# Catholic schools note special week

diocese of Indianapolis will join the national celebration of Catholic Schools Week, Jan. 28-Feb. 3. The contributions of Catholic schools to American society are recognized and highlighted during

the week. The theme for this year's celebration is "Catholic Schools: A Parent's Choice."

Father J. Stephen O'Brien, executive director for the department of administrators of the National Catholic Educa-

tional Association, said, "Catholic Schools Week is a good time to reflect on who we are, what we are about, and who our partners are in this enterprise in the name

of the Lord Jesus. This week's issue of The Criterion includes a special 16-page section for Catholic Schools Week. A letter from Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara is on page 2. His proclamation and those of Governor Evan Bayh and Indianapolis Mayor William Hudnut are on page 13.

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# Annual March for Life hears Bush

by Liz Schevtchuk

WASHINGTON (CNS)-Politicians and ro-lifers praised each other for their efforts to fight abortion at a rally on the Ellipse near the White House kicking off the annual March for Life to Capitol Hill.

As the rally got under way under mostly cloudy skies, the temperature hovered around a brisk 50 degrees. Weather was not the obstacle it has been at past marches, though parking restric-tions on buses from out of town delayed

several hundred marchers.

A final tally of the crowd size from the U.S. Park Police put the number at about

President Bush made brief remarks via a telephone hook-up from the Oval Office. He was one of a number of political and religious leaders to address the marchers.

"Before you begin the march I want to take a minute to share my deep personal concern about abortion on demand, which I oppose," Bush said.

"The continuing strong presence of the March for Life reminds those of us in decision-making capacities in the White House and in the Congress and in the court

### Pro-life bill passes House

The Indiana House of Representatives passed a bill Tuesday that would require a physician to inform a woman seeking an abortion about possible side effects as well as alternatives to abortion. It would also

as alternatives to abortion. It would also require a 24-hour waiting period after the woman is so informed before the abortion could be performed.

The bill would also require the Board of Health to publish a list of agencies available for prenatal care, childbirth and neonatal care.

The bill passed by a vote of 64-34. It now moves to the Senate for consideration.

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tally about this issue and are committed to preserving the sanctity of life," he said

Bush said the pro-life movement is also a reminder to the country "of the self-evident moral superiority of adoption over abortion.

He also said he wanted to assure the right-to-lifers "that this president stands with you on this issue of life and that my prayers go out to all of you for your faith

March for Life President Nellie Gray told the enthusiastic throng that despite the victory last summer when the Supreme Court upheld Missouri abortion restric-tions, the fight has not been returned solely

"This issue of saving preborn children still must be settled at the federal level," Miss Gray said. Action by Congress in outlawing abortion nationwide is necessary "so they will not be killing babies in one state and saving them in the next,"

Miss Gray said that some politicians have been going through a "flip-flop" on abortion but that some, like those who addressed the march, stand firm.

She cited Bush—who last fall vetoed some bills because of abortion provisions in them—as one example. "The president did stand strong," she said. Americans "trust a man who does stand strong," she said.

She also told the crowd that as the rally continued more and more pro-lifers were arriving.

She said that because out-of-town groups were unable to park their buses in the immediate vicinity of the march this year, many participants were delayed in getting to the site.

Cardinal James A. Hickey of Washington in his closing prayer to the rally said, "We've come in trust and faith to bear

witness to the sanctity of life. Stay with us, Lord, as we go forth on our march." Joining Cardinal Hickey on the podium were Cardinals John O'Connor of New York and Bernard Law of Boston, nine (See MARCH on page 3)



SPEAKERS—Father James Byrne, pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Indianapolis (left) talks with State Rep. Frank Newkirk, Jr., (D-Salem) and longtime pro-life volunteer Dorothy Wodraska of St. Luke Parish in Indianapolis about pending legislation that would restrict abortion. They were featured speakers at a memorial service Jan. 20 in observance of the 17th anniversary of Rov ex Wade, the Supreme Court's 1973 decision legalizing abortion in America. (Photo by Mary Ann Wyand)

# Pro-life ceremonies mark 17th year of Roe/Wade

by Mary Ann Wyand

In the 17 years since the Supreme Court legalized abortion in America, 25 million babies have perished as a result of what pro-life supporters describe as "a modern-day holocaust."

Statistics indicate that those deaths amount to one-third of the U.S. population newborn through 17 years of age.

Each year on or near the solemn anniversary of the high court's Jan. 22, 1973, Roe vs. Wade decision, pro-life supporters from many faiths have gathered pray for those babies and renew their mmitment to halting abortion.

Parishioners from 35 Catholic churches in 11 deaneries participated in a variety of pro-life observances last weekend, accor-ding to Father Larry Crawford, director of the archdiocesan Pro-life Office.

Prayer vigils, Scripture services, ex-position of the Blessed Sacrament, rose sales, walks for life, and candlelit cere-

monies supplemented the traditional toll-ing of bells for the babies throughout the archdiocese

State Rep. Frank Newkirk, Jr., (D-Salem), sponsor of a comprehensive abortion regulation bill pending in the Indiana House of Representatives, delivered the keynote address during a Jan. 20 observance sponsored by Right to Life of Indianapolis at the Indiana Mar Memorial.

Rep. Newkirk's bill, H.B. 1034, and three other pro-life bills on informed consent, fetal viability, and sex selection restrictions are awaiting legislative action. "When I was first elected to the State Rep. Frank Newkirk, Jr., (D-

"When I was first elected to the legislature," Rep. Newkirk told the gathering of more than 300 people, "I said a prayer to God and asked how I could make

That prayer led to his pro-life work, he said, and strengthened his conviction that a legislator's duty is both to serve and protect the people.

There are a lot of victims from abortion,

(See NEWKIRK on page 8)

# Cardinal Szoka named to high Vatican post

VATICAN CITY (CNS)-In a major Vatican financial appointment, Pope John Paul II named Cardinal Edmund C. Szoka of Detroit to head the Holy See's budget end accounting office

Cardinal Szoka, a 62-year-old Polish-American and a personal friend of the pope, was named Jan. 22 as president of the Prefecture for the Economic Affairs of the Holy See, the Vatican said. He replaces Cardinal Giuseppe Caprio, who was retiring at age 75.

The Vatican made no immediate an-

nouncement regarding Cardinal Szoka's replacement in Detroit

Cardinal Szoka will run an office that has played an increasingly important role in the Vatican's effort to cut spending and reduce its annual operating deficit. As head of the "prefecture," as the agency is called in curial circles, he will act essentially as Vatican budget director. Vatican budget director.

The prefecture gathers income and expense figures of Vatican agencies, double-checks them and puts them into a composite budget. Its figures tell how much money entered the Vatican, how it was spent and how much is needed to cover the shortfall.

#### FROM THE EDITOR

# Why Catholic schools outperform others

Why do students in Catholic schools so consistently outperform those in other schools? That's what many researchers and educators are trying to find out. There no longer seems to be any doubt that Catholic school students do outperform others. Ever since James Coleman, a non-Catholic sociologist at the University of Chicago, headed a group of researchers 10 years ago that studied 58,728 students across the nation and published their findings, other social scientists have found similar results. Such publications as Forbes and The Such publications as Forbes and The Wall Street Journal have noted this and asked, "What is the solution to the puzzle of Catholic school effectiveness?"



Cathous school entertweness?

Coleman himself admits to being surprised by his findings. Like many people not that familiar with Catholic schools, he had assumed that they would be inferior to public schools and other private schools. And when the results were published, many of his colleagues were angry because they thought it was an attack on the public-school system. It was only when other studies confirmed his findings that the anger subsided somewhat.

SOME OF THE THINGS researchers have found

►Catholic school students test better in reading comprehension, vocabulary, writing skills, and especially math, while doing about the same as public-school students in civics and science.

►They make greater gains between their sophomore d senior years than do other students.

► Catholic high-school students go on to college 20 to 30

percent more requently and succeed in college more often than those from public high schools.

Public high-school students drop out of school four times more often than Catholic-school students.

► Catholic-school students from disadvantaged back-grounds suffer less in school outcomes (test score, completion of high school, college attendance) than do public-school students from comparable backgrounds.

► Catholic-school students from single-parent families or families in which parents had little time for children were less affected by the deficiencies in their family environment than were those from public schools.

SO WHAT EXPLAINS ALL this? In an interview published last July in U.S. Catholic magazine, Coleman gave this answer: "Our research comes up with one consistent finding: Catholic-school students take more consistent finding: Carnotic-scnool students take more courses in trigonometry, solid geometry, algebra III, and advanced English than do students with comparable backgrounds at other private or public schools. And the statistics show that this kind of course-taking makes a difference in their performance."

At Catholic schools, he said, there are fewer courses offered and more stringent routigements. They are not like

At Catholic schools, he said, there are tewer courses offered and more stringent requirements. They are not like the typical public high school, which Arthur Powell and others called, in a book published in 1985, "the shopping mall high school" in which kids choose their courses as they might select food from a cafeteria

And the reason Catholic high schools have been able to enforce strict course requirements, Coleman said, "is that parents back up the authority of Catholic schools. Parents will trust a Catholic school because it is connected to a church that shares their values, and they communicate this trust to their children.

He said further that Catholic schools' lack of financial resources encourages parents to get involved and "when the parents at a school do get together, they're able to draw a great deal of support from one another; they become part

Coleman said that Catholic high schools of the '80s nction much like public high schools of the '50s because "30 years ago strong community ties backed up the public high schools, as well. They had many of the same benefits within them that Catholic schools have today—including

IN AN ARTICLE BY Coleman in The Wall Street Journal last year, he said that what is re-lly puzzling is why Catholic schools have lower dropout rates and why students from disadvantaged or dericient families do so well. One would normally think that strict course requirements, while improving aca Jemic achievement, would also force out more low-performing students. But such is not the case in Catholic school:

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"The answer appears to lie in the existence of social capital provided by the religious community surrounding the school," he wrote. This social capital "can substitute for that which would ordinarily be provided by the family, and should thus be especially valuable for children from disadvantaged or deficient families, students most at risk of doing badly or dropping out."

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In his JLS. Catholic interview, Coleman said that Catholic-school teachers also deserve credit because "they do a good job of motivating the kids. They keep much better track of their students than do most public-school teachers. Characteristically, if a Catholic-school student is absent for a day, or even half a day, the parents will get a call from the school to find out where and how the child is. In some public schools, a student can be gone a number of days and no one at school will know why. Our research also indicates that Catholic-school teachers know more also indicates that Catholic-school teachers know more about both their students and their students' parents than do teachers in public high schools."

Some things to think about as our Catholic schools observe Catholic Schools Week next week.

#### Peters talks about recruitment

by Margaret Nelson

Well over 100 persons attended the student recruitment seminar held last Wednesday, Jan. 17 at Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish.

Greenwood Parish.

The major presentation on "Recruitment is Not a Dirty Word" was given by G. Joseph Peters, coordinator for school services for the Office of Catholic Educa-

Peters shared archdiocesan and national Catholic school enrollment statistics with the audience. He said that school recruitment is a part of each school's total development effort. He used Brian Regan's definition: "Development is gaining the definition: "Development is gaining the process of understanding and support for

In his comments, Peters tied in with the current promotional efforts for arch-diocesan schools: Yellow Brick Road and

FutureQuest.
Some of Peters' statistics showed "the phenomenal growth of the new extended programs in the Catholic schools in the archdiocese. Pre-school enrollment has grown 343 percent since 1985," he said.

Since 1979, archdiocesan kindergarten enrollments have grown 91 percent. And extended care (before- and after-school) has come from no programs in 1979 to 36 school programs this year. 1989 first grade enrollment is 95 percent of the 1979 figure. "We are not holding all the kids who enroll," Peters said. "This needs to be addressed." Catholic schools are smaller, he said, but a lot of this is due to changes in

he said, but a lot of this is due to changes in the school-age population.
"In general, in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, we enroll a fairly large percentage of the market share." Peters said. "But there is potential to increase the market share. Trends can be in-fluenced. Enrollment is down only slightly this year (31) percent) after several years of decline."

Peters said that there are other reasons to recruit. He quoted the Coleman Report that showed the Catholic schools are the most effective in the U.S. today, public or private. And he cited a recent report of the National Association of Educational the National Association of Educational Progress which shows scores of Catholic school students in math, science and reading above those in other schools Indiana residents are aware that ISTEP scores of Catholic students are higher, especially in grades 8.9, and 11.

The research done by Sally Kilgore shows that parents choose Catholic schools first for academics, then discipline, and third for religion or values, Peters said.

Specific reasons were given as to when

Specific reasons were given as to why more parents don't choose Catholic schools and it was noted that cost does not usually come up as a top reason

Basic research needs to be done in getting recruitment started, Peters said. He suggested looking at baptismal re-cords, parish registrations and other sources. Roles of principals, board members,



G. Joseph Peters

pastors and teachers were discussed. Though he stressed that "everyone associated with a school recruits," he emphasized that committed parents were "A sporadic recruitment program may be worse than none at all," Peters said.

A selection of three topics was availa-ble for the two later sessions of the

#### Robert M. Langsenkamp dies

Robert Martin Langsenskamp, a mem-ber of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher, an honor conferred by the pope for service to the church, died at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis on Jan. 21. His funeral was held Jan. 24 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, where he had been

Langsenkamp was a founding member of Serra Club of Indianapolis. He was active in Boy Scout Troop #174 and received the St. George Medal for his service to Catholic scouting. He belonged to the Mater Dei Council of the Knights of Columbus.

