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## Bishops part of Central America plan

GUATEMALA CITY (NC)—Catholic bishops will play a role in the implementation of the new regional peace plan signed in Guatemala City by the presidents of five Central American nations.

Bishops in each of the countries— Guatemaia, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua and Costa Rica—will be members of their countries' National Reconciliation Commissions to oversee compliance "in matters of amnesty, cease-fire, democratization and free elections."

The peace plan, signed Aug. 7, outlines measures to take effect in each country within 90 days. These include a general cease-fire, amnesty for guerrilla forces, internal democratization and prohibition on aggression against another country.

In calling for "complete freedom for television, radio and the press," the plan aiso will affect Nicaragua's Radio Catolica, the Catholic radio station closed by the Nicaraguan government in December 1985 for failure to broadcast a speech by Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega.

Under the agreement, Nicaragua and the other Central American nations must comply with a section calling for "the opening and continued operation of communications media for all ideological groups and the operation of those media without their being subject to prior censure."

According to the agreement, each government must formally invite the local bishops' conference to suggest the names of several bishops as possible delegates to the commission. The governments will choose one bishop as a delegate and another as an alternate delegate to the commissions.

Each national commission will include one bishop, one delegate representing the government, one delegate from an opposition political party, and one citizen independent of the government.

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In addition, the United Nations, the Organization of American States, foreign ministers of Central America and the Contadora Group—Mexico, Panama, Colombia and Venezuela—will be asked to take part in an international verification commission to monitor the progress of the peace plan.

Some observers have said the plan contains no mechanism to bring about a cease-fire in regional guerrilla wars.

During a Mass in Guatemala's national cathedral prior to the signing of the accord, Archbishop Prospero Penados del Barrio of Guatemala City told the five presidents to be wary of pressures from the United States and the Soviet Union and to seek a lasting regional peace through their own efforts.

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"You are the ones responsible for peace, and you must build the peace in Central America," the archbishop said.

"It is dramatic to see how our world has become polarized around the superpowers and how they don't direct their actions toward a search for truth or the welfare of peoples, but rather toward the daily, total and undeniable consolidation of their destructive powers," said Archbishop Penados

## Detroit papal Mass tickets may be available

by Richard Cain and Sr. Mary Ann Walsh NC News Service

Some free tickets to the Mass to be celebrated by the pope at the Silverdome in Pontiac, Mich., on Sept. 19 may be available to people in the Indianapolis Archdiocese, according to ticket coordinator Immaculate Heart of Mary Sister Rose Matthew.

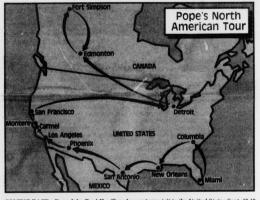
"We promise nothing," she added, saying those interested in attending should not
call but write the office giving their name,
address and the number of tickets needed.
If the tickets are for a group, also give the
name and purpose of the group. The address
is: Papal Visit Ticket Office, 305 Michigan
Ave., Detroit, MI 48226. When received, each
request will be dated and if tickets become
available, people will be notified, she said.

People may also see the pope at Detroit's Hart Plaza, estimated to have a capacity of up to one million people. The pope is slated to give a major social justice address there and attendance requires neither ticket nor arriving six hours early.

In most other cities that the pope will visit ickets for the papal Masses and prayer services are being grabbed up. Traditional U.S. vacation spots, such as New Orleans and Phoenix, Ariz, have gotten ticket requests from all across the nation.

New Orleans had 250,000 tickets available for a Mass at the University of New Orleans. With local and neighboring dioceses accommodated, workers at the papal visit hotline (504-866-POPE) have begun to fill requests from tour groups.

In Phoenix, the papal visit office cannot be so accommodating. All 75,000 tickets



COMING BACK—Pope John Paul II will make a return visit to the United States Sept. 16-19 to visit Miami; Columbia, S.C.; New Orleans; San Antonio, Texas; Phoenix, Artz.; Los Angeles, Monterey and Carmel, Calif.; San Francisco and Detroit. He will wind up his trip with a brief stop in Fort Simpson in Canada's Northwest Territories on Sept. 20. (NC map by Michele Gradison Smith).

already have been spoken for and visitors from up north are being refused tickets to the Mass at the Arizona State University.

In Miami, no tickets are needed for the Mass at Tamiami Park which has a capacity of about 350,000. Originally, Mass participants were strongly urged to use an inexpensive shuttle service which was being provided to the Mass but that plan recently was scrapped when the archdiocese could not rent enough buses for the crowd.

"The whole transportation issue is being reviewed," said a spokesman at the Miami papal visit office. (The phone number to call for further information in Miami is 305-759-9727.)

In San Francisco, Candlestick Pr. k has seating for 71,000 persons at the 'wass and tickets are being distributed through parishes. Some pastors are requesting a donation for tickets through this has been discouraged by chancery officials. Many parishes plan lotteries for the tickets. For further information, call 415-655-6300.

No tickets are required for the Mass in San Antonio, Texas, where the natural 144-acre amphitheater in Westover Hills where the Mass is to take place is estimated to have a 500,000-person capacity. However, local hotels are completely booked with the nearest rooms now in Austin, 60 miles away.

A San Antonio papal visit official, Richard Hemberger, said people will stand in the amphitheater, except for the sheriff's patrol-200 police on horseback riding around the rim of the crowd. (The San Antonio phone number is 512-734-2800)

In Columbia, S.C., where a prayer service at William-Brice Stadium rather than a Mass is the major worship event, request for the 75,000 tickets for the service exceed supply. Another 20,000-30,000 persons are expected at the local airport where arrival and departure ceremonies have not been billed as public events.

In Monterey, Calif., 100,000 tickets are going fast, especially since media in Los Angeles suggested people go up the coast to Monterey when tickets for the two Los Angeles Masses were all spoken for.

Calls for tickets for Monterey's papal Mass at Laguna Seca Raceway are being referred to local parishes by the diocese, and Ted Elisee, diocesan director of communications, said the diocese is assessing each parish to offset the cost of the visit. (The Monterey phone number is 408-47-9224.)

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## Plans progressing for 'Called by Name' program

by John F. Finl

Packets of materials for the "Called by Name" program were distributed to parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Indianapolis this week.

The program is a major campaign to promote religious vocations that will be conducted from Aug. 30 to Sept. 13. It will invite parishioners to offer names of people who, they believe, have the potential to be good priests, sisters or brothers. These people will then be invited to an information meeting.

The program is being planned by the archdiocesan Vocation Office and St. Meinrad Seminary in cooperation with the

Serra Club of Indianapolis. The packets for parishes in the Indianapolis area were distributed by Serra Club members while the Vocation Office mailed the packets to parishes in the rest of the archdiocese. The packets included posters, a letter

The packets included posters, a letter explaining details, suggested Prayers of the Faithful, bulletin inserts, sample homilies vocation prayer cards, and a summary  $\epsilon i$  programs and activities sponsored by 5t. Meinrad Seminary.

Pastors had opportunities to learn more about the program at workshops held in New Albany, Columbus, the Catholic Center in Indianapolis and Batesville. The workshops (See 'CALLED BY NAME,' page 2) THE CRICERION
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#### from the editor

## Why are Catholics miserly to the church?

Father Andrew Greeley's latest book isn't exactly light summer reading and it won't sell as many copies as his novels, but it tells us something about Catholics' contributions to the church that we should all know. It tells us that contributions to Catholic parishes have

fallen to only 1.1 percent of parish-ioners' income, half of the percentage

given by Protestants.

The book, called "Catholic Contributions: Sociology and Policy" and published by the Thomas More Press. is based on six national surveys taken from 1960 to 1984 by the National Opinion Research Center, the Survey Research Center of the University of

Michigan, the Gallup Poll, and a Yankelovich survey. They show that Catholics and Protestants contributed the same percentage of their incomes back in the 1960s, 2.2 percent, but that Catholics' contributions have fallen during the past

THE BOOK SAYS that, in 1963, U.S. Catholics con tributed an average of \$164 to the church out of an average annual income of \$7,645. By 1984 the average income of Catholics had quadrupled, but contributions only doubled, with the average annual donation at \$320. Protestant contributions are now an average of \$580. The average income of Catholics is higher than the average income of Protestants, which is also a change from 24 years ago, Father Greeley says, and it has risen more rapidly than inflation.

If Catholics contributed what Protestants do, Father Greeley says, "American Catholicism would have available almost twice the annual funds that it currently has-\$6

billion more to maintain Catholic schools, to pay employees more than poverty wages, to continue to maintain its inner-city ministry, to found new parishes, and to do something when the talk about an option for the poor."

The 178-page book has an "afterword" by Bishop William

E. McManus, retired bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend. He says that the decrease in contributions creates an especially great hardship for lay church employees, many of whom currently receive wages he terms "dreadfully low."

FATHER GREELEY HAS an explanation for the decline in contributions and, if you are familiar with Father Greeley, you can guess what it is: He says that it is because of a "selective alienation" by Catholics who reject church teachings on sex and church authority. He says that the Catholics who lag farthest behind in their contributions are the better educated, the more affluent, and the religiously and politically liberal who are "voting with their check hooks

Bishop McManus. on the other hand, says that he believes "the good will is out there, but a communication gap exists. Catholics are aware of inflation in every other area, but not in their church contributions

Contributions by Catholics to non-church charities, by the way, have kept pace with similar contributions by Protestants, according to the report. For some reason, Catho lics are quick to respond to special appeals but don't seem to recognize the need to maintain their parishes on a weekto-week basis. Bishop McManus says that this is because parish collection procedures have blurred the distinction

between church support and almsgiving.
The anomoly in this is that Catholics' contributions have declined during the period of time when the church has become more open about its finances and during a time when the laity have become more actively involved in the

operation of parishes, particularly on finance committees

In this respect, you have to wonder where Father Greeley has been lately because one of his recommendations for reversing the trend is to give those who contribute the money a share in deciding how it is spent, because "welleducated, independent Catholic laity are no longer prepared to be silent partners in the administration of church funds." In most parishes that I know of, the laity have a much greater voice than they had 25 years ago.

SOME OF HIS recommendations do have merit though. For example, he suggests establishing contributions on an annual, budget-based plan, rather than the collection envelope method because "most middle-class folk organize their financial lives around checkbooks and credit cards." He says that parishioners should be asked to make annual pledges with monthly or quarterly reminders from the

Bishop McManus suggests conducting professional surveys of the annual income of all adult members of a diocese or parish and then encouraging pledges of three percent of annual income. He suggests three percent because "to propose all Catholics tithe to finance church expenses is utterly utopian; few people are going to leap from 1.1 per-cent giving to 10 percent giving." Frankly, though, it seems to me that professional surveys of income would be awfully expensive

I certainly agree with the bishop when he advocates that we educate Catholics to realize that church employees, particularly teachers, should be paid wages equal to those paid to church members with similar qualifications in similar occupational categories, and the only way they can be paid

such wages is by increasing parish contributions.

Have you examined your conscience lately on this matter of supporting your parish?

## 'Called by Name' program

(Continued from page 1)
were conducted by Father Paul Koetter, archdiocesan vocations director; Franciscan Sister Rita Hermann, assistant director; Norm Hipskind or Shirley Dreyer, Serra co-chairs for the program. These four also signed the letter to pastors included in the packet of materials.

According to that letter, "Called by Name" has two primary objectives: "1) to raise the consciousness of the Catholic people of God to their responsibility of fostering vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and 2) to surface the names of individuals who may possess the qualities as possible candidates for a vocation."

The program will be explained to parish-ioners on Sunday, Aug. 30. Prayer cards will be distributed at that time and parishioners will be encouraged to pray the prayer for the

On Sept. 6, the homily will be on the subject of religious vocations and parishioners will be encouraged to consider candidates for the religious life. Pastors may also, if they choose, use a slide presentation that has been prepared by St. Meinrad.

During the week of Sept. 6-13, St. Meinrad will conduct a weather sept. 6-13, 8t. Meinrad will conduct a weather media campaign that will include new spaper, radio and TV ads. A special vocation supplement will be published by *The Criterion*.

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Then, on Sept. 13, parishioners will pre-sent the names of possible candidates. They will be asked to consider men and wome ranging in age from 16 on up who are not

After the names have been screened by the pastors, it is expected that Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara will write to each of them "to let them know that their names had been submitted and to encourage them to continue to use the qualities that had led someone to consider them for priesthood or religious life," according to the letter sent to pastors. The Vocation Office then will invite them to information evenings that will be held at several locations around the archdiocese

We hope that, through this effort, not only will people be invited to consider a religious vocation, but the people of God will have a greater awareness of their role in call-ing others into these ministries," the letter to pastors said. "As the archbishop said in his letter [to priests in June], we need 'to revitalize traditional forms of ministry while encouraging the growth and development of new forms.' This program focuses upon the first need, while recognizing and firmly supporting the second one. We believe the church of tomorrow will have a balance of the old and the new, sharing ministry in the church," the letter concluded.

#### Filling Pan Am athletes' needs

Father Mauro Rodas, pastor of St. Mary Church, has been working with the Pan American games committee to represent the archdiocese in helping to fill the religious needs of the visiting athletes as well as those

rather said, "I am happy they are here because we love them. They are our people. They are part of our family of faith. We are happy that they have come to compete, but we are happy that they have come to be with

The priest, who was born in Ecuador, is the archdiocesan director of the Hispanic-American Apostolate. He said he is thankful to the priests from other parts of the state who have come to volunteer their time and assistance during the games so that he can continue to fulfill his commitments to his local parish.

Grace and Joe Bill are also working to see observed, "The thing I am so impressed with is the visiting priests' dedication. There have been a few accreditation problems, like a priest having to get his picture taken twice to get the credentials, so he can come in and say Mass. And they don't seem to mind

making the effort."

Grace said that the chapel at the Fort opened Friday, Aug. 7 and that many of the athletes came in to pray privately during their free time. In time for the weekend, Grace was taking some Spanish missalettes to the chapel that were obtained from Father

#### Pan Am Games Mass schedule

Special Spanish and English Mass schedules have been planned for the St. John and St. Mary churches in Indianapolis for the two weekends remaining during the Pan American Games. Daily Masses will be offered in Spanish at 11:30 a.m. on Mondays ordered in Spanish at 11:30 a.m. on Montalys and Saturdays (Aug. 15, 17 and 22) and 11:10 a.m. Tuesday through Friday at St. John. There will also be 5:45 p.m. Spanish Masses on Sundays, Aug. 16 and 23 at St. John's. St. Mary will have an anticipation Mass for the Feast of the Assumption at 5:20 p.m.

on Friday, Aug. 14 and a Sunday Mass at noon on Aug. 16, both in Spanish. The final weekend, St. Mary will celebrate its Saturday, Aug. 22 anticipation Mass at 5:20 and its Sunday, Aug. 23 noon Mass in Spanish.

These special Pan Am Mass schedules are included with the other area churches' summer schedules in the 1500 pocket-sized oklets being distributed in all parishes in Indianapolis and surrounding areas, in-cluding five parishes in the Lafayette diocese. Central Indiana hotels and motels also have the Mass schedule booklets.

Spanish-speaking priests from other parts of the state are available at the two churches to serve other spiritual needs of the visitors during the games. Father Mauro G. Rodas is pastor of St. Mary and Father William Stineman is pastor of St. John.

Religious needs of the athletes them-selves are being taken care of by a special PAX-I committee for religious affairs.

#### Mass obligation for Assumption

by John F. Fink

Saturday, Aug. 15, is the feast of the Assumption, a holy day of obligation. When holy days fall on Saturdays or Mondays, a pastoral problem is created because of the anticipated Masses that are permitted the evening before Sundays and holy days.

In the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, this problem was addressed in 1984 and the ollowing pastoral norm was established When two days of obligation follow one another and the liturgy of each day is anticipated the evening before, the liturgy of anticipation for the second day takes precedence over the liturgy of the first of the days of obligation.

This means, for this weekend, that the obligation for the feast of the Assumption can be satisfied by attending Mass on Friday evening or during the day on Saturday. The Saturday evening Mass is the anticipated Mass for Sunday and does not fulfill the obligation for the feast of the Assumption.

Msgr. Gerald A. Gettelfinger, in a letter to pastors, reminded them of this pastoral norm and encouraged "a brief explanation of this pastoral practice for the celebration of overlapping holy days."

#### Archbishop O'Meara's Schedule

Week of August 16, 1987

SUNDAY, August 16 — 150th anniversary celebration of St. Michael Parish, Madison, Eucharistic Liturgy, 11:00 a.m. followed with dinner

MONDAY, August 17 — Visitation with the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent Hospital, Indianapolis, 5:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, August 18 — Summer outing in Brown County for members of the Archdiocesan Council of Priests, 11:00

WEDNESDAY, August 19 — Installation of Archdiocesan Board of Education Offi-cers, St. Joan of Arc Church, Indianapolis, 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, August 20 — Visitation with the Sisters of the Carmelite Monastery, Indianapolis, 5:30 p.m.

## Archdioce

Archdiocesan Catholic Charities

## 14 years of service in Terre Haute area

by John Etling

Catholic Charities of Terre Haute will reach its 14th year of existence on Sept. 1. During this time, it has been able to develop services to the poor, to the elderly, to children, and to the unborn. This has been done as a part of the archdiocese, with supervision, with direction and with financial support from the Archdiocesan Annual Anneal.

Early on, we established four pregnancy counseling services, resettled 240 Vietnamese refugees and 80 Cuban refugees. Also, we established clothing, food and shelter programs for the needy of the Terre Haute Deanery. We pioneered congregate living for the delerly nine years ago with the first such facility in the archdiocese, Simeon House I, formerly St. Patrick Convent, which now houses 14 individuals who are age 60 or over and then three years ago, Simeon House II, formerly Sacred Heart Convent, that houses nine delerly citizens.

