

## Jasper rallies around artificial heart recipient

by Karen Miller

**JASPER (NC)**—The tiny community of Jasper is rallying around the family of William J. Schroeder, the world's second artificial heart recipient.

"The response from the community has been overwhelming," said Father Joseph Kirsch, associate pastor at St. Joseph's Church in Jasper, where Schroeder is a member. "There have been many lives touched through this. Mr. Schroeder feels he is doing something not only for himself, but to help others as well."

Schroeder received his artificial heart Nov. 25 in a six-and-one-half hour operation at Humana Heart Institute International in Louisville. That evening over 500 neighbors and friends attended a prayer vigil for Schroeder at the Jasper church.

Jasper is a rural community of about 5,000 people with a strong German-Catholic heritage. The townspeople have reacted to Schroeder's historic operation with "Christian, German pride," Father Kirsch told *The Message*, newspaper of the Diocese of Evansville.

Schroeder, 52, is the father of six, ranging in age from 19 to 31, and the grandfather of five, and is known in the community for his work with the Little League. Two of his uncles are priests of the Diocese of Evansville.

"They are a close-knit, down-home family," said Mark Fehrbach, a former classmate of Schroeder's son Mel. "It's not just PR (public relations). They really are the type of family you can always depend on. They're just people, not big shots. They're typical Jasperites—a good Catholic family with a good German name."

Schroeder's family has been "very positive, very en-



**SECOND ARTIFICIAL HEART**—William J. Schroeder, who received the world's second permanent artificial heart, gets a hug from his wife, Margaret, in his Louisville

hospital room two days before his surgery. The Schroeders are members of St. Joseph parish in Jasper. (NC photo from UPI)

couraged" about the operation, said Father Kirsch. "They are a mutually supportive, close-knit family. If I had to choose the ideal family for something like this, they would be it."

The community has also reacted positively to the experimental operation.

"Twenty years ago, a heart valve or bypass was experimental. Now almost everyone has a family member who

wouldn't be alive without those operations," said Father Kirsch. "If Bill hadn't had this operation, chances are he'd be dead within a week."

Schroeder and his wife, Margaret, "are very comfortable" with the ethical and spiritual aspects of the operation, said Father Kirsch. "They feel this is a God-given talent that the doctors have—that it would be sinful if the doctors didn't use it."

## Fortville parish to stop bingo games 'for good'

by Jim Jachimiak

**FORTVILLE**—Parishioners at St. Thomas the Apostle parish voted Monday night to put their bingo games on hold temporarily, but Father Joseph Kos has decided to halt the games entirely.

Bingo became a major issue in the parish after a Nov. 19 game was raided by Indiana State Police officers. They arrested Father Kos, administrator of the parish, and Paul Terrell, past president of the Fortville Optimist Club. The Optimist Club sponsored the weekly bingo games jointly with the parish.

Hancock County Prosecutor Larry C. Gossett refused to press charges in the case, but the threat of another arrest remained.

State police officers involved in the arrest did not return calls from The

*Criterion*. But several state police spokesmen were quoted elsewhere as saying that they might arrest Father Kos again if the Monday night bingo games were to continue.

So Father Kos, 44, called off Monday's game and met with parishioners, who were asked to vote on whether to continue sponsoring bingo. At that meeting, parishioners voted to continue the operation, but also voted to suspend the games until after Jan. 1. After the meeting, however, Father Kos decided to drop bingo altogether.

"WE'RE CLOSING down for good," Father Kos said. "I made the decision after conferring with my staff. It was a personal, pastoral decision."

"There are going to be a lot of people mad at me," he said. But he felt that as

long as the bingo controversy continued, "I could not get on with my pastoral duties, and that's what I was ordained for."

Father Kos said he hoped this would end "10 weeks of harassment" from state police. The bingo issue was first raised when Sgt. David E. Mollenkopf of the Pendleton state police called Father Kos. "He said, 'We have received a complaint about your bingo. We must ask you to close down immediately.' " the priest recalled.

Indiana's constitution prohibits gambling but that ban generally has not been enforced when churches and charitable organizations were involved.

Parishioners voted to continue the bingo and Mollenkopf began calling again. "He'd call me at 10 in the morning. He'd call me at 10 at night—any time," Father Kos said. "That went on for about four weeks."

For the next few weeks, "unidentified

state police officers" called the priest to warn him that a raid was planned. "My stomach was going in knots Sunday by Sunday, knowing that some Monday they would arrest me," Father Kos said.

During that time, Father Kos noted, "I have kept in touch with the Catholic Communications Center." He had said he would abide by whatever decision the archdiocese made about the bingo game. However, the archdiocese took no position on the game and made no statement to the media.

State police have been quoted as saying that Father Kos was warned that an arrest would be made unless he halted the bingo game. But the priest said the anonymous phone calls were the only warnings he had received about an arrest. Until the raid.

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## Center staff surprises archbishop on his fifth anniversary

The staff of the Catholic Center in Indianapolis surprised Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara with a proclamation on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of his appointment as Archbishop of Indianapolis. The proclamation was presented to him on Wednesday, Nov. 21, during the annual Thanksgiving luncheon at the center.

A copy of the proclamation was put in a time capsule, along with memorabilia from the archdiocesan celebration of its sesquicentennial. The time capsule, to be opened in 100 years, will be placed in a suitable place in the renovated cathedral.

The proclamation states:  
"WHEREAS: The Most Reverend Edward T. O'Meara has brought unity to

the people of God of the Church of Indianapolis through his sustaining care and visible love for his flock; and

"WHEREAS: Through his leadership the Archdiocese has moved forward into the era of the eighties with loyalty to Pope John Paul II and with courage in defending as well as promoting the tenets of our Faith; and

"WHEREAS: Through his concern for the building up of the spiritual lives of the faithful he has made pastoral visits to all parishes in the Archdiocese and has directed the Presbyterate into paths of guidance and assistance for their parishioners; and

"WHEREAS: Rooted in the present he  
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## FROM THE EDITOR

## What really happens at the bishops' meetings

by John F. Fink

Some observations, both serious and frivolous, about this year's bishops' meeting in Washington:

►The first thing that strikes many people, including reporters at these meetings, is how hard the bishops work. They receive mountains of paper before the meeting. The two volumes of 20 items on which they had to take action this year required 393 pages and the volume of information items was another 98 pages. And this doesn't include the draft of the pastoral letter on the economy (136 pp. in the form the bishops received it) and numerous committee reports that they receive after they arrive in Washington.

They work from early morning till late at night. The plenary sessions run from 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 and from 2 to 5 p.m., and there are committee meetings scheduled in the early mornings and evenings. They must be exhausted by the end of the week.

►Debate and discussion among the bishops is a model for all such groups. They prove that it really is possible to disagree without being disagreeable. They always make their points strenuously but with a real feeling of brotherly love for their fellow bishops—and often with a great deal of humor.

►They meet in the huge ballroom of the Capital Hilton Hotel. About 280 of them sit behind long tables facing the platform. There are no assigned seats but most sit in the same seats every year from force of habit; it makes it easy to find whom you want. Archbishop O'Meara sits in the second row from the front, on the opposite side from the press. They rise to speak in near-by microphones. The



press sits on one side of the room, official observers on the other side, and conference staff members in the back of the hall.

The pressroom is at the other end of the second floor of the hotel. There are 35 typewriters, a bank of phones, etc. Copies of talks, minutes of the meeting, and numerous other papers are distributed there. A large room off the pressroom is used for press conferences which are held after every session.

That room is also used for the bishops' concelebrated Masses on Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30 a.m. (on Monday all bishops concelebrate together in a room off the ballroom, where they also eat lunch, and on Wednesday they go to the National Shrine for Mass).

Down the hall are rooms where the bishops can say private Masses if they don't want to concelebrate, and also a room where the Blessed Sacrament is reserved throughout the week. That room is crowded early in the morning when many bishops stop there to say the Breviary, Rosary and/or other private prayers.

►Among the rooms in the hotel used by various groups during the bishops' meeting are some used by companies that sell clergy clothing. They seem to do a big business as many bishops take advantage of this opportunity to replenish their wardrobes.

►I'm always amazed at conference president Bishop James Malone's ability to recognize each bishop who wants to speak. TV lights make it hard for him to see the hands of those asking for the floor, but he does see them and obviously knows every one of the bishops by sight. I found this same ability in Malone's predecessors—Archbishops Roach, Quinn, Bernardin, Krol and Dearden.

Bishop Malone greeted me with, "Hi, Jack, how are your Colts doing? My Browns aren't doing at all well." (He and I happen to serve together on the board of directors of the Center for Applied Research in the

Apostolate, a board chaired by Cardinal Joseph Bernardin.) Before getting around to talking about the bishops' meeting, he also asked if I thought Gerry Faust could survive at Notre Dame. He said he hoped so because Faust is such a good example of what Catholic college football should be.

Bishop Malone saw three main things done at this year's meeting: the introduction of the pastoral on the economy, approval of an ecumenical step with the Anglican Church, and numerous "in-house" items. He expressed concern about the time allowed for reactions to the pastoral since suggestions for the second draft have to be in by Feb. 15, and much of December will be taken up with Christmas.

►There were no pickets outside the meeting rooms this year as there have been in the past, especially when the bishops were debating the pastoral on war and peace.

►Cardinal Bernardin received a standing ovation and sustained applause from his brother bishops after he gave his report on the Committee for Pro-Life Activities that emphasized efforts to protect all human life from conception to natural death. Archbishop Weakland also received a standing ovation after his presentation of the economy pastoral draft.

►After seeing all these men together for several days, it's hard not to observe that bishops come in all sizes and shapes, from 6'6" Bishop Shea and several others close to that to 5'4" Bishop Pena and several others that size, from the slender Bishops Daly and Boudreaux to defensive lineman-size Bishops Unterkoefler and McFarland, from the full head of hair of Bishop Lyke to the silver mane of DuMaine to the baldness of Donnellan, from the slicked back hair of Bishop Head to the dry look of Archbishop Quinn (who had the slicked back look until two years ago). I didn't see any full beards, but did notice three bishops with mustaches and goatees.

## Sesqui dinner of thanks held Nov. 18

by John F. Fink

People from throughout the Archdiocese of Indianapolis who helped plan events for the year-long observance of the archdiocese's sesquicentennial were thanked for their efforts during an appreciation dinner at the Atkinson Hotel in Indianapolis on Nov. 18.

The dinner also observed the fifth anniversary of Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara's appointment as Archbishop of Indianapolis. Msgr. Francis R. Tuohy, vicar general of the archdiocese and master of ceremonies at the dinner, surprised the archbishop by recalling the circumstances surrounding his appointment.

Archbishop O'Meara responded by calling the years he has been in Indianapolis "the five most challenging, most interesting, most rewarding years of my life."

Referring to the sesquicentennial, the archbishop said, "Scarcely in any way is the church today the same church as that founded 150 years ago. Yet we are the continuity of that church and that of the apostles and martyrs. In 100 more years things will be as different from now as now is from 150 years ago."

Archbishop O'Meara had just returned that morning from the bishops' meeting in Washington. He told the dinner guests that the pastoral letter on the economy was only one of the things that challenged the bishops. They considered the liturgy, clergy, laity, human life issues, ecumenism, and refugees.

He said that 2,300,000 Polish people received food from Catholic Relief Services last year and three Polish bishops were at the bishops' meeting to express their appreciation. He also spoke about the bishops' plans for the refugees in Asia and efforts to help "the 10 million people in Ethiopia who are in the late stages of starvation."

The archbishop finished his remarks by stating that he is "thrilled with the vitality and vigor of the church today. I returned from the meeting better for having spent that week in Washington."

Prior to the recognition of those being honored, Msgr. Gerald A. Gettelfinger, archdiocesan chancellor, showed a slide presentation on the history of the archdiocese. It was prepared by Valerie Dillon and Charles Schisla.

The dinner concluded with the preparation of a time capsule containing memorabilia from the sesquicentennial celebration. The 11 x 15½ inch acrylic box,



RECOGNITION—Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara presents a gift—a briefcase—to Providence Sister Loretta Schafer for her work as general chairperson of the sesquicentennial. (Photo by Jim Jachimski)

to be opened 100 years from now, will be placed in an appropriate place in the renovated cathedral. Special recognition was given to the members of the steering committee for the sesquicentennial observance: Sr. Loretta Schafer, S.P., general chairperson; Sr. Catherine

Schneider, O.S.F., administrative assistant; Valerie Dillon, liaison to the communications committee and special events committee; Sr. Ann Janette Gettelfinger, O.S.B., liaison for the souvenirs committee; Steve Noone, liaison to the finance committee, the June 3 celebration committee, and the educational components committee; and Fr. James Bonke, liaison to the hospitality committee and historical research committee, and creator of the historical tours brochure.

Chairpersons recognized were Tom Beckiewicz, in charge of the three concerts in SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral; Charles Gardner, committee for liturgical music; Fr. Steve Jarrell, liturgy committee; Chris Marten, hospitality committee; John Hornberger, elementary schools committee; Charles Schisla, media coverage;

Also Gloria Mills, Convention Center coordinator; Sr. Sandra Schweitzer, O.S.F., art and environment committee; Fr. Thomas Widner, historical research committee; John Short and Mary Young, special events committee; Sr. Mary Luke Jones, O.S.B., memorabilia and souvenirs committee; and John Wyand, finance committee.

### Archbishop O'Meara's Schedule Week of December 2

SUNDAY, December 2—Eucharistic Liturgy, SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 11 a.m.

MONDAY, December 3—Archbishop O'Meara's Administration meeting with priests of the archdiocese, Holidome, Columbus, registration at 9:30 a.m.

—Third Peter Ainslie Lecture on Christian Unity, Christian Theological Seminary, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, December 4—Priests Council Group Three meeting, Mater Dei Council, Knights of Columbus Hall, 12 noon

—Confirmation, St. Philip Neri Parish, Eucharistic Liturgy at 7:30 p.m. with reception following.

THURSDAY through THURSDAY, December 6-20—Visitation to the Far East for Catholic Relief Service.

## Emergency shelter has 10 families, 32 people after 1st week

by Richard Cain

The Holy Family Emergency Shelter has opened its doors just in time. At present, 10 families and a total of 32 people are staying at the shelter. Fifteen are children.

"Everyone has been very busy getting things operational," said Dave Wilson, associate director of Catholic Social Services. Wilson has been serving as the project coordinator for the Holy Family Shelter.

"We're focusing on families and that's what we're getting."

Six families with a total of 18 people showed up Nov. 19, the first day the shelter opened its doors, according to Wilson. "One

family had been sleeping in a car for a while."

Most of the families are involved in some type of counseling, Wilson said. "They're working through that counselor to resolve their problems."

Although the shelter has a maximum capacity of 60, plans are to work up to that number gradually. "We wanted to hold at 25 until we get some of the kinks ironed out."

Contributions are still urgently needed. The shelter can use paper products, trash bags, canned goods, baby cribs and high chairs. Call (317) 635-7830. The Holy Family Shelter is located at 30 E. Palmer St. in Indianapolis.



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# 'All five police were raiding the grandmothers'

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state police "had never set foot on this property," he noted.

He also has another complaint about the way the arrest was handled: "Five state police it took to arrest us, and there are only five state police on duty in these three counties." (The Pendleton police post covers Hamilton, Hancock and Madison counties.) On the night of his arrest, "they were all five raiding the grandmothers at bingo."

After the arrests were made,

Terrell was released on his own recognizance. Father Kos would have also been released, but decided to spend the night with inmates in the Hancock County Jail. (See related story.)

Gossett outlined his reasons for not filing charges against Father Kos and Terrell. "Bringing charges of any kind is a discretionary matter for the prosecutor's office," he said.

Two other considerations entered into Gossett's decision—"the extent of harm caused by the offense" and "the prolonged

non-enforcement of the statute, with community acquiescence."

"I had never had a complaint on Father Kos and his bingo game," Gossett noted. "I would never be one to suggest that churches are above the law, but public acceptance of their activities indicates that nobody really believes the law applies."

Despite Indiana law, Gossett said, "people play bingo. I don't believe they have an evil design or criminal mind doing it."

Gossett acknowledged that Indiana's

law against gambling "makes it really difficult for the police." But, he added, raiding a church bingo game is "sort of stretching the point. I think they (the state police) had other avenues open to them."

He added, "I just did what I felt was right and consistent with my position as a prosecutor. I honestly don't believe that I could have brought charges and lived with the decision."

The incident "crystallizes the problems with the law," Gossett said. "The gambling statute probably needs to be more clearly defined."

He added, "Until the state police show some effort to go after all the bingo games in the state, I really don't see any reason for making Father Kos an example. There are much bigger fish to fry than Father Kos and the Catholic church in Fortville."

Participants in the game paid 25 cents for six cards. During a typical night, 22 jackpots reaching as high as \$17 were awarded, Father Kos said. The games generated about \$8,000 profit annually, with the parish receiving 60 percent and the Optimist Club receiving 40 percent.

