

Parishes to help legalize aliens

From Voice Staff and News Service Reports

Catholic parishes will be the first stop for many South Florida immigrants journeying toward legalization, according to guidelines issued this week by the Archdiocese of Miami.

The Archdiocese's office of Catholic Community Services (CCS) is one of 250 agencies nationwide which have been selected by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) to help with the legalization process called for by the new Immigration Law.

The process begins May 5. CCS is the only Catholic agency in South

Florida where illegal aliens who wish to legalize their status may apply.

To make things easier for them, preliminary application forms are being sent to every parish, which in turn will distribute them to the immigrants. Applications also will be available at any CCS office in Dade and Broward including family, elderly and day care centers.

The parishes themselves won't be processing any applications, however. After getting their applications, immigrants are to fill them out and mail them to the Archdiocesan Office of Migration and Refugee Services. (For

'Family members are not at risk... We will not give information collected in the application process to our enforcement arm'

—Mark Everson, INS



information, call 324-1104). "We'll do an initial processing, then call people in for interviews and

complete the formal application," said Msgr. Bryan Walsh, executive director
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Catholic high schoolers do better--study

NEW ORLEANS (NC) — Catholic high school students do better and are less likely to drop out than their public and private school counterparts, largely because of the community climate enveloping the schools, a new study said.

Catholic educators met here April 20-23 to envision a grand future for their schools in the next century and to consider practical ways to get those schools through today.

The National Catholic Educational Association drew more than 14,000 people to New Orleans for its 84th annual convention.

Sister Catherine T. McNamee, NCEA president, said Catholic educators can be the leaders of the 21st century because they have "the commitment, the dedication" and are "probably the only ones who can raise the right questions" about ethics and values in the new high-tech world. Sister McNamee, a member of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and the first woman to head the NCEA, opened the convention with her keynote address.

The study, "Public and Private High Schools: The Impact of Communities," by James S. Coleman and Thomas Hoffer, was published in a book in April. Coleman and Hoffer have written a number of books on education, particularly private education.

At a press conference at the National Educational Association convention in New Orleans, Hoffer said that the latest study of students from sophomore to senior years found Catholic school students are "about an additional year ahead in math, reading, comprehension and writing."

There is no significant Catholic school effect in science and civics, he said.

Also, Catholic school students are "about 10 percent less likely to drop out than public school students and about 8 percent less likely than other private school students," Hoffer said.

He added, however, that the sample of non-Catholic private school students studied was small.

The new study also looked at seniors making the
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Gourmet Baptism?

Little Andres Nicolas Rodriguez makes quite a 'dish' as he is baptised in a paella tub by Father Jose Luis Menendez at the Catholic Youth Center during Easter Vigil. There is no baptismal font at the Youth Center. (La Voz photo by Araceli Cantero)

World Synod may air women deacons

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Some bishops' conferences have asked that the October world Synod of Bishops discuss ordaining women to the permanent diaconate, said Archbishop Jan Schotte, general secretary of the synod, at a press conference making public the synod's 18,000-word working document.

The request is part of a general interest by bishops in examining the overall role of women in the church, he said at an April 28 Vatican press conference on the synod.

The synod's topic is the role of the laity in the church and the world.

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--Abp. Schotte

About 230 bishops are scheduled to attend the October meeting.

Archbishop Schotte said that one of the chief items of discussion will be lay Catholics who are not involved in church groups or evangelism.

The working document was drawn from answers to a 1985 Vatican ques-

tionnaire sent to the world's bishops' conferences. It was prepared by the synod's General Secretariat.

Archbishop Schotte said 80 answers were received from a possible 142. These included replies from bishops' conferences in the United States, Canada and all Western European

countries, he said.

"Some answers state very expressly the issue of the participation of women in church decisions," Archbishop Schotte said in a prepared statement which he read to reporters.

"Others asked for a discussion on the access of women to the ordained ministry (acolyte, lector and permanent deacon)," he said.

"On the whole, the answers on the women's issue were not given in terms of a feminist revindication, but as a necessary deepening of the authentic and specific role of women in society
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National Briefs

Salvador bishop: Deporting refugees helps Communists

NEW YORK (NC) — The president of the Salvadoran bishops' conference warned that the United States will contribute to a communist takeover of his country if it forces Salvadoran refugees to return.

Bishop Marco Rene Revelo Contreras of Santa Ana, speaking through an interpreter, said Salvadoran refugees forced to return home by the new U.S. immigration law would add to the pool of unemployed and increase other social problems, and some would join the guerrillas.

He said if the guerrillas are victorious they would establish a "Marxist-Leninist" government "worse" than Nicaragua's government. He also said the guerrillas are the primary obstacle to dialogue.

Bishop Revelo was interviewed at the Northeast Pastoral Center following a luncheon for him and Archbishop Arturo Rivera Damas of San Salvador.

The clergymen were in New York to receive an award from UNICEF for the Salvadoran church's efforts on behalf of their country's children, particularly their success in arranging periods of truce when children could be vaccinated.

But in remarks at the luncheon, Archbishop

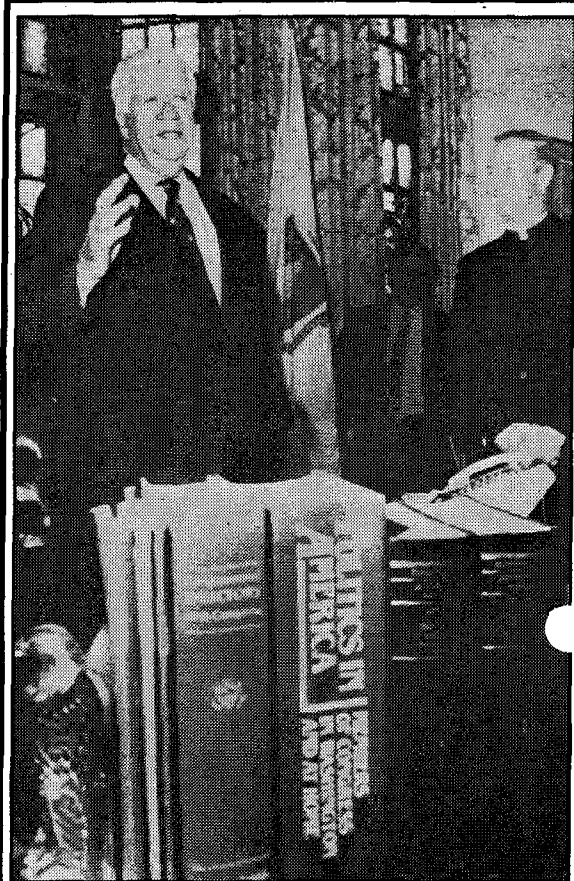
Rivera Damas, also speaking through an interpreter, said their main reason for visiting was to talk with U.S. church leaders about the "many problems" created by the immigration law.

Estimates of the number of Salvadorans in the United States range from 500,000 to 1 million. A high percentage have come since 1982 and therefore are ineligible for amnesty under the 1986 Immigration Reform and Control Act.

The money Salvadorans send back to their families constitutes a significant portion of El Salvador's national income, and for that reason, as well as the employment problem, the Salvadoran government has asked U.S. officials about securing an exemption from the 1986 law for Salvadorans. Archbishop Rivera Damas also has asked for them to be given special consideration.

In Washington, Duke Austin, press spokesman for the Immigration and Naturalization Service, said the same argument could be made "for any economically depressed country."

Austin also said only 4,000-5,000 people are returned to El Salvador each year, and the 1986 law "will not result in mass deportations."



From hill to Boston

Father J. Donald Monan, president of Boston College, listens as former Speaker of the House Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill, D-Mass., reminisces about his years in Congress in the re-creation of his Capitol Hill office. The contents of the entire office, including the desk once used by President Grover Cleveland, have been set up at Boston College, O'Neill's alma mater. (NC/UPI photo)

Three bishops will risk arrest for anti-nuclear protest

WASHINGTON (NC) — As many as three U.S. bishops face possible arrest May 5 for planned acts of civil disobedience in a major anti-war protest scheduled at the Nevada nuclear test site. Auxiliary Bishop Thomas Gumbleton of Detroit, president of Pax Christi USA, plans to be arrested during the protest, according to Pax Christi. Possibly joining him in civil disobedience will be retired Bishop Maurice J. Dingman of Des Moines, Iowa, and retired Bishop Charles A. Buswell of Pueblo, Colo. The demonstration, sponsored by Pax Christi and Nevada Desert Experience, a peace organization based in Las Vegas, will mark the fourth anniversary of approval of the U.S. bishops' May 1983 pastoral letter on war and peace.

Maryknoll resolution gets 'unusual' corporate support

NEW YORK (NC) — A Maryknoll-sponsored stockholder resolution at the Citicorp annual meeting in New York on the new corporate responsibility issue of "capital flight" won 12.3 percent of the vote, a figure a Maryknoll official called an unusual achievement for church agencies. Maryknoll Father John Geitner, associate director of the Maryknoll Justice and Peace Office, said after the meeting that this was the first year a resolution on capital flight had been offered, and it got the largest vote percentage of any resolution he had dealt with in his five years of corporate responsibility work. Father Geitner said capital flight had become a matter of moral concern because military juntas, "soon-to-be-deposed dictatorships," drug dealers and others send capital out of poor countries rather than use it to develop the local economy. This, he said, leads to "paralysis of their economies" and human suffering.

Father Curran: I'm fighting for 'long-term good' of Church

NEW YORK (NC) — Father Charles E. Curran, writing in a special issue of *America* magazine, said he continues to fight his removal from teaching because "I believe that I am working in the long term for the good of the Catholic Church." *America*, a national review published in New York by the Jesuits, devoted its April 25 issue to the Curran controversy, publishing four articles on the case, including one by Father Curran. Father Curran, a moral theologian, faces loss of his teaching post at The Catholic University of America over his dissent from certain official church teachings.

Texas bishops: School clinics 'unwittingly' sanction teen sex

AUSTIN, Texas (NC) — School-based health clinics that dispense contraceptives "unwittingly" sanction teen sexual activity, said the Texas bishops. "The Judeo-Christian tradition teaches that the use of sex is a right and privilege the Creator intends only for those who are married," the bishops said. School clinics providing students with artificial means of birth control "undermine this commonly held value and unwittingly approve of teen sexual activity," they said.

Bishop urges Americans not to forget strife-torn Lebanon

WASHINGTON (NC) — Lebanon deserves continued attention from Americans because of the "tragic events" in that Middle East nation, a U.S. Maronite priest told a House subcommittee. Most Lebanese take no part in the sectarian violence devastating their nation in which "more than 100,000 have been killed" and thousands more maimed, said the priest, Msgr. Seely Beggiani. Msgr. Beggiani presented testimony to the Appropriations Committee's Subcommittee on Foreign Operations.

Priest's adoption story to be turned into TV movie

WASHINGTON (NC) — Father George Clements, the Chicago priest who has adopted three sons, hopes that a forthcoming NBC made-for-TV movie on his life will "inspire black adults to adopt homeless black children." He also hopes that the movie will publicize "One Church, One Child," the adoption program he founded in 1980 to find homes for hard-to-place black children. The film, to be broadcast sometime during the 1987-88 television season, will star Louis Gossett Jr. and Malcolm-Jamal Warner.

Judge: Churches can't get pregnancy prevention funds

WASHINGTON (NC) — A federal judge, ruling on a government program aimed at preventing teenage pregnancies, said that funding church agencies under the program is unconstitutional. U.S. District Judge Charles R. Richey ruled that the provision of the Adolescent Family Life Act allowing religious groups to get money for pregnancy prevention efforts violated the First Amendment's mandate of separation of church and state. Richey's ruling was promptly criticized by Mark E. Chopko, general counsel for the U.S. Catholic Conference, who said the program did not violate the Constitution.

Chastity takes practice, but it's for everyone, bishop says

BALTIMORE (NC) — "Chastity means the ability to live out our sexuality in its fullness, according to our state of life," said Archbishop William D. Borders of Baltimore in a pastoral letter, "Human Sexuality — A Catholic Perspective." "The unmarried person who practices abstinence from genital sexuality is living in the virtue of chastity. The married couple who have intercourse within the framework of a loving Christian marriage are practicing the virtue of chastity," said the archbishop. But development of the virtue takes practice. It is like learning "to play a musical instrument, which comes from effort and leads to an ease in doing what at first was difficult and not always successful," he said.

Neo-conservative Novak to teach at Notre Dame U.

WASHINGTON (NC) — Michael Novak, one of America's leading Catholic neo-conservative thinkers, is to teach at the University of Notre Dame in the 1987-88 school year. Novak is resident scholar in religion, philosophy and public policy at the American Enterprise Institute in Washington. In recent years he has been one of the leading critics of the two major national social pastorals of the U.S. bishops, their 1983 pastoral on war and peace and their 1986 pastoral on the economy.

Seattle priests urge 'full authority' for Abp. Hunthausen

SEATTLE (NC) — Priests of the Seattle Archdiocese have called again for restoration of full authority to Archbishop Raymond Hunthausen of Seattle, saying anything less would be "a compromise that we find unworthy of Christians." The Vatican-requested division of authority in the archdiocese "is manifestly unworkable and quite evidently destructive" and was based on "a woefully inaccurate judgment about our archbishop," the priests said. The priests' action came amid rumors that a Vatican decision would be made soon in the Hunthausen case.

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Survey of priests, nuns

Generally happy with vocations, would do it again

PHOENIX, Ariz. (NC) — Most priests and nuns of the Phoenix Diocese said they would choose the same vocation again if they could live their life over, according to a survey in *The Catholic Sun*, diocesan newspaper.

Both priests and nuns placed liturgy changes high among the best things that have happened in the church since the Second Vatican Council.

Many nuns mentioned the greater freedom of women Religious as one of the most outstanding changes in the postconciliar church. At the same time, lack of equality or respect for women in the church was the problem they cited most frequently.

Of 93 priests and 107 sisters who answered a survey by the newspaper, only one priest said he would definitely choose a different vocation, and no nuns said they would change for sure.

Small numbers in each group said they were not sure if they would choose the same vocation, but the vast majority — 84 percent of the priests and 93 percent of the nuns — said they would definitely make the same decision again.

The survey was sent to all priests and sisters in the diocese. Thirty-one percent of the priests and 39 percent of

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the nuns responded. The results were published in a series of articles in March and April.

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Fifty-five percent of the priests called morale a serious problem in the priesthood, and only 17 percent said it was not a problem. Only 10 percent of the sisters considered morale a serious problem for nuns, and 57 percent said it was not a problem.

Among the priests, 56 percent cited loneliness as a serious problem in the priesthood, while only 22 percent of the nuns considered loneliness a serious problem for women Religious.

Nuns also found inability to marry far less a problem for their vocation than did priests. Only a third of the priests said it was not a problem, while nearly two-thirds of the nuns said it was not a problem.

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Only a third of the nuns considered career limits no problem for women in religious life. Two-thirds of the priests found career limitations no problem for priests.

Vatican rules were a problem for 72 percent of the nuns, but that issue was rated a problem by only 59 percent of the priests. Among the nuns, 35 per-

cent considered the problem serious, while only 24 percent of the priests felt that way.

Responses varied greatly when the priests and nuns were asked to write out what they considered the most significant positive or negative changes in the church since they entered priesthood or religious life.

Some priests and nuns cited diversity, confusion and lack of respect for church authority as major negative changes, while others thought the main negative today was Rome's effort to impose more discipline and uniformity.

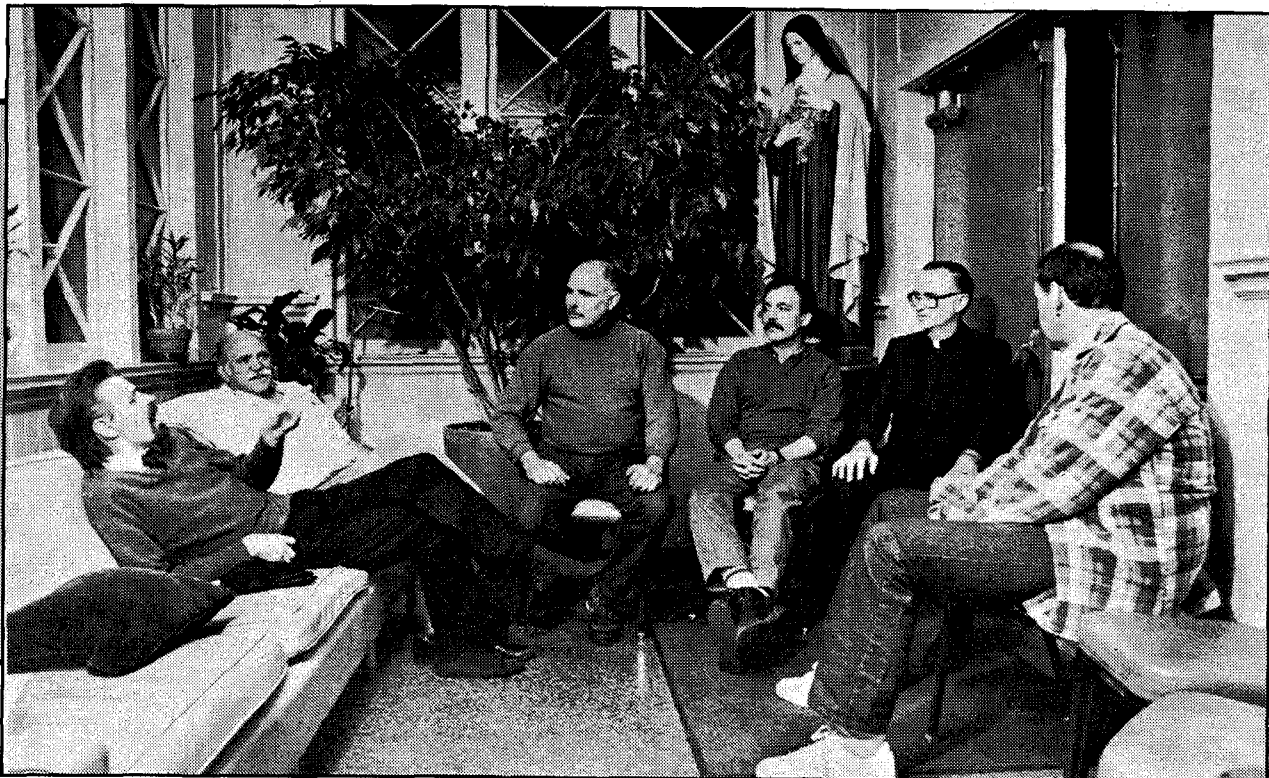
"Rome seems to be becoming increasingly authoritarian," wrote a priest in his late 60s. "The revival of the Spanish Inquisition" wrote a priest in his 40s, in apparent reference to recent disciplinary actions by the Vatican Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

When they were asked to list positive aspects of their vocations, a number of the priests and nuns cited opportunities for prayer, witness or service.

"Time for others, loving touches and shared ministry" was the appreciative summary by one pastor, a priest for 20 years.

Discussion of AIDS

Father Anthony McGuire sits in on an AIDS discussion at Most Holy Redeemer Church in San Francisco with five men who have AIDS symptoms. They meet weekly at the church for support and to exchange information. One man said they might all die from the disease. Archbishop John Quinn of San Francisco has urged the Pope to visit AIDS sufferers when he visits the city in September. See story, page 8. (NC photo)



Synod to discuss role of women

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and in the church," he added.

The working document did not mention the issue of women and the diaconate. It concentrated on the need to further examine the role of women as laity in the church.

Avoid discrimination

"The participation of women in the life and mission of the church is often more vast and committed than that of men. The church wishes to avoid every discrimination with regard to the dignity of all the laity — women and men," the document said.

The church feels the need to "promote the gifts and the responsibilities of women so that they might participate more fully in the activity of the church in her different tasks in the apostolate," it added.

This need parallels the general trend in society toward greater participation for women, it said.

An increased role for women in the church, however, must be seen within the overall picture of lay participation in the church, it added.

The document praised the greater awareness among lay people since the Second Vatican Council of their role

within the church but said the distinction between ordained and non-ordained ministries must not be blurred.

At the press conference, Archbishop Schotte said some laity have concentrated excessively on increasing their role within the church at the expense of their role in evangelizing a secular world.

He warned against diminishing the laity's role as a channel through which the church works in society.

Laity in world

The working document said a "renewed presence of the laity" is needed in secular society to overcome pressing temporal problems.

It cited "the search for peace in a world increasingly wounded by violence and tried by war, by terrorism, by torture, by concentration camps and by military interference in politics."

"The nuclear threat and the arms race weigh heavily on the destiny of humanity," it added.

The document also cited "the serious and diverse forms of discrimination and marginalization suffered by many persons or even entire groups of persons as a result of ethnic, social, economic, political, cultural or religious association."

The working document also praised increased lay participation "in the decision-making process of the church," especially at the local level through parish councils and diocesan and national synods.

But it warned the laity to "overcome some obstacles" such as "false democracy" and "an over-emphasis on the organizational and bureaucratic aspects to the detriment of the mission outlook."

The document did not define "false democracy."

It praised Catholic lay organizations for revitalizing themselves since the end of Vatican II.

"Various associations, such as confraternities, third orders, Catholic Action, international Catholic organizations, movements and groups are indeed valuable forms in church life," it said.

New groups

"New groups, communities and church movements are emerging and spreading with particular vigor," it added.

But this growth "requires a process of discernment for the church, both prudent and timely" to assure that the groups are truly Catholic.

