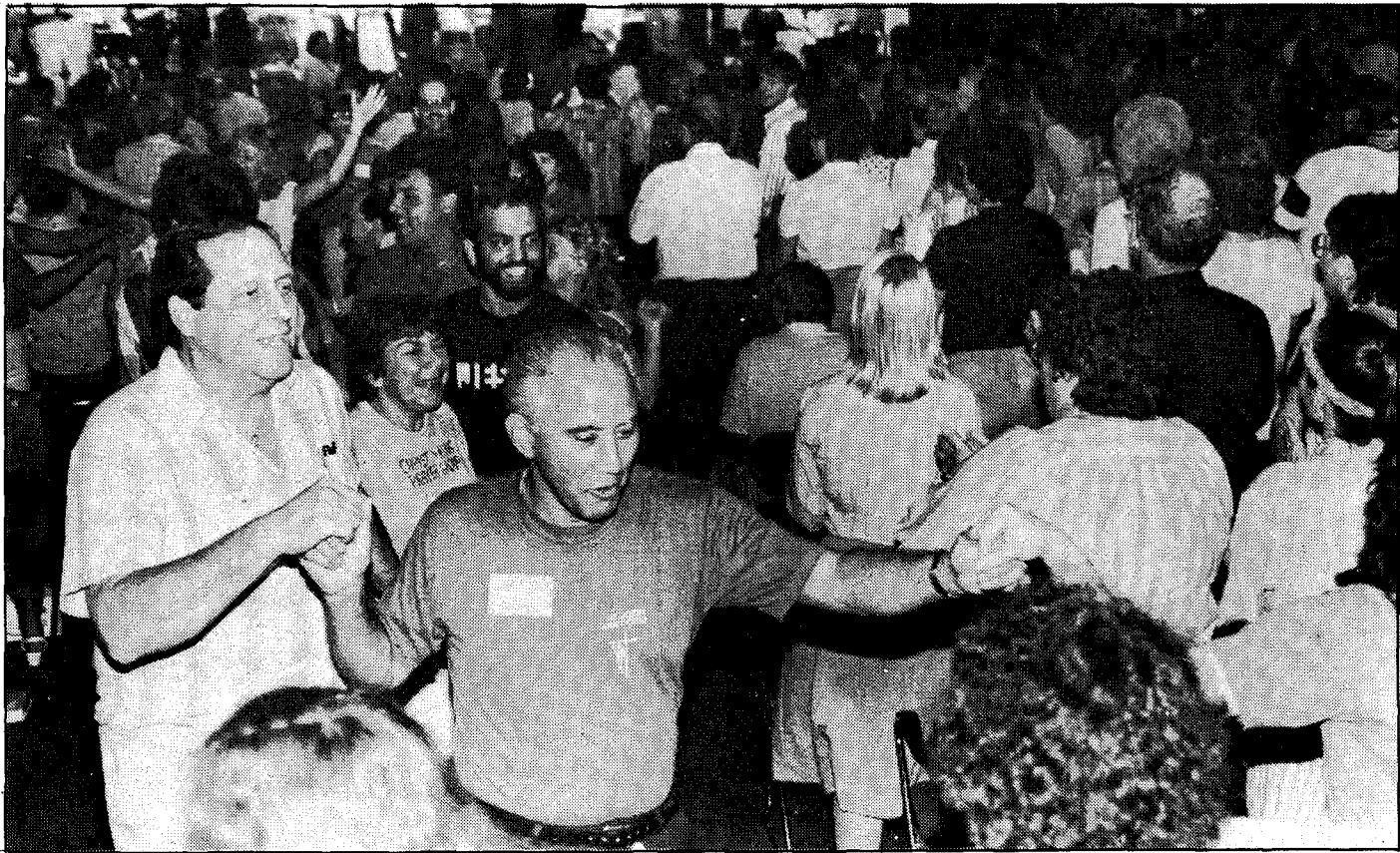
For most of us it is not our belief in Christianity that determines our lifestyle, she said, but rather our social class, race, ethnic identity or sex.

Religion suffers a "credibility gap" in our society, she said.

"There is little difference between the atheist down the block, the Jewish person living on the left, or the Moslem living on the right... true believers are a small minority."

What is needed, she said, is a con-

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Joyous dancing in the aisles marked the annual Catholic Charismatic Conference in Broward, whose theme this year was service. (Voice photo/Prent Browning)

TV Nun criticizes TV

By Prent Browning
Voice Staff Writer

America's most famous TV nun had some harsh words for commercial television at the charismatic meeting here.

Mother Mary Angelica, mother of Our Lady of Angels Adoration Monastery in Birmingham, Ala., and founder and director of the Eternal Word Cable TV Network, criticized the violence, sex and the "hypnotic" power of television.

The Eternal Word Television Network transmits Catholic religious programming and family entertainment.

"We are entertained by violence and sex. We are entertained by murder," she told the hundreds of Charismatics.

"We are entertained by the exposition of sin. I may be hard on you but we must know the truth!"

"You know what it's done to our children? Ten years of our children's lives have been snatched away from them. They're 6 and then they're 16," she said.

Mother Angelica said that television in combination with newspapers and



TV evangelist Mother Angelica.

magazines has had more of an effect on the decline in morality than people give it credit for. "Where do you think we get our ideas from?"

But rather than eliminate TV totally, she sees that there are also some

good programs on TV and what we really need to do is to work together to influence the medium.

"TV has gone beyond the entertainment tool it was, and I absolutely refuse to believe that 55 million Catholics in this country can't change TV."

The feisty abbess also reserved some particular comments for rock star Madonna.

"You know what angers me? I said it on the air and I'll say it again and all my staff and all my lawyers had apoplexy. What angers me is that a woman who professes to be a Catholic dangles a rosary around her neck and a crucifix on her belly button and we don't do a thing about it!"

Mother Angelica shared her own experience of receiving the gift of talking in tongues. Interspersed with humorous anecdotes, she told of her fears that people would think she was crazy, and her story evoked sympathetic applause from the audience.

Her faith became so strong that she was able to move into an area that she

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How Charismatic movement started here

By Prent Browning
Voice Staff Writer

Since over 1,000 Charismatics had to be turned away from last weekend's conference due to lack of space, some speakers had reason to muse about the small beginnings of the Catholic Charismatic movement in South Florida back in 1968.

The seed of the movement was an experience that active lay Catholic Jackie Tucci had while attending a Protestant teaching mission.

Tucci became aware through the meeting and a Protestant friend of the healing power of Christ, underwent a baptism of the Holy Spirit, and found a renewed spiritual commitment.

She shared her experiences with some brothers at nearby Chaminade High School and Fr. Dan Doyle, a priest at Nativity parish.

Interest in starting a prayer group

which took into account the Pentecostal sections of the Bible grew after Fr. Doyle returned from courses at Notre Dame University which was then witnessing its own Charismatic revival.

In 1968 Tucci and Fr. Doyle, now Archbishop's liaison to the Charismatic Renewal, founded the Chaminade Prayer group which became the first Charismatic prayer group in South Florida.

Commonly referred to then as the Catholic Pentecostals, Charismatics believe in the action of the Holy Spirit in the church and refer to the Pentecost passages of the New Testament in which the apostles were visited by the Holy Spirit and began to speak in tongues.

Charismatics pray like early Christians with their palms outstretched in hopes of receiving the blessing of the

Holy Spirit and preserve the practice of speaking in unknown or foreign tongues.

The Charismatics at first were viewed with reserve and skepticism by laity and clergy, says Tucci, but the number of people involved soon grew to the point where the Chaminade cafeteria could no longer contain them.

Other Charismatic prayer groups were born and in 1973 they were officially welcomed into the church.

Then Auxiliary bishop Rene Gracida contacted them and told them, Tucci recalls, that the church had decided in 1968 to wait five years on the theory that "what is of God will stand and what is not of God will fall" before they received any endorsement.

Other forces were also acting in their favor such as Vatican II and the support of Pope Paul VI who welcomed a group of Charismatics in

Rome, including Tucci, with "open arms."

By the late 70's Jackie and her husband Tony were organizing statewide Charismatic conferences.

In 1980 the Archdiocese of Miami opened its Charismatic office and held its first archdiocesan conference.

The conferences are a wonderful time, says Tucci, to "renew energies and to recommit ourselves."

"For many it has been a door back into the church. They can come and see what's happening."

Today there are 68 Charismatic prayer groups in the Miami Archdiocese with an average of 50 to 75 members per group although some have as many as 200.

"For many years," Tucci says, "religion has been a head but not a heart, but yet we do need to feel the presence of Christ."

A helping 'ham'

By Ana Rodriguez-Soto
Voice News Editor

Deacon/short-wave operator helps families get news of relatives after Mexico quakes

When two devastating earthquakes shook Mexico City recently, Ray Ortega's services as a permanent deacon were not needed. But his expertise as a ham radio operator proved invaluable.

Throughout the three days immediately following the quakes, the Hialeah resident spent close to 30 hours transmitting from the shortwave set in his home and relaying information about relatives' well-being to worried families in Miami and Latin America.

Of the more than 100 people he alone inquired about those first few days, only three had been killed. That didn't make the bad news any easier to break, Ortega says with a grimace. But "it's my duty."

A permanent deacon at St. Benedict Church in Hialeah, Ortega joined four other members of a Miami-based Hispanic ham radio association (Sociedad Internacional de Radio Aficionados — SIRA) in reading lists of names and phone numbers, in lots of 10, to Mexi-

can "hams" who phoned the people locally — internal telephone lines were not affected by the quakes — and transmitted their condition back to Miami.

Taking turns to work round-the-clock, Ortega and his colleagues together checked on the status of more than 5,000 people in a little over 72 hours. Most of the names had been phoned in to local Hispanic radio and television stations.

The system they operated was in sharp contrast to the anguished pleas that crackled over the radio on the first day of the quake, when ham radio operators from all over the world struggled for the attention of their frazzled Mexican counterparts.

"It seemed like the Last Judgment, there was so much anxiety," said Ray's wife, Rosemary, who works in the Lay Ministry Office of the Archdiocese and herself is a licensed radio operator, albeit only within the local area.

She remembers thinking, "This is only one earthquake. What would the end of the world sound like?"

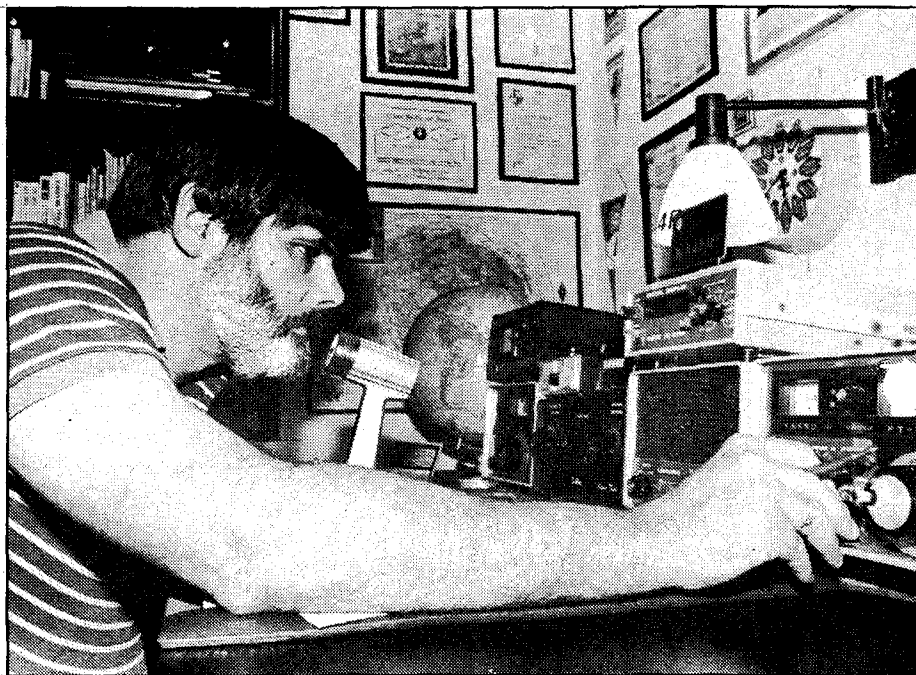
Order was finally restored when the Mexican radio operators agreed to give U.S. "hams" — organized into "nets" from each city — priority, because of the vast numbers of Mexicans who reside in this country.

Anxious relatives in Miami were phoned with the good or bad news within minutes of its arrival, but many had to wait for days before their loved ones' names moved to the top of the list.

Tere Saenz, administrative assistant to the Synod for the Archdiocese, was one of those desperate for news from Mexico, since some nieces, nephews and in-laws live in the quake-stricken capital.

Almost two nerve-racking days after giving their names to Ortega, she heard that "they were scared but all right."

"I tell you, I don't know what peo-



Permanent deacon Ray Ortega tries to make contact with Mexico on his home short-wave set: News of relatives was still coming in a week after the quakes (Voice photo/Ana Rodriguez-Soto)

ple would have done without the ham radio operators," he said. "Ray did a tremendous job."

As far as he knows, Ortega is the only member of the clergy in the Archdiocese of Miami who is a "ham." He took up the hobby ten years ago because "I love to meet people," and has progressed rapidly to an advanced license which permits him to transmit throughout the world.

He normally spends only two or three hours a week on the shortwave, because his fulltime job, family commitments and parish ministry permit no more.

Mexico's is not the first disaster he has helped in. On a smaller scale, he participated in similar relief efforts during the Guatemala earthquake of 1979.

He also helps out in small ways whenever he can, mainly by filling re-

quests for small quantities of medicine from "hams" in Latin America.

The beauty of the system is that help is literally only a voice away. There are no busy signals, no long distance charges — other than the initial investment for the equipment, almost \$4,000 in Ortega's case — and no need to know anyone in the country being called.

Ortega points out that the majority of missionaries in Latin America — especially those in remote areas — use shortwave radios to keep in touch with the rest of the world and send messages to their families back home.

But perhaps his recent efforts to alleviate the anxiety of people with relatives in Mexico brought home an aspect of his hobby that Ortega only half-realized before.

"I can see this as a part of my ministry, yes," the deacon said quietly.

How can you help?

A special collection will be taken up in the 105 churches of the Archdiocese of Miami on Sunday, Oct. 6 to aid needy victims of the earthquakes in Mexico.

Catholic Relief Services, to which Florida Catholics contribute annually, released \$50,000 for immediate aid at the time the earthquakes occurred. Additional funds will be forwarded by the Archdiocese from the upcoming collections.

Individual donations can be sent to: Catholic Relief Services, Mexican Earthquake Fund, 9401 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami Shores, FL 33138.

Charismatics

Cheering Jesus

version. People must turn away from sin, turn towards the loving spirit of Christ, and finally turn back to the world to spread His message.

"The Christian community doesn't exist for itself, it exists for a mission and the mission is evangelization of the world."

Scopetta also emphasized that the family "is the foremost school of discipleship" for the basic Church.