Council of the Knights of Columbus.
A graduate of Cathedral High School,
Langenskamp attended Georgetown University From 1930 to 1959 he was associated
with Lansenkamp-Wheeler Brass Works,
Inc., serving as president and owner of LL.
Polson Co. in Westfield.
Langsenkamp is survived by his wife,
'eanne (Smith) Langsenkamp, three sons,
scobert M. Ir., John F. and Albert H., and
three grandchildren.



Robert M. Langsenkamp

# Saying YES to Catholic schools

We are encouraged to say NO to many things today and the idea of choice is paramount the news. Catholic Schools Week 1990 is saying a resounding YES to Catholic schools and

is honoring parents' choice in this regard.

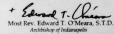
On line from Vatican II's Delaration on Christian Education says it succincily: "The role of parents in education is of such importance that it is almost impossible to provide an

Probing for reasons for the choice parents are making for Catholic schools points up that

Proteing for reasons for the choice parents are making for Cathonic schools sort on the school service as the opportunity to gain academic knowledge. For parents, the school where their children learn must be the best school possible.

The opportunity for learning responsibility and self-discipline in a proper environment is seen as the best help in growing up to meet the challenges of adulthood. And not the least reason is the expectation by parents that the school will graduate students who, as adults, will understand the beliefs of the Catholic Church; will understand what is morally and exhibit the correct, and well his even of Christian lives.

while the stand to extend to the standard critical, with the standard critical will be good Christian lives. This is the week set aside as a good time to reflect on who we are, what we are about, and who our partners are in this enterprise of parents, students, schools. In our reflection may we come to give thanks for parents as the foremost educators of their children and for good and dedicated educators in our Catholis, schools.





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#### ARCHDIOCESAN CATHOLIC CHARITIES

# Catholic Charities begins active decade

by Robert H. Riegel Director, Catholic Charities

Like almost everyone else who is writing this month, it is hard not to think of the end of one decade and the beginning of another when looking over the

ties in the archdiocese In 1980, Catholic Social Services was

Social Services was housed in a badly deteriorating building at North and College, and St. Many's Child Center was in an equally difficult facility across from Sears (remember Sears) on New Jersey St. Terremember Sears) on New Jersey

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Haute Catholic Charities was beginning
to expand its programs to the poor and
needy and Ryves Hall was literally a hole
in the ground. Most of the young women
who came to St. Elizabeth's Home placed
their babies for adoption.
There was another Charities agency,
Archdiocesan Social Ministries, which
had jumped around from Sacred Heart to
St. Joe's to Holy Trinity, looking for
permanent space. New Albany Catholic
Charities and Bloomington Catholic Social Services did not exist, nor did our
counseling programs in New Castle,
Columbus and Greensburg.
Sacred Heart Convent in Indi-

Sacred Heart Convent in Indi-anapolis housed four nuns—two of them retired—while next door a few chunks of concrete marked the outlines

chunks of concrete marked the outlines of the old Sacred Heart, later Kennedy High School. On the west side of Indianapolis Father Larry Crawford and a few friends and parishioners were trying to start an Adult Day Care Center in the old parish school.

Today, a reflection on the past decade shows growth in services provided to those in need, improved facilities and strong better-tained staffs, and a continued commitment to respond, in the name of God's people, to a whole host of issues, problems, crises, and life circumstances.

stances.

Catholic Social Services and Archdiocesan Social Ministries have merged into a strong CSS serving central Indiana and housed at the Catholic Center. Fifty apartments for the elderly stand on South Meridian and Palmer—right next door to Holy Family Shelter which houses up to 70 homeless family members each night. And down the block volunters have begun to create another new project—the Christmas Strong.

Christmas Store.
The "St. Mary's Miracle"-The "5t. Mary's Miracle"—a whole new facility completely donated—stands and serves proudly on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Street in the heart of Indi-anapolis' new development area. Childanapolis' new development area. Child-ren of working parents—so-called 'latch-key children' —thrive every day at Catholic Charities' Rainbow Cottage in Tell City. Our first real program for retarded adults, Semi-Independent Living, took root in New Albany and has spread to Indianapolis. St. Elizabeth's has opened its doors

not only to young pregnant women but to young mothers and their children who need a place to grow and learn. At the same time a beautiful new facility, St. Elizabeth's of Southern Indiana, was

recently opened.
Sacred Heart convent in Terre Haute and St. Patrick's convent in Indianapolis have joined St. Patrick's in Terre Haute and the now parish-run home at St. Andrew's

#### March for Life hears president

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other Catholic bishops, and representatives
of the Jewish, Presbyterian, Episcopalian,
and Orthodox Christian pro-life move-

Republican senator, Jesse A. Helms of North Carolina, noted that political threats are being made to politicians who oppose abortion. "They chant 'pro-choice' but what so many really mean is protection for their own political hides," Helms said of those on the other side. in Indianapolis as group living communi-ties for older citizens.

There are two day-care sites for frail

elderly in Indianapolis and a noisy, busy, and active youth center in Terre busy, and active youth center in Terre Haute. Counselors like Mike Cesnik and his staff in Bloomington, Gary de Sutter in New Castle, Cecile Beavin in Columbus, and Renee Rust in Greensburg add a Christian value system to quality professional counseling for

families in crisis

None of this could have occurred without leadership at all levels. Things just don't happen in the church without just don't happen in the church without encouragement and support of the archbishop, key diocesan staff, and clergy leaders throughout our 39 counties. But they are not enough. Lay volunteers who have served on boards and committees are really essential to bring professional expertise and community awareness and backing to these enterprises, and direct service volunteers are the glue of many of our programs—like soup kitchens and pregnancy hotlines and crisis offices

nancy hotlines and crisis offices.
Outside funders of all sorts have shown confidence in the work of the church—four different United Ways at this time, Lilly Endowment and the Indianapolis Foundation, government officials at the federal, state and local levels, and many, many direct contributors of all faiths and beliefs. And, of course, there are the staff members who have brought are the staff members who have brought it all together—agency directors, program staff and counselors, secretaries and bookkeepers, cooks and drivers and maintenance men—many still with us as long-term employees, others moved on to other positions, some retired, and, sadly, a few called from their work before it was done (in our eyes, not God's). As the "98 begin, Catholic Charities is pledged to continue our efforts to manifest the social gospel of service to those in need, as well as to call the community together to address new or unheeded issues. We have this commit-

ment on the part of staff, volunteers and ment on the part of staff, volunteers and board members and we have a good set of programs in place. Of course, we see needs unmet and we are hindered like many church and human service organizations by a shortage of funds. I would hope, however, that the 1990 decade will be at least as productive as our last 10 years and that, as during the previous decade, the Spirit will move among us to guide us to meet important new minis-

guide us to meet impositive tries.

The year 2000 will no doubt spark a spate of end-of-the-decade (and end-of-the-century and end-of-the millenium) articles. If I am summarizing Archdiocesan Catholic Charities that year, I pray that we will have grown not only in what we do but in our understanding of why we are about this business. Save this article and hold us to it!

### Thomas Gaybrick named director of Catholic Social Services

Thomas N. Gaybrick, 42, has been appointed the new executive director of Catholic Social Services of Indianapolis (CSS) by Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara. He will assume the position on

Gaybrick will succeed Dr. Robert Riegel, who has held the positions of both sceretary of Catholic Charities and director of CSS. Riegel will now be director of Catholic Charities. CSS is one of the archdiocesan agencies that will report to

Riegel.

Gaybrick has been the director of both Ray City Gaybrick has been the director of Catholic Family Service of both Bay City and Midland, Mich., since 1985. Previous positions have included administrative supervisor of Catholic Family Service of the Thumb, Bad Axe; executive director of Catholic Social Services of Lenawee County, Adrian; public affairs assistant of the Michigan Catholic Conference, Lanthe Michigan Catholic Conference, Lan-sing outpatient therapist, lose-Ogenau-Community Mental Health, Rose City, and caseworker for Catholic Family Service in Bad Axe. All cities are in Michigan. Gaybrick received his bachelor's degree at Michigan State University and his master's degree at the University of Michigan. Both degrees were in social work

In his letter formally appointing Gay-



Thomas N. Gaybrick

brick to the position, Archbishop O'Meara said that he was pleased that the CSS board of directors had recommended him for the position. 'The Archdiocese of Indianapoils attempts to express the full range of Gospel teaching in its agencies and program, and Catholic Social Services truly reflects our values of charity, compassion and concern for others," he told Gaybrick.

# Pro-life bills pass legislative hurdles

by Ann Wadelton

Two adoption bills and four anti-abor tion bills are among those approved by committees of the Indiana General Assembly and sent to the full chambers of either the House or Senate for debate. Debate was expected this week after The

Debate was expected this week after The Criterion went to press.

The bills demonstrate a respect for human life at all of its stages, from conception to a natural death, according to Dr. M. Desmond Ryan, executive directs of the Indiana Catholic Conference (ICC)

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Additional bills supported by the ICC
have also been approved by committees and
two have been approved by the full chamber.
The full House voted 73-23 in favor of HB
1012 to increase the state's minimum wage
from the current \$2 an hour to \$4.25 by April, from the current \$2.an hour to \$4.25 by April, 1991. The full Senate voted \$90 in support of \$B.390 which would increase funding for the program which helps pay heating bills for the poor, by annually appropriating the oil overcharge funds received from the federal government to that energy

the rederal government to that energy assistance program.

Approved by committees and sent to the full chamber for action was a bill to expand prenatal care for poor women, and a second bill to encourage the establish-ment of maternity homes for women in

ment of maternity homes for women in crisis pregnancies.

The adoption bills, initiated by the ICC, provide that the court may direct that, in the case of a "special needs" child, a subsidy for support and/or medical care may be paid to adoptive parents. The subsidy may not exceed the cost of foster care for the child.

"Special needs" children include those with medical, mental or emotional handicaps or older children who have been removed from their biological parents due removed from their biological parents due to neglect or abuse. Currently, a federal program covers some "special needs" children, allowing subsidies up to 75 percent of the cost of foster care, but eligibility for that program is narrow. Some counties also provide subsidies, with the 75 percent maximum. An estimated 200 to 400 "special needs" children are not covered by either the federal or county programs at

y one time.

The bills under consideration would ne buls under consideration would include "special needs" children who do not qualify for the federal program; increase the maximum subsidy to 100 percent of the cost of foster care; and also continue the subsidy to age 21 if the child continue the resulted in secondary school, college or continue the practice of the cost of the

committee the secondary school, college or vocational training.

In a hearing before the Human Affairs Committee, adoption professionals testified about the hesitancy of couples to take on the financial burdens of adopting a "special needs" child without a subsidy, particularly for medical care. A Ladayette couple, who had been given the maximum subsidy permitted, affirmed that fact. With three biological children of their own, the couple adopted two brothers, both with cerebral palsy. The brothers had been in 12 foster homes before being adopted. According to the couple, the subsidy was crucial to their decision to adopt.

The adoption bills are seen as pro-life,

The adoption bills are seen as pro-life, according to Ryan. Pro-abortionists often argue their position on the basis that it is better to abort unwanted and handicapped children, he said. The consistent-life posi-tion argues for better alternatives for these children, he said

The adoption bill in the Senate, SB 241, has been approved by both the Government Affairs and Finance Committees. It is sponsored by Senators Jean Leisting (R-Ol-denburg), Frank Myraw (D-Hammond), Thomas Wyss (R-Pt. Wayne), Katly Smith (D-New Albany), Marvin Riegsecker (R-Go-shen) and Betty Lawson (D-South Bend). The House Bill, Hill 1071, has been approved by the Human Affairs Committee. Sponsors are Representatives Richard Dellinger (R-Noblesville) and Jerome Reppa (D-Munster).

Despite the controversy surrounding the abortion issue for the structure. The adoption bill in the Senate, SB 241

Despite the controversy surrounding the abortion issue, four anti-abortion bills have been approved by committees and are scheduled for debate in the House. These

▶HB 1134: Informed Consent, which would require the physician to tell the pregnant woman about the precedure, risks, gestational age of the unborn child and alternatives to abortion, such as medical assistance which may be available for prenatal care, childbirth and neonatal care. It would require the Board of Health to publish similar information and also require a 24-hour waiting period.

▶HB 1034: Abortion Restrictions, includes the provisions of the Missouri law upheld by the Supreme Court's Webster decision, and more. It would require the physician to tell the pregnant woman about the procedures, risks and fetal development and wait one hour before performing an and wait one hour before performing and

and wait one hour before performing an abortion, and it would require a physician who believes an unborn child to be of 20 weeks or more gestational age, to peform tests to see if it could live outside the

womb.

>HB 1088: Ban on Sex Selection
Abortions, would make it a class C felony
to perform an abortion solely because of the
sex of the unbor 1 child. A similar bill, SB
296, was defeated 7-4 in the Senate

296, was defeared 7.4 in the Senate Judiciary Committee. 