Additionally, we have developed day activities programs for elderly citzens in the community at both Simeon Houses. These programs serve about 250 people per week and include ceramics, needlepoint, cards, movies, trips, exercise, lectures, quilting, health clinic, parties and special occasions. There is also an exercise center at Simeon House I that offers a systematic program of exercise for adults of all ages. It has a hot tub to use for therapeutic reasons. About 50 persons each week are now using the facility.

The first emergency shelter for homeless families was established seven years ago when we started the Bethany House. The Bethany House, formerly St. Ann Convent, has provided 13,076 days (nights included) of housing, including meals, lodging, laun-

dry, bathing, counseling and transportation to families and single women. The categories of the problems the persons in need of housing include: burn-outs, abused spouse, evictions, families of prisoners, refugees, migrant families, pregnant girls and many others who have need for a temporary emergency shelter.

On April 7, the Bethany House soup kitchen completed five years of continuous operation without closing, including weekends and holidays. In all, the Bethany House soup kitchen served 310,000 free meals in that length of time and another 35,000 since for a total to date of 345,000 free meals from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. every day. The Bethany House clothes closed gives clothing, household articles, appliances and furniture at no charge.

The Terre Haute Catholic Charities foodbank started in the old Ryves Hall at St. Ann Parish in 1980. In 1982, it became part of the Indiana Affiliate Foodbank Network through contractual arrangements with Gleaners Foodbank in Indianapolis and, also, Second Harvest, the national network of toodbanks. Our fourth full year of operation as a part of the Indiana system was 1986 and we provided to 55 other not-for-profit agencies in seven counties in west central Indiana and three in eastern Illinois a total of 406,000 pounds of food to help feed thousands of people.

Ryves Hall youth center has \$30 members who range from five to 17 years of age. They are provided with a wide variety of programs for children, many of whom are from single-parent families and many are from disadvantaged homes. The youth center operates a latch-key program from 2:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. six days a week. It provides members with opportunities for tutoring, counseling, games and dancing. Additionally, they participate in Girls Club, Cub

Scouts, Boy Scouts, toxing, basketoan, ping pong, skating, volleyball, pool, chess, checkers, and many other wholesome activities. All are provided at no charge to the participants. Catholic Charities of Terre Haute was

Catholic Charities of Terre Haute was granted the sponsorship of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) in April, 1986. It is a part of ACTION, the Federal agency for volunteer service. It is the answer to many older Americans' fondest dream: to live a life in later years filled with dignity, purpose and activity. Through RSVP, if you are 80 or over (there is no upper age limit) you have an opportunity to contribute your time, experience, knowledge and issurest to others in your community who need you and your community who need you and your community end.

The Christmas store is a popular, seasonal and family-oriented program. Through this activity, needy families are assured of new gifts for every family member, clothing, bedding, toys, candy, and other treats for Christmas. These items are made available at no cost to the needy families. These items are provided by the parishes of the Terre Haute Deanery and by donations of many benefactors. It is sponsored jointly with the Deanery Council of Catholic Women.

The families are referred by the parishes and several social agencies in the community. An actual store is set up at St. Benedict's parish center the second week in December. An adult member of the family is scheduled to shop one of the days the store is open. This gives the recipient family time to wrap the gifts for all family members for Christmas. Last year over 200 families, comprised of over 700 individuals, received Christmas gifts through the Christmas store.

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Catholic Charities of Terre Haute has a board of directors made up of representatives from each parish in the deanery and some at-large members. It has a constitution and by-laws and establishes the policies of the agency. It provides guidance and direction to the executive director. The recently elected officers of the board are Claude Decker, president; Mary Ann Fuelle, vice president; Part Jenkins, treasurer; Joan Cook, secretary; and Father John Dede, chairman of the board.

Catholic Charities of Terre Haute will.

Catholic Charities of Terre Haute will present its 13th annual benefit dance on Friday evening, Sept. 4, at 8:30 p.m. in the St. Mary of the Woods College dining room in Foley Hall. The dance has become a tradition as well as a fund-raising activity in the development of the agency. The dance was started in the first year of the agency and was held the first four years at the Knights of Columbus hall. However, the crowds became too large for the K of C hall and it was then moved to the St. Mary of the Woods dining room. Tickets are available through parish representatives or by calling Catholic Charities at 812-232-1447.



Patrons gather for a benefit dance for Catholic Charities of Terre Haute

## School principals have summer workshop

by Margaret Nelson

All principals of Catholic schools in the archdiocese met on Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 45, at Canyon Inn, McCormick's Creek State Park, for a summer training program. It was one of two major annual Office of Catholic Education inservice workshops planned for the administrators.

"Legal Concerns in the Catholic School."
where program theme. SCN Sister Mary
Angela Shaughnessy, an assistant professor
of education at Spalding University in
Louisville, Kentucky, gave the two-part
presentation. The former principal of a high
school in Boston, she explained that though
legal concerns are not the most important
part of running a school, this is an area
where a little knowledge will help administrators operate more effectively.

Sister Mary gave the principals a test of their legal awareness. They were asked such questions as whether the faculty handbook is part of a teacher's contract, and if what they may do legally is always the most pastoral or moral action to take.

Sister Mary Shaughnessy outlined specific ways to conference ineffective teachers and covered the types of law affecting education: constitutional law, statutory regulations, common law, contract law, and torts (civil or private wrongs, such as negligence, corporal punishment, and search and seizure).

Negligence is the offense most often litigated in school matters, Sister explained. And she said that laws governing negligence are the same for both private and public schools.

Sister gave the principals a checklist for faculty, student, and board handbooks. The sessions ended with the group being asked to do an analysis of five private school cases based on what had been taught in the workshop.

Joseph Peters, coordinator of school services, said that Sister Mary Shaughnessy's presentation was "very well received by the principals." He noted that the archdiocesan general counsel, William Wood and attorney J. Mercer, were present at the sessions. Principals were encouraged to participate in the discussion format.

Dan Conway, vice president for devel-

opment at St. Meinrad Seminary and development consultant to the archdiocese, explained the new Catholic Community Foundation, Inc. (CCF1) to the participants. He said that CCF1 is a separate entity recognized by the state and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

Conway noted the differences between a foundation and an endowment by explaining that a foundation is a corporation, therefore meeting all the IRS requirements, and that it has a board of directors. But a corporation can have endowment funds within It. He said that, with the CCFI in place, individual parishes and institutions do not need to gather expertise in managing their own endowments. CCFI will provide legal, training, consulting and fund-raising support for local institutions.

Archdiocesan representatives for health and life insurance; church, liability and auto insurance; the lay retirement plan; and the payroll service were available to answer the

questions of the principals.
A special Eucharistic liturgy ended the first day of the session. Newly-ordained Father Daniel Atkins, a teacher at Our Lady of Providence High School in Clarksville for 12 years, celebrated the Mass and gave the homily. Father Joseph Schaedel, new vice principal of Cardinal Ritter High School, concelebrated. The theme, "Creation, the Splendor of God," was also used in the paraliturgies for the two days.

The Beech Grove Benedictine Singers

The Beech Grove Benedictine Singers presented musical entertainment for the administrators at the Tuesday evening social gathering.

New teachers experienced a one-day orientation at the Catholic Center on Thursday, Aug. 13, co-sponsored by the Archdiocesan Principal's Association. New administrators will have an orientation day next Wednesday, Aug. 19.

## Youth ministers are ministered to at camp

by Sr. Joan Marie Massura, OSB

Have you ever wanted "to just get away from it all" "Pack a beg, get in your car and drive as far away from telphones, televisions and work as you can? Recently, 10 youth ministers from throughout the Archdiocese of Indianapolis had that special opportunity at CVO Camp Christina, July 31 to Aug. 1. A special time to be with each other to share dreams, successes and failures. A special time to get in touch with themselves and God.

and God.

Facilitated by Mrs. Joy Baumgartner, private family counselor from Indianapolis, her theme of "Roots and Wings" offered the youth ministers a chance to take a closer look at their lives and ministry through symbolism provided by nature.

bolism provided by nature.

How often have you ever thought of yourself as a tree? Sister Joan Marie Massura, coordinator of youth ministry for the CVO, saw Kathy Davis from Columbus as a richly ladened apple tree, fruitful and very useful in her area of youth expertise. Mary Ann O'Neal, from St. Christopher Parish, Indianapolis was viewed as a maple tree, with low accessible branches for

children to climb on; while Tim George, Beech Grove, was seen as a sappling, growing and slowly being enriched by all of the other mature trees.

This simple, yet affirming session, provided the youth ministers with much insight about each other and allowed them to view themselves in a totally different way. It became apparent that everyone is similar to all living things and we need nourishment to sustain our existence. In order to produce fruit, time is needed to be with the Lord so he can continually refresh and renew.

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"So often youth ministers are the ones
who organize the retreats, make sure
everything is in order and attempt to bring
the Word of God to the youth of our church,"
commented Bob Schultz, St. Luke Parish,
Indianapolis. "It was refreshing for me to be
able to involve myself in the retreat and be
ministered to," he continued. That is what
happened for all in attendance. The feeling
of being ministered to instead of ministering

to others was apparent.

A Saturday session found Joy Baumgartner reflecting on the wings of birds. She
asked what symbolism the youth ministers
saw when comparing themselves to this sub-

ject. Tony Cooper, from New Albany, envisioned himself as a seagull free flying and at peace, while Janet Roth, from Terre Haute, saw herself as a beautiful butterfly going from flower to flower bringing life. "One thing we need to realize in ministry

"One thing we need to realize in ministry is our stability, having strong roots that keep us going from day to day, yet wings that allow us to soar and look at things from a different perspective," explained Joy Baumgartner. "This retreat was to minister to very special people in our archidiocese and I believe we achieved this goal and helped to enhance their ministry just that much more."

The youth ministers ended the retreat by anointing one another, an ancient symbol used in our church. Martha Broshar, from Terre Haute, brought much hope and the vision of stability as she blessed Cathy Williams, also from Terre Haute, "May the Lord give you vision to see him in your daily encounters. May the Lord touch your heart and your eyes so you may understand and he at peace."

This ended the retreat on a positive note of the presence of God within us—a lamp to light our days in the year ahead.

## COMMENTARY

# Is the American laity usurping job of priests?

by Fr. Eugene Hemrick

Is there an overemphasis on co-responsibility between priests and the laity which is causing the priesthood to lose its

distinctiveness?

Have the many lay ministers who distribute Communion caused a lack of reverence for the Eucharist?

According to the 39 lay organizations of the International Alliance of Catholic Lay Associations, the answer is an

unqualified yes! They are so concerned that they have bypassed the American church and sent a 2,000-word petition to Pope John Paul II to alert him to these alleged problems.

Those concerns are nothing new. Pope

Paul VI once wrote that the duties of pastors and those of laypersons are different. Pastors are responsible for the preservation of the faith while the laity are to be witnesses to it in the world.

Pope Paul VI saw the laity so transformed inwardly by the faith that they would become personal witnesses to it par excellence.

I am residing presently in a parish where the laity reflect the kind of lived faith Pope Paul spoke about. It is a poor parish composed of blacks, whites, Hispanics and Orientals.

In addition to duties in the archdiocese, the pastor and resident priest have duties ranging from celebrating several Masses on Sunday to providing food for the poor folks.

Fortunately the priests have a crew of laypersons to help them respond to every reasonable need that exists in the parish, even though financial resources are pushed

You can't recognize the priests always at first glance because they are not afraid to put on blue jeans and get grease on their hands. Nor do they demand to be the center of attention

At the same time, any lay person will testify that these men are first and foremost priests.

I believe that it is true to say this parish is a reflection of a majority of parishes in the United States. The increase of co-responsibility between laypersons and clergy is creating a vitality which would be impossible if we emphasized the strong preVatican II distinction between priests and laity.

Thanks to co-responsibility, more lay persons are witnessing to their faith par excellence by serving in their parishes, especially in assisting those parishes that are nor and lack full-time priests.

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With that as background, let me comment on people petitioning the pope. In such situations, I have some questions to ask:

► Where are the groups' statistics coming from? There is no known, respected study to confirm their concerns.

➤ Who makes up these groups? Are any from inner city parishes representing the poor? Have they experienced the daily running of a parish on the poverty level?

► How in touch are they with the real people of God and the new problems of parish life with so few priests?

 → Why have these people gone directly to the pope? Why didn't they choose to carry on a dialogue first of all with those with whom they are concerned? Isn't it con-



tinuous, open, face-to-face dialogue that witnesses best to Christians living their faith together?

Finally I would like to ask whether it could it be that the groups of petitioners have become a group apart from the mainstream of the church.

Anyone who has experienced the dedication of the laity working with priests under the poorest of conditions will agree we don't need vigilante groups adding to the woes of these conditions.

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## Grateful for sharing precious moment with child

by Lou Jacquet

It was one of those timeless moments that go into the memory file to be resurrected when the kids are grown and gone. The day was part nostalgia, part luck, part sharing between parent and child. If only there were

child. If only there were more such days.

Saturday began with yours truly taking Steve to buy some replacement parts for his dirt bike. The excursion probably involved all of a 10-minute ride across

a 10-minute ride across town and an hour to-gether afterward, but it took me back 25 years to the day when my father had taken me in the old '55 Mercury to Art's Bike Shop to buy my first "'big kid's" bike.

The one I chose for \$25 had chrome fenders, a shiny black frame, white hand

grips and a genuine speedometer. It was used, I know now, but then it seemed factory fresh; Art's skills had lovingly restored it to mint condition after some other kid had worn it out during its first incarnation.

The bike, which saw me through so many adolescent adventures in the 1968, came to mind for a moment when Steve and I walked through that bike shop door. The world has changed, of course. Nobody sells even used bikes for \$25 any more; Steve paid that much for pedals and some handlebars. Neither he nor his friends would be caught dead riding a one-speed bike, with chrome fenders no less. Fenders are out, brakes are gauche (except for tennis shoes), and today's riders demand ultralightweight frames on the bikes they use to perform special tricks. Used bikes are bringing prices that would have made Art's eyes pop if he were still alive to witness the change in the business he gave his heart to.

But if the particulars of bike-buying have

changed, the experience of a morning together—separated by more than two decades and light years in technological development—seemed remarkably similar to the one my Dad and I had shared so long ago. When Steve and I stopped at a certain fast food place that employs a celebrated clown, we munched sandwiches and talked of fixing bikes, what to expect in sophomore year of high school, and summer jobs.

It was a special moment to savor, wedged in between a verbal battle over acceptable movie fare the night before and something. I have forgotten the day after. I cannot claim that we shared any conversation that should be recorded for the ages. But for an hour he was a kid again (instead of a teen-ager) and I was a father (instead of a symbol of adult rules) and we had a good time together. This might not after the status of western humanity, but when you are raising teens, you graps a straws for the good times.

As Steve cleared trays away and we headed for the car, I sent a silent "thank you" heavenward for such a moment of understanding between us. As he edges toward adulthood through the pains of adolescence, there seem to be so few such shared moments anymore. But when they come, I have learned, they have to be enjoyed to the hilt. The more I work at this role of parent, the more I realize that the best times come unrehearsed and unexpected, a gift from the Lord in the midst of a muggy morning spent at a bike shop or wolfing down Sausage McMuffins while sharing the most important things on a 15-year-old's mind.

Such moments may not come as often as I would like, but I am thankful that they come at all. Some day, when Steve takes his kids out to buy bike parts and shares a sand-wich afterward ("over two zillion sold"), he'll understand why the Frenchman's eyes were a little damp as we headed for home.

## Preserving unity amid our differences of opinion

by Msgr. George G. Higgins

In 1950 Father Yves Congar, a distinguished French Dominican theologian, published an important book titled "Vraie et Fausse Reforme dans L'Eglise" ("True and

Fausse Netorme dans L'Eg False Reform in the Church''), a remarkably farsighted preview of things to come 12 years later in the Second Vatican Council. Too controversial for the jittery '50s, it was almost immediately ordered off the market and shortly thereafter went out of

print, becoming something of a collector's item.

That was unfortunate for a number of reasons. In any event, Father Congar's reputation was soon vindicated, and his ill-fated book subsequently came back into print, but unfortunately not in English.

Though the book was written largely

against the background of what was happening within the church in France some four decades ago, it has much to teach us about some of the problems within the post-Vatican II church in the United States.

This is particularly true of the very last section of the book, which deals with the problem of how to preserve unity—not uniformity, but unity—within a given local

church (the church in France, for example, or the church in the United States) when there is a sharp division of opinion among Catholics on a wide range of issues of pastoral practice and socio-economic reform.

toral practice and socio-economic reform.

Father Congar, when he wrote his book, was not one to panic in the face of this problem. At the same time, however, he was



frank in saying that the possibility that a local church might be torn apart by intramural bickering and split into two churches (a "traditionalist" church and a "progressive" church or one of the "right" and one of the "left"), should not be written off too lightly.

Father Congar's warning is well taken in the case of the local church in the United States. On the one hand, while we obviously have our share, and perhaps even more than our share, of intranural bickering, it is not my impression that we are in any immediate danger of being split into two separate and irreconcilable camps.

Nevertheless, there are certain danger signals on the horizon. In some cases the dialogue between "traditionalists" and "progressives" in the church in the United States seems to be degenerating into a kind of theological witch hunt or new form of heresy hunting which is much too spiteful and far too vindictive in tone and which fails to distinguish between those matters which are essential to the faith and those which are open to free and frank discussion and lend themselves to quite legitimate, not to say wholesome, differences of opinion. A recent statement by former White House aide Patrick Buchanan, writing with specific reference to the Iran-contra congressional hearings, has indirect bearing on the matter under discussion here. Buchanan wrote that "Americans of left and right no longer

share the same religion, the same values, the same codes of morality; we only inhabit the

I disagree with that statement and think Buchanan ought to cool his rhetoric. Ditto for the "traditionalists" and "progressives" in the church in the United States. They have legitimate differences of opinion, but they are members of one and the same church and neither group has the authority to excommunicate the other.