"It is the family where the seeds are planted and nurtured," she said.

Fr. James Fetscher, pastor of St. Louis Church in Kendall, went a step further in describing how the power of the Holy Spirit has often failed to transform peoples' lives.

"What has happened to that power is that it got buried in childishness," he said, making reference to Paul's admonishment, "put aside childish ways."

"It is only as adults that we are capable of hearing the message in order to be truthful to the mission that we've been given and that is to proclaim the Good News."

It is only in maturing, he said, that we take on the responsibility of evangelism. But sometimes Catholics, he added, have an "inferiority complex" about quoting the Gospel.

"So often the problem is that the

Protestants mess it up by not seeing the essential nature of community. We mess it up by becoming so preoccupied with community that we don't get to the point where we can call Jesus by his first name," he said.



Charismatics pray and praise the Lord at local conference. Voice photo/Prent Brown-ing)

Mother Angelica

knew nothing about, broadcasting, and create an entire Cable TV network from scratch.

"Every month we begin with

\$2,000. Our overhead is \$200,000-\$300,000 a month. Only God knows where the money will come from and sometimes He keeps it a secret."

She received constant discouragement, she said, and one bishop came to her wanting to know what her budget was.

"I don't believe in budgets," she responded.

People explained to her that she needed a budget to keep account of how much she had to spend on programming so she would know how much money she had to raise.

"You're saying," she recalls telling them, "that if I'm going to spend \$100,000 on programming then I need to go out and get \$100,000. But what if God happened to want to give me \$400,000, then I just lost \$300,000."

The cable network director encourages others to evangelize, sharing their faith with others.

"When was the last time that you said to someone, 'do you love Jesus?' So they look at you like you're a fanatic."

"This world today where there is so much evil, you are the light on top of the mountain."

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Synod called milestone for laity, Archdiocese

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single parent family, she said.

"They need a great deal of support," she said. "There's a need for counseling services and facilities that can be available within the Church."

Clergy only in '57

These issues and lay involvement in general are a new feature of Archdiocesan synods. More typical was the all but forgotten synod in St. Augustine in 1957, the last synod to be held in Florida.

Only clergy met for two days to give their approval to various rules and decrees that were drawn up.

Written in imposing Latin the regulations often began with the phrase "it is forbidden." Prohibitions ranged from priests riding in the same car with women, unless she was a relative of "advanced age," to priests accepting office in secular organizations or approving or disapproving political candidates.

When it came time to vote, placards were held up saying "Placeat," or "It pleases." Veterans of the synod aren't entirely sure any corresponding placard was held up for the "no" vote. Certainly all decisions were unanimous.

"It wasn't exactly democracy in action," recalled former participant Msgr. Bryan O. Walsh, with a trace of a smile. Msgr. Walsh is director of Catholic Community Services and, as a member of the Presbyteral Council (group which represents the priests of the Archdiocese), will be included in the Synod body of 100 (expected to be half clergy, half laity).

Msgr. Walsh feels the discussions that will be part of the current synod will provide "more opportunity to move towards responsible adult Christianity."

Indeed, the Miami Archdiocesan synod with its open-ended format, length, and ample opportunity for grassroots involvement stands in stark contrast to all earlier synods.

"We need this kind of

participation," said Msgr. Walsh.

Laity also speak of how the synod will help to make up for the lack of participation that some of them in the past felt in Church affairs.

In earlier years, said Mabel Betancourt, a synod facilitator for St. Agnes Church in Key Biscayne, "we were treated like second class citizens."

"In other pre-Vatican II times you were just like children, and they would tell you what to think but you would have no participation. But now I feel like we are mature people and we can all work together."

'I hope we can get the laity's interest. Sometimes I feel like getting their interest is akin to dropping a rose down the Grand Canyon ... and waiting for an echo.'

—Fr. George Phillips, Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Because there has been no local synod since Vatican II and since the passing of new canon laws, some pastors feel that there is now an opportunity to straighten out any misunderstandings that may exist and to implement what is already on the books.

Fr. Gerald Morris, pastor of Our Lady Queen of Heaven in North Lauderdale, speaks of parishes that make up their own Eucharistic prayers or Creed or use pita bread for the Host.

Communication about these and other matters is important, he said, because "it is the little things that sometimes cause people to get off key."

Problem areas

The pastor of Our Lady of

Perpetual Help in Opa Locka, Fr. George Phillips, sees the synod as a review of the experience of Vatican II yet it will also, he said, "show the Church its dirty undersides, the machinery that exists that sometimes gets in the way of our effectiveness as priests."

"It will show the sometimes callous attitude of administrators in the hierarchy — I'm not speaking of this Archdiocese but of administrators in general in the Church structure."

"Because of our structure," he adds, "we have become top heavy. That is people below the hierarchy don't share as they should in the decision making."

The synod will also have the effect of establishing which Church issues the laity and clergy wish to give a high priority.

One issue that seems to be shaping up even at this early stage as a particular concern of the laity to be addressed at the synod is the role of women in the Church.

Because now there are hearings for a U.S. bishops' pastoral letter on women, Rita Clifford, president of the Miami Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women, believes it is an appropriate time to address women's issues.

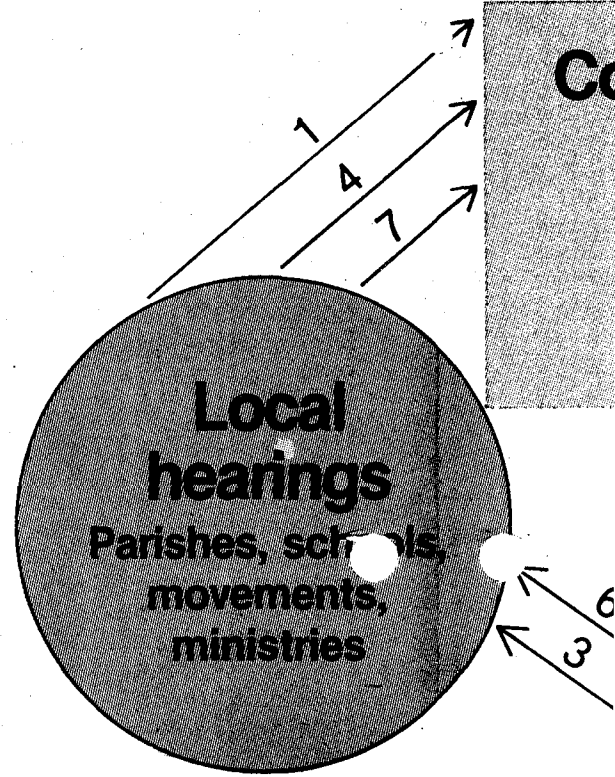
"Everything is coming together at a perfect time. It is long past due," she said.

Some clergy feel that there will be a certain amount of tension and confrontation raised by these and other controversial topics.

"Women feel they are not being listened to and need a whole new set of structures," said Presbyteral Council member Fr. Thomas O'Dwyer.

Controversial areas

"Things that are of concern to the people are questions of birth control, divorce and remarriage, the ordination of women priests, married priests, and all these are questions that are out of the jurisdiction of the synod," said Fr. Gabriel O'Reilly, pastor of St. David Church in Davie.



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5. Second drafts of documents drawn up by commissions — Spring '87

Rough diagram of Synod process

The synod will only have the power, of course, to pass proposals dealing with local structures, rules and regulations. However, if there is a groundswell of popular feeling on any particular issue dealing with universal church law and custom these opinions will be conveyed to Rome and dealt with pastorally here.

Two other important topics that many people feel that the synod needs to address are education and vocations.

Former Serra Club president Michael Fitzgerald said that there is a

need to recognize about the continuing

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Priest recalls '57 Synod

By Betsy Kennedy
Voice Staff Writer

At age 77, Msgr. Peter Reilly of Little Flower Church in Coral Gables has weathered, along with his beloved Church, a lot of changes. A participant of two historical statewide



Msgr. Peter Reilly

'Each synod reflects the personality of the bishop who calls it...'

Florida synods, convoked in 1949 and again in 1957 by Archbishop John F. Hurley, Msgr. Reilly is looking forward to being present at his third synod.

Unlike the earlier meetings he attended, this one in the Archdiocese of Miami will involve not only priests and bishops — but deacons and committed laity. Although it too will be, of necessity, based on certain repetitious procedures and follow the guidelines of canon law, it will be illuminated by the light shed by Vatican II.

Also, "each synod is unique because it reflects the individual dynamics and personality of the bishop who calls it," said Msgr. Reilly.

He is certain that under the auspices of Archbishop McCarthy the new synod will address everything from the building of church leadership to temporalities — the building of churches.

As a witness to the sometimes stormy changes in church tradition,



Group picture of all the participants at the 1957 Synod in St. Augustine which, unlike current

since the 40's, Msgr. Reilly hopes the synod will also address some of the problems that he is concerned about.

"The rosary isn't as popular as it used to be. We used to have more people who were devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus (a 40-hour period set aside for exposition of the Blessed Sacrament). There is a let-down on con-

fessions and the church should review the time allotted and manner in which it conducts confessions..."

He hopes the synod will also deal with vocations, and continue the current emphasis on utilizing the abilities of the laity.

He is also confident that a new spirit of obedience will be fostered in the

three-year lon

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know somebody who's mad at the Church for whatever reason. Another way is through a scientific survey (which will be random and by telephone and conducted during the early part of next year, before the parish hearings start. It will reach a cross-section of Catholics — practicing and non-practicing). The survey will be designed to raise some issues and also try to find out how well people are in fact living according to the teaching of the Church. And we'll get a much better handle of just how many Catholics we do have in South Florida through the survey.

VOICE: Who is going to be on the synod body?

WHELAN: We have developed some criteria and the important thing to get across is that if somebody is a synod member they are not a representative of a particular group, whether that's ethnic, cultural, whatever organization. They're there as a Catholic, a wisdom person, who can look at and have the best interest of the total Church of Miami. That's going to be very important.

VOICE: Who will nominate synod and commission members?

WHELAN: That's an issue we haven't discussed yet. At this point we only know 39 of them because their membership is prescribed in the Code of Canon Law [such as certain diocese officials]. Certainly I think some form of grass-roots participation, possibly even nominations coming from the deanery level would be included.

FR. WHITTAKER: One concern we have is identifying new people who have not as yet participated necessarily in the process of Church.

WHELAN: I think there are a lot of people out there who are active in their faith. Maybe they're not necessarily active in the parish but they're active in their community and would welcome an opportunity to participate in this aspect of their Church. I hope we will be able to find some of those people.

VOICE: Is the Church here going to be willing to do things differently as a result of the synod?

FR. WHITTAKER: This Archbishop could not commit himself to this process and not promise that. Any participant in the synod could not commit themselves to this and not promise that. The nature of the change, how radical, no one can know at this point. But out of it has to come change because there will be growth, development, spiritual renewal.

'What we're looking for is really the issues that are on the minds of people, what they feel is important that the Church should be addressing that maybe it isn't...'

— Marsha Whelan, Synod Secretary

VOICE: Who will be named to the commission and how is that going to happen?

FR. WHITTAKER: "Wisdom people" — the person who will let go of their own sense of representation. A practicing Catholic. People who are deeply committed, open, that have the ability and the time and the strength and the faith to go through a process that will last two or three years.

WHELAN: People who have a sense of the history of the diocese, who have sensitivity to other people and cultures and a sense of their needs.

FR. WHITTAKER: People who are trusted and trustworthy.

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Synod 100

Half clergy, half laity

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Rough diagram of Synod process as organizers envision it now.

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need to recognize and ask questions about the continuing shortage of vocations. "What is the Church going to be like in the next 10 years? Is it really going to be run by lay people?" Fr. O'Reilly, whose parish recently opened a school, said we need to be asking if there is going to be a similar commitment to education. "The Northeastern United States is closing down Catholic schools and we're opening them down here," he said. "Do we the Catholic Church feel

it's vital to have Catholic schools and from the point of view of the people do they feel it's vital and are therefore willing to pay for it?" All these priorities and issues will be weighed and discussed and in addition to specific changes in Church regulations or structure there will be, some feel, new long range trends established for the Church in South Florida. Says Msgr. Walsh: "What I see coming out of this is a pastoral plan of the Church for the next 20 years. If we repeat a survey every five years it will give us an idea of where we are."



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three-year long meetings. "Too many priests are out there doing their own thing. I'm not saying they are wrong. But I just feel there should be more unity of action." The life of a priest has changed a great deal since those early synods, mused Msgr. Reilly. He remembers studying his texts in Latin at seminary

school and having to face the wall — instead of the people — while he celebrated Mass. Vestments are more colorful and imaginative now, although this change can create confusion, he added. The Catholic Church in South Florida has enjoyed explosive growth since he first put on his collar and

pledged to follow his Lord. At one meeting with Archbishop Coleman Fr. Carroll, all of the priests in the Archdiocese were gathered together in one room — and they totaled 87. From a practical standpoint, Msgr. Reilly is grateful that he won't have to travel a long distance to attend the forthcoming synod meetings. In the

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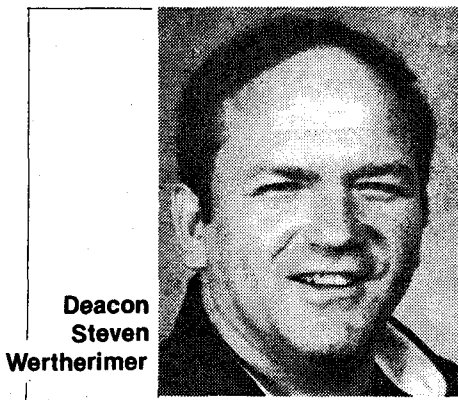
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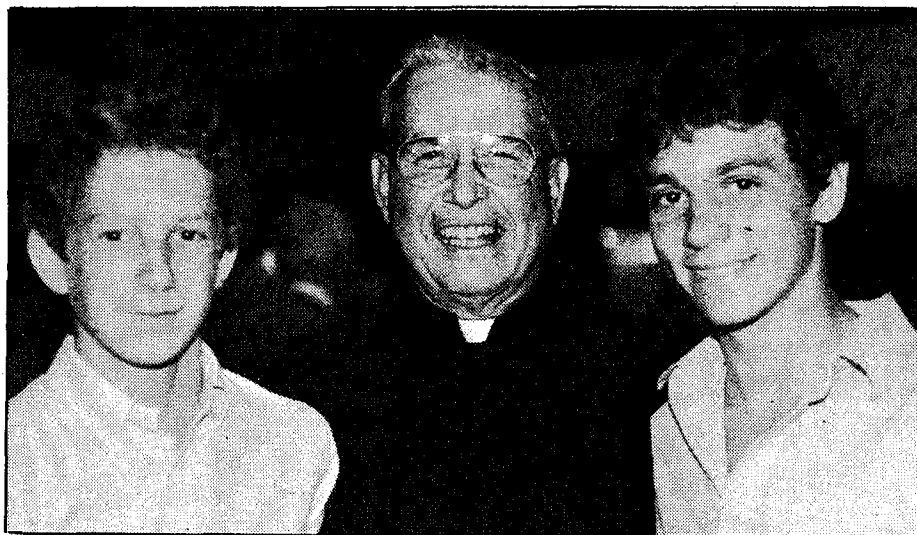
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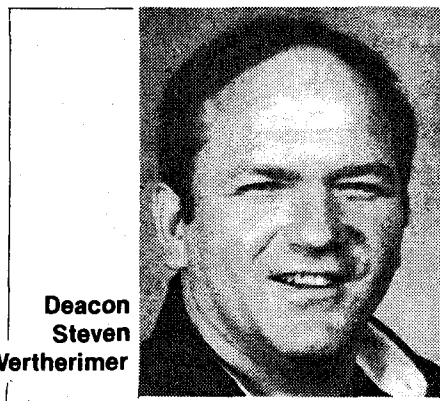
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Vatican synod in November

New day for conservatives — or new day for progressives?