HB 1295: Fetal Viability, would require the physician 10 test for viability if an unborn child is inought to be 20 or more weeks gestation at age. 
The prenata care bill, SB 367, would increase the income level for pregnant women to be eligible for medical care through the Medicaid program from the current 100 percent of the federal poverty level to 133 percent. It also calls for coverage of children to age 6 instead of the current 2. Thesis changes would bring Ir diana into conformity with federal regulations.

The maternity home bill, HB 1427,

with federal regulations.

The maternity home bill, HB 1427, would create a tax credit for people who own a maternity home designed for several pregnant women or people who open their individual homes to take in a pregnant woman. It would also create a grant program for non-profit organizations to expand or create a maternity home.

# Commentary

THE BOTTOM LINE

# God infused us with desire to leave a mark

by Antoinette Bosco

Recently a beautiful column appeared on my desk written by a clergyman. He spoke of going into his basement and seeing the finger

seeing the finger prints of his two sons, embedded in the ce-ment when it was still wet as the house was being built many years before.

all in the house that as had many coats of white paint and yet shows a shadow of blue. As a child, one of his boys had us blue paint for a drawing there wh es to go away

The point the clergyman was making is

that the fingerprints and the drawing were symbolic of the basic need all of us have to leave our mark upon the earth We do this consciously and uncon-

I particularly related to his story of the paint. Something similar happened when my children were young. Only I was the culprit

We had bought and moved into a new house in a new development. Everyone else seemed to have more money than we did, judging by the new furnishings delivered to the other houses.

We had no money. So, resting on my laurels as art editor of my college magazine, I took out my paints and created a mural with an apple tree and golden fruit on our living room wall. The problem was the gold paint. It was a "forever" mixture. No matter how many times I tried in later years

to cover the wall with fresh paint, the gold gleamed through.

My children often reminded me that I

would live on forever in that house through my gold apples. And often since then I have thought of them as my "fingerthoug

Unconsciously, I had left my mark in the consciously, I had left my mark in the home that I was the first to live in. I think wanting to "make our mark" is a very deeply rooted characteristic in us, perhaps because we are children of God.

The phrase "footprints on the sands of time" is another expression of that basic need to let the earth know we have been here. Time moves on and washes away like sand, but we want to leave something permanent that says "me.

Our need to affirm our existence and our hope that it is a permanent one comes out in the basic human need we all have to touch one another.

I remember doing a story years ago an orphanage on Long Island called The Little Flower House of Providence. I found that all the children wanted to

The wonderful priest who ran the place explained to me that these were children who had been deprived of the close, hugging love children should get from their families. And so they searched it from strangers

The youngsters could not affirm their existence without the touch (or mark) of

I found the same sense of personal isolation in old people when I did a nursing home story. They were shriveled, suffering from "skin hunger," as the social worker put it. They no



longer had any way to make their "mark" and so were lost in themselves,

"mark" and so were lost in themselves, out of touch. No fingerprints. I think God was the one who infused us with this desire to leave our mark on the world. The proof for me is our fingerprints. Each of us has fingerprints so unique that we can be identified by them.

What we learn from them is the agnificence of each person, so loved by the Creator that he gave us an identifying pattern to make our own imprint on the earth. This affirms our existence and our

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#### THE YARDSTICK

# Authors conclude labor movement in trouble

by Msgr. George G. Higgins

I spent the better part of the past few months reading the current crop of scholarly books on the state of unions in the

United States and the future of organized labor—roughly 25 volfew excep-

tions, their authors conclude that the labor movement is in a state of crisis. Few of them can see more than a glimmer of light at the nd of the tunnel.

It is easy enough to describe the nature of the crisis, at least in general terms, but there is little agreement among the experts on its underlying causes and even less agreement on how to resolve it.

One of the less convincing explanations of the crisis has a Marxist or quasi-Marxist

ring to it. The argument, as developed by ichael Goldfield in his recent book Decline of Organized Labor in the United States," is that the major cause of labor's decline is to be found in the changing

relations between classes.

By that Goldfield means, among other things, that over the last three decades things, that over the last three decades employer opposition to unions has in-creased, public policy toward unions has both aided employers and reflected their strength, and unions have devoted insuffiresources to meeting this challenge and to new union organizing

and to new union organizing.
Given his emphasis on the changing relations between classes, it is not surprising that Goldfield is critical of the AFL-CIO's much publicized report, "The Changing Situation of Workers and Their Unions," which was released in 1985. He faults the report for emphasizing labor-management cooperation, better public relations by unions and less belligerent tactics in organizing certain new groups of

Goldfield would prefer a much bolder class struggle against employer attacks at the workplace. He is not alone, of course, in advocating a much more adversarial approach in labor-management relations. A sizable minority of workers in a variety of unions—e.g., the United Auto Work-ers, the United Food and Commercial Workers and other major unions—are currently making the same argument in s angry opposition to their own

ongoing disagreement major unions over collective bargaining policy may prove to be a healthy development, but I doubt that many of those calling for a more adversarial relationship between labor and management are really in favor of class struggle in Goldfield's sense of the word or that they really favor the formation of a separate anti-capitalist labor party

It is interesting to note in this connection that Goldfield himself admits that at the present time "the prospects

for independent working-class political organizations and the development of a distinct socialist class consciousness, not distinct socialist class consciousness, not to mention the establishment of a socialist state, are dim at best. A workers' movement that cannot defend or reclaim its initial conquests will invariably fail in its new unions." Thus he views "the attempt to understand the decline of labor unions in the United States as the beginning of an attempt to understand the condensation." beginning of an attempt to understand the conditions necessary for their future

Historically, class-struggle socialism never been a truly viable option in the United States. Given recent developments in Eastern Europe, it is clearly a dead issue at the present time. In other words, if the ultimate goal of Goldfield's project is, as it appears to be, the development of a "broad revolutionary (i.e., anti-capitalist) working-class movement," he wi patience of Job. will, I suspect, need the

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#### TO TALK OF MANY THINGS

# Comparing the parish to the village fountain of old

by Dale Francis

In the villages of Europe in another day, the center to which all townspeople were drawn was the village fountain, where they

came to fill their jars.

In his apostolic ex-Laici," P hortation, deles Laici," Pope John Paul II said that when the society is violently shaken by elements of dis-integration and de-humanization. humanization, "The individual is lost and disoriented, but there

always remains in the human heart the desire to experience and cultivate caring and personal relationships.

"The response to such a desire can

come from the parish when, with the lay faithful's participation, it adheres to its fundamental vocation and mission, that is to be a 'place' in the world for the community of believers to gather together as a 'sign' and 'instrument' of the vocation of all to communion, in a word, to be a house of welcome to all and a place of service to all or, as Pope John XXIII was fond of saying, to be the 'village fountain' to which all would have recourse in their

turst."
We tend to think of the parish more prosaically, depriving ourselves both of the understanding of our mission and of the inspiration to fulfill that mission. Pope John Paul II emphasized the central importance of the parish. "The ecclesial community, while always having a universal dimension, finds its most immedia." versal dimension, finds its most immedi-ate and visible expression in the parish. It is there that the church is seen locally. In a certain sense it is the church living in the midst of the homes of her sons and daughters.

He reminded us that the parish is the place where the mystery of the church is present. But place must be understood. He wrote, "The parish is not principally a structure, a territory or a building but rather the family of God, a fellowship afire with a unifying spirit, a familial and welcoming home, the community of the

"Plainly and simply, the parish is founded on a theological reality, because it is a eucharistic community. This means the parish is a community properly suited for celebrating the Eucharist, the living source for its upbuilding and the sacramental the whole church."

There is an increasing understanding

of the importance of the parish. Pope Paul VI at the beginning of his pontificate in 1963 said, "We believe simply that this old and venerable structure of the parish has an indispensable mission of great contemporary importance to create the basic community of the Christian people; to initiate and gather the people in the accustomed expression of liturgical life; to conserve and renew the faith in the people today; to serve as the school for per teaching the salvic message of Christ; to put solidarity in practice and work the humble charity of good and brotherly

works."

It is important that today there should be an emphasis on the parish. But all the surveys, the expert opinions, will mean little if there is not, first of all, an understanding of what the parish is—the most immediate and visible expression of the church, the village fountain where all can come to quench their thirst. But most important of all, the community for the celebration of the Eucharist. We must be careful we do not think of the mechanics. careful we do not think of the mechanics of the parish and understand we must be aware of the dynamic of the parish.

together with each other and with the

guidance of the pastor.

And each of us has, as The Holy
Father Pope John Paul II said, "a unique
task which cannot be done by another
and which is to be fulfilled for the good

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# To the Editor

#### Youth can affect pro-life laws

It has been my firm belief that, given the opportunity, the teen-agers of today will

nake way for a better tomorrow.

Tuesday, Jan. 9, I had the pleasure of speaking to classes of juniors and seniors at Chatard High School. I had requested an Chatard High School. I had requested an opportunity to inform them of the abortion legislation to be reviewed by the House Committee of the state legislature. I provided them with information on all the bills to be presented. They gave me their questions. They took time to consider the facts and then wrote to their legislators.

The next morning I took the letters to the atchouse. It was with pride and joy that I climbed the stairs and delivered them— proud of Chatard, the staff and the student body; joyful in the knowledge that, if informed, these students could influence and affect the laws they are to live with in

the next rew years.

I would like to encourage educators in the Catholic high schools to give the students an awareness of this issue and the pro-life legislation pending in the House of

As Karl Rahner wrote: "Every Christian As Karl Ranner Wrote: Every Christian has his or her own special charism for the church and for the world. A special task of a social and indeed political kind." This is not a merely profane or "natural task

If we do not succumb to fear but speak out to the youth, by the grace of God they will "carry out the church's mission to the world" and "announce the world's transfiguration."

Peggy Geis

#### Doctors condone medical killings

to feel that doctors who say that they need unrestricted abortion for teaching advantages are really more interested in supporting their abortionist colleagues than in obtaining any genuine benefits for humanity. After all, abortions are medical killings, which no one can deny.

I glanced nervously at my watch and was horrified to see I had only about five

minutes before my reading.

I removed four antacid tablets from my

performance. I walked briskly to the women's restroom, removed a plastic

container of lemon juice from my purse and doused the back of my throat like

Oh, it cleared my throat all right, but

The church bells rang loud and clear and

take it from me, lemon juice and antacid don't mix. My remedy: four more antacid

I mounted the two steps. Did my pa.,tyhose have a runner? Should I have worn my glasses? Did my husband remember to turn off the stove?

I took a deep breath and felt a slight

smile cross my face as I greeted my fellow

tablets. I then high-tailed it for the altar

rse and downed them Now my throat felt chalky and thick so I did what I've read the stars do to clear their throats before a musical

there was no tomorros

Everything went fine

During the Hitler era in Germany, the the medical profession were involved in atrocious experimentation on innocent defenseless people. Not one good thing, only evil to humanity, was the result. In Holocaust movies we see the result. In Holocaust movies we see that abortion was called genocide and was used against poor defenseless lewish women and their babies. These women recognized the humanity of their babies and opposed this atrocity, but were betrayed nonetheless.

Some in the medical profession seem so willing to be the chosen instruments of death for all kinds of medical killings. Mercy killing and euthanasia loom on the horizon. Again, many of the most famous doctors favor it. In Britain and Canada, euthanasia has been done on the sneak for many years. It is being done in America today, though the far left news media try to keep the lid on. Television does everything it can to dignify abor-tion, and slants in favor of so-called mercy killing

From Christian radio news we have learned recently that an alleged morphine overdose by injection was used in two cases by a doctor in Minnesota. Is this only the tip of the iceberg?

Naturally, we citizens expect our law-makers to answer these challenges to our future with the best possible legislation to protect us, our unborn children, our elderly and our sick

Indianapolis

Mrs Wm Poener

#### A beautiful piece of reporting

"The Story of Noriega's Sur-render," by John Thavis (Jan. 12 issue) seems to be a beautiful piece of

The secular press messes things up so badly that sometimes I have a hard time understanding what I'm reading.

Mrs. Kathleen Naghdi

reporting.

Indianapolis

# Point of View

#### The first time I was a lector

by Susan Fey

Our priest's invitation for more Mass participation was well-meaning. Few can argue that it's better not to take an active, rather than passive, role in such an integral part of our lives

Some suggestions Father Tully tossed out included singing in the choir, taking part in the offertory procession, ushering and lectoring.

I chose the last because, as a mother of I chose the last because, as a mother of three children ages four and under, I'm quite used to reading aloud. I'm no stranger to a large audience—seven years ago, I won a state speech contest after addressing a crowd of more than 600 persons, Lastly, I was compelled to do it. for God-I'd spent so much of the past four years in the cry room that Father should have charged me rent. I felt that should have charged the rent. I relt that lectoring would be a way to give something to God in return for the blessings I've received.

After I expressed my interest to lector, Father generously asked what Mass would be the most convenient for me to

do my readings. I chose the Saturday evening time slot because, at the ripe old age of 31, I don't need my Saturday nights free for dates. Conversely, Saturday night isn't the most inviting time for older folks to go to Mass because, during the winter, the outside temperature can be downright frigid and those who attend the 7:30 service arrive and leave in total

Considering all this, I believed this Mass would be the least attended, and the fewer the people the fewer the jitters.

the people the rewer the litters.

