Litany or stogans used to sell abortion to the gullible

favor of abortion is often a series et slogans, cliches, and misrepresent facts. You've heard them all before.

"A woman should have the right over her own body"..."An unplanned child will be an unwanted child"..."An un-wanted child will be a battered child"... "Life is tough enough without being burn handicapped"... "It's a private matter between a patient and her doctor" "Abortion may be wrong, but I don't want to impose tity morality on anythody else." The slogans for abortion proceed like a confectable litera.

comfortable litany. One can get used to them. Nice people start saying them. Gradually they become so respectable that they go unchallenged. And this is their

IN THIS SERIES, we'll be exploring some of these cliches and slogans against

(The author is editor of Catholic Fam Leader, published bi-monthly by the Family Life Division of the U.S. Cath Conference in Washington, D.C. A mative of Richmond, Va., she has done gradus work in family life and child develo at Brigham Young University in Utah and at the University of Maryland.) other data. First we consider what some extreme types in women's lib have to say about abortion.

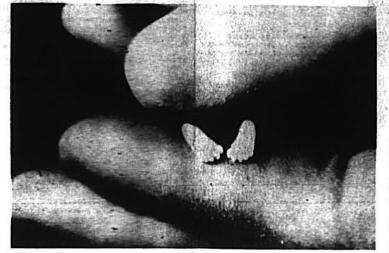
They begin by maintaini woman should have the right over her own body. When the question is raised whether this right clashes with the right to be born, their response is usually that this is a private matter—that the fetus (the unborn child) is only a part of the muther's body like her appendix or her tousils.

This is the point to challenge—this collision of rights between the fetus to continue life and the mother to have

a part of the mother's budy, no dif-ferent from her tonsils? Rheturic may say one thing. But what do doctors and lawyers say? And what do pregnant

The essential humanity of the unborn child has been established and recognized by all the modern sciences of embryulogy, fetology, genetics, biology, and perinatology (the study of life frum coneption until after birth) They affirm

 Fetal tissue is unique. There never was nor ever will be again another piece of tissue identical to it. But the same is not true of tonsil tissue. It is very closely



'HUMAN' FEET-These perfectly shaped feet held in an adult hand belong to a 16-week (gestation) aborted fetus. The photo, issued by Religious News Service, was provided by the Oregon Right to Lifle Committee.

related to all the other tissue in a person's

2. Fetal tissue is different from the parent organism. Ask any hinlegist. He will tell you that the chromosomes and

genes of the fetus are fixed at conception, and are different from that of the parents And so while a mother's tonsils are hers and hers alone, the fetus is not a part of her body in the same way.

is a dramatic discovery. It was reached by the new and exciting science of fetology the study of life in the womb. What means is that the mother is a passive carrier, but the fetus is largely in charge of the pregnancy. This is why obstetricians treat the fetus as a second patient, dif-ferent from the mother. And by doing so, they support the conclusions of worldfamous Dr. H. M. I. Liley who pioneered in studying the fetus in the mother's womb. After decades of research, Liley concluded that the fetus "is neither an acquiescent vegetable nor a witless tadpole as some have conceived him to be in the past, but rather a tiny human being as independent as though he was lying in a crib with a blanket wrapped around him instead of his mother."

The medical evidence is indisputable Scientific advancements have made the fetus more protectable than ever before. One cannot continue to say that the fetus is no different from the tonsils, or that the mother should have a death-control over that fetus. A woman can have control over the rest of her body, but the fetus is not just another part of her body

THERE ARE PRO-ABORTION lawyers who argue that life begins at birth or at viability (i.e. the ability to survive outside the womb). Using the above mentioned medical data, the distinguished law firm of Shea and Gardner, addressed this argument in a brief to the U.S. Supreme

"Life begins at conception and for practical medical purposes can be scientifically verified within 14 days. Within three weeks, at a point much before 'quickening' can be felt by the mother, the fetus manifests a working heart, a nerve system, and a brain different from and independent of the mother in whose womb he resides; the unborn fetus is now a living human being. It is universally agreed that life has begun by the time the mother realizes she is pregnant and asks ber deeter to perform an abortion." 'quickening' can be felt by the mother, the doctor fo perform an abortion."

If one needs further evidence of fetal recognition, look to law. Law has traditionally upheld the rights of the

1. The fetus can inherit by will and by intestacy

2. The fetus can be the beneficiary of a trust.

3. The fetus can sue for injury. For

example, if the fetus is harmed when the mother is hit by a car or an assailant, that fetus can sue to recover damages.

4. The fetus is protected by the criminal statutes on parental neglect.

5 The fetus can be preferred to the religious liberties of the parents. For

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DE-MILITARIZE CHAPLAINCY?

Peace meet adopts protest strategies

BY MARJORIE HYER

KANSAS CITY, Mo.-Calls to do militarize the chaplaincy, the offering of "sanctuary" by churches and synagogues to military deserters, and the possibility of mass hunger strikes-perhaps to the point of death were endorsed as strategues against the Indochina war by the Ecumenical Peace witness meeting here.

In the closing hours of the rhetoric packed four-day meeting, some 600 Protestant, Roman Catholic, Orthodox and Jewish participants adopted a statement calling on religious com work immediately toward the creation of "civilian forms of ministry to all persons in the U.S. Armed Forces commi place of the current military chaplainty

Bitter debate swirled around a curullary proposal that called on religious bodies to withdraw their military chaplains from Southern Asia "as a protest against the

EVEN THOUGH the proposal called for the provision of civilian ministry to servicemen "insofar as that is possi Rev. Dr. Paul Empie, head of the USA Conference of the Lutheran World Federation found it "incredible" that the body would propose to "deny the sacraments" to men in the armed forces. Another action of the January 13-16 conference embraced a statement brought



PROTESTANT HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN-PROTESTANT HOSPITAL CHAPTAIN.

Res. Charles Richard Heath (above), a
United Methodist minister, has been appointed to the chaptaincy staff of St.
Francis Hospital, Beech Gruve, effective
February 1. He is believed to be the only
Protestant staff chaptain at an Indiana
Catholic hospital. A member of the South
Indiana. Conference of the United Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church, Rev. Heath has served as paster of the Mt. Auburn United

odist Church since 1970.

in by a sizable delegation from Vietnam Veterans Against the War, cailing on denominations, churches and sympogues to announce publicly and trans U.S. Armed Forces personnel their support and sanctuary for all who refuse to fight and who refuse to continue to fight

The statement was one of several brought by the veterans group which appeared before the conference in an unscheduled and highly emittimal con-

THE POSSIBLE hunger strike was one of a long list of "action strategues" adopted by the conference

It was emphasized that such a proposal was "one for individual decision, mit group But the conference expressed support "for those who are willing to risk health and life by refusing to cart any form of food (except water) until by Executive or Congressional action the authorization and the expenditure of funds by the United States government for military purposes in Indochina is forbidden."

More than 30 "action strategies" were formulated by the conference, which got so bogged down in debating the merits and ramifications of each that there was no highest priorities. Some delegates complained that they were being sent away with a "laundry list" of strategies, and that the conference was thereby lusting any possibility of a unified impact on the nation.

THE PROPOSALS ranged over forms of political action to "morally responsible use of economic power" and "acts of repentance and reconciliation."

There was strong support for a variety of measures designed to support political candidates committed to policies of peace and justice.

were Catholic, including eight hishops: Bishop Charles Helmsing of Kansas City; Auxiliary Bishops Thomas Gumhleton of Detroit, John Dougherty of Newark, George Evans of Denver, and T. Auston Murphy of Baltimore, Bishup Bernard Flanagan of Worcester, Mass.; Bishop Mark Hurley of Santa Rosa, Calif.; and Archbishop Helder Camara of Olinda-

St. Meinrad program given \$9,000 grant

ST. MEINRAD, Ind.—A 38,000 grant from the Indiana Commission on Aging and Aged has been received by the Cooperative Action for Community Development, Inc. (CACD), a Christian

Development, Inc. (CACD), a Christian social action program based at \$1. Meinrad Seminary here.

Purpose of the grant, the first awarded to CACD, is to expand the organization's existing recreational and social program for the aged in the Dubois, Perry, Spencer and Crawford Counties area. Direct services include visiting mursing homes or shut-ins and establishing senior citizens clubs.

LEGISLATIVE MEMO

Both houses back no-fault divorce bill

BY B. H. MCKEL MIRE

The no-fault divorce bill defeated by a slim margin last year, made it through the 1972 Indiana General Assembly with no trouble. Both the House and Senate approved versions which are now in a conference committee. Diffierences are expected to be easily recumniled

Both bills make "irretrievable breakdown" of a marriage the sole grounds for divorce and eliminate the concept of a wronged party. Lawyers like no-fault divorce, saying it does away with much of the hypocrisy now present in divorce actions. Many social wurkers and marriage counselors support it, saying it will lessen hostility and recrammation b tween partners, thus mailting the ugly business a little easier on children. Out-spoken opponents of which there are surprisingly few still say a no-fault law makes dissolution of family too simple and encourages more marriages among irresponsible young people

A TIGHT SQUEEZE is expected for the anti-busing bill in the Senate, where a motion to recommit the hill to the Judiciary Committee was narrowly defeated earlier this week.

The bill would permit purents to have children transferred out of a busing program and back into the neighborhood chool for reasons of health, safety, or educational opportunity

Opponents have expressed doubts about the constitutionality of the bill and see it as a means of sabotaging legitimane efforts at school integration

PROTESTANT CHILDICAL groups again are battling the legalization of Sunday liquor sales. A Senate bill permitting limited Sunday sales on restaurants motels, etc.) was defeated last year

This year's measure has a local option clause permitting enumes councils to prevent enactment in individual counties. Strong Marion County backing of the bill. based on the opening of the new downtown convention center, makes passage likely

THE ABORTION hill, which died in committee in the 1971 sessium, did not make a reappearance Mandatory sterilization did show, however, but was squelched by the House Welliame and Social Service Committee on a 93 vote. The proposed measure would have required a welfare mother with two or more illegitimate children to submit to sterilization or lose assistance payments. Church and welfare groups protested vehemently during committee hearings.

AS EXPECTED, the Senate passed without one dissenting vote S.B. 184, which exempts existing educational institutions from a law prohibiting admission of students of one sex. Without the exemption, Catholic all-boys and all-girls high schools would have been included in legislation concerning sex discrimination

THE HOUSE Labor Committee has approved 7-6 a bill to raise the state's minimum wage to \$2.50 an hour, up from

Still awaiting committee action is H.B. 1107, a proposal to set standards for housing, sanitation, health and safety in agricultural labor camps. The Indiana Cethalic Confessions Catholic Conference is among vigorous supporters.

WARNING

Msgr. Victor L. Commens, mission director, cautions members of the Arch-diocese not to answer an appeal for funds from any person calling himself Father Drummond or channing to represent the Archdiocese of Bangaline, India.



FATHER ROBERT W. SINCS

Terre Haute man ordained

A Terre Haute native was recently ordamed to the priesthood in Rome, where he is attending the North American

Father Robert W. Sims, son of Mr. and Mrs George W Sims of St Patrick's parish, Terre Haute, was ordained December 17 in St. Peter's Basilica by Bishop James A. Hickey

His First Mass was celebrated the following day in Rome's S. Andrea al Quirinale Church. A Mass of Thanksgiving will be offered in his home parish of St. Patrick's upon his return to the U.S. next

July for assignment in the Archdiocese. A graduate of Schulte High School, Father Sims attended St. Mary's (Ky.) College before taking theology studies in Rome's Gregorian University

Pope Paul to join in unity observance

VATICAN CITY-Pope Paul VI will preside over a prayer service in St. John Lateran Basilica on January 24, as part of Rome's observance of the annual Unity

The service will be attended by representatives of the Orthodox Patriarchate of Constantinople, headed by Metropolitan Meliton of Calcedonia, head of the Holy Synod, and leaders of other Christian communities and churches in Rome. Roman Catholic priests, bishops,

TEACHER SALARIES HIKED

High school tuition boost is announced

INDIANAPOLIS - The Interdistrict Executive Committee, a coordinating committee of the four district boards of education governing Catholic schools the Indianapolis-area, has established a tuition schedule for Chatard, Ritter, Roncalli, and Scecina Memorial High

Each certified lay teacher in the Indianapolis elementary and secondary schools will receive a \$100 increase in base pay plus a paid health and hospitalization insurance program.

The tuition schedule for students attending the above mentioned high schools will be as follows for the 1972-73 school term: \$325 for one student; \$500 for two in a family; \$575 for three or more in a family. The tuition rate for individual students who are non-members of par ticipating Catholic parishes in the In-dianapolis area has been set at \$25 a year.

The new tuition schedule represents an increase of \$50 per one child family, a \$25 increase for two-child families and no increase for three-child families or more The \$535 tuition represents the estimated full cost per pupil for the 1972-73 school

vear. According to the Interdistrict Executive Committee, the tuition increase was necessary to finance the increased costs of program and increased operational costs of each of the high schools.

MEANWHILE, two significant actions took place at Tuesday evening's meeting of the Archdiocesan Board of Education

St Ann's parish, Indianapolis, was granted permission to discontinue its 7th and 8th grades next September because of declining enrollment and insufficient parish finances.

The southwestside parish becomes the first Marion County parish to discontinue grades

Also approved by the Board was a recommendation by Superintendent Father Gerald Gettelfinger that lay leachers be encouraged to quality for administrative positions in parish elementary schools.

He told the Board that an increasing number of nuns now serving as principals have indicated that they do not wish to continue in administrative positions.

There are at present several laymen serving as principals of Catholic high schools, but only one serving in that capacity in a parish elementary school

The February meeting of the Board will be held in New Albany.

Observances set for Unity Week

INDIANAPOLIS-Several area observ ances of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity were announced this week. Most of the services are scheduled for Sunday

Locations and speakers will include: EAST-Downey Avenue Christian Church, 111 S. Downey Ave., 7:30 p.m., January 23. Speaker will be Father Michael Welch, associate pastor of St. Catherine's parish. Women of Our Lady of Lourdes parish will assist in the Fellowship Hour arrangements.

WEST-St. Michael's Church, 30th and Tibbs Ave., 7 p.m., January 23. Worship service will include a film and discussion "Baptism, the Sacrament of onging." Discussion leader: Father Belonging." Bernard Head, of Marian College. A Fellowship Hour will conclude the

NORTH-Four consecutive Sunday evening programs are planned to explore various aspects of the ecumenical scene, especially as related to the Consultation on Church Union (COCU). The schedule includes: January 23, Northwood Christian Church, January 30, Meridian Street United Methodist Church; February 6, First Meridian Heights Presbyterian Church; and February 13, Northwood Christian Church.