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## to the editor

#### The Eucharist must be central

The article "How church is reacting to growing priest shortage" in the July 10 issu of The Criterion reports measures being taken or considered by priests which they feel are necessitated by the increasing shortage of priests. These "measures" and the church's acceptance of them have me very

confused and extremely concerned.

I am confused because I thought that the church of which I am a member held the sacrament of the Eucharist as the cornerstone of its spirituality; that the tradition of the celebration of the Eucharist is central to our identity as church. The Mass has been held to be the celebration of the very life of our church: it says, is, and affirms all that we are as Catholic Church.

I am confused and concerned about what happens to this church when the tradition practice of the celebration of the Eucharist diminishes and becomes "more the exception than the norm." "Priestless Sundays are becoming more common," and it seems that instead of fighting for ways to save the Eucharistic life of our church, we are looking instead for ways to make our demise more orderly by drafting policy statements for Sunday "worship services."

The fact is that the priest shortage has become critical enough to threaten the practice of the most important and basic sacramental tradition of our church. I am puzzled and very worried that we are accept-ing changes in the tradition of the practice of the Eucharist rather than fighting for changes in the tradition of our priesthood which would help eliminate the shortage of priests and preserve our Eucharistic life.

Communion services and Sunday "wor ship" services are indeed "imperfect," and cannot become commonly accepted as substitutes for the celebration of the Eucharist. Clergy and lay people together need to strongly protest any "measures" being taken or considered which threaten the Eucharistic life of the Body of Christ. We need to speak out and insist that our church face squarely the underlying factors within the problem of the priest shortage and make whatever changes are necessary in that tradition rather than in the tradition of the celebration of the Eucharist.

Barbara Quiett Smith

#### Caught between two lunatics

Mr. Kuhn's statement (in his letter to the editor in the July 24 issue of The Criterion Yitzhak Shamir is definitely opposed to a 'peace' with the Palestinians that would eventually lead to the elimination/annihila-tion of the State of Israel and the genocide of the Jewish Race" is insane. If the prime minister of Israel really believes this, it leaves us between two lunatics-Khomeni in Iran and Shamir in Israel.

Former president Jimmy Carter, King Hussein of Jordan, ex-prime minister Shimon Peres of Israel, and nearly the whole world want an international peace conference primarily to figure out what to do with the two million Palestinian refugees now in Lebanon, Jordan, Syria and the West Bank. Israel's occupancy of the Golan heights and Jerusalem are also a problem, but there is no hope for "peace" as long as anyone believes the Nazi "final solution of the Jewish problem" is going to be on the conference table.

The conference would have been difficult last year before we helped Israel (or vice versa) supply weapons to Iran. Now it looks impossible

Now as we confront Iran in the Persian Gulf we add to our troubles the 800,000 Afghan refugees in Iran to the 2.8 million in Pakistan. I wish I shared with the Reagan administration that these are protected by "freedom fighters," not "Islamic fundamentalists.

My maternal grandma was a "hedge-w" teacher during the "troubles" in Ireland. Bob Twitchell

Indianapolis

#### Pleased to find prayer

I was so pleased to find the beautiful prayer "Good Morning, God" in the July 24 issue. It has been my morning prayer for more years than I can remember. It says it all! Excellent way to start each day. Mrs. J. S. Farrell

Indianapolis

## point of view

#### **Patriotism** or paranoia?

by Richard P. Monroe, Jr.

The good news about the Iran/contra hearings that recently ended is that people are talking about issues of substance. The bad news is what they are saying. Lt. Col. bad news is what they are saying, Lt. Col. Oliver North, with his modern version of Manifest Destiny, is viewed as a national hero while fear and deception are viewed as positive motivations. Unelected government officials, immune to public opinion, confess to trying to manipulate public opinion to meet their own objectives. They believe that with the use of advertising techniques they we sell their point of view to the American can sell their point of view to the American public—and it would appear that indeed they

How did we get to this point in our history and whose fault is it? How do we rectify it, or can we? Has the fear created by planne paranoia and the comfort of our lifestyles cost us our spirituality? To understand the present, we must have some understanding

During WW II, many economists and During WW II, many economissis and leading industry executives were impressed by the economic growth and productivity created by the war effort. In 1944, Charles E. Wilson, then president of the General Electric Co, proposed that leading figures in industry should become part of the military apparatus following the war. He suggested that a "permanent war economy" be established—thus the military/industrial

established—this decomplex was born.

However, to make this concept work, there needed to be an enemy. A mere political or economic opponent wouldn't do because opponents are often respected. We need to be can't have a permanent needed an enemy! You can't have a permanent war economy without having someone to fear—someone to hate. This did pose a problem!

problem!

The Nazis and Facists had been soundly defeated in Europe. With the use of two atomic bombs, Japan had been brought to its knees. However, following the war, many in the West had become concerned by what Joseph Stalin and the Kremlin were doing in Easterp Europe. Our ally during WW II had Eastern Europe. Our ally during WW II had suddenly become the much needed enemy.

The original strategy was to blanket the nation with bitter anti-communist rhetoric The message was "containment of com-munism." The strategy worked well as evidenced by the hearings conducted by the House Un-American Activities Committee, the Eastland Committee in the Senate and culminating with the McCarthy hearings. The much needed right wing, pro-war climate had been established and the military/industrial complex had grown in

political power to a level even its most avid supporters had not anticipated. The result of this planned paranoia in to-day's nuclear world has led us to the point where we no longer think in terms of "con-triguesed". Wit "out inclina and annibilation" tainment" but "extinction and annihilation" of those godless savages who don't under-stand or appreciate our pure and holy inten-tions in world affairs.

Before his death, Dwight Eisenhower, a

Betore his death, Junght Lisenhower, a career military man, a WW II hero and a two-term president of the United States, warned us "to beware of the military/industrial complex." As president, Ike had been exposed to the grand scheme of fear and exploitation and it alarmed him. We should have paid more attention to him. He knew what he was talking about.

America now has a generation of adults who have been raised with this obsessive fear of communism—fear so great that even our Christian faith can't comfort us. While we profess to believe in Christ and his teachings, we continue to arm ourselves with more an more weapons of genocide. The men who orchestrate this insanity are very clever. They know that the same insecurity that sells mouthwash and deodorant will sell weapons systems. It is simply exploitation for profit. They work hard to maintain this permanent war economy and it has provided most of us

with a very comfortable lifestyle.

But what has it cost us spiritually? If you believe, as I do, that spirituality is about our connection to the earth, our connection to all life, not just that within our national interest borders, and our connection to God; if you believe that men—and women—are the noblest creations of God, that we are meant to have dominion over the earth, to use it and care for it and each other; and that any people of any nation who profess a belief in these concepts but sit idly by and condone the exploitation of fear and ignorance for profit or economic security, those people have lost their spirituality.

They are no longer aware that spirituali-grounded in the ability to love deeply and full of the desire to grow and change, offers a surety of purpose and reason that provides a surely or purpose and reason that of calm in the midst of chaos, guidance in the midst of darkness, safety in the midst of danger and comfort in the face of doubt.

Communists and communism are not our enemy. Fear is our enemy, greed is our enemy, pride is our enemy. Communists are people and people are our brothers and sisters. With a spiritual awareness, we can live on this earth together in relative peace or we can all die together and ruin God's creation for an economic cause. This is creauon for an economic cause. This is where the hatemongers and fear peddlers are leading us. Men like Oliver North are willing to lie for their country, kill for their country, and die for their country. We need people who are willing to live for God. He

(Richard P. Monroe, Jr. is affiliated with Southern Indiana Peacemakers in New Albany.)



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## The grass was never greener

by Cynthia Dewes

Back in the bad old days when natural family planning was strictly a monte carlo, mothers used to sit around envying nuns. The Sisters had to teach the kids for six hours a

day, but mothers were stuck with them for life. Not only that, married women also had husbands to wait on.

The nuns, on the other hand, thought laywomen had it easy, lolling around the TV set or playing bridge all day until the kids came

lolling around use 1 - 1 - 2 or or playing bridge all day until the kids came home from school. Furthermore, laywomen had husbands to fix the drain when the sink plugged up. And they didn't have to answer to Father if the third grade confession line was rowly.

Celibate priests looked wistfully at their married peers, imagining the families they would never enjoy. Methodist and Baptist preachers, surrounded by wet diapers, spousal hostility and peanut butter smeared on next Sunday's sermon, wished they could take a slow boat to Rome.

Teachers envied construction workers because they were allowed to speak colorfully and work outdoors. Construction workers envied teachers, who had vacation all summer while they were clinging to a girder under the hot sun. Businessmen envied artists their creativity. Artists envied businessmen their solvency.

Today we're supposed to be more sophisticated than that. The grass is as brown on the other side of the fence as it is on ours, we're told. Everyone is mad as hell about "it," and won't take "it" anymore.

Mad about what?

About our human condition, apparently. It seems as though women don't like their biology anymore, men are unsure of their identity, and children think they are non-voting members of a committee called

Family. Everyone is confused. Everyone needs to feel real.

It's one thing to envy the other guy when we're having a bad day, but it's more serious if we really dislike who we are. The "givens"—sex, health, nationality, racemay not be what we would have chosen, but they're a start. It's what we do with (or despite) them that counts.

Making a choice and taking the consequences (good and bad) is not what it used to be, either. Society no longer encourages or supports long term commitments, so we flounder around in marriage, religious life and other relationships, we change jobs and apartments frequently, and we rent our furniture. If we could rent the kids we'd do that too.

VIPS...



Walter and Pauline Witte, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at a 10 a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving at the church in which they were married, St. Andrew Catholic Church in Richmond, on Sunday, Aug. 23. A reception for family and friends will be held in Father Hillman Hall at 2 p.m. Walter, Witte married the former Pauline Kutter Ryan on Sept. 1, 1937. They are the parents of Rev. John Ryan, pastor of St. Anthony, Indianapolis; and Betty Pope, Carolyn Greese, Mary Ann, Anthony, Joseph, and Walter Witte, Jr., all of Richmond. They are grandparents of 19 and great-grandparents of 12.

Franciscan Sister Phyllis Sellner celebrated the silver jubilee of her religious profession on Sunday, Aug. 9 at Assist Heights, Rochester, Minn. Sister has served as the chemical dependency chaplain at St. Vincent Stress Center, Indianapolis, for five years. A native of Sleepy Eye, Minn. Sister Phyllis received her undergraduate degree at the College of St. Teresa, Winona, Minn. After teaching elementary and junior high school for 19 years, she received certification in clinical pastoral education. She is certified as a mental health pastoral associate by the United States Catholic Conference and is a member of the National Association of Catholic Chaplains.

In Three new members have been elected to the advisory board of St. Vincent Hospital and Health Care Center. They are Shirley Richardson Evans, Dr. William G. Euright, and Allen B. Faux. Evans, a member of SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral Parish and its council, has many honors including Catholic Laywoman of 1986, selection as Lady of the Holy Sepulchre, and being the recipient of the Governor's Voluntary Action Program Community Service Award Dr. Enright is senior pastor of Second Presbyterian Church and Faux is president of its endowment fund.

pital has named William Bartholomew, a retired member of the Beech Grove Police Department as recipient of its Family Spirit Award. The five-year employee of the security department was selected because of his hard work, dedication and attitude to

dedication and attitude toward guests and employees. Bartholomew said, "I treat people the way I'd like them to treat me."

Providence Sisters Ann Casper, Betty Donoghue and Ruth Eileen Dwyer, of St. Mary of the Woods, recently participated in the annual national assembly at Loyola University, Chicago, of Pax Christi USA, international Catholic peace movement. Archbishop Raymond Hunthausen of Seattle delivered the keynote address at the assembly, the theme for which was "The Christian Community: Prophetic and Reconciliations of the Christian Community Prophetics and Reconciliations of the Christian Ch

ciling." Seminar topics included human rights, pro-life, racial and economic justice, and the women's movement.

Janet Watkins, president of Archdiocesan Black Catholics Concerned, and the four alternates chosen to represent the group at the Black Catholic Congress, Juanita McClure, Edward Phillips, Lillian Stevenson, and Amanda Strong, will represent the archdiocese at the Pope's New Orleans audience with Black Catholics in the Superdome in September.

St. Mary Church, New Albany, will hear about the Glenmary missions in Appalachia and the southern states when Father Richard Kreimer speaks to the congregation on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 15-16. A native of Cincinnati, Father is associate



nati, Father is associate director of the Glenmary Home Mission Office, headquartered in Cincinnati. His ministry included assignments in N. Carolina and Georgia. Founded in 1939, the order is dedicated to serving the spiritual and material needs of people in the nation's mission regions.

✓ St. Francis Hospital Center will offer educational programs, "Skills for Diabetes Care" on Aug. 17, 18, and 20 at 8:30 p.m. Topics covered will include causes, symptoms, testing, foot care, nutrition, and eating out. In addition, the hospital's diabetic support group will meet at 7 p.m. on Aug. 18 in the Hamachek Conference Center. Those wishing further information may call 317-782-6600.

✓ John Michael Talbot will present an evening of musical worship at St. Elizabeth Seton Church, Carmel, on Aug. 19 at 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Alverna Retreat Center, the program has no admission charge, but there will be a free-will offering. Those wishing more information should call 317-257-7338 (weekdays).

#### check-it-out...

Programs on scripture and prayer will be offered simultaneously at Beech Grove Benedictine Center this fall. Benedictine Sister Cornelia Gust will present a series on "The New Testament: An Overview" and Benedictine Sister Juliann Babcock will offer "Clay as Meditation" on Tuesdays, Sept. 22 and 29, Oct. 6, 13 and 20 at 9:30 a.m. or 7 p.m. Fees are \$7.50 per session or \$32.50 for all five sessions, paid by Sept. 15. For more information contact: Beech Grove Benedictine Center, 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove, Ind. 46107, 317-788-7581.

Instruction in natural methods of family planning for married and engaged couples will be presented on Thursday, Aug.



GOLDEN JUBILARIANS—Nineteen Sisters of Providence from St. Mary of the Woods are celebrating 50 years of religious profession in 1937. Shown here, with general superior Sister Nancy Nolan, are (left to right): (row 1) Sisters Ann Kathleen Brawley, Marie Patrick Kenne, Helen Marie Kelly, Regina Verdeyen and Beth Duffy; (row 2) Sisters Beatrice Hoberg, Brendan Harvey, Margaret Maureen Verdeyen, Jeanne Mary Dietz and Nancy Nolan; (row 3) Sisters Margaret Karier, Dorothy Deal, Jane Bodine, Margaret Patrice Foley and Agnes Veronica Hester; and (row 4) Sisters Suzanee Brezette, Mary Anselm Coppersmith, Rose Marie Garvey, Alma Louise Mescher, Catherine Livers and Mary Zita Geheb.

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27 at St. Columba Church, Columbus. The \$15 fee covers class fees, instructional materials, charts, basal thermometer and follow-up counseling. Reservations may be made by calling the parish office or the Family Life Office, 1-800-382-9836.

✓ A New Administrators Day will be sponsored by the Off-ice of Catholic Education at the Catholic Center Assembly Hall on Aug. 19 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 7 p.m., the Archdiocesan Board of Education will hold its installation of officers at St. Joan of Arc Church, Indianapolis.

Author David Duff will be the guest speaker at the Write for Christ meeting on Aug. 17 at 7 p.m. at the Community Church in Greenwood. The group is an Indianapolis group of interdenominational Christian writers. The number for more information is 317,881,291

Schulte High School Class of 1977 is making plans for its 10-year reunion. Dinner will be at the Ramada Inn on Saturday, Sept. 5 at 6 p.m. Those who have not been contacted or wish more information may call Mary (Kelly) Rept. 317-6587.



Third and fourth grade students at St. Jude Church, Indianapolis, participated in the 14th annual Summer Vacation Bible School. Seventh and eighth grade students assisted the staff, while high school students and adults help as teachers. About 120 children participated in the closing party. Some are seen here with Father Gerald Kirkoff, pastor; Jonathon Stewart, summer seminarian; and Father Dan Atkins, newly-ordained associate nasting.

## Koala, RSVP need volunteers

Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), which works out of the Catholic Center in Marion County, has agreed to cooperate with the Koala Center in an experimental program. But additional Boone County volunteers will be needed to help in the Lebanon residential treatment center's program for older people suffering from alcoholism and drug dependency.

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RSVP volunteers in Indiana number 8,000, with an average of 41 hours per quarter being donated to their communities. They share a lifetime of knowledge and skills to those with and for whom they work.

Senior citizens who would like to serve as role models to patients in Koala's Older Adults Treatment Services program are asked to contact Kay Maddock at 317-482-3711 or Barbara Sumner at 317-236-1557.

## Terre Haute man aids charity with 1,000 mile ride

by Martha Brennan

When Tom Panos planned his vacation this summer it didn't include a trip to Disney World or even camping at Indiana Beach. Instead, Panos, 23, rode a bicycle 1,000 miles in five days to raise \$1,000 for United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) of the Wabash Valley.

"A lot of people thought I was crazy and that it couldn't be done," Panos said, "But I did it, and I did it for Wendy."

"Wendy" is Providence Sister Wendy Workman, a physical education instructor at St. Mary of the Woods College, a fellow biker and vice president on the board of directors for UCP. On March 7, she suffered an internal head injury, multiple rib fractures and orthopedic injuries after being thrown from her bike when struck by an oncoming hay truck near Paris, III.

Currently she is at Americana Healthcare

Currently she is at Americana Healthcare Center North in Indianapolis in a semiconscious state and progressing in both functional and cognitive areas. Panos and Sister Workman have never met

Workman have never met. Panos, a 1987 Indiana State University

## Oldenburg focus of state exhibit

The historic town of Oldenburg is the subject of the Indiana Historical Society exhibition, "Oldenburg, Village of Spires: A Photographic Essay, 1887-1987," open Tuesday, Sept. 1 through Saturday, Oct. 31 at the Indiana State Library and Historical Building, 315 W. Ohio St., Indianapolis.