## Analysis and commentary

## Bingo raid raises some serious questions

by John F. Fink

The raid of the bingo game at St. Thomas Church in Fortville, and the arrest of Father Joseph S. Kos and Paul D. Terrell, raises some serious questions about gambling, lotteries, church finances, and what should be done about these matters. With a new state legislative session due to start in January, perhaps the raid could not have come at a better time.

Father Kos spent Monday night, Nov. 19, in the Hancock County Jail in Greenfield after Indiana State Police raided the bingo game at St. Thomas. On Tuesday, though, Hancock County prosecutor Larry C. Gossett refused to file charges against him because, he said, he couldn't see what harm was done. He also rebuked the state police investigators for placing such importance on the church bingo games.

Since his arrest, Father Kos has received a great deal of public support. The games generate about \$50 in profits for the church from Fortville citizens who pay 25 cents for six cards. Jackpots can climb as high as \$17.

There is no doubt that bingo is a popular pastime for many people, particularly the elderly, not only in Indiana but throughout the United States. Many parishes have come to depend upon the income to supplement contributions, and numerous other charitable organizations use the income for very worthwhile purposes.

But there also is no doubt that bingo is forbidden by the constitution of the state of Indiana. It is considered a form of gambling. The constitutional ban that prohibits bingo is certainly unpopular, but it is the law.

During the last session of the legislature a bill authored by Senators Borst and Mahern would have removed the con-

stitutional ban on lotteries. It passed the Senate 29-21 but did not receive a hearing in the House. Representative J. Roberts Dailey, Speaker of the House, has always blocked all attempts to pass such a bill. He has stated publicly that he will not use his position to block such a bill this session.

Bingo is, of course, unfortunately, tied in with lotteries. Lotteries are used by many states, including our bordering states of Illinois, Michigan and Ohio, to raise revenues for state purposes. But state lotteries are opposed by many people for various reasons. It is expected that, since Representative Dailey plans not to block a lottery bill, a strong coalition will be formed to oppose a lottery bill in the next legislative session.

Some people who would not support a state lottery, or all-out gambling in the state, have no objection to bingo games as they are run by the church and charitable organizations.

The law banning bingo is a bad law. It has no popular support and, in fact, except in rare instances such as the Fortville raid, is not enforced. Bingo games, at least as they are run by the church, are not immoral, although gambling can be under certain circumstances, according to the Catholic Church.

We are taking no position for or against the legalization of gambling in Indiana. This will be a big issue and generate much controversy in the coming months. It certainly is true that those who plan to introduce a lottery amendment to the constitution are not interested in bingo games; they're interested in pari-mutuel betting or state revenue-producing lotteries.

The best solution, of course, would be to amend the constitution to make it possible for the legislature to permit bingo. Then

laws could be passed permitting only bingo games run by charitable organizations, and there would have to be certain restrictions.

Failing that, we have to rely on the good judgment of prosecutors like Mr. Gossett who realize that their duty is not to enforce every outdated and unpopular law on the books, but to follow the will of the general public they serve.

## Fr. Kos' night behind bars builds bond with inmates

by Jim Jachimik

After his arrest Nov. 19, Father Joseph Kos turned down a chance to go free. He chose instead to spend the night behind bars.

Father Kos, administrator of St. Thomas the Apostle parish in Fortville, was arrested during a raid of a bingo game there. He was taken to the Hancock County Jail in Greenfield and was to be released on his own recognizance, but he refused to leave. Instead, he turned his arrest into an opportunity to experience life in a jail cell, and to minister to those who had not chosen to be there.

Solid steel walls prevented Father Kos from seeing his surroundings, but by standing on a bench he was able to reach over the walls and shake the hands that were within his grasp.

"I never got to see a face; just voices and hands," he recalled. But without seeing them, he talked to the men until 2 a.m., when someone finally said, "Let the priest go to sleep."

"They talked to me about their children, about praying for their sick mothers, their sick wives. I shared their sorrows, their lives."

The cells were arranged in a row, and messages were passed verbally from one man to the next until they reached Father

Kos. "Somebody would make a request to pray for somebody and they would pass it down," Father Kos said. And he passed cigarettes to some of them in the same way.

"The men knew there was a minister in there," Father Kos said. "They thought it was wonderful that I had a chance to see what it was like to be a little guy behind bars."

His presence also affected their behavior. Hancock County Sheriff Nick Gulling "told me that he had never seen the place so quiet," Father Kos said.

Before leaving the jail, Father Kos ate breakfast in his cell like the others. "I was given a cup of coffee, a cup of powdered milk, a piece of toast and a handful of cereal," he said.

The jail itself "is over 100 years old and is badly in need of being refurbished," Father Kos added. "It was a rather small cell with an iron bunk. You are given no pillow, just a brown blanket. There's an open toilet in the cell." There are no recreational facilities, and the men leave their cells only for phone calls.

"It sure humbled me," Father Kos said of his night in jail. "It was frightening."

But, he added, "I really felt like I left a part of my heart there. I'm going to go back and see the guys."

## 'Lifesigns' wins Gabriel award

Unda-USA, the National Catholic Association of Broadcasters and Allied Communicators, has announced that a Gabriel Award has been won by a local radio program co-produced by the Catholic Communications Center and the Office of Catholic Education of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis and St. Meinrad College.

The program, entitled, "Teen Pregnancy," is from the Lifesigns series that airs at 11:30 a.m. each week on WICR-FM, Indianapolis. It was judged to be "the best religious radio program produced for local release" in the national competition.

The Lifesigns series is designed to incorporate comments of teen-agers and contemporary Christian music in a discussion of issues of importance to today's teen-agers.

"Teen Pregnancy" featured young, unmarried, pregnant women who have chosen to have their babies and are participating in a special live-in program for unwed mothers at St. Elizabeth Home in Indianapolis.

The winning radio program combined the thoughtful and reflective comments of these teen-agers with the moving lyrics of a number of contemporary songs.

The jury of commercial, educational and religious broadcast professionals said the program is "a discovery and treatment of positive human values in an issue often regarded as negative." Calling the show

"an impressive use of the medium of radio," the judges said that it was "a unique tape that we hope will be made available for other audiences to hear."

When notified that the program had won a Gabriel, Archdiocesan Communications Director Charles J. Schisla said, "We are particularly grateful to the young women at St. Elizabeth Home for sharing their stories with the listening audience. Their decision to bear their children, and the many obstacles that they face as teen-age unmarried mothers, is a story that inspired all of us who worked on the show as well as the listeners."

Schisla is executive producer of the Lifesigns series. The series was conceived and the winning program produced by Mike Carotta of the archdiocesan Office of Catholic Education. Post-production was coordinated by Dan Mahan and Don Lilak of St. Meinrad College. The program was hosted by Don Hale and produced at the facilities of WICR-FM, Indianapolis. The Lifesigns series is made possible in part by contributions to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

The Lifesigns series currently is being broadcast weekly on the Catholic Telecommunications Network of America Satellite Radio System, WICR-FM in Indianapolis and WRCR-FM in Rushville, and will begin on WWVY-FM in Columbus at 10:30 a.m. on Dec. 2.

## Council of Priests elects officers



IN OFFICE—Newly elected officers of the Council of Priests are all smiles as they gather with Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara, who serves as president of the council according to canon law. Elected officers for 1985 are Father Jim Farrell, vice chairman; Father Marty Peter, chairman; and Father Paul Koetter, secretary. Father Farrell replaces Father Dick Lawler; the others retain the posts they held this past year. (Photo by Jim Jachimik)

# COMMENTARY

## All involved in bishops' economy pastoral

by Dale Francis

Nearly 40 years ago, when I was a graduate student at Notre Dame, I had a course in which we studied Pope Leo XIII's "Rerum Novarum" and Pope Pius XI's "Quadragesimo Anno," the two social encyclicals that so greatly influenced Catholic social thought in the first half of this century. We studied these two encyclicals the entire semester and, after months of analysis and discussion, we still had not exhausted all of the possibilities of discovery and understanding.



I mention this because early in November the U.S. Catholic bishops released the first draft of a 50,000-word proposed pastoral letter, "Catholic Social Teaching and the U.S. Economy." You have already read evaluations of this draft that have praised it or criticized it. I distrust either undiluted praise or criticism of such a lengthy presentation.

The motivating principle of the bishops is praiseworthy. When the bishops say, "The economy was made for the people, all the people, and not the other way around," no one will really disagree with that. But when theological principles are carried to specific economic and political solutions, there is need for careful study and analysis that cannot possibly be accomplished quickly.

The panel of bishops which prepared the draft took testimony from 125 theologians, economists and business and labor leaders. This was a broad effort to get a variety of viewpoints and is typical of the careful way the bishops work in the preparation of pastoral letters.

But now that the draft has been made public, there will be an even broader range of viewpoints. This will not only include those with special knowledge of the area under consideration but, most importantly, of the ordinary Catholic laity, who will

listen respectfully to the theological teachings of the bishops but will measure the application of those teachings to specific political and economic positions by the light of their own experiences.

And this is precisely the purpose of the first draft of the pastoral letter. The bishops invite and welcome discussion of this letter. When the bishops returned to their dioceses throughout the nation they were charged with the responsibility of soliciting informed opinion from the people. For the people to be informed, they must read, study and analyze the letter. It is of the nature of pastoral letters as they have developed, particularly since the letter on catechetical teaching, that before the bishops speak to the people they make a sincere effort to listen to the people.

There were some in the Catholic news media who criticized a group of 35 prominent Catholic laity for issuing a letter, "Toward the Future," which preceded the bishops' draft of their letter by five days and discussed the economy, too. But the bishops did not criticize it but accepted its contention that the "free market profit system" is the most effective economic system and, therefore, ultimately the most moral one, as input for their consideration.

By mid-February, the bishops will return to the committee preparing the pastoral letter the results of their own diocesan studies. The committee will consider these along with other dialogue on the letter, which will appear in secular as well as Catholic publications, and prepare a second draft. This will be considered by the bishops at their June meeting. After discussion at this meeting, a final draft will be prepared to be presented to the bishops at the November 1985 meeting for their approval.

This is a process that involves all. Our responsibility as Catholics is to study carefully the first draft of the pastoral letter, to listen respectfully to the theological teachings of the bishops, praising solutions where we can, raising questions where we must, but always in a spirit of charity.

## A lesson in Stalin's daughter's return to USSR

by Msgr. George G. Higgins

Joseph Stalin's daughter, Svetlana Alliluyeva, took political refuge in the United States some 15 years ago and later moved to England. Recently she returned to the Soviet Union.

When she first arrived in the United States, she was lionized by the media. Her dramatic defection from the Soviet Union by way of India and her enthusiastic comments about the United States were cited over and over to highlight the virtues of the American way of life.



It was taken for granted that she would never go back to the Soviet Union of her own volition.

Well, she did, apparently because she couldn't stand to be separated permanently from her family and Soviet friends. Another factor, it seems, is that the western way of life lost some of its appeal.

When I heard what she had done, I recalled her appearance on "Meet the Press" in September 1969. The program coincided with the publication of her book

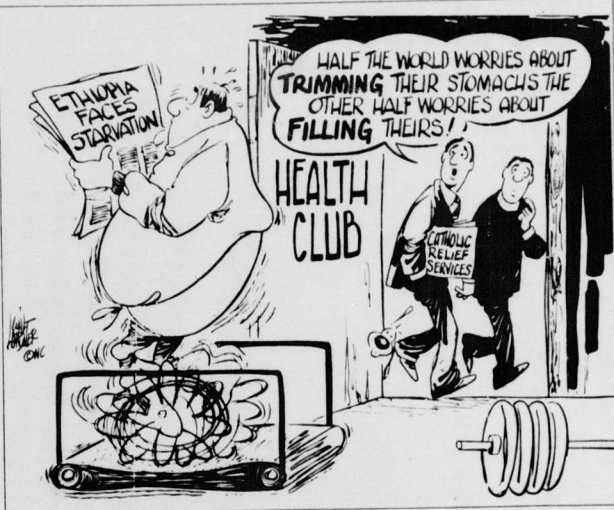
"Only One Year." On the program, she excoriated the Soviet political system and praised the United States.

At one point NBC's John Chancellor asked Ms. Alliluyeva to clarify what she meant by socialism. She had been using the word socialism as a synonym for Stalinist communism. He asked Ms. Alliluyeva whether she really meant to say that all forms of socialism are totalitarian by definition.

She didn't get the point of the question until Chancellor brought up the Scandinavian, British and other forms of socialism.

Ms. Alliluyeva then explained she hadn't meant to say that all forms of socialism are totalitarian. In using the word "socialism" as a synonym for communism, she meant to include only those forms of socialism controlled by a one-party system of government which oppresses the basic rights of its citizens in the name of economic reform or progress.

I think it was good that Chancellor helped her to put the record straight. As one who had disavowed everything that her father's brutal regime stood for, she was naturally expected to say what she thought about communism as a system of government.



## Need to find the real story behind others' views

by Fr. Eugene Hemrick

As long as the church is human it will experience tensions. And there are times when tensions can be good, especially when they stir us to long overdue action.

Recently, a series of events caused me to wonder how far tension can go before it has a detrimental effect.

A friend had died. With others who knew him, I went to a noon Mass to commemorate his death. As I entered the sacristy to con-celebrate, I was told that con-celebration was not permitted and that I was to participate in the Mass like the rest of the laity.

Later, when I inquired about the rule, I discovered that the underlying reason for it was a group of irritated women who felt that there were too many male priests dominating the sanctuary.

Another event that made me edgy was the proclamation of a young priest who reminded his brother priests that the laity must be kept in their place. By this he meant that priests should always have the last word on how a parish is to be run. He



felt that carrying on a dialogue with the laity and delegating power to them must be limited, lest a priest become irresponsible in his leadership role.

► Each time I have told the story about my experience with con-celebration to priests it has caused a violent reaction of indignation.

► Whenever I have spoken with lay people about the attitude of that young priest it has caused an uproar of protest.

When emotions like these can erupt so easily is there any guiding principle we can follow to help defuse the tension?

I think so: "Get the story behind the story."

If indeed there are women who are irritated about priests being the only ones to preside at Mass, what is the story behind the irritation? Is it a very genuine desire to experience the richness of celebrating Mass and the mystery of being able to consecrate bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ?

On the other hand, what about my story? No one ever asked me who I was or what my relationship to my deceased friend was.

Turning to our young priest who wanted to keep the laity in place, was this because he had a bad experience with lay people who at one time took control of a project and left him out? Was it the result of seminary training or a poor understanding of lay theology? Or could it be rooted in his own home training?

I believe one of the most valuable services church leaders can perform is to coax others to tell their whole story with all its emotional overtones and undertones. In an age of instant satisfactions, it is easy to jump to conclusions and never get the complete story in a particular situation.

Worse than this, I could see many opposing camps set up in the church that never listen to the full story from the side they oppose.

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## ENTERTAINMENT

VIEWING WITH ARNOLD

## 'Amadeus' is well-crafted musical biography

by James W. Arnold

Why would God choose this obscene child to be His instrument?

—"Amadeus"

They don't make films much better than "Amadeus." Milos Forman's witty and powerful cinematic celebration of Peter Shaffer's play about a man who was jealous of Mozart.

This is a project that has won nothing but acclaim since it was first produced in England in 1979, and it's certainly possible that the various stage versions may have had a special power and magnificence no mere movie can generate. But on its own merits, Forman's "Amadeus," created in tandem with Shaffer and producer Saul Zaentz, comes on with some of the impact of a volcanic eruption.

It is fresh, funny, touching, profoundly tragic on both human and moral levels, and of course filled—all but inhabited—by some rather attractive music. The score of Mozartiana on the track, plus a dozen or so "videos" from the operas, staged by Twyla Tharp with understandable joy, amounts to an awesome experience, perhaps even for souls whose definition of "awesome" is Twisted Sister. One can debate other superlatives, but "Amadeus" is surely the most cinematic opera movie ever made.



**AT THE MOVIES**—Tom Hulce portrays Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart in "Amadeus," an Orion release, based on Peter Shaffer's play about the young genius composer. The U.S. Catholic Conference classifies the film A-II. (NC photo)

This tale by playwright Shaffer ("Royal Hunt of the Sun," "Equus") is essentially an ingeniously crafted musical biography, in which the basic story of Mozart is told from the perspective of a bitter contemporary rival, Antonio Salieri. (We're in Vienna in the 1780s.) While fictionalized, it's based on a combination of facts and informed conjecture about Mozart's personality and his impact on Salieri. By accepting the premise that Salieri may have resented Mozart enough to want to kill him, Shaffer turns biography into gothic thriller. By concentrating on the depth of Salieri's agony of conscience, Shaffer turns thriller into ironic moral tragedy.

Religion and the mystery of divine providence are at the center of

"Amadeus." The film is structured as a detailed confession by Salieri (F. Murray Abraham) as an old man to a young priest, who comes to the asylum where the guilt-racked composer is now confined, to "offer God's forgiveness." The story is told in constant cuts from present to past and back, with the brief but potent opera excerpts superbly integrated and relevant. The priest quickly discovers that he's in over his head.