The criteria for this discernment includes faithfulness to church teachings, unity with the pope and bishops and participation in the church's evangelical mission, the document said.

At the same time, the document notes that "a great number of believers limit themselves to a passive presence in the liturgy and the sacraments."

Archbishop Schotte said that a main synod concern will be examining the situation of individual lay people who are not active members of church groups or organized church evangelical efforts.

He called these people "the great silent multitude of lay faithful who perhaps do not know how to clearly express the meaning of their participation in the mission of the church but who nonetheless seek to live their faith with fervor in their daily lives."

At the press conference, Archbishop Schotte also released a letter from Pope John Paul II which was sent to the world's bishops along with the synod working document. In the letter, the pope said he was ordering the synod document to be made public "to encourage a further contribution consisting of investigation, attention, study and, above all, support through prayer and publicity."

World Briefs

Second peace summit set

KYOTO, Japan (NC) — At least 16 world religious leaders from 14 countries will participate in a "second religious summit on world peace" at a Buddhist temple near Kyoto Aug. 3-4.

Among those planning to attend is Cardinal Francis Arinze, president of the Vatican Secretariat for Non-Christian Religions. Pope John Paul II has been invited but has not said if he will attend.

The summit was proposed by the Enryakuji Buddhist Temple on Mount Hiei, which will celebrate its 1,200th anniversary this year.

Japanese religious groups formed the Council of Japanese Religionists to sponsor the summit as a follow-up to the pope's summit on world peace in Assisi, Italy, last October.

At Assisi, the Rev. Eitai Yamada, a leader at the Tendai School of Buddhism in Hieizama, Japan, suggested a second meeting. He invited world religious leaders and leaders of Japan's major religions: Buddhists, Shintoists and Christians.

"The meeting at Assisi was centered around prayer," he said in an interview in Japan's Mainichi newspaper. "At Hieizan we would like to emphasize human contacts and discussion."

Report: Only long-term aid will solve Africa's problems

LONDON (NC) — A report prepared for the English and Welsh bishops calls for changing church and government policies to provide long-term economic aid to Africa. It said emergency relief was an inadequate response to Africa's crisis because it addressed symptoms, not causes of the problems. The report, "Africa's Crisis and the Church in Britain," was to be considered by the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales at its April 27-30 meeting.

Thai Church could survive without missionaries — priest

BANGKOK, Thailand (NC) — Thai Catholics are ready to run their own church if the government continues a policy of reducing by 10 percent each year the number of missionaries entering the country, say church officials. The policy, which also affects Protestants, would shrink the number of Catholic missionaries to near zero in 20 years, said Father Chamnien Kitcharoen, vicar general of the Archdiocese of Bangkok. The Thai church has about 300 major seminarians, and 300 of its 450 priests are Thais. Its 200 foreign personnel include nuns, brothers and lay missionaries.

Swiss Protestants don't want Catholic bishop in Geneva

VATICAN CITY (NC) — The appointment of the first Swiss Catholic bishop to take up residence in Geneva since the Reformation has been greeted by protests from the city's Protestant community, Vatican Radio reported. "In the minds of many Protestants, even if they are not closely tied to the life of their church, Geneva is the city of [Protestant reformer John] Calvin," Bishop Amadeus Grab, named auxiliary bishop of the Diocese of Lausanne, Geneva and Fribourg, said in an interview with the radio station. "This image seems to be compromised by the presence of a Catholic bishop."

Banning altar girls at Pope's Mass bothers some Germans

FRANKFURT, West Germany (NC) — A plan to exclude altar girls from church services in a West German diocese during Pope John Paul II's upcoming visit has been criticized by several of the country's parishes, a West German newspaper reported. "Several parishes, where girls have been serving as altar girls for a long time, so far have voiced their displeasure over the exclusion of the girls," the German daily Frankfurter Rundschau reported. The controversy has occurred in the Diocese of Essen, where the pope is to visit during his five-day visit to West Germany, which began April 30.



Free the children

Archbishop Dennis Hurley of Durban, South Africa, carrying a large wooden cross, leads a Good Friday procession of 600 through a Durban street. Participants carried 49 smaller crosses symbolizing the children being detained by the government and appealing for their release. (NC/UPI-Reuter photo)

Edith Stein's Niece has 'mixed feelings' about beatification

WASHINGTON (NC) — The Jewish niece of Edith Stein says she will attend her aunt's beatification ceremony in Cologne, West Germany, "with mixed feelings." Susanne M. Batzdorff, a free-lance writer and poet living in California, said memories of how her aunt's conversion from Judaism to Catholicism affected her family "will inevitably intrude upon the present." Pope John Paul II is scheduled to officiate at the beatification May 1 during a five-day trip to West Germany. The Vatican said that Edith Stein, who died as Carmelite Sister Teresa Benedicta of the Cross in the Nazi concentration camp at Auschwitz, was a martyr for her faith. Others, including her American Jewish biographer, James Baaden, claim she died because of her Jewish heritage. "I tend to agree with him," Mrs. Batzdorff told NC News.

Czechoslovakian priest gets jail term for saying Mass

VATICAN CITY (NC) — A priest from Czechoslovakia has been sentenced to eight months in prison for celebrating Mass in a private home, Vatican Radio reported. Father Stefan Javorsky, a 62-year-old Salesian, was convicted April 6 in the northern city of Poprad, the radio said. A court there ruled the priest had not obtained state permission for the Mass. Father Javorsky has appealed the decision, Vatican Radio said. He was previously convicted and sentenced in 1975 and 1981, and Czechoslovakian authorities consider him suspended from normal priestly functions. Czechoslovakia, an East European nation, has conducted a policy of harsh religious suppression and maintains strict limits on church activity.

German priest was more than anti-Nazi, Jesuit head says

ROME (NC) — A German Jesuit priest to be beatified by Pope John Paul II not only strongly opposed Nazis, but was committed to the poor and oppressed, said Jesuit superior general Father Peter-Hans Kolvenbach. Father Kolvenbach said Father Rupert Mayer was "an extraordinary man" whose "proclamation of the Good News was intimately tied to a commitment in favor of the poor and of the oppressed." Father Kolvenbach's statement was mailed in March to the members of the society. The pope is to beatify Father Mayer May 3 in Munich, West Germany, the city where the Jesuit worked with the poor and publicly opposed Adolf Hitler and the Nazi party.

Philippine bishop: Political arguments splitting Church

DAVAO CITY, Philippines (NC) — Debate over anti-communist vigilante groups and the government's war against Marxist insurgents is polarizing the Philippine church, said Archbishop Jesus A. Dosado of Ozamiz. Archbishop Dosado made his statement after Archbishop Antonio Mabutias of Davao said that he supports Davao City's Alsa Masa (People's Uprising), the best-known anti-communist vigilante group in the country. At the other end of the spectrum, a Mindanao leftist organization which includes Catholic clergy has accused the Philippine bishops of uncritically supporting the government's anti-insurgency campaign. Archbishop Dosado urged the hierarchy to focus on hunger, injustice and inequality, rather than politics. He described himself and his priests as "neither pro-left nor pro-right, but believing in the preferential option for the poor."

Chilean bishops: Pope's visit helped to reconcile nation

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Pope John Paul II's visit to Chile aided efforts at reconciliation, said the Chilean bishops in a statement assessing the April 1-6 papal trip. "He made us feel that Chileans could understand each other, love each other and be happy," said a statement issued by the executive committee of the Chilean bishops' conference. "He spoke to us of culture and justice, of reconciliation and life," the statement said. The bishops pledged to build on the pope's visit by trying to heal the divisions in the politically torn country.

Cardinal reveals Vatican is not as rich as everyone thinks

VATICAN CITY (NC) — The Vatican's financial holdings, including real estate, total about \$570 million, but less than half of the amount produces income, said Cardinal Giuseppe Caprio, a top Vatican financial official. It was the first time a Vatican official has publicly revealed the amount of the Holy See's "patrimony" of investments and land holdings. Cardinal Caprio said the disclosure should help put an end to the "rumors about the immense riches of the Vatican." "As you can see, we have nothing to hide," he said in a rare interview published by an Italian financial newspaper. Over the years, some press estimates of the worth of the "patrimony" have exceeded \$10 billion.

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Vatican budget mystery

By Agostino Bono

VATICAN CITY (NC) — The Vatican is in the midst of a major effort to get the world's 855 million Catholics to increase voluntary contributions aimed at covering the Vatican's yearly operating budget shortfall.

It has sent letters to the world's bishops outlining the problem. It has published isolated figures showing how rapidly the shortfall increases from year to year. Well-respected cardinals have given interviews debunking the notion of excessive Vatican wealth.

But what the Vatican has not done is publish its complete yearly budget, showing detailed breakdowns of income and expenses. Why this has not been done is a mystery.

Full disclosure is favored by a 14-member papally appointed council of cardinals studying Vatican finances. It is favored by Italian Cardinal Giuseppe Caprio, president of the Prefecture for Economic Affairs of the Holy See, who puts together the annual budget for Vatican departments.

It is even favored by Pope John Paul II.

"I am in agreement. This should be clear," the pope said during a recent press conference when asked if he agreed with church officials advocating full disclosure as a way to increase contributions to the Vatican.

But he also said he does not have the final say in the matter, indicating the man with the key to the mystery is his secretary of state, Cardinal Agostino Casaroli.

"On these themes, it is better to talk to Cardinal Casaroli because he is more competent than I am," the pope said, referring to his delegation of budget authority to the cardinal several years ago.

The delegation was part of a general papal plan to decentralize authority on administrative matters so as to leave the pope with more time to concentrate on universal church issues and problems.

So far, Cardinal Casaroli has been silent as to why detailed budgets have

Magazine: Media should tone down suicide coverage

ROME (NC) — The mass media should downplay news of suicides because widespread reporting of such incidents sparks chain-reaction imitations, said the Jesuit magazine, *La Civiltà Cattolica*.

"The extremely negative impact that news of suicides committed by young people or by very well-known and admired persons have on psychologically unstable persons is well documented," said an editorial in the magazine.

"Justifiably, therefore, some suggest that news of suicides not be given or that at best they be limited to the bare information without adding details," it said.

The magazine cited the recent joint suicides of four teen-agers in Bergenfield, N.J., saying this caused several other youths in the United States to commit similar actions.

La Civiltà Cattolica editorials often reflect the thinking of high-ranking Vatican officials.

The editorial reiterated the church's moral condemnation of suicide. But it added that the church's attitude toward people committing suicide has evolved based on psychological research indicating that many people committing suicide are not in the proper mental state to understand their actions.

Pope, cardinals all want full disclosure of Church finances, but it hasn't happened yet

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Cardinal John Krol,
Philadelphia



not been made public.

Puzzling silence

The silence is puzzling to church officials who argue for full disclosure and have access to the yearly budget figures. Their argument is that full disclosure would help raise funds because it would show that the money is going for needed church expenses which cannot be reduced. They add that full disclosure would also end speculation that the Vatican has much to hide about its finances.

Officially, the Vatican has limited itself to publishing incomplete figures showing overall spending and income.

The emphasis has been on the growing yearly shortfall. It was \$20 million in 1979, the first year figures were published. This jumped to \$56 million in 1986. The Vatican estimates the 1987 shortfall at \$63 million.

To get around the situation, several cardinals have been making public additional pieces of financial information.

One of the latest to do this was Cardinal Caprio. In an April Italian newspaper interview, he said a main reason for the sharp rise in Vatican expenses has been the increased church activities since the Second Vatican Council.

Since the council, Vatican agencies have increased from 37 to 47 and personnel has increased by 50 percent.

Another reason for the upswing in expenses has been a tenfold increase in salaries between 1970 and 1985, largely because of high Italian inflation, Cardinal Caprio said.

Investments

The cardinal also made public for the first time the amount of money the Vatican has in invested funds. He said this was \$275 million. The cardinal released the figure to show that income produced from the investments could not cover the shortfall.

Previously, members of the papally appointed council, such as Cardinal John Krol of Philadelphia, have made other details available.

Last year, Cardinal Krol said the Vatican has no pension fund and must pay retired employee benefits out of its yearly operating budget. He cited this as an example of the impossibility of substantially reducing expenses.

Both cardinals argue that these and other still-secret figures show that the most practical solution to paying the bills for universal church operations is an increase in voluntary contributions.

"My argument has always been if you keep this private, you can do so if you pay your own bills. If you're making an appeal, credibility demands that you explain why," Cardinal Krol said.

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Church to help nearly 1 million aliens...

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of CCS.

After the personal interview, which "will take an hour to two hours to complete," immigrants will be told whether they should or should not present their application to INS, Msgr. Walsh said. This is to protect aliens who may not qualify for the legalization.

"We have no idea whether we're going to get 100 applications or 100,000 applications," the priest noted, but "we'll use all of our outlets to get the word out" to immigrants.

The parishes were selected as pick-up points for the applications strictly "for the people's convenience," he added.

Nationwide, the Catholic Church is expected to assist more aliens --perhaps as many as one million-- than any other organization.

The U.S. Catholic Conference's Migration and Refugee Services, with almost 100 diocesan offices and church agencies, is one of the largest organizations to be selected as a "qualified designated entity" by INS. That means it has contracted with the federal government to assist aliens in an official capacity.

A total of 400 organizations applied for this official status, but only 250 were selected by INS.

INS will pay the entities for each legalization application accepted for processing by the federal agency. National organizations and their affiliates will receive \$16 for each application. Local independent entities will receive \$15. National organizations also will receive start-up funds.

Catholic Church agencies may not use monies they receive from the federal government to advocate for illegal aliens who do not qualify for legalization, said Mark Everson, INS executive associate commissioner.

He added, however, that the government cannot control what those organizations do when they are not operating in that official capacity.

...and stand by those who don't qualify

LOS ANGELES (NC) — Archbishop Roger Mahony and priests of the Los Angeles Archdiocese have pledged that the church will stand by the "thousands and thousands" of illegal aliens who do not qualify for legalization under the new immigration law.

The church will defend aliens' rights, they said, by opposing alien deportation, lobbying for legislation to allow Central Americans "extended departure" status, fighting job discrimination, and continuing to provide them food, shelter and legal advice.

The comments were made in an 11-page statement issued jointly by the archbishop and the Los Angeles Archdiocesan Council of Priests.

The statement said the new law has "generated a great deal of fear" among "thousands and thousands" who feel they will not qualify for residency and will face deportation.

"There is no question that we must stand with our people," the statement said.

"If the question is between the right of a nation to control its borders and the right of a person to emigrate in order to seek safe have from hunger or violence or both, we believe that first right must give way to the second."

The new immigration law, passed by Congress in October, permits aliens residing illegally in the United States since before Jan. 1, 1982, to apply for legalization. Haitians and Cubans arriving before that time also are included under a special provision of the law.

Final immigration regulations, which will detail how aliens must prove that they qualify for the legalization, will be issued very soon, said Everson. The final regulations will differ somewhat from the two drafts released by INS earlier this year, he noted, as a result of comments from church, business and community organizations.

Legalization fees, however, will remain the same, he said. INS will charge \$185 per adult and \$50 per child up to a maximum of \$420 per family.

Archbishop Roger Mahony of Los Angeles and Hispanic advocacy groups have called the fees too high and said

they will limit the number of aliens who can afford to apply for legalization.

Noting that under proposed regulations it is possible one member of a family would qualify for legalization while others would not, Everson said family unity is "becoming more of an issue."

The USCC and Archbishop Mahony have been highly critical of the possibility that families may be forced to split up as a result of the new legalization policy.

"The [Immigration and Naturalization] Service has to go back to the congressional intent," said Everson, adding that Congress "expressed quite clearly" in the law that legalization decisions should be made on an individual rather than family basis.

"INS has no authority to confer this benefit on individuals" just because

Through Catholic Charities, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles has established a vast network of legalization centers to assist aliens apply for amnesty. In early April, Catholic Charities had pre-registered almost 270,000 aliens.

Family unity is a primary concern, the statement said. If proposed immigration regulations are not changed to prevent spouses and children from being separated when some qualify and others do not, the church will lobby for legislation to rectify the situation, it said.

The church also will work with community groups to develop programs to defend aliens facing deportation and advocate for those who do not qualify for legalization by helping them file appeals for denial of amnesty applications, providing legal representation in deportation proceedings, and organizing educational programs on community rights.

In addition, the statement said, the church will urge Congress to vote in favor of offering "extended voluntary departure status" to Central Americans. Central Americans are considered economic rather than political refugees by the U.S. government despite political turmoil in their nations and, therefore, are not granted refugee status.

their family members qualify, he said.

He stressed, however, that if INS discovers in the application process that family members of an amnesty applicant are residing in the United States illegally, it will not take action to deport them.

"Family members are not at risk. There will be absolute confidentiality," Everson said. "They are protected. We will not give information collected [in the application process] to our enforcement arm."

Another provision of the new immigration law calls for sanctions against employers who hired illegal aliens after the new law took effect, on Nov. 6, 1986.

On June 1, INS will begin "on-site audits" of businesses to check that they are complying with the new law, said Raymond Kisor, INS associate commissioner for enforcement.

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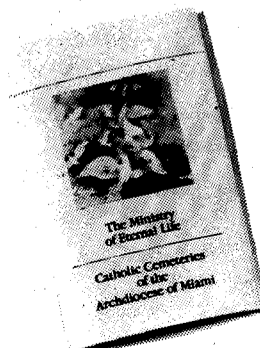
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Schools help minorities the most

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transition to college and work. Hoffer said Catholic school students are "about 10 percent more likely to go on to college and are more likely to stay in college."

According to the study, students from disadvantaged backgrounds — those with less educated parents, blacks and Hispanics — receive the greatest benefits from Catholic schools.

Hoffer acknowledged that some difference, overall, is due to the fact that Catholic school students come from families supportive enough to make the extra effort to send them to the Catholic schools.

But "there is still a substantial unexplained part that cannot be attributed to family background," he said. "This is where functional community comes in."

The new study reported that public schools see the school "as an instrument of society to free the child from constraints imposed by accident of birth" while private schools see the school "as an agent not of the society but of the family...an extension of the parent's will, but with greater resources."

June Scobee, a teacher and the widow of Challenger space shuttle commander Dick Scobee, said, teachers, like astronauts, are pioneers.

"We have a choice. We can remember the Challenger explosion and be discouraged or we can use it and help them continue their mission," she said. "We might have lost the Challenger but we haven't lost that challenge" of reaching for the stars, she added.

Several speakers promoted more parental involvement in obtaining government support for parochial schools.

According to Jesuit Father William Byron, president of The Catholic University of America, families must become "more active in the policy arena pursuing workable forms of government assistance for Catholic education."

Archbishop John R. Roach of St. Paul and Minneapolis said Catholics "must assert to those responsible for public policy that justice demands a recognition of a choice in education."



TEACHERS relax during break at convention in New Orleans where 14,000 Catholic educators met. (NC photo)

AIDS education

A challenge to church teaching came from a Catholic priest who told a convention workshop that the church should educate youth about using contraceptives, including condoms, to help prevent spread of AIDS — acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

"Since AIDS can be transmitted sexually, I want (youth) to know about preventative measures such as condoms," said Father Rodney J. DeMartini, a former San Jose, Calif., high school principal now studying at Santa Clara University.

He said that young people "may choose values different than those I taught them. And I don't want them to suffer the tragic debilitating consequences of AIDS for any particular sexual behavior they might choose."

He said that from his experience, the church has "allowed the AIDS education question to be reduced to our moral position about the use of condoms."

One study discussed at the convention found that overall, Catholic school enrollment has dropped 3 percent in the last year. The number of Catholic schools and Catholic school students has dropped drastically over the past 20 years.

Teacher power

To a Los Angeles public high school principal, teachers are the most powerful people in the world.

George J. McKenna III, principal of George Washington Preparatory High School in Los Angeles, said, "Everybody's got to come by us — we are the teachers, we are the ones who set the standards."

"Schools form society. I have the absolute authority to change the minds of children, but first I have to change the minds of teachers and administrators" who allow classism, elitism and racism to stand in the way of educating their students, he said.

To make changes right now, McKenna said his school has implemented mandatory homework, dress codes, tutoring, parents' meetings and peer counseling.

Author Walker Percy called on the Catholic educators to "turn your young charges to reading" serious books that tell the truth about life.

Serious writers seek "a deeper truth about the way things are, the way people are, in a word, a truth about the human condition," Percy said.

Robert Coles, a professor of psychiatry and medical humanities at Harvard University, told NCEA members that character is higher than intellect and "smart ain't the same as good."

He warned that "intellect can betray." "I'm not going to glorify anti-intellectualism," Coles added. "We have to go on teaching but we have to remember" that the question is "knowledge for what?"

Harvey S. Long, an education-industry consultant for International Business Machines Corp., warned Catholic educators that "all change is not growth."

Enrollment drops as schools reorganize

By Stephenie Overman

NEW ORLEANS (NC) — Catholic school enrollment declined again last year as schools merged to reorganize their resources, the president of the National Catholic Educational Association said at the NCEA convention's opening press conference in New Orleans.

The press conference opened the April 20-23 convention, which had as its theme, "And to Some... the Gift of Teaching."

Sister Catherine T. McNamee, a member of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet who is in her first year as NCEA president, traced the history of Catholic school enrollment, which peaked in the 1950s, declined sharply

and then leveled off.

Last year, Sister McNamee said, the schools experienced another slight drop — this time of about 3 percent.

Sister McNamee attributed this drop to "a reorganization of resources" that is merging and consolidating schools to keep up with shifting populations.