As the extraordinary synod on the 20th anniversary of Vatican II draws near, Catholics the world over are speculating about what will happen.

Conservatives predict that their long postconciliar "nightmare" is over. Church progressives, on the other hand, worry openly about what fresh "repressive" measures are being prepared by the man Eugene Kennedy has called "at once the most modern and the most paternalistic and authoritarian of popes."

Church historian John Jay Hughes contends in the October issue of *St. Anthony Messenger* that such reactions reflect widespread misunderstanding of the Second Vatican Council itself—and of two popes closely associated with it, John XXIII and John Paul II.

At the outset Pope John spoke of his "confident trust" that the Council would make the Church "greater in spiritual riches, gain new strength and energies, and look to the future without fear." He outlined a positive program under three headings: unity of Catholics among themselves, reunion with other Christians, and unity and peace for the whole human family.

His first goal, unity among Catholics, would require spiritual and institutional renewal: *aggiornamento*, as John liked to call it. One of the treasures from the Church's past that he wanted to recover was episcopal collegiality. Thus during the Council an older view of the Church as family of local churches, each shepherded by its own bishop — with the pope at the center — was acknowledged.

Previous popes held that reunion with other Christians could be achieved only by the return of the "erring brethren" to the family house that they should never have left in the first place. John's two decades among Orthodox Christians in the Balkans and Turkey, and his eight years of contacts with Protestants in France, had convinced him of the futility of this approach. Against strong curial opposition, John insisted that observers from other Christian Churches be present at the Council.

Finally, John said it would be the Council's task "to consolidate the path toward the unity of mankind." The two following sentences are



Vatican II as led by two popes is misunderstood, historian says.

especially noteworthy: "More and more people are becoming more deeply convinced of the paramount dignity of the human person and his perfection... More important, experience has taught people that violence inflicted on others, the might of arms and political domination are of no assistance in finding a happy solution to the serious problems that afflict mankind."

This passage has inspired numerous statements of the present pope, John Paul II. Human dignity was a prominent theme in his first encyclical *Redemptor Hominis* (March 1979) and its successor, *Laborem Exercens* (Sept. 1981).

As a young bishop and then Archbishop Karol Wojtyla attended all four sessions of Vatican II. At the second session, he urged that the Council speak first of the Church as the "People of God" before treating the hierarchy, on the grounds that the whole should come before the part. This speech placed Wojtyla squarely with the Council majority who favored a more biblical and less clerical approach to the Church. Wojtyla's rejection of an outright condemnation of atheism during the Council showed a notable affinity to the ideas of John XXIII.

Wojtyla's first public address as John Paul II on October 17, 1978, the day after his election as pope, was a ringing affirmation of the threefold program outlined by John XXIII in opening the Council 16 years before. The new pope recommended "in particular deeper reflection on the implications of collegiality." He pledged to continue the quest for Christian unity, calling division among Christ's followers "a cause of confusion and perhaps even scandal." And he expressed his desire "to make an effective contribution to the perennial causes of peace, development and international justice."

Although the pope has reaffirmed this support of Vatican II countless times since, he is widely perceived as wanting to turn back the clock and permit only minimal implementation of the Council's program. To see Pope John Paul's agenda this way, with either the progressives' dismay or the conservatives' delight, is to fail to perceive the dialectical tension in the Council's documents, which juxtapose contrasting statements but without giving them equal weight.

Pope John Paul's words and actions have been designed to maintain this dialectical tension in the face of those who would resolve it by ignoring the conciliar statements they do not like. His policy has been to "trim the boat," adding weight to one side and now the other, as necessary to maintain the vessel's equilibrium.

If the pope seems more often to support an authoritarian view of the Church than a collegial one, this is because the postconciliar discussion has been largely dominated by a one-sided emphasis on the Council's statements favoring collegiality.

Pope John Paul II has never hesitated, however, to intervene against right-wing Catholics trying to resume battles lost by the Council minority. These corrections have come mostly in the areas of ecumenism, and justice and peace.

A review of John Paul's pontificate to date, in light of the full teaching of Vatican II (as distinct from the distorted claims by partisans of the left and right) offers no hope to conservatives that the forthcoming "extraordinary synod" will restore the Church of Pius XII or that conciliar renewal is finished. Historian Hughes predicts a reaffirmation of the pope's consistent policy: correction of false interpretations of the Council from whatever quarter they come, but no repudiation.

Faith healing more belief, interpretation

By Religious News Service

Faith healing is no longer confined to tent evangelists, broadcast preachers, or pastors of storefront tabernacles. It is increasingly becoming a part of Sunday worship services at Catholic, Episcopal and evangelical congregations.

Despite wider acceptance of the term and the practice, it is clear that there are almost as many interpretations of what faith healing means and how it works as there are those who claim to believe in or dismiss it. Most physicians are hesitant to attribute cures to "miracles," but almost all agree that religious faith can play an important role in the healing process. One physician interviewed even said that faith healing can be at least as effective as medical treatment.

The Rev. James Fetscher of St. Louis Catholic Church in South Dade says his parish is "seriously thinking of a monthly healing Mass, but we're trying to get it out of the context of wizardry."

The priest said that one problem with holding such a service on a regular basis is that "when you start focusing on healing rather than on what the Lord wants, you run the risk of turning it into a side-show."

Father Fetscher said he believes "the normal way for healing to happen is in the context of one's own community of faith, because that's why there are healings, to build up the faith of the community."

Dr. Rufus K. Broadaway, a vascular surgeon in Miami who is a trustee of the American Medical Association, said he thinks a patient "is best served by the scientific approach of medicine, where the treatment and cures are based on proven methods."

Nevertheless, the active Presbyterian layman conceded that "an occasional something happens that neither you nor I or anybody else can explain. We simply have to accept those, perhaps without trying to explain, realizing that maybe we don't know enough to give an answer."

In contrast, Dr. Robert Mendelsohn, a Chicago pediatrician who formerly was chairman of the Illinois Medical Licensing Board, said he supports faith healing because "it keeps people away from medical treatment." He said studies indicate that fewer people die during doctors' strikes at hospitals than during other periods, and that only 10 to 20 percent of medical treatment has ever been proven effective by controlled studies.

Dr. Deborah Glick, a social psychologist at the University of South Carolina School of Public Health, found that two groups of 100 persons in religious healing groups in Baltimore did "significantly better" than people with comparable medical problems who sought medical treatment alone.

Similar results were reported by Dr. Mary Jo Neitz, a sociology professor at the University of Missouri, in a three-year study of a group of Catholic charismatics in a Chicago suburb. Every one of the 450 persons in the group "reported some experience of faith healing," Dr. Neitz said, adding that she found "People who did get better over a longer period of time."

Dr. Norman Shealy, a neurosurgeon who directs the Shealy Pain and Rehabilitation Center in Springfield, Mo., asserted that "all healing is faith. People who don't have faith in something don't get well."

According to Dr. Shealy, the most important fac-

tor in healing is the patient's belief system. This being the case, he said, "patients, given the right circumstances, get well when they go to see various and sundry healers."

The Rev. Frank A. Smith, rector of St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church in Coral Springs, Fla., said he practices the ministry of healing. "For me, the whole matter of healing is an integral part of the church," he said. "We don't necessarily look for the dramatic, and certainly it is not emotionalized when we have prayers for those going to the altar."

As part of the regular eucharistic service in his church, any person who has a need can come to the altar rail and Father Smith and lay ministers will lay hands on the worshiper, anoint him with oil and pray for him.

Father Smith does not use these services as a substitute for modern medicine. "We feel God heals through medicine," he said. "We give thanks to God for that because we feel that however healing comes it comes from God. Our emphasis is on God, not on the individual."

Dr. Frank Stanger, president emeritus of Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Ky., has taught a course in healing for nearly 25 years. He said that Pentecostals, charismatic Catholics and an increasing number of evangelical and mainline Protestants believe that "faith is able to direct the healing of all those functional illnesses which have been caused by wrong mental, emotional or spiritual attitudes — and that includes four out of five illnesses."

He said there is a growing belief among Christians that "all healing is of God, no matter what the means."

The pro-life fight — new tactics needed

There are signs the pro-life movement is changing directions at least tactically, and that is probably for the better.

The Catholic bishops, for instance, recently entered two abortion related cases as a friend of the court and rather than fight the 1973 Roe Vs. Wade ruling legalizing abortion, used it to try to restrict abortion. As a result they took some heat from certain zealous quarters accusing the bishops of accepting the '73 ruling. Not true. The cases in Illinois and Pennsylvania involved restrictions on abortion, requiring that women be given information on fetal development and alternatives to abortion.

The pro-life attorneys recognize that the Supreme Court is still going to operate within Roe vs Wade which allows abortion. Therefore, to support the two state laws that would tend to reduce abortions, it was necessary to argue the merits of the laws within the wording of Roe vs Wade. The attorneys argued, on behalf of the U.S. bishops, that the two state laws did not restrict the woman's right to abortion and should be allowed to stand since it they did not violate the court's 1973 ruling.

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Some people, even including Archbishop Hannan of New Orleans, demanded a "convincing explanation" of the brief which accepts a woman's right to abort.

Nonsense. The brief merely recognized that abortion is presently legal and if you expect to gain any ground in the fight for restrictions you must work within the current legal framework. The USCC brief stated for the record the Church's opposition to Roe vs Wade but argued within its logic knowing the court would think only in those terms.

The Reagan administration in the same case entered a brief asking the court to overturn the 1973 decision. That is fine except there is no reason to expect the current court to abandon that which they have repeatedly upheld. Consequently a bishops' spokesman acknowledged a change in tactics to a "gradual step by step approach."

The pro-life movement has been unable to amend the constitution and unable to gain much legal ground within current court interpretations. When the Supreme Court changes constituency that will be the time to try for the whole ballgame once again. Meanwhile, the best approach in the courts is to try to reach some seasoned restraint on casual, uninformed abortion.

The other key area is public relations and education. Paid pro-life ads on TV and in publications done tastefully and in a spirit of love not only for the unborn but for the opposition are most crucial.

It is necessary to convert people to the beauty and specialness of life in the womb. And it is necessary to stop debating the issue on the pro-abortionists' terms which always center on the horror stories of rape, incest, etc. It is a fact that these horror stories account for less than five percent of abortions. We must force the issue to be debated on the basis of abortion for convenience or economic reasons.

These two steps are necessary to marshal public opinion and roll back



the slaughter a step at a time, because, the truth be told, abortion will probably never be totally eliminated in today's world. It is a question of being realistic and saving those lives that can be saved in a piecemeal struggle.

Letters

Help pro-lifers beat the courts

To the Editor:

As a newcomer to Florida, it was a thrill to open the Sept. 6 issue of *The Voice* and see a picture of two of my dearest friends from "back home." Bill Dowling and Mary Cartwright, holding their godson! James is only one of many babies saved by the Dowling and Cartwright families and the many other families who join them every Saturday morning to picket our local abortion clinic.

Ever since the strongly protested opening of the Woodbridge abortion clinic, we have come together each week as a public protest of the killing of unborn children, to pray, and to offer that last minute alternative. That's not always as easy as it sounds.

It's a terrible thing to witness so many women going through those doors, (about 40 on an average Saturday morning) knowing that when they come out their babies will be dead and their lives will never be the same again.

We see some women go in with their husbands or boyfriends as casually as if they were going to the movies. We see some women pushed, pulled or dragged through those doors, crying softly; on a rare occasion, screaming and kicking every inch of the way. And we cry as we pray.

But some women take that last minute chance for life. The Dowlings, the Cartwrights and several other families have opened their hearts and their homes to those who do.

With the help of a pregnancy aid center formed by some of the pickets, they have provided for all of these women's needs during pregnancy, helped them through their labors and deliveries and all the decisions that follow. In the process, they have helped these young women put some of the pieces of their lives back together so they can live and raise their babies with dignity.

For three years, the Lord has protected us in court and the work has continued until last month. Perhaps like the paradox of the Cross, in August the picketing was restricted by the court to such an extent that it is now ineffective. There will be no more saving babies like James unless this decision can be reversed.

A group of lawyers in Washington, D.C., selects a few such cases each year, from around the nation, to challenge the court's decision. The Dowling's case is now being considered. I am writing this letter to ask all those who were touched by the picture of Bill and Mary and Baby James to pray with me that Bill and Kathy Dowling's case will be chosen and that their right to peacefully and lawfully protest the killing of babies will be reestablished so they can continue their efforts to save Our Father's children.

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Cooper City

Fr. Thomas Barry, a man for all people

To the Editor:

With due respect for St. Thomas Moore, A Man for All Season, at this time we remember Fr. Thomas Barry, A Man for All Peoples, who died September 5.

Over the 19 years that I have known Fr. Barry, I have marveled at the way he healed and ministered to such a wide variety of people — men and women, rich and poor, old and young, extroverts and introverts, feminists and M.C.P.s, the cops on the beat and the dropouts, seminarians and bishops, atheists and mystics. He ministered to all — Fr. Barry, a true priest.

A Christian is someone who brings out the best in others. Father Barry always expected great things from us; he brought out the best in us — Fr. Barry, a true Christian.

All who knew him are grieving. For a while after his death I wondered if I was unnatural — not grieving, no tears. But then I found myself going into well-lit rooms at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and switching on the light. Doing the dishes, I found myself washing the same plate over and over, and I heard what my Mother used to say to me when I was day-dreaming as a girl, "Have a mind, Mary; if you keep that up, you'll have the pattern off that plate." We are all grieving, each in our own way, the loss of the bodily presence of Father Barry.

I'm going to tell this story for your comfort and inspiration. Two days before he died, Father said to me,

"Mary, do you think this is the time?"

I replied, somewhat anxiously, "Father I don't know; I have very little experience in this area."

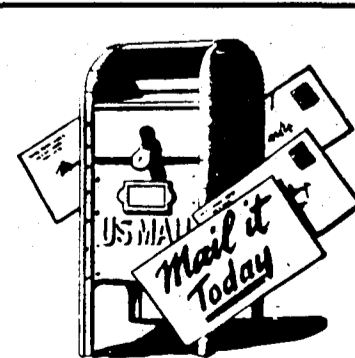
With his dry humor, he half-smiled, and said, "Mary, I don't have any experience!"