Salieri is in the position of the displaced leader, favorite, star who is overshadowed not only by greater talent but by a genius so great he seems directly favored by God. Worse, this is precisely the role Salieri has sought for himself, pledging vows of chastity, industry and humility if God will make him "a great composer . . . immortal." But instead God bestows the gift on "a spoiled, conceited brat" who seems to violate all the moral rules. He rebels, in a frightening scene in which he throws his revered crucifix into the fire, and vows to find a way, as he prays to the Lord, "to ruin your incarnation."

The intriguing thing about Salieri's jealousy is that it is self-aware and ironic. It is a deep fury that the gift has not gone to the deserving but to the undeserving.

He knows and loves music, and in his way, is Mozart's most intelligent and loyal admirer. He's incapable of direct murder, but schemes to destroy Mozart by playing on the younger man's sense of guilt at wasting his talents. (Also ironic, since the film suggests that no genius ever labored harder to cram his brief life with creative production.) Salieri succeeds, but he also fails in the end, because Mozart has indeed achieved immortality, while the mad, forgotten Salieri (in a brilliant ending conceived for the film) knows he has become "the champion, the patron saint of the mediocre."

The Mozart-Salieri rivalry is, of course, the universal underlying all the conflicts between haves and have nots, and the apparent whimsical injustice of God. (One recalls the nun in "Song of Bernadette" who wanted to be a saint, and in her pride could never accept the holiness of the ignorant peasant girl.)

Much of the fun part of the movie, besides the glorious music ("Amadeus" must be seen with Dolby sound), is the revelation of the character of Mozart (Thomas Hulce), who is brash and vulgar but full of life and likeable. The display of his gifts (not only seriously, but in such tricks as playing Bach upside-down) is pure delight. Finally, of course, he does pay the price for his genius, as he would have even if Salieri had not existed. "Amadeus" is not a documentary, but many of the facts are true (Mozart's burial in a common grave) and there is historical support for the interpretation of his character. Like many geniuses, Mozart was not a man of great intellect or moral stature.

Forman and Zaentz, whose last collaboration ("One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest") produced five Oscars, provide at least a half-dozen wonderful scenes, many set in authentic locales in and around Prague. The best is probably the poignantly ironic collaboration between Salieri and the dying Mozart, struggling in one night to finish his "Requiem." Seldom has the excitement of the creative process, and the pure wonder of the divine gift of genius, been so superbly dramatized.

(Outstanding, multi-layered drama with music; recommended for adults and mature youth.)

USCC classification: A-II, adults and adolescents.



**TV FARE**—Four teen-age natives of war-torn Northern Ireland play Catholic and Protestant youths who spend a life-changing summer in America in the fact-based drama, "Children in the Crossfire," Dec. 3 on NBC. The film, which stars Charles Haid and Karen Valentine, features, from left, Jim Norris, Graine Clarke, Peter Gilroy and Geraldine Hughes. (NC photo)

## Television drama offers hope for change in Ireland

by Henry Herx

In 1972, network television aired "War of the Children," a dramatic presentation showing the effect of Northern Ireland's climate of violence on the young people of Ulster. It was a sobering introduction to the brutalizing consequences on children growing up in the shadow of terrorism.

More than a decade later, the children of Northern Ireland are still caught in this same cycle of bloodshed. Yet occasionally acts of hope and reconciliation signal that this vicious circle can be broken.

Showing that change can come from small advances is "Children in the Crossfire," a drama airing Monday, Dec. 3, 9-11 p.m. EST on NBC.

It is not accidental that George Schaefer directed both of these TV dramas, as he explained during a recent interview.

His 1972 production had left him overwhelmed by the hopelessness of the situation in Northern Ireland. Because of this experience, he found himself touched deeply by a 1982 Christmas Eve television interview with a man who was doing something positive to help Ulster's youngsters—sponsoring some of them for a summer visit to America.

Watching with tears in his eyes, Schaefer resolved to make a TV program on the subject. Two Christmases and much effort later, Schaefer has achieved his goal and now awaits the American premiere of his latest work with considerable satisfaction.

Schaefer's ability to initiate the project and bring it to the home screen has much to do with his stature in the entertainment industry. He established his reputation as a director in the live broadcasts of the 1950s, won a number of Emmy awards for his "Hallmark Hall of Fame" dramas in the 1960s and now has formed an independent production company with producer Merrill Karpf to make quality television movies.

Not having to rely on the networks for financing, Schaefer went to Karpf with his idea. Researching the project brought them into contact with Frank Prendergast, a Los Angeles writer-producer, and Charles Haid, an actor on "Hill Street Blues." Because both are members of the Children's Committee 10, the group which

sponsors the youngsters, they were invited to join in the project as co-producers.

More than 200 children, mostly from Northern Ireland, were interviewed in Dublin for the four leading juvenile roles. From that number, 20 were given a reading, which Schaefer said "tore our hearts because they were the real kids." Those chosen came from the central battlegrounds of the North: two from Derry and two from Belfast.

There were two production units, one working in Los Angeles and the other in Dublin. The result, Schaefer believes, is real and authentic in its depiction of "the harsh reality of the North."

"One reason it's so powerful is that it's so close to the truth about the wall dividing these kids into separate worlds," he said.

Schaefer described his program as being not about politics but about the human spirit.

"It is important that these kids learn that there is a world beyond the wall where people of different faiths and parties live together in tolerance and respect," he said. "Bringing these kids to America won't solve Ulster's problems but at least it adds another chink in the wall."

If people watching the program agree with Schaefer that bringing youngsters from Ulster to experience life in the United States can help make a difference, they will have a chance to participate.

A planned spot announcement to be used by NBC affiliates will provide several addresses where viewers can write for information about the many local groups, like the Children's Committee 10, engaged in this effort. Any support given these groups will further the cause of peace rather than violence in Northern Ireland.

## Recent USCC Film Classifications

Just the Way You Are	O
Missing in Action	A-III
Night of the Comet	O
Silent Night, Deadly Night	O

Legend: A-I—general patronage; A-II—adults and adolescents; A-III—adults; A-IV—adults, with reservations; O—morally offensive. A high recommendation from the USCC is indicated by the \* before the title.

# TO THE EDITOR

## The bishops' pastoral

Hey! What is happening to the Catholic bishops? I don't like what I'm hearing and reading.

It seems like the bishops and some other leaders in the Catholic Church have fallen for the "Big Lie": that Communism and Christianity can dwell side by side in peace and justice. That is a lot of baloney! Don't they see they are slowly compromising the basic truths of Jesus Christ and His established church?

Jesus Christ comes first, the basic truth of His person; who He is and the truth of Almighty God whom He stands for. Not social justice, not peace under compromise, not handouts to the poor, not false liberation. Jesus never freed people from their social or national situation; he freed them from their bondage to sin only. He did not preach social revolution. He did not preach on welfare to the poor. He never gave money or material goods to anyone.

This is what he preached: "Believe in me, and you will be saved. Believe in me, and you will be free indeed." In the story of the anointing at Bethany in the 12th chapter of John, Jesus is accused of letting the woman spend all of her money on his anointing oil instead of giving it to the poor. His reply was, "The poor you will always have with you, but me you will not always have."

The fact is that "peace and justice" are fruits of belief in Jesus Christ. They are not qualities in themselves that can be acquired or purchased at the cost of compromise. We humans can never acquire peace and justice on our own because we are just too human. Our history can tell you that: wars, famine, poverty; these are the fruits of our own feeble, weak-kneed humanness. They are not to be blamed on God as we try to do.

Please, Catholic bishops, Catholics in

general and all Christian people, don't give in to pressure from minority groups—women's liberation preachers, social justice preachers, civil liberties preachers, etc. These are all part of the "Big Lie."

I am not ashamed to state my belief in Jesus Christ, the only savior of the world; and my belief in and faithfulness to the Catholic Church as understood under biblical principles and the teachings of Pope John Paul II, our spiritual leader.

Joan Hammes

Indianapolis

## After election

I applaud the U.S. bishops for their efforts to address a major social issue in their proposed pastoral letter on economic rights. I am angry, however, that the letter comes so soon after the presidential election. I am afraid that their single-issue campaign in that election compromises their credibility.

Patricia W. Conard

Nashville

## Moral choice

Production, distribution, and consumption of the world's resources, i.e. economics, is a uniquely human effort offering unlimited opportunities for evildeeds as well as good deeds.

"Man Is Moral Choice," by A. H. Hobbs argues convincingly that man's humanity lies in his potential for evil, as well as good, i.e. in conscious moral choice. The truth of this is self-evident, or so it appears to me. Accept this and you automatically concede to the teaching authority of the church, (and to the U.S. bishops) the right, in fact the duty, to assist the faithful in forming a right conscience with regard to every human effort, including economics. Particularly economics.

Jesus said, "Whatsoever you do to these the least of my brothers, you do also to me." More to the point, He said, "Love one another as I have loved you."

Does a cigarette maker love his customers?

Does a person living on welfare love his taxpaying neighbors, when he refuses to work?

Does a worker love his employer when he fails to give his best efforts?

The moral choices are many and widespread. What about moral choices regarding distribution of resources? What about Socialism? Do I gain merit in the sight of God with charity practiced by the state with my taxes, i.e. in my name? I think not.

I believe God accepts charity by proxy as practiced by Christians and others who freely contribute, out of their own pockets, to the missions, to people in Poland suffering under communist rule, etc. I don't believe God recognizes or rewards charity by proxy as practiced by the state.

What does the teaching authority of the church think?

R.T. Jefferson

Columbus

## Help the poor

Your Nov. 9 issue had an appeal for the starving Ethiopians on page 1 and the budget for the archdiocese on pp. 12-14. Perhaps if administrative and other expenses could be cut down somewhat from their current \$1,353,600 (25 percent of archdiocesan-wide operating expenses), the archdiocese would have that amount as a source of income, instead of the \$1,258,900 it received from investment income. As a result, some of the \$10,893,500 currently tied up by the diocese in investments and certificates of deposit could be distributed to the poor for whom it was intended.

The people of the archdiocese have been generous, and I am sure they did not intend for their money to be in a bank. Which commandment tells us to hoard millions and to do less that we are capable of in regard to the poor? Yes, the archdiocese has done a lot of good for the poor, but in comparison to what it is capable of doing, it falls short. How can the bishops write about social justice and economic reform unless we clean our own house? I ask these questions out of a deep sense of love and concern for the church.

Virginia Winchell

New Albany

## Harassment behind bingo raid

The arrest of Father Joseph Kos at St. Thomas in Fortville is totally incomprehensible to us and to many Catholics around the state. Do you really expect us to believe that because of one complaint five state policemen reacted quickly to enforce an outdated law? Let's be serious. For some reason certain individuals at the Pendleton post were going to put Father Kos or the church on warning as to what is acceptable and who dictates policy.

Is harassment and Catholic bigotry behind the scene in this circumstance? Unless the Pendleton post or the state police superintendent want to defend themselves through this blue law, we suggest the harassment of Father Kos and St. Thomas in Fortville stop immediately.

The Catholic community along with her fellow Christians and Jewish-Americans will not tolerate this behavior. So please don't escalate this situation any further.

Mike Williams

Irish-American Heritage Society

Indianapolis

## Sexual behavior

Recently we have been deluged by feminine rhetoric indicating that our society has undergone changes and modernity is demanding that traditional rules regarding sexual behavior be relaxed so as to conform to today's prevailing tendencies.

However, we wholeheartedly disapprove of that permissive trend. The precepts of God indicate that the creative dimension is the intended purpose in human sexuality. Traditionally, that interpretation has been generally accepted. It was widely acknowledged to be a morally-effective guide to human behavior.

We submit that, in their desire for "equality," feminists would be well advised to maintain their dignity by adhering to God's laws concerning sexuality. Otherwise, in being the willing "slaves of men" they forfeit their chance of attaining their goal. Feminists must accept, and cope with, the unwieldy fact of a relentless double standard that transcends all societies. There is no doubt whatsoever that submissiveness on their part has significantly detracted from the conventional wisdom of their cause.

Richard Thomas

Indianapolis

## Need prayer

I hear much talk about the critical problems facing the church and the world today. However, I hear very little said about the one, the true, the only source of all our problems: obstinacy in sin and the rejection of God's will.

To solve these problems, I hear talk of changing the church and changing the governments. Yet, again, so little is said (even, alas, by many of our bishops!) about the only solution: changing our hearts through prayer, penance, and reparation for sin! Only by changing our hearts by obeying God's will, thereby amending our lives, can true renewal of the church and the world be wrought. This is what God has always told mankind. While the voices have been many (the Gospel, His church, the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima in 1917, etc.) the message has remained the same.

Why do we seek human answers to our problems? The entirety of human wisdom is but a drop in the ocean of Divine Wisdom! Let us realize that our only wisdom is to do His will, revealed again at Fatima, by fervent prayer (especially the Rosary), frequent reception of the Eucharist and Confession (the "forgotten Sacrament"), sacrifice, reparation for sin, and true amendment of our lives. By doing this, we will convert our hearts and help to convert the hearts of our neighbors as well.

What is needed is less talk and more prayer!

Timothy A. M. Duff

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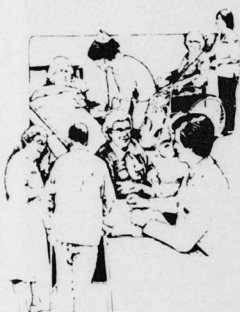
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## Enjoying a series of pleasures

by Cynthia Dewes

Does anyone within dial-reach of a TV set ever curl up with a good book anymore? Does anyone under age 40 still search out a quiet corner with a good light and an apple to munch and a brand new hardcover book to snap open and smooth the pages of? Is anybody there? Does anybody care?



It was cheering when J.R.R. Tolkien's "The Hobbit" and his Ring cycle came on the scene. The Ring and the C.S. Lewis "Narnia" series added new dimensions to readers' lives. They were books which enabled people to live in and stretch their imaginations, without resorting to drugs, sex or rock 'n' roll.

They also brought to mind the "series" books of my youth, many of which are still (!) read. The first series I discovered was "Elsie Dinsmore," the continuing story of a relentlessly pious pre-Civil War southern girl whose life is an endless and delicious display of suffering. Elsie's mother is dead, but her black mammy adores her. Her father is unwittingly cruel, and she is tried at every turn by a vicious cousin and a mean aunt.

From Elsie I learned about the cliché Old South, slavery, woman's role in the nineteenth century and sentimental religiosity as she persevered doggedly through girlhood, womanhood, marriage and motherhood. She might still be at it if the author had been able to come up with more "hoods."

The Cherry Ames stories about a young nurse carried me through her student days, her first hospital jobs and her adventures as an Army nurse in WW II. She inspired interest in medical problems and women's independence. Louisa May Alcott's books pictured for me the fashions and culture of late nineteenth century New England

society, as well as character insights that still ring true today.

My favorite series was Edgar Rice Burroughs' "Tarzan of the Apes," followed by umpteen other Tarzan adventures stressing honesty, simplicity, fairness, kindness and just about any virtue we could name. Tarzan did everything super except change lincolns in a phone booth. And besides all that, the books always had happy endings.

I feasted my way along, through the Wizard of Oz, Nancy Drew, the Hardy Boys, Toby Tyler, the Little House books, and Betsy, Tacy and Tib. When I grew older I took up Jalna and E. Phillips Oppenheim. Mama never had to rack her brains to select birthday and Christmas gifts for me.

My window on the world was much bigger than the largest TV screen; it required no time schedule or electric power to be opened. It was always available in the "next" book. And it was a heck of a headstart on storing up material for Trivial Pursuit.

## vips...

✓ **Benedictine Father Ivan W. Hughes** has announced his resignation from the office of prior (superior) of St. Maur Monastery in Indianapolis, effective Nov. 10. Fr. Ivan has been a member of the monastery for 11 years, and was appointed Prior in 1979. He will begin doctoral studies in psychology in California. **Benedictine Father Charles Henry**, currently a chaplain at St. Vincent Hospital, will serve as Prior-Administrator of the monastery while continuing as a chaplain.

## check it OUT...

✓ St. Vincent Hospital and Health Care Center will offer "Home Security," the second program of a free series on crime prevention on Thursday, Dec. 6 at 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. in the Cooling Auditorium on the lower level.

✓ **Students Against Driving Drunk (SADD)** are sponsoring a bumper sticker contest at Chataud High School. Students' cars which bear the sticker reading "Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk" will have their license plate numbers entered in a drawing for five prizes weekly. Stickers may be obtained from SADD members.

✓ **Two "Hanging of the Greens"** decorating parties for the Allison and Stokely Mansions, sponsored by Mansions of Marian College Volunteers will be held: at the Allison from 3 to 10 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 27 and at the Stokely from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 8. No fee, but registration is required. Call 929-0222. On Sunday, Dec. 16 the **Mansions of Marian Open House and Holly Shop** will display the decorations and offer some for sale from 1 to 5 p.m. Admission to both mansions is \$3 per person.

✓ **Fairbanks Training Institute**, of Fairbanks Hospital, Inc., will sponsor a workshop on "Implementing and Evaluating Employee Assistance Programs" from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 13, at the Hospital, 8102 Clearvista Pkwy. Personnel, employee relations, insurance and occupational health professionals are invited to attend. Call Debbie Coyle 849-8222 for information.