"The schools that closed in the past year were mostly small rural schools, schools serving fewer than 150 students. "It indicates that a certain size is necessary" to maintain the schools, she said, but small rural schools often are not close enough to each other to consolidate.

One "big dilemma" Catholic schools face now is "maintaining

reasonable tuition while paying a just wage," Sister McNamee said.

Also, "we must make an effort to make sure inner-city schools stay open as a public service," she said.

Asked if the continuing decline might eventually lead to zero Catholic school enrollment, Sister McNamee said she does not believe that will happen because "people are dedicated to their schools."

But, she added, "I could see a trend to small, fewer schools... it could certainly come to a weaker system."

What is needed, she said, "is a whole new way of looking at education." She said Catholic educators will meet next year to consider fresh approaches.

According to a statistical report on Catholic elementary and secondary school enrollment released by the NCEA Data Bank just before the convention, in 1986-87 there are 7,709 Catholic elementary and 1,411 secondary schools in the United States, 116 fewer schools than in 1985-86.

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Obscenity ruling gets mixed reviews

Some fear it doesn't go far enough

WASHINGTON (NC) — The Federal Communications Commission's warning to radio and television stations to curb broadcast of obscene and offensive material has been greeted with both praise and criticism.

Morality in Media legal counsel Paul J. McGeady applauded the FCC after it urged the Department of Justice to consider prosecuting a California radio station for broadcasting an allegedly obscene program and issued warnings to two other radio stations.

But the Rev. Donald E. Wildmon, executive director of the National Federation for Decency, criticized the FCC and said its actions were "politically motivated" and "a cop-out" because the FCC did not use its power to prosecute.

American Civil Liberties Union legislative counsel Barry W. Lynn also criticized the FCC and voiced fear its decision may have a "chilling effect" on broadcasters.

The FCC took aim at areas of broadcasting formerly considered safe by radio programmers — programs aired after 10 p.m. and material that avoids the use of obscene words.

The five-member commission agreed that material broadcast by Pacifica Foundation Inc.'s KPFF-FM in Los Angeles containing graphic descriptions of sex acts was indecent "and may have crossed the line" to

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TV preachers must be 'model Christians'

DALLAS (NC) — Catholics involved in direct radio and television evangelization must be models of Christian living and present a unified vision of Christianity, said the Vatican's top communications official in a message sent to religious broadcasters meeting in Dallas.

"Recent highly publicized controversies regarding television evangelists indicate how important it is that those who speak in the name of the Lord on television and radio be persons of unimpeachable integrity who clearly reflect the love of Christ," said U.S. Archbishop John P. Foley, president of the Pontifical Commission for Social Communications.

"Since we have already seen the scandal of squabbling evangelists among non-Catholics, it is important that all those who speak in the name of the church be united in their efforts and their vision," he said. In this way "legitimate diversity is expressed as harmony and not dissonance."

Archbishop Foley sent the message to a meeting of Lumen 2000, an international Catholic organization devoted to the use of satellite and TV technology for evangelization.

The group met as a Protestant TV evangelist, the Rev. Jim Bakker of the PTL ministry, was embroiled in a sex and finance scandal. PTL stands for Praise the Lord or People that Love.

Archbishop Foley, expressed strong support for Catholic evangelization through radio and television.

"Millions of people in the Western Hemisphere look at evangelists every day, and many of those looking at Protestant evangelists are Catholics who experience a spiritual hunger for which they find no other satisfaction on television," he said.

But TV and radio direct evangelizing should be part of a wider program which includes "efforts to improve the level of television entertainment and the amount and quality of reporting on the news of what the church is doing," he added.

Archbishop Foley suggested developing popular entertainment programs such as "The Waltons" which "made virtue attractive and reflected truly Christian values."

He added that religious messages can also be transmitted through church news events such as the annual international transmission of papal Easter and Christmas Masses.

"They offer an opportunity not only to deepen the faith of viewers who already believe, but also to introduce and to explain the faith to those who have at least the curiosity and the openness to view such events."

obscenity. The commission voted to refer that case to the Justice Department for possible prosecution.

The FCC warnings went to Infinity Broadcasting Co., owner of WYSP-FM, Philadelphia, and KCSB-FM, at the University of California at Santa Barbara.

Morality in Media's McGeady said the FCC "has taken a 180-degree turn

from no enforcement in the last 10 years to full enforcement of the law."

But he complained that the FCC had implied that there were some hours when obscenity would be tolerated. He said Morality in Media, based in New York, would "fight it" because statutes against obscenity do not contain a time element.

McGeady also said the FCC actions mark "a new ball game" not just for

"raunch radio" but also for television stations which broadcast uncut movies rated R — restricted — because of sexual content.

Mr. Wildmon, a United Methodist minister, said he was "skeptical" about how serious the FCC is about curbing obscenity.

"When I see a prosecution, I'll believe it," he said.

Abp. Quinn: Pope should visit AIDS hospice

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (NC) — Archbishop John R. Quinn of San Francisco said he hopes Pope John Paul II can visit with AIDS sufferers during his U.S. trip because such a meeting "would make the church present in this suffering in a very dramatic, powerful way."

"Everybody is going to know someone with AIDS before very long, and it's going to touch most families in some way," the archbishop said in an interview with the National Catholic Reporter, an independent weekly published in Kansas City.

He said that in San Francisco, where four new cases of acquired immune deficiency syndrome are diagnosed daily, "our Catholic Charities are providing some sort of financial support to 35 percent of the people with AIDS." At the same time, he said, church ministry to those with AIDS must be expanded.

AIDS is a disease largely associated with homosexual men and intravenous drug users, but warnings have emerged that it is spreading to a more general population.

In the interview, Archbishop Quinn

also addressed current controversies over church dealings with homosexuals and with Dignity, an unofficial Catholic homosexual organization.

When asked about recent actions by some bishops to bar Dignity from using church facilities, Archbishop Quinn said he would like to "work together" with Dignity, but cooperation had to come from both sides.

"I have told the leaders of Dignity that I regret very much that I cannot approve of them, because I think they could be very helpful. If they would not be attacking the moral teaching of the church, we could all work together. But they insist on this, and that makes it very difficult."

He also said that issue should be kept separate from the issue of church care for homosexuals dying of AIDS.

"Dignity is not specifically and exclusively related to the question of those who are dying," he said. "Furthermore, Dignity is not the only structured approach to dealing with the needs and problems of gay people. In other words, it's not the only pebble on the beach."

To equate the denial of church facilities to Dignity groups with lack of church care for "gay people with AIDS," he said, "would be a leap of logic that I don't think could be sustained by analysis."

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New 'home' for seniors in S. Dade

Archdiocesan facility combines congregate living with nursing and rehabilitation center

By Ana Rodriguez-Soto
Voice News Editor

An innovative two-in-one facility is the Archdiocese of Miami's latest venture to serve South Florida's elderly population.

The South Dade Catholic Nursing Center, to be dedicated this Saturday, May 2, by Archbishop Edward McCarthy, is a \$10 million project that combines two levels of care for people aged 60 and over: a congregate living facility for those who can live semi-independently, and a nursing center for those recuperating from injuries or illnesses.

A similar Archdiocesan facility already exists in Broward, but this is the first of its kind in Dade.

Civic leaders including Rep. Claude Pepper, along with about 2,000 guests, are expected to attend the dedication ceremonies at the South Dade Center, which is located at the intersection of Quail Roost Drive and SW 119 Ave. The public is invited to tour the facility beginning at 3 p.m.

One half of the South Dade Center is a 120-bed congregate living area consisting of single and double apartments for those elderly who can care for themselves but prefer not to live alone. All meals and housekeeping are provided for them.

Next door, separated by the kitchen and dining area, is a 180-bed skilled nursing center which will provide various types of physical therapy, along with psychological support and pastoral counseling, for the elderly who are recovering from illnesses and injuries.

This "continuum of care" ensures that no elderly resident will "fall through the cracks," said Msgr. Bryan Walsh, president of Catholic Health and Rehabilitative Services (CHRS), the Archdiocesan agency which oversees the construction and management of elderly apartments.

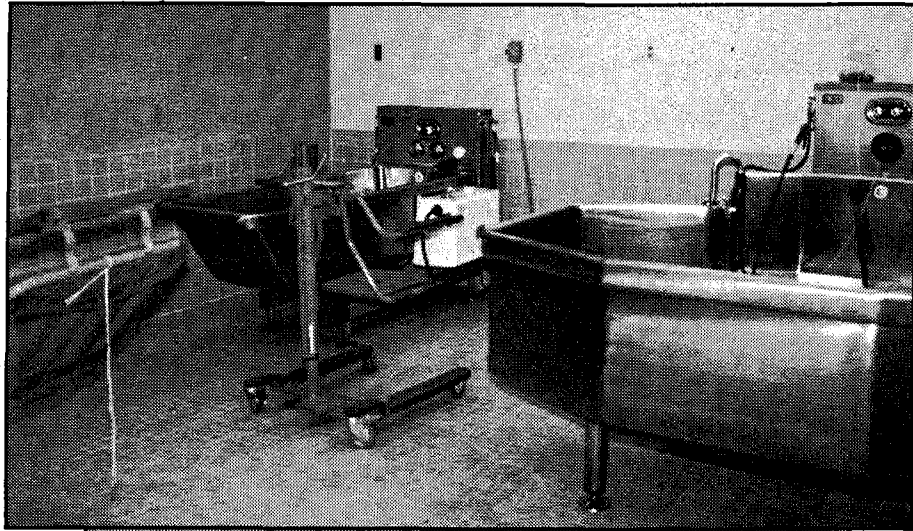
"What's a person's greatest fear? Falling or injuring himself or herself and being unable to summon help," Msgr. Walsh explained. "Emergency call devices in each suite, plus regular contact by the staff, ensure that an injured or sick resident has immediate care. And the caregivers are right next door."

On the other hand, the purpose of the skilled nursing facility is not to "warehouse" the elderly but "to get people out," said Gerald Humphreys, director of Communications for CHRS. "They stay as long as we can be of service to them, but the objective is to turn them to full life."

Residents will begin moving into the South Dade Center during the next two weeks, said Humphreys, who



A recreation room on the lower level of the South Dade Catholic Nursing Center is one of several areas where guests and elderly residents may meet and share recreational activities. Below, a view of the physical therapy department, which features hydrotherapy units for pain relief and dexterity training. Occupational, speech and recreational therapies, along with pastoral counseling and emotional support, also are offered for seniors who are recuperating from injuries or illnesses.



"Once a senior is in our system...we won't abandon him or her, and there won't be any cracks for them to fall into."

Msgr. Bryan Walsh

explained that the Archdiocese is currently sifting through a list of between 600 and 700 applicants, "trying to establish some sort of priority."

Admission "is open to the entire community regardless of race, creed or color," he added. Apartment residents will be selected "strictly on the basis of need," while admission to the nursing center will be decided "strictly on health needs": patients must be referred by physicians.

The \$10 million construction cost was financed by a Dade County Health Authority Bond which the Archdiocese of Miami must retire in 20 years.

Because of the private nature of the financing, apartment rents at the South Dade Center will not be subsidized. (Medicaid and Medicare will be accepted at the skilled nursing center.)

Rent for a single room is \$2,100 a month and rent for a double room is \$1,150 a month. "That [includes] everything," said Humphreys: all meals, medical supervision, laundry and maid service, utilities, insurance, security "and of course the health care next door."

The Archdiocese, however, is committed to serving those who cannot pay. According to Humphreys, "We are pledged to have one-third of our capacity

filled with indigent care."

To do so, the Catholic Health and Rehabilitation Foundation has been established, and a \$5 million fundraising goal set. The interest earned by that money will pay for the care of the needy at the South Dade Center for years to come.

The foundation so far has raised more than \$500,000 toward its goal, and Executive Director Rolando Rodriguez says "there's a good chance we'll have \$1 million by mid-summer." Among those leading the campaign are philanthropist Anthony Abraham, auto-racing entrepreneur Ralph Sanchez, and half-a-dozen other civic and business leaders, all prominent Miamians.

Humphreys said the Archdiocese made the same 'one-third indigent' pledge seven years ago, when it opened the St. John's Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Fort Lauderdale. Today, the cost of caring for 40 percent of St. John's residents is being borne by the Archdiocese-sponsored St. John's Foundation.

(St. John's construction, however, was financed by the U.S. Department of Health and Urban Development (HUD), so the rents are subsidized by the federal government.)

St. John's is similar to the South Dade Center in other ways. It also combines a congregate living facility (42 beds) with a nursing center (180 beds). In addition, it is located right next door to an Archdiocesan apartment building for low-income, (totally-independent) elderly, in effect combining three levels of care.

Humphreys said the Archdiocese is studying the possibility of, in the future, building a similar elderly housing project near the South Dade Catholic Nursing Center.

Other Archdiocesan facilities for the elderly in Dade and Broward are eight apartment buildings for senior citizens on fixed incomes who can live independently. Three more are currently under construction in Hallandale near St. Charles Borromeo Church; in west Dade near St. Agatha Church; and in Miami, near St. Mary Cathedral.

"Once a senior is in our system, we have the facilities and personnel at hand to extend appropriate care at any level," said Msgr. Walsh. "We won't abandon him or her, and there won't be any cracks for them to fall into."

For information on the South Dade Catholic Nursing Center, call 235-4105. Contributions to the Catholic Health and Rehabilitation Foundation may be mailed to 14100 Palmetto Frontage Road, Suite 300, Miami Lakes, FL, 33016.

Shula, Reno to speak at women's meet

State Attorney Janet Reno and Dorothy Shula, wife of Miami Dolphins' coach Don Shula, will be among the guest speakers at the Miami Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women's annual convention, which begins this Sunday, May 3, and continues thru Tuesday, May 5, at the Konover Hotel on Miami Beach.

More than 300 women from parishes throughout Dade, Broward and Monroe counties are expected to attend the MACCW's 29th annual convention, which will feature organizational meetings as well as seminars on topics such as drug abuse, current legislation in Florida, Catholic missions abroad and the status of the Archdiocesan Synod process.

Dorothy Shula will speak Monday at 9 a.m. on "Raising a Catholic Family in Today's World." Mrs. Shula is the mother of five children and a member of

Our Lady of the Lakes parish in Miami Lakes.

Janet Reno, state attorney for the 11th Judicial Circuit, will speak at the legislation seminar scheduled for 3 p.m. that same day. Other speakers include:

•Dolores Morgan, MD, director of Addictionology at Mount Sinai Hospital on Miami Beach, who will discuss "Substance Abuse in the Community" at 9 a.m. Monday;

•Father Kenneth Whittaker, general secretary and promoter of the Archdiocesan Synod, who will present an update on the process on Tuesday at 2 p.m.;

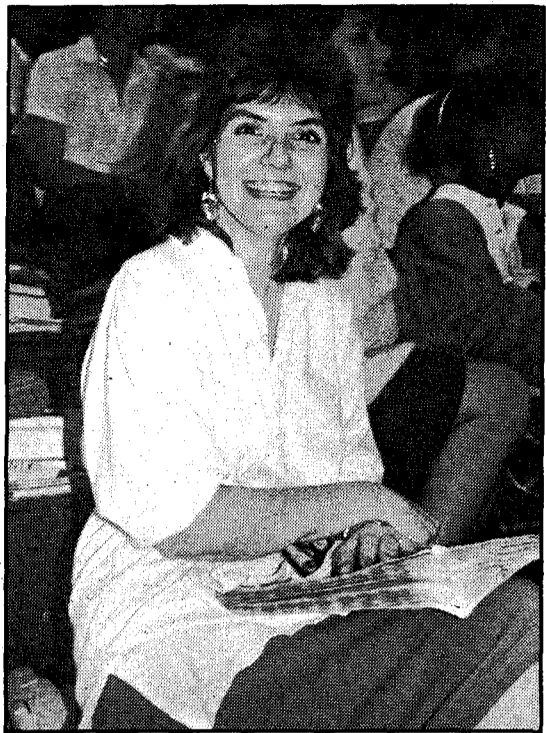
•Members of Amor en Accion, a local group which helps the needy in Miami's "sister diocese" of Port-de-Paix, Haiti; and members of the Salesian Order, who also are involved in missionary work. The Salesians and Amor en Accion members will speak Tuesday at 11 a.m.

Father Andrew Anderson, rector and president of St. John Vianney Seminary in Miami and judicial vicar for the Archdiocese, will speak at the convention's closing banquet Tuesday evening. Father Laurence J. Conway, moderator of the MACCW, will be the keynote speaker at the convention's opening session Sunday afternoon.

Also participating will be Archbishop Edward McCarthy, who will celebrate the closing liturgy and preside at the installation of new officers on Tuesday, beginning at 5 p.m.

Auxiliary Bishops Agustin Roman and Norbert Dorsey will concelebrate the liturgy at 11 a.m. Monday, which will be followed by the annual Awards Luncheon at 12:30 p.m.

For more information and registration, call Barbara Asfendis, 541-8481 in Dade.



Outstanding teacher

The University of Miami recently nominated Tere Serra-Ane, English teacher at Msgr. Edward Pace High School in Opa-Locka, for "Outstanding Teacher in Dade County." Serra-Ane has worked at the school for seven years and has received the Principal's Award for Excellence. In addition to her teaching duties, she is President of the Faculty Senate and coordinates the school's Silver Knight nominee program.

Pope is coming to visit you! Please be generous

Dear friends in Christ,

Since being elected Pope on October 16, 1978, John Paul II has made 30 trips outside Italy and has visited more than 50 countries on every continent. On September 10th and 11th, he will come to Miami; he is coming to visit you.

The Pope's "missionary" journey to us captures the spirit of the Apostle Paul who said, when thinking of his widespread communities, "I long to see you...that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith."

The Pope is coming first of all to deepen our awareness of Christ. Secondly he comes with the mission of his predecessor, St. Peter, who was told by Christ to "strengthen your brethren," and finally he comes to call us to be a servant Church for the whole world.

His time with us is precious. Its pastoral impact will be immense. At the same time, substantial funds are necessary so we can capitalize on this once-in-a-lifetime event. Resources are required to provide especially for the Holy Mass, so we will be safe, able to see and hear, and have a celebration worthy of the moment, as well as of enduring impact.

Please be generous in this collection for the Holy Father's visit to Miami. May your offering strengthen our solidarity as a faith family.

Asking God's blessing upon you, I am

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 REV. ANTHONY MERCECA to Associate Pastor, St. Henry Church, Pompano Beach,

effective April 22, 1987.

THE REV. IGNACIO CARBAJALES to Associate Pastor, St. Michael the Archangel Church, Miami, effective April 17, 1987.

THE REV. GERALD McGRATH to Chaplain, Catholic Educators' Guild, effective April 13, 1987.

A 'lifeline' for marriages

By Betsy Kennedy
Voice Staff Writer

Are you an ESTJ or an INFP? In other words: Are you an Extroverted, Sensing, Thinking, Judging person or...an Introverted, Intuitive, Feeling, Perceptive person? And how does that affect your marriage?

Fourteen married couples recently found out when they took a Myers-Briggs personality indicator as part of a new, Marriage Lifeline program being co-offered by the Family Enrichment Center of the Archdiocese and the Pastoral Counseling Center at St. Thomas University.

The weekend-long workshop, only the second one offered so far, was an opportunity for married couples to sharpen communication skills, grow in intimacy, and learn that marriage is a series of constantly changing passages they must learn to flow with.

During the experience, the couples kept personal journals in which they jotted down the answers to questions asked by their team leaders. Later they shared what they had written with their spouses.

They also gathered for both small and large group presentations where they were asked to explore such questions as, "How do you plan for fun in your marriage?" "How do you integrate the passages of your marital relationship with the shifts in your religious faith?" "How do you communicate?"

Differences

Talks also focused on each person's different expectations of marriage, and the cultural "baggage" each spouse brings to the marriage—customs and views picked up from their family of origin. The point was not that couples should try to change each other, but that they should learn how to work through their differences.

Leading the discussion were Frank and Rosemary McGarry and John and Lynda DiPrima. Frank McGarry is director of the pastoral counseling center at St. Thomas University, and Lynda DiPrima is director of Ministry to Engaged and Married Couples for the Archdiocese.

She told the group that she had completed an important life passage when she realized she could not expect

Archdiocesan program teaches couples how to communicate, grow together in faith

all of her needs to be filled by her husband.

"Unreal expectations have to die. I thought my husband was going to fill my every need. Then when I was in my late 30s I began to ask myself who I was, and to separate myself from being someone's daughter, wife and mother. We have to not only create new dreams, but to make peace with the old dreams that we can't fulfill."

"Marriage is not a static thing, but a process that is constantly changing and moving," DiPrima said.

Her husband, John, showed the group a simple sketch of a tree trunk and its rings to symbolize the cycles of marriage as two people grow in both their personal identities and their understanding of one another.

One of the most significant pinnacles of growth in his marriage was when he became able to love himself fully, he said. "It took me a long time to realize that God loves us and accepts us for all of our shortcomings. But until we love ourselves we can't really get far in loving others."

Encouraged by the candid revelations of the McGarrys and DiPrimas, the group delved into such topics as separation from parents and the sometimes heart-breaking experiences of raising teenagers. They laughed together about marital arguments that once seemed a matter of life and death, and revealed family secrets to people they had just met a few days ago.

Some of the secrets were humorous enough for inclusion in *Reader's Digest*.

For example, one couple recalled

'No matter how different you are from your spouse it is good. You just have to learn to work things out together.'