After a moment, I said, "Well, it doesn't matter anyway; you're ready." Then Father said, most beautifully, "Yes, I'm ready." He'd taught me how to live, and now he was teaching me how to die.

His body was there at the Wake/Vigil and at the Mass of Christian Burial to remind us, and we are to remind each other, of the good times we all had together with Father.

And so, we thank the Lord for this true Christian, this true priest.

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A word from the poor

The discussion about use of money for building or renovating churches when those funds could be spent helping the poor goes on. As a contribution to the debate I offer here some remarks or attitudes from the poor themselves or those intimately linked to disadvantaged people.

• Certain members of a group in Washington planning a national worship celebration for the country's bi-centennial observance objected to a significant expenditure of funds for that event. The dollars, they argued, should be allocated for people in poverty.

A well-known and out-spoken artist/musician quickly and sharply countered their criticism: "It is white, liberal, middle class folks who talk like that. We poor blacks don't speak in such fashion."

While the issue at hand was not the construction of a church building, but the preparation of a major liturgical event, this black musician's observations seem related to our subject under discussion.

• Blessed Andre Besette (d.1937), the humble Holy Cross brother whose prayerful life and gift for healing drew millions to his oratory in Montreal, had a consuming dream; to build a monumental basilica in honor of St. Joseph on a hill overlooking that Canadian city. Contemporary visitors to Mount Royal see the realization of his hopes in the massive structure which stands there.

Brother Andre was not a church bureaucrat seeking to perpetuate his name in a concrete building; he was not a man so preoccupied with the institutional church that he neglected the needs of the poor; he was not a person living in luxury without any understanding of the pain or powerlessness of people in poverty.

Quite the contrary, Brother Andre in self-effacing fashion avoided the lime light, gave himself in exhaustive fashion to those hurting in any way and

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followed an extremely simple life style.

Somehow he did not see expenditure of vast sums on erection of the basilica as a waste or an unjust deprivation of the poor.

• St. John Bosco (d.1888), like Brother Andre, lived very simply and poorly. The friend of youth, he gave himself from the beginning of his priesthood to young men and women in physical and spiritual need. He was no stranger to poverty — in his own family, among his flock and in his ministry.

For example, on the day he died the Oratory he founded had to beg a baker for credit so it could feed the 800 youngsters living there.

Yet St. John Bosco became convinced that God wished him to build at a particular spot a magnificent church under the title of Our Lady of Christians. He was asked, "Where will the money come from?" John Bosco replied, "Our Lady will see to that, it is her church."

Despite his work with the poor and his own experience of poverty, he found no difficulty in using substantial funds to construct a church.

• The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet have in recent years served as missionaries throughout Peru. Having heard criticisms that their prede-

cessors "left more monuments than the Incas," the sisters rather naturally do not list the construction of church buildings as their top priority.

At a little town of Pachacutec near the coast, the poor people they served expressed some desires to build a larger church and a parish hall. The sisters processed these hopes and other aspirations at a Mothers' Club meeting.

Three projects were put up for discussion and voted upon:

1. Start a local market so that fresh food would be available to the whole town at reasonable prices;

2. Organize efforts to repair the town pump, since the two had not had potable water for two years;

3. Build a parish hall for meetings, fiestas, wakes, etc.

They were all fine ideas, but the sisters particularly liked the first two. Nevertheless, the women voted for the third item and soon 218 of them began to organize and built in two years a parish hall.

People of surrounding villages afterwards commented:

"You know, they're unified in Pachacutec. Have you seen that church and hall? We don't get things done here because we're not unified, but look at PACHACUTEC."

The sisters, reflecting upon this entire experience, later remarked:

"It surely wasn't our idea to build a chapel and a meeting hall. All we did was to get some people together and encourage them to figure out what was most important to them, and to develop their own resources to accomplish what they felt they needed."

"So these women got together and, in spite of the priorities of the missionaries, they began to build."

Who speaks for the laity?

A priest columnist, discussing a Catholic lay professor's response to the bishops' draft of the pastoral on the economy, questioned the professor's right to speak for the laity. Who speaks for the laity? The priest asked and came up with the correct answer that no one does.

It really is true that no one can claim to speak for the Catholic laity in this country. But it is also true that all among the Catholic laity can speak on those issues about which they believe they have something to say. When it comes to issues within the secular realm, members of the laity not only have the right to speak but have a primary responsibility.

This principle is discussed in the Second Vatican Council's Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World. There is no ambiguity in the pastoral, which says:

"Secular duties and activities belong properly although not exclusively to laymen. Therefore, acting as citizens of the world, whether individually or socially, they will observe the laws proper to each discipline, and labor to equip themselves with a genuine expertise in the various fields. They will gladly work with men seeking the same goals. Acknowledging the demands of faith and endowed with its force, they will unhesitatingly devise new enterprises where they are appropriate and put them into action.

"Laymen should also know that it is generally the function of their well-formed Christian conscience to see that the divine law is inscribed in the life of the earthly city. From priests they may look

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for spiritual light and nourishment. Let the layman not imagine that his pastors are always such experts, that to every problem which arises, however complicated, they can readily give him a concrete solution, or even that such is their mission. Rather, enlightened by Christian wisdom and giving close attention to the teaching authority of the Church, let the layman take on his own distinctive role.

"Often enough the Christian view of things will itself suggest some specific solution in certain circumstances. Yet it happens rather frequently, and legitimately so, that with equal sincerity some of the faithful will disagree with others on a given matter. Even against the intentions of their proponents, however, solutions proposed on one side or another may be easily confused by many people with the gospel message. Hence it is necessary

for people to remember that no one is allowed in the aforementioned situations to appropriate the Church's authority for his opinion. They should always try to enlighten one another through honest discussion, preserving mutual charity and caring above all for the common good.

"Since they have an active role to play in the whole life of the Church, laymen are not only bound to penetrate the world with a Christian spirit. They are also called to be witnesses to Christ in the midst of human society."

I have quoted this lengthy passage from the Church in the Modern World because so few of the laity seem to be aware of it and because when discussion arises when members of the laity do speak, it seems not to be given the weight it deserves.

It answers the question of who speaks for the laity — no one does. No individual can say his view is the only proper Catholic view. But it also establishes not just the right but the responsibility of lay people to speak. Lay people have a unique perspective, speaking from their own experience in the world.

It does not in any way refute the right and responsibility of the bishops to speak on moral issues facing the secular society. But, as the bishops themselves have been careful to say, they enter some areas where there can be a legitimate difference of opinion. In these areas, guided by charity and respect for Catholic teaching, the laity may respond.

(Dale Francis is a nationally syndicated columnist)

Time capsules

By Frank Morgan



Tawdry laces

Around the 7th century in England, a pious girl entered a convent and in time became the abbess of the nunnery. Her only fault was her desire to wear necklaces. As she lay dying of throat disease, she blamed it on her one vanity.

Because of the excellent life she had led, she was canonized St. Audrey and on October 17th, vanity scarves known as St. Audrey's laces were sold. The English called these "Tawdry laces," and although they started out being made with great

care, in time their quality lowered to a point where the word "tawdry" became known as anything cheap and not well made.

The Dean of Ipswich left the Anglican clergy to become a journalist for a London daily. He was stopped one day by an old friend who asked, "And what are you doing these days?"

The former clergyman thought for a moment

and said, "Well I was a pillar of the church, but now I'm a column for the Evening Standard!"

Benjamin Franklin once wrote, "A Bible and a newspaper in every home and a good school in every district are the principal supports of virtue, morality and civil liberty."

The marigold was named after the Virgin Mary and was once used to heal wounds.

How much worse?

In August three priests were expelled from Haiti, which some call the poorest land in this hemisphere.

Missionhurst Father Hugo Triest was the director of Radio Soleil, owned by the bishops of Haiti and France. It is the only media outlet in Haiti not run by the dictatorial government of President Jean-Claude Duvalier.

I had the privilege of speaking briefly with Father Triest, a Belgian missionary who lived and worked with the poor in Haiti for 20 years. He told me that 70 percent of the people "have only one decent meal a week. In the meantime they eat what they can find," he said.

He added that in Haiti at least 85 percent of the people are illiterate.

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Father Triest, after his expulsion, spent a brief time with Robert and Barbara Mullen in Connecticut, friends he met when Mullen, a dentist, came to work at a children's clinic in Port-au-Prince.

Father Triest said the radio station was the only source of enlightenment for the people in their day-to-day struggle to survive. "It is the only radio that gave real objective news and airing of people's complaints," he said.

The station had been tolerated until recently because of a concordat between church and government signed more than 100 years ago. "If the radio had belonged to a private institution, it would have been closed for a long time," he explained.

The station had become the "people's radio. Anyone could get on and talk about their problems," he said. It had even become their refuge. Father Triest told of people coming by for a meal or a place to sleep.

What led to his expulsion was the government's reaction to a series of programs pointing out the uselessness of a referendum asking Haitians to decide whether Duvalier should remain "president for life."

When this "offense" was compounded by reading a statement by the bishops of Haiti critical of the referendum, the government became, in Father Triest's words, "very, very angry."

The station was accused of inciting the people against the referendum," and Father Triest was expelled

from the country, along with two other Belgian missionaries, Missionhurst Father Jan Hutens and Yvan Pollefeyt.

Voting on the referendum took place and the whole exercise came across as some sort of joke. Haiti reported that at least 99.9 percent of the voters cast a "yes" vote in favor of maintaining the Duvalier-for-life presidency.

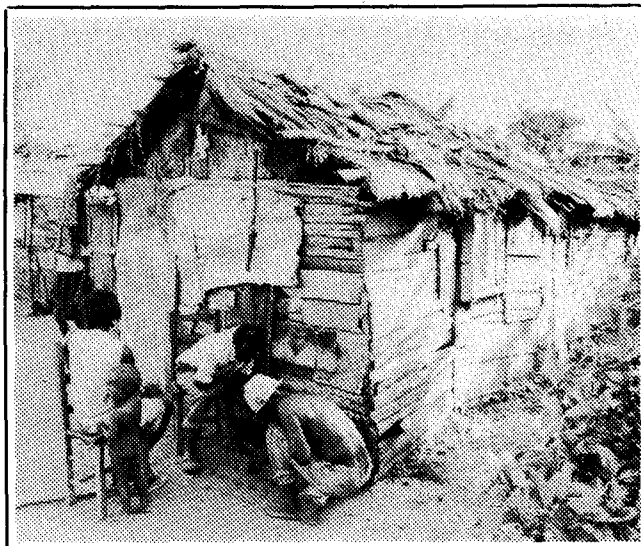
While the ruling power lives in splendor, the people live in squalor. A friend of mine who works nearly full time to aid the Haitian people reports his correspondences with missionaries there. One told him this summer that he "buries four to five little children every day" in the slums of Port-au-Prince.

People die at a young age and the unemployment rate is 85 percent. Those who do find work can expect to average an income of \$280 per year. "The carpenters of the city are kept busy making coffins," said the missionary.

Father Triest noted that in spite of tens of millions of dollars coming in from the United States and other countries, economically the country has gotten worse. "These people are starving. They're dying. How long can worse get worse?" he asked.

Maybe some good is coming from Father Triest's expulsion. Maybe he's helping to raise our consciousness that the work of caring for the poor does, indeed, rest with the church — and that we must know about this and remember that we are that church.

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Marriage annulments

In 1964, I received my doctorate in canon law and soon after was put in charge of the marriage tribunal of the Diocese of Paterson, N.J., where I served for 10 years. I learned a good deal about the drudgery of tribunal work and the dedication of those who do it. Our case-load was always heavy, but at that time, relatively few formal annulments were granted.

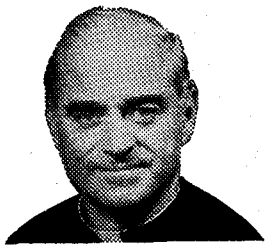
I remember studying the decisions of the church's highest appeal court, the Roman Rota; it became clear that Rome was far ahead of us in the development of a contemporary jurisprudence. They were granting annul-

sonnel of being morally lax because of the high number of annulments is not fair. I remember being upset because I had to grant a declaration of nullity to a man who left his wife after 15 years of marriage. They had married outside the church. For those who want tighter discipline, I suggest a reform of church law as a first step in reducing the number of annulments.

There are nearly six million divorced Catholics in America. Our tribunals handle only a small percentage of them, and they do their work as expeditiously as possible. It's a demanding job, those who do it deserve our respect and gratitude.

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

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ments on such grounds as severe immaturity, and psychological disorders. New knowledge in the field of psychology was changing everything. We soon followed Rome's lead. It enabled us to accept more cases and resolve them favorably.

Today, many people are under the impression that the American church led the way in opening up a flood of annulments. Actually, the Roman Rota had the most progressive jurisprudence. In my judgment, the American tribunals have become a real pastoral instrument for the local bishops and in most cases they are doing an excellent job in rendering justice. It's a shame that we are living in a society where commitments are so weak and tenuous.

It should be pointed out, however, that church law requires tribunal officials to grant annulments in many cases where individual judges would rather not. For instance, more than half of the 40,000 annulments issued each year in the U.S., involved Catholics who married outside the church before a justice-of-the-peace, for example. The church regards such marriages as invalid.

If presented with a petition for nullity, in such cases the tribunal is expected to declare the marriage invalid once the facts are established. To accuse tribunal per-

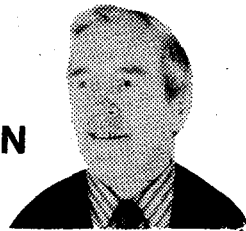


"I SUPPOSE THE SAME INSTINCT THAT TELLS THEM WHEN TO HIBERNATE ALSO TELLS THEM WHEN IT'S SUNDAY."

Stormy weather

Q. I would like to know why in some relationships people get along well for the first month or two and then later it becomes constant fighting but they still stay together? (Virginia)

BY
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A. In the early days of a friendship people reveal themselves little by little. Often they make a conscious effort to be on their good behavior. Their finer qualities are all that appear.

As times goes on, however, relaxation sets in. The two people are more at ease with one another and they feel free to be more fully themselves. Perhaps they express opinions that they would have kept hidden in the earlier days.

Gradually the two people discover that they do not only have much in common but also that there are some sharp differences.

Each is a unique person and it's not surprising that these differences should appear.

Later, serious disagreements can arise and a crisis may occur in the relationship. If the differences are big enough and if the two persons get angry enough, the relationship may come to an end.

But, in some cases, two people may enjoy fighting. You may not, and I don't, but some people apparently thrive on sessions of angry words. So they stay together.

But it's difficult to see how a permanent and wholly satisfactory relationship can be built amid disagreements and fights.

What is satisfying is the peaceful resolution of disagreements. In this happy state of affairs two people agree to disagree, to allow the other person to be herself or himself and to be at peace with one another. Or better yet, one person begins to see that the other was right after all.