✓ **Secena Memorial High School** will hold its annual Open House from 1 to 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 2. School tours, classroom presentations and a reception for students and parents will be featured, along with a drawing for Tuition Reduction Awards. Secena is the East Deanery Catholic high school.

✓ **Marian College** will again offer **Madrigal Dinners** as part of its annual "Christmas at Marian" celebration on Friday, Nov. 30, Saturday, Dec. 1, Friday, Dec. 7 and Saturday, Dec. 8 with receptions at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. in the Allison Mansion. Cost is \$13.50 per person. Reservations required; call 929-0224.

✓ **Catholic Social Services** and its related agencies will hold a **Christmas Open House** from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 7 on the second floor of the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St. No transportation provided. If you plan to attend, call 236-1550.

✓ **The Mayor's Prayer Breakfast** honoring men and women who have shown faith and courage in sports will be held on Saturday, Dec. 8 at 8 a.m. in the 500 Ballroom of the Convention Center. Featured speaker is Bart Starr, former quarterback and coach of the Green Bay Packers. Tickets are \$17.50 each or \$300 for a table for eight. Call 872-3141.

## Communal penance services

Parishes throughout the archdiocese have announced communal penance services for Advent. Parishioners are encouraged to make use of the sacrament of reconciliation at a parish and time which is convenient. For further information, call the individual parishes.

Several confessors will be present at each of the following locations:

## Indianapolis South Deanery

Our Lady of the Greenwood, Greenwood; Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m.

St. Barnabas, Indianapolis; Dec. 11 at 8 p.m.

St. Ann, Indianapolis; Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m.

Holy Name, Beech Grove; Dec. 17 at 7 p.m.

St. Mark, Indianapolis; Dec. 17 at 7:30 p.m.

St. Patrick, Indianapolis; Dec. 20 at 7:30 p.m.

## Indianapolis East Deanery

Holy Spirit, Indianapolis; Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m.

St. Michael, Greenfield; Dec. 13 at 7:30 p.m.

Little Flower, Indianapolis; Dec. 19 at 3:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Indianapolis; Dec. 20 at 7:30 p.m.

St. Philip Neri, Indianapolis; Dec. 21 at 7:30 p.m.

St. Simon, Indianapolis; Dec. 23 at 7:30 p.m.

## Batesville Deanery

St. Maurice, Decatur County; Dec. 23 at 2 p.m.

Immaculate Conception, Millhousen; Dec. 23 at 4 p.m.

St. Maurice, Napoleon; Dec. 23 at 7:30 p.m.

## Connersville Deanery

St. Ann, New Castle; Dec. 10 at 7 p.m.

St. Elizabeth, Cambridge City; Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m.

St. Michael, Brookville; Dec. 17 at 7:30 p.m.

Holy Family, Richmond; Dec. 18 at 7 p.m.

St. Mary, Rushville; Dec. 18 at 7:30 p.m.

St. Gabriel, Connersville; Dec. 19 at 7:30 p.m.

St. Andrew, Richmond; Dec. 20 at 7 p.m.

St. Mary, Richmond; Dec. 22 at 12:05 p.m.

## New Albany Deanery

St. Michael, Charlestown; Dec. 11 at 7:30 p.m.

St. Paul, Sellersburg; Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m.

Holy Family, New Albany; Dec. 12 at 8 p.m.

St. John, Starlight; Dec. 13 at 8 p.m.

St. Mary, New Albany; Dec. 16 at 7 p.m.

St. Mary, Lanesville; Dec. 17 at 7:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, New Albany; Dec. 18 at 7:30 p.m.

St. Mary of the Knobs, Floyd Knobs; Dec. 19 at 8 p.m.

St. Joseph Hill, Sellersburg, Dec. 20 at 7 p.m.

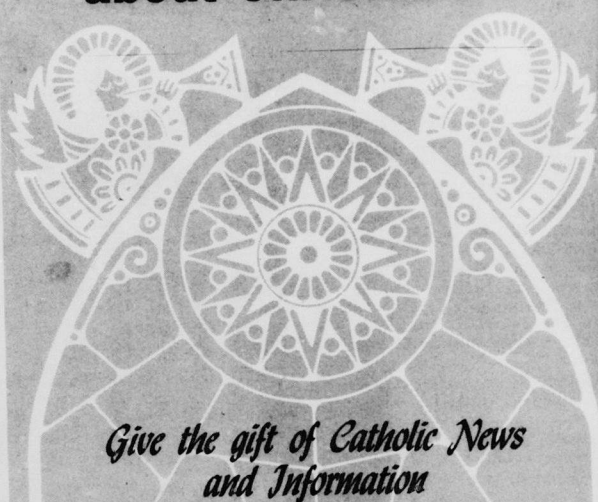
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## QUESTION CORNER

# Advent is time of joy

by Fr. John Dietzen

**Q** What is now the proper arrangement for an Advent wreath? Formerly we used three purple candles (or white candles tied with a purple bow) and one pink.

In recent years I have seen other forms of the Advent wreath, sometimes with all white candles. What is proper now?

**A** There is no official form of the Advent wreath. It can be for our homes a beautiful and meaningful symbol of the spirit of Advent, but its arrangement is only a matter of custom.

The observation you make about Advent, however, is significant in light of the developing flavor of the church's observance of this significant time of the year.

In times past Advent was seen as somewhat of a mini-Lent; a time of penance and self-denial but with a tinge of joy in the background—perhaps symbolized most by the rose vestments the priest wore at Mass on the third Sunday of Advent and by the rose candle lit on the Advent wreath that day.



As the church's liturgy developed over the past century or so, particularly in the last several decades, the predominant spirit of Advent is one of joyful awaiting and hope. This theme clearly appears in the scripture readings for weekday and Sunday Masses as well as in the other liturgical texts for this season.

The increase during the past few years of the use of blue (symbolizing hope) rather than purple in liturgical art for Advent reflects this same spirit.

**Q** Could you tell me how the Catholic Church stands on the teachings of ECKANKAR? My niece has started attending lectures on this and I never heard of it.

**A** ECKANKAR is among the dozens of forms of Eastern mysticism which have captivated the imagination of many in the United States during the last generation. As most others, it professes to offer a science of "total awareness" of all reality and freedom.

According to its practitioners, the word itself stands for "the all-embracing spiritual force of Sugmad (god) which composes life and makes up all elemental substances, including the component parts of the soul."

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As in most philosophies or "ways of life" it is difficult to identify any specific of belief. As with many similar groups, reincarnation is an essential element of ECKANKAR. One does not die; he is "translated" century after century

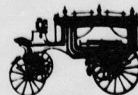
"through myriad forms and facets of experience."

ECKANKAR is one of the many, and less Christian oriented, forms of Gnosticism which promise mystical techniques for attaining "all knowledge." It would, I think, be impossible to harmonize such a philosophy with Christian belief and practice.

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## FAMILY TALK

# If you love someone, tell them

by Dr. James and Mary Kenny

**Dear Readers:** Do you know what love is? Can you define it? Is it a feeling? An attitude?

Does it come and go? Does married love take different forms over the years? What of marriages where the partners do not feel love?

Can a couple whose marriage depends on good feelings or who marry for "as long as love shall last" ever fathom the depths and complexities of love?

This touching letter from a reader raises many of these questions. It certainly illustrates that not all love messages are verbal. On the other hand, words are important. If you love someone, tell them—today.

**Dear Mary:** I married in 1937 without love. In 1979 my husband died.

There were times when I thought I loved someone else. I thought my husband did not care for me.

I took care of him when he was dying. One day I was saying the rosary. I had my rosaries and in the other hand I had rosaries for him.

He took my hand and told me he loved



me. It took 42 years and death for him to tell me he loved me. Thank God he did tell me.

We had four children, three girls and one boy. They are good children, all married. I cannot take all of the credit. He was a good father.

After my husband died, about a year later I moved into an old house to be alone. If it were not for my children, I could not make it. They see that I have plenty to eat and my son pays for my Blue Cross and Blue Shield and I thank God every day for my blessing. I have to tell you I miss my husband very much.

I have 12 grandchildren, one great-granddaughter. I am proud of them all. Thank God.

Thanks for listening to me.

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## What is a Christmas tree?

By Hilda Young

A Christmas tree is something you see with your heart as much as you see with your eyes.

A Christmas tree is a fir or a pine that people used to find in the woods and decorate for Christmas. Now they only grow on vacant lots one month a year and can cost more than the limit left on your credit card.

A Christmas tree is maybe the most beautiful thing in the world to a three- or four-year-old.

A Christmas tree is a place to hang old friends—the memories brought back by the bright treasures we call ornaments.

A Christmas tree is an annual family fight over buying a real one or converting

to the imitation ones that look more real than the real ones.

A Christmas tree is dad lying on his stomach turning the trunk until everyone is satisfied the bare spot faces the wall and the lights are all on even.

A Christmas tree is a song of happiness, a clarion to joy, a symbol of rejoicing, a monument to hope.

A Christmas tree can symbolize the tension between the sacredness and the selfishness of the Christmas season.

A Christmas tree could be thought of as the candle on Jesus' birthday cake.

A Christmas tree can be a good theater under which to stage a ceramic drama of the Nativity—complete with stable, wise men, camels, Mary and Joseph and the Baby Jesus.

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Dec. 16	Fr. Daniel Higgins	Members of St. Martin Parish, Martinsville
Dec. 23	Fr. Daniel Staubin	Members of St. Mark Parish, Indpls.
Dec. 30	Fr. Gerald Forkin	Members of St. Bridget Parish, Indpls.



# Pope urges quick aid for starved Africa; help for third world

by Sister Mary Ann Walsh

VATICAN CITY (NC)—Pope John Paul II Nov. 22 called for "immediate and sustained international assistance" for starving Africans, especially those in Ethiopia, and urged long-range economic aid programs for developing countries.

The pope said long-range programs are needed which "promote basic scientific research and its technological applications" and which also include "the economic means to put them into effect."

The pope made his remarks in an address at the Vatican to 120 members of ENEA, an international association for the research and development of nuclear energy and alternative energies.

"COOPERATION IN the fields of science and technology is one of the most effective means not only of contributing to the physical welfare of people," the pope said, "but also of fostering the dignity and worth of every person."

The pope also urged the ENEA members to encourage the intellectual development of persons in underdeveloped countries and to help to create environments where intellectual achievement will flourish.

Human intelligence "needs to be cultivated with care," the pope said. He asked that "educational opportunities be made available for gifted persons of every nation, especially for the youth."

"It is also important," the pope added, "that every effort be made to ensure that intelligence and learning not become the object of permanent exportation from poor countries to rich ones, because the poor countries lack the adequate cultural, scientific, and technical environments to utilize them."

The pope was referring to the so-called "brain drain" by which highly trained and educated persons from developing countries seek career opportunities in wealthier nations.

"A poor country will always remain in a state of inferiority and subjection as long as it is not in a position to carry out basic scientific research and make technological applications in ways adapted to its own cultural, political, and economic system," the pope said.

BUT WHILE calling for technological cooperation, the pope also cautioned against the danger of one nation imposing its way of life upon another. To avoid this, the pope said, "cooperation must be carried out in a spirit of fruitful dialogue, one which appreciates the worthy traditions of the peoples concerned and the many different values of each culture."

The pope also said that nations less developed in the scientific field "often have much to give from the rich storehouse of their culture to the people of the more advanced nations."



FEEDING THE HUNGRY—A Hercules transport plane carrying 18 tons of food shipped by Catholic Relief Services is unloaded at Makale, Ethiopia. A nun (below) distributes a glass of milk and a cookie, the daily ration for thousands of children in the camp at Makale. (NC photos from KNA)

## Polish bishops call priest's murder 'threat to national interests'

by Agostino Bono

VATICAN CITY (NC)—The Polish Catholic bishops have called the murder of pro-Solidarity Father Jerzy Popieluszko "a threat to national interests, especially because it exists in the heart of the institute responsible for public order."

Officials should eliminate the "climate of intimidation" by creating a social atmosphere that will be free from terror, where exercising power means serving the people," said a statement issued Nov. 21 by

the executive committee of the Polish bishops' conference.

"The general and spontaneous condemnation of this crime shows how deeply rooted in the social conscience are Christian moral principles, which should be respected and observed by all," the bishops said.

The statement was reported Nov. 24 by L'Osservatore Romano, the Vatican newspaper.


Poland's primate, Cardinal Jozef Glomp, arrived in Rome Nov. 26 for a

meeting with Pope John Paul II. It was to be their first meeting since Father Popieluszko's murder.

Three officials of the Interior Ministry, who hold military rank, said they kidnapped and killed the priest. The three are under arrest. The Polish government said it would investigate any possible conspiracy in the murder involving other officials.

In the wake of the murder, Cardinal Glomp and Solidarity founder Lech Walesa called for a national dialogue involving the church, the government and Polish opposition groups.

On Nov. 25, more than 20,000 Poles gathered at Father Popieluszko's Warsaw suburban church, St. Stanislaw Kostka, for a memorial service, the Washington Post reported.



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# Catholic, Jewish House members urge Vatican to recognize Israel

by Liz S. Armstrong

WASHINGTON (NC)—Thirteen Catholic and 13 Jewish members of Congress Nov. 26 urged Pope John Paul II to personally act to initiate Vatican diplomatic recognition of Israel.

"As Catholic and Jewish members of the United States Congress, we strongly favor mutual diplomatic relations between the Vatican and Israel and urge the prompt establishment of such relations," the members of the House of Representatives said in a letter to the pontiff sent through apostolic nuncio Archbishop Pio Laghi.

"Because of Your Holiness' unwavering commitment to religious toleration, we seek Your Holiness' personal intervention to bring about this monumental affirmation of the kinship between the world's Catholics and Jews," the letter said. "The exchange of ambassadors between Israel and the Vatican would be a watershed in the history of Jewish-Catholic relations equivalent only to the Second Vatican Council," the letter said.

The House members said that the establishment of diplomatic ties would not only foster improved Catholic-Jewish relations but would boost the friendship between the United States and the Holy See as well.

ACCORDING TO Rep. Charles E. Schumer, D-N.Y., an organizer of the letter, there is apparent disagreement within the Vatican over the question of recognizing Israel. "A split among the pope's advisers has been reported, with one side said to be supporting continuation of the Vatican's official policy of favoring the creation of a Palestinian homeland and the internationalization of Jerusalem, and the other side favoring closer ties with Israel, including official recognition," Schumer said.

"Vatican Secretary of State Agostino Cardinal Casaroli and the Vatican's administrative body are reportedly favoring the former course of action, while a group of Eastern European prelates, led by former Vatican communications office head Archbishop Andrzej Maria Deskur, are pushing for Israeli recognition," Schumer said in a press statement. He did not elaborate on the reports.

Schumer attributed the Vatican's policy of not recognizing Israel to "an effort to

preserve good relations with the Christian community in the Arab world."

The Vatican has expressed its hopes regarding both a homeland for Palestinians and security for Israel.

It has argued for a united Jerusalem but also insisted that the method of uniting the city and the juridical status of the united city must involve the whole international community because of Jerusalem's unique position as a holy city for the world's three great monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

The pope set off an international furor in 1982 when he met with Palestine

Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat.

After that meeting, the Vatican expressed "the hope that an equitable and lasting solution to the Mideast conflict may be reached as soon as possible, which solution, excluding recourse to violence in any form, and especially to terrorism and revenge, may lead to the recognition of the rights of all people, and in particular that of the Palestinian people to their own homeland and of Israel to its security."

In 1982, a Vatican official told NC News that the Vatican did not have diplomatic relations with either Israel or Jordan

because it had determined that diplomatic relations could only come with the resolution of the area's problems.

Catholics who signed the congressional letter were Reps. Richard Durbin, D-Ill.; Tony Coelho, D-Calif.; Dennis Eckart, D-Ohio; Ed Feighan, D-Ohio; Thomas Foglietta, D-Pa.; Barbara Kennelly, D-Calif.; Ray McGrath, R-N.Y.; Leon Panetta, D-Calif.; George Miller, D-Calif.; Marty Russo, D-Ill.; Gerry Sikorski, D-Minn.; Bruce Vento, D-Minn.; and George Wrobley, R-N.Y.

## Pope calls for peace in Chile

VATICAN CITY (NC)—Pope John Paul II has called for a return to peace in Chile, a country marked by strong anti-government dissent and a harsh crackdown by the military government on its opponents in November. He spoke Nov. 18 during his Sunday Angelus talk in St. Peter's Square.

On the same day a strongly worded pastoral letter was read in churches in Santiago, Chile, criticizing the state of siege imposed by the country's president, Gen. Augusto Pinochet. The letter, written by Archbishop Juan Francisco Fresno of Santiago, said the state of siege has worsened church-state relations, imposed censorship, allowed the government to raid shantytowns and allowed security forces to arbitrarily arrest people suspected of being government opponents.

## Protests persecution of bishop

(NC)—Bishop James W. Malone of Youngstown, Ohio, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, has written to President P.W. Botha of South Africa and U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz protesting the prosecution of Archbishop Denis Hurley of Durban, South Africa.