SOUTH-Advent Lutheran Church, 7 m., January 23. Speaker will be Father Richard Mueller, pastor of Our Lady of Greenwood parish. A fellowship hour will follow. Southport Baptist Church. Banta Road at McFarland Road, 7:30 p.m., January 23. Speakers: Father William Morley pastor of St. Jude's parish, and Rev. Robert Koenig, of the Church



ECUMENICAL CELEBRATION—Among those participating in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity observance held last Sunday evening in North United Methodist Church, In-dianapolis, were (left to right) Archbishop George J. Bishup; Father John Hotchkin of Washington, D.C., chairman of the Committee on Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs for the National Conference of Catholic Bishops; Mrs. Beauford Norris.

nt of the Church Federation of Great Rev. Theodore E. Ziton of St. George Antiochian (Ea Orthodox) Church, Indianapolis. Father Hotchkin was prin speaker at the celebration attended by members of m rhood ministerial associations and major ecumenical gr in the metropolitan area.



RECEIVES CERTIFICATION-Father Robert Kolentus, chaptain at St. Francis Hospital, Beech Grove, recently received certification as acting supervisor of general health care facilities by the United States Catholic Conference. He is shown above receiving the credentials from Sister M. Sponsaria, O.S.F., executive director of the hospital, and Don D. Hamachek, hospital administrator The certification authorizes Father Kolentus to train new chaplains for general health care facilities. He has been director of chaplaincy services at St. Francis since 1965.

Parish plans inquiry series

INDIANAPOLIS - Inquiry classes for persons interested in religious and moral questions of the day will begin at 7:30 p.m Monday, Jan. 31, in the Religious Education Center of St. Lawrence School, 46th and Shadeland.

The one-hour classes will be onducted by Father Joseph V Beechem, pastor, and Rev. Mr. Edward Hilderbrand, deacon pastoral assistant. There will be no charge for the series, which are open to the public.

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ACCW schedules board meeting at Fatima Feb. 1st

INDIANAPOLIS - The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women will hold its quarterly board meeting Tuesday, Feb. 1, at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House. A Mass at 10:30 a.m., will be followed by the business meeting at 11 a.m.

Mrs. Louis W. Krieg, 5715 Washington Blvd., Indianapolis 46220, is in charge of reservations for the 12:30 luncheon. Mrs. Carl W. Peterson, ACCW

president, will report to the board on the founding last November of the National Council of Catholic Laity. Mrs. Peterson attended the Founding Assembly of NCCL in Cin-cinnati. The new organization represents a partial merger of the National Council of Catholic Women and the National Council of Catholic Men with local and diocesan groups retaining their identities.

Also on the program for the quarterly meeting will be Mrs.
Louis Kossman, immediate
past president of ACCW, who
will discuss the work of the
Community Affairs Commission of which she is chair-

Adult Education Calendar

The schedule of Adult Education programs next week in the Archdiocese, as compiled Sister Gilchrist Conway. S.P., Archdiocesan Coordinate of Adult Education, includes the following:

Friday, January 21—
"Post-Cana: Growing in Love," workshop, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Maxwell, Religious Education Department, In-

dianapolis, 8 p.m.

Sunday, January 23— "Final Glory," lecture-discussion, Guerin Center, Terre Haute, 9:45 a.m.

Tuesday, January 25-"Theology for Parents and Teachers," discussion, Sacred Heart, Indianapolis 7:30 p.m.

"Human Growth and In-terpersonal Relationships," dialogue, Father Paul Voigt, St. Thomas Aquinas, Indianapolis, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, January 26— "The Church of Jerusalem, film-discussion, St. Mary-of-the-Knobs, Floyds Knobs, 7:30

Thursday, January 27—
"Teacher Training," lecturediscussion, Scecina Memorial High School, Indianapolis, 7:45

p.m.
"Christ Among Us," lecturediscussion, St. Bernadette, Indianapolis, 8 p.m.

Friday, January 28-"Post-Cana: Growing in Love," workshop, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Maxwell, Religious Education Department, In-dianapolis, 8 p.m.

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BERTHA M. WACHTEL 84, St. Mark's, Jan 13. Mother of Elleen M. Feuchfer and Hazel Jarvis, sister of Emma Siler, Lena Hoop, Kathryne Dammeyer,

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Aurora, Ill.: sister of Mrs. Susle
Pushkach of Danville, Ill. JOHN E. WYSS, SS. St. Mark's, Jen. 15. Husband of Helene; father of Kathann, Mary J. Wyss; brother of William, and Victor H. Wyss and Dorothy McCardle. CONNERSVILLE MARTIN H. FELL. 65, 51: Gabriel's, Jan. 11. Husband of Dorothy; father of Mrs. Rian de Lancey of Wabash and Mrs. Grover Cleveland of Elk Grove Village, Ill.; brother of Mrs. Mary F. Murphy: of Con-nersville.

EDMOND C. KARIBO, 78, St. Andrew's, Jan. 15. Father of Robert W. and Joseph A. Karibo and Eleanor Smith.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind. -The third quarterly open meeting of the New Albany Deanery Council of Catholic Jan. 30, at Sacred Heart parish

New Albany CCW

meeting slated

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Benediction will be celebrated at 1:30 p.m., followed by the business

Mrs. Joseph Kiesler, chairman of the DCCW's Church Communities Commission, will discuss the making of church vestments. The program will be followed by a social hour. DCCW president is Mrs. Herman Naville.

CARD PARTY

CLARKSVILLE, Ind. - Our Lady of Providence Guild will sponsor a Valentine Dessert sponsor a Valenune Card Party at 8 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 9, at Providence Table prizes, door High School. Table prizes, door prizes and cash prizes will be awarded. Tickets are \$1 per person and the public is invited.

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Jan. 3. Cousin of Griffin, Thomas
and Breck Crump. ELIZABETH RICZO, 23, Holy Trinity, Jan. 16. Mother of An-drew, John Michael and Joseph Riczo and Mary Smotherman, Word has been received here of the death of a former resident, ETHEL MARY CLARK, who died at

MARY SALICOE, 71, Holy Trinity, Jan. 18. Mother of Joseph W. Qualizza.

EDWARD J. DOYLE, 43, 51. James the Greater, Jan. 19. Husband of LaVonn F.; father of Thomas and Joseph Doyle; brother of Bernard Doyle and Catherine Schwier.

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Probe religion editor's firing

HOUSTON—An investigation on behalf of the Religion Newswriters Association (RNA) into the firing of Houston Chronicle religion writer Janice Law concludes that "pressure from powerful church figures" was the key factor in her dismissal, although many of the persons involved made mistakes. Prof. William Rivers of the Stanford University communications department submitted a 16-page report of conversations he had with editors, churchmen and others about Mrs. Law's dispute with her newspaper's management. She was let go last October after a disagreement with her city editor and the Galveston-Houston diocesan chancery over a story she wrote telling how many priests have left the active ministry here. The newspaper later published a correction which itself allegedly contained factual errors.

French bishops rap eroticism

PARIS-The French bishops' commission on the family urged a political campaign to halt the "spree of eroticism" that it said is degrading public morality. In a statement published here, the commission attacked the "subtle errors that pretend to justify" the eroticism and "the scandalous profits of those who

TRINITARIAN CONFUSION

Vocation ad in Playboy evokes Order disclaimer

WASHINGTON - A full-page ad in the January issue of Playboy magazine inviting readers to join the Order of the Most Holy Trinity, or the Trinitarian Fathers, has had an unexpected result: another religious order has received 'many, adverse comments' on

The other religious order is sometimes also called the Trinitarian Fathers. Its official title is Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity, and it is also known as Trinity Missions.

"WE'RE AFRAID that the bad publicity resulting from this will hurt us," said Father Edwin Dill, mission prucurator of Trinity Missions. He said the priests feared loss of financial support from persons who help them promote vocations.

"We have received many letters from friends and some calls to find out whether it was who ran the ad, he said, adding that some of those who wrote and called were
"chagrined and peeved."
"One lady said she was

chagrined that the Trinitarian Fathers, whom she's known for a long time, would stoop to advertise in Playboy," Father Dill said

THOSE WHO commented indicated that they had not seen the advertisement in Playboy but had read news stories abou its appearance there, he said

advertisement shows a large black-and-white photo of two casually clad, bespectacled, serious-looking young men walking against a background of sea and sky. "You are already a Trinitarian," it reads. "You who have love to give and the courage to offer it, you are already a Trinitarian. Come work with your brothers. Come

Further copy at the bottom of the page describes the Order of the Most Holy Trinity, a Catholic community of priests and Brothers founded in 1198, as taking the Church "into the darkest corners of our society to bring help to people who are left



GOLDEN JUBILEE—Mr. and Mrs. George Connell will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a Mass of Thanksgiving January 21, in St. Joan of Arc Church, Indianapolis. The jubilarians' two daughters, Mrs. Eva Kuenn of Denver, Colo. and Mrs. Bettle Harrison of Long Beach, Calif., will attend the celebration. A son, George Connell of South Africa, will not be able to attend. They have twelve grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Charges unity drive blunted

HAMBURG, Germany—A young Swiss theologian said he left the Vatican Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity after realizing that Pope Paul and the secretariat "apparently" do not want any advance in the ecumenical movement for the next few years because the Church faces too many internal lems. In an interview published in the January 10 issue of the German weekly news-magazine, Der Spiegel, Father August Bernhard Hasler, 34, also said the Vatican is primarily con-cerned with "politics and diplomacy" and that theological matters there seem "foreign and positively absurd."

Court reverses Groppi sentence

WASHINGTON-A contempt sentence meted out to Father James E. Groppi several years ago by the Wisconsin legislature has beer overturned by the U.S. Supreme Court. The court held 7 to 0 that the militant pastor of St. Michael's Church in Milwaukee was not given a statement of the charges or a chance to respond to them. Chief Justice Warren E. Burger said that the legislature's punishment, without hearing the priest, violated constitutional procedures. Father Groppi was held in contempt by the Wisconsin Assembly October 1, 1969, for his part in

a welfare demonstration that had blocked the legislature for about 12 hours two days earlier

Defends Mary's role in Church

SAN ANTONIO, Tex.-Mary has never receded in the minds and hearts of Catholics, despite rumors and reports to the contrary, Archbishop Francis J. Furey of San Antonio told the Mariological Society of America at its 23rd annual convention here. The archbishop reminded that the Second Vatican Council had stressed the importance of Mary's role in the Church's life.

Pope explains work of Cor Unum

VATICAN CITY-Pope Paul VI told members of the Church's new "super" charitable coordinating organization, Cor Unum, that he has established it precisely "because the Church cannot permit herself any waste of the modest resources" at her disposal. In receiving the members of the council of Cor Unum which met January 10-12, in Rome, the Pope also assured that Cor Unum is not intended to take over the work or programs of the individual charitable organizations which make up the council. Cor Unum was established by the Pone in July, 1971. Its 30-man membership represents the major Catholic charitable and relief organizations around the world.

Secretariat to move offices

SOUTH ORANGE, N.J.-The U.S. bishops' Secretariat for Catholic Jewish Relations will move to Washington, D.C., at the end of January after four years on the campus of Seton Hall University here, Father Edward Flannery, secretariat director, said the new offices will be located at the U.S. Catholic Conference building in Washington. He said the move was being made as part of a reorganization of the bishops' Committee for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs, of which his secretariat

Common Bible projects multiply

VATICAN CITY—The Catholic Church is currently involved in 117 common Bible translation projects with Protestants—52 in Africa, 43 in Asia, 13 in Europe and nine in Latin America according to the Vatican official who coordinates them. Father Walter Abbott, Jesuit from Boston, said the Vatican has contributed half the money needed for five years of work on the basic New Testament text in Greek and the Old Testament in Hebrew, from which all 177 vernacular translations are taken.

Louvain going to English

BRUSSELS-Americans no longer have to learn Flemish to study philosophy or theology at the world's oldest Catholic university here. Courses taught in English are being established by the University of Louvain to attract more foreigners to the tudent body. Language problems, which led to clashes between French and Flemish language groups in Belgium, caused a split n this 550-year-old university in 1968, resulting in a separate Flemish-speaking school. Because Flemish is not an international language, the Flemish section found it difficult to recruit foreign students, and in 1969 a decision was made to offer programs in English to broaden the university's scope

Herder and Herder sold out

NEW YORK-McGraw Hill Book Company has acquired Herder and Herder of New York, publishers of religious and general trade books. The purchase price was not disclosed. Sources close to Herder and Herder said the firm's annual sales volume is about \$2 million. Werner M. Linz. Herder and Herder executive vice president, said he would continue managing Herder, which will function as a separate publishing unit of McGraw Hill. "It is our firm intention to reemphasize and expand our religious publishing program," he said.

Seek Mendoza deportation

LA PAZ, Bolivia—Bolivian surrealist painter Benjamin Mendoza Amor, who in 1970 attempted to kill Pope Paul VI in Manila, may be released in the custody of Bolivian authorities. Bolivia's foreign minister, Mario R. Gutierrez, said on his trium from a tour of the Orient that authorities in The Philippines, where Mendoza is in jail, approached him on the subject of deporting the painter to Bolivia. "I told them we will take him," Gutierrez told a press conference.

Confirmation Schedule

Archbishops Biskup's Con-firmation schedule for the month of February. The schedule for the remaining months will be printed prior to the beginning of each month. The entire spring schedule extends through mid-May.

February 1, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Nativity, Indianapolis, February 5, Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Assumption, Indianapolis.

February 6, Sunday, 4 p.m., t. Bernadette, Indianapolis. February 12, Saturday, 7:30 p.m., St. Bridget, Indianapolis. February 13, Sunday, 4 p.m., Christopher, Indianapolis; 7:30 p.m., Holy Trinity, In-dianapolis.

February 19. Saturday, 7:30 Matthew, Indianapolis.

February 20. Sunday, 7:30 p.m., Christ the King, Indianapolis

February 21, Thursday, 7:30 p.m., St. Gabriel, Indianapolis. February 26, Saturday, 7:30 p.m., St. Thomas Aquinas, Indianapolis

February 27, Sunday, 4 p.m., James the Greater, In dianapolis; 7:30 p.m. St Joseph, Indianapolis.