Oldenburg is the home of the Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Francis and its Academy of the Immaculate Conception. The community is served by Holy Family Catholic Church.

Catholic Church.
The village was founded in 1837 by Father Ferneding, a Catholic priest from Steinfeld near Damme, Germany. He is believed to have invited two German land developers, Ronnebaum and Plaspohl, to plat the town.
There is evidence that Ronnebaum adver-

There is evidence that Ronnebaum advertised in the Wahreitsfreund, the first German-Catholic newspaper, hoping to attract immigrants to Oldenburg. Farmers, shopkeepers and craftsmen, mostly from the area around Damme in the north German Grand Duchy of Oldenburg, settled in the Indiana tows:

In 1851, Mother Therese Hackelmeier came from Vienna to establish the convent at Oldenburg. The exhibit showing the 150-year-old

The exhibit showing the 150-year-old village is located on the third floor of the Indiana State Library and Historical Building. The Indiana Historical Society is a

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NOVICES—Arriving on Aug. 8 at St. Francis Assisi Friary in Franklin to continue their 12-month novitiate Franciscan community are: (front row, from left) Eoil Roselada, John Milewski, Mike Ubben, Ken Davies and Mike Zingale; (back row) Mike Kelly, Martin Nagy, Mike Nolan, James LeBorys, Derran Combs, Tom Moser, and Joe Head. The men will be members of the Our Lady of Angels Franciscan Community, Quincy, III. Father John Doctor at the Franklin Friary said that Nagy and Head are from the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.

graduate, is now an accountant for Robinson Floor Covering in Terre Haute. "I don't know where the idea came from, but I just wanted to do something for UCP. I love those kids."

The 1,000 mile trip took Panos to places like Memphis and Nashville, Tenn., and back to Terre Haute. "It was a fun ride and I enjoyed it. I liked meeting the people along the way," he said.

Panos has been biking regularly for five years, but never biked long distance. "For the first few days, I rode over 200 miles a day. I probably spent 13-14 hours a day riding.

"It was painful, too. I thought of Wendy a lot, especially when I was tired and in pain. The thought of Wendy and her work for UCP and of those kids with Cerebral Palsy pulled me through many problems.

"Those were the five warmest days of summer and at times I felt like I would pass out. But I would stop for 10 minutes and drink some water and feel refreshed, ready to ride again. My faith in God also helped me get through," he said.

A member of the Eastern Orthodox Church, Panos said that his religion played a major role in the ride. "I believe that God gave me a gift to help other people. When I pray, I pray for those less fortunate than I. The bike ride was one way of adding to my prayers and making them a reality."

According to April Osborne, executive director of United Cerebral Palsy of the Wabash Valley, Panos' ride was dedicated from one biker to another and even though the two don't know one another, they are very much the same.

"Sister Wendy has a 'can do' philosophy. Everything we asked for from her we received. She never gave up and was always optimistic. Tom is the same way, always doing something for someone else."

Osborne said that in honor of Sister Wendy's work on the board of directors, the idea for a Wendy Award is being considered. The



Tom Panes

Wendy Award would be presented to a young person who has provided outstanding volunteer service to UCP.

"I think the young people are doing terrific things for this community and they should be recognized," she said.

"I feel that I have accomplished something," Panos said. "But I hate to dwell on the past. Instead, I look to the future to see what else I can do."

Panos has already started planning his next vacation for the fall and for UCP. This time he is heading north to Canada.

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## Cardinal Patrick O'Boyle dies at 91

WASHINGTON (NC)—Cardinal Patrick A. O'Boyle, who as archbishop of Washington from 1948-73 made considerable achieve-ments in civil rights, social welfare and desegregation of archdiocesan Catholic schools and became embroiled in a controversy over contraception, died Aug. 10 at age 91.

Cardinal O'Boyle, the oldest U.S. cardinal and the fourth oldest prelate in the College of Cardinals, died at Providence Hospital in Washington

He underwent surgery at Georgeto University Hospital after breaking his hip July 26 in a fall at his Washington home and was later released. But he was recently re-admitted to Providence Hospital. The cause

admitted to Providence Hospital. The cause of death was not immediately released.

A public viewing of his body was scheduled for Aug. 13 at St. Matthew's Cathedral in Washington with a funeral Mass the following day.

In a statement Aug. 10, Jesuit Father William J. Byron, president of The Catholic University of America in Washington, said the cardinal "provided great leadership" as chancellor of the university during his years as Washington's archbishop.

"From my office window I can see the words 'O'Boyle Hall' on an academic building whi h stands in the CUA campus as a reminder of our indebtedness to Patrick Cardinal O'Boyle," he said. "He provided great leadership as chancellor of this university from 1948 to 1973, the years of his active service as archbishop of Washington."

Father Byron said, as a fellow native of Scranton, Pa., "I found that I enjoyed a 'geographic' claim to his friendship, en-couragement and support. Although i knew him best only in his retirement years, I

loved him for his dedication to priest and social justice, and for a certain affirmative candor which anyone who knew him will recall with admiration.

Cardinal O'Boyle was active in the fields of civil rights, social welfare and desegrega tion of the Washington archdiocesan Catholic schools several years before the 1954 Supreme Court decision barring segregation in public schools. But the cardinal became in public schools. But the cardinal occarie more widely know garing a controversy sur-rounding "Humane Vitae," (On Human Life), the 1968 encyclical of Pope Paul VI reaffirming the church's opposition to artificial birth control.

In 1968, more than 100 priests in Washington informed Cardinal O'Boyle that they could not "in conscience" follow the

church's teaching on contraception.

In a letter to all priests in the archdiocese In a letter to all priests in the architocese, the cardinal said the pope's encyclical was "the authentic teaching of the church which is binding in conscience." He told them they were not to "publicly question" the papal teaching, preach doctrines contrary to it, or "counsel penitents contrary to that same authentic teaching."

authentic teaching.

Rejecting the cardinal's directives, about 60 archdiocesan priests signed a "Statement of Conscience" citing 90 Catholic theologians who said that "spouses may responsibly decide, according to their conscience, that decide, according to their conscience, that artificial contraception in some cir-cumstances is permissible and indeed necessary to preserve and foster the values and sacredness of marriage.

When nearly 40 of the priests refused to retract their statement, Cardinal O'Boyle withdrew from them their faculties to hear confessions, celebrate Mass publicly, preach or teach. Nineteen appealed to the Vatican.

In May 1969, Pope Paul wrote to Cardinal the truth of Christ" and to urge the priests

to reconsider their position.
In April 1971, the Vatican Congregation for Clergy released its findings that Cardinal O'Boyle had not violated canon law in his treatment of the dissenting priests, but recommended that their faculties be

The year before "Humanae Vitae" was The year betore "Humanae Vitae" was issued, Cardinal O'Boyle was involved in another controversy, over the firing of Father Charles E. Curran, associate professor of moral theology at the Catholic Carbonic Carbon Carbon

University of America.

In April 1967 the rector of the university notified Father Curran, who had questioned traditional church teaching on contraception and other matters, that his teaching contract would not be renewed later that year. The rector said 30 of the 45 members of the board of trustees had approved the decision. No specific charges were stated, nor was a hearing held.

boycott by faculty members and students who supported Father Curran closed the university for five days. After a meeting of the board of trustees, Cardinal O'Boyle announced that Father Curran was reinstated and promoted.

Father Curran later was suspended from teaching at Catholic University after he was told by the Vatican in 1986 that he was not suitable or eligible to teach as a Catholic

One of Cardinal O'Boyle's first acts when he became archbishop of Washington in 1948 was to desegregate every Catholic church in the archdiocese. Segregation was standard for private and public schools throughout the



Cardinal Patrick A. O'Boyle

area at that time, but he ordered desegregation of all Catholic schools in the archdiocese by that fall.

In 1963 Cardinal O'Boyle endorsed the Rev. Martin Luther King's controversial civil rights march on Washington. He preceded Dr. King's famous "I Have a Dream" speech with an invocation in which he likened the civil rights marchers to "Moses of old," leading the people to a new promised land of racial harmony.

Cardinal O'Boyle was born July 18, 1896. The son of Irish immigrant parents whose The son of Irish immigrant parents whose father died when he was 10, Cardinal O'Boyle rose from a working-class neighborhood in Scranton, Pa., to head the U.S. bishops' massive War Relief Services—now called Catholic Relief Services—ow called Catholic Relief Services—fox called mediately after World War II.

He became the first archbishop of Washington in 1948 and was named a car-

dinal in 1967.

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#### Mary in Our Faith

## Medjugorje message: 'pray, pray, pray



Based on the children's descriptions, this is how Mary is appearing to them at Medjugorje.

by Richard Cain

The story of Medjugorje (pronounced Me-joo-gor-yeh) began June 24, 1981—the feast of John the Baptist.

Two girls, Ivanka Ivankovic (Ee-vahn-ka Ee-vahn-ko-vitch), 15, and Mirjana Dragicevic (Meer-yahn-ah Drah-gheet-seh-vitch), 16, were walking down a road that winds along a rocky hill near their village. It was about 6:15 p.m. Suddenly Ivanka saw a glowing silhouette ahead of her. She described it as an indistinct form of a young girl dressed in a grey robe. The girl's face was shining and the figure was hovering about a yard off the ground.

Ivanka said. "Look. it's the Gospa! (The

Ivanka said, "Look, it's the Gospa: (The Croatian word for the Virgin Mary)." Mirjana shrugged her shoulders "No, it couldn't be the Gospa." She refused to even look in the direction that Ivanka indicated. They were both afraid and left to tell others what

they had seen. Later that evening the two girls and four others returned to the site looking for their sheep. Again Ivanka was the first to spot the

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image of the young woman. Overwhelmed and afraid, they ran back to their homes and

told people what they had seen.

No one believed them. Marija Pavlovic (Maria Pav-lo-vitch), 16, who would become one of the six children receiving the apparitions, laughed when her sister described this figment of her imagination.

Nevertheless, when Ivanka and Mirjana returned the next day at the same time, Marija was with them. Also with them were: Ivan Dragicevic, 16; Vicka (Veets-kah) Ivankovic, 16; and Jakov Colo (Ya-kov

Cho-lo), 10. As they were going along the road, several of them saw the Gospa on the hill. They were filled with joy. An impulse seized them and they ran up the hill over the rocks and brambles. The apparition was reliting at the tor. An integral force mode waiting at the top. An interior force made them kneel and they began to pray. Two adults who were with them saw nothing.

For the first time they spoke to the apparition. "Why had she come?" Because she had found faith there. The Gospa asked for reconciliation and peace among

From then on the apparition appeared to the six at the same time each evening, except for five, during the past six years—by now almost 2,000 times. On the third day, the apparition identified herself as the Blessed Virgin Mary. According to the six, she appears after a flash of light dressed in a grey robe and wearing a white veil. Around her head is a crown of 12 stars (see Revela-

At first the young people went to the hill for the apparitions. But the accompanying crowd quickly grew in size and nervous government authorities ordered them off the hill. (The authorities also imprisoned the pastor for three years and have subjected the six young people to several interrogations.)
After the hill was declared off limits, the

children received the apparitions in their homes until the Gospa suggested they go to St. James, the parish church.

The apparitions then took place in the chapel while townspeople and rapidly growing numbers of visitors (the total is now approaching six million) gathered in the main church to pray and sing. The pastor ar-ranged for Masses lasting three hours each ranged for Masses lasting three hours each evening, following the time of apparitions, seven days a week. Later after the diocesan bishop directed that the children's visions be disassociated from the liturgy, they began receiving the apparitions in the parish

#### The message

The content of the apparitions centers around three things: personal messages for the six young people, messages for the parish and messages for the world Much of the conversations seem to be per-

sonal, the sort of little daily things a mother and her children would discuss. Mary has also been training the six in their faith. Through the six young people—and two other youths who hear Mary's voice but do not see her—Mary has also taken on the spiritual direction of the parish in Medjugorje.

Finally, some of Mary's messages con-cern not just Catholics or Christians but all cern not just Catholics or Christians but all people. The messages can be summed up in one word: peace. According to a homily given by Father Tomisiav Vlasic at the parish on Easter Sunday in 1984, the reason for the message is the increasing moral decay in the world. "The world with all its present tensions is going towards its ruin. If it wants to be saved, it must have peace, but it will only have peace if it finds God; those who find God find a joy in their hearts which comes from peace

According to the young people, Mary has said that she has come for one thing only: conversions. "Be converted, be converted, be converted," she often has said to the young people

Mary also repeatedly stresses prayer, Mary also repeatedly stresses player, fasting and generous giving of oneself to others—above all prayer. "There are many Christians who no longer believe because they do not pray." She suggested starting with familiar prayers and the Creed, and to have been about the below Spirit begin by asking to receive the Holy Spirit.

She also stressed the need for monthly

confession for a full participation in the Eucharist. According to Father Vlasic, once she spoke of the Eucharist saying: "Those Christians who go to church without preparation, without receiving Holy Communion, without giving thanks, it is better that they do not go because their hearts become hard." The message can also be summarized as:

peace, prayer, fasting, the sacraments and an urgent conversion. According to Father Vlasic, what she means by peace is love, a totally positive attitude, living day by day without fear, doing what we can and trusting

in God. The key to doing this is living prayer. She once said: "The fundamental point about prayer is to have a great desire for God and for the salvation of souls. Let yourselves be carried along by these desires, of thanking salvation of man. If you possess these desires then you will pray and find time for prayer."

The only way to grow in prayer is by praying, fasting and loving. According to Father Vlasic, those who wish to grow in their spiritual life must pray not less than half an hour in the morning and half an hour in the evening. One of the messages said: "I will give you a spiritual secret so that you can be protected from sin and always be united with God. Create an active conscience for yourselves. Pray in the morning and read a passage from the Gospel. Impress it on your mind and in your heart and carry it with you through the day. In moments of crisis, meditate on it again and pray to God to strengthen that Word within you.

According to the six young people, Mary as promised to give each of them 10 secrets. en each receives his or her 10 secrets, the regular apparitions stop for that person. Mir jana and Ivanka have received all 10 and no longer see Mary on a regular basis. The others have all received nine.

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Some of the secrets concern the children others the parish, and the rest the world. They are to reveal the secrets at a time designated by Mary. According to the young people, some of the secrets are pleasant and others unpleasant.

According to the French theologian, Rene According to the French theologian, reflect Laurentin, in 1984, Mary appeared again to Mirjana with details about how the secrets will be revealed. The first secret will be revealed three days before it happens. It will then be followed by the second and the third, culminating in the appearance of a permaculminating in the appearance of a perma-nent sign on the hill where the apparitions began. This sign will be visible to all the world and is especially directed at those who do not believe in God. Then the events in the other secrets will quickly follow.

A number of TV documentaries have

A number of TV documentaries have appeared on Medjugorje. Among the growing number of books, the following were used in this article: "Is the Virgin Mary Appearing at Medjugorje?" and "The Apparitions at Medjugorje Prolonged," both Appartions at Mediugorje Proiniged, boar by Rene Laurentin, and a collection of homilies by the priests at the Medjugorje parish called "Open Your Hearts to Mary Queen of Peace." They contain a wealth of information and background on all aspects of the events surrounding the apparitions including scientific investigations. All are available through the Riehle Foundation, P.O. Box 7, Milford, OH 45150 (513) 831-8068. The last book is available at no charge.



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## Protesters pray and march for release of priests imprisoned in China

WASHINGTON (NC)-Twenty-five pro testers knelt across the street from the Chinese Embassy Aug. 3 to silently pray for the release of Catholic priests imprisoned in

Earlier, chanting "Free Father Chu," the protesters marched up and down a stretch of Washington's Connecticut Avenue carry-ing placards that read "China, let our fathers and "Bishop Fan needs a doctor."

Then they listened as a Chinese-American priest sang a prayer in Latin for the well-

being of the priests held in captivity.

The protest was sponsored by Free the
Fathers, a U.S. organization started in 1985 to lobby Chinese officials to free Chinese

clerics jailed for religious reasons.

In an interview, the organization's president called on U.S. bishops to exert pressure on the Chinese government on behalf of the

incarcerated priests.

The protest took place on the 87th birthday of Bishop Ignatius Kung Pin-mei of Shanghai, who was jailed in 1955 and is still under detention, according to John M. Davies, president of Free the Fathers.

Davies, president of Free the Fathers.
"To be 87 years old and still under detention is a terrible thing," said Davies in a statement distributed at the demonstration. He said Bishop Kung "has done nothing wrong except to be a devout Catholic in a land where athesism rules with an iron fist. Despite new economic openness in China, Christians are still cruelly persecuted."
The chancellor of the Diocese of Shanghai, Father Berchmans Shen Baoxhi, said in July that Bishop Kung, released from prison in 1985. "ives hapolity in the diocesan

prison in 1985, "lives happily in the diocesan residence." However, Amnesty International, a London-based human rights

report that the bishop was still considered a criminal under surveillance and therefore would be on probation for 10 years.

Davies said his organization has asked the U.S. bishops to draft a resolution protesting the imprisonment of the Chir priests. "We see it as the minimum they could do," he said in an interview

He said he knows the specifics of the es of 15 to 20 priests currently imprisoned in China, but estimates "as many as 100 priests" may be detained in the country.

It is difficult to get an exact count of detained clerics since "some of the underground bishops are ordaining new priests all the time," Davies said. "We have information about the elderly priests, but it's more difficult to find out about the young ones."

Catholics in China are divided between ose remaining loyal to the Vatican and the officially recognized National Association of Patriotic Catholics, which rejects ties to

According to a brochure published by Tennessee-based organization many of the detained priests are held in labor camps where they are forced to quarry rock, work steel smelters or labor in rice paddies.