For such a happy outcome, however, some give-and-take is necessary.

A husband, for example, may have to give up some of his hours of watching football on television, and the wife may have to reconcile herself to the fact that he will not give up all viewing of TV football.

Young people thinking about marriage should be aware that at some point terribly serious differences are likely to develop. Just as a crisis often comes in an ordinary friendship, so also in a marital relationship.

Frequently serious trouble comes in a marriage along about the fifth or sixth year, and the husband and wife may feel like strangers to one another.

"Is this the same man I married?"
"Can this be the woman I wed?"

At that point married love will become really solid if there is an intense spirit of give-and-take, a spirit of prayer and a spirit of willingness to search and search again for ways to resolve things.

The search may be long. Seldom is it easy. But it is well worth the effort, the tears and the pain.

The result can be a lifetime of love.

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Are weekend marriages possible?

Dear Dr. Kenny: I request that you reconsider your support for the couple in their choice to have jobs in different cities and come together on weekends. How is it possible for a husband and wife to become "one flesh" only on weekends? It is impossible to count on the weekends as automatically being "quality" time. Although not consciously, this couple has practically decided that their jobs are of higher priority than their marriage.

Furthermore, it is a sound spiritual principle not to seek out occasions for temptation, which this couple would be doing in living apart.

Marriage is meant to be the avenue of mutual sanctification for the couple. This is hardly to be expected to take place on weekends. It would be far better for one or the other job to be sacrificed.

— Illinois.
I agree with our correspondent that a weekend marriage after the children have been raised would be difficult. The long separations and the temptations for other relationships are problems that should be faced before such a choice is made.

While difficult, such a marriage is not impossible. There are as many different kinds of marriages as there are different people. Each has its own style and grace.

Nor is it my place to tell people how to live their lives or how to pattern their relationships. God in his wisdom trusts us to work out the details according to our own lights. We must be equally non-



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judgmental and supportive of one another.

Our first correspondent asked whether a weekend marriage was possible, and if so, how to make it work best. I responded within the limits set by the question. Of course such a marriage is possible.

Remember, marriages of long ago survived much lengthier separations. Before the automobile, spouses were frequently separated by journeys that took days and weeks. Wartime often meant absences of longer than a year. Even working in the fields often meant long periods when spouses had little chance for personal communication.

Generally, the separation of loved ones is unfortunate. On the other hand, too much togetherness can lead to boredom and lessened appreciation. There is some truth to the proverb, "Absence makes the heart grow fonder."

Couples who choose or are forced to live apart would do well to plan their togetherness. "Quality time" does not happen automatically, but it is more likely to occur if common interesting activities are planned.

A dinner out may be an opportunity to catch up on each other's news. Potentially the spouses have a lot to share and tell each other.

Temptation is the other danger. Both partners will be meeting attractive persons of the opposite sex.

However, temptation admits of degrees. We must avoid situations where we usually give in. The spouses must face this issue openly. If either is vulnerable, then the "weekend marriage" may well turn out to be a disaster.

After years together raising children, our first correspondents should know something about their ability to withstand temptation. They should discuss it honestly and make a prudent decision.

Weekend marriages are not for everyone. They are not the choice of most couples. But they are possible, and even have some positive points. What is difficult and dangerous for many may be an opportunity for growth in love to some.

Reader questions on family living and child care to be answered in print are invited. Address questions to the Kennys, Box 872, St. Joseph's College, Rensselaer, Ind. 47978.

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Respecting later life

We're all familiar with the situation. An elderly loved one clings to the too-big family home or too-crowded apartment, eats alone, doesn't feel safe in getting out, begins to withdraw and focus on aches, pains and the past. Depression becomes a reality.

"It's an inhuman existence," emphasizes Father Frank Gold of Denver, who has come up with a better solution. "We aren't created to be isolated but to be community."

To that end, he has developed L.I.F.E., Inc. which is now in its fifth year and may serve as a model for parishes and deaneries looking for a way to respect life in the setting as well as the dawning years of life. It is appropriate to tell his story during Respect Life Month.

When Fr. Frank was a teenager, his grandmother died, leaving his grandfather alone with few skills to take care of himself. "Every night my brother or I would go over and make dinner and eat with him."

"From witnessing his experience of loss and loneliness, I developed a love of working with the elderly. Later, as a priest working in three parishes, I discovered the great number of older homebound people living in isolation. I decided to do something about it besides bring them communion."

Out of this early effort of visiting the elderly, talking with them, and caring for their simple human needs, L.I.F.E., Inc. was born. It stands for Life, Independence and Freedom for the Elderly.

It's a simple concept. Fr. Frank invites volunteers from parishes who are willing to break down isolation by involving themselves in the care of the homebound elderly. These volunteers are trained in meeting the social, physical and transportation needs of the elderly.

They drop in occasionally, maybe cook a meal, eat with their "family" friend, clean up the place,

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take them out once in awhile, and just generally become a gift of life to those who feel life is a memory.

In addition, Fr. Frank holds monthly birthday parties, inviting and transporting as many as possible and honoring those with birthdays during the month. He publishes a newsletter with dates like birthdays and anniversaries so that supporters can send cards to the homebound. He and his volunteers offer shopping, counseling, companionship, personal care, meal preparation, light and heavy cleaning, and limited transportation.

"The first time I asked for volunteers in three parish bulletins, I got 40 responses," say Fr. Frank. "But volunteers move or take on new responsibilities and it requires ongoing staff help. And that means salaries."

With his duties as full-time hospital chaplain, Fr. Frank is frustrated in his efforts at fundraising. "We need an umbrella group to keep us going," he said. "We charge on a sliding scale for things like housecleaning, but every week we hear from new elderly who beg for care and community."

He sighed. "It's so hard to say no but staff, postage, gas, and counseling all cost. And we're just plain strapped financially. We aren't even beginning to meet the needs we already have."

I offer this column for two reasons. First, many

of you told me you wished I would write on how better to deal with the issue of older parents who live alone. This is a model of what can be done if parishes link up the needs of the elderly and the needs of the pre-elderly who need to be needed in a satisfying way.

Secondly, are there any umbrella groups or individuals out there willing to keep L.I.F.E., Inc., open as a hope and model of life? For those interested in obtaining more information or making a donation, the address is L.I.F.E., Inc., 2626 Osceola, Denver, CO 80212.

And God bless you for caring.

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Family matters

By Carol Farrell
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When I first got into the business of being a parent, it was a different world than it is now. Sometimes I want to protest that it isn't fair. I want it the way it used to be!

Twenty-five years have brought many changes and the hardest of all to cope with have been those concerning shifts in values. As I was growing up, I knew without a doubt who was in charge and what the values were that governed behavior in the homes, school, church and culture at large. There was a common thread which ran through them all and bound them together.

It isn't as though everyone necessarily abided by the code, but when someone didn't it was very clear that they were violating it.

I know that my children look at the worlds of the family, church, school

and society now and do not see one common morality but many different moralities — or worse than that, no sense of right or wrong at all. What is cherished in one place is scorned in another. It is this lack of harmony of values which makes a parent's role so difficult, so challenging.

Recently, I came across a study that substantiated objectively what many of us parents have experienced. The study charted the 10 greatest influences in the lives of 13- to 19-year olds in 1960 and again in 1980. In 1960, the top three value-shapers were parents, teachers and friends/peers.

In 1980, the top place was held by friends/peers, parents had dropped to second place and television/radio/records/movies had climbed from the eighth greatest influence into third place!

I am hard-headed, however, and I refuse to accept that this is the way it has to be. I can't change the world but I do have control within my home as to how much of the world's values I will allow to intrude. Very concretely, I can minimize the influence of media even if I cannot eliminate it.

One idea used successfully by some parents to govern the use of TV is that of limiting the number of hours that their children are allowed to watch. The other is that after setting the limit decisions are made weekly, with TV guide in hand, as to which shows may be viewed.

The best of situations for getting the most from TV occurs when families watch together so that time in between or afterward is used to discuss what is happening. This provides an opportunity to reinforce the values which we uphold or to explain why we do not agree with the way a

particular situation is portrayed.

The worst of situations is when we make television our "baby-sitter," providing no supervision or opportunity to discuss what is taking place on the screen.

Perhaps parents have dropped from their primary place of influence because they have unintentionally yielded the time they spent doing things and communicating with their teens to time spent watching TV. Families spend less time interacting together these days. Individuals spend less time reading and in creative hobbies.

We need to reclaim our family's intimate time together if we are to be family for each other. We must do it if we accept the responsibility for shaping and influencing the values our children will live by. And we can do it if we set our minds to it.

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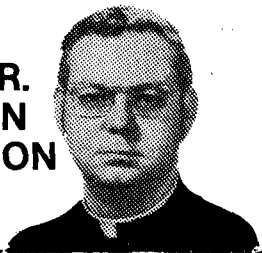
READINGS: Genesis: 2:18-24; Hebrews 2:9-11; Mark 10:2-16.

Do not marry in 'name only'

REFLECTION:

The backdrop of today's lesson from the Liturgy of the Word is that each person — man or woman — possesses a dignity so great and enduring that no one can assail it. In the United States, the

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lesson seems to be a truism. Our laws support human dignity; our society rests upon the assumption that all persons should be free and are entitled by God himself to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

Our national laws, however, ambitiously attempt to make real an ideal. Many around us are not respected. They are scorned, abused, insulted, and exploited. That is

even more so the case in many places abroad.

This Sunday's message, however, is not a lofty discussion of justice and rights. It offers marriage as an example of how people might not fully be respected.

Divorce is so frequent in our society, and so seldom less than painful and deeply distressful, that it is difficult to apply the Lord's words to real-life situations without appearing to be harsh. Further, the Church realizes that some persons "marry" in name only. Its recognition of those instances commonly is called an "annulment."

It would be wrong to say Jesus spoke in this gospel of cases seen by the Church as not true marriages.

Nevertheless, the law of Christ regarding divorce is clear. True marriages end only with the death of a partner. Divorce is improper not because it breaks a tradition, or a law, but because it represents breaking a commitment to a spouse — even if by mutual consent.

Marriage is the chief and ultimate human relationship. It cannot be trivialized or compromised. The human trust and feelings invested in the marriage bond are too precious to be cast away. By the same token, they are too precious

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to be used to enter a marriage unthinkingly or without the human realities of faith and love fully in command.

BACKGROUND:

The Bible's first book, the Book of Genesis, is among the most fascinating of the works of Scripture.

Unfortunately, too often its meaning is obscured by arguments as to how and when God created

the world and all within it. The teaching of Genesis is far too profound to be explained in glib answers giving the dates and means of creation.

In ancient times, Israel was surrounded by societies in which people were shamelessly exploited. Slavery was a way of life. Particularly, women were victims of greed, lust, and cultural oppression.

Powerfully, Genesis in the passage read today as the Sunday's first reading taught that men and women not only are equal, but that God made them as the jewels of his creative majesty.

In the second reading, the epistle to the Hebrews presents an additional — and the supreme reason — for human dignity. Each person is God's own created child adopted by Jesus Christ.

Finally, St. Mark's gospel supplies the gospel reading in this Sunday's Liturgy of the Word. In the reading, Jesus completely negates the law of Moses regarding divorce. Jesus disallows divorce among his followers.

Will prayers bring pardon to dead son?

Q. A year ago my son was killed instantly in a motorcycle accident. Although he was raised a Catholic he had neglected his religion, at least outwardly, for the past eight years.



BY FR.
JOHN
DIETZEN

Beyond the terrible blow of his death, I am more concerned with his spiritual welfare. Can my prayers, offerings of Masses and so forth bring him God's pardon?

What of the "punishment due to sin" that many of the older prayer-books dwell upon?

I so want to believe that I am helping my son. I shall continue to pray regardless, but I hope your answer will be able to strengthen my belief in the hereafter. (New Jersey)

A. I am sorry for your hurt. The sudden death of a son or daughter is

always a terrible tragedy; yours is even more painful because of the spiritual concerns.

I think it may be helpful to remember two things. First, as a parent you are at least somewhat aware of the many complicated factors that might today lie behind a young person's neglect of his religious faith and practices.

I do not say, of course, that such neglect is a good thing. By no means, however, does it necessarily or even usually reflect rejection of God. Each person's relationship with God is unique and extremely personal.

Second, we must never forget that in hearing and answering our prayers God is not bound by the limits of time, past or future. The prayers we offer, in addition to whatever intercessory power they have in the present moment, can be "answered" by God long before they are actually said.

This may sound complicated but it is an insight of faith that we Christians have always acted upon.

The official prayers of the church at Masses for the dead, for example, repeatedly imply (by praying for "forgiveness" and so on) an exten-

sion of that prayer back to that person's time on earth and his or her preparation for death.

In other words, we pray for a happy and holy death long after the person has died, something which logically and faithfully follows from what we believe about God.

Thus, at least one of the things you are praying for at this time is that God

'In answering our prayers, God is not bound by the limits of time — past or future.'

might grant the graces of essential faith, hope and love in his life and as the time came for him to die.

This to me is one of the most consoling aspects of our faith. It is, among other things, what we mean when we say we believe in the supreme Lordship of God and in the communion of saints.

Q. My daughter was married at the age of 17 when she was six-months pregnant. A Methodist minister per-

formed the ceremony for her and the baby's father.

This marriage ended in divorce three years later and my daughter wants to get married again. Is there any chance she could be married in the Catholic Church? (Illinois)

A. I assume your family is Catholic. If so, your daughter's first marriage most likely would not have been a valid marriage according to the law of the Catholic Church, since it did not take place before a priest.

Thus, at least as it would concern her previous marriage, there would be no impediment to her marrying this second time in the Catholic Church.

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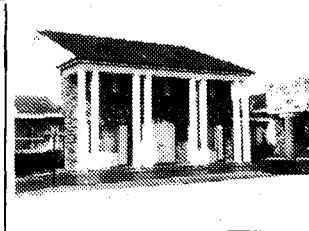
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Wrestler's marriage in ring body slams a holy sacrament

The groom weighs 400 pounds and goes by the name of Uncle Elmer. His intended is named Joyce, but her avoirdupois is an unknown at this writing. Their nuptials will be celebrated on Saturday, October 5, sometime after the beginning of NBC's telecast of "Saturday Night's



BY
**JAMES
BREIG**

Main Event" (which begins at 11:30 p.m. on the East Coast). Just prior to his exchanging vows with Joyce, Uncle Elmer will — and I quote from NBC press release — "step into the ring to rassel in a grudge match with Gentleman Jerry Valiant."