Cardinal Joseph L. Bernardin of Chicago also wrote to Archbishop Hurley

expressing his admiration for the archbishop's consistent defense of human rights.

Archbishop Hurley is scheduled to appear in court Feb. 18, 1985, on charges stemming from a 1983 press conference in which he accused a South African police counter-insurgency force called Koevoet (Crowbar) of committing atrocities in Namibia.

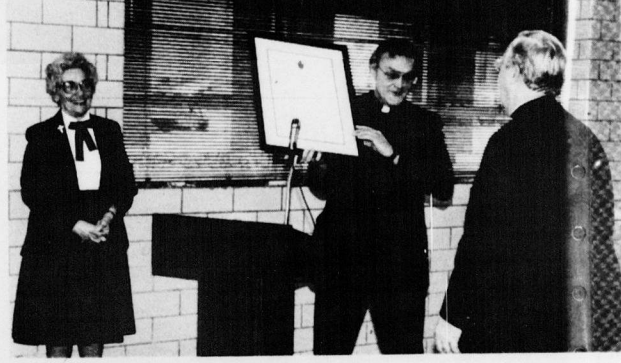
## Archbishop O'Meara given proclamation

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SURPRISE—At a Thanksgiving dinner for the Catholic Center staff, Msgr. Gerald Gettelfinger (center) surprised Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara with a proclamation commemorating the fifth anniversary of the archbishop's appointment to Indianapolis. Providence Sister Loretta Schafer looks on. (Photo by Jim Jachimik)

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## Advent figures: St. Joseph and the Grinch?

By Katharine Bird  
NC News Service

Neil Parent finds Advent a particularly good time to reflect on St. Joseph and how he handled himself during the difficult series of events surrounding the birth of Jesus.

"As a man and a father, my thoughts go to St. Joseph because he had to face a lot then," Parent added. "He had to cope with events in a small village where everything seemed to go wrong. And I wonder, did his family ostracize him for his marriage to Mary, who was already pregnant?"

Parent is representative for adult education with the U.S. Catholic Conference education department. During an interview, Parent explained how he, his wife, Lynn, and their 5- and 8-year-old daughters "focus in on our family" during Advent.

Since Advent coincides with cool days along the eastern seaboard where they live, the family often sets the stage for its reflections by lighting a fire and dimming the lights, Parent said. Then over hot chocolate they talk about the meaning of Christmas.

They use Advent and Christmas stories. And their special Advent prayers are taken from the psalms and the prophets. The children often add their own spontaneous prayers.

Parent commented that he and his wife use certain TV programs as a means of teaching their daughters about Christmas. "Some shows are commercialized," he admitted, "but some have significant religious underpinnings."

A favorite for the Parents is "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas," taken from a book by Dr. Seuss. In it, the Grinch steals all the presents and the Christmas decorations, expecting to destroy the villagers' joy in Christmas. Instead, the Grinch is astounded to discover that the villagers can still be happy as they gather together simply because it is Christmas.

Parent explained that watching

the Seuss tale together is a family event. Often he and his wife talk with their daughters about the show. He said his daughters get the message easily.

It comes through clearly that the real spirit of Christmas is not restricted to the presents, Parent said. It is "about the joyful coming together of people."

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Last year the Parent family prepared for Advent in a special way by participating in a pilot program with several other families. It was sponsored by Blessed Sacrament Parish in Alexandria, Va.

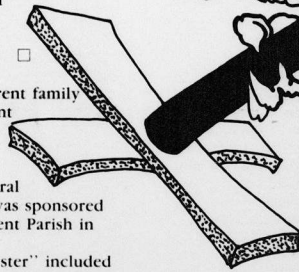
Each "family cluster" included four families who met regularly in each others' homes for a paratiturgical celebration, instruction on an Advent theme and a meal. Children ranged from preschool to high school age. Everyone was invited to take an active part in the evening's activities.

The children sometimes acted out a scene featuring an important biblical figure or a particular theme from Advent. This gave them a "definite impression of the message since they were in it body and soul," Parent said.

Families also shared their ideas on how to celebrate Advent. Parent said he finds this sort of sharing especially helpful in keeping Advent celebrations fresh from year to year. "It makes for a lot of cross fertilization," he added. "We can take an idea used by someone else, add a new wrinkle and then make it part of our celebration."

In his cluster, one family told about pooling their resources to buy a winter coat for a parish youngster.

Parent told how that happened. On the first Sunday of Advent the parish had set up two Christmas trees decorated with tags. On each tag a specific need was cited like



For educator Neil Parent and his family, Advent begins at home. In an interview with Katharine Bird, Parent tells how Advent preparation can turn into Advent animation. And he's not just talking cartoons.

this: "A boy needs a size 10 jacket." Parish families were invited to take a tag. If a large gift was needed, several families were asked to join forces.

On the last Sunday of Advent, Parent said, hundreds of gifts were brought up to the altar by parishioners. Later the gifts were distributed to the individuals in need.

"The family cluster was a tremendous experience for us last year," Parent volunteered. "Our

children saw adults working together and became aware of the wider extended parish family preparing to celebrate the Lord's birth."

The cluster experience reinforced Parent's conviction that an Advent celebration has several dimensions. "Advent calls for prayer, for sacrifice in serving others, and for joy."

(Ms. Bird is associate editor of Faith Today.)

# Spirits of the season

By Father John Gurrieri  
NC News Service

Whatever else one says about the theology in Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," it gives people who are pestered and bothered by Christmas preparations a glimpse into the meaning of generosity and giving.

Perhaps the ghosts who haunt Scrooge also hunt us out, scaring us into believing that Christmas is not just the bother or joy of shopping. It is a moment for which special preparation is necessary.

In a sense, the spirits of Christmas past, present and to come are the faces of the spirit of Advent.

The spirit of Advent?

When Pope John Paul II proclaimed a special holy year in 1983, his message really was about developing an Advent mentality in the 20th century's remaining years. There is more than a hint of what the pope had in mind in the church's readings and prayers for the Advent season and the songs of the four weeks preceding Christmas.

Advent is the time for remembering two important Christian realities:

- Christ was born for our salvation.

- Christ will come again.

What is needed to make more of Advent than a wreath of evergreens and candles or the Advent calendars coming back into fashion?

We get into the spirit of Christmas in late November, thanks to television and shopping malls. But what about Advent?

In a sense Advent spirit is present when we begin to plan gift giving, bake fruitcakes and think about decorating for Christmas. Preparing to celebrate Christmas means we are getting ready for the Lord, even if consciousness about the Lord sometimes ebbs in to oblivion.

But Advent is more. It is about the coming of Christ — and that both fascinates and frightens.

- It fascinates since we know that in Christ all things will come to fulfillment.

- It frightens since it also is about the end of time — the end of what we know, understand and perhaps cherish too much in this world.

It fascinates and frightens because today images of "The Day After" still linger to conjure up visions of horror and holocaust, of wars and rumors of war, of a "Star Wars" without Princess Leia or Chewbacca or the cuddly Ewoks.

Who can possibly know what path the Lord will take for the second coming? Who can second-

guess God? No one.

We don't know what the end will be like. Nor should we bother our heads about it, except to make sure we don't make it happen by pushing the panic button, or by destroying God's good green earth and azure skies.

Still we must prepare as though the worst is about to happen. The early church did that with great courage. And there's a lesson to be learned from our ancestors in faith.

We should not look for mountaintops to wait for Christ or shelters to hide from him either.

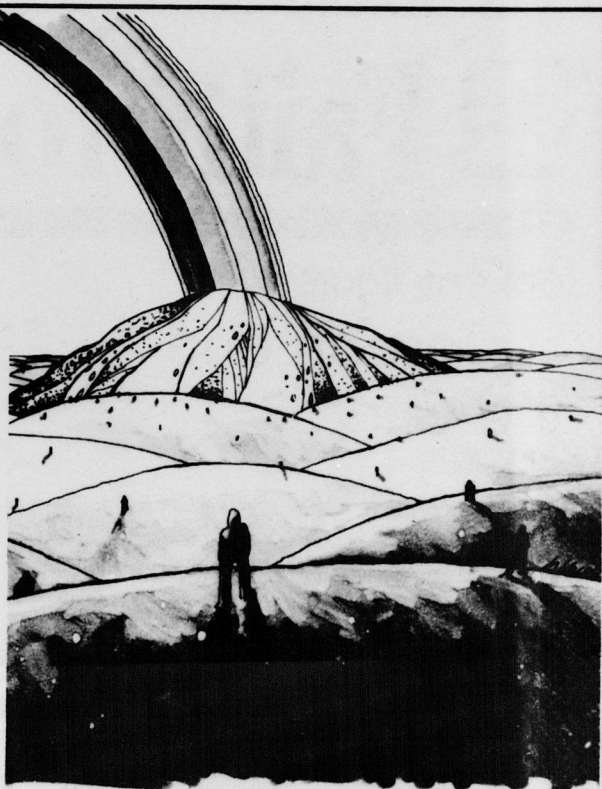
Developing an Advent mentality — Advent spirit — means preparing for this Christmas, this moment of God's generous love.

It means learning the generosity of the reformed sinner, Scrooge.

Perhaps like Scrooge we must be frightened into feeding the hungry and clothing the naked. Maybe we must have ghosts to haunt us — collective and personal ghosts who remember better than we the lessons of war, injustice, poverty, hunger and rage.

But wait just a minute. The true spirit of Advent is not the spirit of fear. The gentle Savior and his graceful mother can transform Dickens' poltergeists into spirits of hope in the Lord's final day — hope that takes form now in generosity, care for others and love that transforms the world.

*(Father Gurrieri is director of the U.S. bishops' Committee on the Liturgy.)*



## ADVENT - URE

## A string of unbroken prom

By Father John J. Castellet  
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Considering everything, Abraham had absolutely no reason to hope for an heir. But St. Paul tells us Abraham never doubted that he would become the father of many nations, as God had promised.

"Without growing weak in faith (Abraham) thought of his own body, which was as good as dead (for he was nearly a hundred years old), and of the dead womb of Sarah. Yet he never questioned or doubted God's promise; rather, he was strengthened in faith and gave glory to God, fully persuaded that God could do whatever he had promised" (Romans 4:18-21).

- Hope and faith are like two sides of one coin.

- Hope is based on the faith that God will keep his promises.

- And hope is what Advent peo-

ple are all about: They are people of unconquerable hope.

Faith and hope are so closely connected that when the author of the New Testament book of Hebrews speaks about faith he often means something closer to hope. He writes:

"By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called, and went forth to the place he was to receive as a heritage; he went forth, moreover, not knowing where he was going...By faith Sarah received power to conceive though she was past the age, for she thought that the One who had made the promises was worthy of trust.

"As a result of this faith, there came forth from one man, who was himself as good as dead, descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and the sands of the seashore" (Hebrews 11:8,11-12).

Hope was powerful. It sustained

God's people in the Old Testament. They suffered reverse after reverse, until the one remaining tribe of Judah was itself dragged into exile far from the homeland. But even then the people refused to give up hope. They were convinced that the Lord would not go back on his word. And he didn't. Once again God vindicated their hope and brought them back home to a new beginning.

In the New Testament, Luke portrays Jesus himself as one who trusted deeply. Even when it seemed that all hope was lost, Jesus could still say with his dying breath: "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit" (Luke 23:46).

One of the most reassuring sections of Scripture is found in Romans, chapters 5-8. The underlying theme of the chapters is hope — hope rooted in the certainty of God's love for us.

The tone is set right at the



# When somebody listened

By Sister Vera Gallagher, RGS  
NC News Service

Marvel believed she was stupid. The teen-ager didn't like school and never studied.

Out of necessity, her mother worked the midnight shift and her father worked days. Marvel began staying home to make sure her younger brother got off to school. Day by day the excuse became a habit; then Marvel quit school.

Her sister had missed only one day when the truant officer showed up. But the little brother had missed lots of school, and Marvel, 15, never went. "You must attend school," she was told. But she didn't want to listen.

Because the parents, who needed to work, were home so irregularly, the juvenile court took over the children's supervision.

Marvel and her sister spent two weeks at the juvenile center while the court looked into the situation. Except for skipping school, the two sisters had done nothing wrong. But Marvel was shocked as she listened to the stories other children told.

The judge sent Marvel to live at a home for teen-agers run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Detroit. "The Sisters have taken care of teen-agers like you for more than a hundred years," he said. "You need education and loving care."

A Sister who was a psychologist gave Marvel intelligence and aptitude tests. She'd been tested at the center, and hated taking tests twice. But she tried.

Then the Sister said, "I'm going to test you again."

"Why?" cried Marvel. "Am I that dumb?"

The Sister smiled. "You tested higher than any girl we've seen," she explained. "I want to make sure."

Marvel stood there amazed. She? Everybody always said she was stupid. Marvel couldn't believe her ears.

Marvel lived in a calm atmosphere in the Good Shepherd home. She could study at night. After attending school regularly for a few months, learning became easy.

Then the day came for Marvel to leave. The principal explained that with one more year Marvel could graduate from high school prepared to be a cosmetologist.

Marvel decided to stay until she was 18.

With the Sisters, Marvel listened to scripture readings at Mass, met God and learned to love him.

After she got married, Marvel kept thinking about all the help she had received. She remembered the boys and girls she had met in the juvenile detention center.

"Somebody helped me," she said to herself. "When I thought I was stupid, somebody listened. I've got to pass it on."

Only 19, Marvel Davis petitioned the Monroe County Juvenile Court in Michigan to license her home for foster children in need of court supervision. She is licensed for six.

Now 35, she has helped 128 foster children and has adopted two.

"One came at age 2," she says, "but he'd bounced around to so many foster homes that he was frightened. He didn't laugh, didn't talk. I couldn't let him move again, ever. He's grown into a happy child now. I'm his mother and my husband is his dad. Somebody listened to my needs. I listened to his."

Being a foster parent is not always easy, Mrs. Davis says. The children, especially teen-agers, come with problems. Sometimes Marvel and her husband worry about them and pray for them.

Many of Marvel's foster children have graduated; some are working; others have gone to college. Most went back home. And by following the example she set in listening, they found it easier to get along with their families.

Advent is a time for listening. Advent is celebrated because Mary listened to God's message to her.

Today, if we listen, will we too hear God's voice?

*(Sister Gallagher is a free-lance writer in Seattle, Wash.)*

# FOOD...

## ...for thought

The care of an infant does not begin on the day of its birth. It begins months before, as any expectant mother making her way back and forth to prenatal visits in a crowded doctor's office knows.

An expectant mother looks ahead to her due date with great hope:

- She longs, with occasional moments of trepidation, for the child to arrive.

- She realizes how much new life already is present as she feels the child moving and kicking inside her.

- She makes arrangements for the birth and the days after.

- She ponders the change the baby will bring to her life.

- She spends time thinking through the impact a new child will have on the other family members.

In short, an expectant mother does much more than wait passively. She is actively involved now in the life of the new child.

Advent is a season of expectation for God's people. And the example of the expectant mother helps to illustrate the meaning of this "expectation."

A person with great expectations is not a passive bystander in life. The expectant person gets actively involved now with events that are to unfold more fully in the future.

Similarly, people of Advent are not passive bystanders who merely wait for Christmas some weeks off. As expectant people, they begin taking action now in light of events which are about to unfold more fully on Christmas.

- Advent people think about feeding the hungry, clothing the naked and sheltering the homeless.

- Advent people concentrate on ways to express compassion and to heal wounds.

- Advent people ask whether there is a need for peacemaking in their own homes, their neighborhoods, their world, and what they can do about it.

It is more than difficult to be a genuinely expectant person if one has lost hope in life. How can a person who lacks hope look ahead longingly to the future? How can a person without hope get actively involved in preparing the way for future events?

"Make ready the way of the Lord, clear him a straight path," John the Baptizer shouts out in the desert as the Gospel of Mark begins. His words serve virtually as a theme for Advent.

Advent is a season when people face crucial questions:

Who lacks hope?

How can hope be given now to those who have little or none of it?

## ...for discussion

1. Think about people who lack hope in life. Do you believe it is possible for hopeful people to communicate hope to others?

2. How will you observe Advent at home? What does "preparing for Christmas" mean to you?

3. Father John Gurrieri talks about developing "an Advent mentality." What does he mean? Does he suggest any ways for doing this?

4. Why does Father John Castellet say, "Hope is what Advent people are all about?"

5. In Katharine Bird's article, Neil Parent suggests that Advent is not just a time for preparation but is also a time for action. What kinds of social action could you engage in this Advent?

## SECOND HELPINGS

"Advent, Christmas '84: Family Prayers and Activities," by Patrick Dooling and Corinne Hart. This booklet is for families and small groups who want to observe Advent at home. Some suggestions might be tried at the dinner table. Points to discuss, brief readings, prayers and activities are included. Readers are reminded that "there is no right way" to carry out these ideas. "Phones will interrupt, absences occur." But "perfection is not the point." Families, the authors suggest, might ask how God's coming changes people: "Whenever God comes close to us, we must move. We can no longer stay the same." Included are activities for Christmas and Epiphany. (Franciscan Communications, 1229 S. Santee St., Los Angeles, Calif. 90015. 1-99 copies, 40 cents each, plus postage.)