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'OPERATION BOOTSTRAP' AT MARIAN-Officials of Marian College and Fort Benjamin Harrison

discuss the degree completion program to be conducted at Marian College in cooperation with the Army's "Operation Bootstrap." Standing, from left, are Captain Calton Blacker and Colonel Roy

Pille (USA Ret.). Seated, from left, are Edward G. Lyle, Dr. Louis C. Gatto and Sister Norma

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Don't make any bets, Father

The Church should not and will not admit women to the priesthood, a Franciscan theologian wrote in a recent issue of a Valiran weekly newspaper, L'Osservatore della Domenica.

The writer, Father Gino Concetti, stated that proposals for the study of the question of women priests were not even taken seriously by the recent Synod of Bishops. Moreover, he is convinced they never will be.

Father Concetti bases his determinedly unequivocal conviction on the apostolic discipline, that is, the inheritance of the priesthood from the Apostles. No women were Apostles, ergo none will ever be ordained.

We have no quarrel with Father Concetti's opinion-even theologians are entitled to them. We do take issue with his prediction that the Church never will accept women priests. Never is a long, long time.

Ordination of women has been established in over 80 Christian churches, a reality not discussed, much less anticipated, a few generations ago. There are only a handful of holdouts these days, notably Catholic, Orthodox, Episcopal and Southern Baptist churches. Even the Episcopalians are inching their way toward women priests, having, since 1970, ordained approximately 80 women deacons.

Father Concetti is right. The synod didn't take the question of women priests seriously. With rare exceptions, neither do the U.S. bishops, even though a committee of bishops is now making an official study of the status of women in the Church. But, then, not too many years ago nobody took women's suffrage seriously either.

The fact remains there is no dogmatic reason for denying the priesthood to women. The exclusion is based on social and cultural conditioning and the traditionally misogynist view of women subtly and blatantly

propagated by the Fathers of the Church down through the cen-turies. As a symbol, woman has been venerated, here again almost exclusively in the personhood of Mary. As a reality, however, woman has been rated as "man flawed," morally, spiritually and intellectually inferior, created as complement to but not equal to the male species. That kind of hogwash might have gone over great in the Middle Ages but it is not the stuff of which justice and human dignity are made.

If we read Vatican II correctly, the Church today is irrevocably committed to a theology of human potentiality. The Pastoral Constitution on The Church in the Modern World and Pope John's Pacem in Terris both gave authentic recognition to the equality of women and to their historic oppression. An awful lot of back-pedaling will take place before the issue is reconciled but the Church must-and will-put its own house in order regarding the equality and the potentiality of all human beings, men and women alike.

The Church must-and willgive equal representation to women on policy decisions at every level, from the parish to the Vatican. It must-and willordain women to the priesthood and accept them in the hierarchial structure.

This won't be accomplished in the next few decades, perhaps not even in the next few generations. It won't be accomplished from expediency or pressure, as some feminists say. Nonetheless, it will be accomplished eventually because the full equality of women is a matter of simple justice. The Church cannot indefinitely rationalize its injustice toward women and remain a credible spokesman for the liberation of human potential, apostolic happenstance or exhortations to the Corinthians to the contrary. -(MS.) B. H. ACKELMIRE

NCEA PRESIDENT

New attitudes could salvage school system

SEATTLE—Despite improvements in Catholic schools, their future does not look bright, Norbertine Father C. Albert Koob, president of the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA), said

Speaking to 40 elementary and secon-dary school principals, Father Koob said statistical projections indicate that by 1980 there will be fewer Sisters to teach, fewer students attending Catholic schools and fewer Catholic schools. Making the picture still darker will be rising costs and declining parish incomes, he added.

FATHER KOOB insisted, however, that these projections do not have to come true if the laity changes its attitude toward Catholic schools.

"Our most serious problem," Father Koob said, "is that our own people are not supporting Catholic schools. The Church is changing, and people no longer have strong institutional loyalties."

Studies have found, he said, that while parents who have children in Catholic schools want and are satisfied with the schools, younger parents are not enrolling

PART OF THE reason for this, he said, is that younger parents are moving to suburbs where there are no Catholic schools; but what is more important, he added, "they don't want to build a Catholic

He cited a tendency of young, well-educated Catholic parents, whom he described as tomorrow's Church leaders. As they climb the economic ladder, he said, they send their children to public schools, because it's the thing to do. "This is particularly distressing," Father Koob

LETTERS

by Primate of Poland

America has always respected and admired individuals who have distinguished themselves by leadership,

service, and love for their fellow man.

In the country of my forefathers,

Poland, there is such a hero in the person of the religious leader who through almost

50 years of religious service has shown his deep love for his fellow man. He is Stefan

Cardinal Wyszynski, Primate of Poland and Archbishop of Warsaw and Gniezno.

different sources in America, both Polish and non-Polish, the suggestion that Car-

dinal Wyszynski be invited to visit the

American people, in the spirit of people-to-

Krol already has received numerous in-

quiries and requests to coordinate the

During my visits to Poland the last few

years, I have received the definite im-

pression from the Polish side that this idea

can become a reality. Now I would like to

make this suggestion public and appeal to all Americans, both of Polish and non-

Polish background, to extend such an invitation to the Cardinal to visit America

To unify these efforts, I consider it most

fitting that our expressions be directed to His Eminence, John Cardinal Krol, Arch-

bishop of Philadelphia, President of the

during 1972, "The Father Kolbe Year."

ople contact. His Eminence Cardinal

In recent years I have heard from many

Suggests U.S. visit

To the Editor:

"IT HASN'T BEEN 'A TRILLION YEARS,' SWEETHEART, JUST A LONG TIME, AND YOU MUSTN'T BLAB TO EVERYONE THAT DADDY'S 'FINALLY GOING TO

THE YARDSTICK

Christian dialogue?

BY MSGR. GEORGE G. HIGGINS

The Christian Century is a first-rate publication from almost every point of view. Its professional standards are consistently very high, not the least in its treatment of even the most controversial

Roman Catholic issues. Living up to its own selfdefinition as an "ecumenical" weekly, it goes to considerable lengths to cover Catholic well as Protestant developments and to do so objectively and irenically as is humanly possible.

Now and again, however, the Century's coverage of Catholic news tends to be-at least from this writer's point of view—a little too aggressive_and, if I may be permitted to say so with the best of good will, a little too patronizing or supercilious in tone. I thought I detected some of this, for example, in its December 22 round-up article by William Triggs on the recent Roman synod.

Mr. Triggs, who covered the synod as a correspondent for the Century, takes the view that, overall, it was a complete failure-a failure "in courage and vision. I am not disposed to argue with those who feel this way about the synod. Although their unrelieved pessimism and the ab solute certainty with which they hold to it strike me as being a bit extreme, I really don't see any point in getting upset about

ON THE OTHER hand, I must say, as irenically as possible, that I am not altogether happy about the tone of Mr. Triggs' article. Moreover, I think the record will show that some of his specific complaints about the saying are inaccurate. complaints about the synod are inaccurate Triggs' article a bit too aggressive and somewhat patronizing, not to say sar-castic. The last paragraph in the article is a case in point: "The worst possible reaction to this synod would be indifference. Rather than that, one would hope even for rebellion."

Calling upon Catholics, through the medium of a magazine like The Christian Century, to "rebel" against the synod may be in good form or in good taste, ecumenically speaking, but I doubt it.

BY THE SAME token, I question whether it was really necessary for Mr. Triggs to say (in an effort to explain why allegedly "only a few Latin Americans spoke out" in the synod) that "reliable sources revealed that the Vatican had put pressure on the hierarchies in those countries to name as their delegates those not given to trouble-shooting.

Frankly I think the editors of The Century should have blue-penciled this little exercise in ecumenical gossip mongering. As one who attended every session of the synod, I deny the accuracy of this statement—unless Mr. Triggs has one definition of the word "few" for Latin America and another definition for Europe, Asia, Africa and North America.

I must confess that I bristled momentarily when I found Mr. Triggs saying that "the growing conviction among Catholics that the Church should not compromise with the powers that be but should stand with Christ at the side of the poor and the oppressed was judged irrelevant by the Synod." I am not at all sure that I know what all this ferocious rhetoric adds up to, but frankly I don't like it at all.

THE SYNOD'S discussion on world justice and its final document on this subject may not have been to Mr. Triggs' liking. If so, he should have told his readers why instead of impugning the integrity of the synod Fathers with a supercilious and rather meaningless rhetorical jab.

I would have to say the same thing, in all honesty, about Mr. Triggs' highly polemical criticism of the synod as being only a consultative and not a deliberative assembly.

My reaction is to point out that the hand and the typewriter are obviously quicker than the eye. This is just another way of saying that Mr. Triggs has constructed for himself a convenient little strawman (a nonolithic, Vatican controlled hierarchical church), has then created the impression that this is the only kind of church that Pope Paul VI believes in or is willing to tolerate, and has finally concluded with irresistible logic that "in such a church a synod of bishops is totally superfluous."

SURELY THERE must be-there simply has to be—a more balanced and more ecumenical way of discussing the pros and cons of the synod of bishops as it pros and cons of the synod of bishops as it is presently constituted. This problem, incidentally, is considerably more complicated than Mr. Triggs makes it out to be. For example, I happen to know one prominent Catholic ecumenist who believes that the synod will prove to be more effective in the long run if it retains its present consultative character.

In fairness to Mr. Triggs, let me point out, in conclusion, that I fully agree with some of his specific complaints about the 1971 synod. My only regret is that he gave vent to these complaints in such an unvent to these complaints in such an un-friendly manner as to suggest that he was aggressively grinding his own theological axe. In doing so, he has not advanced the cause of ecumenism. Maybe I am being old fashioned about this matter, but I had always thought that there was general always thought that there was general agreement in ecumenical circles that each party to the dialogue should give the other party the benefit of every reasonable doubt. It is my impression that Mr. Triggs has done the very opposite. He doesn't give the synod the benefit of a single doubt. He simply gives it the back of his hand.

BY REV. PAUL DRISCOLL

(Moderator's Note: Our second writer. Vincent Carey, has appeared on the Dick Cavett and Phil Donahue Shows as an for our discussion, both Mr. Carey and Mr. Doyle live in the same parish. Like James Doyle last week, Vincent Carey comments on the statement of a Catholic editor: "If the Church does go back to the pre-Vatican Il situation, most of the people will never know that it left.")

STATEMENT OF VINCENT CAREY For the traditional Catholic, the editor's statement is true because he feels that in fact the Church never really changedsome of the more vocal people in it changed. The present state of the Church represents mostly misguided attempts to make superficial changes simply for the

sake of change.
The traditional Catholic has been told several myths which he must reject. First, he has been told that Vatican II is a monumental document altering the whole course of the Catholic Church. Upon reading the document, he finds nothing essentially new . . . rather, he finds rein-forced and restated all the basic beliefs consistently taught through the ages. There is a renewed emphasis on the humanity of the Church, but in no way is there any diminution of its divine origin. Theologically and philosophically, Vatican II has changed nothing basic; the Church—pre and post—is identical.

IN ONE RESPECT I welcome the editor's comment, because his statement editor's comment, because his statement makes it crystal clear that the changes were not demanded by a grassroots movement of the people of God. No one ever asked the "grassroots" Catholic. No one conferred with him or any of his neighbors concerning proposed changes of any kind. From on high, he has suddenly been advised that his most cherished lifelong beliefs are "antiquated" and must be beliefs are "antiquated" and must be streamlined and updated. If he suggests truth is timeless, he is labeled "old school" and "uncooperative." He sees many at-tempts to indoctrinate, but few to educate.

The layman is told we are now the "new" Church, the "modern" Church, we have been "updated." No one mentions to him that in many ways what we are now experiencing is an extension of Modernism and Americanism—two "isms" prevalent at the turn of the century. Not new or modern—but old, outdated and wrong. Modernism and Americanism were condemned by Popes Leo and Pius and were characterized at that time as the 'synthesis of all heresies." Incidentally this destroys another myth-namely, that Pope Paul is the roadblock, and, without him, we would really be "progressing." If he is a roadblock, he is in good company.

TO SUM UP, the traditional Catholic feels betrayed, the victim of a fraud. He knows that the actual Vatican II was very knows that the actual value in it was very different from the popular liberal image of "Vatican II." The actual Vatican II strongly re-emphasized the essentials of the Catholic faith. In that sense, the traditional Catholic will never know the Church left because it never did leave!

As for many of the superficial changes that have been made in recent years, the traditional Catholic waits patiently for the day when the measuring stick of accomplishment will be applied and much ntation will be revealed wanting. He awaits the day when the decline in Church attendance, vocations, conversions, contributions and all other visible criteria of support is reversed and we return seriously to our Father's

'Dignity of person' ignored by society

BOSTON-A Roman Catholic bishop varned here that contemporary society, threatened by a loss of the traditional appreciation for "the dignity of the human person and the inviolability of human life."

Auxiliary Bishop Daniel, A. Cronin of Boston spoke at a televised concelebrated Mass which highlighted the opening of a centennial year observance of the birth of Don Luigi Orione, founder of the Sons of Divine Providence

In contrast to what Bishop Cronin described as the Don Orione "apostolate of charity," he said that "today human life in charry, be said that "today human life in its very essence, somehow or other, is threatened and the dignity of human life is not as appreciated as it was . . . and that whatever advances we have seemed to have made perhaps it can be said that we are going backwards a little in this regard."

The bishop said that modern progress "may not be commensurate with our understanding as Christians of the dignity of the human person and the inviolability of human life."

GUEST EDITORIAL

'Big Brother' can gag churches

The news story that the Methodist Publishing House in Nashville was stripped of its nonprofit status by a state court has an ominous ring.

The court decided that "equipment and buildings which do not exclusively promote religious belief and worship in accordance with the doctrine and practices of the Methodist Church" are taxable.

Besides limiting the freedom of the press in the matter of morality, social concerns, education and even scientific advances which affect the quality of human life, such an outlandish ruling could thwart brotherhood and Christian unity efforts.

Later reports tell the story of an audit by the Internal Revenue Service on the National Council of Churches, one going on for over two years. Nor have the IRS agents given any reason why.

during the past year to halt a collection which was planned by the Episcopal Church. The ostensible reason was that the collection was to foster political education for students.

In any case, it seems that if this ridiculous turn of events does not end, a religious body will not even be able to reply to a charge by a governmental agency lest it dabble in the preserve of politics. Since the Church has a mission to give both special and prophetic witness and not merely platitudes about God, there is likely to be more heat and pressure building in this area over

We feel the governmental threats and rooting about in the affairs of religious groups are impermissible forms of political

And IRS has applied pressure

the next few years.