Davies said he is especially concerned about 79-year-old Bishop Peter Joseph Fan Xueyan of Paoting, Ching Yuan, who is serving a 10-year sentence.

'As far as we know he is quite ill with heart and respiratory problems that are aggravated by old age" said Davies.

A Chinese Embassy spokesman declined

to comment on the reason why the priests

and bishops have been detained in that

Among those marching in the Aug. 3 protest was Father Victor Wong, a priest of the Diocese of Nanking, China, who currently works for the District of Columbia Office of the Corporation Counsel as a bilingual Chinese community aide. He said he left his homeland 38 years ago.

He joined the protesters because "in China I knew Bishop Kung. He is a very religious man, faithful to the pope. He recognizes the pope as a representative of

Davies credits his organization's letterprovides credits his organization's letter-writing campaign directed at Chinese officials with "embarrassing them into finally admitting" to the U.S. State Department and members of Congress that Catholic priests are being held for allegedly commiting crimes against the state.

The organization lists Archbishop Philip M. Hannan of New Orleans, Bishop James D. Niedergeses of Nashville, Tenn., and retired Bishop Robert L. Whelan of Fairbanks, Alaska, as members of its national

## New Chinese priest affirms loyalty to pope

SHANGHAI, China (NC)-The pope's SHANGHAI, China (NC)—The pope's spiritual leadership in the universal church is beyond doubt, said a newly ordained Chinese priest, but the Vatican's diplomatic links with Taiwan remain a problem.

We have no doubt that the pope is the spiritual head of the church," said Father Yu Xinhua, 33. However, he stressed that China and Taiwan are undivided parts of an "integrated" country and it would be wrong to treat them separately.
"We hope the Taiwan problem can be

resolved soon," he said.

Father Yu, ordained in June, is one of the first six Chinese seminarians to receive all his theological formation at Sheshan Regional Seminary, which opened in 1982 under the auspices of the government-

anctioned National Association of Patriotic Catholics

Formal ties between the Vatican and China were broken in 1949, when the People's Republic of China was established. Press reports outside China have described three groups of Chinese Catholics: those belong ing to the government-approved patriotic association; those loyal to the pope and opposing the patriotic association; and those cooperating with the association, but not belonging to it.

Maryknoll Father Peter Barry, who specializes in the church in China, also has said the Vatican's diplomatic links with Taiwan remain a problem in Vatican-Chinese relations.

"We do not describe our accepting the

control," he said recently in Hong Kong, "but the Chinese Catholic patriotic association at

nes uses such language." Mass in China is celebrated in Latin, and Father Yu said he thinks liturgical reform is one of the most important tasks facing the church in China. He said it was vital for lay people, especially the young, to understand what is said at Mass and the meaning of the sacraments

Another problem confronting the church is the fact that the country's 3 million Catholics are mostly elderly people, he said.

"There is need to provide more catechism classes and other activities for the young so that they can develop their belief and can ex-perience religious life," he said.



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## Vatican, Jewish leaders to meet

by Barb Fraze

WASHINGTON (NC)—U.S. Catholic officials and some Jewish leaders hope a planned meeting between Vatican officials and Jewish representatives will help ease strained relations between the two groups.

What will be discussed at the meeting and its date have not been set, although officials from both sides expect the meeting to be in late August.

Vatican-Jewish relations have been strained since Pope John Paul II met June 25 with Austrian President Kurt Waldheim, who has been accused of Nazi wartime activities in Yugoslavia. After the Waldheim meeting, some Jewish leaders threatened not to attend a meeting scheduled with the pop. in Miami Sept. 11.

In San Francisco, marchers—including survivors of the Auschwitz concentration camp—picketed a papal visit fund-raiser, and Archbishop John R. Quinn issued a fourpage letter defending the pope's meeting with Waldheim

with Waldheim.
The Vatican invitation to Jewish leaders was from Cardinal Johannes Willebrands to Rabbi Mordecai Waxman, chairman of the International Jewish Committee on Inter-religious Consultations. Cardinal Willebrands is president of the Vatican Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity and the Commission for Religious Relations with Jews.

Eugene J. Fisher, executive secretary of the U.S. bishops' Secretariat for Catholic-Jewish Relations, said the Vatican initiative "will go a long way toward healing the

wounds" from the Waldheim visit.

Msgr. Bryan Walsh, chairman of the

Miami archdiocesan Ecumenical and Interfaith Commission, said the planned meeting

was 'good news for Miami.'
Msgr. Walsh said the pope-Waldheim visit and various Catholic-Jewish meetings that followed might turn out to be ''a blessing in disguise' for increased dialogue. Jewish leaders hope the meeting will help

Jewish leaders hope the meeting will help put Vatican-Jewish relations back "on track," said Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, director of international relations of the American Jewish Committee.

About 20 Jewish leaders met for three hours in New York Aug. 5 before accepting the Vatican invitation. In a statement issued after the meeting, Jewish leaders said the invitation followed a July 9 consultation in New York between four Jewish leaders and Cardinal Agostino Casaroli, Vatican secretary

Rabbi Tanenbaum said Rabbi Waxman understood that the meeting would be with Cardinals Willebrands and Casaroli and members of their respective secretariats. He said Jewish leaders expect to talk about the pope-Waldheim meeting, Vatican and Jewish perceptions of the Nazi Holocaust and the issue of increased anti-Semitism.

"We were told that the next day there would be a meeting with the pope" that would last 60-90 minutes and would include frank discussions, not formal statements as planned for Miami, he said.

But an informed Vatican source said the Waldheim visit was not expected to be an issue in the talks. The Vatican view is that 'it's over—the Holy See received this person and now it's history," said the source.

son and now it's history," said the source.
At the Vatican, Father Pierre Duprey, vice president of the Commission for

Religious Relations with Jews, said the meeting probably would deal with a broad range of Catholic-Jewish religious issues, but would not include discussions about the Waldbeim meeting.

Father Duprey said the Vatican has "nothing to discuss about the (Waldheim) question in this meeting."

Vatican officials said the meeting would include Cardinal Willebrands and others on the Commission for Religious Relations with

"At the end, it's foreseen that Cardinal Willebrands will present these people to the pope, with a view toward the meeting they will have in Miami," said Vatican press spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls.

Gunther Lawrence, director of public information for the Synagogue Council of America, said Jewish leaders' acceptance of the Vatican invitation "was in no way a quid pro quo" for the Miami meeting.

Lawrence also said Jewish leaders were pleased at the roles of U.S. bishops in arranging the meeting with the Vatican. He

especially praised Archbishop John L. May of St. Louis, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, and Bishop William H. Keeler of Harrisburg, Pa., chairman of the NCCB Committee on Ecumenical and Inter

and Interreligious Affairs.

The International Jewish Committee for Interreligious Countitations has represented the world Jewish community in discussions with the Vattean sings 1972. Member agencies are the Synagoue Council of America, the American Jewish Committee, Brial B'rith International, Israel Interfaith Association and the World Jewish Congress.

In San Francisco, Archbishop Quinn said in a July 29 letter to the people of the archdiocese that the pope's meeting with Waldheim "cannot objectively" be seen as "lack of esteem and respect" by the pope and Vatican for Jewish people. He stressed the pope's position as head of state and said the visit with Waldheim was part of Vatican diplomacy.

Archbishop Quinn, who will host the pope in San Francisco Sept. 17-18, also defended the Vatican's lack of diplomatic relations with Israel, saying the Vatican position did not imply non-acceptance of Israel as a state.

(Contributing to this story were John Thavis in Rome and Marjorie Donohue in Miami.)

# New Jewish center named after Cardinal Bernardin

CHICAGO (NC)—A Chicago institute for Judaic studies has named its new center for study of Eastern European Jewry after Cardinal Joseph L. Bernardin of Chicago.

The center, which opened July 22 at Spertus College of Judaica, is called the Joseph Cardinal Bernardin Center for the Study of Eastern European Jewry.

It will highlight "the art, artifacts and scholarly works of 1,000 years of Eastern European Jewry that were saved during World War II by churchmen, private individuals, and governments as 5 million Jews perished," a press release said. Plans call for the center to be home for

perished, a press release said.

Plans call for the center to be home for several study institutes, including the Institute for Advanced Jewish Study and the Institute for the Study of the Christian-Jewish Experience.

At the opening, Cardinal Bernardin donated \$1,000 to the center and emphasized the friendship between Jews and Catholics but said that "it is inevitable that tensions or misunderstandings may arise at times among friends."

"I see the center as a new symbol—and as a powerful one at that—of the strong—indeed, unbreakable—bond that unites us," he said.

Cardinal Bernardin, who has been involved in development of the center for the past five years, also spoke of the Holocaust, in which millions of Jews were slaughtered during World War II.

"The very existence of the center will help to keep the tragedy of the past deeply ingrained in our memory so that it can never be repeated in the future," he said.

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SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM—Catholic schools in the archdiocese have amounced their policies for free and reduced-priced meals for children from families unable to pay the full price. The chart above shows eligibility guidelines for national school lunch and breakfast programs, as set by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Application forms are being sent to all parents and guardians of students in each school. To apply for free or reduced-priced meals, the family should fill out the form and return it to the school. School officials will review the application and determine eligibility, and families may appeal the school's decision. The information on the application is confidential and will be used only to determine eligibility. Each school has a copy of the complete policy for public review, and applications may be submitted at any time during the year.



FOR FALL ENROLLMENT

## Brubeck says pope is full brass and percussion

by Sr. Mary Ann Walsh

WASHINGTON (NC)-Pope John Paul II is "full brass and percussion, musician Dave Brubeck. That's why a piece Brubeck has written for the pope's Sept. 18 Mass at Candlestick Park in San Francisco resounds with trumpet's blare and timpani's

The work, "Pontifical Processional," is a strong music statement and includes a fugue Brubeck called "the most triumphant thing I've ever written.'

The world-renowned composer and musician was commissioned to write the work by the Archdiocese of San Francisco, with funding from the Oblates of Mary Immaculate.

Brubeck, 67, described the pope piece in July 29 telephone interview from his Wilton, Conn., home. He said he was guided by images evoked by the Scripture verse he had to illustrate—Mt. 16:18—and his per-sonal view of Pope John Paul.

"I view the pope as a very strong, powerful, forceful individual," he said. And the text—"you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it" demanded a strong statement. The text spoke of "strength, not giving in," Brubeck

The processional, which begins peacefully, had a more powerful beginning until advisers discouraged the jazzman from opening with the triumphant fanfare—"too he said. As a result, the pope will nter to music which conveys peace.

"It's not as pompous as it might have

to the composer's feelings for the Scripture it illustrates. The verse "is not a statement of peace for me, but that's what I was able to turn it into," he said.

Although toned down, the work still is 'extremely strong," Brubeck said, and conveys that the church founded on a rock has continued since Peter's day and this pope "is going to protect it.'

The processional begins with a "peacefanfare followed by a chorale, Brubeck said. What was to have been the opening "triumphant" fanfare follows the chorale and leads into the "more triumphant" fugue. "It ends exactly where would like something to end," communicating "a triumphant peace with a tremen-dous struggle in front of it," Brubeck said.

The Mass at Candlestick Park also in-cludes sections from "Mass, to Hope!," Brubeck's widely applauded liturgical piece written for Our Sunday Visitor about five years ago. The artist said that work on that piece led him to join the Catholic Church.

Brubeck said jazz, which originated in America and was influenced by gospel songs and spirituals, is appropriate for the papal Mass. Its roots are "far more sacred" than those of much traditional church music, he said, noting that Bach took the music for "O Sacred Head Now Wounded," a time-honored hymn in all Christian churches, 'from a drinking song.

Brubeck said he is pleased to compose for "Most artists would be thrilled the pope. about doing something for the pope ... especially this pope," he said. "He's a great



COMPOSING FOR THE POPE—Jazz pianist and composer Dave Brubeck has written a pro-cessional for the Sept. 18 Mass at San Francisco's Candlestick Park which will be celebrated by Pope John Paul II. The work resounds with trumpet's blare and timpani's boom, Brubeck says, because the pope is "full brass and percussion." Brubeck is pictured in 1985 with his son Chris in rehearsal for a composition which debuted at the convention of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians. (NC photo)

world leader, a peacemaker. He speaks for the poor and oppressed people. And, he's an artist himself. The church has a long history of using artists of the period to help the church praise God. It's great to be part of that heritage.



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## the sunday Readings Psalm 67:2-3, 5-6, 8 Romans 11:13-15, 29-32 Matthew 15:21-28 Psalm 67:2-3, 5-6, 8

AUGUST 16, 1987

by Richard Cair

Possessiveness comes early and easily to us. "My" is one of the first words in the working vocabulary of a child—and how ferociously the child will use it! Possessiveness also extends to people. A parent thinks of his or her child as "my" child. But the cute little sion thinks of his or her possession units of the or her possessors as "my" parents. Ultimately, we even try to possess "our God. This Sunday's first and third readings deal with this tendency

The first reading is from the third part of Isaiah (chapters 56-66). It was written some time after the end of the Babylonian Exile. The Israelites were returning to the promised land, a new le was being built and liturgical nip reestablished.

All this led to the question of how the liturgy would be organized. Would ers continue to be excluded as

foreigners continue to be excluded as they had been before? But why had foreigners been exclud-ed in the past? This has its origins in the most besic belief of the Israelites that they were God's chosen people and had a special covenant relationship with God

As a part of the covenant, Israel was supposed to live as God does, with love and in truth. The Law of Moses was supposed to embody this holy way of -at least when compared with the

laws and customs of other peoples.

But over time, many of the Israelites But over time, many of the Israelite developed some serious misunderstandings of what this special relationship and different way of life meant. They came to think that God had made a deal with the Israelites to be their God-as though God belonged to them

and not to any other people.

This in turn led to the idea that the Israelites should look down on and exclude themselves from other people-

just because they were different. But this was the opposite of the role that God had really intended for them. For God wanted the Israelites to serve as ambassadors of God for other people.

This is why the author of the first reading stated that everyone should be able to participate in the sacred liturgy

But as the gospel reading suggests. the exclusive attitude was still a prob-lem in Jesus' day. In the preceding passages, Jesus had been engaged in a running debate with the Pharisees, a elitist religious sect of Judaism that stressed following a very detailed set of religious rules and looked down on those who weren't as strict

After experiencing much rejection, Jesus retreated to just outside of the land of the Jews. He encountered a woman who begged him to heal her cri-tically sick child. Reading the account, it is easy to get the impression that Jesus was rather cold to the woman

But actually, the woman's plea put m in a difficult situation. Numerous places in the gospels indicate that Jesus' healings attracted so many clamoring people that he was unable to go about his main ministry of teaching—at times he even had to go into hiding. But his great love won out and he took the risk anyway

The second reading, taken from Paul's letter to the Romans, approaches the topic from a different angle. Paul was dealing with the difficult question of why the Jews as a nation had rejected Jesus, their Messiah, Had God rejected them as the chosen people? Paul's response was, no, the Jews Paul's response was, no, the Jews would always be God's chosen people. God's call is irrevocable. Rather, God was using this time of the Jew's unbelief to reach out to the Gentiles. Paul firmly believed that the Jews would one day come to believe and that all humanity would be one in Christ.

#### The Pope Teaches

## Jesus acted through the Holy Spirit's power

by Pope John Paul II

Today we reflect on the truth that it was in the power of the Holy Spirit that us, the Son of God, came to accomplish the saving mission entrusted to him by his Father. At the beginning of his mission, Jesus in the synagogue at Nazareth reads out from the prophet Isaiah: "The Spirit of

the Lord is upon me; therefore he has anointed me...." He tells his listeners that these words refer to himself. He is the Messiah, the Anointed One, who comes in the power of the spirit of the

We hear this truth about Jesus confirmed at his baptism in the River Jordan, when John the Baptist says: "I saw the Spirit descend like a dove from the sky, and it came to rest on him. But I did not recognize him. The one who sent me to aptize with water told me, 'When you see the Spirit descend and rest on someone, it is he who

sopring descend and result in sometime, it is new to the control of the control o the Most High will overshadow you, hence, the holy offspring to be born will be

atted the Son of God."

It is through the power of the Holy Spirit that Jesus performs miracles, signs und wonders throughout his public ministry. And in his redeeming sacrifice on the cross and in his resurrection we see the Spirit's power profoundly revealed. In the fulfillment of the Father's will, Jesus offers himself to the Father through the Spirit, and it is the same Spirit who raises him from the dead, manifesting in a sublime way the divine sonship of Jesus. With this in mind the Apostle Paul writes: "No one can say: 'Jesus is Lord,' except in the Holy Spirit." ed the Son of God."

## the Saints Whe



ST ATHANASIA WAS BORN ON THE ISLAND OF AEGINA. THE EXACT DATE OF HER BIRTH IS NOT CERTAIN. SHE WAS WIDOWED WHEN HER HUSBAND OF 16 DAYS WAS KILLED FIGHTING MARAUDING ARABS IN GREECE. SHE REMARRIED AND WHEN HER SECOND HUSBAND WANTED TO BECOME A MONK, SHE CONSENTED AND BECAME A NUN, USING HER HOME AS A CONVENT. SHE WAS NAMED ABBESS, MOVED THE CONVENT TO TIMIA, SERVING FOR SEVEN YEARS AS ADVISOR TO EMPRESS THEODORA FROM THE CELL IN WHICH SHE WAS LIVING IN CONSETENTIADDE. SHE REMARRIED AND WHEN HER CONSTANTINOPLE. SHE DIED IN TIMIA SOON AFTER RETURNING THERE, AROUND THE YEAR 860.

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#### Question Corner

## Wedding without a priest

**Q** My 24-year-old son, a practicing Catholic, lives and works in San Diego. He is engaged to a lovely non-Catholic woman who also lives and works in that city. However, the wedding will take place in San Francisco, which is the hometown of the bride-to-be and the residence of her family.