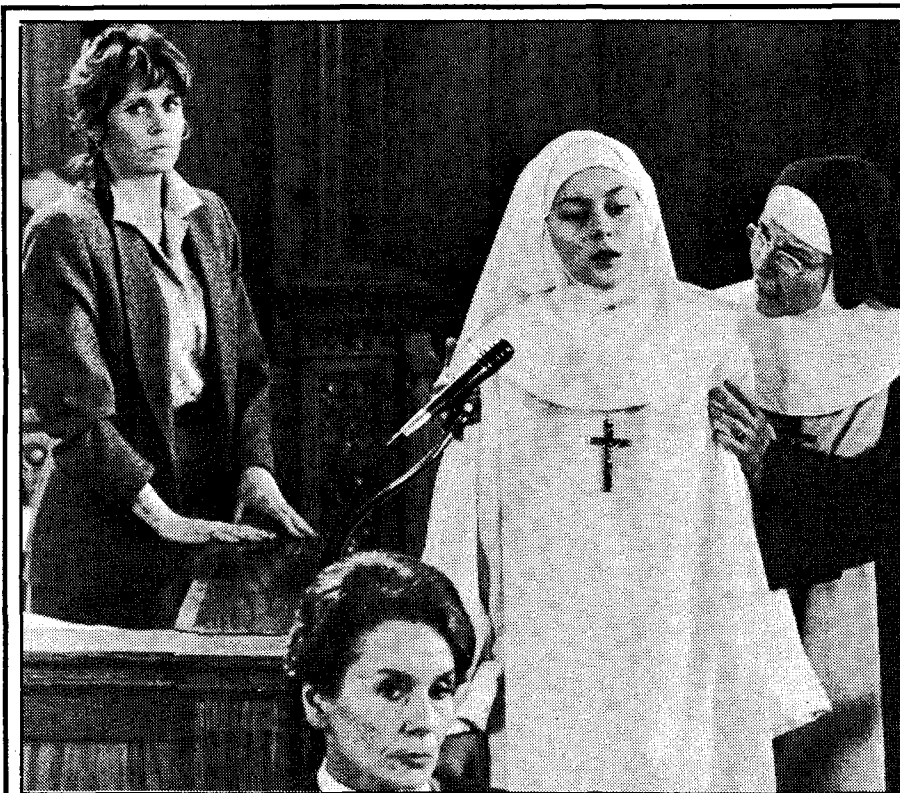
That's right. Pro wrestling, which you thought had reached the nadir of sleaziness, will now body-slam the Sacrament of Matrimony when Uncle Elmer weds Joyce Staszko during an NBC wrestling special. The network has proudly announced that this will be "network television's first show business wedding since the December 17, 1969 marriage of Tiny Tim and Miss Vicky" on the Johnny Carson show.

I thought I had written enough about wrestling and could retire from the ring. But now the "sport" has invaded something which I don't think should be made part of the sweaty and smoky netherworld of the ring. That something is marriage. You know, the holy union of two of God's creatures.

I hate to be a wet blanket again on wrestling and I know that telling everyone that the game is a fake is tough enough to swallow. But I don't believe NBC and the World Wrestling Federation, the two behemoths responsible for this desecration, should be permitted to get away with it as if it were a cute publicity stunt and equivalent to the other circus-like goings-on associated with wrestling.

What is especially annoying is that the WWF has done this nonsense before, on the "TNT" show which airs on the USA cable network. That time, in an obvious put-on, the wedding in the ring devolved into a shoving match and then a pie-throw. (I am not making this up, but I feel the need to emphasize that fact because pro wrestling can be such a joke that reality and fantasy tend to get intertwined.)

This time, NBC assures us, "the



SISTERS EXPLOITED — A psychiatrist played by Jane Fonda left, comes in conflict with the mother superior, played by Anne Bancroft, right, at a hearing to determine whether Sister Agnes is fit to stand trial in "Agnes of God." The USCC says the film "exploits for... melodramatic purposes a mystery as central to Christianity as the incarnation" and rates it A-IV. (NC photo).

'Jesus didn't sanctify the feast at Cana so that Uncle Elmer and Joyce could be intermission entertainment...'

popular Mississippi mountain man's marriage will take place in a most comfortable spot, center ring... This will be the first time a real wedding

will take place on national television since Tiny Tim and Miss Vicky tied the knot."

How a respected network could get itself mixed up — for a second time — in this is beyond me. I get tired enough of the cute little news items on TV about couples who wed underwater, in airplanes, hanging from roofs and water-skiing. To continue this farcical treatment of something as serious as marriage and then to crow about it in publicity material seems to me to be a blot on NBC's reputation. A blot? How

about a black hole?

I don't mean to demean Uncle Elmer and his lovely bride. I hope they live happily ever after. But I also wish that they would consider their wedding to be something more significant than a sideshow attraction during the cheapest carnival to come along since Barnum's display of the Cadiff Giant. Some might say that it doesn't matter where you get married, but they would be wrong. The setting says something about our attitudes toward what we do. That's why we lock up flashers.

When two people marry each other, they are doing some very important things. They are making promises to one another, to their neighbors and relatives, and, in most instances, to God. I suspect that the couple specifically, family life in general and the world eventually would be better off if people took marriage more seriously. While it has its traditionally light sides (the reception dances, the tossing of the bouquet), marriage should not be entered into as if it were just another outing to be ranked with picnics and trips to the ballpark.

Maybe the couple marrying on NBC know what they are doing; maybe the grapplers standing around really care about the newlyweds and will offer to help them in times of trial and distress; maybe the families of the bride and groom have seen to their proper pre-marital counseling; and maybe NBC considers all of this fitting and proper for telecasting into our homes. But I have my doubts.

Jesus didn't sanctify the feast at Cana so that Uncle Elmer and Joyce could be intermission entertainment on national television — and that is the intention of NBC and the WWF. I'm annoyed at both of them for doing it and I'm judgmental enough to be ashamed of any Catholic who watches it.

Books for Catholic readers

"Christianity: A Way of Salvation," by Sandra S. Frankiel, Harper and Row, \$6.95, 135 pp. A blend of history, spirituality and theology to give beginning students a good sense of the Christian tradition.

"The Spring of Life!" by Father Laurin J. Wenig, Hi-Time Publishers, No price given, 112 pp. A fresh approach to the Bible and a tool to use in making one's way through it.

"The Future of Our Past," by Father Segundo Galilea, Ave Maria Press, \$4.95, 94 pp. Subtitled "The Spanish

Mystics Speak to Contemporary Spirituality," This book points the way to a practical synthesis for contemplation and commitment as the author evaluates their tradition in terms of today's spiritual quest.

"Creation and Human Dynamism," by Joseph G. Donders, Twenty-Third Publications, \$5.95, 100 pp. The study of creation then and now from the viewpoint of a resident of Africa.

"The Re-Creation of Eve," by Rosemary Haughton, Templegate Publishers, \$6.95, 147 pp. A source for evaluating and validating the contemporary experience of Christian women.

"Spirituality for an Anxious Age," by Father Patrick J. Brennan, \$9.95, 151 pp. Shows how faith and spirituality, properly understood and exercised, can become therapeutic energies for the age of anxiety.

"Receptive Prayer," by Grace Adolphsen Brame, CBP Press, \$9.95, 152 pp. Describes learning to receive, ways to pray receptively, and the biblical foundations of receptive prayer.

"Singers of the New Song," by George A. Maloney, SJ, Ave Maria Press, \$4.95, 175 pp. Blending Scripture and church teaching the author describes the bridal mysticism of the Song of Songs and makes each verse of the song a starting point for meditation and prayer.

"The Authority of the Bible," by Robert Gnuse, Paulist Press, \$6.95, 153 pp. The author, who teaches Old Testament at Loyola University in New Orleans, presents a general overview of the different models for biblical authority proposed within the greater Christian tradition through the ages.

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Mercy plans outpatient facility

Mercy Hospital, in a joint venture with members of its medical staff, will build a \$5 million diagnostic and office center to help meet Miami's soaring need for outpatient medical facilities.

Working in financial partnership with up to 100 physicians on its staff, hospital officials said they will start construction of the five-story, 60,000-square-foot building in September and expect it to be ready for occupancy in October 1986. It will be located next door to the Hospital's main complex on Biscayne Bay.

"We have seen a 33 percent surge in outpatient care at Mercy in the first six months of 1985 alone," said Edward J. Rosasco, Jr., president, "and growth undoubtedly will continue.

"During its 35 years of service as a non-profit, Catholic institution, Mercy traditionally has sought and found new ways to expand its contributions to the entire community," he said. "We are extremely

pleased to be able to do so again by helping to meet this rapidly growing need."

Rosasco noted that the nationwide shift toward outpatient care and away from inpatient care is primarily the result of two factors: technological advancements, which have eliminated hospitalization for many types of medical examinations, and the rising cost of hospitalization.

"The change in patients' requirements has placed heavy strains on existing hospital facilities," he said. "By separating outpatients from hospitalized patients, Mercy will be able to serve both groups more smoothly and efficiently."

The new Mercy Outpatient Diagnostic Center will house some \$3.2 million of equipment to conduct state-of-the-art physical examinations using laboratory, diagnostic x-ray, echocardiography, nuclear medicine, physical medicine and CT scanning procedures, as well as cardiac rehabilitation and ultrasound

therapy.

Mercy's emergency room, dialysis and radiation therapy units will remain in the hospital's main complex.

"Outpatients should be able to arrive for their appointments, have the necessary tests and procedure completed on schedule, and be free to go on about their business," he said.

The Mercy chief administrator said a second fundamental goal of the project is to strengthen the hospital's relationship with its medical staff and help enhance their practices.

"We're breaking new ground in South Florida by working in direct partnership with members of our medical staff," he said.

Drug program funded by U.S.

Miami D.A.R.E. (Drugs, Alcohol, Rehabilitation and Education), a program of Catholic Community Services has been re-funded with a grant of \$66,000 for the next 12 months by the federal government.

The D.A.R.E. program assists parishes, schools and other institutions in two ways.

- Training of substance abuse volunteers to help parish pastors and leaders of institutions in their attempts to prevent the spread of substance abuse throughout the community;

- Programs, at the invitation of school principals, for peer leadership training, to promote positive peer pressure for schools that are free of substance abuse.

The D.A.R.E. program will be directed by Jose Cruz, 44, a native of Cuba. Cruz has an M.A. in counseling and is completing work on his Ph.D. in clinical psychology.

Holy Rosary arts festival

Over 200 artists will display their work at the Holy Rosary Arts and Crafts Festival on Oct. 19 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. St. Holy Rosary Campus, 18455 Franjo Rd. There will be original works of painting, ceramics, jewelry, and decorations. There will also be International foods, Kiddie-land games, and Country and Western music.

grams. Methods of training human service agency staff will be included.

Under the leadership of professors David F. Fike, Ph.D., and Michael P. Connolly, Ph.D., the center will continue to expand ongoing research and training activities.

Barry's School of Social Work has been providing research, training and consultant services to national, state and local organizations for many years.

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special presentation of the gifts, and the actual token to be given to the persons being commissioned. Their friends and family are invited to join and witness their commitment to serving the Lord by ministering to other young adults.

A reception will follow the Mass on the same grounds.

Starrs re-elected

Charles B. Starrs, executive director of the Office for Development, was re-elected as President of the National Catholic Stewardship Council on September 25 at the annual conference held in St. Louis, Mo.

Women's hearings

The National Conference of Catholic Bishops invited all dioceses to hold hearings on "Women in the Church and Society" to help them in the formulation of their forthcoming Pastoral letter or other document.

At the request of Archbishop McCarthy, the Miami Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women has been conducting these hearings. The last three hearings will be held in Dade County, at St. Brendan's (old Church), 8725 S.W. 32 St., Miami, on October 12, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Agenda forms may be available at the hearing for those who have not already been scheduled to speak. There is a three minute time limit for each speaker.

Contributions sought for ill man

Myron Horak, age 27, is fighting for his life. Doctors have given him one to two months to live. He needs a triple by-pass operation immediately.

The family has run out of money and cannot afford the operation. The Ukrainian community of Miami is asking for any donations to help save his life.

Contributions may be sent to: Horak Family, c/o Assumption of the BVM, Ukrainian Catholic Church, 39 N.W. 57th Court, Miami, FL 33126.

Soiree concert to benefit Amor en Accion

Soiree, a local Hispanic musical group, will perform Oct. 12 at 7:30 p.m. at the Dade County Auditorium, 2901 West Flagler Street. Proceeds from the show, entitled "The Hour Has Come," ("Llego el Momento"), will benefit Amor en Accion, an Archdiocesan service group which provides housing, medical care and education for the neediest of Miami's sister Diocese of Port-de-Paix, Haiti.

Tickets are \$7.50 per person and can be purchased at: Ricky's Records, Le Mirage Beauty Salon, Southwest Hardware and the Dade County Auditorium. Sponsors for the show are Clinicas Asociacion Cubana and Rainbow Ford.

Barry opens social work center

(MIAMI SHORES) — John M. Riley, Ph.D., dean of the Ellen Whiteside McDonnell School of Social Work at Barry University, announced the establishment of the school's Research and Training Center on August 25. The center's purpose is to facilitate and support research and non-degree training activities in social services.

Located in the Barry library, the center will strive to contribute to the pool of scientific knowledge about social work practices, client groups and social pro-

Young adult commissioning Mass Oct. 20

The Archbishop will be the main celebrant at St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday, October 20 at 2:00 pm at the commissioning Mass and ceremony for all Young Adult Leaders in the Archdiocese who have committed themselves as leaders either in individual single/young adult groups on a parish level and/or on the Archdiocesan Young Adult Council. The new Council members will be announced at this time.

An enthusiastic, general acknowledgment of ALL the young adults present will also be given by the main speaker before the actual commissioning takes place.

The theme of the day is "Service" which is reflected in the homily, the

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Spiritual renewal

St. James will host a rosary procession and bilingual Mass, in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima on Oct. 14. Procession starts north of parish hall at 6:30 p.m. All parish organization invited. Bring banners. More info call 681-0824.

The Cenacle retreat center will hold a Charismatic retreat Oct. 18-20. Given by Fr. Frank Montelbano. Offering: \$65. Call/Write to Sr. Agnes Forman, Cenacle, 1400 S. Dixie Hwy., Lantana, 33462. 582-2534.

St. Catherine of Siena will host a weekly scripture study course covering Genesis themes from Sept. 30 - Nov. 18 except Oct. 7. Lectures, discussion, films. Classes begin at 7:30 p.m. in church hall at 9200 S.W. 107th Ave.

Meetings

F.C. Slovak Union, "Jednota" Br. 888, hold monthly meetings 2nd Sunday of every month at 1 p.m. at headquarters, 2140 S. Military Trail W. Palm Beach. Call 965-2266.

The Dominican Laity, Third Order of St. Dominic, St. Thomas Aquinas Chapter, will be meeting on Oct. 6 at 10 a.m. in the Board Room of Thompson Hall, Barry U. The Rosary recited at noon in Cor Jesu Chapel.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Holy Spirit No.1912, Pompano Beach, will hold their regular business Meeting on Oct. 11th, at 1 p.m. St. Elizabeth's Gardens Pompano Beach, Fla.

The Queen of Peace Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order will have the regular monthly meeting on Oct. 6th and every first Sunday of the month at St. Richard Parish Center, 7500 S.W. 152 Street, Miami, at 1:00 p.m. Anyone interested invited.