-THE FLORIDA CATHOLIC Fort Washington, Pa.

National Conference of Catholic Bishops, who in our collective name could then extend an official invitation to Cardinal Wyszynski in the name of all the people of the United States of America.

Edward J. Piszek

HOT COFFEE FROM THE PRINCIPAL AND TIME OUT FOR CLASSROOM PARTIES

The New York school strike, a curiously Christian thing

BY JO-ANN PRICE

NEW YORK Leaders on both sides of the recent school strike in the New York archdiocese agree that the month-long strike was a flop as a work stoppage and a flop on salary issues.

But it may have scored some longrange related gains for both labor and management, as unionization dramatically became a fact of Catholic educational life in the big-city, financially troubled schools of the 10-county arch-diocese, they said.

The walkout-which ended December 21 The walkout—which ended December 21 with the teachers voting 214 to 109 in favor of a salary offer identical with one offered them November 22—was a curiously Christian affair. You might even call it

IT WAS AN admixture of union negotiators, teachers on their first strike. negotiators, teachers on their first strike, monsignors sympathetic to their plight but unable to provide the cash, and sypathetic bystanders from other unions who con-tributed to a strike fund of \$8,000 for

Picketers were offered coffee and warm places to all down by their own principals. Some strikers even at-tended school Christmas parties.

After the vote was taken, some picketers rushed back to their classrooms the next morning, even though it was the last day of school before the Christmas break.

According to Barry F. Ryan, president of the Federation of Catholic Teachers, the strike's biggest setback was a fallure to

attain parity of pay for teachers at both

IN THE FINAL settlement, starting pay for degreed elementary teachers was boosted to \$6,800 (up \$200) with increments up the scale to a top minimum of \$9,800. High school teachers were given a \$400 raise, to start at \$7,600 and range up to \$13,000. Non-degreed elementary teachers with less than 10 years' experience were given a \$600 pay boost.

The achievement of parity would have given muscle, Ryan suggested, to future negotiations since the federation is the only diocesan union representing both elementary and secondary schools.

On the other hand, Ryan said, Church officials did seek to provide

insurance, pension benefits and tenure requirements.

"I suppose we're above other unions in all of the benefits," Ryan said of other diocesan employee organizations.

The union's membership is now about 1,400 teachers from a total teaching force in the archdiocese of 7,800. For the union, Ryan said, the lesson of the strike was: "We'll just have to do a good selling job."

OFFICIALS OF the archdiocese likewise concede that the strike was a failure as a strike because so many teachers stayed on the job. Part of this was loyalty, and part was due to good internal public relations. Still a third reason was (Continued on Page 5)

NC PROFILE Vatican's unity man

BY JOSEPH McLELLAN

Father Jan Willebrands was the president of an ecumenical organization— the St. Willibrord Society in Holland—back in 1946, when "ecumenical" was not a working part of most people's

Today, Cardinal Jan Willebrands is the president of the Vatican Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity—an optimistic and hard-working advocate of reform and reunion who thinks that his work will succeed but will never be ended.

Cardinal (then Msgr.) Willebrands was a natural choice for the position of secretary in the Secretariat when it was established in 1960. He quickly developed a reputation as one of the hardest-working officials at the Vatican and as an indefatigable traveler, maintaining high official Church presence at ecumenical events from Kottayam, India, to Uppsala,

HE BECAME THE president of the Secretariat in April 1969, a few months after the death of Cardinal Augustin Bea, who had been the first president. Under his direction and that of his predecessor, with the aid of the Second Vatican Council, a revolution has taken place in Catholic attitudes toward members of other Christian Churches

One index of the change is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity-Jan. 18 to 25-the key week of the year for the Secretariat. When it began in 1908, under the auspices of the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, the week was a time for Catholics to pray for the onversion of Protestants. It's not that simple any more.

In most places, this year, the week is an ecumenical event. And its purpose is not to increase the membership of one Church but to bring together Christians of all kinds in a mutual search for ways to unity. To those who remember the old days, Catholics could see only one solution to the divisions among Christians, the difference is startling.

AT THE BEGINNING of Catholic in volvement in the ecumenical movement, Cardinal Willebrands noted, many people thought that unity could be achieved only through a surrendering of one church to another. "That is a simplistic answer," he said. "Unity is a giving in, but a giving in

to Christ, not to each other."

He has described the struggle for unity as a valuable experience in itself and he believes that this struggle is a permanent part of Christian experience. It will exist even if, in the future, the goal of a single Christian Church is reached

Despite the widespread and sometimes surprisingly rapid moves



CARDINAL WILLEBRANDS

Cardinal Willebrands detects "impatience" and "disappointment" among "those who have expected a

"But here," he cautions, "we have to deal with living men and living com-munities and living churches, where unity is something more than a form to be achieved once for all."

PERSONALLY DIFFIDENT, almost timid, Cardinal Willebrands is firm in his decisions as an administrator and a spokesman for the Church. He has won what one associate calls "tremendous loyalty" from his staff, including some who are most critical of his approach.

Criticism of the cardinal among those who work with him centers largely on his attitude toward the press. "You could almost call it pathological." said one associate.

When some significant step is taken in the ecumenical field, Cardinal Willebrands' first impulse is to keep it from the press "for now" on the grounds that it "should mature" or that not all the elements are yet ready to be reported. Born at Bovenskarpel, Holland, on

September 4, 1909, Jan Willebrands was ordained in 1934, took advanced studies in Rome. He became a professor at the Seminary of Warmond in 1940 and was made its director in 1945, a post he held until joining the newly established Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity

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the efficiency of the newly formed Association of Catholic Schools, the single

bargaining agent for all of the schools.

At the end of the walkout, according to

Msgr. Joseph T. O'Keefe, archdiocesan secretary for education, only 230 teachers—out of a possible 5,500 were

away from classes because of the strike

As a result, only about 20 schools "ex-perienced difficulty" in continuing

The New York school strike

Ecumenism on ice? Experts say

Senior ecumenical experts of several faiths have rejected a young Swiss ecumenist's contention that Pope Paul and the Vatican are deliberately downgrading Christian unity work until Catholicism's Internal problems ease. A spokesman at the Vatican's Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity

said there would be no comment for the moment on an interview in the January 1

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

issue of the German weekly magazine Der Spiegel with a former secretariat staff member, Father August Bernhard Hasler.

34, who recently quit after four years.

Father Hasler told the magazine he left upon realizing that the Pope and the secretariat apparently want no ad-vancement of the ecumenical movement for the next few years. He said the secretariat has become "more a brake than a motor of Christian unity" in Europe and North America

THE PRIEST SAID that the Vatican is more concerned with politics and diplomacy, that ecumenism was being blamed for a large part of the internal church crisis, and that the Vatican's Secretariat of State would rather have the Catholic Church hold fast and simply await the conversion of other churches. He

was sharply critical of Roman Caria at-titudes and procedures. "The productive exchange of research

and conclusions between international and national dialogue," said Father John Hotchkin, ecumenical and interreligious affairs director for the U.S. Catholic bishops' conference in Washington, "is far from giving evidence that the Secretariat is acting as a brake on the movement toward Christian unity in North America.'

Father Hotchkin, asked to comment on the Hasler interview, said there was increasing need for ecumenical decision-making and joint action by authorities of

the churches.
"An effort must be made to determine anore clearly where ecumenical decision-making responsibilities are lodged in the church, how they are to be met and how to correctly coordinate the work and authority of those who bear them," he

HE REJECTED THE idea of compartmentalizing internal and external church matters and problems, however, saying that the experience of other churches and the findings of ecumenical scholarship have to be taken into adequate

"While I cannot share Father Hasler's criticisms of particular persons in this connection, I do share his hope that we shall be able to do better as we go along," concluded Father Hotchkin.

Meanwhile, in New York, Father Thomas Stransky, who spent 10 years at the Vatican as one of the unity secretariat's original staff experts until he became president of the Paulists in 1970, said when asked to comment:

"Blanket judgments of praise or con-demnation about personnel, strategy and motivation of any church institution seem very naive, especially if the animal is the Roman Curia. The longer I worked in the curia, the more imponderable it became. It is certainly not a monolith, so I can only smile at un-nuanced appraisals, even from present or former employes.

FATHER STRANSKY said that the unity secretariat has always been "under the strain of constant negotiation of ideas and projects with other curial departments, and thus happily suffers the tension of carrying on the ecumenical dialogue not only between the churches but within the curia itself, and, I would add, with the Holy

"Knowing well the personalities, skills and programs of the secretariat, I wager that any suggested strategy to put the ecumenical movement on ice would receive more smiles than serious frowns.

Father Robert Stephenopoulos, director of the interchurch office for the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of North and South America, said in New York that he did not share what he termed Father Hasler's "radical pessimism.

he said, "we are further along in practical and concrete ways than we've ever been

"I see very active signs of this in the words of the Pope and the unity secretariat, and generally throughout the Roman Catholic communion. There is, of course, a holy impatience with the very ponderous and slow ways that things happen—but I'm generally optimistic."

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Rebuffs critics with Pope John's example

SANTIAGO, Chile - Cardinal Raul Silva, criticized for welcoming Cuban Premier Fidel Castro to Chile a few weeks ago, says Fidel Castro to Chile a few weeks ago, says be modeled himself on Pope John XXIII— who once told him the reasons for a controversial Vatican audience with a prominent Soviet editor.

"He gave me the example." said Car dinal Silva about Pope John

Pope John had granted a 15-minute audience in March 1963 to Alexei Adzhubei, editor of Izvestia and son-in-law of the late Soviet Premier Nikita Khrush

The Santiago archbishop quoted John as having confided to him in a private con-

'How could I refuse to see him (Ad zhubei)? I am the Vicar of Christ. He asked for an audience. What reasons could I give to deny him?"

"They were concerned for their children," Msgr. O'Keefe said.

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THEME ARTICLE

THE SACRAMENTS AS SIGNS OF GRACE

BY DR. MONIKA HELLWIG

Many of us have the experience of being very disappointed with our parish. It does not seem to be alive or doing anything. There is little sense of community. People are not particularly

friendly. The Sunday Mass celebration does not seem to have much meaning.

Many people feel that there simply must be more to it than this if it is to be worthwhile continuing with Church membership. Others think that because the sacraments are supposed to confer grace of themselves the participation of the community does not matter so much, though the effects of the sacramental grace are not apparent in the lives of the parishioners

The missing link in both positions is that the sacraments are supposed to be acts of personal commitment of the members, and that is why we can say they are acts of the Church which is continuing and extending the action of Jesus Christ himself.

A community does not act at all unless its members act. If my parish is not alive, the first question I have to ask is what I am doing and what I could be doing as an active member of a community that exists to redeem the world. If the effects of sacramental grace are not apparent in the lives of the parishioners, we should ask ourselves what kind of personal commitment to the salvation of the world we are actually making when we celebrate the sacraments.

IF CATHOLICS do not often ask themselves these questions when they complain about their

parishes, that may be because of a certain tendency to think in terms of active and passive membership of the Church with the sacrament of Holy Orders as the boundary line between them. But this is a distortion of the traditional doctrine of the 'character" conferred by Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders.

If there is a boundary line between active and passive, it can more correctly be identified with the sacrament of Confirmation. In earliest times there was no such boundary line and the initiation of a new member into the Christian community led through Baptism and a rite equivalent to Confirmation straight to the Eucharist. Since we have been baptizing infants, it is obvious that children and young people will be passive members until they come to a point of personal decision to leave the Church or to assume personal responsibility in the community.

However, the situation may have existed from the beginning. In the Acts of the Apostles we read of many instances where people were baptized and the Spirit was immediately evident in them through their quite extraordinary wisdom and courage, and through the peace, patience and kindness that characterized their lives. However, we may also read between the lines that it was not always so, for the Acts give instances of the community gathering around persons previously baptized, and laying hands on them to pray that the Spirit might be given to them. They expected visible results.

IN THE COURSE of time Confirmation was recognized as a separate sacrament given on a separate occasion, usually by a separate minister, the Bishop. The person who has been con-



"A community does not act at all unless its members act." (Photo of bas relief of Apostles, Dublin, Ireland, by Frank Hoy)

firmed is supposed to come to the Eucharist as one who can truly receive it because he brings his mature personal commitment to the encounter with Christ to help constitute the community commitment. He does not expect the already existing community to carry him along as a passenger, like an unconfirmed child.

The character or badge designating the baptized is that they are entitled as members to share what the already existing community has to give them. That of the confirmed is that they are officially commissioned to constitute the community by the life commitment each of them contributes to the Eucharistic

celebration.

It is easy to see, then, that Holy Orders designates certain men to assemble the community for worship and to preside over the Eucharist. It does not lay on them

the entire burden of making the Church a living and effective community, for this is the task we all share

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CATECHETICS

How sacraments impart grace

BY FR. CARL J. PFEIFER, S.J.

At a time when many adult Catholics admit to being confused about many aspects of today's Church, almost every group of Catholic adults seems to know the definition of a sacrament. At meetings in

city after city around the United States I have found groups of parents, religion teachers and priests able to recite in unison without prompting that "a sacrament is an outward sign instituted by Christ to give grace."

While few groups see to have much confidence

in explaining just what is meant by "grace" or how the sacraments "give grace" or in what way, they are "signs, there is an unshakable conviction that however the Catholic doctrine of sacraments is to be explained. Christ gave us these "signs" in order to give us "grace."

The General Cathechetical Directory issued recently by the Vatican confirms this generally accepted conviction about the sacraments as "signs of grace": "The sacraments must be represented . . . not only as remedies for sin and its consequences, but especially as sources of grace in individuals and in communities."

If the sacraments are sources of grace and the sacramental sign signifies that grace, then it would seem that taking a good look at the "signs" might help us better understand "grace."

PERHAPS THE BEST place to start would be the Sacrament of Matrimony. Here the sign is the mutual commitment in love and trust of a man and a woman. Throughout the Scriptures the covenant of love entered into by bride and groom has signified the deep relationship or covenant God and man freely enter into. The first and most meaningful un-derstanding of "grace" is in terms of God's love for each of us, inviting us, enabling us, to enter into a relationship of loving trust with him. Grace is not a thing, loving trust with mm. Grace is not a thing, but a relationship of love that has the power to transform us into loving persons. As St. Augustine wrote centuries ago, "We are lovable, Lord, because you love us."