The ceremony will be performed The ceremony will be performed in the Presbyterian Church and my son would like for a priest to be present and take part in the ceremony to make it valid in the eyes of the Catholic Church. The wedding is scheduled for summer of 1988. scheduled for summer of 1988.

Obviously all the paper work and premarriage preparations will take place at my son's parish in San Diego. But since he has no parish priest in San Francisco, how does he go about getting a priest to be present at his wedding?

First, we should clarify a serious misconception A First, we should claim a serious machinepool.

Which you and your son seem to be under. From your letter it is obvious he is preparing this marriage with the assistance of a Catholic priest, who will, I assume, ask the local bishop for a dispensation from the form of marriage. That means that the Catholic partner (your son) may be married by someone other than a Catholic priest and still have that marriage valid in the eyes of the Catholic Church.

If that is done, no priest need be present at the marriage for that marriage to be a true marriage according to Catholic Church law. It is important to be clear about that.

I can understand that a Catholic would like a priest to be present, but this presence is not essential.

As to having a priest in San Francisco present, that would best be planned, if it is possible at all, through the priest now arranging the marriage with your son and his fiance.

The most a priest can do in these circumstances is attempt to find a parish close to the Presbyterian church where the marriage will take place and inentiach where the marriage will have place and in-quire if a priest from that parish is free to be at the wedding. Sometimes that is possible; often it is not, simply because of the schedule of weddings and other responsibilities priests have in their own parishes, especially on Saturdays.

Please ask your son to talk to his priest and learn what might be done.

I just recently found out that I have been excommunicated from the church for a mistake I made years ago. I am heartbroken. Please tell me what to do. (North Carolina)

A The only important thing for you to do is to go to a priest, in the sacrament of penance if you wish, and tell him the situation. He will help you more easily than you expect.

I don't want to get too involved, but many things are required before a person is excommunicated from the church. One is that the individual must be aware, at the time a particular act is committed, that an excommunication will be incurred if the act is carried through.

From your letter, it seems obvious that this was not true in your case. Whatever wrong you may have committed and however sinful, I think it is highly unlikely that any excommunication was involved.

As I said, a priest in your parish or a neighboring parish, I'm sure, can take care of any problems and relieve your anxieties very quickly.

(A free brother outlining marriage regulations in the Catho-lic Church and explaining the promises in an interfaith marriage is available by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Father John Dietzen, Holy Trinity Parish, 704 N. Main St., Bloomington, Ill. 61701.

(Questions for this column should be sent to Father Dietzen at the same address.

#### Family Talk

## A domestic energy glut

by Dr. James and Mary Kenny

Dear Dr. Kenny: My 7-year-old son has been diagnosed as hyperactive. He is taking medication (Ritalin), and it has slowed him down some. However, help still muite appropriate of its he's still quite energetic and it seems to be contagious. His 3-year-old sister is getting to be almost as

I too was hyperactive as a child, and I know how restless and excited they are. I don't want to spend my whole day trying to slow them down. Isn't there some way I can respond to all that enthusiasm and channel their energy? Please give me some ideas.

Answer: You are a wise mother because you recognize that hyperactivity is more than a problem. It

can also be a grace.

No, you don't want to spend all of your time trying to calm and regulate and stop your children. Apparently you have brought the unacceptable part of your son's behavior under control. Now you want to

son's behavior under control. Now you want to respond to and use some of that excitement. Here is a program called "Active-Itties," for very active children. The purpose is to capture their high level of energy in a variety of play activities. Schedule one "Active-Itty" for about one-half hour each day. Pick a time when you are already having trouble con-trolling them. Write out your scheduled time and troung mem. write out your screeueed time and activity a week in advance, with the advice of your two children. They will have something to look forward to each day. Here are some possibilities.

Get large boxes from the store. Stack and cut and color the boxes to make houses out of them. Add

blankets to make a fort.

► Buy some old clothes from a thrift shop or vard sale. These are great to play "dress up." They can be colored and cut up.

Play indoor basketball. Use a Nerf ball and a tin-

► Anything in water can be fun: in the bathtub, at the sink or outdoors with the hose. A little preparation can make it possible.

Paint some pictures on computer paper or scrap paper. Use finger paints if you are brave. Or add a generous amount of ordinary food color to a small generous amount of ordinary 100d color to a small dish of water. Spread out lots of old newspapers, pre-ferably pages with lots of pictures. Let your children "color" the newspaper, using a pastry brush and the

► Set a foam mattress on the floor. This can be Set a foam mattress on the moor. This used for tumbling or gymnastics.

Put up a punching bag and flail away.

Let them play with pots and pans.

Put on a country western or rock album and do some aerobic dancing. Or do an aerobic workout Your children will soon let you know which activ-

ities work. Hopefully, their favorite will also be yours. (Reader questions on family living and child care to be answered in print are invited. Address questions to the Kennys, Box 872, St. Joseph's College, Renseelaer, Ind. 47978.)

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#### Vatican Letter

## Ukrainians set record straight

by Agostino Bono

Two blocks from the Roman Colosseum, a place of Christian martyrdom, lives white-bearded Cardinal Myroslav Lubachivsky, a man worried about modern-day religious persecution. His latest concern in that vein is that the Soviet government and the Russian Orthodox Church are usurping an event which belongs to his Ukrainian Catholic Church: the 1,000th anniversary next year of the establishment of Christianity in what is now the Soviet Union.

His views are spiced by a strong dislike for the communist government which, he said, has turned the country into "an empire of evil," lacking basic religious freedom and human rights.

The 73-year-old Ukrainian-born cardinal lives in Rome but is head of the Eastern-rite church. Most members live in the Soviet-ruled Ukraine, where the church has been illegal since 1946. That's when the Soviet government gave Ukrainian Catholics the choice of joining the Russian Orthodox Church or facing persecution.

Today, an estimated 4.5 million people in the Ukraine still belong to the Catholic Church, although it is forced to exist clandestinely. Cardinal Lubachivsky is spiritual head of these Catholics as well as the two million more who live outside the Soviet Union.

"For the Russian Orthodox Church and the Soviet government, we don't exist," complains the cardinal.

As the latest evidence he cites the promotion of the 1,000th anniversary as a Russian Orthodox celebration marking the Christianization of Russia. For several rareas he has been giving interviews, writing articles and preparing pamphlets describing the historical case for the anniversary as a Ukrainian Catholic event.

In February he also wrote a memorandum to the world's Catholic bishops outlining the Ukrainian church's position. He asked the bishops not to associate themselves with the Russian Orthodox-sponsored event "until the government of the USSR and the patriarchate of Moscow recognize the right of the Ukrainian Catholic Church and its faithful to religious freedom."

The cardinal's main point is that the event being commemorated occurred in the Ukraine prior to the 11th

century split in Christianity which gave rise to the Russian Orthodox Church.

The event at issue is the proclamation in 988 by St. Vladimir, ruler of the Kiev-Rus' empire, by which he declared himself a Christian and ordered all his subjects to be baptized Christians. Although Christianity existed in the area decades before St. Vladimir, 988 is considered the founding date because Christianity became the state religion.

"The introduction of Christianity to the Kievan Rus' took place in 988 on territory of contemporary Ukraine," Cardinal Lubachivsky said. Only a small part of what was later to become Russia was included in St. Vladimir's empire, he added.

The name "Rus" is not a contraction of Russia, but comes from Ruotsi, the name local inhabitants gave to Viking invaders centuries before Vladimir's reign, he said, citing Slavic historians.

"And so, in 1988, we shall be celebrating the millennium of Christianity in the Ukraine and not Russia," the cardinal said.

But he is not surprised the government and Russian Orthodox Church are working together to claim the millennium. The cardinal sees this as part of an historical process by which ezarist and communist governments have used the Orthodox Church to help bring other ethnic and national groups under Russian control.

"It concurs fully both with the late czarist and modern Soviet version of the primacy of the Russian church and the superiority of Russians over all other nationalities in the empire," he said.

"The patriarchate of Moscow is using the 1,000th anniversary of the baptism of Kievan Rus' as an occasion to present, both internally and externally, the Christian culture of Eastern Europe as the exclusive heritage of the Russian people," the cardinal said.

Another aim, he added, is to present an image of religious freedom in the Soviet Union under the government's new "glasnost" (openness) policy. But Cardinal Lubachivsky is strongly skeptical that religious freedom is possible until the communist government is driven from power.

He is equally skeptical that Soviet and Russian Orthodox officials will accept his view that the millen-

nium is a Ukrainian Catholic celebration. So he is planning five days of Catholic ceremonies in Rome next July to mark the event. The activities tentatively include a procession to the Colosseum to pray for church martyrs.

#### My Journey to God Alphabet praying

by Sr. Lorraine Geis

Nowadays, so many people jog or do exercise walking for physical well-being. At the same time they could benefit their spiritual lives by another little exercise I call "Prayer Practice of the Alphabet"

While walking, they could:

- slowly go through the alphabet and mention a friend's name for each letter and say a special blessing for that friend. For example: A—Amy: Lord, please help her in her marriage difficulty and enlighten her to see a counselor. B—Bob: Thank you, Lord, for such a good friend. Etc.;
- Mention many names beginning with A's, B's, etc., and pick up on the next walk where the names leave off on this one;
- Using the alphabet, name towns or countries and ask for the Creator's help for the people in those communities;
- Using the alphabet, give an attribute to God for each letter and ask Him to share with them that special attribute;
- 5. Thank the Lord for gifts received from A to Z. (Sister Lorraine is a member of the Franciscan community in Oldenburg.)

Using the alphabet as a way of organizing one's prayer has a long history. Several of the Psalms are organized in a way that each line begins with a different letter of the Hebrew alphabet which has 22 or 23 letters (Psalms 25, 34, 119, 145). Send your techniques and experiences of prayer to: My Journey to God, P.O. Box 1717, Indpls., IN 46206.

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Viewing with Arnold

# A rock star bio with plenty of extras

by James W. Arnold

In "La Bamba," we're back again in the misty world of pop legend, with a story as old as the art of storytelling, about the young hero of many virtues who conquers the world and is brought

world and is brought back on his shield for premature burial.

This purports to be the biography of Ritchie Valens, a 17-year-old Mexican-American rock singer-composer. He rose from field hand poverty to a few months of "top of the charts" glory before his death in an air-

charts" glory before his death in an air plane crash in Iowa almost 30 years ago. It was the same crash that killed Buddy Holly and the Big Bopper. Death at the peak, of course, is the

Death at the peak, of course, is the surest way to become a cult hero. You don't have a chance to mess up your image or disappoint anyone, and your passing is always tragic. At 80, in contrast, it tends to be overdue.

Whether or not the facts are strained

Whether or not the facts are strained or stretched by writer-director Luis Valdez, the film story of Valens (real name: Riccardo Valenzuela) is skillfully constructed to recall the ancient tales of heroes favored by the gods—but with a kind of catch-22. That is, after a moment of triumph, they'll come to collect.

Several omens—including a recurring nightmare and a protective Indian charm—contribute to the mystical feeling. There is also the fact that Valiens is living on borrowed time, since the funeral of his father kept him off a playground where he would've been killed by a falling plane. His death, the movie suggests, was delayed to give the kid just enough time, but no more.

The role is played with vitality and open-faced charm by Lou Diamond Phillips, a 25-year-old Dallas actor who is neither a singer or musician. He also

isn't Mexican. (Ah, the magic of Hollywood.) The musical sounds are provided, convincingly, by Los Lobos. The other key players are Hispanic, and they're simply terrific, especially Rosana De Soto as Ritchie's lively, laving and hardworking Mom.

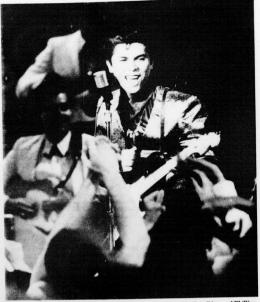
Valdez makes a political statement of sorts with a second major theme—the contrast between Ritchie's easy, almost miraculous success and the agonizing failure of Bob, his older half-brother. Played with steamy intensity by Esai Morales (last seen as Sean Penn's nemesis in "Bad Boys"), Bob has many of the negative Hispanic stereotype characteristics. While Ritchie transcends his background, Bob is trapped in it. If Ritchie's story is a dream or a myth, Bob's is a documentary.

tary.

Morales as Bob comes close to dominating the movie, as complex and sympathetic bad guys often do. As the ne'er-do-well who is always in trouble, always betrayed by his macho posturing, unable to deal with women much less gringo society, or to win the love of his mother, Bob's character gives off surprising echoes of James Dean's unloved brother and son in "East of Eden." It's a classic role, movingly executed.

Obviously, "La Bamba" is not just another worshipful, light-weight rock musical bio. (The title is the name of a Mexican dance, used by Valens for his biggest hit song.) Producer Taylor Hackford knows the rock scene well, especially its promotional aspects, as he showed in the memorable "The Idolmaker" (1980). His last production, "White Nights," also combined music and drama.

Valdez, 46, is best known for "Zoo Suite," his play about 1949s Chicano youth gangs, which he made into a 1981 film. He was clearly an ideal choice for the Valens story because he's the son of farm workers and grew up in the same San Fernando Valley area. After col-



LA BAMBA—In a meteoric rise to fame, Ritchie Valens, played by Lou Diamond Phillips, brings his musical ability as a Mexican-American rock singer, composer to the world in Columbia Pictures' "La Bamba," The U.S. Catholic Conference classification is A-III—adults and adolescents. (NC photo)

lege, Valdez joined Caesar Chavez's United Farmworkers and founded its touring theater. El Teatro Campesino. "La Bamba's" best scenes grittily depict ordinary life in the rural barrios

As Valdez has said, "I think people should know that Ritchie was part of the working class in America—like Elvis, Little Richard, Fats Domino, all the rock 'n' roll pioneers of the '50s."

In Valdez's film Valens is a good, wholesome 1950s kid whose focus is entirely on music and making it in mainstream America. Brother Bob's macho efforts to end Ritchie's virginity fail, and his only girlfriend is the blonde, middle-class Donna (Danielle von Zerneck). Their mutual devotion almost recalis "Romeo and Juliet." But if there was a role for religion in the Valenzuela family, the film doesn't show it.

If you like early rock, with its joyful beat, the frequent musical interludes,

covering all the Valens hits, as well as some by Holly and others, are cool and slick. Perhaps best of all is the re-creation of an Alan Freed concert at the Paramount. Just before Ritchie's "La Bamba," Howard Huntsberry does a smashing imitation of Jackie Wilson singing "Jonely Teardrops."

(Star-crossed rock star bio with plenty of extras; intense family conflicts, sexual situations; satisfactory for mature youth and adults.)

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## TV programs range from nature to opera

by Henry Herx and Tony Zaza

Sunday, Aug. 16, 8-9 p.m. (PBS) "On the Edge of Extinction: Panthers and Cheetahs." Two of the world's most endangered big cats—the Florida panther and the African cheetah—face a similar dilemma of trying to maintain viable populations in diminishing habitats, as shown in this "National Audubon Society Special."

Sunday, Aug. 16, 9-11 p.m. (CBS) "Malice in Wonderland." Rebroadcast of the fact-based comic feud between two powerful Hollywood gossip columnists, Hedda Hopper (Jane Alexander) and Louella Parsons (Elizabeth Taylor). Zany, outrageous rivalry is punctuated by in:eresting showbiz details of the 1930s and 1940s.

Sunday, Aug. 16, 9-11 p.m. (NBC) "Combat High." Repeat of the teen melodrama about youngsters sent to a tough military academy that tries to cure them of pranksterism. Robert Culp, Dick Van Patten and Sherman Hemsley provide some comic appeal.

Monday, Aug. 17, 9-11 p.m. (NBC) "Nate and Hayes." High seas adventure about notorious "black-birders," slave raiders (Tommy Lee Jones and Max Phipps) suspected of abducting the beautiful fiance of an opponent (Michael O'Keefe). Track record of the writers does not engender confidence in this summer

Tuesday, Aug. 18, 9-10 p.m. (PBS) "A Better Manana." The final stop in the "South American Journey" series is Colombia, where host Jack Pizzey confronts the problems of poverty, unemployment and corruption and then, in a discussion with President Belisario Betancur, attempts to pinpoint solutions to the problems of both Colombia and all of South America.

Tuesday, Aug. 18, 10:30-11:30 p.m. (HBO cable)
"Vigilante: Right or Wrong." Information special
approaches vigilantism as a criticism of a failed
criminal justice system through interviews with eyewitnesses, victims and participants in vigilante action.

Wednesday, Aug. 19, 9-10 p.m. (Cinemax cable)
"Elvis '56." Documentary tribute to legendary rock
"i' roll superstar Elvis Presley featuring unpublished
photos and kinescopes of the performer during 1956,
when his manager mounted a media campaign that
vaulted him to national prominence as a teen music
idol. The program reflects his musical roots in his
church and the false impressions his unique musical
idiom created.

Wednesday, Aug. 19, 9 p.m.-midnight (PBS) "A Musical Toast: The Stars Shine on Public Television." Rebroadcast of gala featuring opera stars Roberta Peters and Marilyn Horne, actress-singer Bernadette Peters, conductor Leonard Bernstein, the Modern Jazz Quartet and the American Symphony Orchestra conducted by John Mauceri. Thursday, Aug. 20, 9-10 p.m. (PBS) "The Blue Carbuncle." Rebroadcast from "The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes" tells how the famous Victorian detective on a Christmas morning solved the case of a stolen gem, the priceless Blue Carbuncle, which is found to have been swallowed by a goose bought for Christmas dinner.

Friday, Aug. 21, 8-8:30 p.m. (CBS) "Garfield in the Rough." Rebroadcast of the animated special featuring the fat, pasta-loving comic-strip cat enduring the great outdoors during a camping vacation. Passable songs but less than innovative entertainment despite its Emmy Award.