Michael, Marriage Lifeline participant

the most embarrassing moment in their marriage. It happened the night their teenage son went out for the evening on a date. It seemed the golden opportunity for some time alone for the couple, who were raising four children. So they skinny-dipped in their pool and continued their romance on the chaise lounge in the moonlight.

They anticipated spending the whole evening alone.

However, their son had been raised to be gallant, so he brought his date and another couple home to use the bathroom, using his key to let them in. The teenagers opened the sliding glass doors and...

"I wrapped the chaise lounge mat around me and tried to remain dignified..." said the husband.

Months later, their son still teases them, winking and assuring them he will remember to knock when he returns after an evening out.

During one of the small group encounters, the couples discussed how they dealt with their individual personality differences.

To plan or not to...

Michael and Sue had achieved harmony even though she was a planner and he liked life to be spontaneous. "She comes from a family that always plans celebrations and vacations. Mine didn't," said Michael.

Holidays have become very special, the couple said, because they give a candlelight Christmas dinner for their children, which Sue plans and Michael

helps prepare. The children invite ten friends over, enjoy a festive dinner and then go out Christmas carolling.

Judy also likes to plan events far in advance and Frank doesn't. So she compromises.

"I just keep calling his secretary at work," she said, smiling, "and tell her to mark down all of our appointments on his calendar. Then I call and remind him, too."

After the couples talked about their different approaches to life, Michael summed up what he felt he had gained from the Lifeline program.

"The personality tests reinforced what we already knew about each other. The more you can know about each other, the deeper and better the relationship becomes.

"But I think what everyone here has discovered is that no matter what personality type you are and no matter how different you are from your spouse it is good. You just have to learn to work things out together."

Homework

And the weekend is only the beginning of learning how to do that. It is followed by three follow-up evenings during which the couples review how well they have stuck to their "contracts"—a commitment each made to work certain areas of their married life that have created tension or friction in the past.

The goal of the contracts, explained Frank McGarry, is to teach and remind couples to "accommodate the differences."

He said the Marriage Lifeline program is for all couples, regardless of how long they have been married, whether they feel they are having problems or are doing just great. "You can be happy but you also can learn to communicate a little more effectively and a little more openly."

Two Lifeline programs will be offered each year, one in the spring and another in the fall. Participation is limited to between 10 and 15 couples. For more information, call the Family Enrichment Center, 651-0280 in Dade, or St. Thomas University's Pastoral Counseling Center, 652-1257.

Love volunteers

Pro-life ladies give support to unwed mothers, babies

By Ana Rodriguez-Soto
Voice News Editor

The ads say it plainly, "We care." But actions speak louder than words at the Archdiocese's Respect Life offices, and a group of young women in Hollywood is finding that out.

For the past six months, these new mothers, all facing harsh economic problems, have been receiving the emotional strength they need to continue carrying out a very difficult choice: that of keeping their babies

'We mother the girls and grandmother the babies... Some of them had never experienced that love before'

**Shirley Strand,
volunteer**

rather than having abortions.

Through the weekly meetings of a support group, they have discovered that they are not alone with their problems: that others care and others share their very same anxieties; and that after battling with parents, husbands, boyfriends or bureaucrats for crumbs of compassion and help, they can turn to their new friends and partake in feasts of love and understanding.

"We mother the girls and grandmother the babies," explains Shirley Strand, a Respect Life volunteer who leads the freewheeling socializing and discussion at the two-hour meetings. "Some of them had never experienced that love" before.

After a slow beginning last October, the group now numbers almost a dozen women, both married and single, ranging in age from middle teens to early 20s. Attendance is strictly voluntary, but the majority show up, with their babies, every week.

"You can go in, you can talk, you can complain," says one of the founding members, Pat. She is 24, single and has an eight-month-old girl. After fighting the state bureaucracy for benefits, she says, "it's great to have someone treat you nicely." The support group also serves as a play-group for the baby.

"It teaches me a lot about myself and the baby," says Sabrina, a determined 15-year-old who got married and gave birth at 14, despite parental pressure to have an abortion. "It's just nice because it gets me out of the house and I meet girls who are in the same situation," she adds. Sabrina is not old enough to obtain a driver's license, so she must ride to the meetings with another group member.

The idea for the support group originated with Pat Olender and Terri Guttieri, volunteer co-directors of the Hollywood Respect Life Office. Last year, volunteers there helped more than 1,000 women who either called or walked into the office asking for pregnancy tests, baby clothes and furniture, medical and housing referrals, counseling or a little bit of everything.

"We saw a lot of these girls coming in with low self-esteem, and the cycle was going to continue," says Guttieri. In many cases, "the girls needed to feel loved, and they thought the answer was sex."

Others would suggest another answer, birth control, but Guttieri disagrees. "We've counseled too many girls who were doing birth control and got pregnant anyway. Because sex is more than biological. It's emotional."

Though unstructured, the weekly



Shirley Strand, Hollywood Respect Life volunteer, plays with some of the babies and their moms during a recent support group meeting. (Voice photo/Prent Browning)

'You're pregnant -- Wonderful!'

Though she was single and expected to get no support from the father, 24-year-old Pat never seriously considered an abortion.

Everybody except her mother suggested it, though. Friends, the father, even a private doctor who, after telling her the pregnancy test was positive, simply "assumed I was going to have one. I didn't like that attitude at all."

A semi-practicing Catholic whose mother had seen an ad for Respect Life in *The Voice*, Pat walked into the Hollywood Respect Life Office when she was five months pregnant.

She waited, she says, because she had already decided to keep her baby, and didn't need to hear the same advice repeated. "I assumed it was going to be a bunch of ladies who were going to tell me to pray."

They did much more than that, referring her to state agencies that could help her with her medical bills and providing baby clothes and emotional support once the baby was born. For her own information, Pat even took the training sessions offered to volunteers, because "I really didn't know that much about abortions."

But the thing that really struck her, she says, was the initial, unquestioning support she received from the volunteers.

"Terri [Guttieri, co-director of the office] was the first person who said, 'You're pregnant, wonderful,' instead of 'you're pregnant, why don't you have an abortion.'"

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meetings are "devised for self-esteem," says Strand. "This is a social hour where discussions come up on every aspect of life."

There are talks on assertiveness and personal grooming, "feeling good about yourself," relationships, basic infant care and money, a subject which is never far from participants' minds.

"Without preaching," the volunteers try to "guide and direct" the young women into seeing that "they can make a life for themselves. But they have to feel good about themselves first," says Guttieri.

The message is that having a baby out of wedlock, or while in high school, or while undergoing financial hardship, does not seal their fate.

"They can pull themselves out of this," Guttieri says. "They can still feel good about themselves, they can still continue a normal life and have a career and still have good relationships and still be a parent. They can have all those

things and their lives are not ruined because they've had a baby."

But "we try to have fun, too," she adds, pointing out that some of the meetings have been more like picnics, taking place outdoors. Some of the women have even suggested that the meetings take place twice a week.

"We try to show that we're their friends and we care," says Guttieri.

Strand says that's important to women who, because of their financial situation, "have no chance to go anywhere or do anything socially. They have each other now...Basically, they're not alone."

The success of the Hollywood group has spurred the North Dade Respect Life Office to begin its own support group, and Father Dan Kubala, Archdiocesan Respect Life Director, is encouraging the five other offices to do the same.

For more information, call the Hollywood Respect Life Office at 963-2229 or the North Dade Office at 653-2921.



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The Holocaust: 'Never again!'

Christian Nazi hunter urges people to learn from past mistakes, at NCCJ breakfast honoring Sister Noel Boggs of Archdiocese

By Jim Varsallone
Special to The Voice

As the Jews say, "Never again."

And with people like Sister Noel Boggs, O.P., and Beate Klarsfeld, there will be enough understanding of the Holocaust to prevent one from ever happening again.

"Usually I find that people who say the Jewish people should stop talking about the Holocaust have not read, studied or even understood the Holocaust," said Sister Noel, vice-chair of the Ecumenical and Interfaith Commission of the Archdiocese of Miami.

She is the commission's Christian-Jewish contact, and her efforts "to the cause of good will among all people" earned her an award this week from the

'It is important...to condemn forever the crimes of these people.'

Beate Klarsfeld,
Nazi hunter

message is very important, and from that we can have a proper understanding of what justice is.

"We need people like Beate Klarsfeld to tell the story and tell of those people in the Holocaust, so this will never happen again," she said.

More than six million Jews were killed during the Holocaust in World War II, along with about five million non-Jews. Klarsfeld was a child at the time and virtually unaware of the Nazis' crimes against humanity.

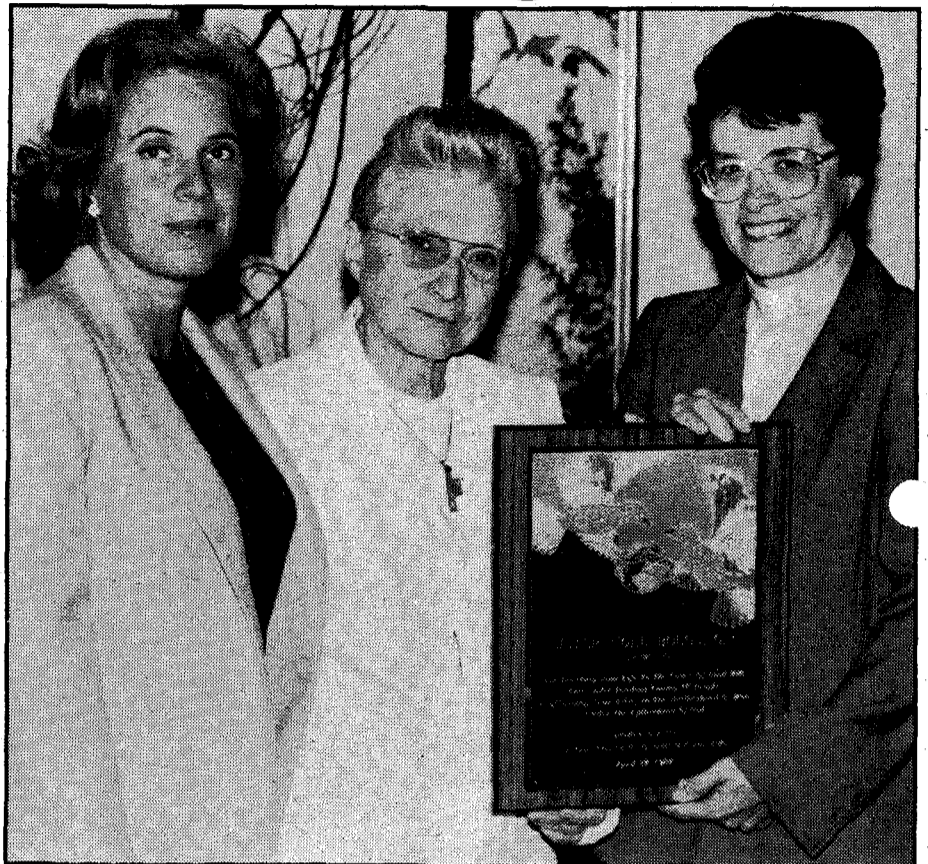
She said it was not until her marriage in Paris in the early 1960s to Serge Klarsfeld, a Jewish attorney, that she learned about the Nazis' crimes against the Jewish people and other minorities.

"It is important for public opinion to condemn forever the crimes of these people," Klarsfeld told a group of 35 Catholic and Jewish representatives who attended the breakfast.

She said she felt a sense responsibility toward the Jewish people because she herself is a German.

"We Germans have to accept what happened as an accident and not let it happen again," Klarsfeld said. "It is a collective history and a moral responsibility."

She began her drive to unmask Nazi criminals in 1968. Risking her life for justice, Klarsfeld is responsible for the exposure and arrests of several notorious Gestapo leaders, including



Sister Noel Boggs, center, of the Archdiocesan Interfaith Commission, was honored for her efforts to 'the cause of good will' by the Broward chapter of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. Rev. Gail Reynolds, right, of the First United Church of Christ in Hollywood, presented the award during a breakfast whose featured speaker was Christian Nazi hunter Beate Klarsfeld, left. (Voice photo/Jim Varsallone)

Broward chapter of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Helping Sister Noel spread her message at the awards breakfast was Klarsfeld, a Christian who is world-renown for her devotion to bringing Nazi criminals to justice.

"I think that it was very important that Beate Klarsfeld was [the guest speaker]," Sister Noel said. "Her

Klaus Barbie, "The Butcher of Lyon."

Klarsfeld and her husband discovered the former SS Captain in La Paz, Bolivia, where he was living a life of ease and comfort. Due to their

intervention, Barbie was finally extradited to France and his trial is set to begin in May.

Indifferent to pressures, threats and attacks, Klarsfeld has been detained and arrested in various countries of Europe, South America and the Middle East as she protested publicly against the rise of Neo-Nazism and against the violators of human rights.

In 1978, Klarsfeld established the Beate Klarsfeld Foundation in New York to support the publishing effort she and her husband had undertaken.

"The objective was to publish verified documents about the Holocaust," Klarsfeld said, "and to distribute them free of cost to universities and libraries as refutation of the Neo-Nazi propaganda which denies the fact of the Holocaust."

Klarsfeld and Sister Noel hope that their own efforts move others to spread the same message about the Holocaust: "Never again."

According to Klarsfeld, Germans today have two historical poles to reconcile: the good one embodied by people like Beethoven, and the bad one traceable to Hitler.

"That is why we must rectify the accident, get justice," and learn from a mistake, she said.



Victims remembered

With prayers, songs, dramatic readings and the recollections of a survivor of Warsaw's ghetto, Miami's Christians and Jews recently marked the sad anniversary of the legal beginning of Hitler's campaign to annihilate the Jewish people. The service April 26 at St. Mary Cathedral was the first interfaith observance of Yom Hashoah, Hebrew for 'the day of the Shoah.' At left, lighting candles in memory of those who died, are: Cantor Jacob Bornstein of Temple Israel; Sister Marie Carol Hurley of Barry University; and Rita Holrichter, survivor of the Warsaw ghetto. (Voice photo/Jim Varsallone)

Churches, schools urged, 'Say no to drugs'

A special Religious Sabbath has been proclaimed on the weekend of May 8-10 by Miami religious leaders to urge the combating of drug and alcohol abuse with spiritual resources.

The sabbath will be a preparation for Red Ribbon Day on May 13, a day set aside for education on substance abuse and for wearing red ribbons symbolizing liberation from addiction.

During the Sabbath weekend, priests, ministers, and rabbis are asked to address in their sermons the problem of substance abuse.

"It is a widely accepted fact that most people who break free from the chains of addiction undergo a spiritual renaissance. They come to believe in the Higher Power and try to live by the virtues of honesty and altruism," said the statement prepared by the Greater Miami Religious Leaders Coalition.

It was read by Archbishop Edward McCarthy at a press conference this week announcing the Sabbath.

Not only are Protestant, Catholic and Jewish schools, churches and synagogues observing Red Ribbon Day but more than 44 different social and city agencies are participating.

An inter-faith "experience" has been scheduled for

On Red Ribbon Day, May 13



and on the weekend of May 8-10.

St. Mary Cathedral at noon on Red Ribbon Day. More than 800 children from Archdiocesan schools, in addition to children from Jewish and Protestant institutions, will attend the event.

Leading the experience will be Rabbi Solomon Schiff, executive vice president of the Rabbinical Association of Greater Miami; Rev. Chuck Eastman, director of the United Protestant Appeal; and

Archbishop McCarthy or his designate.

Teenagers from the three faiths will share personal testimony about their own struggles with substance abuse.

Throughout the Archdiocese, many Catholic schools have special speakers and events scheduled for Red Ribbon Day, whose theme is "Just Say No to Drugs."

To publicize the day, red ribbons will be tied around trees and posts throughout South Florida and people will be wearing red ribbon buttons and T-shirts.

"I think there will be tremendous raising of consciousness on that day," said Father Sean O'Sullivan, director of Substance Abuse programs for the Archdiocese's Catholic Community Services.

It is only appropriate, he said, that the focal point of that day should be a shared event between people of the Protestant, Jewish, and Catholic faiths.

"We as the Judeo-Christian heritage are a reason that people are insulated from addiction," he said.

The Red Ribbon Council recommends the ringing of church bells at noon on May 13, and for children in the schools to release red balloons in observance of the occasion.

St. Peter's, island parish, marks 25th

Isolated Keys location has bred tradition of self-sufficiency, close family bond among parishioners

By Prent Browning
Voice Staff Writer

They needed a new parish hall, so what did they do? Parishioners banded together and built one themselves in only four months.

That is typical of the spirit of family and self-sufficiency that has characterized the island parish of St. Peter in Big Pine Key for 25 years. The parish celebrated its 25th anniversary last Sunday with a special Mass concelebrated by Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy, pastor Father Eugene Quinlan, former pastor Father Charles Stadalnikas, and several other priests. The Mass was followed by a dinner in the parish hall.

Although many of St. Peter's parishioners are seasonal residents, the church has a remarkable cohesiveness.

"It has been a parish that is noted for the way people love each other, work together and produce what we have today," said Father Quinlan during the Mass.

Perhaps the rustic atmosphere and relative isolation of Big Pine Key --which lies at the lower end of the Seven Mile Bridge, just above Key West-- contributed to a feeling among parishioners that if there is a building to build, or a problem to solve, they should get together and work on it themselves.

Water-bound

In fact, St. Peter may be one of only a few parishes in the country with all four of its parish boundaries on water, including a boat channel that no one has been able to find on a map.

It started out with only a half-dozen families in 1958, as a mission of St. Pablo Catholic Church in Marathon Key. The congregation met in a trailer park on the then sparsely populated island.

Conditions were very primitive during those "mission" days. "My husband had to hold open the door so it wouldn't fall off," recalled long-time parishioner Betty Bennett.

A few years after its founding in 1962, with Father Stadalnikas as pastor, St. Peter's church was built by parishioners. Later, in the early 70's, church members built a parish hall, which they tore down and rebuilt in the early 1980's to provide more room.

This latest hall was built mostly by retired residents of Big Pine Key who worked during weekdays and on weekends to complete the structure. Built at a cost of only \$50,000, it was appraised several years ago at \$183,000.

Everyone helped

"The oldest person who worked on the hall was 84 years old and the youngest one was 12 years old," recalled carpenter Ed Troha, who with Ray Bently supervised the construction.

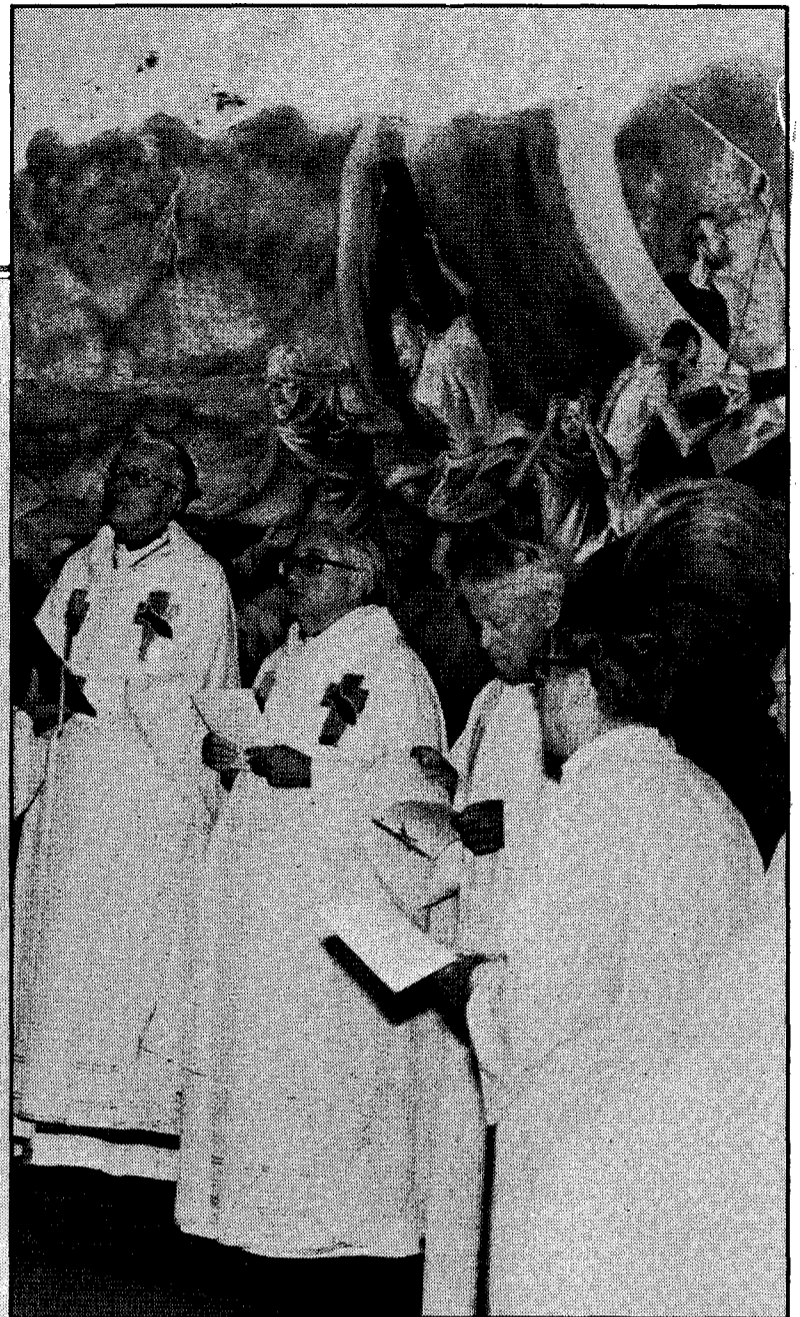
The St. Peter's Ladies' Guild donated a new kitchen for the project, but everyone seemed to have a hand in it. Talk to one parishioner and he'll tell you he built the altar. Talk to another and he'll tell you he worked on the pews.