But grace is not merely a personal, individual relationship with God. His grace or love for us enables us to enter into community of love, willing to share our gifts with others. The Eucharist signifies this bond of love between individuals and is the source of their deeper unity into a community of believers. God's grace is an community of benevers. God's grace is an inner power to bring peace, harmony, joy, understanding, mutual concern and love, creating a "People of God." Eating and drinking from the "one loaf" and the "one cup" unites us into "one body" with Christ and with each other.

BAPTISM AND Confirmation by their symbolism reveal still more about God's grace in the lives of those united with God

in the community of believers. Pouring or immersing in water symbolizes (according to the images used in the Bible) the entrance into a new life marked by freedom. Christ in coming to give us the fullness of life, came to bring freedom, and wherever the Spirit of Christ is present, there is true freedom. This is the mark of "sons of God" who share the very life of God.

The oil of Confirmation, together with the "laying on of hands" by the Bishop, symbolizes (again from biblical images) something of the joy, suppleness, richness, and openness that comes with union with God in a gracious relationship. Strength, too, is signified, but a strength marked by the gentleness that characterizes the presence of Christ's Spirit. Grace nurtures

The dialogue of sorrow and absolution that is the sacramental sign of Penance reveals God's grace as the forgiving, merciful activity of Christ in our lives. God's love or grace is so great that even if we break our covenant relationship with Him, he is always ready to forgive and renew the relationship.

NOT EVEN SICKNESS or death is strong enough to weaken the bond of love initiated by our Father. His concern is so strong, that just as Jesus healed the sick and raised the dead, so he continues to renew man in the face of suffering and sickness, to bring him to new life even after death. All this is symbolized by the sacramental sign of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Just as the Christian community stands by the sick and dying to the end, praying, anointing with oil, God's gracious love never deserts us in the face of life's shadows.

Finally, there remains the sacramental sign of Holy Orders. The bishop lays his hands on the head of a man, ordaining him to serve the community of believers. This sign remains as a constant reminder that God's grace comes to us through the fragile reality of men within a very human community of other men and women.

Religious education today, as the General Catechetical Directory urges, (No. 57), focuses on the sacramental "signs" in order to better uncover the riches of God's "grace" that is ours in

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SACRED SCRIPTURE

Sign of grace: Matrimony

BY QUENTIN QUESNELL, S.J. Grace is the indwelling power of

the love of God. It comes as God's free gift and transforms our poor selves into the perfect beauty of ,Grace comes to us

when we believe in accept the mystery of Christ. It begins to show itself when we begin to live like Christ in the world. It becomes

visible as a sign to all the world when all our lives reflect the

mystery of Christ and the love of God which took flesh in him. St. Paul reminds us that Christian married life is a perfect example of how this can happen.

First of all: "Wives should be subject to their husbands as to the Lord" (Ephesians 5,22) as the Christian mystery teaches us we should see Christ in all our fellow men (Matt. 25,35ff.) and we should all be subject to one another for the sake of Christ' (Ephesians 5,21).

A MALE-ORIENTED culture may tell the husband he is "head



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of his wife." Paul reminds him that for a Christian to be head is not to be a superior, but to be a servant. If the husband wants to fulfill the role of "head" he must do it in the way Christ made himself head of the Church. That is, he should do for his wife what Christ does for the Church: love her, nourish and look after her as a part of himself, and above all sacrifice his life for her (Eph.

The man is called to "leave father and mother and unite with his wife" (Eph. 5,31). She is called to accept this, as the Church accepts Christ's love, allowing him to love her and serve her and die for her (Eph. 5,24). When generous love meets willing response; "the two will become one" (Eph. 5,31).

5,23-26).

FOR THIS IS how it is with Christ and those who believe in him. No one knows why sacrifice for another is the real way to happiness. It doesn't follow logically from any laws of nature. It is a mystery—the greatest mystery ever. That mystery is proclaimed by Christ on the cross. The world's only hope for salvation is in self-giving love... and every married couple experiences the truth of this.

When a married couple pledge their love and faithfulness to one ther, they proclaim their faith in Christ's way. They pronounce publicly that they are ready to try to live in love, to be "patient, kind, not jealous, not boastful or cond; never rude or selfish, not taking offense, not cherishing resentment, always ready to se, to trust, to hope and to endure whatever comes" (I Corinthians 13,4-7). This is the way of Christian love. It reads like a handbook for successful marriage. "It is a great mystery. It is a great sacrament" (Eph.

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WORSHIP AND THE WORLD

Confirmation in our time

BY FR. JOSEPH M. CHAMPLIN

Bishop Charles Buswell, a tall, friendly, gentleman who shepherds the small diocese of Pueblo; Colorado is, in my book, a very, very fine Christian, priest, and bishop. Over the past decade I have watched this pervant of

watched this servant of the Lord move among people during conventions and read a letter he wrote to one troubled cleric who had resigned from the ministry. I also have noted his courageous, unpopular stands on several delicate

issues and heard glowing, first-hand reports about him from Pueblo priests, religious and laity.

The ever-smiling leader shared some of his pastoral insights with diocesan liturgical commission members at a national meeting in San Francisco last October. He spoke as part of a panel on "Confirmation: How Celebrate It In Our Time?" and suggested several practical ways to improve the liturgy of this sacrament.

Many of those ideas, interestingly enough, are now incorporated into the revised rite of confirmation just issued by the Holy See. In future articles I will discuss at some length that renewed ritual which may possibly be ready for provisional use by the time this column appears in print. Now, however, I would like to recall some of the specific recommendations Bishop Buswell offered us at the convention in California.

HE ENCOURAGES more personal, less assembly line like liturgical celebrations for confirmation. That naturally is easier in smaller areas like Pueblo than in the huge churches of New York City, but where there is a will we generally can find a way to achieve what we want.

In Bishop Buswell's diocese they try to develop a warm community spirit before the ceremony through a polluck supper at



Confirmation is the mature judgment of a person to stand by the signs and beliefs of his Faith with a firm commitment. (NC photo courtesy of U.S. Navy) the parish in which bishop, priests, parents, sponsors and children mix and meet. This gives the confirming prelate an opportunity to talk informally with the boys and girls (or adults) and develop a rapport which will carry over to the liturgy which follows soon after the luncheon.

I think in most instances today the bishop is only a name, an oily hand on the forehead, a distant face which appears on the scene for an hour and then fades away until the next time, an authoritative voice, a man dressed in different clothes. A preparatory meal or some similar gathering in advance could help correct those impressions and create a more human image of the bishop.

Here is an additional step to personalize

Here is an additional step to personalize the ceremony. Normally the bishop moves along from person to person confirming while a choir sings, with or without the congregation, suitable songs to fill up the long, empty interval that results. Bishop Buswell recommends, instead, announcing each individual's name plus the child's parents and godparents as confirmation is conferred.

SINCE CONFIRMATION forms part of the Christian initiation process and complements baptism. Pueblo's bishop would like to see the baptismal name retained and employed in the confirmation liturgy

For the same reason and to link confirmation with the Eucharist, he generally celebrates the sacrament within Mass and communicates all present for the ceremony under both kinds. The Introduction to this restored rite supports him in that practice. "Ordinarily confirmation takes place within Mass in order to express more clearly the fundamental connection of this sacrament with the entirety of Christian initiation. The latter reaches its culmination in the communion of the body and blood of Christ. Therefore, the newly-confirmed should participate in the eucharist which completes their Christian initiation."

A final, but significant recommendation: Make full use of the sacramental signs found in the ceremony, For example, sprinkle all present, not just the confirmation candidates, with holy water after the renewal of baptismal vows. And do so in sufficient quantity to impress on the community that this really is water, that it bears a connection with baptism, that we reaffirm promises made at the font whenever we cross ourselves with blessed water.

BISHOP BUSWELL likewise strongly urges using generous quantities of oil at the confirmation rite—and leaving it on afterwards. I always wondered about the wisdom of instant and efficient priest "wipers" who walked after the bishop and immediately rubbed off on carefully prepared pieces of cotton the little chrism cross traced on each candidate's forehead.

Sacramental rites are signs which should be visible to our external senses. If we can see the oil and feel it and retain this anointing for a few hours, then perhaps we will understand more clearly the indelible character, the permanent seal of the Lord we have received as a gift from God.

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YOUTH-VIEWS

Role of the priest in mind of the young

BY JAMES L. ALT

It is no secret that one of the biggest problems facing the Catholic Church today involves the "priesthood crisis." Every day discussions concerning cellibacy, women priests, priests in politics, etc., are taking place all over the

taking place all over the world. However, we seldom hear what young people think of priests and their role in the Church.

Students in Defiance and Mansfield, Ohio consider the administering of the sacraments and offering Mass to be the most important tasks of the priest in the Church today. By no means, however, do they wish to limit his activities to these two areas. As Dawn Powell (17, Mansfield) says, "the priest should be an ambassador—between—God—and—his people; understanding people and trying

to show them the greatness of God."
What do young people admire in their priests? John Walovich (17, Mansfield) says the priests he has admired the most are those "to whom I can talk in a relaxed atmosphere. They are men who know about God and can apply the theories and ideals of Christ to their lives. A priest is a good friend who can understand what a person is going through. He should concentrate less on saving man from Satan and more on opening man's eyes to the beauty of God."

DEBBIE GIEGER (17, Defiance), lists four qualities she would like all priests to have. First on her list is sincerity; "they really mean what they say, and have the ability to let me see things the way they really are." The other qualities Debbie

lists are emotion("they put feeling into the Mass"); understanding ("they have an open mind"); and firmness ("they show authority and keep things from getting out of hand.")
What type of pricet "they are fellings from getting out of hand."

What type of priest "turns off" young people? Mentioned most often here was the idea of priest's putting themselves "high on a pedestal and being afraid to become involved with people," as Dawn Powell put it. Marie Kissner (17, Defiance) is cool towards a priest who feels that he has all the answers, a point which John Walovich also mentioned.

When asked the same questions, a priest, Fr. David Beck (30, Defiance), answered much like the teenagers. Qualities he feels priests should have include being open, warm, easy to talk to, a good listener, and having a deep spiritual life. On the other hand, the inability to communicate, lack of interest in spiritual matters, and a poor attitude towards the Mass are his chief criticisms of priests.

WHAT IS A PRIEST, and what should be his role in the Church? Being specific, Marie Kissner, a 17-year-old senior, feels a priest's duty is "to administer the sacraments, be a counselor, and a teacher. The priest knows more about the Church and Christian teachings than most people, so it is his job to instruct the people in their

Today, as the Church experiences the same sort of upheavals facing all society, it is indeed a difficult job for a priest to be "all things to all people." At the same time, the priest must remember that "involvement" is foremost in the vocabulary of the young people who want and need leadership in making the Church relevant in their lives.

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QUESTION BOX

Will next Pope be a non-Italian?

BY MSGR. R. T. BOSLER

Q. Why have there been Italian popes for so long? Centuries back there were cardinals elected pope from other regions, such as France, Spain,

Germany and even
Africa. Since then
the New World was
discovered and
settled by Catholic
Spain, Portugal, and
France. Why have
no popes
chosen from these
churches?

A. The only honest answer is to admit that the Italians have control of the Church. The last non-Italian pope was the Dutchman, Adrian VI, 1522-23. Then came the Reformation. In defense

against this, the Church centralized authority more and more in Rome. The Roman Curia expanded; the number of Roman cardinals increased. And to assure and strengthen unity, Rome chose the non-Italian cardinals from churchmen well disposed toward Italian rule.

For a people who have been singularly unsuccessful at ruling themselves, the Italians have furnished some remarkable leaders for the Church. This also explains why they keep winning papal elections. But I think the time has come for a change. Pope Paul VI gives indications he may think the same, for he has greatly increased the percentage of non-Italian cardinals and taken the vote from the older curial cardinals.

And they'll crush us if we go too far.

Him? I cannot find out, He says All your followers are blind,

Too much heaven on their minds It was beautiful, but now it's sour

Note that "Too much heaven on their minds." Link it with "You believe this talk of God is true," "They think they've found the new Messiah,"

When this whole thing began, No talk of God then, we called you

Judas, in fact, had attached himself to a

man he admired. What he admired, as I have said, we are not shown; what he

could not accept was the claim to divinity. He wanted to "strip away the myth from the man," in other words, to demythologize him. We can forget the

traitor Judas of the Gospets. This Judas,

right up to his collapse, is today's liberal rationalist. Might he be Tim Rice?

THIS IS EXACTLY the argument

Caiphas used. But then Caiphas had never been an admirer of Jesus, whereas Judas

can still say, "My admiration for you hasn't died." For what had he admired

Who the next pope will be is anybody's guess, but it will probably be someone like Cardinal Jan Willebrands, President of the Roman Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity. He is a man acceptable to both progressives and conservatives, and he knows the workings of the Roman Curia. And he is, incidentally, another Dutchman.

Q. Is one condemned to hell for missing Mass when he leads a life of kindness and charity to his fellow man?

A. God alone knows who, if anyone, is condemned to hell. A man who missed Mass because he did not love God and showed his apathy this way could be living in a state of serious sin. It is hard to see how such a person could truly love his fellowmen, since love of God and love of fellowmen spring from the same source. So, a man who leads a life of kindness and charity to his fellowmen would not be aware that he was turning from God by missing Mass.

Q. I don't want any part of these new married deacons or laymen who give Communion. In Catholic schools we were always taught that the hands of the priest are consecrated to handle the sacred host and that no other person was permitted to do so, even if the host accidentally dropped to the floor. And marriage is supposed to be a sacrament. I certainly would not, therefore, like to have a deacon performing at my wedding.

A. In Catholic schools you should have been taught that deacons are ordained ministers designated by the Church to baptize, preach, distribute Communion and assist at marriages. Moreover, you should have been taught that the minister of the sacrament of matrimony is not the priest or deacon, who assist as official witnesses of the Church, but the

couple themselves. The husband ministers the sacrament to the wife, and the wife to the husband.

You were indeed taught that only a priest or deacon should touch the host, but this was a directive based upon an attitude toward the Eucharist the Church is gradually rectifying. In the early days of the Church, the people carried the host to their homes for the sick and everyone who took part in the Eucharist received. There was a familiarity with Jesus in the Eucharist inspired by the conviction that as God became man in Christ Jesus so that sinful men might be intimate with Him, so God remains approachable in the Sacrament.

But in the Middle Ages stress began to be placed upon the awesomeness of the Divine Presence in the Eucharist, and in time the people looked upon the host as something to adore rather than approach. So distorted did this over-emphasis become that the Council of Trent had to order the people to receive once a year. And it was not until the beginning of this century, with St. Pius X, that the people were again encouraged to receive frequently.