Ilooked forward to making my debut as a lector. I dutifully read and re-read my passages. My tender-aged kids crowded around me and interjected, "Father, Son

and Holy Spirit" and the like Saturday came. I practiced my reading about 12 more times. I cooked dinner but couldn't eat with my family. I'd heard that football players can't eat before the big game for fear of upchucking. Now, it

game for fear of upchucking. Now, it seemed, I'd joined their team.

The clock showed 7.10, and I dashed across the street to church. During prayer, my usual concern made way for the plea, "Please don't let me pass out."

I crossed myself and looked over my shoulder. The church seemed packed. I fanned myself with a sheet of paper and noted that my anti-perspirant seemed to have failed me

#### LIGHT ONE CANDLE

## Don't put yourself down

by Fr. John Catoir Director, The Christophers

A healthy spirituality is one that joyfully surrenders to God's will, offering all sufferings and humiliations in a spirit of reparation so that even the downside of life is seen as a blessing. This surrender to God includes the way we accept ourselves and our own life. Let's face it, some lives are messier some lives are messier than others. But God



can draw good from-evil and joy from sorrow. It's so important

Although I may not be all that I'd like to be, I know that I have to accept my life because it is in the here and now of the present moment that God calls me to love him and serve him and be happy with him. It's his will that I make an effort to be good

and that I enjoy it in the bargain.

In terms of your own life, do you see that God has been at work in all the choices you've made? However wise or unwise you've made? However wise or unwise your decision may appear to be in the light of what you now know, the fact is, God has been with you all through your life, in times of triumph and failure, health and sickness, caring for you all the time with a tender love that knows no limits. And God deesn't want you to put yourself down.

In accepting my own life, I try to keep a

positive attitude towards myself. Although I'm far from perfect I know I'm a good person trying to be better. I embrace my life as a wonderful gift. It's easy at this point my life, but what will happen in my old age? I pray now for the courage and grace to continue in this joyful spirit when I'm old and sick.

Looking ahead isn't a bad idea. So when you consider making some new resolutions, begin by trying to accept and love yourself a little more. Treat your body well, exercise it, nourish it properly, don't abuse it. Your self-respect depends on self-love, and care for the body is an important component of this effort.

Above all, stop calling yourself unkind names. The more you affirm yourself, the less you will be inclined to put yourself

God is delighted with you when you try to look at the bright side of life. When you do, you do yourself a service, and you give glory to the Father, not to mention your neighbor who doesn't need any more grumbling.

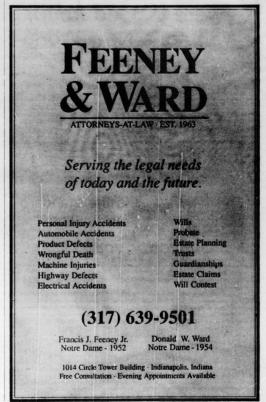
The bottom line of self-affirmation is saying no to sin. You deserve to be happy

and sin only brings sadness, so try, try again. A clean conscience is its own reward.

reward.

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(Father Catoir's "Christopher Close-Up"
can be seen each Sunday at 6.30 a.m. on
WISH-TV, Channel 8, in Indianapolis.)



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# The greedy race for more

by Auce Dailey

Every time the media report that some fabulously wealthy designer or celebrity has licensed his/her name to yet another

product, it is remindful of the biblical man selfishly piling up wealth without care for the needy, without thought of impending account

Why this obsessive urge to acquire more?
Merv Griffin, who
should know about
such things, has said,
"It's greed. Without greed there would be

no giveaway shows. Some such element must be inherent in

our makeup. Why else would game contestants, racking up thousands of dollars, still covet more. Why else would a lottery winner staring \$50,000 in the face refuse to settle for less than a million? And isn't it true that we would like to be right up there in the winner's circle?

Pressure from a grasping society has odded us into the race for more. It shows in some trucking industries which make one harried driver haul double loads. It shows in the tactics of those who renege on paying bare minimum wages

Even lowly cartoonists who started out by creating amusing characters have been thrust into the world of fame and riches by money-hungry manufacturers who plaster he logo on caps, toys, lunch pails and

What's wrong with trying to get ahead?"some may ask

ead?" some may ask.

Certainly there is nothing wrong with aking honest profit, striving to better making honest profit, striving to better ourselves or earning enough for security and indpendence. But greed is something quite different. It never knows when enough is enough.

enough is enough.

In fairness, some well-heeled celebrities
do share with others and are known for
their generosity. But an aura of greed
hovers over big-name designers who,
seemingly not content with staggering
royalties, continue to endorse more and
more extras such as telephones and home furnishings.

As someone has said, "I've never yet seen a Brooks armored truck in a funeral

### check-it-out...

The 1990 Great Lakes Pastoral Minis-The 1990 Great Lakes Passoral Ministry Gathering on the theme "The Adult Church . . . Collaborative Faith Community" will be held on the weekend of February 22-25 in Chicago, Ill. The fee is 95 if registered by Feb. 9. For more information call Loretta Reif at 815-399-

The Guardian Angel Guild will sponsor a Valentine Dessert Card Party from 12 noon to 3 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 12 at Beech Grove Benedictine Center. Tickets

lational Issues Forum focusing of providing quality health care for a rapidly increasing elderly population will be sponsored at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 1 by the Social Action Committee of St. Barna-bas Parish, 8300 Rahke Road. The cost is \$3 for the issue book. To re information call 317-881-0631. register or for

The Polish Century Club will hold its third annual Bigos (Hunter's Stew) Dinner'Dance at 6 pm. on Saturday, Feb. 3 at the Gun Club Building, 709 N. Pennsylvania Street. Tickets are 55 per person, with reservations required. Call 317-241-4650 or 317-257-0124 for more information and tickets. information and tickets

Loyola faculty member Frank C. Bu caro will present a free program on parenting adolesscents at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13 at St. Luke Parish. Bucaro will also speak on "The Chang-ing, Challenging Role of Minister/Educator" at a 5:30 p.m. dinner the same day for youth ministers, educators and religious who serve youth. Dinner reserva-tions are \$3. RSVP by Feb. 1 to Bob Schultz at St. Luke.

The Polish Century Club has voted to accept new members as social members. Requirements include a husband or wife being of Polish descent, and being present or prospective U.S. citizens. The club's aim is to promote Polish culture, assist mem-bers with immigration problems and share an active social life. Call Edward J. Zebrowski, president, at 317-241-4650 for

Organist Dwight Thomas will present a free recital of organ music at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 4 on the renovated Moller organ in the sanctuary of Central Chris-tian Church, 701 N. Delaware St. The organ was installed in 1954, and was the 8,464th organ built by the Moller Com-nany

The Sisters of St. Francis of Oldenburg will sponsor a Day of Prayer led by Franciscan Sister Annata Holohan from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 17. The \$10 cost includes the noon meal. Bring a Bible and journal, if available. To register or for more information correct grancis

can Sister Maureen Irvin at the Sisters Francis, Oldenburg, Ind. 47036, 812-934-5016

St. Vincent Stress Center's Hospice and Supportive Care Program are looking for volunteers to work ing for Volunteers to work in homes with terminally ill patients and their families. Volunteers function primarily as good neighbors, friends and supportive com-panions. Volunteer chaplains with at least six months experience in pro-fessional or lay ministry are also needed. Day and evening classes for the 21 required hours of training will be offered simultaneously beginning Wednesday, Feb. 21 and continuing for seven weeks. For more information call Linda Larason at 317-875-4696

St. Vincent Hospital Guild will spon-sor a Card Party and Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 15 at Highland Country Club, 1050 West 52nd Street. Tickets are \$12.50 for the event, which drawings for a patchwork quilt, framed etching and baby quilt. Call 317-875-6066

#### vips...

Norma L. Winkler was honored for her philanthropy on Jan. 19 at the 11th annual President's Dinner Dance of Brebeuf Preparatory School. A member of St. Luke Passh in Indianapolis, Winkler has long been active in school, church and civic enterprises. Three of her children are enterprises. Thre Brebeuf graduates



RELIGION DAY—Mayor William Hudnut III gives Dr. James Divita a proclamation marking Jan. 20, 1990, as "Religion in Indianapolis Day." Divita is the Marian College professor of history, who coordi-nated the religious history conference held at the college last Saturday. (Photo by Denise Perry)

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and Jason Reese help "mummy" Bill Allen visit the classrooms at St. Philip

EGYPT STUDY—Kim Ebbing (from left)

MATH PROJECT—Mark Annee and Christ Owens of Holy Spirit School are two of the eighth grade students, studying probability problems. Com-parisons were made on random num-bers by using "real world" situations, computers and pure mathematics. Actual trials were performed and results recorded; computer simulations were completed; and mathematical solutions presented. The three sets of results were compared to conclude the project in practical mathematics.

# St. Philip kids study cultures

St. Philip Neri School in Indianapolis has social studies classes this school year And through a special program created by the principal, Kathleen Sadlowski, the students will learn about other cultures and

Each class adopted a country or culture it would like to study. After gaining knowledge on the subject, the classes visit other rooms to share what they have learned

One dramatic study was that of Egypt. The seventh grade made a "mummy" and escorted it to the other classrooms. By using drawings and readings, they explained the history of the northern Africa country and its process of mummification. They answered questions from the other students.

The sixth grade shared its knowledge of the continent of Africa by using a trivia game. The questions and answers were placed around the map on a bulletin board in the hall

Other classes will use plays, foods,

native costumes or songs to demonstrate

native costumes or source.

the culture they are studying.

The students at St. Philip are having

"It's a small world fun, while learning, "It's a after all."

# CRS Lebanon staff people thank archdiocese

Three representatives of Catholic Relief Services (CRS) came to Indianapolis to thank those in the archdiocese who have thank those in the archalocese who have contributed to their ministry. The Jan. 17 message was delivered to Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara, who also serves as the chairman of the board of directors of CRS.

Nicolas Sakha and Zevart Nadjarian came from their CRS offices in Beirut, Lebanon, and Father William Joy, CRS director of church affairs, traveled with

director of church aftairs, traveled with them from Baltimore. Father Joy said, "Our purpose this year is to visit a number of disceses that have been so very generous—sepecially during the last year. Then we are meeting with the staff this year and also briefing the ordinaries."

Sakha said that Beirut is divided in two parts and that CRS now has offices in both sections. His office in the western section

s a 25-person staff.

"Life in Beirut is mainly dependent on se situation," Sakha said. "When there is the situation," Sakha said. "When there is no fighting, things are almost normal except that we are very short of commodities, light, water and power. In the afternoon, everybody has to go to their houses early in case of shelling or disturbances in the capitol. Everyone has to come the commodities of the capitol of the spend too much time getting foods and breads. They have to stand in line for

Sakha said that "crossing to the other section is not easy. It is always crowded because there is only one passage. There are a big number of checkpoints, including the army and the militia."

The CRS country director now, Sakha

started in 1983 as a consultant for the office in Beirut and in June, 1988, was appointed

to his present post.

Zevart Nadiarian began working for the ency when CRS entered Lebanon in 1976 as a response to rising hostilities there. Its plan was to offer emergency relief to war victims, restore war damaged homes and institutions, and develop human and material resources

Nadiarian said that the office staff in Beirut is composed of people of many religious faiths and sects, including Mos-This gives the CRS the ability to work with the different religious groups, she

The original three-pronged CRS effort is being supplemented with additional CRS allocations because of the hostilities in the past seven months, Nadjarian said.

past seven months, Nadjarian Saud.
"Even the hospitals and schools have been the target of shelling!" she said.
"They are reeling from the damage—especially the hospitals—from both sides. They would have had to close unless they

Nadiarian said. "CRS was the first to Nadjarian said, "CRS was the first to help. We and other philanthropic agencies put sandbags around the ground floors of the hospitals. The patients were moved to the ground floor. There were special innovations for the use of the shelters. Intensive care, dialysis patients and the operating rooms were moved down there."

"We also distributed fuel to all hospitals so that they did not have to close their doors. This way they could continue operations during the seven months of fighting," she said.

operatures fighting," she said. "The Lebanon people lived in shelters," said Nadjarian. "Many lived underground



CRS VISIT—Nicolas Sakha (from left), Father William Joy, and Zvart Nadjarian meet with Father James Barton and Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara. (Photo by Margaret Neison)

in churches, schools and under other buildings. Life was very different the last seven months. Industry was paralyzed. Schools closed their doors. 500,000 stu-dents have been out of school. The situation has caused too much stress for those living in the shelters-especially the young. It is causing worry and anxieties. In the older people, their sicknesses are worse, like high blood pressure, etc."
"CRS has also responded to the destruction by sending food, clothing, sanitation and cleaning materials to the shelters," Nadjarian said.

Sakha said that two large donations of medicines they received are already being distributed.

The CRS emergency program in Leba-non has purchased commodities, repaired institutions and provided medical assist-

ance. The reconstruction and rehabilitation phase of its work completed nearly 40 schools, hospitals, orphanages and other projects during 1987-88. And the development work has provided self-help projects in the areas of health, social welfare and

agriculture
CRS is the official overseas agency of the
United States Catholic Conference, representing the American bishops, clergy and
laily. It assists more than 10 million people
in 70 needy countries.
Father James Barton, director of the
Society for the Propagation of the Faith for
the Arthdiocese, joined the archbishop in
meeting with the CRS representatives.
Father Joy said that CRS hopes to
conclude the work in Lebanon as it has in
Korea and Bangledesh. "Our basic goal is
to work ourselves out of a job," he said.