It wasn't an exclusively Catholic project either. Many Protestants and even Jewish people helped.

The spirit of ecumenism that exists



Above, Father Quinlan, pastor, cuts the 25th anniversary cake. Right, a parishioner takes home a hand-made model of the church. (Voice photos/Prent Browning)



Archbishop McCarthy, Fr. Eugene Quinlan, Deacon Thomas Gato and Fr. Lawrence Conway during the concelebrated 25th anniversary Mass. The mural behind them depicts the Gospel scene where a frightened St. Peter urges Jesus to save the Apostles from a tempest at sea.



'When we say the 'Our Father' we hold hands, and there is chatting after the sign of peace...When [people] go somewhere else it seems so cold and austere.'

Hilda Kemp, parishioner

on the island is also symbolized by Easter sunrise services at the church which are attended by Methodists, Lutherans, Episcopalians and Baptists.

Not surprisingly, the word "pride" comes up a lot when people speak about the parish. So does the word "friendliness."

"When we say the 'Our Father' we hold hands, and there is chatting after the sign of peace. People miss that when they go away. When they go somewhere else it seems so cold and austere," said parishioner Hilda Kemp.

Community involvement is also a characteristic of the parish, which is made up of many retired persons. Many volunteer for hospice programs, visiting

the terminally ill and offering them comfort. Others help out on area crisis lines.

Father Quinlan himself is often called by local police to assist at the scenes or in the aftermath of traffic accidents.

More people now

Things have changed a lot on the Key since the church was founded. The population has grown dramatically -- some residents say it has tripled in the past 12 years. Where before there was only a small convenience store, there are now three banks and a Winn Dixie.

The number of people registered in the parish has doubled too in the past decade, to 225 families. Once, baptisms

were unheard of at St. Peter's. Now, the church has welcomed some younger couples into its parish family.

But while Big Pine is no longer as isolated and primitive an area, it has never lost its tropical beauty. Wooded areas of pine and hibiscus are plentiful. On nearby islands, long sandy beaches disappear into blue-green water, and fish hawks peer down at passersbys from giant nests perched on telephone poles.

"We've gone from the town of Bethlehem to the big city," said veteran parishioner Helen Adams at the well-attended anniversary celebration.

But like the natural beauty around it, St. Peter intends to keep its sense of pride and family no matter what changes the future brings.

Students here help poor Haitians

By Prent Browning
Voice Staff Writer

Like most elementary school students, they only had a sketchy knowledge of Haiti. How many adults, even, could tell you much about the climate and living conditions in that poorest of Caribbean nations?

But students of St. John the Apostle Catholic School in Hialeah who gathered before classes in the cafeteria recently were consumed with curiosity --asking about everything from Haitian politics to what the cities look like.

They were not interested in order to get a good grade in geography or impress their teacher, but because they were involved themselves in trying to improve conditions for Haitian children their own age.

Like students at many Catholic schools in the Miami Archdiocese these days, St. John's children have been

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Tahia Lorenzo,
Amor en Accion volunteer

listening attentively to presentations about Haiti by members of a lay Catholic missionary organization, Amor en Accion.

Catholic schools here are sponsoring or "adopting" 20 sister schools in Miami's sister diocese of Port-de-Paix in Northern Haiti as part of a program started by the Miami-based missionary organization in 1981.

The Miami Archdiocesan schools pay for teachers' salaries and school materials for the poorly equipped schools, usually located in remote areas.

\$1,000 goal

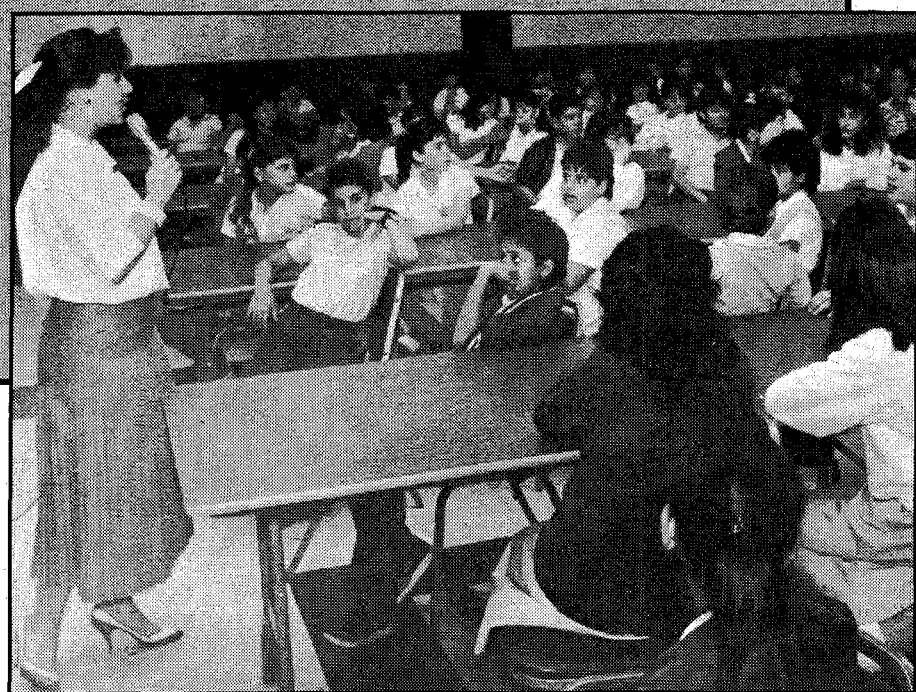
This year St. John the Apostle has a goal to raise \$1,000 for their sister school, Chavari, in the mountains surrounding Port-de-Paix.

It's not much by American educational standards, but it will go a long way toward helping their sister school. The students raise the money themselves through walk-a-thons, flea markets or other special events.

By listening to a talk by Amor en



Students from St. John the Apostle School in Hialeah (right) listen intently to Tahia Lorenzo, a volunteer with Amor en Accion, as she describes conditions in their "sister school" of Chavari (above) in Haiti. Other Archdiocesan schools also are participating in the program.



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Accion representative Tahia Lorenzo, they were learning more about the school where they have sent monies for the past several years.

They learned that more than 50 Chavari students cram into a one-room straw and mud hut.

They are taught, like most Haitian students, by young teachers who have the equivalent of an eighth grade education in the United States.

Typical day

Lorenzo, a recent graduate of Miami-Dade Community College who has gone on trips with the missionary organization, described the details of day-to-day life for the children of the mountains of Northern Haiti.

She was assisted in a slide show by another young Amor en Accion volunteer, Carmen Mora.

Lorenzo began by describing the beginning of the day for a typical student in rural Haiti.

"They walk miles to school and by the time they get there they're so tired that they don't even want to talk to anyone," she said.

At the end of the day, she said, "they can't come home and relax. They don't have nice clothes to change into. When they get home they have to cut sugar cane or do whatever they can to help their family."

St. John the Apostle pays for a program that provides lunches for the students, and Lorenzo spoke about the daily battle against hunger that the Haitian children face.

"They put a lot of spices on their

food and that way it helps the hunger go away," she said. "If it's raining they walk through the rain because they know if they get to school they get fed."

The material contributions of the South Florida school are appreciated, she wanted the students to know, as well as the Christian spirit in which they are given.

"They don't know where Miami is but they know that there are some people up there who care about them."

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The Church and the Klan

60 Years of bigotry still opposed

By Liz Schevtchuk

WASHINGTON (NC) -- Probably few Americans remember Peter J. Fushelberger, Theresa Nicht or James Tanner, or why they made news in the early 1920s.

But they got attention for the same reason that prompted the U.S. bishops to issue their latest denunciation of the Ku Klux Klan some 60 years later.

During the 1920s, the problem was Klan bigotry against Catholics and their supporters, people like Fushelberger, Miss Nicht and Tanner.

In 1987, it is racist bigotry perpetrated by a Klan that ironically now invites membership by Catholics, the religious believers it once scorned.

The U.S. Catholic Conference Administrative Board in a March 27 statement said the U.S. bishops "are deeply troubled by the visible and recurring signs of racism in our society." Quoting from a 1979 pastoral letter, they declared "racism is not merely one sin among many, it is a radical evil."

"We state unequivocally that Catholics who join the Ku Klux Klan, or any organizations that actively promotes racism, act in violation of Catholic teaching," the bishops on the Administrative Board emphasized in the March statement. "These organizations are a scandalous contradiction to all that we hold sacred and teach in the name of Jesus Christ."

It might be surprising to Fushelberger, Miss Nicht or Tanner that the American Catholic hierarchy ever needed to forbid Catholics to join the Klan.

Fired Catholics

Fushelberger, principal of a public high school in Indiana, and Miss Nicht, principal of a public elementary school in Maryland, both suddenly lost their jobs -- both after several years of commendable service -- because they were Catholic, and, apparently, on the direct orders of the Klan. Local Protestants in both cases defended the principals and repudiated the Klan's actions, to no avail.

Tanner, a retired Union soldier who had lost both legs during a Civil War battle at Manassas, Va., was an elderly District of Columbia official when he hired a Catholic employee. Personally threatened by the Klan, Tanner publicly told Klansmen he rejected the "absolutely cowardly, contemptible expression of your bigotry" and announced the Catholic employee would begin work as scheduled.

The Klan in those days, in addition to preventing Catholics from holding government or school jobs, was held responsible for cross burnings, threats to convents and parishes, and vandalism; it was even suspected of the mysterious murder of a young priest. It backed political candidates and urged voters to "bear Rome, rum and rebellion" -- borrowing a 19th-century

anti-Catholic slogan.

Klan Imperial Wizard H.W. Evans also refuted the patriotism of Catholics and in 1923 claimed the American bishops maintained "a higher temporal allegiance to the priesthood at Rome than to the presidency at Washington."

That was too much for Bishop John P. Carroll of Helena, Mont., who said the wizard "offers no support

National Catholic Welfare Conference, the predecessor of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and the USCC. "It is for Americans to decide if they will stand with their country or with the Klan."

By the 1950s, though, some Klan units had decided to recruit white Catholics. The Diocese of Charleston, S.C., under Bishop John Russell, greeted such news in 1957 with the comment that the very nature of the Klan prohibited Catholics from joining.

Similar warnings came in the 1960s and 1970s from other dioceses. Father John H. Dewson, Wilmington, Del., diocesan communications director, noted in 1965, "I don't see how, either as a Christian or an American, a person can in good conscience belong to the Klan. To be a Catholic and a member of the Ku Klux Klan is a contradiction in terms."

Nonetheless, the same year a Klan leader claimed "many Catholics are white supremacists" and that "we won't let the churches dictate to us on racial matters."

And in 1977, the bishops of Washington, D.C., where Tanner had once stood up to the Klan, noted reports "that the Klan's hostility to minorities in general and to blacks in particular has met with the approval -- either tacit or active -- of some of our citizens, including Catholics."

New questions

More cross burnings, threats to black and interracial families, and other events in recent years have raised new questions about American racism -- and demonstrated new commitment to fighting it.

Early in 1987, Catholics -- including Auxiliary Bishop Emerson Moore of New York -- joined 20,000 other Americans on a march through Forsyth County, Ga., a response to an attack by 400 Klansmen and supporters on a smaller march a week earlier.

Such civil rights actions evoke memories of an appeal 64 years ago from Bishop Joseph Schrembs of Toledo, Ohio, who, responding to Klan prejudices, cited the promise of the Constitution that all have the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

"It therefore behooves all right-minded citizens to lay aside their petty political views and to unite as one . . . for the successful perpetuation of the fundamental rights and blessings of American citizenship," he added.

'To be a Catholic and a member of the Klan is a contradiction in terms'

Fr. John Burke

It is for Americans to decide if they will stand with their country or with the Klan'



of his statement" and questioned "is he a wicked calumniator or merely a Know Nothing? I leave the fair-minded people of America to judge."

Country or Klan?

Evans "reveals without further question the Klan's intolerance of Negroes, Jews and Catholics," added Paulist Father John J. Burke, general secretary of the

without pointing a finger at a specific diocese or bishop. Papal speeches to the group are made public by the Vatican while talks between the pope and individual bishops are kept private.

An example of such papal pinpointing occurred in March when the pope told a group of bishops from France to hold dialogues with Catholic institutions and individuals involved in procreation practices, such as in vitro fertilizations despite the church's opposition.

It was also noted that the pope was proposing dialogue by local bishops -- not Vatican sanctions -- as the way to solve the problem.

The logical extension of this "ad limina" policy was a papally organized March 1986 summit between top Vatican authorities and the main officials of the Brazilian church. The pope said the summit should be considered an extension of the Brazilian "ad limina" visits, which had already taken place, so that problems discussed at a local and regional level could be pursued in the national dimension.

"The Brazilian bishops expressed a great satisfaction" over their meeting, said Archbishop John May of St. Louis, president of the U.S. bishops' conference, in announcing that the pope had proposed a similar meeting for the U.S. hierarchy.

Papal trips, too, are providing bishops with opportunities to make their voices heard at the Vatican.

Planning procedures along that line have evolved noticeably in the eight years of Pope John Paul's reign as foreign travels have become an essential part

of papal activity. At first, Vatican contact with local church officials was limited to listing logistical and material needs of the pope and his traveling aides, say Vatican officials involved in trip organization. Now, they add, there is extensive consultation with the local bishops responsible for proposing themes and providing background material for papal understanding of the local situations in which these themes exist.

A case in point was the pope's 1984 trip to Canada. It followed a two-and-a-half-year consultation with Canadian bishop which resulted in Vatican acceptance of local liturgical customs and a major Canadian input on the content of papal speeches.

The bishops suggested speech themes, and once they were approved Canadian church officials prepared briefing notes to be used as the basis for papal talks.

"Part of the consultation was that the pope would come to visit the Canadian church, not try to change it," said Father Everett MacNeil, spokesman for the Canadian bishops during the trip.

The U.S. bishops are hoping for a similar situation, a papal trip which results in a greater understanding of the American church and the sociological complexities which accompany living a Christian commitment in a pluralistic, secular society.

When the pope first visited the United States in 1979, an extensive consultation process had not yet been developed. Planning for the 1987 trip shows that the situation has changed.

It also shows that this consultation can go beyond papal planning to set the agenda for a collegial examination of problem issues.

Pope, Bishops face-to-face: solutions

By Agostino Bono

VATICAN CITY (NC) -- Vatican and U.S. church officials have set the stage for a major meeting next year on issues dividing U.S. Catholics and causing tension across the Atlantic.

In doing so, they highlighted the growing collegial importance of two common procedures: papal trip planning and "ad limina" visits to the Vatican by bishops. Under Pope John Paul II both have evolved into face-to-face sounding boards for airing of Vatican and local church grievances.

They also allow for lengthy personal contact, helping break down some of the misunderstandings that develop over long-distance correspondence. The decision to hold a meeting on substantive issues was taken in March when a top-level U.S. delegation arrived at the Vatican to plan the pope's September visit. And the meeting is scheduled for sometime after the 1988 "ad limina" visits of the U.S. bishops.

"Ad limina" visits are required every five years of heads of dioceses. Their purpose is to report directly to the pope and Vatican officials about the status of their ecclesial jurisdictions.

Besides one-on-one meetings between a bishop and the pope, they also involve group meetings with the bishops of a nation, or in the case of a large national hierarchy such as that of the United States, regional groupings of bishops.

The pope often says in "ad limina" talks that this group procedure allows for substantive collegial discussion of issues which spread beyond the borders of one diocese. What he does not say is that it also allows him to pinpoint weaknesses that need correction

Editorial Page

Grumbling about Pope should stop

While most people are eagerly anticipating and supporting the papal visit here, there are apparently still a few negative vibes going around that need some straight talk.

There is the Cuban controversy over demands that the Pope visit their shrine of Our Lady as a kind of slap against Castro; there is complaining in at least some quarters about the expense of the trip; there was a snide letter to the editor in The Miami Herald about the homeless, plus similar comments on radio talk shows that thrive on controversy.

We stated in last week's Voice editorial that the Pope is well aware of the refugee status of South Florida and will no doubt acknowledge it in one way or another. However, we point out now that anyone expecting the Pope to openly bash Castro will likely be disappointed. He will more likely refer to displaced persons and human rights, and how strongly he does so may be partly affected by any intentions he may have of going, not to the shrine, but to Cuba itself eventually.

A papal visit to Cuba would probably be the best thing that could happen,

— Voice editorial —

because every oppressive country he has ever visited has never been the same again. The Church in those countries is invariably strengthened and emboldened and the ruling regime put on the defensive.

The letter to the editor (which, incidentally The Herald played up with a box and caricature of the Pope) brings us to the question of expenses, the purpose of papal travel and a bit of bigotry.

The letter from a Hollywood woman referred to a picture of Archbishop McCarthy in the paper leading a prayer service at Camillus House, a Catholic shelter for homeless men. She found it "significant" that the Archdiocese could spend \$2 million on the pope's visit while there are such problems as the homeless in Miami. She refers to a scriptural passage about helping the needy and not just giving them words and suggests that the Archdiocese should be more scriptural and more Christian.

Presumably she meant "Christian," as opposed to "Papal." Such terms are usually code words in the fundamentalist lexicon of anti-Catholic dogma.

First of all, let us point out that in the 1980s alone this Archdiocese has raised over \$35 million through the Archbishop's Charities and Development Drive. This money goes in part to support Church agencies dealing with:

Δ Drugs and alcoholism: A large percentage of the homeless are alcoholics or addicts.

Δ Family counseling: Many people end up on the streets after personal problems at home or work overwhelm them and they just drop out of society.

Δ Low cost housing projects: These, of course, apply directly to the problem of homes for people who need help, especially the elderly.

Δ Plus a host of other social services, a larger network by far than any other private organization in this area.

And this says nothing of the millions of dollars South Florida Catholics have sent to national and foreign missions ministering to the needy the world over—second to none, including all other denominations combined.

The Archdiocese can not eliminate a problem which frustrates even the government and the rest of society, but it certainly does more than give words to social problems. Presumably charity is scriptural and Biblical.

It is also quite papal. In Yankee Stadium John Paul chided Americans to turn away from materialism and give to the poor until it hurts. The Vatican supports foreign missions monetarily, and no one has spoken out more forcefully for the poor and oppressed than the Pope on his travels.

Which brings us to that question. Why travel?

The Pope, who is quite scriptural, quotes St. Paul: "I love to see you, that I might impart some spiritual gift to strengthen you, that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine." And Christ who told Peter, "Strengthen your people."

The Pope is the most prominent and central figure in all Christianity and his

Letters

A Polish thanks for 'Father Jan'

Editor: On behalf of the Sacred Heart Society, #1492, of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America, Miami Chapter, I would like to thank you for the beautiful article on the death of Father Jan Januszewski, of March 20. I would like to add that Father Jan was our member and our chaplain for 19 years. He always participated in our religious and patriotic celebrations and was always present at our society's anniversaries.

He was a very humble and devout priest and a great Polish patriot. He lost almost all his family during the holocaust, but I think the death of his young brother, a priest who was shot at the altar by the gestapo soon after his ordination, just broke, Father Jan's heart. He carried his grief and sorrow to his grave. We shall always remember him as a soft spoken, kind, hard working religious priest. May his soul rest in peace.

Mrs. Pelagia Lukaszewska
North Miami Beach

Cuban people want a clear statement

Editor: In response to Voice editorial, "Pope's Visit Here -- Where's the Joy: The joy is to create the most perfect organization and the sources of revenues to cover all expenses incurred during the Papal visit.

Once more our Catholic Church in the United States will place more emphasis in the organizational and economic aspects of an event than in the apostolic and pastoral aspects. The visit by our Holy Father will not be an exception. I once heard a U.S. Catholic Bishop say, "Our worst enemies are the devil and the budget."

I've also heard many times people say, "Timing is everything." The timing of your editorial was completely off. If there were some misinterpretations and some misunderstandings, mainly to a lack of communication (as you very well state in your editorial), after the meeting of the "Cuban" press with Archbishop McCarthy everything went back to normal and I was very happy to hear

Tomas Regalado (WQBA newscaster) say that he trusted Archbishop McCarthy, he believed in him and he loved him.

To me your editorial was like the drop of water that overflowed the cup, (perhaps because I had just finished reading the book "Against All Hope" by Armando Valladares) but, mainly because it comes to a point when you get tired of being treated like second class citizens, second class christians and second class human beings.

Yes, I am Cuban. I, personally, understand and relate to the fears and anxieties of the "Cuban" press. We have been ignored so many times before. Perhaps the Pope is planning to go to Cuba in the near future and the Church "establishment" doesn't want to create any waves. It breaks my heart to say something like this but, Who knows?