St. Henry's Catholic Church at 1500 South Andrews Ave., Pompano Beach, is sponsoring the North West Broward Deanery Fall Meeting and luncheon Oct. 17. Registration is at 8:50 a.m. For reservations: Dorothy Roth for All Saints Church, St. Andrews Church and St. Bernards Church. Phone 973-1127. Lee Versage for St. David Church, St. Gregory Church and St. Helen Church. Phone 972-2579.

Dances

The American Slovenian Club of South Florida is having an Octoberfest dinner dance on Oct. 5th at 7:30 p.m. at St. Bernard Catholic Church Center, 8279 Sunset Strip. Donation \$10. For tickets, info call 564-1318, or 463-1025.

The Columbiettes of the Knights of Columbus Council 4772 will hold a Hawaiian Luau Floor show, dance and buffet on Oct. 12 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 545 W. 51st Pl., Hialeah. Cocktail: 6 p.m. Dinner: 7 p.m. For reservations and tickets call Rose Calabrese at 821-7127.

St. Henry's Church is sponsoring a "Swing On Sundays Dance" at St. Henry's Parish Hall, 1500 South Andrews Ave., Pompano Beach, 18-piece Hall of Fame Orchestra, October 20th. A Complimentary Dance lesson at 3:45 p.m. Dancing from 5 until 8 p.m. Admission is \$5.00.

Respect Life's Seventh Annual Celebration of the election of Pope John Paul II, Dinner Dance, Oct. 19. Mass 5:30 PM St. James Church. Dinner Dance St. James Parish Hall 7:30 til Mid. Donation \$15.00. Tickets and Reservations please call Margaret Rossman: 651-5639 or Respect Life Office: 653-2921.

Holy Spirit Council 6032, Knights of Columbus will sponsor a Gala Masquerade Ball on Oct. 26th at 2118 SW 60 Terr. Miramar, behind Sonny's Bar B Q. Donation \$10 with \$1 refund in costume. Open to the public. Call 989-5258, 961-2668, or 961-7601 for tickets.

Holy Spirit Council 6032, Knights of Columbus will present a Mini Polish Nite Dinner Dance on Oct. 4, in the Council Hall located at 2118 SW 60 Terr, Miramar (One block west of 441 behind Sonny's Bar B Q). Dinner choice of Polish or American Food served from 7:30 til 8:30. Dancing from 8:30 til 10:30 p.m. Donation \$5 open to public. Ticket and information call 961-3647.

St. Henry's Women's Guild is sponsoring a "Halloween costume Party," Oct. 27, at St. Henry's Parish Hall, 1500 South Andrews Ave, Pompano Beach. Dancing from 7 p.m. til 11 p.m. Music will be featured by the Pete Ber-

tasso Trio. Tickets \$8.00 per person, on sale at the Religious Article Shoppe and at the Parish Office.

Single/divorced/Widowed

The Widow and Widowers of Broward County will have a social gathering with dancing and refreshments on Oct. 6 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Wilton Manor Recreation Center in Wilton Manor. For information call 733-4274 or 561-4867.

The St. Juliana Church Separated and Divorced Support Group will meet each Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at St. Juliana Church in West Palm Beach. For info call Reggie at 471-5355.

The Dominican Retreat House will hold a retreat for separated and divorced men and women on Oct. 5-6. Call 238-2711.

The North Dade Catholic Support Group for the separated and divorced activities include a meeting Oct. 4th and a social at 8 p.m. at St. Rose of Lima at 4th and 105th St.

Catholic Alumni Club invites singles to a "Western Party" with square dancing, country music, and refreshments on Oct. 18th at the Church of the Little Flower (Old Church Building), 1270 Anastasia Avenue, Coral Gables, beginning 8:00 p.m. Admission \$5.00.

The Dade Catholic Singles' Club will be hosting a Halloween party on Oct. 26 at 1037 Hunting Lodge Drive, Miami Springs. \$4 advance. \$5 door.

Bazaars

The Women's Club of Our Lady of the Lakes Parish, 15801 N.W. 67th Ave. in Miami Lakes holds annual rummage sale Oct. 19 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in parish center.

Boystown of Florida is having a rummage sale on Saturday, October 5, 1985 at 11400 S.W. 137 Ave., Miami, Florida. From: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. mobilehomes, cars, furniture, boats, appliances, pianos, musical instruments, clothing. For information call: 385-1722.

Potpourri

St. Boniface Women's Club will hold a game

party on Oct. 1st at 7:30 p.m. at the parish hall, 8330 Johnson St., Pembroke Pine. Donation \$2.

Catholic Youth in Action, a new youth group, will show the film "Alleluia Kid" starring Phillip Michael Thomas of "Miami Vice," at the St. Paul the Apostle Education building, 2700 N.E. 36th St., Lighthouse Point at 7 p.m. Oct. 13. Grades 9-12 invited. Free. For further info call 785-8127.

St. Paul of the Cross Church inviting people to spend an evening with Joseph Girzone the author of "Joshua" on Oct. 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Chaminade College Preparatory School and Madonna Academy will be holding their annual Chamadonna Fashion Show on Nov. 9, 11 a.m. at the Emerald Hills Country Club. Tickets \$25 sold on limited basis. For further information contact Mrs. Christine Silla at 687-6163 or Mrs. Gail Hackinson at 651-5620.

The Men's Club of St. Bartholomew Catholic Church is celebrating St. Bartholomew School's 20th Anniversary with a golf/tennis outing and dinner/dance to be held at Miramar Country Club on Saturday, Nov. 9. Golf for one and dinner for two and drinks ticket package is available for \$75 donation. Golf only, and dinner only tickets are also available. For tickets and info, call Cy 431-0589, or Jim 432-1452.

St. Bartholomew Women's Club will hold its 20th Annual Fashion Show at Vinnie's Restaurant 2101 S. University Drive Davie, on Oct. 19. Door prizes: Donation \$15.00 Details: 432-2926 -983-5496.

Court Holy Spirit No.1912, C.D. of A. will sponsor a Dessert Card Party on Oct. 26th at St. Elizabeth's Gardens, Noon. Pompano Beach, Donation \$1.50. Anyone may attend -Proceeds for Charity - For Info contact 941-5546.

St. Henry's Men's Club is having a "Family Breakfast," Oct. 13th, at St. Henry's Parish Hall, 1500 South Andrews Avenue, Pompano Beach. Breakfast served from 8:30 until 1 p.m. Admission \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12.

Epiphany School founder dies

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found the order's first mission here, Epiphany, on SW 57 Ave., where she stayed two years, though she has visited several times since.

During a 25th anniversary Epiphany celebration, Mother, who was known not only for her administrative ability but for her kindness, wit and charm, recalled the early days here:

"Although we loved our little dark

green, ranch-type convent on Snapper Creek Drive, I admit to feeling a bit strange in the beginning, for we learned that a petition had been drawn up in an attempt to ban us from the area. The feeling of being unwanted was a new experience for us. An unexpected source of support, however, saved us, for two little old ladies refused to sign the petition saying, 'Let them live their lives. We could get worse.' In time peo-

ple who feared the Sisters became our staunchest friends.'

U.S. aid announced

Senator Paula Hawkins and Dorkas Hardy, assistant secretary to Human Development Services announced federal grants to senior citizens and day care centers in Florida Monday at the Catholic Community Services Senior Citizens Center, 9900 NE Second Ave., Miami Shores.

Musical show at St. John Neumann

The Joyful Noise Ensemble will present a musical version of the message of Christ as seen through the eyes of Peter in the production, "The Witness," at St. John Neumann Church Saturday, Oct. 19 at 8 p.m., 10801 SW 120 St., Miami. Admission free. Donation for the poor accepted.

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WHEN YOU SHOP MENTION VOICE

By David Gibson
NC News Service

From the crest of Bald Knob Mountain a panorama unfolds to transfix and excite you. From one end to the other, the valley below spans a distance of some 13 miles. From your elevated viewing point, one mountain's top yields to another and another, as far as the eye can see.

The first settlers in the valley deep in West Virginia's Alleghenies must have believed it was like the promised land that flowed with milk and honey. So they named it Canaan, after the place the Israelites settled thousands of years ago: "A land of hills and valleys that drinks in rain from the heavens, a land which the Lord, your God, looks after" (Deuteronomy 11:11-12).

To reach the crest of Bald Top, you ascend first past forested mountainsides and sloping fields richly decorated with millions of wild daisies. This winter paradise for skiers affords the luxury of a ski lift, even in summer.

But when the lift ends, the hiking begins in earnest. And just as young children begin to tire of their walk along a rocky forest trail, it opens onto a grassy field leading to the mountaintop.

You proceed along paths teeming with blueberries and raspberry bushes — more than anyone could imagine.

Children quicken their pace now, invigorated by the fresh air and a sense of adventure.

Reaching the mountaintop you scan the valley setting. But, as you contemplate it, something more is happening — something mysterious: It's as if creation speaks back, making its own impact, communicating a sense of peace or a feeling of refreshment.

Is this what you hoped for when you left home? Were you hoping a few vacation days would leave you rested... that you'd come home with a different perspective on problems... that you'd return with fresh commitment and energy?

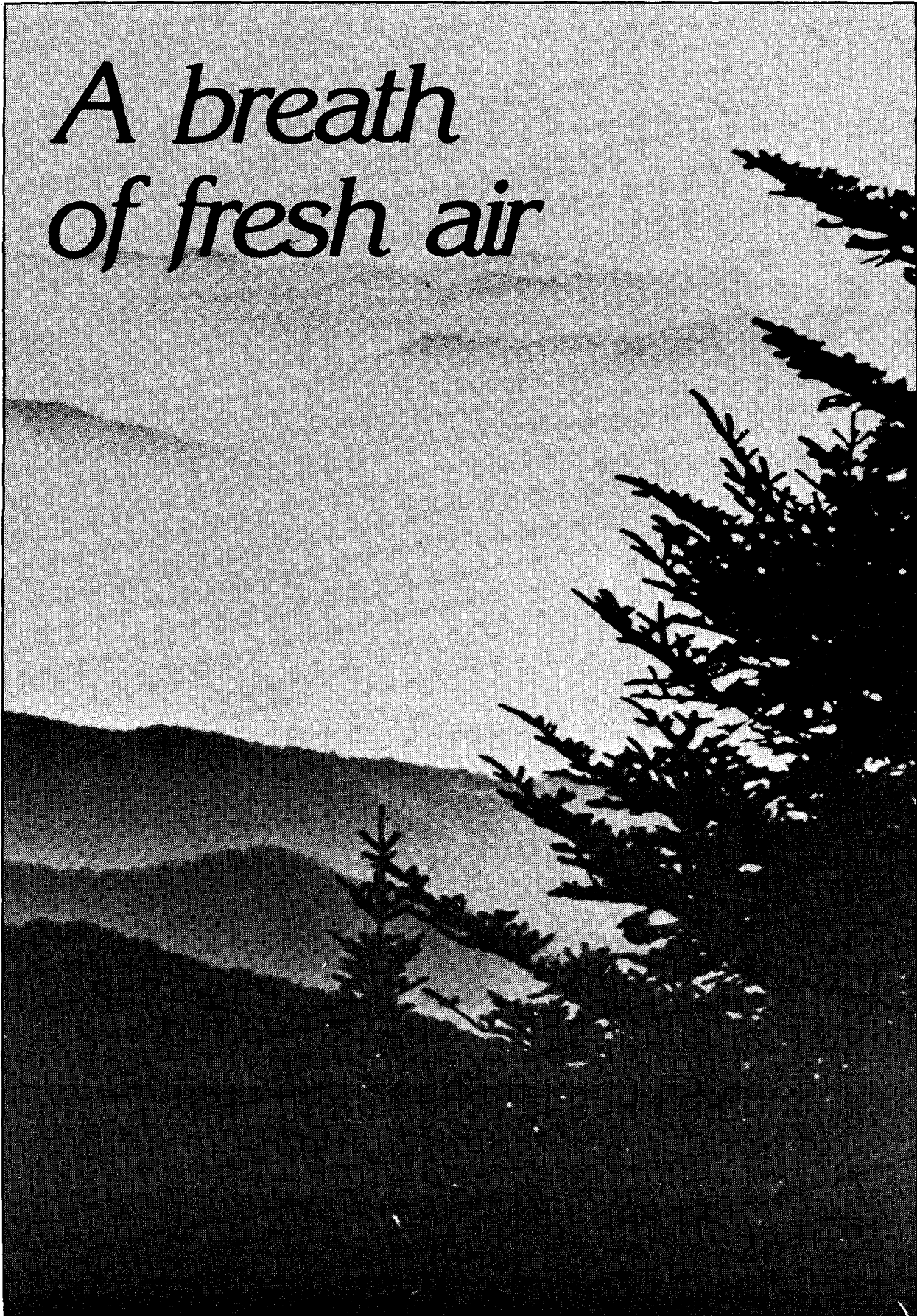
Were you hoping your spirit would be renewed?

It's no wonder that in its sacramental celebrations the church draws upon and transforms so many natural symbols in creation: the fresh grains bread is made of... the colorful grapes that become wine... the flowing waters of baptism: riches of the promised land. For you might say that

- The world has its own language: It can speak loudly.
- God's world is irresistibly attractive: It can exert a powerful draw.
- The world possesses a power: It can make quite an impact on people.

You can't discover all there is to know about the church's sacramental vision by sitting on the crest of a Bald Knob Mountain somewhere and allowing the goodness of God's world to make its impact on you. But you might find a clue there.

A breath of fresh air



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Why do I need to go to church?

By Father Lawrence Mick
NC News Service

"I don't need to go to church," she insisted. "I can talk to God taking a walk in the woods on Sunday morning." She was young, in college and in love with the outdoors.

I cautioned myself not to seem impatient as I began to answer. It was a fresh concern for her, though I had heard the same objection hundreds of times before in numerous variations: "I can find God better along the seashore... or watching a beautiful sunset... or just being with someone I love."

I tried to explain once again that Christian worship is much more than simply my personal relationship with God. God has called us into a community, into the body of Christ, and we gather as that body to worship together and to support one another.

At the same time, I wanted to affirm very strongly that there is something fundamentally Christian about the insight that we can find God in the material world, in creation at all levels and especially in human beings.

Father Ed Hays, in a recent edition of "The Forest Letter" (Shantivanam Press, Easton, Kan.), says: "Christianity is the only truly materialistic religion. And with Christianity we would include her holy mother, Judaism."

Calling Christianity "materialistic" probably would have shocked my young friend. But it is really just another way of saying that Christianity is an "incarnational" religion.

Our religion is radically based on the incarnation, the astounding fact that the Son of

'This is the basis of the sacraments: God has chosen created things as the means of divine grace...'

God took on human flesh and forever united heaven and earth. The fullest revelation of God that we have been given was found in Jesus in the form of a human being, the capstone of creation.

Even before the coming of Jesus, the Jewish people knew that God had created the world and "saw that it was good." In contrast to other world religions, the Judeo-Christian tradition does not seek to escape from the material world but to find God at the heart of creation.