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beginning of the chapters: "We know that affliction makes for endurance, and endurance for tested virtue, and tested virtue for hope. And this hope will not leave us disappointed" (Romans 5:3-5).

In fact, the whole created universe is sustained by hope in the vision offered by these chapters in Romans. And together with creation, "we ourselves, although we have the Spirit as first fruits, groan inwardly as we await the redemption of our bodies. In hope we were saved."

"But hope is not hope if its object is seen; how is it possible for one to hope for what he sees? And hoping for what we cannot see means awaiting it with patient endurance" (Romans 8:23-25).

*(Father Castellet teaches at St. John's Seminary, Plymouth, Mich.)*

# CHILDREN'S STORY HOUR

## How Judy prepared for Christmas

By Janaan Manternach  
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"This is going to be a terrible Christmas," Molly told her best friend.

"Why?" asked Judy. She wondered why Molly seemed so down.

"My father has been looking for a job for months and he can't find one," Molly said. She began to cry. "Mom told us kids that we might not get presents for Christmas. She said she wasn't sure there would be money for that."

Judy felt terrible. During afternoon classes she couldn't keep her mind on what the teacher wanted. She imagined Molly's house at Christmas with no gifts. Something inside her cried at the image of so bare a Christmas at her best friend's house.

"Mom, do you know what?" she began as soon as she got home. "Molly's dad still doesn't have a job. And Molly might not have any presents for Christmas."

Judy's mother looked at her, then sat down at the kitchen table. "Sit down, Judy, and we'll talk about it."

"What can we do?" Judy asked. "I feel sad for Molly."

"Let's think hard," her mother said. "I'm sure we can think of something."

"I've got an idea," Judy said. "Maybe we could give up some things from now until Christmas. We could keep track of how much money that saves. Then just before Christmas you could give the money to Molly's parents."

"That's a great idea, Judy. And maybe we could agree to give each other fewer gifts this year. That would save still more money that we could share with Molly's parents."

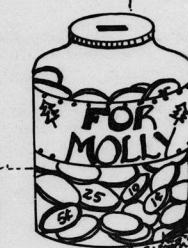
During the rest of Advent both Judy and her mother gave up something every day and kept track of the money they were saving. Judy gave up the candy and ice cream she usually had at school.

"I can't believe mother is ac-

tually giving up smoking from now until Christmas," Judy thought to herself. "That will save a lot of money for Molly. I wonder what mother will get for me."

Judy worked a little every day on a book for her mother, with her own drawings and stories. That would be something special for Christmas and it wouldn't cost anything.

Four days before Christmas Judy and her mother sat down and counted up the money they had saved.



"I think we have a little more than \$100 for Molly's parents," Judy's mother concluded. "Isn't that great! I'll see to it that they have this today."

"And Judy. It was your idea," her mother recalled. "Thanks to you, I think this will be our best Christmas ever."

(Ms. Manternach is the author of catechetical works, scripture stories and original stories for children.)

### Family Advent Activities

Here are two activities children and their families can do this Advent.

1. **Secret Friends.** At the beginning of Advent, put the names of all family members in a hat. Everyone draws a name. During Advent, do nice things for the person whose name you drew. Keep the name a secret.

2. **Advent Calendar.** Cut the appropriate number of "doors" or "windows," one for each day of Advent, on a piece of construction paper. Paste the construction paper over a picture of the Nativity. Each day of the Advent season a door may be folded open and gradually the different elements of the scene come into view.



### HOW ABOUT YOU?

□ Judy has a brainstorm in our story this week. Do you have a brainstorm for Advent? What can you do for others during Advent?

#### Children's Reading Corner

"Sunrise in the Mountains" is a story by Natalie Savage Carlson. Children and adults might enjoy reading it together. Afterward they might talk together about kindness and trust in everyday life. In the story, Old Quill, a gold prospector, prepares for Christmas even though he is pretty sure that he and his burro can't make it through the winter. His findings have been skimpy; his gold dust is all used up. But Old Quill always shared his food with the wild creatures that lived in the mountains with him. And on Christmas morning Old Quill wakes up to find a gift, a gold nugget. He is overjoyed and as he shows it to his burro, he says, "See? We got a Christmas gift from a grateful packrat. It will last us till spring thaws the cricks. Now all of us will have a bite to eat once we've dropped in at the tradin' post." (Harper and Row Publishers, 10 East 53rd St., New York, N.Y. 10022. 1983. Hardback, \$9.95.)

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# Advent time to prepare

by Friar Christopher Mitchell, OFM Conv.

The warm days of autumn are gone. The leaves have been raked and the trees are barren. Winter has begun its month-long assault. Preparing to hibernate, we seal our windows, close our doors and busy ourselves with thoughts of Christmas and the New Year. What gifts shall we buy this year? When shall we decorate the house? How can we avoid the crowds at the department stores? But what about our spiritual preparation for Christmas? How can we celebrate more fully the true meaning of the feast of Christmas, the feast of our God's coming among us?

Advent is the liturgical season of preparation specifically intended to make us more aware of the spectacular significance of Christmas. The message of Advent is clear: joyful anticipation of the coming of our Messiah, the bearer of our salvation. Wholeheartedly we join with all the church in praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

And yet, can we not make Christ present again through our very lives? This is indeed our vocation as Christians—we are called to manifest Christ to those around us. We are to incarnate Christ in our lives and bear witness to Emmanuel, "God With Us." This is much easier to say, however, than it is to put into practice.

In St. Luke's account of the Gospel, Jesus sets the tone of his mission by reading from the prophet Isaiah:

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, therefore, he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives, Recovery of sight to the blind and release to prisoners, To announce a year of favor from the Lord.

—Luke 4:18-19

Jesus' mission was to bear the Father's love to those whom the world had rejected—the poor, the lame, the blind. We, too, are called to announce "glad tidings" to those rejected by our own society—the homeless, the unemployed, the drug addicts; all those marginalized by the "system." By our lives, we are to demonstrate that, indeed, "God is with us."

We can respond to this Gospel call for ministry in many ways. We can volunteer at a local soup kitchen. We can visit the sick or imprisoned. We can offer our services at any of the many charitable organizations operating in our community. What we do is not important; rather, it is more important that we do in fact put our faith into practice, to incarnate Christ and make him present once more.

As the hustle and bustle of the holiday season approaches and we busy ourselves with our many activities, let us keep in mind our need to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas—the mystery and the wonder of Christ's presence among us.

## THE SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

DECEMBER 2, 1984

by Fr.  
Owen F.  
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Isaiah 63:16-17, 19;  
64:2-7  
1 Corinthians 1:3-9  
Mark 13:33-37

**Background:** The first reading in this Sunday's liturgy of the Word is from the last of three sections in the book of Isaiah. Sombreness, even frustration, dominate those chapters.

Essentially, Trito-Isaiah's message is that God alone saves, nothing is sufficient without him.

St. Paul's first letter to the Christians of Corinth also proclaims that salvation and peace reside only in the Lord. The apostle's early converts in the great Greek city of Corinth met many temptations to leave their new faith. He encouraged them to resist everything—to find everything in Jesus.

The ancient Gospel of Mark supplies today's third reading. This passage follows an announcement by Jesus regarding the end of the world. When will the world end—for society or for any individual person? No human being knows that, Jesus asserts.

Mark is interested in salvation throughout his gospel. It is achieved in teaching who brought the good news.

**Reflection:** This Sunday begins the splendid church season of Advent. Observed for a thousand years in Christianity, its music, symbols and traditions are varied and golden.

The season awaits the feast of the Nativity, Christmas. But to reduce it to being a countdown for a great day is to discard much of its value.

Distantly, Advent looks to the final fulfillment of all things in Christ. More personally, it calls Christians to awaken to the reality around them. Salvation and peace only come through Christ. To ignore him is to invite the bitter consequences of imperfect human reasoning and misdirected human longings.

To accept Christ, however, is no momentary or casual choice. It requires lifelong devotion. And it will inevitably meet temptations as those confronting the ancient Corinthians.

Salvation is its product, however, and God's strong presence with us—in this life and always.

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## the Saints *by Luke*

**ST. ANDREW**  
A FOLLOWER OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, ANDREW WAS WITH HIM THE DAY JOHN SIGHELD THE SAVIOR IN THE CROWD AND CRIED OUT, "BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD."... LATER THE TWO ASKED JESUS, "WHERE DO YOU LIVE, MASTER?" AND OUR LORD SAID, "COME AND SEE." THEY STAYED WITH JESUS THAT DAY AND ANDREW RUSHED HOME TO TELL HIS BROTHER PETER, "WE HAVE FOUND THE MESSIAH," HE SAID, AND LED PETER TO JESUS.

ANDREW WAS ONE OF THE FISHERMEN OF BETHSAIDA. ONE DAY JESUS TOLD PETER AND ANDREW, "GO TO THE DEEP WATER AND LET DOWN YOUR NETS." "MASTER," SAID PETER, "WE HAVE BEEN FISHING ALL NIGHT, BUT HAVE CAUGHT NOTHING." WHEN THEY LOWERED THE NETS THEY CAUGHT SO MANY FISH THEY COULDN'T PULL THE NETS UP. JESUS SAID, "FOLLOW ME, AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN." AND AT ONCE THEY GAVE UP THEIR WORK AND FOLLOWED JESUS. ANDREW WAS ONE OF THE FIRST FOUR TO BE CHOSEN.

IT WAS ANDREW WHO TOLD JESUS OF THE LITTLE BOY WHO HAD FIVE BARLEY LOAVES AND TWO FISHES, WHICH OUR LORD MULTIPLIED AND FED OVER 5000 PEOPLE. ANDREW PREACHED IN WHAT IS NOW RUSSIA, POLAND AND GREECE. IT IS SAID THAT HE WAS CRUCIFIED AT PATRAS ON AN 'X'-SHAPE CROSS. HE IS CALLED PATRON SAINT OF RUSSIA AND SCOTLAND. THE FEAST OF ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE IS NOV. 30.



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# The bishops and the U.S. economy: poverty

by Jerry Fliteau

"The fact that so many people are poor in a nation as wealthy as ours is a social and moral scandal," says the first draft of a pastoral letter by the U.S. bishops on Catholic social teaching and the American economy.

Poverty is one of five major issues the document addresses. In that section it calls for a major reform in the U.S. welfare system. It also urges significant changes in American tax policies, the treatment of women, employment policy and the distribution of wealth in the country.

The draft pastoral is scheduled to be debated and revised twice over the next year before coming to a final vote by the nation's bishops in November 1985.

The chapter on poverty says that any realistic effort to combat poverty in the United States must begin with creation of new jobs and a policy of full employment.

SOME OF THE draft's most controversial conclusions arise in its treatment of poverty. It begins with factual analyses of who the poor in America are, rebutting assertions about poverty arising from lack of motivation, about a class of able-bodied poor unable to work, and about America breeding a new class of welfare dependents.

The persistently poor, it notes, are practically all retired, disabled, single parents with pre-school children, or working at wages too low to bring them above the poverty line. These groups make up a significant portion of the poor in America at any given time, but they are only about 10 percent of the roughly 50 million Americans—a fourth of the total population—who have been in poverty at some time in the past decade.

Of the others, the draft says, studies show that most are pushed temporarily into poverty by such things as job loss, illness, disability, or change in family circumstance such as divorce or the death of a spouse.

Noting that disproportionate numbers of the poor are women and minorities, it says that continuing racial and ethnic discrimination and the institutionalized economic disadvantages that women confront must be overcome.

It particularly attacks the "gross inequalities" in the distribution of wealth and income in the United States, saying that such massive disparity violates the

"minimum standard of distributive justice" demanded by Catholic social teaching.

The poorest fifth of the U.S. population received only four percent of the total personal income in the country in 1982, and the poorest two-fifths got only 13 percent, the draft says. The richest fifth got 49 percent of the total income that year, it says.

It adds that the disparity is even more evident if ownership of wealth is used as a measure: the bottom half of American families hold only four percent of the net wealth in the nation, while the top one percent own 20 percent and the top four percent own 43 percent.

THE DRAFT CALLS for tax reforms that reduce or eliminate tax burdens on the poor, complaining that recent tax reforms have done exactly the opposite, increasing the burden on the poor while reducing it for the rich.

The draft also calls for programs and policies that stimulate self-help programs among the poor, stressing that small, locally based programs are most effective and suggesting that government assistance should come mainly through partnerships with the private sector.

It also urges a commitment to improved education among the poor as an essential basis for moving out of poverty. It seeks improved child care assistance and services by both government and employers, to reduce the obstacles to employment of parents with small children.

The draft calls public welfare "the only economic safety net" for millions of poor. It urges "major reform" to unify the system and rid it of many "punitive" and "humiliating" aspects.

It also calls for far greater public understanding of the real facts about poverty and welfare. "In few areas is misinformation and misrepresentation as rampant as in discussions of welfare," it comments.

It sharply challenges American attitudes toward welfare, noting that "the middle classes receive far more from the federal government than do the poor" through policies ranging from interest and real estate tax deductions to veterans' allowances, college loans and farm price supports.

AMONG MAJOR recommendations the draft makes for welfare reform are:



POVERTY IN AMERICA—On a Washington street, a homeless woman digs through a trash container for anything she can salvage. In their pastoral letter on the U.S. economy, the American bishops call it a "scandal" that so many people are poor in a nation as wealthy as America. (NC photo by Pamela Marisa Nixon)

►Sufficient funding to give recipients "decent support" and cover all basic needs.

►National eligibility standards and minimum benefit levels, with gradual consolidation of current programs into a unified system.

►Broader coverage for poor two-parent families to assure that welfare programs aim at strengthening rather than weakening the family.

►Programs designed to encourage rather than penalize gainful employment, but at the same time to recognize the value of work in the home, particularly in caring for children and other dependents.

►Participation of the poor in designing welfare programs.

►Elimination of program aspects that isolate or stigmatize the poor, such as replacing food stamps or vouchers with cash grants.

►Respect for the poor in the administration of programs.

"The needy should not have to suffer assaults on their dignity simply because they are needy," the draft says.

It also calls for "a moratorium on rhetoric about 'welfare cheaters' and on stereotypes of welfare recipients."

The draft comments: "It is hard enough to be poor in this country without having to

bear the slurs of the ill-informed or the taunts of the prejudiced. Our welfare system has many flaws, but if it errs in any direction it is in doing too little rather than too much for the needy."

Next: Collaboration and cooperation.

## St. Meinrad hosts bishops

St. Meinrad Seminary was host for its annual reception and dinner for bishops in Washington, D.C., on Nov. 12. About 56 bishops attended the reception and 36 stayed for dinner.

The purpose of the dinner is to make contact with those bishops who have students at St. Meinrad.

Father Daniel Buechlein, O.S.B., president-rector of the seminary, spoke on "The Case for St. Meinrad College Seminary." Indianapolis Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara gave an enthusiastic endorsement of the seminary and complimented the monastic community for its dedication and commitment to seminary work.

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# New pastoral 'a Santa Claus wish list,' Simon says

by Tracy Early

NEW YORK (NC)—The first draft of the U.S. bishops' pastoral letter on the economy "basically resembles a Santa Claus wish list," former U.S. Treasury Secretary William Simon said in an interview Nov. 21.

Simon is chairman of the Lay Commission on Catholic Social Teaching and the U.S. Economy, an independent group of prominent Catholic laity which issued its own study, parallel to that of the bishops, on Catholic teaching and economic issues shortly before the bishops' draft was released.

The bishops' draft, Simon said, proposes solutions that have already been tried and did not work.

"In the '60s and '70s we spent over a trillion dollars on mammoth government and entitlement programs," he said. "So many of those programs just wasted money."

"The bishops' letter basically resembles a Santa Claus wish list. It doesn't direct itself to the creation of wealth but only to redistribution. It proposes a government solution for every one of our economic woes, but we've tried all those solutions."

"The letter doesn't talk about where the money is coming from," he added.

SIMON WAS interviewed in the New York offices of the John Olin Foundation, which he chairs. The foundation specializes in grants to "think tanks" and support of university professorships and fellowships.

Simon said that he had not yet read all the draft of the bishops' pastoral, which was released Nov. 11. But he said the lay commission was developing a paper to summarize the critical points of difference, and he hoped its steering committee could hold discussions with the pastoral drafting committee, headed by Archbishop Rembert Weakland of Milwaukee.

"We don't take this document (the pastoral) lightly," Simon said. "There will

be a vote, and if it becomes an encyclical, it will be an important teaching document in institutions of higher learning and in the Catholic school system. So it is important to have other points of view substituted or included."

The lay letter issued by Simon's commission argues that the primary way an economic system contributes to social justice is by making wealth grow rather than by redistributing what is already there. The letter says that, despite its imperfections, the American experiment in democratic capitalism has been one of the greatest successes in history in battling humanity's twin enemies of poverty and tyranny, and church teaching on social justice could learn important lessons from studying that success story more closely.