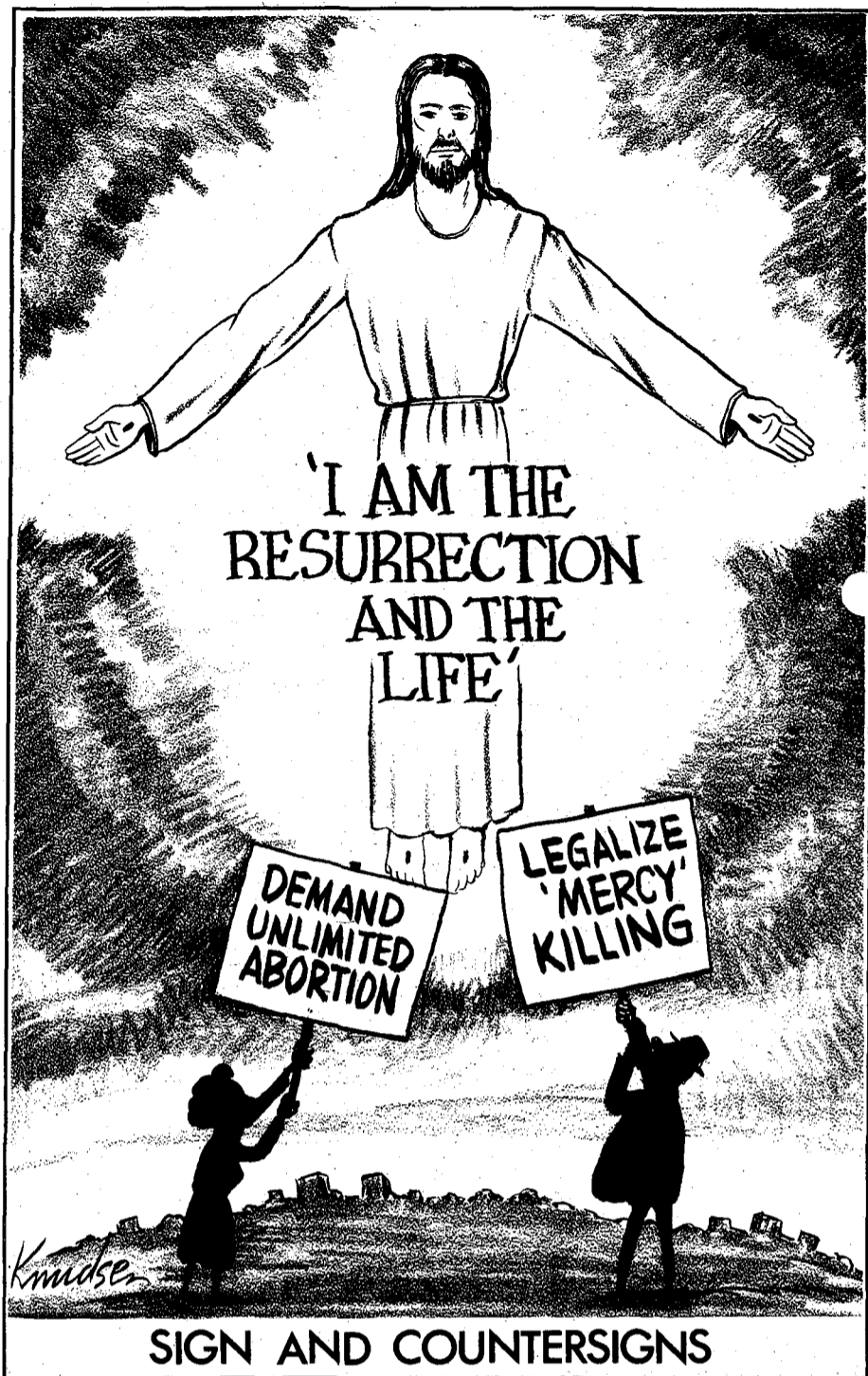
The Pope is a spiritual leader and he expresses himself only in moralistic terms and not in political terms. But to

ignore the enormous weight that his statements carry in the political arena you have to be blind, deaf and dumb. The visit by the Pope to the Shrine of Our Blessed Mother under the name of Charity will provide for the first time in 30 years a platform with a wide-world forum for the millions of human beings suffering in a small island of the Caribbean named Cuba, who many years ago placed their faith under the patronage of Our Lady of Charity.

This time we should not be denied.

Miguel A. Cabrera
Miami

(Note: Archbishop McCarthy stated at the outset that the Pope's visit was to be a spiritual event and a teaching moment. The Archdiocese has turned down offers to endorse various pope-related items to avoid commercial involvement in the Pope's visit. However, budget and planning are necessary for an event involving hundreds of thousands of people. —Ed.)



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presence directly among the people is a unifying experience that cannot be achieved any other way. And contrary to some opinions, the Pope doesn't travel just to lecture people. For his visit to this country a dialogue format is already established. Certain themes will be dealt with in each city such as health care, the laity, the priesthood, Jewish concerns, communications, education. Presentations will be made and he will respond. Such interaction simply is not achieved by issuing documents from Rome.

And in Third World countries it is often the poorest and oppressed who walk for miles, sometimes for days, to see the Holy Father, an experience which may be the highlight of their lives.

Most Catholics here and around the nation spend lifetimes struggling, with varying degrees of success, to live within the mandates of Christianity.

Now, for perhaps the only time in history we are to be blessed with a visit from this special and unique person.

We have paid our dues and we have a right to celebrate this event without slurs from anyone.

Marrying in the Catholic Church

Q. I am a Catholic, at least by birth, involved with and planning a future commitment with a baptized Lutheran. My question is probably very fundamental. I previously was married in the United Church of Christ and have since been divorced. Does this prevent me from receiving the sacrament of matrimony in the Catholic



By Fr. John Dietzen

Church?

Since the crisis involved in my divorce, I have grown in faith as many do when faced with something that depends on one's hope and faith.

I pray very hard that the Catholic Church will accept my request to be married in my faith. (North Carolina)

A. From what you have told me, no obstacle prevents your marriage in the Catholic Church to another Catholic, or to a member of any faith or of no faith.

You were baptized a Catholic, apparently in your infancy or at least when you were very young. According to Catholic Church regulations, you should be married before a Catholic priest in order to be validly married in the eyes of the church. Apparently that has not happened up to now.

It is possible for you to enter the marriage you contemplate and have that marriage completely valid and recognized by the church so that you will continue to be a full member of our faith.

Please contact a priest in your parish or in your area and explain to him the facts you have given to me. I am sure something will be worked out very simply.

Q. I am a Catholic who was married in the Catholic Church years ago. After 17 years and three children my husband suddenly said he wanted a divorce so he could marry a young girl, only five years older than our oldest daughter.

We were finally divorced. He remarried and so did I. My second husband died in 1956. Since then I have not remarried. I am now a great-grandmother, 76 years old. Is it possible for me to go back to Holy Communion? Do I need to talk to a priest about it? (Rhode Island)

A. I'm sorry you waited so long. Nothing prevents your receiving the sacraments and there is no need for a special visit with a priest. Please go to the sacrament of penance as soon as you can and get back to receiving the Eucharist. I hope you do it soon.

(Send Questions to Fr. John Dietzen, Holy Trinity Parish, 704 N. Main St., Bloomington, Ill. 61701)

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Mobilizing to pray

The growing trend to seek world peace through prayer, not on the part of an individual but as part of a network of believers, is one of the most reassuring developments I've heard about lately.

Most of my information comes from Helen Weaver, a writer and friend. She is putting together a book on prayer, collecting some of the most beautiful thoughts human beings have expressed in their desire to communicate with God throughout history.

"Hundreds of groups the world over are now praying and meditating regularly for peace," she said. She listed some such groups.

Peace the 21st is a non-denominational, non-profit organization whose purpose is the building of world peace through prayer, meditation or other mental activities.

The organization invites people around the world to tune in with them to a worldwide meditation four times a year. There is power in thought and the collective positive thought of the human race may well be the most powerful force in the world, the members believe. The objective is to harness this power in the interest of world peace.

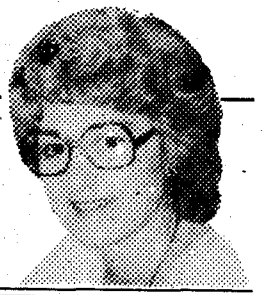
Peace the 21st asks people who support this principle to join in a massive and united "Thought Image of Peace" on the 21st of March, June, September and December from 7 to 7:30 p.m. (You may contact the group at: 1474 Bathurst St., Suite 2, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5P 3G9).

Another peace prayer network is the work of the *Quartus Foundation* (Box 27230, Austin, Texas 78755). It is asking people to set aside one hour the last day of each month to meditate on peace.

"This need not take place at any special time of day. Any one-hour period that is convenient will be fine," Helen informs me.

Last Dec. 31, a World Healing Meditation was organized by Quartus. People rose early to pray for an hour at 7 a.m. An estimated 50 million people from 50 states and seven continents, representing all religious faiths, participated in that healing meditation, according to Quartus.

"More than 1 percent of the world's population



By Antoinette Bosco

simultaneously prayed for peace, a first in the history of our planet," Helen told me. "The feedback I have received from friends and strangers confirms my own sense that together we have tapped into an energy whose potential for positive change may well be unlimited."

Her words reminded me of the lines from Alfred Lord Tennyson that the nuns quoted often when we were students: "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

Yet another group that has been performing a peace prayer ceremony for more than 30 years is the *Society of Prayer for World Peace* in Japan. As Helen explains it, the event takes place every year at the foot of Mount Fuji and regularly attracts more than 10,000 people.

"Those assembled repeat a simple prayer for the happiness, peace and successful missions of the people of each of the 168 countries on Earth. The prayer is accompanied by the presentation of the flag of each country in a breathtakingly colorful and moving display," she said. This year's ceremony is set for May 10.

I think these groups are onto something valid and special. I am reminded of what Jesus said, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there." Because of that, the nuns who were my teachers years ago used to say that praying together was more effective than praying alone.

If so, how powerful it must be when millions gather in God's name precisely because they want to preserve the beauty - and the very existence -- of the Earth.

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Is illness a punishment?

An elderly woman dying of cancer whispered, "Father, I believe God is punishing me because my children have all left the Church." A man with advanced Parkinson's disease conjectured, "God must be paying me back for the sins of my youth."

Feelings and statements such as these give rise to a question: Is sickness or suffering a sign of God's punishment? The answer is "No," emphatically and categorically! Sometimes we neglect our health and it can cause us to suffer but God can't be blamed for that. God's unchanging love is never withdrawn.

Jesus was a living sign of the Father's attitude toward our sickness. He was never indifferent to the sick; in fact suffering upset Him. His compassion and His tears are described in scripture (Mt. 9:36; 14:14; 15:32; Jn. 11:31-35; Lk. 7:13). He healed those who were sick without any reference to their sinful past and He never interpreted illness as divine punishment. Jesus dismissed, quite explicitly, any causal link between sin and illness (Jn. 9:3; Lk. 13:2, 4). Nowhere does Jesus say that God makes illness a test or a reprisal for past sin.

An article in the spring 1986 issue of "Cross Currents" is remarkable for its clarity and content on this topic. Author Claude Ortemann, a French priest of the Order of the Servants of the Sick, makes the further point that Jesus never presented the idea, one which later generations adopted, that sickness in



By Fr. John Catoir

some way contributes to one's salvation or is given directly to us to help us expiate sin.

The loss of health is a normal part of the life process. No one dies healthy and everyone dies, even the great saints. We cannot extricate ourselves from this reality. The whole of life includes times of good health and times of sickness. Sickness is not sent as a form of divine vindictiveness, or punishment.

In terms of sanctification and salvation, every aspect of life can glorify God according to the way we accept and offer it. In sickness and health, let us praise the Lord!

(For a free copy of the Christopher New Notes, *Coping With Illness*, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to The Christophers, 12 East 48 Street, New York 10017.)

Time capsules

First an empress, then a nun

Kunigunde was the daughter of Count Siegfried of Luxemburg who married the Emperor, Henry II. As queen and empress, she founded a Benedictine convent of nuns. When she was widowed, she retired to this convent and ended her days as a humble nun.

In art, St. Kunigunde is represented as walking barefoot over red hot ploughshares in memory of her ordeal when in the presence of the Emperor and the Court she proved her perfect innocence against those in the court who were perfidious calumniators.

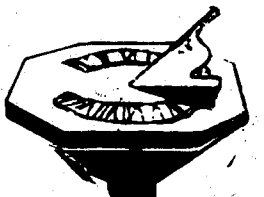
Sitric, the Norse King of Dublin, tried to overthrow Brian Boru, the last rightful King of Ireland on Good Friday, 1014. Although Brian was 88 years old, he not only met but annihilated his enemy on the field of battle near Dublin. This victory ended 200 years of domination by the Norsemen and broke the Norse power in Ireland forever.

Although he was murdered as he was praying in his tent shortly after the battle, Brian Boru is still the symbol of Ireland shaking off the foreign yoke.

Barrendeus was a monk at St. Columba's monastery. It was said that he reached the American Continent on one of his sea-borne missions and reported his discovery to St. Brendan the Navigator.

Pope Gelasius I, who reigned in 492, outlined the separate areas of state and spiritual authority and insisted that neither encroach upon the other.

Brendan the Bold, who was the abbot at the monastery of Galway, Ireland, is supposed to have sailed across the Atlantic Ocean about 575 A.D. He is also supposed to have landed at St. Augustine, Florida. His story occurred in most of the literature of Europe in the Middle Ages.



By Frank Morgan

Healing a ruptured relationship

Dear Mary: My daughter-in-law has nothing to do with me except for holidays. She teaches every day in the town where I live but never even calls me. Her children, 15 and 8, have not visited me in more than three months. Rather than cause an argument, my son goes along with her neglect of me. He neglects me too.

I loaned them \$10,000 in 1983 and so far only \$2,000 has been repaid. I live on a fixed income and the only thing left for me to do is sue them and I hate to do it to my son.

My blood pressure shoots up when I call and ask for a payment. None comes, only abuse. I asked a lawyer to phone them but they hung up on him. (New Jersey)

Your letter sends a mixed message: 1. I want a more friendly, close, loving relationship with my son and his family. 2. I want to sue them because they default on their debts. Perhaps your son and daughter-in-law also are confused by your message.

Money issues have broken up many family relationships. Many parents help their children financially. While this is a generous and supportive thing for parents to do, it can spoil later relationships.

To avoid such dissension, loans to children should be treated like other business transactions. Write a promissory note specifying the time and method of payment and the interest rate. Have your child sign the

By Dr.
**James and
Mary Kenny**



note, making a legally binding agreement.

Too often parents treat their grown children like children. They loan money implying, "Don't worry about repaying. Daddy and mother will take care of you." There is no written agreement. When the children have a good income, they figure that there is no hurry about repayment. The parents, however, resent the child's failure to pay.

What can you do now? If you really want the money, get a lawyer and go after your son. You say you hate to do this, but complaining, elevating your blood pressure and allowing bad feeling to ruin your relationship certainly is worse than legal action.

Another alternative is to consider the \$8,000 an advance inheritance. Take this amount away from your son's inheritance through your will, then forget it. You say you need the money. However, you have done without it since 1983. Perhaps you cannot afford to let \$8,000 come between you and your son permanently.

Once you get the loan issue settled, your relationship with your son's family may improve. If you wish to see the family, take the initiative. If you wish to see your grandchildren, propose an outing they would enjoy.

Take the teen-ager shopping. Allow him-her to bring a friend. Take the grandchildren to a movie then out for pizza. Ask the children to help you. Then pay them and take them out shopping with the money.

Invite your son's family for a specific occasion. Offer to keep the children so your son and wife can spend a weekend away together.

Your son and his wife apparently have two careers, two children and a house to manage. They may get wrapped up in their own lives and problems and simply become thoughtless.

The longer you dwell on your daughter-in-law's faults, the worse your chances of establishing a good relationship. Your grandchildren are growing older every day. If you wish to enjoy them and be part of their lives, you have little time to waste.

(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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The postponed generation

Every so often a book comes along that has so much meat for parents that I want to share it with you. Such a book is *The Postponed Generation: Why America's Grown-up Kids Are Growing Up Later* by Susan Littwin (William Morrow and Co., 1986). I read a review of it and asked my library to locate it for me but I intend to get a copy of my own.

I see it as valuable for parents of young adults who are baffled by their children's seeming inability to settle into a job and their willingness to depend upon parents for financial and emotional support while rejecting the drudgery which parents went through to enable them to offer this support.

I also see it as valuable for parents of adolescents who are right now preparing for the work and college world because many of the patterns of postponement are developed in high school.

A quick overview of the book might be helpful. The "postponed generation" refers to the phenomenon of floundering young adults who seem trapped in indecision and childhood. They flit from school to school, degree to degree, and job to job with aimlessness. These are the baby-boomers of the fifties and sixties, the non-Yuppies, and there are many more of them than Yuppies.

By
**Dolores
Curran**



They were raised by comfortable middle-class parents who were reared in the depression and worked hard to achieve financial security, so much so that they gave their children too many comforts and a false security.

These postponed adults have a sense of entitlement. They feel the interesting job and good income are their due and they resist the unpleasant labor that is required to earn these rewards.

At the same time, they are the first generation to anticipate an economic lifestyle lower than their parents with fewer career opportunities in the offing.

In earlier generations, an adult of 25 to 35 who was willing to depend on his parents was an object of pity or derision. No longer. The years of

dependency are expanding and many parents don't know how to deal with them.

I recognized many of the postponed adults Littwin interviewed. I have met them in my work. All of us know them. They resist graduating as long as possible, even enjoy the label of professional student. They take temporary unskilled jobs, then roam around Europe for a year or so. They may try permanent employment but find entry level jobs boring.

As long as parents support their dependency, they seem satisfied to live in a post-adolescent limbo even if it means tension between generations.

Littwin makes a strong case for parents who cut their young adults loose financially, pointing out that until they do, these grown-up children will continue to postpone the responsibilities of adult life.

Even more damning is their attitude toward parents who support them. They speak of them with callous indifference, unconcerned about their parents' needs and dreams and critical of their 9 to 5 nose-to-the-grindstone lifetimes.

Gratefully, many of us have not experienced this kind of offspring but those who do are asking themselves, "Where did we go wrong? We gave them so much and they expect more."

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Family matters

A weekend for separated, divorced and widowed

By Sister Virginia McCall, PBVM,
Director of Ministry to Separated and
Divorced,
Family Enrichment Center

In 1974 Jo Lamia, a divorced woman, and Sister Josephine Stewart made a Marriage Encounter together for the purpose of developing a similar experience for engaged couples. Moving through the various parts of the weekend, Jo focused on aspects of her former marriage. Painful memories surfaced, but as she wrote and shared her feelings with Sister Josephine, she discovered a sense of peace and healing within herself.

By the conclusion of the Marriage Encounter weekend, Jo felt like a new person, ready to begin a new life filled with hope and vitality. It was then that Jo and Josephine realized that they must form a similar experience for persons who have been separated and divorced. So The Beginning Experience was born!

Later it was discovered that widowed persons can also profit from the experience. The reason for this is because it is the process which brings healing. This process consists of talks given by team members followed by quiet time for reflection and writing in a personal journal. There is then time for sharing within

small groups of persons who have had similar experiences. Participants remain with the same small group throughout the weekend in order to develop a sense of community and trust.

The purpose of the weekend is to provide a safe environment in which those participating can allow unresolved feelings to surface. This will certainly not remove these negative feelings from their lives, but in being able to talk about them they gain a bit more control over the anger, guilt and loneliness which had previously controlled and at times immobilized them. The writing and talking also helps to put into perspective a most painful part of one's life.

The ultimate goal of the weekend is to let go of that former relationship. Even when one is already divorced or widowed, there is a certain power and influence that other person often continues to have over one's life which prevents or impedes growth. Some people who make the weekend never reach this goal but they receive the tools necessary to let go when the time is right for them.

From its origin in North Texas, The Beginning Experience has spread throughout the United States including Hawaii and Alaska and beyond to Australia, New Zealand, England, Scotland and Wales. It has been

translated into Spanish for use in Mexico. With this growth many lives have been touched enabling divorced and widowed persons throughout the world to begin again with hope and meaning for their lives.

A Beginning Experience is offered in South Florida three times each year. The next one will be held at the Family Enrichment Center, 18330 NW 12th Ave., Miami, June 12-14. Another one will be conducted October 9-11 at the Dominican Retreat House, 7275 SW 124th Street, Miami. Cost for the weekend is \$65. However, no one is turned away for lack of funds. Special arrangements will be made.

The Beginning Experience is for those persons who are beyond the initial trauma and pain of their loss, but who still feel a need to deal with unresolved feelings and to set a positive direction for their life. It is for those who are willing to invest an entire weekend focusing on their feelings and to listen and to share with others.

Just as Jesus passed through death to renewed life, so do the participants of The Beginning Experience weekend move through their experience of personal death to a new beginning.

For further information contact Sister Virginia McCall at 651-0280.

The future of Catholic T.V.

The future of Catholic television for the remainder of this century, according to some experts in the field, depends on who is using it, what they are saying and how they are getting through to viewers.

To reach Catholics, meet their needs and take advantage of the

By
**James
Breig**



opportunities offered by technology, the experts suggest three questions which need to be answered if the Church is to be successful in its use of communications.

1. Who's using the media?

Getting professional communicators involved in the Church's use of television is crucial, in the view of Maury Sheridan, director of communications for the Archdiocese of Seattle and president of UNDA-USA, an organization of Catholic communicators. "We've just begun to encourage creative talents to develop programs to feed the system," he says. "This is where we're farthest behind. We've got the waterpipe laid; we desperately need the water."

Auxiliary Bishop Anthony Bosco of Pittsburgh, who heads the U.S. bishops' communications committee, wants the Church to "get involved with the creative community so values are inserted into programs subtly. Catholic TV doesn't have to be labeled 'Catholic' and have Gregorian chant in the background and smell of incense. 'The Cosby Show' and 'Saturday Night Live' contain values of some sort. To have

our values reflected, we have to dialogue with the creative community. We need more, competent professionals."