Friday, Aug. 21, 9-11 p.m. (PBS) "The Night of Music: A Global Celebration." Hosted by Bevery Sills, this program offers performances by an international cast linked by satellite. The performing artists include Gregg Burge, Montserrat Caballe, Wynton Marsalis, Lorin Maazel, Odetta, Luciano Pavarotti and the Vienna Boys Choi:

Saturday, Aug. 22, 9 p.m.-midnight (PBS) "Live from Grand Ole Opry." The special presents a mix of traditional country-western singers along with up-and-coming stars. Loretta Lynn performs "Coal Miner's Daughter," Roy Acuff sings "Wabash Cannoball," the Gatlin Brothers sing "Somebody's Baby" and the Whites perform their well-known "Pins and Needles."

## Renew church-worker ties, Labor Day statement says

WASHINGTON (NC)—Because of "new and difficult" economic challenges and the positive role for Catholic social teaching in addressing them, traditional church-worker ties should be renewed, according to the 1987 U.S. Catholic Conference Labor Day Statement

Statement. "Rights and Responsibilities of Workers," by Auxiliary Bishop Joseph M. Sullivan of Brooklyn, was released by the USCC Aug. 4. The bishop chairs the USCC Committee on Social Development and World Peace

Much has changed in recent years but the basic challenge of defending human dignity remains a common task of both church and labor," he said. "I believe there are several reasons to suggest that we should renew and strengthen this partnership in the years ahead.

A four-page document, the statement briefly traces the Catholic labor teaching from Pope Leo XIII's 1891 encyclical "Re-rum Novarum" through the U.S. bishops' economic pastoral and Pope John Paul II's encyclical "On Human Work" and others.

"The church has had a long history of participating in the struggle for workers' rights and economic justice," particularly after the debut of "Rerum Novarum," the bishop

wrote.
"For example, in the early part of this century, labor priests were found in virtually every major industrial city," he said.

Later, as labor became more organized, more Catholics entered the middle class, and other social justice issues occupied church attention, "there was a gradual tapering off" of direct church involvement with labor. Bishop Sullivan said.

However, he noted that "the present-day economy poses new and difficult challenges

king to preserve the rights of workers. Meeting these challenges will require a renewed partnership."

Furthermore, he continued, "I believe that Catholic social teaching has a very real contribution to make in providing a moral vision and a foundation of ethical principles upon which to build the struggle for economic

"Rerum Novarum" cited a "right to a liv-ing wage," while the U.S. bishops' pastoral, "Economic Justice for All: Catholic Social Teaching and the U.S. Economy" discussed that and other rights, he said

Yet, there also are "important respon-sibilities of workers," he said. "These begin with the duty to use one's talents effectively, to provide a fair day's work, and to seek excellence in production and service.

Pope John Paul, discussing labor unions. "has repeatedly stressed the themes of the common good and solidarity" and has urged workers and unions "to be a voice for justice in all of society," the bishop said.

He added that he does not recall such teachings to merely make a theoretical or historical point but rather, because "I believe we must seek to discover the mean-ing of this living tradition in our own time and place. The challenge we face is to use the values of our tradition to help shape the economic transition that is occurring

"On this Labor Day, as we stop to reflect on the economic issues that confront us and the basic values that guide us, I think there is solid reason for hope," he said.

For example, "among the labor movement there is clear evidence of a willingness to adapt to the changing signs of the times and to pursue the joint struggle for workers' rights and the common good," he said.

'And among the business community."



OPEN AGAIN-Leonardo da Vinci's "Last Supper" in the former rectory of the Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie in Milan, Italy, is open to the public once again. For several months the public was not admitted to view the famous fresco because the vibrations and dampness had damaged it. The room with the painting now will be limited to 15 people at a time and the square in front of the church will be closed to traffic. (NC photo)

he continued, "there are numerous leaders who are willing and committed to join in working for an economy that is prosperous but also just, an economy that rewards in-dividual initiative but also promotes the common good, an economy that serves not only short-term interests but also the long-term welfare of our society."

He expressed hopes that "we can build on the good will, the innate desire for justice and the creative competence that is part of the American tradition. These values remain strong in our nation," he said. "They are among our most important resources in the continuing struggle to achieve economic justice for all."

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Gigantic City-Wide Rummage Sale for the benefit of Fatima Retreat House will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish gym, 5333 E. Washington St. from 9 a m -6 n m

August 14-15

Assumption Parish's Annual Fish Fry Festival will begin each day at 4 p.m. at 1115 S. Blaine Ave. Beer garden, social, door prizes

August 14-16

A Weekend for Married Couples of all ages will be held at Alverna Retreat Center, 8140 Spring Mill Rd. Call 257-7338 for information.

A Men's Retreat will be held at Mount St. Francis Retreat Center. Call 812-923-8817 for information.

August 15

Cathedral High School Class of 1982 will hold a 5th Reunion. Contact Bridget K. Wetterer, 10527 Indian Lake Blvd., S. Dr., Indiana-

The Catholic Widowed Organization (CWO) will sponsor a Cookout at the home of Bob Beckerich. Pre-paid reservations necessary. Come after 5 p.m.; din-ner at 6:30 p.m.

August 16

St. Michael Parish, 519 E. Third St., Madison, will celebrate its 150th Anniversary with 11 a.m. EST Mass. Dinner at 1 p.m. EST on grounds behind Pope John and Shawe Schools.

St. Andrew, Richmond, will hold a its pitch-in picnic on the parish grounds at noon. Meat, table service and beverage will be provided.

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

A Sign Mass for the Deaf is celebrated at 9 a.m. every Sunday in St. Barnabas Church, 8300 Rahke Rd.

St. Michael Parish, Bradford will hold a Parish Picnic and in-stallation of new pastor, Father Bernard Koopman.

St. Patrick's Women's Club, 936 Prospect St. will sponsor a card party in the parish hall. Admission \$1.25. Door prizes and refresh-

August 17

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August 18 Lecture/discussion on Mary's

by Agostino Bono

VATICAN CITY (NC)-Franciscan Father Junipero

ing the September papal visit tomb. to the United States because The

Serra will not be beatified dur-

the beatification approval process will not be finished before then, said a Vatican

Pope John Paul II chose not

to waive approval of the cause

by a committee of cardinals, added the spokesman.

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role as Mother of God (first three part series) will be held 7 three part series) will be head 1-8 p.m. in parish activity room of St. Christopher, 5301 W. 16th St. in Speedway. Andrew Holman will lead the presentation using scrip-ture and mysteries of the rosary. Child care provided, cost is free.

August 19 The monthly Cemetery Mass will be held at 2 p.m. at Calvary

August 20

Connersville Deanery Penance service, St. Michael, Brookville, 7:30 p.m.

August 21

Eucharistic liturgy and dinner for "50 and over" group, 11:30 a.m., St. Andrew, Richmond. Dinner features homemade ice cream.

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Several Native American groups have criticized Father Serra, an 18th-century Spanish missionary, as a symbol of an

beatified during the U.S. trip. Father Serra's case still has to be approved by a plenary assembly of cardinals who are members of the Vatican Congregation for Sainthood Causes, said

nor the possible protests in announcing Aug. 10 that the Franciscan would not be

oppressive Spanish colonial-ism and have threatened to Navarro-Valls, director of the Vatican press office. "The pope could have made an exception but he

demonstrate during the papal visit because the pope is chose not to because he would then have to make exceptions cheduled to visit the priest's in other cases," he said. Supporters of Father The Vatican press spokes-man, Joaquin Navarro-Valls, did not mention the criticisms

Supporters of Father Serra's cause had hoped the pope would beatify the Spanish missionary, who evangelized much of what is now Califor-nia, at a Sept. 17 Mass at Laguna Seca Raceway in Monterey, Calif. Father Serra is buried at

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## Paper discourages 'Medjugorje fever'

WASHINGTON (NC)-Catholics and others in southern Louisiana seem to have caught "Medjugorje fever," and area travel agencies are offering pilgrimage tours to the village in western Yugoslavia where Marian

apparitions have been reported since 1981.
But one of southern Louisiana's Catholic newspapers, The Bayou Catholic, in the Dio-cese of Houma-Thibodaux, h.s repeatedly discouraged people from making such trips. At the same time, however, Medjugorje stories in other news media, including first-hand accounts by New Orleans TV reporters,

have sparked even more interest.

The Marian apparitions to six young people reportedly began in a field outside the town and later moved to a small chapel in St. James Church in Medjugorje. According to supporters, the young people see, hear and touch Mary during regular visions in the chapel. Some have said the youths have been given secret "messages" foretelling world

Many supporters claim that through Mary's intervention metal and plastic rosaries turned to gold. They also say that by staring into the sun believers will see miracles or "the dancing sun," prompting recent warnings from ophthalmologists in Louisiana that anything more than fleeting glimpses of the sun can damage the eyes.

At the request of the Vatican Congrega-tion for the Doctrine of the Faith, a commission formed last January by the Yugoslavian bishops' conference is to carry out "further explorations" of events at Medjugorje. Until a judgment is made, no church organizations are to make official pilgrimages to the site, according to the doctrinal congregation

Bishop Pavao Zanic of Mostar-Duvno, the diocese that includes Medjugorje, has publicly questioned the apparitions. A commis-

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sion he appointed to study the reported events finished its work last year and forwarded its findings to the doctrinal congre-

Louisiana interest in Medjurgorje has been heavy for the past year and a half, said Louis Aguirre, editor of *The Bayou Catholic*, who published a front-page editorial advis-ing readers not to make pilgrimages or get swept by euphoria and 'Medjugorje

"I would say there is general interest in the South," he said, adding that his position on the matter is "not popular. But if the local bishop asks people not to come, we feel we

meed to side with the bishop."

Msgr. James Songy, a priest of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodeaux, also has discouraged readers of his column in The Bayou Catholic from making pilgrimages, saying any publicity "given to these alleged apparitions...should come to a screeching

"I have a deep and loving devotion to Mary as the mother of Jesus and the model of all Christians," the priest wrote. "My principal objection is that I simply cannot understand why anyone with a full measure of faith in our Christian way of life ... why with the continuing presence of God and the Christ within us ... we need any such events to uphold our faith and give meaning to our

But the interest has been so great that reporters Mary Lou McCall and Jim Bailey of WEUE-TV, an ABC affiliate in New Orleans, went to Medjugorje for a story last October and then went back a few months later. They produced two documentaries, which created more of a stir.

"It was a good news story. It was a great story for our community because we have a large Catholic community," Ms. McCall said in a telephone interview with National

Catholic News Service.

She also said the stories, which ran in a series, boosted the station's sagging ratings. But she added that the news team, the first from the United States to go, came back with more than a good story. She said she and Bailey were personally affected by what they saw in Medjugorje. "Jim's Baptist. I'm Catholic. We're not Bible thumpers," Ms. McCall said. "But when we went over there and had some problems, things suddenly turned around. All the roadblocks that had hit us were removed.

A kind of peace came over us."

Archbishop Philip M. Hannan of New Orleans, in a recent column in the Clarion Herald, archdiocesan newspaper, reminded readers that the church has not officially 'endorsed or condemned' the activities and

claims of Medjugorje.

But he said the "fruits" of the reported apparitions include conversion, deeper expressions of faith, prayer and fasting for those who have visited, and peace for the Yugoslavian community where there are "age-old antipathies among Catholics, the Orthodox and Moslems."

Corinne Berthelson, a travel agent, said her New Orleans agency only recently began organizing tours but now sends about 120 people in two trips a month to Medjugorje. She added that the tours are booked through April 1988 and that people who have signed up come from 37 states.

"It's almost like a ministry here," she said. "I am Catholic, not a fanatical Catholic, not charismatic, but going to Medjugorje has done a lot for me. It's a grueling trip; it's not a cruise. We have a spiritual director and translator (for tours) and have prayer groups at night so we can pray and share

She added that she has seen "the danc-ing of the sun" and the "spinning" of a white cross that stands, she said, on what's known as the mountain of apparitions.

#### Archbishop: Don't be silent about injustices

PANAMA CITY, Panama (NC)—Archbishop Marcos McGrath of Panama City has asked Panamanians "not to be silent accomplices in the face of injustices and the trampling of human rights of others

In a statement issued July 30, the archbishop also called for the "speedy liberation of all detained and the reopening of communications media."

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He said violence was escalating in a "dangerous spiral" and again called on the government and opposition leaders to negotiate. An earlier offer by the archishop to negotiate talks was rejected by anti-government protestors. After more than a month of demonstrations and violence, the government closed indefinitely three opposition newspapers July 26. The following day, at least six people died when government troops attacked the home of Col. Roberto Diaz Herrera, the military's former second in command. Diaz had accused Panamanian Gen. Manuel Antonio Nestero de myder and their crimes.

Noriega of murder and other crimes.

In a statement scheduled to be read Aug. 2 in Catholic chur

ches, the Archdiocese of Panama City called for an end to "in-timidation by military force" and to "the arbitrariness of laws that prohibit for some what is permitted for others.

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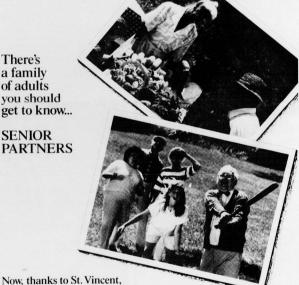
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## Science, adventure in the mountains

tent of glacial melt in Alaska is one thing. "To go there and measure it in the midst of grizzly bears, caribou and moose with eagles soaring overhead is quite another," said Joe Hollowell, a science teacher at Roncalli High School in Indianapolis.

For the past six years Hollowell and fellow Roncalli science teacher, Deb Sachs, have led groups of high schools students from around the state on science study expeditions. So far, more than 200 students have investigated the wilderness in Alaska, Colorado,

A pro-life lock-in will be held next weekend in the Holy

Spirit gym, 7241 E. 10th St. in Indianapolis. It will be from 7

Indianapolis. It will be from 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22, to 8:30

a.m. Sunday, Aug. 23. The cost

Pro-life lock-in Aug. 22-23

is \$6. One adult for each 10 East Deanery

at Holy Spirit in Indianapolis

Canyon and the coast of Maine. They have come from Roncalli, Chatard, Scecina, Cathedral, Providence in Clarksville, Lafayette Catholic and Bishop Dwenger and Bishop Luers in Fort Wayne.

According to Sachs, the

purpose of the classes are threefold:

· academic study in the natural environment. adventure activities such

as rock-climbing, backpack whitewater rafting and much hiking,

• a powerful spiritual ex-

perience that students will re-

teens is also needed. For more

information and to register, contact the CYO Office, 580 E.

Stevens St., Indpls., Ind., 46203 317-632-9311. The lock-in is

sponsored by the Indianapolis

Carpet

Column

Fifty-five students and fifteen teachers recently return ed from this year's offering of two trips. While most of the students studied in Big Bend National Park on the Texasgroup participated in the firstever bike tour offered by the program. The bikers rode and studied from Indiana to the

coast of Maine—1,200 miles! According to Roncalli graduate Theresa Lowe, "It's the hardest thing I'v done in my life-but I'd do it again in a second."

Typical of the feelings of most of the Big Bend students was Scecina senior Brett Schneider's entry into the jour-nal kept by the entire group: "This has definitely been the best time of my life. God has never been so real to me and

I thank you all for showing me that part of himself that he gave to you.

Next year, the group plans to travel to Rocky Mountain Ind. 46227, (317) 787-8277.



Roncalli graduates Mark Simons and Rodney Miller finish cleanup after a meal cooked a served next to a mountain river.

National Park, Teachers or students interested in finding out more about how to get in volved should contact Hollo well or Sachs at Roncalli, 3300 Prague Road Indianapolis.

Music and Life

## When to keep a relationship alive

by Charlie Martin, NC News Service

PLI, STILL BE LOVING YOU

Changing my life with your love/Has been so easy for you/And I'm amazed every day/And I'll need you/Till all the mountains are valleys/And every ocean is dry/My love

Refrain: I'll be yours until the sun doesn't shine/Till time stands still/Until the winds don't blow/When today is just a memory to me, I know/I'll still be loving/I'll still be loving you/I'll still be loving you

Never before did I know/How loving someone would be/Now I can see, you and me/For a lifetime/Until the last moon is rising/You'll see the love in my eyes/My love

Recorded by Restless Heart; Written by Mary Ann Kennedy, Pat Bunch, Pam Rose, Todd Cerney; 1986, RCA-Ariola International

the situation

come

occurs

ways.

commitment

both individuals in an equal

position. Now they can at-

tempt to work out a plan that

honors both persons' needs in

ing to share their feelings.

Expressing feelings means

that trust still exists in the

relationship. Anger, hurt and

disappointment can be over-

about these feelings and the

behaviors connected with

to avoid blaming the other for their problems. Blame

only makes us defensive and

when our defenses are up, lit-

tle effective communication

ways to enjoy each other and have fun. Problems do not

have to take over all the positive qualities of the rela-

tionship. At times, much effort

is required in working through

problems. A willingness to put

problems aside temporarily

allows love to grow in new

strengths are still present in a

relationship, working on pro-

blems is likely to be successful and even deepen the love and

If most of the above

5. The couple still can find

4. Both individuals try

if each person talks

3. Both individuals are will-

openness to negotiate their dif-The group, Restless Heart, ferences. This approach puts

recently hit the top of the coun-try charts with their recording of "I'll Still Be Loving You." The song has now case ad over and is doing well on the pop chart. The song describes a promise of everlasting love: "Till time stands still, until the winds don't blow, when today is just a memory to me, I know

I'll still be loving you."
When teens fall in love, they may hope to find this type of relationship. Yet, the test of love comes when problems arise. Sometimes the pro-blems are such that breaking off the relationship should be considered.