# 'Mary's Boy' staged in Corydon

by Susan Fey

St. Joseph Church in Corydon was host to a professional New York City-base actress who performed a theological soliloquy on Friday, Jan. 12.

Margaret Anderson performed 'Mary's Boy," the story of Jesus as told through the eyes of his mother. Anderson also wrote the two-hour-long production.

Anderson's visit was sponsored by the Campus Ministry of Vincennes University Jasper, in cooperation with the World Apostolate for Peace.

The character portrayed by Anderson d the audience she didn't know why God chose her for such a special task—she was uneducated, illiterate, wasn't wealthy, wasn't well-traveled and didn't have well-appointed friends.

Said Anderson's character, "I'm just an ordinary housewife and a mother. I've wiped runny noses and fixed skinned knees. I'm a widow now; my husband was call a single parent because when my husband died, I raised Jesus by myself."

She recalled that the Messiah was born

"a smelly barn in an obscure town called

Before sharing her perception of how

Margaret Anderson as Mary

Mary despaired before finding Jesus at the temple with the elders, Anderson asked if there was a 10- to 12-year-old boy in the audience. A 12-year-old mand Kirk reluctantly agreed to join the actress on a makeshift stage. The subsequent imagery was a striking paradox. The crew-cut youth was wearing high-top tennis shoes and a stonewashed denim jacket and jeans. Anderson looked demure in a cotton frock, a gauzy, layered headdress and strappy sandals.

Anderson's character shared the joy, concern, pride and despair that all mothers experience. Her dialogue was peppered with the patronizing statements most matriarchs utter, such as, "You're looking

a bit thin. Have you been eating?" Following a short intermission, Anderson returned in a somber black costume. When told Jesus was at Calvary without

his disciples, Mary responded with dis-belief: "He's alone? He would have been willing to die for the

She agonized when she realized that crucifixion was imminent. She pleaded for God to intervene: "He's so young, only 33. Please, please, if you could give him a little more time, Lord, a little more time."

She assumed a pious kneeling position and crossed her hands over her chest. "He was yours first, Lord. He was a gift from you. A blessing. Thank you. Your will be done, Lord. But Lord, he's my son. He's my child. He's my boy

The audience then saw Anderson recoil and knew she'd seen Jesus hanging on the cross. She emitted a primal-sounding "Nooooo . . ." that echoed off the church walls. She gently rocked back and forth

"You're my son. My child. You're the one I held and cared for, and there you are on the cross." The rapt audience w her sorrow as Jesus commended his spirit.

Anderson later beamed to show joy at learning that Jesus rose from the dead, and when sharing her experience in the Upper

She concluded her performance by ying, "Jesus is God's Son. He's the Messiah. I pray this day that Jesus is your Messiah, too. Shalom."

Anderson has performed "Mary's Boy" for the past 12 years and averages 10 performances a month. She's taken her two-part play to several American states, prisons and jails, as well as England, the Cayman Islands

The mother of two and grandmother of



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Carmel. And Cathedral and Xavier too (time sure does fly). And I think

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#### **FAITH AMIDST ADVERSITY**

### Loss of health to AIDS tests faith

by Mary Ann Wyand Second in a series of articles

What is it like to be chronically ill?

Will faith bring hope and strength, perhaps even serenity, in times of sickness? And is it possible in the midst of a serious illness to believe so strongly that inner peace counteracts despair?

Loss of health is one of the most challenging adversities that people face in life. Just as Christ suffered on the cross, millions of people experience excruciating pain and intense grief from debilitating illnesses each year

illnesses each year.

Until recently, cancer was considered by many to be the most dreaded disease plaguing mankind. However, during the 1990s the emergence of acquired immune deficiency syndrome, known as AIDS, stunned the populace.

Recently, The Criterion talked to a Catholic diagnosed as HIV positive who is a dient at the Damien Center in Indiananolis. The man discussed his feelings

anapolis. The man discussed his feelings and opinions on faith, the church, quality

f life, and hope for the future.

"There's always hope," he emphazed. "There are always those little bits of hope, but there can be let-downs as well. But no matter what, we live with well. But that hope.

Persons with AIDS must somehow learn to accept the fact that they are living with AIDS, he said, rather than focusing on the very real possibility that they also may die from AIDS in the near future.

'We found that we had to laugh at life,''
26-year-old man explained. "People the 26-year-old man explained. "Peo who don't enjoy life don't have one would never choose to be in the situation that I'm in, but I can live with it

For a long time, he said, "I struggled daily for a quality of life, and now I'm very happy with my life. I believe that humor plays a big part in conquered this

Fear of the unknown, and also the known, are part of living with AIDS, he said, because persons with AIDS constant-ly fear for their health.

"This disease, as bad as it is physically much worse mentally," he said. "There is fear about what is going to happen. It's a slow killer. It's a suffering disease."

The lifelong Catholic and recent college graduate openly discussed his homo-sexuality, and also criticized current church that he described as conflicting.

(The church teaches that the condition of homosexuality is not sinful but that homosexual acts, like all sexual acts outside of marriage, are sinful.)

"I have a very strong faith, but I can't go to Mass," he said. "The church has not gotten me to where I am today (with acceptance of his illness). I do not feel that I have lost the church or lost God, but the church has definitely lost me.

The paradox, he lamented, is that Catholic Church doctrine rejects homosexuality but church officials now minister to persons with AIDS.

"The church does not reject me because I have AIDS but why I have

AIDS," he explained. "The church has said that I'm not welcome in so many ways. I feel rejected by the church because they will not confront the whole issue. I hope that someday the church will recognize me."

He said he does not attend Mass anymore because "it doesn't make me feel good" and "more often than not I will walk

Ironically, he said, his parents, also rejected him as a gay person but accepted him in the family again after learning of his AIDS diagnosis

"It has taken a long time for my parents to accept me as the person that I am," he said. "I'm still the same person, but they could not condone my life. I wasn't having

a problem with it. They were."

Parental rejection hurt deeply, he added, but his sexual orientation is a part of himself that could not be denied in

"When I told my parents that I had AIDS," he said, "I told them, For three years you have ignored the fact that I'm You can't ignore it anymore

gay. You can't ignore it anymore. Recurring health problems determined to be AIDS-related complex required hospitalization shortly after his graduation from college, led to his diagnosis as HIV positive, and ended his career plans. Prayer helps him accept his uncertain future, he said, as he tries to deal with the

ssion of his illness

progression of his illness.
"I personally don't think that people think enough or pray enough," he said.
'Prayer for me may be personal reflection. I love church rituals, and I really miss the Mass. My problems with the church stem from what I feel are social issues, not so reach child."

We are all God's creation, he said, and should be affirmed as unique individu

"I am a member of a group that has traditionally been discriminated against, and I was told from a very young age that the life I lead is wrong." he said. "My orientation is a part of myself. Why is that

At the time of the interview, he said he felt "fantastic" but wondered aloud what his health might be like next week.

"I may feel wonderful today and know full well that I might be in the hospital tomorrow," he explained. "Once you get sick with something, you fight it and you try to get better but you know it can happen

In spite of this continuing adversity, he aid his faith remains strong even when his health falters

"I am making it and I am surviving," he emphasized. "I personally will conquer this in my own way.

Providence Sister Marilyn Lipps, coor-dinator of Damien Center services, ministers to this man and other persons with AIDS and also helps train volunteers.

"I was looking for a particular ministry" in 1988, she said, "I volunteered to be a buddy to a person with AID5 and took the training. I became involved and liked it so much that I joined the staff."



Formerly, Sister Marilyn worked as a parish director of religious education and as parochial school teacher. Now she is in arge of pastoral care at the center.

charge of pastoral care at the center.
Two years ago, the Damien Center
budget was about \$60,000 and executive
director Michael Shuff was the only
employee. Now the center budget is up to
three quarters of a million dollars. Ten paid
memburate work with 250 volunteers to employees work with 250 volunteers to minister to over 400 AIDS clients in more than 50 Indiana counties

"I visit persons with AIDS in the hospital," Sister Marilyn explained, "and get information from them if they want to be a part of Damien Center programs."

At present, she said, "Our caseload is so heavy that I alone cannot take care of it by myself. I also work with a byterian minister. I feel my greatest privilege (in my ministry) is visiting persons with AIDS in the hospital."

The Providence sister said her work also involves coordinating volunteer re-cruitment and screening those who express interest in helping at the center

"I love my job," she said. "I love every minute of it. I have such wonderful support from the people in the office-our executive director, Michael Shuff, our director of case management, David Hudson, and also from Cannon Earl Connor, an Episcopalian priest who is president of the board of directors."

In her work with AIDS patients, Sister Marilyn said, she never hears complaints. 'As I visit persons with AIDS," she

"I find myself being nourished and gifted by them. They are very courageous, very patient; very honest and open, who are in their own sickness still caring about others who have a like

and they never complain."

And, she reflected, "When they get very sick—and many of them have died—I feel that I have great support from the people in the office. I hope that I give them as much as they give me in return. It's not easy to watch friends

(Next week: Loss of mobility.)

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# Newkirk urges pro-life lobbying

(Continued from page 1) not just the mother and the baby, No one should dispute the fact that (in pregnancy) we have a human being .

pregnancy) we have a numan terms... who should not have to face an abortion." Elected officials often say "I'm per-sonally opposed to abortion, but ...." Rep. Newkirk charged. "That's not good enough anymore.

Ask your state legislators if they will support House Bills 1034, 1134, 1088, and 1259, he advised. "If they don't answer you, then ask them again. Get involved. Make yourself known."

Father James Byrne, pastor of Immacu-late Heart of Mary Church in Indianapolis, offered the invocation to open the memor-

His prayer to God, "the author of all life, creator of all things," asked for guidance

to help mankind preserve the act of passing on new life to future generations. Students from Our Lady of Lourdes School, also in Indianapolis, sang during the ceremony and other children aged newborn through 17 placed red roses beside lighted candles in remembrance of

the 1.5 million babies that have died in

abortion since 1973. St. Luke parishioner Dorothy Wodras-

ka, a longtime pro-life worker, reminded the assembly that "the infamous Supreme Court decision brought about 17 years of probably the greatest violence the history of mankind has ever known."

Human life is a continuum with its various stages, she said, whether you call a fetus a baby or a child an adolescent.

s a baby or a chiid an audice.

The truth is that life does begin at

Wodraska said. "It's an

ine truth is that life does begin at conception," Wodraska said, "If's an inalienable right that God has given us." Pro-choice supporters should be called "pro-choice-to-kill supporters," she em-phasized, because "the only choice they're talking about is the choice to kill a human beine."

Fortunately, Wodraska concluded, "I see more and more people turning to prayer (in an effort) to end this horrible holocaust."

As part of their lobbying efforts, hundreds of thousands of pro-life workers from Indiana and other states will gather in Washington, D.C., April 28 for a massive "Rally for Life."

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# Is there help even if you don't like your work?

by H. Richard McCord

It is a gray, bleak, and cold Monday morning. The alarm clock buzzes intru-sively. Another work week is about to

Does it have to? Isn't there a better w

Does it have to / isn't there a better way to make a living? What's the point of this struggle anyway?

Most people ask such questions at times. Rainy days and Mondays often force us into some soul-searching about the measure of the control of th

us into some soul-searching about the meaning of work. And some people hate their work. What about them? Can they gain any meaningful perspective on it? For them, the dismal Monday morning scenario is not merely an occasional restlessness but a continuing

Author Studs Terkel claims that stories of work tell of violence done to the spirit as well as the body. This violence makes no distinction between white collar or blue collar or pink collar.

►There is the advertising executive who detests a system that requires her to promote products that are useless trivialities as though they were necessi-

►There is the municipal building inspector who is discouraged continually by poor quality workmanship and slides deeper into cynicism about his

►There is the government file clerk who

feels stuck in a bureaucratic maze.

There is the assembly line worker who is bored with applying spot welds 32 times per car on 48 cars per hour for eight hours a shift.

"To survive the day is triumph enough for the walking wounded among the great many of us," writes Terkel in his classic book, "Working" (Avon

No one takes a job or pursues a career because it promises to be meaningless. Everyone seeks work that holds some

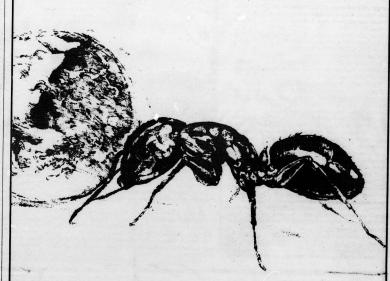
Everyone seeks work that holds some significance or promises to be satisfying. But what makes work meaningful?

In his new book, "Converting Nine to Five: A Spirituality of Daily Work" (Crossroad, 1989), Jesuit Father John C. Haughey observes: "Meaning cannot come from the work to the worker, it must come from the worker to the

or nursing is more meaningful than packaging junk foods, both situations have their share of cynical, bored, discontented workers. So it is primarily a matter of how we interpret our jobs that determines the significance of work for us

Interpretation is a process of drawing meaning out of experience. The process operates with the aid of filters provided by our mind, our affections, and our

For those who are hard pressed to find meaning in their work, I offer, with the assistance of Father Haughey's book, some interpretations which people customarily



STRUGGLE—Some people, even those in the healing professions such as counselors or nurses, hate their work. When perspective on work helps increase enthusiasm in the work part another work week begins, they wonder, "What's the point of (CNS illustration by Mark Williams)

draw from their experience in jobs and

Careers.