Our tradition is not materialistic in the sense that it limits God to the material world but it does take the material, created world seriously as a primary means of encounter with God.

This insight is the basis of the sacraments celebrated in the church. God has chosen created things (water, bread, oil) and human encounters (sharing a meal, forgiving, anointing) as the means of divine grace. It is in and through creation that God is revealed to people and that God touches, heals and nourishes people.

The liturgical renewal in the church has led us to emphasize our experience of the rich realities we call sacraments. In order that the symbols

themselves can speak to us in all their richness, the church urges us to use them more fully and abundantly.

We now receive both bread and wine; we use sweet smelling oil for anointing; we impose hands in penance and in the anointing of the sick; we use water in abundance for baptism, even baptizing by immersion at times.

The more we appreciate each of these symbolic gestures, the richer our worship becomes. The richer our worship becomes, the deeper our appreciation of the world around us becomes.

Thus, the church's worship invites people to embrace a sacramental vision of the world. The sacraments we celebrate are meant to be a deep and intense experience in which God can be met through creation and especially through human encounters.

Walking in the woods or watching a sunset or talking with a friend are not substitutes for worship with the assembly that is the church but they are linked to that worship.

In fact, such experiences of God's presence in the world around us can prepare us to experience the sacraments more fully. What's more, sacramental worship ought to make us more aware of the God who can be found at the heart of the creation.

"So go often to the woods and share deeply with all who cross your path through life," I told my young friend. "Then come and bring those rich experiences to our common worship, where together we can praise the God whom we meet in the most surprising places — sometimes even in church!"

Sacraments

And the spiritual heritage of Indians

By Joe Michael Feist
NC News Service

To American Indians, said Father Collins Jordan, "all of Mother Earth is considered sacred, and whatever she produces. The environment is sacred and there's a feeling that it's better not to disturb what God created. Rocks and animals are sacred, so much so that Indians will even take the name of an animal."

In a real sense, he added, the spiritual heritage of Indians reveals a sacramental vision.

Father Jordan is a descendant of the famous Chief Red Cloud of the Oglala Sioux and of Chief Hollow Horn Bear of the Brule Sioux. In June he became the first native American to be ordained a priest for the Diocese of Rapid City, S.D.

A teacher and basketball coach for more than 40 years, Father Jordan, 68, ministers to the



A young Indian woman prays during a candle-light vigil at a Minnesota conference on Kateri Tekakwitha, first native American to be beatified. (NC photo)

That mystery, he indicated, translates to a reverence for all creation. To Indians, everything is a gift that should be used carefully.

"The way our modern world looks at nature is as a treasure trove that you can exploit so long as you have the technology," Father Zuern said. "Indians are closer to the seasons, the cycles of life. With them it's more a case of adjusting to what the Creator has provided."

Father Zuern indicated that the Caucasian culture could learn much from many aspects of Indian culture. And he indicated that missionaries

'They had a sense, no matter what they were doing, of giving with a sense of the Creator at all times.'

'To Indians, everything is a gift that should be used carefully.'

Spring Creek and Two Strike communities on the Rosebud Indian Reservation in south-central South Dakota.

In an interview, the priest described the spirituality of Indians as "almost pantheistic" — the doctrine that all physical laws and forces and manifestations are God.

But in another sense, Father Jordan commented, the religious beliefs of Indians are similar to the Catholic belief in sacramentality — the idea that God is present and works on our behalf in and through visible, material realities.

"Yes, (Indians) would see that — using sacra-

ment as a sign of divinity, seeing God in everything around them," agreed Jesuit Father Ted Zuern. He is associate director of the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions, which represents the church in its apostolate to American Indians.

The bureau is headquartered in a red brick house, once owned by philanthropist Katherine Drexel, in downtown Washington, D.C.

Father Zuern, who has worked for more than 30 years in social, pastoral and educational concerns in a number of Indian communities, noted that Indians never lost the feeling of mystery and awe associated with the universe.

Moreover, he added, they are "a people capable of living with that mystery. In our modern world, there is something that dislikes mystery. We're always seeking a technical answer to everything."

need to know how to build on many of these religious values among the people.

In addition to the reverence for all creation, he cited the importance of the extended family to Indians, the great sense of community and the respect and love for older generations.

The idea of family was, and is paramount, he said. In the Sioux tribe, children addressed the brothers of their father as father. All the sisters of the mother were also called mother. Therefore, you had no first cousins, only brothers and sisters.

Also important, he added, is the Indians' sense that prayer is proper at all times. "They had a sense, no matter what they were doing, of giving thanks. There was a living with a sense of the Creator at all times. And there was a relationship there between the Creator and themselves."

A vision for the world

By Katharine Bird
NC News Service

Across the fields of wild flowers, he looked down on the weary faces of the 5,000 who had followed him onto the hillside. Some, tossing their sandals aside, leaned against each other for support. Their garments, stained with dust and sweat, showed the effects of a long day in the steaming spring sun.

Beyond the crowd rippled the waves on the Sea of Galilee, an occasional fish jumping up to say mockingly, "Come, Join me! It's cool here." The sweet scent of orange blossoms perfumed the air.

The people were fascinated by this great teacher and miracle worker. They were all talking about his power to cure the sick and heal the maimed. He taught about the kingdom in simple stories tuned to the life they knew so well.

He knew the crowd was hungry and thirsty. But he also sensed that the people needed more than physical nourishment, for he noticed how each group closed ranks against the strangers all around.

"Where shall we buy bread?" He asked the disciples. They replied, discouragingly, "It's impossible. Not even 200 days' wages would be enough to feed so many."

Hearing that exchange, a small boy stepped up with a basket of five barley loaves and a couple of dried fish. "These were for my family," the boy said to the man. "They are yours now."

Seeing this, two adults near the boy reached into the folds

of their cloaks, pulled out bread and figs and offered them to the people nearby.

Soon the hillside rang with chatter as people began to share food with those who had none.

At the meal's end, the disciples gathered up what remained.

That retelling of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes is a favorite of Jesuit Father Peter Henriot, who turned to it in a recent homily. Recognizing that this is only one possible approach to the account, he said he likes it because it helps him to focus on the story's meaning.

The meaning of the story — that Jesus nourishes his people, that they in turn become nourished like him — has interested the church in a special way for many centuries.

Scripture scholar Father John Castelot says scripture scholars would agree that Jesus fed the people in an incredible and wondrous manner.

But, Father Castelot added, these scholars don't know in a detailed way exactly "how" the multiplication happened and have speculated about it in a number of ways.

Father Henriot thinks it is

truly wondrous that "people's hearts were changed" by this event. He is director of the Center of Concern, a peace-and-justice research and education group in Washington, D.C.

Father Henriot noted that the miracle is told in all four Gospels. This shows that the disciples and the first Christians recognized its importance.

Long considered a foreshadowing of the Eucharist, it is a key to Jesus' vision for the world, Father Henriot said.

"The scene is one of compassion: Jesus had pity on hungry people and responded to their needs," the priest said. But Jesus "saw deeper than their physical needs. He spoke to their need to grow in love of each other." Jesus satisfied their hunger to be "more fully human by being more fully loving and sharing their gifts."

That vision of Jesus holds true for today as well.

"We gather in the Eucharist to be fed, not simply for our own nourishment, but to go out and feed others," Father Henriot suggested. "Celebrating as a community strengthens us to share our gifts with others."

HUNGER: 'Heed a certain call'

WE ARE THE WORLD

There comes a time when we heed a certain call
When the world must come together as one
There are people dying
Oh and it's time to lend a hand to life
The greatest gift of all.

We can't go on pretending day by day
That someone, somewhere will soon make a change
We are all a part of God's great big family
And the truth you know
Love is all we need.

(Refrain)

We are the world
We are the children
We are the ones who make a brighter day
So let's start giving
There's a choice we're making
We're saving our own lives
It's true we'll make a better day
Just you and me.

Well send them your heart
So they know that someone cares
And their lives will be stronger and free
As God has shown us
By turning stone to bread
And so we all must lend a helping hand.

(Repeat Refrain)

When you're down and out
There seems no hope at all
But if you just believe
There's no way we can fall
Well, well, well, well let us realize
That a change can only come
When we stand together as one.

(Repeat Refrain)

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Food came too late for Abdulla, who died on the street in Khula, India at the age of 4. The 'right to eat' has been declared by the U.S. Bishops as inextricably linked with 'the right to life.'

By Charles Martin

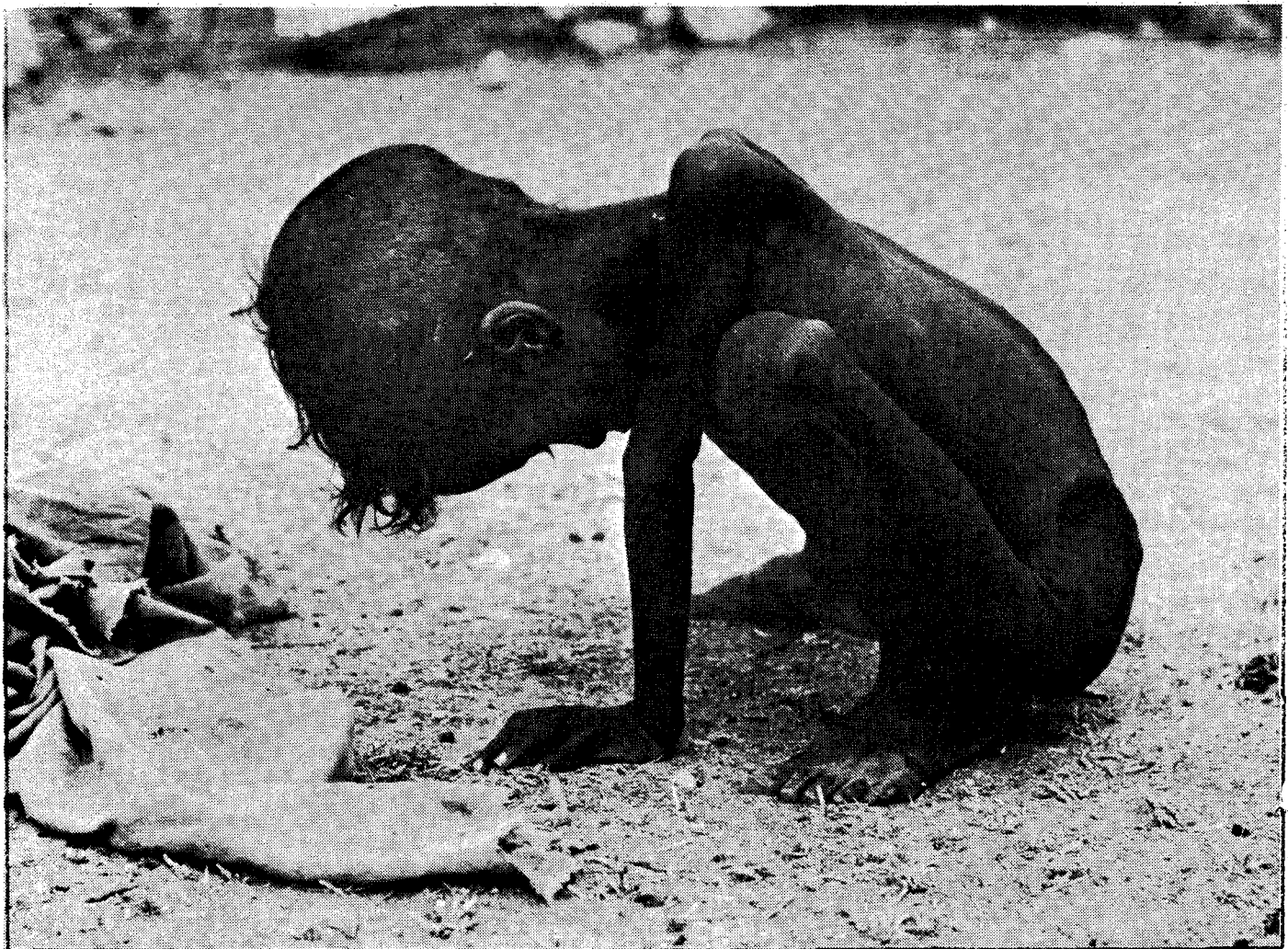
'We are the World' was a song that held onto the number one spot on the charts longer than any other recording in 1985. It is a song whose message must not be forgotten. Perhaps it is time for all of us to 'heed a certain call.'

The song helped familiarize us with hunger's impact on the lives of many people. The problem of hunger is complex. Yet we cannot let its complexity keep us from responding.

The song puts the challenge directly before each person: "We can't go on pretending day by day that someone, somewhere will soon make a change." If global hunger is to be overcome, effort from everyone will be required.

The statistics on hunger reveal there is a long painful battle ahead:

- One-half the world is hungry or malnourished.
- Seven persons die each minute, 10,000 each day, 3½ million each month, 40,000,000 each year.
- An average dog in North America has a higher protein intake than an average child in India.
- Human protein intake in North America is 66 grams a day; 8 grams in the Far East.
- Two of every five adults in the world are illiterate.
- 40% of the population of the underdeveloped world is made up of people under 15 years old.
- Undernourished infants may have 40% fewer brain cells than adequately nourished babies. This is significant in that the most critical period for the developing human brain appears to be from birth to six months of age.
- Starvation often begins with a deficiency of just one food nutrient — protein. Although other nutrients such as starches, sugars, and fats may be available, protein deficiency alone will cause loss of appetite and severe diarrhea. The protein deficient person can barely bring himself to eat anything at all.
- 10 million Americans are chronically malnourished.
- 30 million Americans live at the "poverty line."
- Two out of every three poor Americans are white. 1/3 of all Americans over 65 are poor. Half of America's poor live in the southern and border states.



'To love one's neighbor as oneself is a greater thing than all the holocausts and sacrifices.' Mark 12:33.

- 71% of all poor American families have four or more children, and though 2/3s of all poor mothers are married and living with their husbands, 1/2 the husbands do not hold regular jobs.
- Life expectancy in the underdeveloped world averages 45 years, compared with nearly 80 years in the United States.
- In Africa only one child in three gets any schooling. Fewer than 5% get as far as secondary education.
- An Indian nutrition expert, Dr. Parpia, estimates that in India the loss of food grains caused by insects, pests, poor storage facilities and faulty handling, ranges between 40 and 50%.

• In some countries 70% of a worker's wage may be needed to purchase only the calories he and his family require, without giving special consideration to their protein and other nutrient requirements (FAO — Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN).

What can we do? I suggest these practical steps:

- First, hunger is both a personal and a political problem. We must work through the political process to effectively respond to the suffering. I encourage people to write their

representatives in Congress to change the focus of national priorities. Food for the hungry must become more important.

- The hungry need financial help. Find out what your parish or diocese is doing. Then design your own giving plan. For instance: forego one movie a month or one week going out to dinner and send the money to aid hunger victims.

- The problem of hunger should teach us new respect for food. Cut down on food waste.