However, the presence of certain strengths carries a different message, namely that problems can be overcome and perhaps may even help a relationship grow stronger through facing difficulties.

As I see it, the following are

signs that mean a relationship still holds promise for the

1. Even though painful problems are occurring, both in-dividuals still respect each other. This respect can be seen in a willingness to listen to each other. This listening may not lead to agreement on the but it demonstrates respect for each other's point

2. Each person shows an

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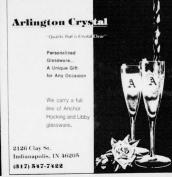
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## Nazareth Farm experience

by Janet Roth

Yes, it's a farm. But don't be deceived! There's a lot more growing here than animals and garden vegetables. The joy and growth that fills heart of each volunteer helps us to recognize God's love and presence in so many beautiful ways

The farm was started several years ago by Father Dave Richette who answered a call to work with the poor of West Virginia. Each year, hundreds of volunteers from all over the country come to share in this special ministry to the poor.

I have been fortunate to take groups of high school youth to the farm for the past three summers. I have witnessed a tremendous change in the lives of the poor families that we work with Just as rewarding is the change in our own lives

Dusty Derickson from St. Benedict parish in Terre Haute is a typical example. "I learned so much about people.

but most of all, I learned a lot about myself," he said. The sense of togetherness is what John Johnson of Sacred Heart parish in Terre Haute remembered, "We work long hours in the hot sun, but it doesn't really matter because we have fun working with people who love and care for one another.

During our week at the farm, we live a very simple life style. We are asked to give up our music, cokes, blow dryers and curling irons-and McDonald's! We soon come to realize that our lives are so filled with materialism that our vision of God is often cluttered with things that don't really matter! We live in a community that is centered around prayer in an atmos-phere of love and acceptance for one another

Sharon Loftus, from St. Joseph parish in Terre Haute. "I developed a deeper appreciation for the liturgy while at the farm. Our time of prayer took on a new meaning

The Nazareth Farm experience taught us the true meaning of service. We became aware of how important it is to empty ourselves and be willing to heal wounds and give the most precious gift of all-

Dawn Cornelius expressed her feelings about the week: have learned to be so thankful for all that I have and what I

have to give others."

Our week at the farm was great. But it hasn't ended there. Sacred Heart and St. Benedict youth have been

involved in service projects in the Terre Haute community We have helped Catholic Charities, Birthright, Light House Mission, Ryves Hall, meon House and many

We have organized and distributed food baskets for needy families, worked in the soup kitchen and helped people in our community in many ways. We continue to live with the hope that through prayer and service to others we can continue to learn about our call to be peacemakers in our world and share Christ's generous love with many

(Roth is youth minister for Sacred Heart and St. Benedict parishes in Terre Haute. Other volunteers on this year's Nazareth Farm trip were: Shelly Berg and Laura Bloxdorf from St. Benedict and Kathy Voll from Sacred Heart. Karl Knight from St. Benedict also served as a adult volun-

#### Still accepting applications for National Youth Conference

Applications are still being accepted for the National Youth Conference, November 12-15, in Pittsburgh. Bus transportation is available through the CYO. Thousands of youths and adults who work with them will gather under the theme of "Love Is Our Shelter: Together We Build." The conference will include a concert by Jerry Goebel. There will also be more than 30 workshops. The total cost is \$220 and includes the bus ride, registration, room and most of the food. Some extra money will be needed. An \$80 deposit should accompany the registration form. For more information or to register, contact your youth minister or the CYO Office, 580 East Stevens Street, Indiana-polis, Indiana, 46203 317-

#### New Albany Deanery softball

The New Albany Deanery Softball Tournament will be 2-6 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 23 at St. Joe Hill parish in St. Joe Hill. The softball will be followed by a youth Mass and then a back-to-school dance. Cost of the dance is \$1. To play in the tournament, parishes must have a registration form turn-

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#### Book Review

## Gaps in social theology book

The Just Demands of the Poor: Essays in Socio-Theology, by Sister Marie Augusta Neal, SND, Paulist Press (Mahwah, N.J., 1987). 142 pp., \$8.95.

#### Reviewed by William Droel

This is a collection of nine impressionistic talks given by Sister Marie Augusta Neal, a Sister of Notre Dame de Namur, between 1972 and 1985. Already reduced by 40 pages of footnotes and bibliography, the subject is further condensed when Sister Marie Augusta writes: "There is a necessary repetition of some basic themes."
"Our operating ethical systems rest upon certain assump-

tions about scarcity and overpopulation," Sister Marie Augusta argues. In fact there is no such scarcity of food, energy or other resources and "world population will level off ... by 2110."

Therefore, she says, an ethical system that tolerates selfinterest, competition and national defense is no longer justified. Instead, the goods of the earth must be equitably distributed and altruism must become not only an exceptional individual virtue, but the normative public virtue.

There are two gaps in Sister Marie Augusta's argument.

First of all, her world population projection is based on a

She forgets to mention, however, that this population pro jection depends upon government-sponsored birth control, including abortion. The U.S. Congress is questioning its funding of the U.N. Fund for Population Activities because of the abortion issue. Sister Marie Augusta doesn't discuss

Secondly, she fails to define two key words. The word "altruism" is used in the title of two chapters and in the text of several others. It is contrasted with the word "self-interest." Sister Marie Augusta explains how other social scientists use "altruism '

She comes closest to giving her own definition in these words: "The evidence (of altruism) is in the giving of one's life for the other who is not a member of the tribe, who is any stranger with a need." "Jesus, who gave his life for the sinner, the stranger, the neighbor in need is the model of altruism."

Fair enough. Some individual Christians are capable of giving up their lives for strangers and all individual Chris-tians are capable of more generosity. But how can public

institutions give up their lives for others?

For example, Sister Marie Augusta belongs to an institu-RICHARD J. HARTMAN, ATTORNEY

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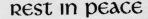
tion called the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. This religious order could become more just in its treatment of its employees and more generous in its philanthropy. But unless the religious order also attends to its own self-interest, it will soon go out of the interest. of business

Sister Marie Augusta seems to equate self-interest with selfishness. Selfishness is the exclusive regard for self. Self-interest, on the other hand, is the proper attention to one's own interests in the context of the interests of others. Selfinterest is a middle category between selfishness and altruism. Self-interest is the basis for 99 percent of moral public behavior.

public behavior.

To imply that purely motivated, heroic, altruistic action
is the essence of Christianity is wrong. Most sincere Christians must live the Gospel in and among the ambiguities, compromises and moral dilemmas of ordinary institutional existence

Condemnations of materialism and exhortations toward altruism only confuse and alienate sincere Christians who are trying to sustain and improve the institutions around themone committee meeting, one parent-to-child lesson, one work



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† BAUHAUS, Albert, 82, St. Mary, Rushville, Aug. 4. Father of A. Jef-frey Bauhaus, Lynn Jero, Gail Catlin. Grandfather of nine.

BESSLER, Jerome, 49, St. Lawrence, Lawrenceburg, Aug. 3.
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son of Helen Bessler; brother
of Alice Peterson and Sharon
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† BOWMAN, Frances, 85, St. Mary, New Albany, Aug. 6. Mother of Joseph E. Bowman; sister of Charlotte Burden. Grandmother of one, great-grandmother of one.

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HALEY, Alva J., 81, St. Anthony, Indianapolis, July 31. Husband of Lora B. (Wetherholt) Haley; father of Donald E., James V., Richard A., Paul J. and Norma Haley; brother of Gladys Ruff and Ruth Doty; half-brother of Florence Caulfeld, Jim and Otto Ruth Caulfeld, Jim and Otto St. (2018) All Proposed St. (2) and grandfather of 22 and grandfather of two.

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of Anna Mulloy, Bertha Hutt and
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Yanbenten. Grainmonter to two F RYAN, Clarence "Pat," 84, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, New Albany, July 20. Father of Michael J., Patricia Culp, Mary Ann Fischer, Sherry Dallman; brother of Lorena Ryan. Grandfather of II.

\*\*SAXON, Lillie E., 67, St. Mary, Rushville, Aug. 4. Mother of Herbert, Donald, Alfred, Kenneth and John Saxon, Patricia Banta, Teresa Nigh and Regina Leising. Grandmother of 30, great-grand-mother of eight. mother of eight.

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† WILSON, Alma M., 76, Little Flower, Indianapolis, July 28. Mother of John K. Wilson; sister of Cynthia Schmalz, Viola Tolch, Ruth Skillman, Carmen Jacobs, Constance Wessel, and William Wabare.

#### Sister Ann Lee succumbs

Providence Sister Ann Lee, 84 died on August 2 at Union Hospital in Terre Haute. The Mass of Chris-tian Burial was held on Tuesday Aug. 4 at the Church of the Im-maculate Conception. Burial was at St. Mary of the Woods Convent Cemptory.

at St. Mary of the Woods Convent Cemetery.

The former Mary Catherine
Lee was born in Somerville, Mass.
to John J. Lee and Anastasis.
to John J. Lee and Anastasis.
Sister Ann entered the Congregation of the Sisters of Providence in July, 1918 and professed her final vows in Aug., 1926.
Sister taught in the archdiocese
at St. Charles, Bloomington; St.
Patrick, Fort Wayne; St. Matthew,
Indianapolis; and St. Patrick,
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## K of C endorses Robert Bork

NEW ORLEANS (NC)-The Knights of Columbus, at an Aug. 46 meeting in New Orleans, endorsed the nomination of Judge Robert Bork to the U.S. Supreme Court.

At the 105th annual meeting of the Supreme Council, the Knights passed resolutions on abortion and sex education and ived messages from Pope John Paul II, President Reagan and Mother Teresa of Calcutta. They also re-elected directors, including Supreme Knight Virgil C. Dechant.

The Catholic fraternal society's top policy and law-making body issued a resolution saying that Bork's record shows the controversial judge "to be exceptionally well-qualified for the position . . .; having the proper judicial temperament, intellec-

tual power and breadth of legal experience."

Elmer Von Feldt, director of public information, called the resolution on Bork unusual because, he said, the Knights "ordinarily try to stay clear" of appearing to take part in partisan politics

But, in this case, he said, "it's a question of public morality and values. We do stand up for values, we do not consider that partisan politics."

ne resolution urged the Senate Judiciary Committee to report favorably on Bork's appointment and asked the Senate to confirm the nomination so that the Supreme Court will not

begin its fall session with a vacancy.

The Knights noted Bork's comments on the 1973 Roe v Wade decision that legalized abortion. In 1981 Bork said, "I am convinced... that Roe vs. Wade is an unconstitutional decision, a serious and wholly unjustifiable usurpation of state legislative authority."

The Knights issued a resolution deploring Roe vs. Wade, calling for a "reawakening of a basic moral attitude in our respective countries to the end that the dignity of life from conception to natural death once again will be respected."

One resolution called for active support of an administra-tion bill introduced by Sen. Gordon Humphrey, R-N.H., and

by Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., which would halt federal funding of abortion. Another resolution commended the Reagan in-itiative to deny federal family planning funds to programs offering abortion counseling and referrals.

The Knights condemned "sex education that fosters and encourages promiscuity" while calling for education on sex-

uality in keeping with the teachings of the church. Resolutions were passed against pornography, for tuition tax credits and calling for legislation designating a weekend dedicated to the American family.

In a video message to the Knights, Pope John Paul said that the church today "feels a particular urgency to emphasize the vocation and mission of the laity.

This is why bishops from all over the world will attend the Synod of Bishops on the laity this fall, "to give fresh en-couragement and guidance to the ever increasing role of the laity; and so that part of Christ, the church, may be constantly brought up in unity and charity to the greater glory of God," the pope said.

The pope called the Knights "an excellent example of the contribution which the laity can make by working together. The manner of good works that you perform yourselves are further multiplied by those which you inspire in others."

Reagan sent two messages to the Knights, both referring

to the anti-abortion fight.

In a written greeting Reagan said his administration has worked to "restore the right to life to unborn babies to promote strong family life.

"All of us must redouble our efforts until infants before birth are again afforded the same protection of the law we (See K OF C, page 24)



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## Charleston Diocese faces poverty and hope

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CHARLESTON, S.C. (NC)-The small Catholic population in the Diocese of Charleston faces poverty, illiteracy, prejudice—and a tremendous potential for growth.

When Pope John Paul II visits Columbia, S.C., Sept. 11, he will find a statewide diocese in which

he will find a statewide diocese in which Catholies form only two percent of the nearly 3.4 million population. Three of the state's 46 counties have no Catholic churches, and 11 counties have no pastor. Although the largest percentage of the state's population is Southern Baptist, about one-third of the people have no

church affiliation.

"We have a tremendous opportunity U · N · I · T for evangelization, of sharing the mes-IN THE MORE OF SI sage of the Gospel with our fellow citizens," said Msgr.

Thomas R. Duffy, vicar general of the diocese.

By 1995, the diocese expects to see an increase of 100,000
Catholics—more than double its current total of 74,000, said Charleston Bishop Ernest L. Unterkoefler. Much of the growth is expected from Northern Catholics migrating South.

Although "you don't know really where the great numbers are going to settle," the coastal area between North Carolina

are going to settle. The coastal area between North Carlon and Georgia already has seen tremendous growth, he said.
Bishop Unterkoefler said that when he came to the diocese
in 1965, Hilton Head was "almost a bare island." On Sundays
someone would celebrate Mass at one of the island's few hotels, and the weekly collection was about \$30.

Recently, the bishop broke ground for a \$2 million, 1,200-seat church for Hilton Head. The diocese plans to turn the current church into a parish hall. A second parish has been set up that "hasn't any buildings yet," he said, and the diocese owns land for a third parish The South Carolina seaboard

atholics, or "immigrants," said Hoy Ghost Father Egbert Figaro, episcopal vicar of the coastal vicariate in the

One type of newcomer is in his late 50s or 60s and retiring from employment. Coastal cities offer "tremendous retire-ment advantages," he said.

Military personnel in their 40s and 50s retire and remain in the area with their families, he said, forming a second group. A third type of immigrant includes younger people, "service personnel" such as doctors, dentists and lawyers.

Northern Catholics coming South sometimes change their involvement with the church, Father Figaro said, citing a friend of his as an example. When his friend was in New York friend of his as an example. When his friend was in New 101K whe was a checkbook Catholic, "paying tuition for his children, contributing to the Sunday collection, Father Figaro said. When the man moved to Myrtle Beach, S.C., he found there were no altar boys or lectors. He became "totally involved," the priest said.

I see that a lot," he said. "The growth and development of the laity in the Diocese of Charleston because of the needs of the church are really amazing.

Bishop Unterkoefler said many Northerners move to the South from areas of large Catholic populations and are not used to what they find.
"In Greenville they come in and demand a high school,"

he said. "We're lucky to have the number of parishes we have without spending \$6 million for a high school."

Catholics raised in South Carolina "are used to opposi-tion and having to defend their faith," the bishop said. For instance, he said, in Greenville, "our most vociferous antago ist is Bob Jones" of Bob Jones University.

koefler said. Jones considers the pope the anti-Christ, the bishop added

"Bob Jones has a following, but it's a very limited constituency," he said.

Peggy Sookikian, head of the diocese's Commission for Ecumenical Affairs, said that being in an area where people challenge Catholicism makes "you do some thinking as to why you are a Catholic.

Prejudice against Catholics is not the only kind of prejudice found in the state. "Racism is well and alive in South

Carolina," said Msgr. Duffy.
"There's just as much racism among blacks as there is among whites, and I think we have to address that, and we have to challenge that," he said. "I don't think we have to

The worst problem is "the racism that exists in the hearts The worst protecting the racism that exists in the nearts of people who see themselves as good, honest, fair, Godfearing people and are not really aware of their racism, 'be said. People can help alleviate the problem 'by getting to meet one another, by talking to one another,' Msgr. Duffy

Poverty is another issue facing the diocese, said Father James Parker, director of diocesan Catholic Chariti

The Catholic Church 's "limited" in terms of "practical assistance," Father Parker said, but it constantly makes its views known to state legislators. "In many ways that can be more important than immediate support for somebody who certainly needs it," he said.

Statewide, unemployment is nearly seven percent, but rural counties have a higher unemployment rate. One rural county has a 17.5 percent unemployment rate, another has 15 percent, while Richland County—home of Columbia, the state capital-has less than four percent unemployment.

In rural Saluda County, most people travel 30 miles to Augusta, Ga., 40 miles to Columbia or 50 miles to the Savannah River power plant to find good jobs, said Wallace Rodgers, a member of St. William Parish in Ward, S.C.

Unemployment in the county is only seven percent, but "literacy is a problem," Rodgers said. About 17 percent of Saluda County's 16,000 residents are illiterate, said Philip Vagnoni, another parish resident who heads a program to get parish residents involved in teaching people to read. Vagnoni said the problem is not restricted to Saluda County.

"There used to be a lot of farms," Rodgers said. "A lot of the children just didn't go to school after the fourth or fifth

Franciscan Sister Maigread Conway works with illiterate adults and children in Charleston. Sister Conway directs a summer program for children—now in its 22nd summer—as well as training people to tutor adults.

We just train everyone we possibly can," she said.

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all enjoy," Reagan wrote. "Your prayers and hard work will In his video message he stressed concern for providing "legal protection before birth."

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Reagan referred to the administration's proposed legislation that would prohibit the use of federal funds for abortions except when the life of the mother is in danger and promised his administration would continue to oppose any legislation that would require individuals and institutions, public or private, to finance abortions.

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In a telephone message to the Knights Mother Teresa also spoke of the need to protect unborn life.

"Every single child is, from the moment of creation, made in God's image. Every child is created to love, and to be loved. There is much trouble in the world today. If a mother can kill her own child through abortion, what is left for others—to kill each other?" she asked.

"That is why I pray to bring back the tender love in a family. The family that prays together stays together," Mother Teresa said.

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