SIMON, WHO WAS treasury secretary under President Ford, is chairman of Wesray, an investment firm in Morristown, N.J., and he lives in New Vernon, N.J., both towns located in the Diocese of Paterson.

He said he had discussed the lay commission's work with Bishop Frank Rodimer of Paterson, Bishop Theodore McCarrick of Metuchen, N.J., and Archbishop John J. O'Connor of New York. He said that he and other members of the lay commission would be engaging in further efforts to influence the pastoral as it moved through the process of revision.

Simon said the lay commission agreed with the bishops that economic problems require an "institutional" as well as an "individual" response, and that society must help the unfortunate who cannot take care of themselves. "But government cannot be the lasting solution to our problems," he said. "Government has a role, but it is not the expanded role the bishops recommend."

Reports that members of the lay commission decided to write their letter because they expected a "massive assault on capitalism" from the bishops were incorrect, Simon said. Rather, he said, they

wished to examine the question of whether some conflict existed between their lives as Catholics and their participation as "entrepreneurs, managers or whatever" in the free enterprise system.

He said their study concluded that no conflict existed. "We don't have to compromise on our religious principles to live in our society," he said. "American Catholics are performing their economic functions in a highly moral system based on individual freedom. The religious, political and economic aspects have all advanced under this banner."

THOUGH HE AND some other commission members will be continuing their efforts to get their viewpoint across to the bishops, he said, the commission has essentially completed its work, and will not become a continuing body.

Simon said he was unaware that a Subcommittee on the Family and Poverty had been set up under commission auspices.

James McFadden, a commission

member and president of its sponsoring body, the American Catholic Committee, announced Nov. 8 that he was forming and heading the subcommittee. It would seek to make "practical proposals" to fight poverty and threats to family life, McFadden said.

Simon said he had no objection to McFadden undertaking such a project.

Michael Joyce, the sole staff executive of the John Olin Foundation and Simon's deputy in managing much of the lay commission's work, said McFadden was among those wanting the commission to make more specific proposals. But he said that the commission had decided it could not reach consensus on specifics and would restrict itself to principles.

Joyce said that raising funds for the commission had been difficult, but that about \$80,000 had been secured so far from individuals, corporations and foundations, including the John Olin Foundation. Expenses for the lay commission, which held a series of public hearings, have been about \$100,000, he said.



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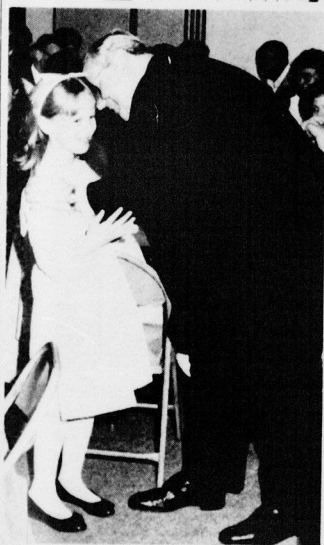
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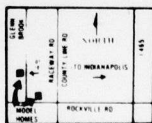


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Send to: The Active List, 1400 N. Meridian St., P.O. Box 1410, Indianapolis, IN 46206

## November 30

Nativity Parish begins a Christian Community Retreat at 7 p.m. today, continuing through Tuesday, Dec. 4 under the direction of Beth Ann Hughes and Holy Cross Father Robert Nogosek from Beech Grove Benedictine Center. Babysitting provided.

## November 30-December 1-2

A Marriage Encounter weekend will be held at Mount St. Francis Retreat Center. Phone 812-491-9583 for information.

A Retreat for high school juniors sponsored by the New Albany Deane Catholic Youth Ministry will be held at Mount St. Francis Retreat Center. Cost \$37.

## December 1

The Sisters of Providence at Holy Cross School will sponsor a Chili Supper from 5 to 8 p.m. Adults \$2.50, children \$1.50, under 5 free. Raffle and auction.

A training program for adults in the 7th and 8th grade "Growing Up Sexual" program will be held from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Holy

Family Parish, Oldenburg. Call 317-236-1596 for information.

Holy Angels Church will present a Christmas Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Unique gifts, door prizes, photos with black Santa and free candy for kids.

Pancakes with Santa will be sponsored by the Beech Grove Benedictine Center Auxiliary from 8:30 to 11 a.m. at the Center, 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove. Age 12 and under \$1.50, adults \$2.50. Call 788-7581 for reservations or purchase tickets at the center daily between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

St. Ann Parish will present its third annual Christmas Craft Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the school basement, 2850 S. Holt Rd. Table rental \$15 for the day. Hot soup and sandwiches available. Santa will be on hand for photos between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Call 244-6564, 248-1373 or 856-6744 for information.

The Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima will hold its First Saturday Holy Hour at 2:30 p.m. in St. Jude Church, 5353 McFarland Rd.

Women in Christian Service of St. Barnabas Church, 8300 S.

Rahke Rd., will hold a Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Raffles for Cabbage Patch doll and comforter.

St. Simon's Cub Scout Pack #488 will host a Parish Chili Supper from 6 to 8 p.m. in the cafeteria. Prices range from \$1 to \$2.25. A Christmas Boutique sponsored by St. Simon PFO will coincide with the supper.

St. Joseph Knights of Columbus will present a Las Vegas Night for adults only from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. at 4332 N. German Church Rd. Free draft beer from 8 to 11 p.m. Admission \$1.

The Fifth Wheeler Club annual Christmas Party will be held in the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., beginning with Happy Hour from 5 to 6 p.m. Dinner, entertainment, music: \$2 gift exchange.

## December 1-2

St. Michael Church, 3354 W. 30th St., will present its second annual Arts and Crafts Fair from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sat. and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sun. Christmas Cafe, fabric art, Victorian and contemporary crafts.

St. Bernadette Church's Annual Christmas Bazaar will be

held from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Sat. and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sun. at 4626 Fletcher Ave. Hand-crafted Christmas ornaments, gifts, baked goods and white elephants.

The Beech Grove Benedictine Senior Sisters Bazaar will be held at Our Lady of Grace Convent, 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sat. and from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sun. Hand-made craft items and baked goods.

## December 2

St. John's fifth annual Festival of Arts will present Marilyn Martin, mezzo-soprano, and Catherine Bringerud, piano, in concert at 4:30 p.m. in St. John's Church, 126 W. Georgia St. Mass follows at 5:30 p.m.

A "Festival of Three Masters" concert featuring works by Handel, Schuetz and J.S. Bach, and a holiday dinner will be presented from 5 to 9 p.m. in Second Presbyterian Church. \$12 tickets may be purchased by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: Second Presbyterian Church Music Dept., 7700 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46260.

A Sign Mass for the Deaf is celebrated at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday in St. Joan of Arc Church, 42nd and Central.

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for quiet prayer and reflection from noon until Benediction at 5 p.m. in St. Joan of Arc Church, 4200 N. Central Ave.

The Providence Guild of Providence High School, Clarksville, will sponsor a Production 84 fashion show created by Denise Mattingly. Champagne and hors d'oeuvres from 7-8 p.m., seating at 8 p.m. Adults \$5, students \$2. Call 812-948-1107 or 812-945-3350 for reservations.

Secunia Memorial High School will hold its annual Open House from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Reception by Secunia Booster Club. Drawing for Tuition Reduction Awards.

The PTO of St. Mary Parish, Aurora, will sponsor its annual Holiday Smorgasbord and Boutique from noon to 6 p.m. in the school cafeteria, 211 Fourth St. Turkey or ham dinner with trimmings. Adults \$5, children 6-12 \$2.50, pre-schoolers free.

St. Vincent de Paul Parish, 1711 S. "I" St., Bedford, will hold a Christmas Pitch-in Dinner and Social at 4:30 p.m. in the school



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St. Andrew Parish, 240 S. 8th St., Richmond, will present Earlham professor Dr. George Lopez speaking on "Advent—A Time for Peace and Justice" from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

## December 2-3

Immaculate Conception Academy, Oldenburg, will present its annual music department concert, "A Kaleidoscope of Seasons," at 7:30 p.m. on Sun. and at 7 p.m. on Mon. Adults \$2, children and students \$1.

## December 3

Beech Grove Benedictine Center Auxiliary will hold its annual Christmas party at 12 noon in the Center.

## December 4

A Day of Recollection for men and women of all ages will be held at Mount St. Francis Retreat Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information call 812-923-8817.

Father John Maung will conduct an Over 50 Day entitled "When Night Comes" from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St. \$6 donation. Call 545-7681 for information.

St. Maurice Parish, Napoleon, will hold the second of two free sessions on the Sacrament of

Reconciliation in the Catholic Church Today at 7:30 p.m.

## December 5

Father Robert Gilday will conduct a Leisure Day on the theme "How Can We Understand Sin and Forgiveness Today?" from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St. \$6 donation for mothers and \$2 for each child. Call 545-7681 for information.

St. Joan of Arc Adult Catechetical Team will present the first session of a two-part program on "Christmas: God's Invitation to Intimacy" at 7:30 p.m. in the parish center, Benedictine Fr. Hilary Ottensmeyer will speak on "How Do You Know That You Love God?" Call 283-5508 for information.

## December 7

A Christmas Open House sponsored by Catholic Social Services and related agencies will be held on the second floor of the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. No transportation provided. Call 236-1550 if you plan to attend.

First Friday devotions of Rosary and Way of the Cross will precede the noon Mass at 11:40 a.m. in St. Mary Church, 317 N. New Jersey St. Refreshments afterward.

## December 7-8-9

A Charismatic Retreat will be held at Alverna Retreat Center, 8140 Spring Mill Rd. Call 257-7358 for information.

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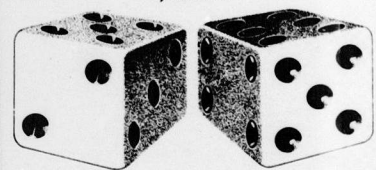
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# More Salvadoran peace talks set

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (NC)—El Salvador government and guerrilla representatives were scheduled to meet Nov. 30 for a second round of peace talks, Archbishop Arturo Rivera Damas of San Salvador said Nov. 25.

Archbishop Rivera Damas announced

## Homosexuality dispute continues

NEW YORK (NC)—Two months after one judge upheld the New York Archdiocese in its dispute with the city over hiring homosexuals, another has ruled against it. An attorney for the city said the two decisions are separate, but an attorney for the archdiocese said the first ruling overrode the second.

Judge David Saxe of the New York State Supreme Court Nov. 15 upheld the right of the New York City Board of Estimate to require that agencies providing contractual services to the city agree not to discriminate against homosexuals in hiring.

the talks during a homily at San Salvador's National Cathedral.

Government officials said the talks will deal with procedures and agendas for future meetings.

A site for the second meeting has not yet been set because of "security reasons," the archbishop said.

The archbishop acted as a go-between in settling details for the first round of peace talks, which were held Oct. 15 inside a Catholic church at the small town of La Palma, El Salvador.

During those talks, guerrilla leaders and prominent government figures, including Salvadoran President Jose Napoleon Duarte, held face-to-face talks for the first time in an effort to end the nation's five-year civil war. An estimated 50,000 civilians have been killed during the war.

The Washington Post reported Nov. 26 that both sides fear that extremist opponents of the talks might attempt to sabotage the meeting.

President Duarte has said he will not

attend the second round of talks because no substantive matters are scheduled for discussion. He said Nov. 25 that the government's negotiating team for the second meeting would be led by Minister to the Presidency Julio Adolfo Rey Prendes and would also include First Vice President Abraham Rodriguez, Minister of Coordination Fidel Chavez Mena, and Vice Minister of Defense for Security Affairs Col. Renaldo Lopez Nuila.

The guerrilla delegation was expected to be named later.

The peace talks follow numerous appeals for negotiations by Pope John Paul II and by Archbishop Rivera Damas and other Salvadoran church leaders.

Prior to Duarte's election, the Salvadoran government had opposed meeting with the guerrillas, while the rebels had generally favored talks.

Duarte proposed Oct. 8 that the two sides meet.

The initial talks were witnessed by Archbishop Rivera Damas and three other Salvadoran Catholic Church officials.

## The Active List

Continued

Benedictine Father Alban Berling will conduct an Advent Retreat on the theme "Waiting with Our Blessed Lady" at Kordes Enrichment Center, R.R. 3, Box 200, Ferdinand, Ind. 47522. \$15 for retreat, \$45 for room and meals.

A Scheduled Directed Prayer Weekend will be held at Kordes Enrichment Center, Ferdinand. Cost \$45.

### December 8

The Catholic Widowed Organization (CWO) will enjoy a Christmas Party at Chatham Walk Clubhouse.

A Day of Reflection on the theme "Advent—A Time of Waiting With Mary" will be held at Kordes Enrichment Center, Ferdinand, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. EST. \$10 fee includes lunch. Call Sr. Joella Kidwell at 812-367-2777 to register.

### December 8-9

The Altar Society of St. Joseph Parish, Terre Haute, will hold a Christmas Bazaar in the Gregorian Room from 3 to 7 p.m. on Sat. and from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sun. Homemade crafts and foods.

St. Anthony Parish Altar Society will sponsor a Christmas Boutique at 379 N. Warman Ave. from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sat. and from 8 a.m. to 12 noon on Sun. Booths, cafe, treasures, gift boxes.

### December 9

A Sign Mass for the Deaf is celebrated at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday in St. Joan of Arc Church, 42nd and Central.

Providence High School, Clarksville, will present "Christmas at Home," its annual Christmas Concert, at 7 p.m. Admission \$1; pre-schoolers free.

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# Pope invites all youth

by Agostino Bono

VATICAN CITY (NC)—Noting that 1985 has been designated as the International Year for Youths by the United Nations, Pope John Paul II has invited the world's youths to initiate the 1985 Holy Week with him in Rome.

During his Nov. 25 Sunday Angelus talk, the pope said that the church must use the specially designated year to "give testimony and an original contribution along with all the youths that have encountered Christ," the pope said.

The pope invited youths to join him at a Vatican-sponsored youth rally on March 30-31, 1985, the dates for Palm Sunday and the preceding Saturday.

"Let us celebrate, let us proclaim, let us give testimony together that Christ is our peace," the pope said. "I ask the bishops' conferences of every nation and all the international Catholic movements and associations to support this initiative by favoring the participation of many youths."

That day he also met Italian athletes who participated in the 1984 Olympics and told them that sports should produce moral as well as physical development.

In the audience with the athletes, the pope praised "respect for the rules of the game," calling it a virtue in harmony with the Christian spirit.

## St. Lawrence takes honors in speech tourney

by Richard Cain

St. Lawrence School in Lawrenceburg took top honors and was awarded the traveling trophy at the fall meet of the Batesville Deanery Speech League at St. Mary's in Greensburg, Nov. 17.

"We were very pleased. The kids worked very hard to prepare for the contest," said Eileen Jerger, the St. Lawrence school secretary. She has coached the team off and on for the last 10 years.

Receiving blue ribbons were: Katie Miles, Cara Stauss and Teresa Wright, Humorous Presentation; Renee Eckerle and Julie Kist, Serious Presentation; and Erin Meehan and Jeanne Ritzmann, Duet Presentation.

Receiving red ribbons were: Patrick Heinz, Serious Presentation; and Stephanie Ferguson and Jody Miller, Duet Presentation.

Other schools participating in the meet were: St. Nicholas, Sunman; St. Paul, New Alsace; St. Mary, Aurora; St. Mary, Greensburg; and St. Louis, Batesville.

"Sports is not simply an exercise for the muscles, but a school for moral values and for education in courage," he said.

"Sports can run the risk of

degrading men if they are not based on and supported by the human virtues of loyalty, generosity and respect for the rules of the game," he added.

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## Book reviews

## New Merton biography

THE SEVEN MOUNTAINS OF THOMAS MERTON, by Michael Mott. Houghton Mifflin (Boston, 1984). 571 pp., \$24.95.

Reviewed by Fr. Augustine Hennessy, C.P.  
NC News Service

This biography of Thomas Merton is a product of Merton's own designing.

In the Thomas Merton Legacy Trust, set up a year before his death, provisions were made which denied access to his private journals to all except his trustees and his official biographer. Others would have to wait 25 years after his death to enjoy this privilege.

He was a man of gigantic literary stature and the restrictions on such access were well-chosen. John

Howard Griffin, author of "Black Like Me," was designated as Merton's official biographer in 1968 and spent nine years of privileged research before being forced to withdraw from his unfinished work because of ill health.

Michael Mott, poet, novelist and professor of English at Bowling Green University in Ohio, was named as his substitute. It was a wise and perspicacious choice. He is a man steeped in the humanities.

The meticulous details searched out by these two men are striking evidence of their reverence for their subject and their devotion to the memory of a complex, involved and somewhat tortured man. Merton paid the price of his genius.

The Seven Mountains referred to in the title are rather arbitrary but nonetheless significant ways of tracing the odyssey of a restless spirit who wrestled with the loneliness of genius from his early childhood.

It is a tribute to the integrity of both Griffin's and Mott's research that in this 571-page book, there are approximately 2,300 footnotes.

The colorful and talented personality of Merton

emerges from these pages glowingly and with believable authenticity. He was a man with an evocative power to engender love but nonetheless a man simultaneously glorious and miserable—not an uncommon endowment of both saints and scholars.