The new familiarity with Christ in the Eucharist, the new practice of laymen distributing Communion and the giving of Communion in the hands in some parts of the world, is a return to an earlier practice of the Church.

Q. Although part of my penance for my last confession was to confess again within the month, is this necessary if there is no other cause to confess?

A. No. Your confessor, however, must have felt that you would benefit by regular confession. Why not go back to him and ask why he wanted you to return?

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WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES JESUS MAKE?

Super-Magdalen and Super-Judas

BY F. J. SHEED

Is the writer of Jesus Christ Superstar, Tim Rice, entitled to have Mary Magdalen in love with Jesus? As a dramatist he may be, but he has to mangle the Gospels pretty badly

badly
He has Mary Magdalen say, "Let me try
to cool down your face a bit," at which
Jesus coos, "That feels so
nice, so nice." What

nice, so nice." What Matthew and Mark tell us he said was rather different: "She has anointed my body to prepare it for burial." Rice has Judas describe Mary as stroking him, kissing his hair.

None of these emotional bits and pieces are in the Gospels, no "stroking," but ointment poured, feet kissed. One feels that Mary's part is blown up for the same reason that a play about the Jews in Egypt under Pharaoh made Potiphar's wife the heroine of the story—there had to be a sex interest. But Rice is not as bad as that: he does at least show Mary as in awe of Jesus—"he scares me so".

If he said he loved me, I'd be lost, I'd be frightened. I couldn't cope, just couldn't

cope.

Rice does not say Jesus was in love with her, but some critics think he does. What sex might have meant to Jesus, only he could tell us, and he doesn't. But I think Mary Magdalen's "I couldn't cope" would be any woman's feeling. He was too toweringly above the ordinary human level for the true equality of true marriage. Mary Magdalen "couldn't cope." What woman could?

A TEST OF whether a reader has really read the Gospels, and not simply let them go in one eye and out the other, is how aware he is of the significance of Bethany. Two things that happened there led directly to Christ's death. As John tells us (11.46-7), the raising of Lazarus, so close to Jerusalem, convinced the Saducee High Priests that he was too dangerous to be left alive. The pouring of precious ointment over Jesus' head and feet by Lazarus' sister Mary, and Jesus' rebuke of Judas for upbraiding her, seems to have been a last straw for Judas.

Tim Rice does not mention the raising of

Lazarus, and reports the anointing in such a way that his reader must miss the whole point of Judas.

If you have not read the 12th chapter of John's Gospel recently, read it now. John shows Judas wanting to know why the ointment had not been sold for 300 denarii and the money given to the poor. In Superstar Judas does, indeed, ask this question, indignantly; a very reasonable sounding question it was—300 denarii would have been a year's earnings for a laborer. But John, who knew Judas, comments: "This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and as he had the apostles' moneybox, he used to take what was put into it."

NATURALLY, ONE cannot expect Judas to mention that he was a small time crook who had been stealing the group's funds; but one wonders why Rice ignores an—accusation—so—highly—relevant. Similarly, Matthew (26.15) says that Judas "went to the chief priests and asked them, What will you pay me for handing him over to you?" But Tim Rice makes Judas say, "I have no thought at all about my own reward."

With the money motive thus omitted, why did Judas betray Jesus? I am a sufficiently practiced reader, but I simply cannot make out in Superstar what Judas thinks he is saying. The only thing that emerges clearly is that the line Jesus was taking would lead the Romans to destroy Jerusalem:

Listen, Jesus, do you care for your race? We are occupied, have you forgotten

how put down we are? I am frightened by the crowd, For we are getting much too loud,

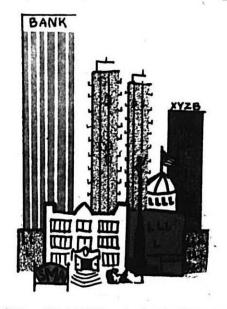
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League division leaders at this writing include

CYO NOTES

Deadline for the annual Jumor One-Act Play Contest has been extended until February 2 Each parish may enter one play in each of the three categories-Comedy, Serious and Classic Comedy

Entry blanks have been mailed for the Junior Table Tennis Tourney, scheduled at Little Flower from February 20 to 27 More than 1,000 entries are expected to participate.

Junior Style Show entrants are reminded to return their descriptions of the garments by January 24 to allow for script preparation. The event will be held Sunday, Jan. 30, at Holy Name, followed by a city-wide

Forty-two parish schools will participate in the annual Archdiocesan Cadet Science Fair, to be held Sunday, March 5, at Little Flower Information forms must be returned to the CYO Office by February 25.

Deadline for the Holy Spirit Sophomore Basketball Tourney has passed. Drawings for pairings will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26, at the CYO Office.

Pairings for the Holy Cross "56" A Basketball Tourney will be drawn at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 31, at Holy Cross

"56" A, Division I—St. Jude and St. Simon (7-0); Division II-St Philip Neri (7-0) and St Division III-St. Catherine (7-0) and St. Mark (6-0); and Division IV-Holy Cross and St. Monica (6-1).

B. Division 1-St. Christopher, St. Rita and St. Michael (5-1); Division II—St Pius X (7-0), and Division III St. Barnabas (6-0).

CADET A. Division 1—St. Rita and St. Simon (7-0); Division II—St. Gabriel (7-0); Division III St Barnabas and Thomas Aquinas (7-0). Division IV St Roch (6-0)

Cadet B. Division I-St Michael (Red) and St. Rita (6-0), Division II St. Pius X (6-1) and St. Matthew (5-1); and Philip Neri (7-0)

Sophomore, Division III Holy Spirit and St.

Freshman Sophomore, Division I St. Thomas Aquinas (6-0); Division II Our Lady of Mt Carmel (6-0); Division III St Jude (6-0), and Our Lady of Lourdes (6-0)

Junior-Senior, Division 1 - St Rita and St. Malachy (6-0) Division II - Christ the King (6-0) Division III-St Catherine (6-0), and Division IV-Our Lady of Lourdes and Little

FOLLOWING is the an-

St. Pius wins volleyball event

INDIANAPOLIS - St. Pius whose Cadet volleyball teams have been winning trophies regularly, captured the annual St. Joan of Arc Junior Volleyball Tourney championship last week-end. The northeastsiders defeated

St. Catherine's in the final tourney game. Third place and the consolation trophy went to last year's champion St. Rita's, who defeated St. Mark's

Eighteen teams participated in the invitational tourney. St. Joan of Arc supplied tourney officials.



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CYO BASKETBALL

Division 1: St. Rita 60; St. Malachy 60, N.Y.A.A. 51; St. Michael 42, St. Anthony 3.3; St. Martin 24, St. Christopher 24; Lifeline 15; St. Ann 15; Holy Trinity

Plans shaping up

The Junior CYO Style Show, scheduled Sunday, Jan. 30, at Holy Name parish, Beech

Grove, will have more than 100

Contestants have been

reminded by the CYO Office to

return their descriptions by January 24 to allow time to

prepare the parrator's script

may bring their items to the

parish hall on Saturday af-

ternoon while out-of-towners

may bring them between 11

a m. and 1 p.m. Judging will

take place during the afternoon.

p.m., followed by a city-wide

record dance.

The Style Show will begin at 7

Indianapolis-area entrants

for Style Show

"56" "A" LEAGUE
Division 1: S1 Jude 6-1; Sf. Simon 6-1; St. Michael 52: Holy Spirlt 5-2; S1 Matthew 4-3; St. Pius X-14; St. Pius X-14; St. Pius X-14; St. Pius X-14; St. Lawrence 1-6. Holy Name 0-7.
Division 2: St. Philip Neri 7-0; St. Rria 6-1; Mount Carmel 5-2; Immaculate Heart 4-3: Christ the King 4-3; St. Gabriel 4-1; St. Barnabas 2-5. Joan of Arc 7-5. Our Ledy of Lourdes 1-6. St. Martin 0-7.
Division 3: St. Catherine 7-0; St. Mark 6-0. St. Christopher 5-1; All Saints 4-3; St. Thomas 3-3; St. Luke 7-4. St. Malachy 1-5. Our Ledy of Greenwood 0-6. Holy Trinity 0-6.
Division 4: Holy Cross 6-1; St. Roch 4-2; St. James 3-3; St. Bernadette 1-3 Nativity 1-5. St. Patrick 0-6. St. Ann 0-6.

Freshman · Sophomore — January 31 at Scecina Memorial High School The Junior-Senior Archdiocesan Tourney opening round will begin January 31 and "54" "B" LEAGUE February 1, continuing February 2, 3 and 6 at Scecina

Cadet A teams will play in two separate tourneys (American and National), starting February 1-2, continuing February 5-6 and February 8-10 at the four district high schools Semi-finals are scheduled February 3 at Scecina and Chatard, with championship games set for February 15 at

and Roncalli, with finals set for

schedule

'Meet Cathedral' parties slated

of "Meet Cathedral Coffee and Coke Parties" is scheduled in parishes throughout the city to acquaint eighth grade public parochial school students and parents with facts about the

Dates, parishes involved, times and locations follow January 23-Immaculate Heart, 3 p.m., 5333 N. Pennsylvania; January 23-St. Andrew School, 7:30 p.m.; January 23-St. Philip Neri, 7:30 p.m., 817 N. Rural; January 24-St. Malachy, 7:30 p.m., 12 Burns Dr., Brownsburg; January 25—St. Michael, 7:30 p.m., 8038 Conarroe Rd.; January 26—Our Lady of Lourdes, 7:30 p.m., 966 N. Layman; January 27—Little Flower, 7:30 p.m., 1461 N. Linwood; January 30-St. Lawrence, 2p.m., Father Conen Hall; January 30-St. Gabriel, 7:30 p.m., 3256 MacArthur Lane; February 2-St. Joan of Arc, 7:30 p.m., 4488 Washington Blvd.; February 3—St Matthew, 7:30 p.m., 5316 Brendenridge Rd.; February 6-Holy Spirit, 7:30 p.m., 7151 E. 11th St.

SCECINA CONCERT

INDIANAPOLIS Scecina Memorial High School Concert Band will present a Winter Pop Concert at 7:30 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 30 in the school gymnasium. The Glee Club will be featured and selections from the Broadway musical "Camelot" will be presented. Admission is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students.

A-February 1, 2 at Little Flower; "56" B-February 1, 3 at Our Lady of Lourdes: Cadet B - February 1, Our Lady of Lourdes;

Division 1: St. Christopher 5.1, St. Rita 5.1, St. Michael 5.1; Joan of Arc Rita 5 1, St. Michael 5 1: Joan of Arc 4 2. Immaculate Heart (Blue) 4 2, 51. Matthew (Gold) 3 4, 51. Gabriel 1 5, 51. Malachy 1 5, 51. Martin 0.7. Division 2: 51. Pius X. 7.0, 51. Andrew 5 1, 51. Matthew (White) 4 2. Immaculate Heart (White) 4.2.

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CADET "A" LEAGUE
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CADET "B" LEAGUE

Division 1: St. Michael (Red.) 6.0. St. Rita 6.0. St. Thomas 3.2. Im maculate Heart (White) 3.3. St. Christopher 3.4. St. Martin 2.3. St. Malachy 1.4. St. Gabriel 1.5. Holy

Matthew 5 1: Little Flower (Blue) 5
2. 51: Luke 3.1; St. Joan of Arc 3.3;
Moont Carmel 3.4; St. Michael
(White) 7.4; Immaculate Heart
(Blue) 1.5; Christ the King 0.6;
Division 3: Holy Spirit 7.0; St.
Philip Neri 7.0; St. Andrew 5.2; St. Barnabas 1 6; Our Lady of Lourde

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LEAGUE
Division 1: 51. Thomas 6.0: Holy
Trinity 42: 51. Christopher 42:
N Y A A 42: 51. Malachy 33: 51
Martin 24: 51. Susanna 15: 51. Ann

Division 2: Mount Carmel 6 0; St. Andrew 5 1; St. Rita 5 1; St. Matthew 3 3; St. Pius X 2 4; St. Lawrence "B" 2.4, Immaculate Heart 1.5, St. Luki

Division 3: St. Jude 60; St. Bar nabas 5 1; St. Patrick 4 1; Baxter YMCA 4 1; St. Catherine 4 2; St Roch 1 4; Nativity 0 5; Holy Name 0

Division 4: Our Lady of Lourdes 0. Little Flower 5 1; Holy Spirit 4 2; St. Simon 3 3; St. Philip Neri 3 3; Holy Cross 2 4; St. Bernadette 1 5; St. Lawrence "A" 0 6.

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SIMPLE AND EFFECTIVE

Says decorations should help bring liturgy alive

tend to multiply and become more complicated and for that reason a healthy iconoclast purge is needed from time to time," Father Ronald Knott of Somerset, Ky., told a decorations workshop in Christ the King Tuesday night.

Lifeline 1.5, St. Ann 1.5; Holy Trinity 0.6
Division 2: Christ the King 6.0; St. Andrew 5.1; Mount Carmet 5.1; St. Andrew 5.1; Mount Carmet 5.1; St. Prius X.3.7; Fairview Pres. Church 3.3; St. Thomas 3.3; Jewish Comm. Center 2.4; St. Luke 2.4; Immaculate Heart 1.5; St. Matthew 0.6; Division 3: St. Catherine 6.0; St. Lawrence "B" 4.2; Baster YMCA 4.2; Southport Christian Church 4.2; St. Jude 4.2; St. Barnabas 3.3; Sacred Heart 7.3; St. Mark 2.4; St. Charles, Bloomington 0.5; Holy Name 0.6
Division 4. Our Lady of Lourdes 5.0. Little Flower 5.0; Holy Cross 4.1; Holy Spirit 3.2; St. Lawrence "A" 3.2; St. Philip Neri 2.4; St. Simon 1.5; Nativity 1.5; St. Bernadette 0.6. Father Knott was referring to churches in which "banners crucifixes, on top of statues, on paintings, on top of stained glass, etc.

Simplicity and functionalism should be the guidelines of any parish decorations committe he said, stressing that the former is a challenge in many older churches. He believes. however, it can be ac-complished by eliminating or rearranging the movable art objects that already are a part of the church.