The pragmatic interpretation sees value in a given job insofar as it benefits the worker. Such benefits range from feeding and clothing a family, to acquiring certain consumer goods, to financing an education, to job advancement.

A social interpretation of work focuses not on the actual tasks or job responsibilities but on the workplace environment. One finds meaning in the relationships among workers on and off the job. Perhaps you know someone who refused a promotion or transfer because it meant leaving a group of co-workers who had become friends.

thends. Altruistic interpretations stress the good effect one's work is likely to produce. Examples include taking pride in building a quality automobile because it can transport people safely or feeling that one's laboratory research eventually will contribute to finding a cure for AIDS.

Finally, there is religious interpretation. Finally, there is reugious incerpression.

Faith is a major resource people use to make sense of who they are and what they do. Meanings suggested by faith can build upon and enrich the interpretations of work suggested above.

Here are some examples of a religious interpretation of work

A person can engage in a certain job or reer with the conviction that God has called him or her to it. One's work then becomes a response to this call.

Again, work can be viewed as a way of imitating Christ who "did not come to be served but to serve" (Matthew 20:28). In this perspective, work becomes the occasion to show respect for the individual dignity of each customer. the individual dignity of each customer, colleague and boss, or the opportunity to see Christ in persons whose needs for food, clothing, shelter, or healing we might serve.

Justice is associated closely with service. To bring justice into the world is seen

in our faith tradition as a sign that God's reign is being established. It is possible to interpret one's work as a "work of justice," either in the sense of making the workplace itself more humane or equitable or in the sense of working to change unjust structures or situations in accient.

change unjust structures or situations in society.

The God who creates the world is depicted in the Bible as a worker. So our work also can be interpreted as bringing creation to its full potential as co-creators with God.

There is no denying the fact that work can be boring or demeaning or just plain stressful. In some cases, a change of job stressful. Ir might help.

But, in the end, any work we do will suffer impoverishment unless we bring our minds, hearts, and faith to the challenge of making it meaningful.

(McCord is associate director of the U.S. hops' Secretariat for Laity and Family

#### DISCUSSION POINT

# How does your work relate to God's actions?

What relationship do you see between your work and the action of God in this world?

"God helps me to be physically strong for long hours of work, teaches me to find answers to difficult cases, and gives me the proper words to be loving and tender in consoling a family in a add situation. My profession (is) a great opportunity to help and serve others in his name." (Dr. Maria Soriano, pediatrician, Atlanta, Georgia)

"Living and working on the farm, we get to see a simpler, more natural way of life that I think God is calling us to. We can raise the kids away from the complications of city life and maybe get them to see

more clearly how God is working in them." (Sandee Matz, Wills Point, Texas)

"I really do see my work as a vocation. Being in a public Theaty do see my work as a vocation. Deing in a public school, I can't witness to children openly about who Jesus is. What I pray is that the love and the power of the Lord will come into their lives through my relationship with them." (Barbara Cascio, Stone Mountain, Georgia)

"As principal of a Catholic elementary school, I have numerous opportunities to bring life to the word and teachings of the church. By providing positive witness of belief in Christ, I can help others see the hope-filled future we have as his followers." (Mary Thomas, Perham, Minnesda)

"Our attitudes, values, and principles can influence

and even inspire others to put more of themselves into their daily labors." (Dan Jager, Tyler, Texas)

"My ministry within a Catholic school centers around the message of Jesus. The success of this mission will be judged by how well the community develops its love of God and one another." (Bernadine St. Pierre, Staples,

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An upcoming edition asks: How—in what ways—can you love your enemies?

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# Can you love those people you serve in a professional way?

by Jane Wolford Hughes

The tiny woman with the shortcropped graying hair stood alone on the stage with no lectern, no notes, no

The world renowned Dr. Elisabeth Kubler-Ross con-cluded her stories of heroism in the world of healing with, "If you do not love your patients, you must leave the

Pope John Paul II had given a similar message two years earlier in his 1981 encyclical "On Human Work." Human toil, he said, presents "the possibility of sharing lovingly in the work that Christ came to do."

Dr. Kubler-Ross' message, fused with their own beliefs, directed the vocations of the two young nurses with me the night of her lecture.

Jim already had volunteered for assignment in the burn center to which the state's worst cases were flown. Pain relentlessly embraced the patients there; medical proce-

relentlessly embraced the patients there; medical procedures were exacting and exhausting.

Asked why he continued, Jim replied: "With the need for extremely sterile conditions, the chaplain often cannot come in, so I talk to the patients about God and bring them messages from their family. It helps them fight for life. I think God wants me to stay here awhile."

Jim's next assignment was in the intensive care unit connected with the inner-city hospital's emergency room, where caring for the assembly line of broken bodies was a brutal grind.

"You must remind yourself that they are God's creation and treat them respectfully even if some have not respected themselves, 'im said. 'fit is gratifying to see their response, which in turn helps us give more."

When Therese was assigned to the intermediate intensive care unit in a suburban hospital, the head nurse asked her to see what she could do for Jenny, 79, who had receded into herself with her two companions, bitterness and depression, Jenny had suffered a heart attack after her and depression. Jenny had suffered a heart attent and 58-year-old son's suicide. Wanting no more of living, she tore away the life-support systems.



COMPASSION AND LOVE—Two young nurses say they try to serve their patients with love and compassion. For them, nursing is a way to share in Christ's work. Whatever

Therese cared for Jenny, caressed her bruised arms, told her funny stories, and eventually read to her from the Psalms. Slowly, with great delicacy, Therese brought an awakening to the voreing the control of the cont

Jenny recovered rapidly once she saw reasons for living. She went on to call Therese "my angel sent by God to bring

Another patient remains vivid in Therese's memory. Eileen, the mother of a nurse friend, was in a life-threatening situation. But one evening Eileen seemed stable and the faithful family left their vigil to eat.

Suddenly the monitor sounded, Eileen opened her es and smiled, and the monitor indicated her heartbeat

the patient's age, the nurses explain, it is important to affirm that individual as a person when providing any type of medical care. (CNS photo by Mimi Forsyth)

When it became Therese's responsibility to tell the family, she stood at the door of the waiting room and whispered the news, but could not stop her own tears. Family and nurse consoled each other.

Family and nurse consoled each other.

Therese had done everything possible, but felt "unprofessional" because she cried when informing the family. She went to the supervisor.

"Grief is an honest emotion for someone you cared about. It is more important that you are as keing as you are," the older and wiser nurse said. "The family spoke to me about your care and compassion, which helped them through their ordeal. You're the kind of nurse we need here."

(Hughes is a free-lance writer and religious educator.)



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# Catholic Schools Week

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A Parent's Choice

YES! Catholic Schools

Catholic Schools Week

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# 'A Parent's Choice' is theme Jan. 28 to Feb. 3

by Margaret Nelson

Many events are planned for schools throughout the archdiocese during the week of Jan. 28-Feb. 3.

Teachers of the Madison Catholic school system planned activities for Catholic Schools Week. Parents have been invited to join the students of Pope John XXIII and Shawe High School in submitting essays on the theme of "Catholic Schools: A Parent's Choice." One day will be observed as Green and Gold Spirit Day. The week will end with an all-school Mass. Parents and grandparents will join the students for lunch.

On Friday, Feb. 2, the parent-teacher group at St. Vincent, Bedford, will have a silent auction and Italian dinner. Proceeds will fund the school's SHAPE, a physical education and health curriculum.

All schools in the East Deanery of Indianapolis have been invited to participate in a Talent Show at St. Philip Neri from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 1. Parents and students are invited to attend.

Jan. 28 has been designated as "Sectina Sunday" by Father Robert Borchertmeyer, pastor of St. Therese Church and dean of the st side Indianapolis churches. Scecina udents will read at one Mass in each anery parish, other student parishioners school brochures after all the liturgies. The Scecina administration, faculty and students using these activities to show appreciation for the support of the parishes

St. Michael, Greenfield, has a full Catholic Schools Week schedule. Under the direction of Mrs. Roach, the student choir will sing during the 5:30 p.m. parish Mass. Student lectors will minister at the Masses at 8 and 10:30 a.m. ster at the Sunday morning

On Monday, Will Gould will of pupped show to the entire St. Michael student body from 1:45 to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday will be "Button Day" to promote school and Wednesday will be and Sweat Shirt Day.

Thursday will be a Blue and Gold accessory day at St. Michael School. Students may wear their uniforms creatively accessorized. The school will take part in the East Deanery Talent Show that night

Deanery Talent Show that night.

And Friday is Dress-up Day at St.
Michael. (There are some rules about the clothing for all of the dress-up days.) There will be an all-school Mass. The liturgy following the theme "Yes to Catholic Schools" will be planned the seventher grade class. That afternoo. "St. Michael will have its own talent si...w. Forty students will win tickets to the ice hockey same Saturday night. game Saturday night.
The Indianapolis West Deanery elemen-



MADISON PLANNERS—Catholic School Week plans are being mapped by teachers (from left) Pam Deveary, kindergarten at Pope John XXIII; Sue Geyman, second-grade; Carole Williams, K-12 art; and Mike Hannan, athletic director and world history teacher at Shawe Memorial High School. (Photo by Don Wood)

tary schools will participate in a spelling bee and art exhibit at Ritter High School on Jan. 30 from 5 to 9 p.m.

At St. Monica, Indianapolis, principal innine Duncan said that the school has planned "many exciting events for Catholic

Schools Week. In keeping with the 'Parent's Choice' theme, our parents will be heavily involved during the week. and will be guests of honor at our culminating Mass on Friday."

(See CATHOLIC SCHOOLS on page 26)

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# Third-graders critique health center

by Margaret Nelson

"There's a little thing in your tummy and you can stretch it out and when you do it will reach from one wall to the other," said Aimee Bundy, a second-grade student at All Saints School in Columbus.

Aimee learned about intestines when r class visited the Ruth Lilly Center for Health Education in Indianapolis. The new facility has been the focus of field trips from many Catholic schools in the archdiocese

Providence Sister Lawrence Ann Liston, director of schools for the archdiocese, is a member of the board and chairwoman of the curriculum committee for the edu

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The Criterion asked some principals to collect a few students' opinions about the center. Except for those from All Saints, the comments are those of children in the

Kellie Barras, a student at St. Simon in Indianapolis said, "I liked the part where TAM (Transparent Anatomical Manikin) showed us all the parts of our body. I also enjoyed the room where we saw the different types of body cells."

Fellow St. Simon student Katie Gilliatte said, "I learned what foods were good for me to eat and which were bad. I had fun learning about the four food groups. I also learned that babies have more bo adults. When I go back to the Lilly Center, push-button nutrition machine

"It was fun doing the activities where we got to participate," said Randy Kingery.

"I liked putting the foods in the proper food group. I also liked when a student stood on his head and drank water. We learned that the water went on down to his stomach even though he was standing on his head."

Andy Pines, also from St. Simon said, "I liked PAM because I found out a lot about parts of my body I didn't know before. I found out that the small intestine is longer than the large intestine. If I could go back to the Lilly Center, I would like to see the drug display because I would like to know more

about what drugs can do to your body."

At All Saints in Columbus, first-grader
Lindsay McMahan said her favorite thing at Lindsay McMahan said her favorite thing at the health center was "when we went in the room called TAM because there's a

mannequin and you can see through her and she talked to you." Brittany Kinder, also in first grade at All Saints said she liked the (Sheriff Tuffy) tooth, "because he was talking about the

All Saints second-grader Chris Nott learned from Sheriff Tuffy Tooth, too. Chris said he "always used to eat candy and coke and got a cavity. I went to the dentist and the dentist put a silver thing in my tooth." At the nutrition theatre at the Lilly Center, he said, "The sugar came back in town and Sheriff Tuffy had to put him back in iail."

hack in Jail.

At St. Thomas Aquinas School, Indianapolis, NaTosha Neal said, "We learned many things at the Lilly Center. It was neat the way TAM taught us about our bodies.

the way TAM taught us about our bodies. We also learned what are good drugs and bad drugs. We saw the right way to take care of our teeth, too."

Schoolmate Gabe Rosenburg said, "I liked the part with the exercise bike and the food groups and the snack machine. Why I liked thought said to the said with the service of the puff out foods. I liked those parts is because I think it's neat how they get kids to learn and still have fun. I also liked it because of the puff out foods. I liked the Lilly Center."

"My class and I went to the Lilly nter for a field trip," said Mike Hayes Center for a field trip," said Mike Hayes of St. Thomas. "First, our guide took us to a theater which had a glass robot that was called TAM. It showed the inside of us like the veins and nerves and things like that. Next, she took us to a theater that had different kinds of cells. It was interesting. Then we studied the four food groups. We had a wonderful time

David Reed is a students in Julie Hillis'

David Reed is a students in Julie Hillis' third grade class at St. Malachy, Brownsburg, He said, "I liked Mr. Tooth and the Slimies. I thought it was neat. Mr. Tooth sure took care of his teeth!" "What I liked best was TAM," said Stacie Marriel. "I also liked when Kurt Klein was upside-down drinking water. It was nice of the lady to show us around and explain everything to us. I enjoyed the Ruth Lilly Center a lot!" Keri Toler said, "I think TAM was neat. Sheriff Tuffy Tooth and the giant

Ken Toler said, "I think TAM was neat. Sheriff Tuffy Tooth and the giant toothbrush were cool, too."
"I liked it when we saw the tooth that had a cavity," said Julie Kojetin of St. Malachy. "I also liked when the students had to put the food in the correct categories of the four food groups onto the wall."