2. What are they saying?

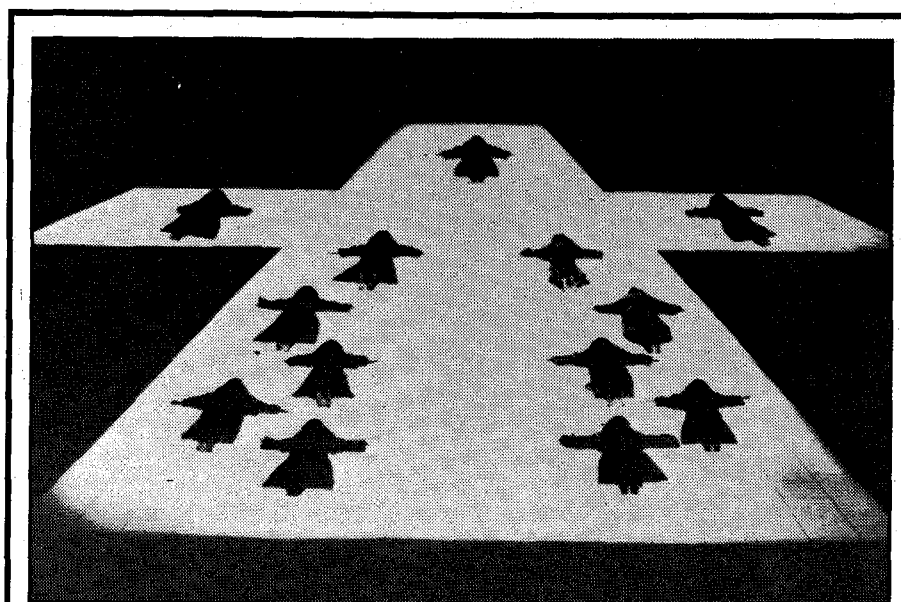
"A crying need is a meaningful defense of the Church against the charges and attacks of fundamentalism, of secularists who consider God irrelevant and of an economic system which considers millions of homeless and unemployed people to be normal and acceptable," says Fr. John Catoir, director of The Christophers and host of its syndicated "Closeup" show. "I love the moral courage of the bishops' pastoral on economic justice, but only a tiny fraction of Catholics will read it. If the bishops are serious about its content, they have to use electronic media.

"Do the bishops want to save people from eroding in their confidence in the Church?" he asks. "Do they want to educate people on the injustices in society? How badly do they want to do that and what means are they going to use? I'm not thinking about entertainment but an effective campaign to get the Gospel message out."

3. How are they communicating?

Do you have cable TV? a VCR? a satellite dish? just a plain ordinary TV set? Catholic television can reach you through any of those methods. Catholic programs are syndicated, carried by cable outlets, beamed through satellites and circulated through video-tape stores. The last method is one which some experts feel is a wave of the future.

"The outlets must be multiplied," Martin Doblmeier stresses. He heads Journey Communications, which produces TV programming for several denominations. "Home video is an important marketplace. There seems to be a bias against religious programming on broadcast and cable outlets, but videos at home are an open door. The Church can have impact there. The



COURAGEOUS NUNS. Francis Poulenc's opera "Dialogues of the Carmelites," sung in English, will air May 6 at 8 p.m. on PBS' "Live from the Met" series. Set amid the French Revolution, the opera is a powerful, often haunting depiction of the individual struggles of a group of Carmelite nuns who face death rather than abandon their vows.

numbers are smaller, but the impact is greater. We usually measure success by the number of people watching. I'm not sure that's right. Effectiveness can also be measured by the number of people touched on a personal level. The results, even if only on a few people, can be life changing."

Bishop Bosco sees a value in home videos because the "shelf-life" of the programs is extended and they are "especially good for rural communities."

To Father Catoir, "the growth in the home video market has been staggering. There are stores all around. The bishops should think in terms of home delivery as well as networks. We should use every available technique to get ideas across."

What's most needed for the future, Mr. Sheridan believes, is confidence, faith and more money. "We've got to

get over this territorial thing, we're like puppies with a blanket, pulling at the corners. We have a tremendous opportunity to bring Christianity to the marketplace. To worry about how many networks there are or who's in control is petty and small-minded. We should have faith and make use of the opportunities, and then trust they are good and can be used well by the Church."

To do that, all agree, money is essential. The costs of operating communications systems and supplying them with programming are huge. Bishop Bosco hopes that Catholics will think of contributing to the annual Catholic Communications Campaign as being "a patron of the arts, encouraging producers to come up with ideas." Without that monetary support, the future will be a blank screen.

'Mr. Right' lacks balance, focuses on sexual relationship

Making Mr. Right
(Orion)

A young professional woman giving up on romance finds true love in the arms of an android, a machine made to resemble a human being, for which

she is hired to teach social graces. Ann Magnuson and John Malkovich are the

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unlikely couple in Susan Seidelma's

social satire which has most of its focus on sexual matters. The movie manages to convey issues important to women but lacks a balanced approach to the relative importance of sex and love in a lasting relationship. Some crude language and sexual innuendo.

The U.S. Catholic Conference classification is A-III -- adults. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is PG-13 -- parents strongly cautioned to provide special guidance for attendance of children under 13.

Prick Up Your Ears
(Goldwyn)

Harshly realistic depiction of the doomed love affair between British playwright Joe Orton (Gary Oldman)

and collaborator Kenneth Halliwell (Alfred Molina). Uncompromising direction by Stephen Frears dwells too vividly on the details of sordid sexual encounters and a concluding bloody murder and suicide scene. Vanessa Redgrave co-stars in the British production which has brief male nudity and vulgar language. The U.S. Catholic Conference classification is O -- morally offensive. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is R -- restricted.

The Secret of My Success
(Universal)

An ambitious college-educated Kansas farmboy (Michael J. Fox) takes a sexual route to the top of the corporate ladder as a mailboy impersonating an executive in director Herbert Ross' madcap comedy about business ethics and the new American dream of instant achievement.

Helen Slater is the love interest and Margaret Whitton the amorous aunt who gets him to the top. Not a positive role model for youth. Some bedroom humor dependent upon sexual innuendo, negative stereotypes of women and acceptance of adultery.

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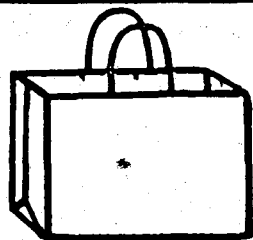
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Barry U. holds 'travelling groundbreaking' May 7

(MIAMI SHORES--) On Thursday, May 7, at 4 p.m., graduating seniors will see ground broken for the largest campus expansion in Barry University's history. Mrs. D. Inez Andreas, chairman of the Barry board, and Sister Jeanne O'Laughlin, O.P., will conduct a "traveling-ground-breaker" across campus.

Congressman William Lehman will be on hand to assist in the breaking of ground for a new high-tech building. The building will contain classrooms and faculty offices and will look like the School of Business Building. It will be constructed with funds provided through a \$3.9 million grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation. Site of the new building will be north of Barry Library.

The next stop will be the 40-acre west campus where the ground-breaking for a 600-car parking lot and expanded athletic facilities will be held. The parking lot will be adjacent to North Miami Avenue and south of the six new tennis courts, four racquetball courts, and two outdoor basketball courts--

across the street from the planned high-tech building.

From the west campus the entourage and shovels will move to Wiegand Science Center, where ground will be broken for a new classroom addition.

On Monday, April 20, ground was lifted for a new 96-bed residence hall costing approximately \$900,000, to be ready for occupancy at the beginning of the fall semester.

The next planned groundbreaking is expected to be for the construction of a gymnasium on the west campus.

Sr. M. Liberata Haedtke, OSF

Sister M. Liberata Haedtke, OSF, who taught at St. Coleman School in Pompano Beach for more than 25 years, died recently at St. Joseph Medical Center, Joliet, Ill.

Sister Liberata, 84, had celebrated the diamond (60th) anniversary of her religious profession in 1981. Since 1959, she had taught fifth-graders and tutored at St. Coleman's, from where she retired in January of this year due to poor health. Since then, she had been living at Our Lady of the Angels in Joliet, the motherhouse of her order, the Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate.

Prior to coming to St. Coleman's, where she also served as vice-principal for several years, Sister Liberata taught for 14 years at her congregation's Guardian Angel Home in Joliet, where she worked in the print shop and was prefect of senior boys. She also had taught in schools in Illinois and Ohio.

Survivors include her sisters, Margaret, Genevieve and Gertrude, and a brother, Albert. Burial was at Resurrection Cemetery in Joliet.



Scouting anniversary

In celebration of Girl Scoutings' 75th Birthday Anniversary (1912-1987) a proclamation was presented to the Girl Scout Council of Tropical Florida. Left to right, representing the City of Miami are Commissioner Miller Dawkins, Mayor Xavier Suarez, Girl Scout Leader Christina Ayo of Brownie Troop 416 of St. Theresa's School, Coral Gables; Commissioner Rosario Kennedy and J. L. Plummer. Brownies accepting the Proclamation are (left to right) Claudia Rus, Julia Cardoze and Aljandra Ayo.

St. Vincent de Paul Society holds conference

The Southeast Region of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is inviting all members to attend the annual regional meeting on May 22, 23 and 24th at the University of So. Mississippi, Gulf Park Conference Center, in Long Beach, Miss.

The program will include John R. Simmons, National President; Joseph

H. Lang, National Vice-President; and candidates for the office of National President. Fr. Bruce Krause, C.M. and other members of the Vincentian families will make presentations, including the film, "Cry of the Poor." Bill Martyn, Venice, Fl., and John Allen, St. Petersburg, Fl., will discuss "committee functions and

appointments", timely subjects due to the recent restructuring of the committees. Also speaking will be Rev. Thaddeus Boucree, Director of the St. Augustine Retreat House in Bay St. Louis, Miss. Fr. Boucree is noted for leading revivals throughout the country in an attempt to get more blacks involved in the Catholic Church.

The price of \$85 per person includes Friday and Saturday lodging, all meals. Double occupancy is required except for the clergy. Nearby motel rooms are available. The campus is accessible to airports in Gulfport, Mobile and New Orleans. For further information and reservations contact Dr. Peter Pavlov, 3911 Government St., Ocean Springs, Miss., 39564.

Pastoral Institute sets summer courses

The Institute for Pastoral Ministries at St. Thomas University will be offering courses in family life, conflict resolution, and morality this summer.

"Adult and Family Life Cycles" will be taught by Dr. Mercedes Iannone from June 8-12, 1987. Dr. Iannone is a noted national expert on the church and family life.

"Principles of Nonviolent Conflict Resolution" will be offered June 22-July 3, 1987. This is a hands-on skills course in creative conflict resolution, and will be taught by Mary Carter Warren, coordinator of the P.O.T.C. program, and Dr. Donna Blaess, director of Counseling Programs at St. Thomas University.

"Forming Moral Consciousness",

taught by Rev. Dr. James McCartney, director of the Bioethics Institute at St. Francis Hospital, will be offered June 22-July 3, 1987.

All courses are three graduate credits. For more information, please call 625-6000, ext. 141.

Respect Life hosts one-day cruise

To raise money for its building fund, the Respect Life Ministry of the Archdiocese is sponsoring a one-day cruise to the Bahamas on Sunday, May 24.

The proceeds will help pay for the expansion of the ministry's main building in North Miami.

The ship, Discovery 1, will leave Port Everglades at 8 a.m. and head for

Freeport, Grand Bahamas, where it will remain for four hours, returning to Miami by 11 p.m. that evening.

Cost of the cruise is \$99 for adults, \$69 for children under 12, and free for babies under two. All port charges, breakfast, lunch and dinner are included in the price. Reservations must be made by May 15. For details call Nancy, 653-2921 in Dade.

Last Evening of Reflection May 5

The Office of Worship reminds you that the last Evening of Reflection for Liturgical Ministers for the 1986-87 year will be presented at St. Elizabeth Church in Pompano Beach on May 5 from 7:30 to 10 p.m. There is no charge for the evening, but please call the Office of Worship at 757-6241, Ext. 351, to let them know you are coming.

It's a Date

Spiritual renewal

The Cenacle in Lantana will host a Charismatic teaching weekend on May 22-25. Fr. George DePrizio, CSC, will be sharing. Call/write: The Cenacle, 1400 S. Dixie Hwy., Lantana, Fl. 33462. 582-2534.

The Dominican Retreat House will host an Evening of Renewal for Married Couples on May 8 (Registration 6:30 p.m.), a Day of Renewal for Single Men and Women on May 9 (Registration 9 a.m.), a Charismatic Evening of Renewal for Men and Women on May 13, a Weekend Retreat for Women on May 15-17, and a Serenity Weekend for Adult Children of Alcoholics on May 22-24. For further information please call the retreat house at 238-2711.

The Dade Women of the Light will host their monthly Bible brunch on May 9 and the 2nd Saturday of each month through June at the Sheraton Riverhouse, 3900 NW 21 St., Miami. \$8 per person includes brunch, scripture teaching, music, and a personal witness of faith by a guest speaker. For information and reservations call Norma

at 266-3585 or Irene at 264-3591.

Single/divorced/widowed

St. Andrews Single Again Group will host a square dance May 9 at St. Andrews Social Hall. All separated, divorced or widower are invited. For more information call Bob at 741-3935 or Elise at 484-4257.

The Catholic Widowers Club of Hollywood will hold its monthly meeting on May 1 at Nativity Parish Hall, 700 Chaminade Drive, Hollywood at 7:30 p.m. Speaker: Miles Bassik, Financial Advisor at First Investors. \$3. For more information call Mary at 921-0685 or Lee at 922-5114.

St. Timothy Catholic Church, 5400 SW 102nd Ave. in Miami hosts meetings for divorced, separated, widowed, and all singles every Monday at 7:30 p.m. All faiths welcome. For more information call 274-8225.

Potpourri

St. Martin de Porres Association will celebrate the

anniversary of the canonization of St. Martin de Porres on May 6 at 7 p.m. with a Mass at the Church of St. Hugh, 3460 Royal Road, Coconut Grove. Guest homilist is Msgr. Preston Moss of the Diocese of Nassau in the Bahamas. Food for Camillus House is requested (sugar, canned goods). Everyone invited.

The Third Order of St. Dominic, St. Thomas Aquinas Chapter will celebrate the reception and profession into the Third Order of St. Dominic beginning with a rosary at 11:30 a.m. on April 26 in Cor Jesu Chapel at Barry U. Visitors welcome.

The Family Encounters will celebrate its 21st anniversary the weekend of May 30-31. Auxiliary Bishop of Miami Agustin Roman will preside at Mass on May 30 at 6 p.m. in the Belen Jesuit Prep. School, 500 SW 127th Ave. For more information call 596-0001.

The Court Holy Spirit Council #1912 of the Catholic Daughters of America will hold a business meeting on May 8 at 1 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Gardens, Pompano Beach. Attendance urged. Election of officers. Anyone wishing to transfer or more

information call 941-5546.

The Miami Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women will be holding its 29th annual convention at the Konover Hotel on Miami Beach, May 3, 4, and 5. Registration fee is \$60 for 3 days (includes banquet and luncheon tickets and 3 days registration). For more information call Mrs. Barbara Asfendis at 541-8481.

The Archbishop Curley-Notre Dame High School Music Department will present "Oliver" on May 1-3 in the school cafeteria located at 300 NE 50 St. in Miami. Tickets: \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. More information call 751-5131.

Catholic young adults are invited to a Discovery Cruise on May 16 from 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. Cost is \$45 and includes buffet dinner, drinks, dancing and entertainment. \$5 deposit required. Also, on June 19, there will be another "Pizzaz" party at the Broward disco, with cocktails from 9:30 to 10:30 p.m. and free admission from 9:30 to 11:30 p.m. For information and tickets call Barbara at 757-6241 (Dade) or 525-5157 (Broward) Ext.155.

Boystown invites sports competition

Boystown of Florida would like all the parishes to know that they have a softball, volleyball and basketball team as well as the facilities to play. They would like to invite any youth group who would like to participate in these sports to call Kim Patrick at Boystown (Phone: 385-1722).

Pope's 'Birthday Party' scheduled for May 29th

The Polish American Club of Miami will host a "Birthday Party for the Pope" on May 29 at 6 p.m.. There will be giant birthday card to be signed which will be presented to the pope. Dancing will be to *Stan and the Hollywood Polka-Teers*.

Anyone wishing to come dressed in Polish Costume is encouraged to do so.

The event is a fundraiser to offset the expenses incurred during the pope's visit.

There will be salad, stuffed cabbage, pierogi, potatoes, babka and more.

Tickets are \$14 per person until May 10th and \$16 per person after that. For ticket information call Mary at 821-

2955 or Joe at 596-5351 in Dade, or Marian at 920-8990 or Charles at 781-1866 in Broward.

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Holy Cross Academy sweeps Classical League

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Florida Junior Classical League met in Orlando on April 23-25th. Over 1,000 students from 78 Florida junior and senior high schools participated. The purpose is to encourage the study of

classical languages and cultures. The students competed in Latin grammar and literature, mythology, costumes, oration, models, Roman history, chariot racing and many other categories.

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Thanks Holy Spirit for grace granted. M.S.

I Love You Blessed Mother and Jesus. Thank you for answering my prayers. Love, Mary Ann.

Thanks to St. Anthony for prayers answered. Publication promised. J.R.

Thanks to St. Jude for prayers answered. Publication promised. Carol Turner or C.A.T.

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Oh, Holy St. Jude Apostle and martyr, great in virtue & rich in miracles, near kinsman of Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need, to you I have recourse from the depth of my heart and humbly beg you to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present and urgent petition. In return, I promise to make your name known and you to be invoked with Our Fathers, Hail Mary's and Glory Be's. Amen. I have had my request granted. Publication promised. Thanks for answering my prayer. D.F.

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Thank you St. Jude and St. Anthony for prayers answered. Mrs. Betty Freund

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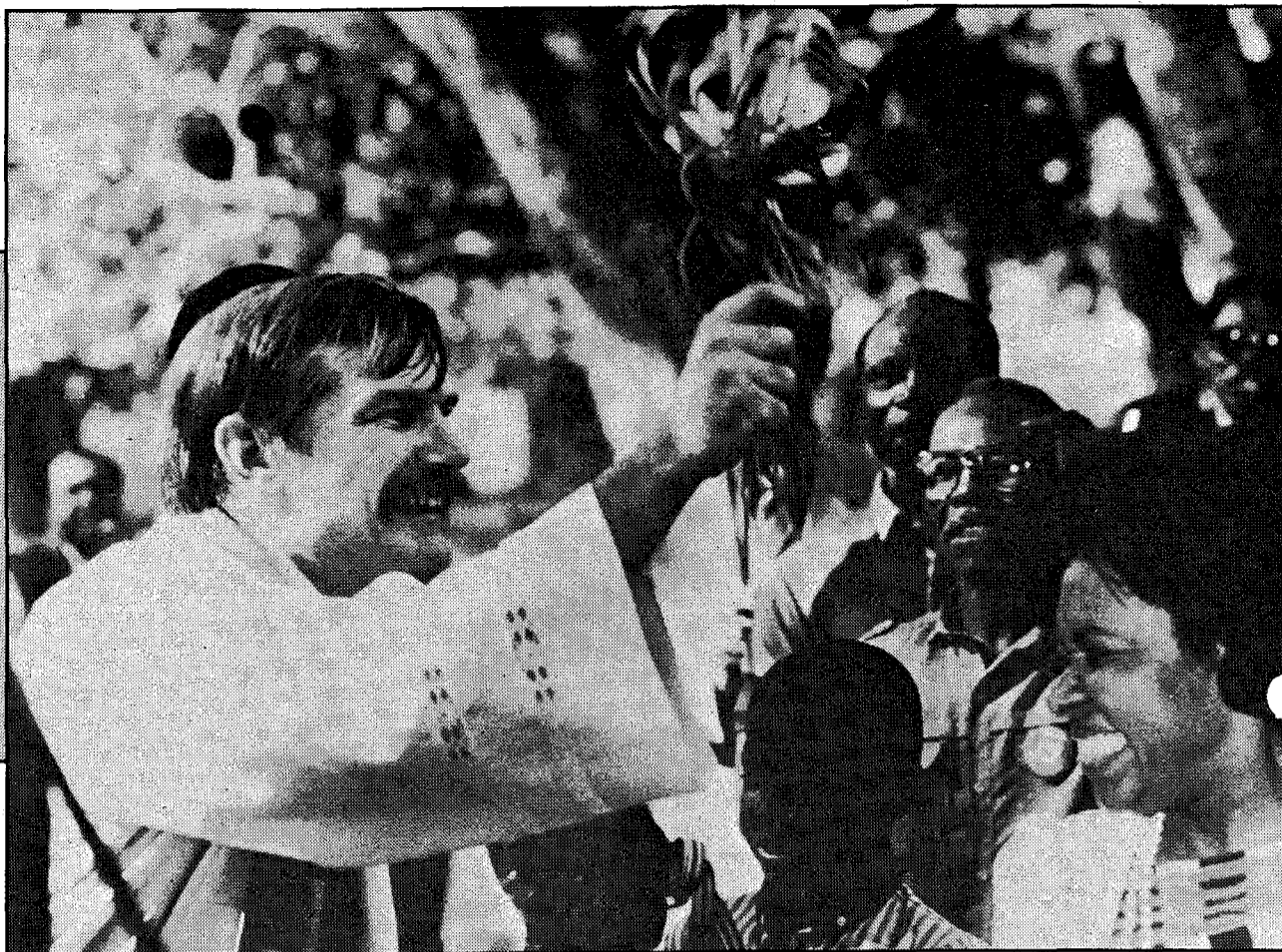
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'God's cheerleaders'

Fr. Gerard LaCerra and Fr. Thomas Wenski reflect on their roles

By Katharine Bird
NC News Service

On Sunday mornings from 6:15 until noon, three girls and boys join Father Gerard LaCerra, rector of St. Mary's Cathedral in Miami, as he goes about his duties. They participate in Mass with him, have breakfast in the rectory and visit with him and other staff members.