A MEMBER of the Louisville Archdiocesan Liturgy Com-mission, Father Knott warned

can founder in surroundings that are not conducive to worship and to the most effective participation of the "Atmosphere is what makes

the New Rite work or fail," said. Before placing anything in mittee should ask "Will it help the liturgy or the sacraments come alive?"

thusiastic advocate of coordinated planning and displayed several matching or blending

INDIANAPOLIS - "Symbols that any well-prepared liturgy

Father Knott is an en-

"packages" of vestments, altar and pulpit cloths, and wall hangings he designed for his rural southern Kentucky

DESCRIBING how members of the parish can become involved in church decorations. he told of persuading two elderly seamstresses to sew banners, a retired tailor to make vestments, and a garage owner to weld wrought iron candelabra. All flowers or greenery used in his church come from the gardens or fields of parishioners. Young and old alike, he said, brainstorm ideas

decorations pay off, Father Knott said, "The singing is better and the responses are



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Sees vocations linked to schools

There will be a direct correlation between the number of future religious vocations and the stability of Catholic schools, according to a former state legislator who is state president of Citizens for Educational Freedom

Burnett C. Bauer, of South Bend, told the Serra Club of South Bend last week that 25 of the 26 college seminarians in his diocese are products of Catholic schools, a factor largely overlooked by Catholics when discussing the decline of

The Serra Club is an organization of Catholic business and professional men interested in recruiting and retaining vocations to the

IN HIS ADDRESS to Serrans, Bauer pointed out that since last June more than 800 non-public schools have consolidated or closed, compared with a high of 400 in any previous year. Unless some public financial assistance is forthcoming. he maintains, only the wealthier parishes will maintain parochial schools. And these have not been the main source of religious vocations, he

Bauer is supporting passage of a bill (HB 1090) introduced in the Indiana General Assembly by his son, Rep. B. Patrick Bauer, that would give \$150 for each elementary pupil and \$200 for each high school pupil in non-public schools.

THE MEASURE is before the Indiana House Ways and Means Committee, but as yet has not been given a hearing by Committee Chairman Samuel Rea. Bauer feels that unless the bill gets a hearing by January 24, it will not have enough time to get through

"If we are truly interested in promoting vocations," Bauer concluded in his Serra remarks, "then we must start demanding enough aid from our Legislature to keep open our parochial schools, which are the great source of vocations, and the time is NOW."

CHATARD STUDENTS ASSIST-Eleven members of the Afro-Asian Cultures class at Chatard High School. Indianapolis, have become directly involved in the massive refugee problem resulting from the Pakistan-Bangladesh War Each student is contributing \$1 per month to provide refugees with clothing, food and vaccinations. They will continue for a period of six months. Members of the class, conducted by Miss Bari Darr, are: Greg Cauthorne, Michelle Demuth. John Foreman, Tom Gill, Jane Lammers, Greg Mark, John Schaust, Terry Turkupolis, Tom Welch, Dominic Furfare and Cynthi Rottinghaus.

PREPARATION FOR CONFIRMATION-A unit of material for teachers of classes to be prepared for reception of Confirmation will be completed soon by the Archdiocesan Religious Education Department. Background material for teachers plus references for more thorough study of the sacrament will be included. Six lessons, complete with resource references audio-visual materials available, and ideas to

WASHINGTON-The Supreme Court

has been asked to abolish the death

penalty on grounds that it is cruel and

Arguments against capital punishment

now being presented to the court are supported by 13 major religious organizations including the National

Catholic Conference for Interracial Justice, the National Council of Churches

and the National Coalition of American

The groups have specifically asked the

court to declare the penalty un-constitutional during its current con-sideration of cases of four men condemned

During the first arguments ever heard

challenge to capital punishment, January

17, a California official contended that th

penalty is part of the nation's moral and

religious heritage. But a civil liberties

lawyer said it was as cruel as boiling in oil.

issued in mid-December by the Indiana

Catholic Conference, bishops and lay

representatives from Indiana's five

dioceses said that "certainly all Christians

must have grave doubts about capital

The conference appealed "to all people to take a strong stand asking for the

In a statement against the death penalty

the high court on a constitutional

unusual punishment.

State of Indiana

be mailed immediately to parishes scheduled to have Confirmation this year. For more in-formation, call the Religious Education Department, 634-4453.

HEART ASSOCIATION AWARD-Cathedral High School has been selected as one of the winners of the Hazel and Tommy Thompson Memorial Awards sponsored annually by the Marion County Heart Association. The award of \$100 will be used for the project, "Determination of the Ether Soluble Constituents of Tobacco and Tobacco Smoke by Thin-Layer Chromatography." The project at Cathedral will be under the direction of Brother Dennis Calsin, C.S.C., chemistry teacher. The award goes annually to 10 Marion County high schools in

honor of two former Heart Association volun

HERE AND THERE—An "unsung hero" in St. 'atherine's parish, Indianapolis, is Miss Margaret Toner, who last week completed 25 as a cook for the Sisters of Providence who staff the parish school. She was feted by the nuns in a private celebration. . . . Hospitalized clergy this week are numerous: In St. Vincent Hospital Indianapolis; are Father George Saum and Father Richard Lyons. Father Samuel Curry remains in Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis, while Father Joseph McCrisaken is in intensive care at Indiana University Hospital, In-dianapolis. Father Ralph Schweizer is scheduled for heart surgery Friday, Jan. 21, in a Cincinnati hospital, while Msgr. Edward Bockhold is hospitalized in Evansville

GOOD FELLOWSHIP RESULTS-For the sixth time in eight years, the Indianapolis Knights of Columbus have bested the Shriners in their Good Fellowship Bowling Tourney. Held January 15 on the Raceway Lanes, the K of C had a margin of 1,637 pins over their friendly rivals. Holy Family Council K of C hosted the fellowship hour after the tourney. Chairman of the event for the Indianapolis Chapter K of C was Frank S. Wuensch

PERFORMING ARTISTS-Ten students at St.

Mary-of-the-Woods College will begin a week of travel as Performing Artists in Residence next Monday, Jan. 23, in three Southern Indiana high schools. Accompanied by Sister Kathryn Martin. S.P. and Sister Marie Brendan Harvey, S.P., the students will perform in the drama. English and music classes at Paoli, Orleans and West Washington High Schools. They will also present a Performing Arts Workshop at the respective schools. The group includes two Archdiocesan students-Jane Krider, of Lawrenceburg, and Patty Kaperak, of Terre Haute. The high school appearances are part of an arts project entitled IMPACT, jointly sponsored by the National Endowment of the Arts and the Arts and Humanities Program of the U.S. Office of Education. IMPACT is partially funded by the Indiana State Arts Commission in cooperation Indiana State Arts Commission, in cooperation with the Indiana State Department of Public

Supreme Court urged to banish death penalty

abolishment of capital punishment in the

ALTHOUGH THE nation's bishops

collectively have not denounced capital

punishment, the department of social

development at the United States Catholic Conference (USCC) currently is preparing a study of the question of prison reform

which incorporates a look at the death

John E. Cosgrove, department director,

said he also discussed the importance of

coming to some conclusion on the capital

punishment issue with state Catholic conference directors who met in

The four-hour-long arguments heard in

the high court's massive marble hearing chamber took consideration of the death

penalty to a new and historic stage for the

nearly 700 persons now on death row in 34

of capital punishment, represent "cruel and unusual punishment" which the court

In a spirited defense of execution, however, Ronald M. George, deputy at-

torney general of California, said that

capital punishment is a "legitimate form

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Their sentences, according to opponents

of the 41 states permitting execution.

amendment to the constitution.

Washington in December, 1971.

2 Sisters of **Providence**

ST. MARY-OF-THE-WOODS. The death of two Sisters of Providence during January was announced by the Convent

Sister Rose Elvire Bracken, S.P., was buried January 8 in Somerville, Mass., where she died (Jan. 5) after a brief illness. Burial took place in Malden, Mass

A native of Chelsea, Mass., Sister Rose Elvire entered the convent in 1922 and would have been a Golden Jubilarian this year. She taught in Chicago, and in Malden, Chelsea and Stoneham, Mass. Since 1969 she has taught in Somerville.

Survivors include a brother, Father Joseph D. Bracken, of Regina Cleri Institute.

Funeral services for Sister Maurice Norton, S.P., were held motherhouse Tuesday, Jan. 18. She died (Jan. 16) in the convent infirmary after a long period of semiretirement.

A native of Boston, Mass., she entered the convent in 1916. She taught commercial subjects in various high schools, including the old St. Agnes Academy and St. John's Academy, Indianapolis, from which she retired in 1959.

She is survived by one sister, Sister Marie Veronica Norton, S.P., also residing at the

Seek Berrigan change of venue

HARRISBURG, Pa.—The opening of the trial of Father Philip Berrigan and seven other antiwar conspiracy defendants is running into difficulties.

Defense attorneys are asking that the trial be moved from here to New York City because the government claims part of their alleged conspiracy took place in New York State

The so-called "Harrisburg Eight" are charged with plotting to kidnap presidential assistant Henry Kissinger and blow up heating systems in Washington, D.C. federal

Thirty years ago the Catholic University of America launched a campaign for books to be sent to men in the armed forces.



UNITY SERVICE—Representatives of the major Christian faiths in metropolitan indianapolis are pictured in the sanctuary of North Methodist Church, Indianapolis, during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity observance held last Sunday evening. Similar ecumenical services will be held in

Woods sets art contest February 13

ST. MARY-OF-THE-WOODS, Ind —A February 13 art exhibit will be held at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College to show work of high school senior girls. Two Trustee Scholarships will be awarded to two young artists judged for unusual talent and promise in their work

"Each entrant must submit

INDIANAPOLIS *Calendar* of Events

Card Party, sponsored by St John's Ladies Auxiliary, at 2 p.m. in the Little Flower School auditorium E 14th and Rosart Ave. Coffee, cake and pie will be

SOCIALS

TUESDAY: St. Bernadette, 6:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY: St. Francis de Sales, 1.30 to 11 p.m.; St. Roch, 7 to 11 p.m.; St. Anthony, 6:30 p.m. THURS-DAY: St. Catherine's parish hall at 6:30 p.m.; Scecina High School cafeteria, 6 p.m. FRI-DAY: St. Bernadette school auditorium, 6:30 p.m.; St. Rita's parish hall at 6:30 p.m.; St. Joseph K of C Club rooms, at 8:30 p.m.; St. Christopher, school social room, Speedway, 7 p.m. SATURDAY: St. Bridget parish hall at 6:30 p.m.; St. Francis de Sales, 6 p.m. SUNDAY: Cardinal Ritter High School at 6 p.m.; St. Philip Neri parish hall at 5 p.m.; Catholic Community Center, 5 p.m.

four pieces of her work," ex-plained Sister Rita Ann Roethele, S.P., area chairman of art. The work must be designed and executed completely by the student artist. Acceptable media for the exhibit include painting. watercolor, drawing, sculpture graphic arts, collage and

mobile lettering, enameling. textiles, jewelry and weaving." Sister Rita Ann will be joined by the art faculty in selecting the award recipients of the \$500 scholarship awards. The awards are for the 1972-73 academic year.

Entry forms and \$3 entry fees must be received at the college by February 1. Art work can be delivered to the art area in Foley Hall between February 5-10, and work will be juried on February 11

"Express shipments must be sent prepaid," stated Sister Rita Ann. "The college will assume the cost of returning such work if accepted by the jury. But we assume no responsibility for damage in Presentation of the Trustee

Scholarships will be made February 13 at 2 p.m. at the college, and the exhibit will

Plan card party

INDIANAPOLIS - Our Lady of Lourdes parish Council of Catholic Women will sponsor a card party at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25, in Lyons hall.

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INDIANAPOLIS — The third annual meeting of the Hispano-American Association, originally scheduled for last Sunday, will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23, in the Hispano-American Center, 617 E. North

Following a report of all activities, election for board members will be held. The meeting will be concluded with a pitch-in Mexican dinner for members and guests.

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(Continued from Page 1) example, some religious sects do not allow blood transfusions, and the hospital must comply. But if the life of the fetus depends on a blood transfusion, the court can order the hospital to override the mother's objection in favor of the greater concern— the life of the unborn child.

Feminists say that most women believe in abortion. Yet it is widely known that black women and women of other minorities are highly suspicious of, abortion and birth control programs. They
often regard them as a not-so-subtle form of genocide. To many blacks, ghetto abortion clinics and zero population growth sound too much like "zero black babies!"

THIS IS WHY FAMILY planning was condemned by a recent conference con-vened by the official black health institutions in America, and black members of the U.S. House of Representatives. The conference polled a unanimous vote to urge better maternal and child health care—a position pro-life groups would readily agree with.

Probably the most substantial data on how the over-all American population views abortion is the recent analysis by Dr. Judith Blake, chairman of the department of demography at the University of California

While personally favoring abortion, Dr. Blake had to conclude from her research that some 80 per cent of the population disapproves the legalization of easy abortion. Also contrary to the radical feminist line, Dr. Blake found that women under 30, as well as college-educated women, have negative attitudes toward

Most surprising of all, the Blake research pinpointed the strongest promoter of easy abortion to be the white. upper-class, liberal, educated non-Catholic male. In the light of this discovery, it may well be that the women's movement is playing into the hands of a group they oftentimes denounce as chauvinists—fighting for a cause which might not be their own.

> (Next: Abortion and the Unwanted Child)

against the death penalty on behalf of a man condemned for murder in California, one of the four cases presented to the court. Amsterdam, speaking for the Legal Defense Fund of the National Association

professor Anthony G. Amsterdam argued

for the Advancement of Colored People, who is affiliated with the American Civil Liberties Union, said executions are cruel and unusual because society would not tolerate them if they were ad-ministered evenly and without discrimination.

He said executions presently are invoked only for society's "outcast creatures," those who are "politically so weak, whose personal position is so un-popular and who are so ugly that society discards them."

No one has been executed in four and one-half years in this country. By this, Amsterdam said the country has been "lulled" by the court-imposed moratorium evented executions since June 1967, and has "stopped thinking about the

As the high court weighed the issue, the New Jersey Supreme court in a related development ruled that the law providing for the death penalty in that state is un constitutional. The ruling lifted the threat of execution for 20 men now on that state's

Abortions may halt pending legal test

NEW YORK-All abortions in New York City municipal hospitals may come to a halt pending a test of the constitutionality w York state's July 1970 abortion law

In granting the request of Fordham University law professor Robert M. Byrn for a preliminary injunction, New York State Supreme Court Justice Francis X. Smith, Jr., held in a 22-page ruling January 5 that an unborn child of less than 24 weeks' gestation is a living human being entitled to a guardian and to the protection

The law suit was begun by Byrn in December. A summons and complaint was served upon the three defendants—the New York City Health and Hospitals Corp., the attorney general of the state, and the parents of a fictitious "Infant Roe" said to represent all fetuses in the state.