In his self-dramatizing youth, Merton could correspond with his friends in Esperanto and macaronic; he mastered five or six languages, apart from his knowledge of Latin and Greek, and had the ambition to learn Russian so that he would be able to converse with Boris Pasternak in his own language. He

corresponded and conversed with men and women of every continent.

Mott emerges as a sensitive observer of Merton—the man and his moods.

One of the joys of reading this book is encountering so many eminent people who have touched the minds and hearts of most well-read senior citizens: men like Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, Gregory Zilboorg, J.F. Powers, and women like Claire Booth Luce, Dorothy Day and Catherine de Hueck Doherty.

Merton was always indebted to enriching friendships. Robert Lax and Ed Rice were lifelong friends.

Likewise he admitted the need of a nurturing presence of women in his life. He sought wisdom from women like Naomi Burton, his agent; Mother Angela Collins, Carmelite prioress both in Louisville and Savannah, and Mother Mary Luke Tobin, an official observer at the Second Vatican Council.

Most mystic-minded men are love-hungry and Merton was human enough to admit falling in love with an unnamed woman identified simply as S. Finally, his favorite mystic guide was Dame Julian of Norwich.

(Hennessy edited Sign magazine from 1967 until 1976.)

## Books of interest to Catholic readers

by Richard Philbrick

Here is a list of new books of particular interest to Catholic readers:

"Doorways to Christian Growth," by Jacqueline McMakin with Rhoda Mary, Winston Press, \$9.95, 243 pp. Four six-week sessions designed for group experience or private reflection as steps toward instilling a better understanding of the Christian experience and a new commitment to Christian ministry.

"The Journey to Inner Peace," by Father Paul A. Feider, Ave Maria Press, \$3.95, 110 pp. Step-by-step understanding of inner peace.

"The Sunday Readings," by Father Albert J. Nevins, M.M., Our Sunday Visitor, \$5.95, 143 pages. Provides a clear explanation of what the readings are and how they interconnect. Readings for all three yearly cycles of the Mass.

"Prayers and Devotions from Pope John Paul II," edited by Bishop Peter Canisius van Lierde, Regnery Gateway, \$10.95, 466 pp. Composed around the liturgical year with an entry of less than two pages for each day.

"Why God Gave Me Pain," by Shirley and Susan Holdren with Candace E. Hartzler, Loyola University Press, \$3.95, 115 pp. Harrowing story of a young woman's encounter with death.

"TV, Movies and Morality," by John Butler, Our Sunday Visitor, \$6.95, 160 pp. Guide for making in-

telligent moral and tactical value judgments concerning what is offered on television and at the movies.

"Basic Communities," by Thomas Maney, Winston-Seabury Press, \$5.95, 101 pp. Practical guide for renewing neighborhood churches.

"The Deprived, the Disabled and the Fullness of Life," edited by Father Flavian Dougherty, C.P., Michael Glazier, \$4.95, 150 pp. Five experts comment on the meaning of human suffering.

"60 Ways to Let Yourself Grow," by Sister Martha Mary McGaw, C.S.J., Liguori Publications, \$1.50, 64 pp. Each page presents an idea or suggestion to help a reader grow, blossom and jump into life.

"Prayer Pilgrimage through Scripture," by Sister Rea McDonnell, Paulist Press, \$6.95, 144 pp. Helps adult Christians to become acquainted with Scripture and to pray certain passages.

"Mary of Nazareth," by Ann Johnson, Ave Maria Press, \$4.95, 127 pp. Looks into the mind and heart of the woman of strength and wisdom who is Mary, mother of Jesus.

"The Passion of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark," by Father Donald Senior, C.P., Michael Glazier, \$8.95, 173 pp. One of four scholarly volumes on the death of Jesus.

"Twenty Centuries of Ecumenism," by Canon Jacques Desseaux, Paulist Press, \$4.95, 103 pp. Brief, clear sketch of the history of the Christian Church with its many divisions and

movements for reconciliation over the centuries.

"A Concise Guide to the Catholic Church," edited by Father Felician A. Foy, OFM Cap., and Rose M. Avato, Our Sunday Visitor, \$6.95, 158 pp. Aid for those who desire an

introduction to the rites, beliefs and history of the church.

"Children Belong in Worship," by W. Alan Smith, CBP Press, no price given, 108 pp. Guide to the children's sermon.

## REST IN PEACE

(The Criterion welcomes death notices from parishes and/or individuals. Please submit them in writing to our office by 10 a.m. Monday the week of publication.)

† ALLEN, H. E. "Jack," 64, St. Augustine, Jeffersonville, Nov. 15. Husband of Kay Dold; son of Freda; brother of Charlotte Grimm.

† ANDRES, Joseph L., 53, St. Joseph, St. Leon, Nov. 14. Husband of Carol (Gutapel); father of Cindy, Tim, Susan, Steve and Cathy; brother of Edgar, Victor, Vincent, Ruth Walker and Mary Schott.

† BECKING, Anton, 82, St. Margaret Mary, Terre Haute, Nov. 15. Uncle of Joseph, Thea Johnson, Josephine DeBleccourt, Ina Hagan and Anna Sees.

† CADE, Antoinette, 66, St. Mary, New Albany, Nov. 15. Mother of Heidi Jones.

† CRAWFORD, Charles Kirk, 66, Assumption, Indianapolis, Nov. 20. Husband of Margaret; father of Larry and William J.; brother of Raymond, and Ruth Bennett.

† DOHERTY, Lawrence J., 42, St. Augustine, Jeffersonville, Nov. 16. Husband of Edna Snead; father of Michael J., Larry D., Stephen B., Mark A. and Adam R.; brother of Ralph J., and Lynn Ritz; son of Ralph, and Doris McCue; grandfather of one.

† DOYLE, Bernard J., 78, St. Pius X, Indianapolis, Nov. 10.

Husband of Kathryn; father of Jim, and JoAnn Langsenkamp; brother of George, Rosemary Thompson, Anna Catherine Dalton and Alice Rardin.

† DREWES, George A., 91, St. Michael, Brookville, Nov. 12. Brother of Leo, Marie and Anna.

† FOX, Harry, 87, Little Flower, (Continued on next page)

## Sister Carlissa dies

BATESVILLE—Ninety-two-year-old Franciscan Sister M. Carlissa Riebenhauer died here Nov. 8. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for her Nov. 12 in the motherhouse chapel at Oldenburg, followed by burial in the motherhouse cemetery.

Sister Carlissa was a native of Evansville, where she attended St. Anthony School. She entered the convent in 1914, making final vows in 1920. Later she received a bachelor's degree from Xavier University, Cincinnati, and a master's from the University of Cincinnati.

An elementary and high school teacher in Ohio and Indiana, Sister Carlissa served at St. Mary Academy and Secunia Memorial High School in Indianapolis. From 1942-50 she was director of novices for the Oldenburg congregation.

In 1970 Sister Carlissa retired to the motherhouse. She leaves no immediate survivors.



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Indianapolis, Nov. 10. Father of Mary Ellen Kraeszag, Dorothy Neff, Anna Marie Trimpe, Jane Cook, Joan Wilhelm and Dr. Harry Jr., brother of Anne and Marie.

## Sister Forsting buried

OLDENBURG—Franciscan Sister Jerome Marie Forsting died here Nov. 17 at age 86. She received the Mass of Resurrection on Nov. 20 and was buried in the motherhouse cemetery.

Sister Jerome Marie was a native of New Point, entering the Oldenburg convent in 1921 and making her final vows in 1927. She served as an elementary school teacher during most of her 65 years as an Oldenburg Franciscan.

In the Indianapolis Archdiocese Sister Jerome Marie taught at St. Andrew and Holy Family in Richmond, St. John in Enochburg and St. Mary, New Albany. She also taught in Ohio and other schools in Indiana. From 1940-43 she was a missionary in Shanghai, China.

Sister Jerome Marie retired to the motherhouse in 1972. She is survived by one sister, Rose Kleier of Ludlow, Ky., and one brother, Henry, of Columbia, S.D.

† GRANT, Anna Marie, 82, St. Mary, New Albany, Nov. 18. Sister of Lena Myers and Henrietta Stinehus.

† JONES, Joseph "Randy" Jr., 27, St. Michael, Charlestown, Nov. 12. Son of Joseph and Anna; brother of Pamela Knight, Corine Kendrick and Melissa; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Burnett Ryan and Agnes Jones.

† McCLINTOCK, Revilla "Billie," 47, St. Paul, Tell City, Nov. 18. Mother of Johla Ludlow, Rhonda Green, Donna, Noel, Kendall and Edward.

† MEYERS, Dorothy Ann, 59, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, Nov. 13. Wife of Benjamin F.; mother of Robert, James, and Sally Sizemore; grandmother of Michelle Sizemore; sister of Mary Jane Dye and Katherine Carr.

† O'TOOLE, Terese, 87, SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, Nov. 12. Friend of Providence Sister Mary Slattery.

† PFLUM, Harold, 82, Little Flower, Indianapolis, Nov. 13. Husband of Mildred; father of Richard, Donald, David, and Carole Morris; brother of Alfred, Urban, and Louise Edmondson.

† SCHMIDT, Paul J., St. Paul, Tell City, Nov. 11. Husband of Cora "Peg," stepfather of Jean Goffinet; brother of Mary Poehlein, Ruth Brown, Ellen Peter, Mabel Wilgus and John E.

† SHERIDAN, Philip D., 52, St. Anthony, Indianapolis, Nov. 13. Husband of Joan Pfeffer; father of Katherine Carr, and Margaret.

† SNYDER, William E., 50, St. Paul, Tell City, Nov. 18. Husband of Erlus Mae; father of Tammy Cossel, Brian and Brad; son of Mary Jane Kellems; stepson of Francis Kellems; brother of Ruby Yoakum, Betty Bryant and Mary Helen Leisner.

† SWEENEY, Lorene, 78, St. Michael, Cannelton, Nov. 21. Mother of Marcella Yaggi, Ida Mae Haelele, Sara Kay Rexroat, Elizabeth Long, Charles and Robert.

† TRYON, Bryon, 71, Our Lady of Lourdes, Indianapolis, Nov. 16.

Father of Dottie Kinny, Sharon Abell and Mike; stepson of Arnel Arnold.

† VANDIVER, Robert, 57, St. Anthony, Indianapolis, Nov. 15. Husband of Louise; father of Marc, Michael, Thomas, and Cheryl Percy; stepfather of

Steven Michael Dillman and Judith Doan.

† VONDERHEIDE, Janet, 50, St. Peter, St. Peter, Nov. 18. Wife of Walter; mother of Vicki Rahe, Susan Meyer, Judy, Scott, Terry and Robbie; daughter of Mildred McCool; sister of Debbie Horn-

berger, Ronald, Larry and Allen; grandmother of 14.

† WETZEL, Clarence M., 81, St. Jude, Indianapolis, Oct. 25. Brother of Julius R., and Loraine Henderson; father of Mary Catherine Watson and Michael; grandfather of three.

## Sister Mary Oldenburg dies Nov. 19 at age 91

OLDENBURG—Franciscan Sister Mary Henry Oldenburg, a native of St. Louis, died here Nov. 19 at age 91 after more than 60 years as a Sister of St. Francis of Oldenburg.

After entering the convent in 1911 and making final vows in 1918, Sister Mary Henry received a bachelor's degree from the

Cincinnati Athenaeum and a master's from St. Louis University. She taught elementary grades in several states, including St. Mary in New Albany.

Sister Mary Henry taught secondary level at St. Mary Academy and Secina Memorial High School in Indianapolis, and

at Immaculate Conception Academy in Oldenburg. She also served as an instructor at the Cincinnati Athenaeum, a teacher training college. In 1975 she retired to the motherhouse.

Sister is survived by two sisters, Rose Colvin of Pacific, Mo., and Vera Nauert of St. Louis.

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# Thatcher rejection of New Ireland Forum angers Irish officials

by NC News Service

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher Nov. 19 rejected proposals by moderate Catholic parties for resolving north Irish conflicts, angering Irish officials and a Northern Ireland bishop.

At a news conference after a meeting with Irish Prime Minister Garret FitzGerald to discuss possible common grounds for dealing with violence in Northern Ireland, Mrs. Thatcher said all three proposals made last May by the New Ireland Forum were "out."

The alternatives presented by the group included union, confederation,

or joint rule by Britain and the Republic of Ireland. The third alternative would be a "derogation of sovereignty," Mrs. Thatcher said.

However, the British leader described the meeting with FitzGerald as "the fullest, frankest and most realistic" the two have had so far.

The Irish prime minister called Mrs. Thatcher's remarks on the forum proposals "gratuitously offensive."

**BISHOP CAHAL DALY** of Down and Conner, Northern Ireland, said Nov. 25 that the British prime minister's statements were damaging. He criticized Mrs. Thatcher for failing to offer alternative

proposals to the 600,000 north Irish Catholics.

Other Irish officials said they are disappointed in Mrs. Thatcher because her comments had shattered the "positive" mood evoked by the meeting with FitzGerald.

The forum is composed of the main political parties in

the republic of Ireland and the main Catholic party in Northern Ireland, the Social Democratic and Labour Party. After months of discussions it drew up a detailed report which it hoped would be helpful in finding a political solution to the violence which has persisted

in Northern Ireland for 15 years.

Bishop Daly said Mrs. Thatcher had shown a "baffling and frightening incomprehension" of the nationalist mentality. "In fact, I must say that I have not experienced such a wave of anger right across the whole nationalist community in Ireland, North and South, for many, many years, as there has been over the past few days," he said.

The bishop said that Irish Catholics were alienated from British authorities and

institutions in Northern Ireland, and that alienation has deepened in the past year.

Social democratic and Labour Party leader John Hume said Nov. 24 that Mrs. Thatcher believed that "by cutting the ground from under the forum," nationalists would be left with no option but to negotiate on her terms. He also said her dismissal of the report was "as real a violence to the political process as the bombs and bullets of the paramilitaries."

## Cardinal urges aid for Northern Ireland

by Sister Mary Ann Walsh

ROME (NC)—Economic aid, not guns, from the United States can help to ease the problems in Northern Ireland, Cardinal Tomas O'Fiaich of Armagh, Ireland's primate, said Nov. 17.

Cardinal O'Fiaich, in Rome for a meeting of the Vatican Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity, praised efforts of a recently formed U.S. group, the Irish-American Unity Conference, headed by Jim Delaney of San Antonio, Texas.

"The group has met with the government of Ireland about setting up factories to aid the unemployed," said Cardinal O'Fiaich. "They've met with Protestant businessmen in Belfast in an effort to help the economic situation in the north and south of Ireland." Unlike groups which reportedly have been raising funds to provide guns for the Irish Republican Army, the Irish-American Unity Conference works to bring "political pressure and economic assistance" to Northern Ireland, he said.

Irish-Americans," said Cardinal O'Fiaich. "There are only 4 million people in all of Ireland. If the Irish-Americans organized they would have tremendous clout."

Cardinal O'Fiaich commended the efforts of a group of U.S. bishops who visited Ireland Oct. 21-25 on a fact-finding tour.

The bishops making the trip included Bishop James W. Malone of Youngstown, Ohio, the president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops. Other members of the delegation were Archbishop John J. O'Connor of New York, Bishop Mark J. Hurley of Santa Rosa, Calif., Bishop J. Francis Stafford of Memphis, Tenn., and Msgr. Daniel F. Hoyer, NCCB general secretary.

Cardinal O'Fiaich said he agreed with their statements that Americans should not purchase weapons for Northern Ireland but noted that the bishops also had told him that they were going to report that "the IRA is a symptom,

not a cause" of the problems in Northern Ireland.

Cardinal O'Fiaich repeated his oft-made assertion that there will be no long-term solution to the conflict in Northern Ireland until Britain withdraws its troops from the country.

In the early 1920s, Britain split the island of Ireland into the independent Republic of Ireland in the south and the six counties of British-ruled Northern Ireland.

"Obviously I am not asking that they pull out overnight," he said, "but they ought to say that they don't intend to remain in Northern Ireland for a long time and that while there they will try to bring Catholics and Protestants and North and South closer together."

Cardinal O'Fiaich stressed that the problem in Northern Ireland is a political one, not a religious one.

"The troubles do not arise out of religious issues," he said. "It's (Irish) nationalists vs. (pro-British) Unionists. The basic differences are

political. It is not a 17th-century religious war."

He said, however, that it often gets presented as a religious war "because the reports out of Ireland are filtered by the British news agencies who like to present the issue as a religious war so that Britain looks like the great referee."

Britain's current policy in Ireland, he said, is a negative one.

"Their (Britain's) presence in Northern Ireland is simply encouraging the Unionists to adopt a hard-line policy," he said.

In July, James Prior, Britain's secretary of state for Northern Ireland, rejected plans for reuniting Ireland that were made by the Forum for a New Ireland. The forum included representatives of all the major political parties in Ireland except for the Unionists, who refused to participate. The forum recommended that reuniting Ireland would be the best way to end violence in Northern Ireland.

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