The Sunday meeting, usually part of the youths' confirmation preparation, "allows me to get to know the kids and vice versa," Father LaCerra said in an interview at the cathedral rectory, set in the midst of lush palm and ficus trees. It also gives the youths, most from disadvantaged families, a taste of what parish ministry is all about.

The cathedral's 3,000 families include people from 17 nations; Sunday liturgies are offered in Spanish, English and in Creole for the parish's large Haitian population. The cathedral is situated in an inner-city area where pornography, prostitution and drug dealing are common.

Father LaCerra recalls that his first weekend in the parish in 1980 was marked by race riots, with the National Guard stationed on the cathedral's lawn. But, he adds, the race riots became a positive experience for parishioners, forcing them to address the tensions between different ethnic groups and to learn what it means to be one community of faith.

For Father LaCerra, ordained 17 years ago, the personal touch is important. Though he also holds down Archdiocesan positions such as Chancellor, he tries "to give quality time to the parish."

A priest is an "animator of communities...God's cheerleader" who helps people see that they have a role in building up God's kingdom, he

says. Center, a priest is a "bridge builder and a reconciler." Father Wenski's primary task is to bring "the presence of the church to the Haitians and to bring the Haitians to the attention of the larger church."

His ministry was almost an accident. First he noticed how appreciative Haitians were to attend a Mass celebrated by another priest, an

Miami, he was making arrangements for a 17-year-old to go to an unwed mother's home to have her baby.

The Haitian center, decorated with secondhand furniture and spruced up with fresh paint, hums with the 1,000 people who pass through its doors daily. People come for food, for help with immigration papers, for information about jobs, to learn English. A day-care center educates youngsters while their parents or guardians work.

Father Wenski describes himself as the founder, writer and editor of the only Catholic Haitian newspaper in the United States. He helps produce a radio show for Haitians which is also available on cassettes.

Both priests point to the liturgy as a high point of their ministry. For Father LaCerra, liturgies with children are special.

"Listening to a kid read at Mass who two years ago couldn't read English brings it all together for me," he says. "It marks a lot of sacrifices of many folks" in the parish.

For Father Wenski, the lively Haitian worship with everyone joining in the singing "is fantastic." The two-hour liturgy counters the frustration he feels because the Haitians "often have problems I can't do anything about."

He especially enjoys preaching because Haitians pay close attention, especially when he uses the concrete images and proverbs so dear to their hearts.

For Father Gerard LaCerra, Chancellor of the Archdiocese and rector of St. Mary Cathedral, a priest is 'an animator of communities...God's cheerleader.'

says.

He tells of counseling a young military couple who approached him to baptize their baby. Like many parishioners, they had not married in the church, thinking, incorrectly, that a church wedding was very expensive.

He asked the couple to examine their relationship and to develop a vision of a sacramental marriage, "meant to give meaning and purpose and to support growth."

For Father Thomas Wenski, director of the Pierre Toussaint Haitian

elderly man who spoke some French. Second, he decided to answer an advertisement to learn Creole. Since 1976 he has served as archdiocesan coordinator of Haitian ministry.

The archdiocese has 50,000 Haitians; eight years ago one Mass was celebrated in Creole. Today, Father Wenski and three Haitian priests celebrate 12 Masses a week in 12 different sites. Each priest travels somewhere, up to 100 miles away.

The day I visited Father Wenski at his center in a rundown section of

Scriptures

St. Paul's ideal 'pastors'

By Father John Castelot
NC News Service

Among those especially gifted by the Lord for the "building up of the body of Christ" the letter to the Ephesians mentions "pastors and teachers." Clearly these are positions of "service" (Ephesians 4:12).

But the designation "pastors" also suggests leadership, concerned care, administration. The model implied is Jesus, described in the fourth Gospel as the ideal shepherd who knows his sheep by name, who indeed lays down his life for them (John 10:3,11).

Who were these pastors in the New Testament

churches? They usually are called by other names, chiefly "elders" from the Greek word "presbyteroi" and "overseers" from "episkopoi."

The small house churches of the day may not have needed complex organizational structures. But any group of people in community needs some leadership to give it direction, prudent guidance, unified purpose.

The Jerusalem community, closely allied with the synagogue, seems to have adapted the synagogue structure for its purposes, in which a group of elders managed affairs. Thus one reads in Acts 11:30 that the Christians at Antioch, hearing of a famine in Judea, sent relief to the Jerusalem Christians, "dispatching it to the presbyters in the care of

Know Your Faith

Miami priests: Lots of work, little time

Sometimes it's good to step back and ask: How do others see us? In this week's Know Your Faith section, South Florida Catholics are given a rare opportunity to view some of their priests through the eyes of Katharine Bird, editor of the National Catholic News Service's "Faith Today" supplement. Bird recently visited South Florida and talked with local priests about their ministry. *The Voice* runs her articles on the occasion of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, which will be celebrated May 10.

By Katharine Bird
NC News Service

□ Priests in the Archdiocese of Miami are ordained only after they become functional in two languages.

□ The Archdiocese has 1.1 million people living in Catholic households and 174 Archdiocesan priests on official assignment serving them.

□ Because it is a young Archdiocese, not yet 30 years old, priests never got into the habit of taking two days off each week; they routinely hold down two or more positions.

□ In 25 years, the Archdiocese has absorbed 700,000 permanent immigrants.

In my interviews with five priests in Miami, one fact came through loud and clear: Miami priests are busy men. Each carries an astonishing workload as the Archdiocese struggles to take care of a burgeoning Catholic population.

But if the five are representative, Miami priests are happy overall with being priests, and realistic about the hardships.

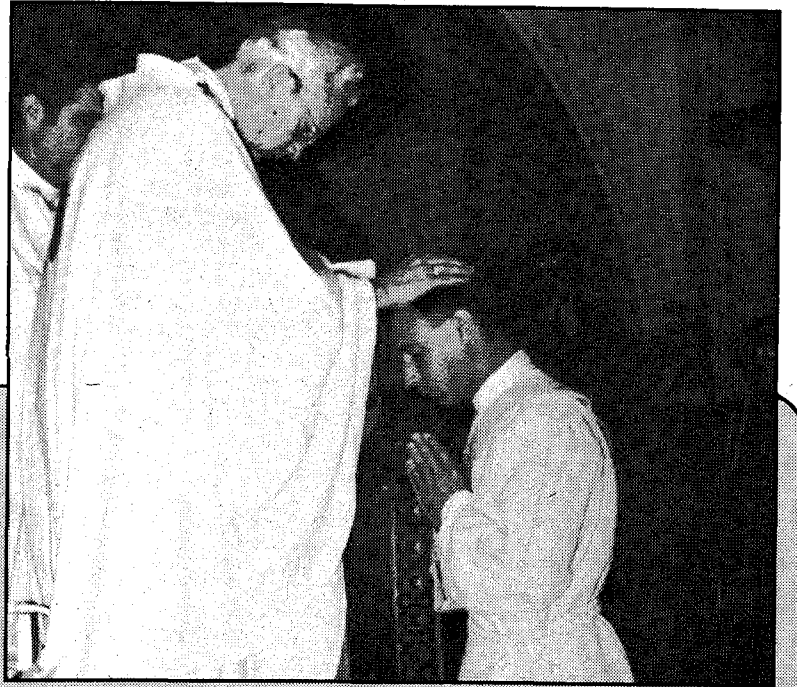
"I love being a priest...for me nothing is more fulfilling in life than this," says Father Gary Wiesmann, ordained four years ago. He works full time as secretary to Miami Auxiliary Bishop Norbert Dorsey. He also serves as priest director of Boys Town of Florida, a position which involves him in the lives of neglected teen-agers of all races and religions.

Describing himself as a "lifer" who went to the seminary in high school, Father Thomas Wenski says somewhat wryly that several times since ordination 10 years ago he "might have reconsidered but still is in the business." He is director of the Pierre Toussaint Haitian Catholic Center, a ministry he describes as exciting and challenging.

Asked what is difficult about priesthood, the priests speak of lifestyle and lack of time.

Celibacy and a family are "questions that never leave a priest's mind," says Father Neil Doherty, Archdiocesan director of vocations. Priests struggle continuously with "the need to renew and convert the natural inclination for closeness into a positive and acceptable outlet in the church."

Formerly pastor of a black parish, Father Doherty pays for the education of two parish youths in Catholic schools. But his interest goes beyond the



That desire is
what Miami's
Vocations
director looks for
in future priests

'To change the face of the earth'

"The priest finds his first support in friendship and collaboration with other priests and with the bishop, rooted in sacramental fraternity...As regards the faithful, it would not be normal or healthy for the priest to remain isolated in the community of which he has charge. He is there for it, and he is based upon it. His mission is to put others in a condition to exercise their various ministries, vocations, charisms, responsibilities or apostolates."

(Pope John Paul II addressing priests
in Switzerland, 1984)

For three years Father Neil Doherty has served as vocations director in the Archdiocese of Miami. He is responsible for recruiting future priests and serves newly ordained priests through the first six years of their ministry.

In an interview at the dramatic, modern Archdiocesan Pastoral Center a few blocks from Biscayne Bay in Miami Shores, Father Doherty stresses that identifying and recruiting men for the priesthood is not a one-man job. It's the responsibility of many people, beginning with the local parish community.

Asked what he looks for in candidates for the seminary, Father Doherty replies that he looks for

men "who have a basic commitment to change the face of the earth and a determination to move things forward."

Priests today "need a high tolerance for ambiguity," he says. "They need to be empathetic and sensitive to people."

In addition, given the urgent needs of a large Archdiocese with many new immigrants and refugees, and an exploding birth rate, priests need lots of courage, self-initiation and flexibility, Father Doherty adds. When one course of action doesn't work, they need to be able to switch gears and try something else.

Father Doherty keeps an ear cocked in his ministry for questions that concern the meaning of life. When such questions arise, his standard response is: "I have a job that will help you make a difference on the face of the earth."

Each year at his present post has seen an increase in the number of seminarians; in 1985, 12 entered; in 1986, 19 entered. He expects that number to reach 25 or more in 1987. About 70 percent are Hispanic.

Is Father Doherty content with being a priest? "I can't think of a better job," he says.

financial. He meets with the youths regularly and, when practical, takes a youth with him to his family's annual summer vacation in New Hampshire.

Father Wiesmann spoke of his frustration at "not having enough hours in the days and feeling pulled in too many directions."

Rectory living can pose difficulties, especially when priests live and work in the same location. "There's no transition between the workplace and home," says Father Wenski. When the phone rings at 11 p.m., do you refuse to answer because it's after work hours?

His day off is Wednesday. When I spoke with him it had been three months since he took an entire day off. A recent Wednesday was typical: He started working on the parish bulletin first thing in the

morning and kept right on working. He and a priest friend finally got away for dinner.

Father Wenski gets considerable pleasure from flying. He took flying lessons initially to counter the pressures of his schedule. But now his recreation feeds into his ministry, since flying to farflung Haitian communities in Florida takes less time than driving.

A reward of being a priest comes from "people rallying around" in times of trouble, says Father Wiesmann. He said he learned "what it means to live in a Christian community" when both his parents died of cancer on the same 1986 December day. Several bishops, 90 priests and 400 people attended the funeral service.

"I couldn't have gotten through it without their support," he says.

Barnabas and Saul."

St. Paul does not mention presbyters in his New Testament letters, but Luke tells us that on the apostle's first journey, Paul and Barnabas installed presbyters in each church (Acts 14:23).

Significantly, presbyters or elders always are mentioned in the plural. They apparently functioned as a group, a sort of council directing the affairs of the community.

In a touching farewell address, Paul links them with overseers, pastors. Summoning the presbyters of Ephesus to Miletus, Paul urged:

"Keep watch over yourselves and over the whole flock the Holy Spirit has given you to guard. Shepherd the church of God, which he acquired at

St. Paul described the criteria which 'overseers' or 'elders' of a community must meet: They must be irreproachable, married only once, of even temper, self-controlled, modest and hospitable...good teachers, not addicted to drink or lovers of money, and good managers of their own households.

the price of his own blood" (Acts 20:17).

The later pastoral letters of Paul lay down detailed criteria which prospective overseers and elders must meet.

They must be "irreproachable, married only once, of even temper, self-controlled, modest and hospitable" (1 Timothy 3:2).

They must be good teachers, not addicted to drink or lovers of money. They must be good managers of their own households, "for if a man does not know how to manage his own house, how can he take care of the church of God?"

They must serve as role models of Christian discipleship for their communities and also for "those outside the church" (1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:6-11).

Monastery ministers to ex-cons

PALMER, Mass. (NC) -- A cross atop the grain silo is a first hint to visitors that the 27-acre farm ahead is not an ordinary farm but in fact a monastery.

But the farmhouse nestled in the rolling hills of western Massachusetts is not an ordinary monastery, either. The five brothers living there have quite literally left their past behind to come together and form a new religious order devoted to jail and prison ministry.

And new recruits to the Brothers of

Bridgeport, Conn. He said he retains the diocesan link for now because the new order is not yet formally recognized, but when recognition comes he will transfer to the order.

The Brothers of Bethany is modeled on a Dominican spirituality and fosters both contemplative and apostolic life for its members.

Father Martin-Henri said the group bought the farm near Palmer because it offered both the rural serenity "conducive to monastic life" and

'Many men who have either been in prison or have had other moral difficulties in their lives, after a conversion experience feel a call to religious life.'

Bethany may come from among those they minister to. The order includes ex-convicts among its applicants.

Members of the order are not allowed to use their last names and do not talk about their past.

"Many men, who have either been in prison or have had other moral difficulties in their lives, after a conversion experience feel a call to religious life. But, for the most part, they are denied access to religious communities" because of their past, said Father Martin-Henri of the Resurrection, prior of the community and its only priest.

The community, he said, was founded "for these men, as well as those who have not had moral difficulties."

Father Martin-Henri, who like the others in the community does not use a surname, is a priest of the Diocese of

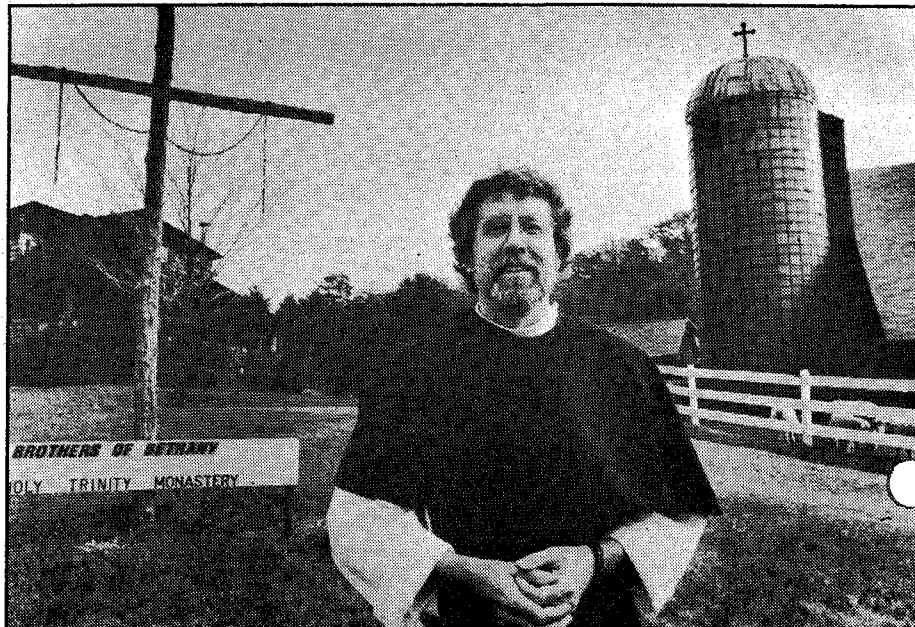
proximity to prisons where the group was active.

Holy Trinity Monastery, as the brothers have renamed their farm, includes cropland, pasture for their small herds of cows and sheep, and woodlands that provides firewood for their winter heating needs.

They hope to finish converting the barn into a chapel by May. Since they founded the monastery nearly two years ago, they have been using a room in the farmhouse as their chapel.

The Brothers of Bethany was formed at the request of the Dominican Sisters of Bethany in Millis, Mass.

The sisters, in turn, trace their origins to France in 1864, when Dominican Father Jean-Joseph Lataste conducted a retreat for a group of women in a French prison. In response to the desire expressed by some of the women



Father Martin-Henri, prior of the Brothers of Bethany, is surrounded by the 27-acre farm in rural Palmer, Mass. that has become home to a community of religious brothers which includes ex-offenders. The only mission of the Brothers of Bethany is to reach out to those in jails and prisons (NC Photo by Fred LeBlanc)

to forget their past and start a new life serving God, Father Lataste formed the Sisters of Bethany.

Bethany is the biblical town whose residents included Martha and Mary, symbols of goodness in contemplative and active life, and Mary Magdalene, the adulteress forgiven by Jesus and a symbol of conversion from an evil past.

The brothers are supported by farming, donations of food and money, and income from St. Dismas Gift Shop at the monastery.

Bishop Joseph Maguire of Springfield, in whose diocese the monastery is located, encouraged its establishment as an experimental community. The bishop, the Bethany sisters and the brothers all felt a "trial period" was needed.

In their jail ministry, which they carry out through prayer and active apostolic work, the Brothers of Bethany try to live out Father Lataste's motto, "God doesn't care what we have been; only what we are and can be in his love."

Catholic T.V. series airs priestly yarns



Sharing some stories between taping sessions of a "Funny Fathers" television show in Detroit are, from left, Fr. Cliff Ruskowski, the show's producer, Fr. Bernie Harrington and Fr. Tim Szott (NC Photo by Dwight Cendrowski)

DETROIT (NC) -- There's a new comedy series on television -- one with no script and no actors. Just six priests telling some of the funniest tales of their priesthood.

Titled "Funny Fathers," the program airs three times weekly on the Catholic Telecommunications Network of Detroit, which is carried on 11 cable systems serving 50 suburban communities in the Detroit area.

Credited with inventing the concept for the series is Father Clifford Ruskowski of Detroit's archdiocesan Office for Pastoral Telecommunication.

In an interview with The Michigan Catholic, newspaper of the Archdiocese of Detroit, Father Ruskowski said he decided the stories he had heard priests tell about their ministries were so humorous someone should put them on tape.

As executive producer of the new series, he's doing just that. Hosting "Funny Fathers" is Father Donald Dacey, pastor of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Parish in Birmingham, Mich. "By default, I became the emcee," he said, noting it is more than 25 years ago that he received radio and television training at the University of Detroit.

A recent episode of the half-hour

show featured anecdotes about the length of bishops' miters and a homemade Easter candle that in two weeks started "looking like (Mount) Vesuvius."

Clergy who were guests on the show also told stories of birds and bats that have entered their churches and rectories, and attempts to shoo them away.

As the priests spin their yarns, the taping crew "starts laughing so hard it's impossible to keep our attention on what we're supposed to be doing," said Father Ruskowski.

He said a rotating panel of area priests appears on the show. "We've got a load of guys waiting."

It shows that priests are people too, he said. "We're not the stuffy, hands-folded type all the time. We're fun people."

By "showing the priests in their more relaxed moments," the series promotes vocations to the priesthood, believes Father Dacey.

Father Ruskowski envisions the creation of "Funny Fathers" spin-offs featuring nuns and lay people telling their own stories of humorous incidents in church life.

"Religion is, and can be, fun," he said.

Kids' remembrances of dinners past

By Hilda Young
NC News Service

After reading Garrison Keillor's childhood remembrance in his "Lake Wobegon Days," there is little doubt in my mind that someday an author like him will recall eating at our house: The Youngs with all the kids.

My children tell me a mystique of sorts has grown at school about eating with us, created largely by only-child friends of theirs who have dined here and survived to tell about it.

"Who wouldn't be unnerved?" observed Marie this evening at dinner.

"Remember the time my boyfriend came over and all the boys stopped eating on cue and just stared at him chewing?"

"That's no worse than you asking my friends if it's hard for them to chew and not think about what their tongue is doing at the same time," countered her oldest brother.

"Hey wimp," she said, "remember the time we were half through dinner when Ingrid was visiting and you asked

if anyone had remembered to take off the plate the dog had been licking on? How gross."

"Gross?" said our Michael, chewing a carrot stick at the same time. "Remember when my friend Willy was here and you guys told him not to laugh or sneeze where he was eating the pizza because once I did and you had to take me to the emergency room to have hunks of anchovy surgically removed from my nasal passages?"

Maybe it's my fault. Over the years

I've caved in. I no longer look to see if a young visitor's plate is set with only three spoons or notice if the boys switch names with each other several times during a meal, or check to see if someone has flipped a plastic spider into the uninitiated's milk.

Marie smiled. "What do you say we invite the new seminarian at the parish out for dinner?"

"Who knows?" I thought to myself. "Maybe it will affirm celibacy for the guy."