An order was signed requiring the defendants to show cause why abortions should not cease in New York City municipal hospitals while the law suit is

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VIEWING WITH ARNOLD

'Straw Dogs'—a violent film NOTRE DAME, Ind.—The 25th anniversary of the finding of the first Dead Sea Scrolls—a

BY JAMES W. ARNOLD

In "Straw Dogs." Sam Peckinpah, always a director of hairy chested, — male oriented movies ("Major Dundee," "The Wild Bunch abandons the Wild West in

substance but not in spirit His table about a tense challenge primitively de

resolved finally in one of the most nerve shattering ear bending shoot outs in film history. By comparison the Armageddon at the end of "Bunch" looks like a pre

season warmup It is impossible to avoid saying that the long sequence in which the meek, bespectacled mathematician Dustin Hoff man) defends spouse (Susan George i, house and sex pervert prisoner against a drunken gang of raging moral cretins is a great cinema. It is or chestrated like a symphony. with a half-dozen major chinaxes plus the undertow of



HEADS MEDICAL STAFF-Dr. Ted L. Grisell is the new Hospital Center medical staff Stucky. Also elected were Dr. Marvin C. Christie, vice president (president-elect), and Dr. Richard L. Need, secretary-

several levels of character mild veneer, is Hoffman man conflict (E.g., husband vs wife wife vs several of the each other, etc.)

AMID THE HORROR of explicit violence (shotgun blasts mutilations, crashing windows poker beatings, scurrying rats, aborted rapes, slow strangulation in the vise of a giant mantrap), there is a perplexing amount of intelligence and even poetry. Thus, the bleary eyed villains, outside in the flood lit fog, romp through a greenhouse children's trikes, and at the height of the maybern, Hoffman puts on an album of bagpipe music at top volume, adding a note of hilarity to the primordial

The appeal of the climax is the appeal of the film unpredictable to the gut, right out of the cave, a natural for those who sometimes enjoy moral refinement and sensitivity but have been known to relish the crunch of pro football. The civilized American bero is mocked and challenged, ever sosubtly, by amoral young English workmen employed to repair his country home in Cornwall They ogle his sexy child wife, who both encourages and resents their attention and begins to disrespect her husband for letting them get away with it. Finally, while he is away hoping to prove his prowess at hunting, they circle back and rape her

THE QUESTION: beneath his

Obscenity charge closes theatre

CINCINNATI Sheriff's deputies here padlocked a downtown motion picture theater after Common Pleas Court Judge William S Mathews ordered it closed until t stopped showing obscene

Mathews' action January 11 followed 17 days of hearing testimony and arguments in a civil suit filed November 17 by Charles H. Keating, Jr., Cincinnati attorney and founder of Citizens for Decent Literature. Keating charged that the theater, Cinema X, was a public nuisance because it violated Ohio anti-obscenity laws

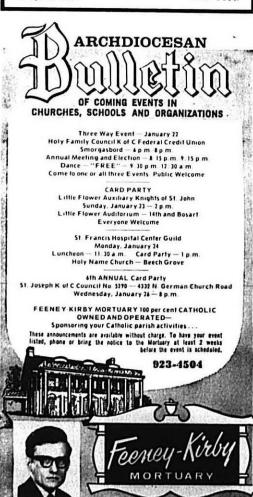
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enough to stop them (The issue is not far removed from the

brigands, pervert vs staple western, wherein the everybody, the bad guys vs peaceful man must finally take his guns from the wall.) He does, of course, with horrific results that force everyone, including the naive wife, to face up to the ugly realities of violence. If there is a deeper message, it is that evil men may define virility anyway wish, and one is forced either to and rationalize surrender to them, or fight them on their own terrain There is no glory either way it is simply the jungle law that

The week's TV network films

THIS WEEK'S NETWORK IV MOVIES (Made for TV movies excluded as simply long TV shows Schedules subject to in mid-February late changes)

RETURN OF THE SEVEN 1966) (NBC, Friday, Jan. 21) A limp. Grade B reprise of the reat 1960 western "Magnificent Seven") - Yul Brynner returns to save those Mexican farmers again with a new set of pals. But mostly they talk each other to death. Not BRIDGE ON THE RIVER

KWM (1957) (Part II) (CBS, Sunday, Jan 23) David Lean's much honored film of the Pierre Boule novel, which turned the POW escape film genre into a profoundly ironic statement about war, the military mind and humanity itself. Alec Gunness is superb as the British colonel, who finds that the old rules of military discipline take one only so far Bill Holden, Jack Hawkins and Sessue Hayakawa contribute marvelous impersonations of themselves doing their thing and the whole project, winner of seven Oscars including best film, is utterly impressive. Recommended highly for

everyone but small children. DUEL IN THE SUN (1947) (ABC, Sunday, Jan. 23): A tasteless, inflated camp masterpiece, one of the worst big-budget films of all time. Considered a wicked adult western in its day, this Selznick attempt at a sagebrush "Gone With the Wind" is enjoyable now as a Wagnerian horse opera. Gregory Peck and Joseph Cotten are the Cain-and-Abel sons of Lionel Barrymore: there is a final shoot-out in which the impassioned lovers (Peck and Jennifer Jones) die in each other's arms. Not

ecommended. DOWNHILL RACER (1969) (ABC, Monday, Jan. 24): One of the best and most realistic of the fiction sports films, this study of an aggressive potential Ladin. Allen Cornell, Don and world ski champion (Robert Redford) and his private hangups has plenty of sizzling action, zestfully photographed and edited. There is also subtle misuht into the character of the ladin. Allen Cornell, Don and Friest, Ben a participants and hangers-on in made by calling 283-5551. A treat for ski fans, recommended in effect for Sunday's per for adults and mature youth. STORY OF A WOMAN (1970)

(NBC, Monday, Jan 24): An Italian made-for-TV soap opera: will the beauteous wife leave her loyal husband for her later in Rome? The answer is Notre Dame since 1949, no he gets wiped out in an auto been made a member of the nudity will undoubtedly be Terence Cooke of New York recommended.

persists beneath the civilized surface

The supposed impotence of religion in coping with such elemental forces is described in a hair raising preliminary to the battle. While the adversaries move step-by-step toward tragic confrontation, a minister performs trite magician's tricks for the baf flement of children

"Dogs" is clearly a film that allows much of the jungle to become visible in terms of both sex and brutality. Some of it was toned down to allow an R rather than an X rating i Its only benefit, though a con-siderable one, is the vast skill with which it is constructed. Its perceptions are not those that a Christian can accept, nor is there much hope that it will reduce the appetite for sen sation and blood letting (Rating not available)

in mid-February

INDIANAPOLIS Marian College Department will present "Rashomon," a play by Fay and Michael Kamn at 8 p.m. February 18, 19 and 20 in the college auditorium

Based on two short stories by Japanese writer Ryunosuke Akutagawa, the production will be directed by Don Johnson acting chairman of the department Jack O'Hara instructor in theatre and drama, designed the settings

Principal roles will be por trayed by Pat O'Hara, of In dianapolis. Janet Kitchen, of Plymouth, and Greg Rodick, of South Bend. Other roles will be filled by Bob Grause, of Cin cinnati, Gene Bourke, of Chicago, and Roger Newman, of Indianapolis.

Footliters slate 'Fiddler on Roof'

INDIANAPOLIS - "Fiddler on the Roof" will be the season's second production of Footlite Musicals, Inc., to be given this week-end at Ladywood-St. Agnes School auditorium.

Performances are scheduled at 8:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Jan 21 and 22, and at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan.

Produced by Chuck Schisla and directed by Mauri James, the Tony Award-winning musical holds the record for the longest continuous run of a musical in the history of Broadway Footlite's "Fiddler" stars

Bernard Wurger and Jacque Wagaman, with featured roles portrayed by Dianne Iauco, Sarah, Krieger, Sherry Smith Dorothy Stohler, Gary Conway Ed George, John Priest, Ben Ladin, Allen Cornell, Don and Freda Coleman, Linda Berry,

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discovery which cast light on a crucial period in the history of the Jewish and Christian religions will be commemorated by a lecture seminar series at the University of Notre Dame

The Qumran Anniversary Lecture and Seminar Series, sponsored by Notre Dame's Department of Theology under grant from the Rosenstiel Foundation, will bring together dewish and Christian experts on the scrolls for public lectures and academic seminars during the spring term. Chairman of series is Dr. Joseph Blenkinsopp, associate professor of theology and professor of theology and director of biblical studies at

THE SCHEDULE of public lectures, which are all set for 8 a Time of Trouble: Responses p m. (EST) in the auditorium of the University's Memorial Library, is as follows

January 24-Dr Theodor H. Gaster, Columbia University. The Dead Sea Scrolls after 25 Years

February 14 Dr. William H. Brownlee, Claremont Graduate School, "The People of God The Quiran Community and The Early Christian Church March 6 Dr Lou H Silberman, Vanderbilt University, Biblical In-terpretation Quintan, Early Vanderbilt Christianity and The Talmud

April 10 Dr. Geza Vermes, University of Oxford, "Jesus in the Light of Contemporary Judaism and the Qumran Scrolls

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INDIANAPOLIS - St. Vin. Gatch was chairman of the St.

Dr Gatch came to In dianapolis in 1912 as professor of surgery at the Indiana University Medical School Later be was appointed dean of the School, a position which he held from 1932 to 1946. He was associated with the LU. Medical School and St. Vincent Hospital until his death in 1962 Mrs. Gatch, a graduate of the Johns Hopkins School of Nursing, died



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The purpose of displaying this tragic photo is not merely to elicit your sympathy for the young priest or his grieving parents. A person would have to be totally insensitive not to react with shock and sympathy. Our purpose was to cause you to think about why this priest was killed, what he died for and what your reaction as a Catholic should be to the forces which brutally ended his efforts to promote social justice in Christ's name

NO ISOLATED CASE

The murder of Father Henrique Pereira in Brazil is not an isolated case that can be dismissed as a bizatre aberration. Other priests have been murdered in Latin America be cause they would not abandon the poor even at the cost of their own lives. Priests, Sisters, Brothers and Catholic lay leaders have been kidnapped, tortured, beaten, jailed without trials, exiled, expelled and publicly accused of being Communists, subversives or terrorists Several bishops serving in Latin America have also had their lives repeatedly threatened and some have been arrested. These are not bishops, priests, Religious and lay leaders convicted of burning draft cards or arrested during peace demonstrations. Catholics currently suffering brutal persecution in Latin America sought no confrontation with police nor other authority figures. In their case, (implying no criticism of the U.S. experience) traditional exercise of their ministry caused them to become victims of violent oppression

Father Pereira became unpopular because he stressed justice and social responsibility in his work with Brazilian university students. Other Catholic progressives were victimized for endorsing trade unions for workers paid starvation wages, preaching that the poor should have a share in the decision making process and explaining that poverty is the result of unjust socio-economic systems rather than God's will to be suffered in silence.

DEDICATION TO CHRISTIAN LIBERATION

These priests, Religious and lay leaders are dedicated to the Christian liberation of oppressed poor people who have been mercilessly exploited for generations. Those seek ing to preserve minority socio-economic privileges at the expense of majority misery feel threatened by these Catholic activists. They have mounted campaigns of violent persecution and publicly accuse Church leaders of being Communists or subversives. These wealthy

and powerful clite groups claim the Church is meddling in social problems which are not its proper concern.

ing of the Cospel message of Christian liberation brings them into conflict with power elites who want the Church to abundon its dedication to social justice. The message of the synod was that Catholics should support the efforts of those who seek to establish peace by promoting justice and Christian liberation

UNDERSTANDING

Cardinal George Flahiff of Canada said during the Synod that if Catholics want to proside more than 'social band aids, they must 'come to an effective understanding of injus tice among powerless peoples of the world. It is in this spirit that the National Collection for Latin America seeks to call attention to the injustices which are so rampant in those countries and the often herosc refusal of Church progressives to be intimidated

One of the striking signs of our times is how modern totalitarian powers imprison, torture and even kill men who speak out freely," Cardinal Flahiff reminded the Synod Novelists and poets have been juiled, social leaders have been murdered, also in many countries priests who dared to challenge the status quo are today in prison. In biblical times, prophets were stoned to death

SOLIDARITY

Cardinal John Dearden of Detroit, then President of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, stressed the theological dimension of liberation and urged U.S. Catholics to make a personal commitment to combating world injustice

What others expect of Carbolics in the United States is clear enough," Cardinal Dear den said. The cross of self-denial must be voluntarily taken up by those of us who have enjoyed such material abundance and this in such a way that it will benefit other human beings throughout the world. We shall not be able to solve the problems of injustice except in solidarity with the rest of the Church

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U.S. Catholics have been especially urged by our episcopal delegates to the synod to make a commitment to implementing world social justice. The National Carbolic Collection for Latin America provides a means of effectively channeling needed financial assist ance to the leaders of Church related programs who are implementing social justice often at the risk of personal safety. We urge you to actively share in their commitment by giving generously to the collection. Your contribution will have direct impact.

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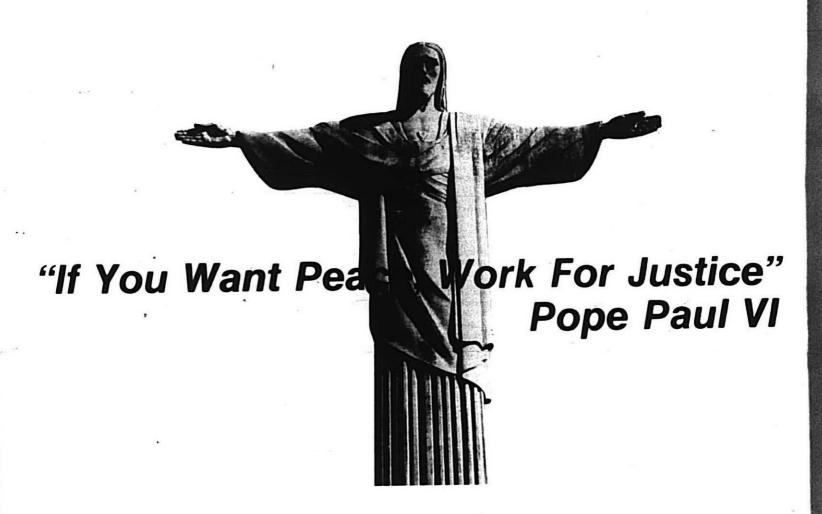
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