In Indianapolis, third-grader David Perkins of Nativity School said, "I liked it for the neat things they have on the body. They even have pictures of the cells and other things in the body and even have a robot with glass so you can see the things

Annemarie Hinz of Nativity said, "I Annemarie Hinz of Nativity said, "I liked it because I stood on my head and drank water. We didn't go to school. We rode in my best friend's car."

Schoolmate Christopher Price said, "Its was great. I liked the movie and the robo. In fact I loved Billy Bones. It was a health

test but funner. It was neat to stick the four

test our runner. It was near to stick the four food groups on the wall."

Laura Goebes of Nativity said, "I like the room with the movie. I especially liked the room with TAM." TAM.

But no health center could meet everyone's expectations. Though the com-ments of two dozen of his classmates at Nativity were positive, Blair Garrison said, 'I did not care for the place.



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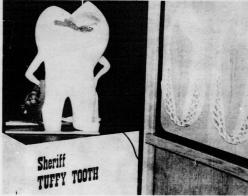


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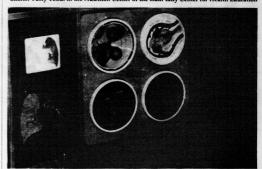
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# Catholic schools' art teacher instructs winners

by Mary Ann Wyand

Coaching comes naturally for art teacher

Celestine Sipe.

The art instructor at both Central

Catholic and Holy Name grade schools in Indianapolis offers advice and encour-agement from the "sidelines" to help her students excel in a variety of classroom assignments and also in special contests. Several of Sipe's art students have won

top honors in the Indianapolis Department of Parks and Recreation's annual Christmas card contest.

Eighth grader Melissa Allen of St. Patrick's Parish won the greeting card contest for the second year in a row with a detailed line-art drawing of a Teddy Bear surrounded by holiday decorations.

Judges chose her artwork from among 473 entries from junior high students representing 21 Marion County schools. As a result, hundreds of copies of her winning design were mailed last month as the parks department's official Christmas card.

Other contest winners included Sara Jackson, one of Sipe's seventh grade students at Central Catholic, who finished in second place, and Andrea Bates, an eighth grader at Holy Name School, who claimed fifth place honors

During an awards ceremony Dec. 20 at the City-County Building, Mayor William Hudnut praised Sipe for excellence in art instruction at both Catholic schools.

Before each class project, Sipe said she helps her students plan their work with careful attention to detail.

"First we talk about themes," she explained. "I emphasize that they should do a picture that is big or that will carry well, something that can be easily seen that really stands out."

Using lights and darks and shading adds a professional touch, Sipe noted, and turns a line-art drawing into an eve-catchcards to look at so they can get some ideas," she said. "Sometimes it's hard to draw figures and things without looking

Curriculum focuses on the basics, such scolor and form, but also includes art history to broaden student perspective.

Every week I show the students a photograph of a painting or a sculpture done by a famous artist," she said. "We look at all different kinds of art-Egyptian art all the way up to modern art and architecture. I wrote the curriculum so that the lessons would build one upon another.

Although some children are naturally Although some children are haddland, more creative than others, Sipe said she hopes that each student gains an appre-ciation for creativity even if they don't ciation for creativity even if the enjoy drawing or other art forms.

They can learn to enjoy all kinds of art, learn to appreciate art history and famous artists, and experience the joy of creating things," she said. "I think creating things," she said. "I think artistic ability is a God-given talent, but certainly you can enhance it and make it better. Some people just have more ability in that area than others."

Art can be very frustrating, she added, but also very rewarding. Two of her goals as an instructor are to help students discover a sense of expression and accom-plishment from completing a variety of art

"Younger students—kindergartners through third graders—will draw their feelings," Sipe explained. "By the fourth grade, students are concerned about how things look and start to be concerned about sharing their feelings. They begin hiding their feelings."

Celestine Sipe grew up in an artistic environment, and art has continued to be an important part of her life

'My father is a professional artist," she I grew up in an atmosphere where

art was encouraged. I took art lessons as a child. Watercolors are my favorite me-

Working with paints and clay alongside students of varying ages is fun, she said, and combining her dual interests in art and education has resulted in a fulfilling career.

"I especially enjoy teaching the little children because they are so enthusiastic," Sipe said. "You can't assume that they can

do everything. It's different for each

Faced with the possibility of failure, she said, some students need more encour-agement or coaching than others.

"Some of the older students will be concerned about failure," Sipe explained, "so you have to encourage them and say. Well, just do the best you can. Just put forth a good effort.' That's what I look



ARTISTIC—Central Catholic eighth grader Melissa Allen accepts her first-place award in the Indianapolis Department of Parks and Recreation Christmas card contest from Mayor William Hudnut. Melissa's mother, Vicki Allen, and her art instructor, Celestine Sipe, joined her for the awards presentation. (Photo by Mary Ann Wyand)

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# Madison students share new story-telling skills

by Don Wood

Students at Pope John XXIII Elementary School Madison, are encouraged to tell stories. In fact, the school brought someone in to teach them how.

George Schricker taught the students the art of story-telling during the fall semester. His services as a teacher were made possible through a grant from the Indiana Arts Commission and the National Endowment of the Arts.

The children now use their new skills in their ministry to the elderly citizens of the community. Terri Guarino's fifth grade class recently entertained the patients of Clifty Convalescent Center.

The school also participates in an Adopt-a-Grand-parent program started by Bernard and Helen Schafer. The plan brings the Jefferson and Switzerland County Catholics together in caring for patients of five area facilities: Hanover Nursing Home. Matison Nursing Home, River Valley Nursing Home and Vevay Nursing Home and the Clifty Center.

Through the outreach program, approximately 100 patients received gifts and visits. The patients were selected on the basis of material need or the lack of

Pre-schoolers participated in the visiting Santa at the Clifty Center. d in the visitation program by

The Pope John Brownie Scout troop caroled for the patients of the Madison Nursing Home before Christmas.



STORY-Myrtle Watson (seated, from left) and Mary Kidwell hear Kate Grossman tell a story as the result of what she learned from an artist-in-residence at Pope John School

in Madison. Classmates Beth Ann Fisher (standing, fre left) and Jessie Reynolds observe. The women reside Clifty Convalescent Center. (Photo by Don Wood)

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# OCE staff member contributes expertise to anti-drug program

by Mary Ann Wyand

As coordinator of support services for the archdiocesan ffice of Catholic Education, Annette "Mickey" Lentz finds Office of Catholic Education, Annette her many and varied job responsibilities both challenging

and rewarding.

Of those diverse tasks, her work with the Indiana
Department of Education's Drug Advisory Council and assistance with curriculum planning for drug-free courses in Indiana schools are among her favorite labors of love.

inciana schools are among her favorite lators of love.

"There is concern across the state about drug-free youth," Lentz said. "We have been looking at brochures and supplemental programs to prepare the drug-free curriculum. Once we finish reviewing the books and make our recommendations, we will get feedback from students and parents."

and parents."

In order to grow up with a drug-free philosophy, she said, young people must learn the dangers of substance abuse at an early age so they can resist peer pressure and avoid chemical dependency.

As part of her educational work for the archdiocese and the advisory council, Lentz attended a "Just Say No" organizational session Jan. 11 at the City-County Building.

With corporate financial assistance, "Just Say No" anti-drug clush will be established in 30 parochial schools and 66 public schools in Indianapolis. That accomplishment would make Indianapolis the largest American city to adopt a formal anti-drug curriculum.

Lentz will work with James Arvin, drug education coordinator for the Indianapolis Public Schools, on the

coordinator for the Indianapolis Public Schools, on the comprehensive drug-free campaign targeted at more than 15,000 fourth-, fifth-, and sixth-grade students. Indianapolis Mayor William Hudnut has enthusiastically endorsed the new programming. President George Bush sent a congratulatory letter, and William Bennett, drug czar in charge of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, also sent his written endorsement.

Statistics show that first-time drug users are as young as age 11. so "Just Say No" efforts will be directed to pre-teens

in coming months.

Arvin said the "Just Say No" program "weaves together strategies that have been shown to ofter the most promising results in keeping children of this age away from drugs."

Members of Scecina Memorial High School's "Students Assisting Youth" and Brebeut Preparatory School's

"Prevention Using Student Help" organizations have pledged their assistance with the drug-free curriculum.

pledged their assistance with the drug-free curriculum.

To be successful, drug-free programs have to be based on "fun, creative curriculum." Lentz explained. "We have to look at how they really say no' and cope with all of the pressures on them. We have to teach them life-coping skills."

The former elementary school principal also noted that, "It's key that we come together in a united effort to prevent new and further use of drugs in our schools and communities."



SAY NO—Seccina Memorial High School teacher Tim Barthal and four Seccina students show Mickey Lentz, coordinator of support services for the Office of Catholic Education, some of the curriculum they use to educate younger students on the dangers of drug abuse. (Photo courtesy of Bass Photo)

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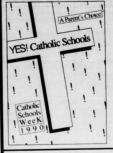
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# Renew group adopts center city school

by Cunthia Dewes

Saying "Yes" to Catholic schools has been the thoughtful response of a Renew group at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Indianapolis for the past one and a half vears. According to John Kraemer, one of its 11 members, the group felt a need to answer the call to serve found in Renew readings and discussions. So they made the decision "to actually do something" for

the decision "to actually do something" for others by helping school children. The group established the "North/West Connection," an outreach by them and other Immaculate Heart parishioners to other inimacutate rearr parishoners to children of All Saints School located at St. Anthony Parish in Indianapolis. The school is composed of students from four innercity parishes: St. Anthony, Holy Trinity, St. Joseph and Assumption.

St. Joseph and Assumption.

The project took three forms: a School Incentive Program, which is implemented monthly; Sponsor a Teacher, an annual ongoing event; and Adopt a Family, which

ongoing event, and Adopt a Family, which is done every year at Christmas time.

The principal and staff of All Saints School were most interested in the School Incentive Program, Kraemer said, because it is designed to encourage good school performance and behavior. Every month the Connection puts on an assembly or party for students who have achieved their academic goals.

The children receive recognition in the

form of small prizes, candy or treats for demonstrating effort in school. The importance of education in improving the quality of life, and achieving higher goals, is emphasized

emphasized.

The most successful Incentive celebra-tion to date was a party on St. Nicholas Day arranged by the Renew group. Several teen-agers from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish were recruited to help by group member Mary Ann Dennen.

The young people made reindeer from candy canes and gave one to each child. Father James F. Byrne, pastor of Immacu-late Heart Parish, played St. Nicholas with great elan, said Kraemer. Father Byrne's interest in helping the

program may be explained in part by the fact that he was assistant pastor of Holy Trinity Parish at one time. In a similar "connection," Father John T. Ryan, pastor of St. Anthony Parish and adminpastor of St. Anthony Parish and admin-istrator of Assumption Parish, is a former assistant pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish.

Mary Harish.

According to group member Charles
Farrell, the St. Nicholas Day party was so
impressive it brought tears to Father Ryan's
eyes. After the Mass which was held
during the festivities, a primary gradeschooler came up to Father and presented
him with her reindeer. "This one's yours,"

RENEW PROJECT-At left, Father James Byrne (from left), pastor of Immaculate Heart Church, is dressed as St. Nicholas as he talks with All Saints School seventhgrade teacher James Boswell and C.R. Farrell, member of the Immaculate Heart Renew group. In photo below, "St. Nicholas" talks to the seventh-grade class at All Saints. (Photos by Paul Loviscek)



she said, feeling sorry that he didn't have Kraemer admires the hard work and Kraemer admires the hard work and devotion of everyone connected with All Saints. For example, Paul Loviscek, the principal, "has done amazing things" for the school Kraemer said

In the beginning, he got up at 5 a.m. to fire up the boilers, and then doubled as plumber and janitor as well, "he says. Mary Ann Klein, another member of the

Mary Ann Klein, another membe of the Renew group, also admires the staff at All Saints. "They are the most positive group of people I've seen," she said, although have much to accomplish with few

The Sponsor a Teacher project began last September. It is a contribution plan by which Renew members and other Immaculate Heart parishioners donate \$10 per month toward the salary of an All Saints teacher. At present there are 10 contribu-tors, and more would be welcomed.

Adopt a Family is a familiar Christmas project in which needy families are given project in which needy families are given gifts, clothing and food to make their holidays brighter. The Renew group spon-sored two families last year. Two more families were sponsored by Dow Chemical

Co., Dennen's employer.

Although the Renew group has made a formal commitment to meet monthly only until next September, they are forming long range plans for the Incentive program. According to Kraemer, two other ideas

According to Kraemer, two other ideas are in the works.

Grant applications will be submitted to Dow Chemical Co., Allison Division of General Motors, and Lilly Endowment for high school scholarships for All Saints eighth graders. The plan is to provide deserving students with scholarships and possible summer employment from science-oriented business donors.

In a second plan, IUPUI and other area college students will be chosen as mentors for All Saints pupils. Those selected will be economically or socially disadvantaged, yet highly motivated people who are gaining an education through their own efforts. They will serve as role models for the children, stressing the "importance of pulling oneself up" by education, Kraemer said.

Farrell said the Renew group members

up" by education, Kraemer said.
Farrell said the Renew group members
"try to give of our time and show the
students that there are people who care."
"We are really a group of very different
people," he said. "We are all doing our
own thing, but we get along well and we
get the job done."

Kraemer said his Renew group believes that "Catholic education has a significant role in a community like that of the parishes which make up All Saints." He said it is gratifying to "share similar values with people who are different from you in some

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# 'Yellow Brick Road' effort fruitful

by Margaret Nelson

Fifty-one billboards will proclaim the advantages of Catholic schools throughout central and southern Indiana. Mailings and newspaper ads will invite people to an open house at their neighborhood school on Feb. 25.

These promotions are part of the 1990 Yellow Brick Road campaign, according to G. Joseph Peters, coordinator of school services for the archdiocese. "It is an effort to tell the stories of Catholic schools in a better way." Peters said.

The goals are student recruitment and building the image of the Catholic schools. The program has two tracks: local activities and joint archdiocesan and regional activities, Peters explained.

The local program encourages the 49 participating schools to make better use of the local media in telling the stories of their work. Schools are taught how to utilize parish bulletins more fully. And utilize parish bulletins more fully. And Feters said that 12 schools now have newsletters that did not have them last

Benedictine Sister Rackel Best, principal of St. Anthony School in Clarksville, gave her ideas about the Yellow Brick Road campaign. "I have seen it unify our efforts in this deanery. We do sore things together, more public relations things, too. of St. Anthony School in Clarksvil It is drawing us together as a more unified

'We see ourselves now as a Catholic



school unit," she said. "It has raised our cious level of what we have to do to publicize. And by meeting together, we learn different ideas of what we can do in the way of recruitment. We see how important it is to develop friends.

important it is to develop friends."

Ivy Menken, principal of 5t. Andrew
School in Indianapolis, believes in the
importance of public relations, whether
it's Yellow Brick Road of some other
program. She encouraged the Urban
Parish Cooperative to publish a brochure for its own schools last year. 'I
don't think we can do too much. I know
we gained 24 kids this year. I don't
know if that was the reason, but I can. know if that was the reason, but I can tell you that if a parent had been thinking of another school and received the YBR flyer, it could have made the difference.

'Not enough people know what we're ut." said Menken. "We need to talk about," said Menken. "We need to talk about the ISTEP scores, how many kids go on to college, and the lower number of kids involved in crime. It's amazing to me, when I meet with public school teachers, the ideas they have. They think we still attend Mass every day and they ask me if the nuns are still hitting the kids with rulers. There are a lot of misconcep-tions we need to nut to rest.

tions we need to put to rest."

The center city school principal said,
"The other thing is that some schools don't
think they are affected. So many people
consider themselves islands. Sooner or later, we'll all be in the same boat. We can't just wait until it's happening to us. We all

Last year, Archbishop Edward T.
O'Meara provided challenge 'seed'
money to schools that participated in the

campaign. Some other sponsors provided additional funds.

This year all money pooled by the schools will be matched by corporate and individual sponsors

Peters said that the archdiocesan Yellow Brick Road campaign will center around a direct mailing the second week of February. These will go to parishioners and some targeted age groups in selected zip code areas

"These direct mail pieces will give facts and figures about the schools and highlight some recent research on the ectiveness of a Catholic education, Peters said

Peters said.

The mailings will be supplemented by the billboards, which promote the Sunday, Feb. 25 open houses. Outside of Indianapolis, additional newspaper and radio ads will support the message. The Criterion will carry the promotional materials in editorial and advertising messages.

"One of the by-products of last year's campaign," said Peters, "is a nincreased awareness of the need to inform the public about the contributions of Catholis chooks.

about the contributions of Catholic sch Educators and their local communities have become much more aware of the need for arketing in a competitive educational

The award-winning school promotion was first used successfully in 1988 in the diocesan schools of Toledo, Ohio. The Yellow Brick Road theme focuses on elementary education as a journey. The campaign describes Catholic education as the "road" that offers "lessons for the head and heart," by developing the qualities of wisdom, caring and self-confidence.

The carmaign also includes promotional

wisdom, caring and self-confidence.
The campaign also includes promotional
tools. And each participating school is
required to conduct an audit and form a
public relations committee. Yellow Brick
Road is the creation of Parqwood Group,
Toledo, Ohio.

# Jane Moynahan likes work as school development director

by Margaret Nelson

Jane Moynahan gives a dignity to the 'development director.'' But she prefer to be called St. Matthew would prefer

School's development "coordinator."

That's because she sees the cooperation of everyone connected with the school as essential to the recruitment and development efforts

Not only does Moynahan personally accompany parents who show an interest through the school, but the school secretary is important to her efforts. Linda Werner very courteously shifts the conversation away from the usual "How much is the tuition at St. Matthew?" to an appointment to come to the school to talk with Moynahan.

Once there, the parents of prospective students meet principal Providence Sister Rosemary Eyler. Moynahan shows them the classrooms and other facilities, which she said are always clean. The teachers do not interrupt their classes, but cheerfully greet the visitors. And the instructors do chat with them if they are free.

"Four graduates presently teach in the school. That gives a wonderful feeling of ownership to the development program,"

'We started with the four 'i's'. "Information leads to interest, which leads to involvement and that leads to investment. Our program is now some-place between the third and fourth steps. We will be getting into investment very

Moynahan explained that Father Joseph Wade, pastor of St. Matthew, has been a good friend of her husband since they were children. He knew of her work with volunteer organizations

It was a good combination for this kind of work," she said. "I had experience in the children's theatre and did public relations work for historic preservation and the Junior League. That all gave me wonderful experience. In my contact with parents and their children, all those skills come into play."

Moynahan has a bachelor's degree in education. The couple's three children are grown. It was when the youngest boy was at Cathedral High School that she began volunteering part-time at St. Matthew's three years ago. Now she receives a stipend for her full-time position.

"I make the contacts," she said. "That involves selling or marketing the school

because parents are really shopping around for schools now. Very often they will come to St. Matthew as one of three

appointments that day, wanty has a bouse the school and then buy a house Recruiting is about 40 percent of my job." Moynahan said, "The first two years, the efforts were more in terms of friend-raising. This year, we're really putting a thrust in finding the alumni of the last 30 years. Many Catholic schools have inadequate alumni lists. This is something like putting a puzzle together. I'm not doing it on my own. I am getting terrific coopera-tion from the school staff, the parent faculty association and the parish. I have really

appointments that day. Many first choose

association and the parish. I have really tapped all of those groups."
Besides the people who come to the Yellow Brick Road open houses, she follows up on baptismal lists and references of parents, parishioners and neighbors.
Her talents are also being tapped. In the tall, Moynahan gave a workshop on development for the Urban Parish Cooperative (UPC) annual assembly, along with Carl Henn, the UPC development director: She found the experience interesting hexages of the experience interesting hexages. experience interesting because of the ex-change of ideas. She also serves on the steering committee for development for the Office of Catholic Education.

Because she grew up in Catholic schools in Boston, Jane Moynahan particularly enjoys the friendly mentoring of Sister Rosemary.



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# Development increases enrollment and funding

by Cynthia Dewes

During Christmas week the Terre Haute Tribune Star carried a story about six sets of twins who attend St. Patrick School in Terre Haute. The 12 children, from pre-school age to seventh- graders, make up an impressive percentage of St. Patrick's 200-pupil student body.

This interesting piece of trivia was good ublicity for St. Patrick, said Providence ister Mary Moeller, principal of the school. And publicity is what increased the school's enrollment from 156 to its present total in the past two or three years, she

'We used advertising: on local TV, in the weekly and daily newspapers, and with Yellow Brick Road material," Sister Mary

'We also sent brochures and direct mailings to all the Catholics in the county," she continued. "It really paid off. The student body now reflects seven or eight parishes in the area

St. Patrick students get a taste of the larger school environment as well, Sister Mary said. Pupils in the upper grades attend the local public junior high for classes in the practical arts. Their presence can also be a good advertisement for Catholic schools

Sustaining and increasing enrollment is an ongoing effort, Sister Mary said.

"We will hold an open house on Feb. 25th" in connection with Yellow Brick Road campaign, she said. "And later we plan to invite fifth- through eighth-grade students and their parents to a buffet supper, followed by discussion and a prayer service

During the discussion portion of the evening, participants will form small groups and talk about "what will convince St. Patrick students to stay, or to come here in the first place," Sister Mary

Glenn Teebe, principal of St. Mary School in Greensburg, thinks develop-ment "is a broad-based thing," which includes the recruiting of students and increasing sources of income for the

"We're involved in all those areas," he said. "We try to raise awareness of what we're about in the Catholic school."

Teebe says "friend-raising" is as important as fund raising at St. Mary School. In addition to the usual monthly newsletter for parents, he produces a "Gran-a-gram" which is sent to grand-parents, donors, relatives and friends, and "any other significant person in a child's life."

The "gram" can be more flexible than ne monthly informational newsletter, teebe said. "In it we try to report what we are doing to pass on the faith, and tell Teebe said. people how we are effecting our mis-

people now we are effecting our mis-sion," he explained. Sometimes the "gram" contains stu-dent work such as essays, peems or prayers, which illustrate units of study. Sometimes it spotlights a teacher or a curriculum. Always it offers an invitation to its readers to volunteer time or money

to its readers to volunteer time or money in the school, by helping with program-ming or sharing talents and hobbies. The Gram-a-gram is sent to 600 readers quarterly. For the past five years it has reached interested recipients in almost every state and some foreign countries, not to mention the parish and local community

the fund raising area, School mounts an annual School Fund appeal for direct donations. Last year more than 280 donors contributed toward a goal of \$10,000, which was achieved so successfully that this year's goal is \$17,000. The money is used strictly for operating expenses such as library books, teaching resources, science and other equipment, Teebe said.

A long term financial effort at St. Mary

was initiated with money from an estate and other sizable donations of cash and stock. It is hoped that publicity about the fund will generate secure financial future for the school.

future for the school.

Supporters of St. Andrew the Apostle
School in Indianapolis do "whatever it
takes" to recruit students and funds for
the school, said principal lyy Menken.
The school fills a need in its surrounding neighborhood, Menken believes.
"We have a unique situation here," she
said. "Eighty-five percent of our students
are non-Catholic."

And they enroll at St. Andrew "not."

And they enroll at St. Andrew "not just as a way to get out of districting" in the public schools, Menken continued. "It tells us something when we see that two-thirds of our graduates go on to Catholic high schools."

Because St. Andrew pupils live in a widespread area, school mailings are done by zip codes rather than only within the parish. The school hosts open houses and hangs banners on the front of the school during Catholic School Week to attract attention to its presence.

Last April, St. Andrew School held a

special open house hosted by members of the parish board of education. It featured

the parish board of education. It featured booths displaying the school uniforms, the Spanish language program, athletics and other activities at the school. Parents who attended were given grab bags of gifts donated by area businesses who help support the school. St. Andrew a member of the Urban Parish

cooperative.

Future plans include a day for parents o visit St. Andrew School and observe classes in action



TWINSHIP—St. Patrick School, Terre Haute, is proud of the six sets of twin students is school (from left): Carmen and Amber Liechty, 13; Amy and Ryan Taylor, second-graders Ann and John Kewicz; John and Peter Walker, 5; Annie and Natalie Jaccot St. and Chris and Marcee Newport, 6. (Photo by Bob Poynter, courtesy the Terre H.)

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# Parishes and school react to growth

by Mary Ann Wyand

Responding to the increasing needs of their expanding populations, two archdio-cesan parishes and a high school have undertaken ambitious expansion programs. Our Lady of the Greenwood Church

completed a school addition, St. Pius X Parish in Indianapolis is in the midst of renovating and expanding their school and church, and Our Lady of Providence High School in Clarksville constructed a new mnasium facility.

Harry T. Dearing, archdiocesan director of management services, said the two parish expansion projects reflect demographic changes in the Castleton and Greenwood areas

Greenwood areas.

The growing trend for populations to shift to suburban neighborhoods requires outlying parishes to keep pace with the influx of people into their boundaries, Dearing said. Our Lady of the Greenwood and St. Piux X parishes both count nearly 5,000 parishioners on their registries.

Father Joseph Riedman, pastor at Our Lady of the Greenwood, said the parish recently completed a two-story addition to the school, plans to renovate Madonna Hall

as a future improvement project, and is studying the feasibility of building a new family life center.

"We just need more space for every-ng," Father Riedman said. "I've been thing, here 10 years, and the parish has grown quite a lot. We have between 1,450 and 1,500 families."

School improvements resulted in an nnex with seven classrooms, a library, a kindergarten, a utility room, and wash-

A portable building on the parish property that formerly housed the kin-dergarten now serves additional educa-tional needs, including their new expanded day care program both before and after school.

and after school.

Because of increasing liturgical and space requirements, Father Riedman said, the parish needs to renovate Madonna Hall, the building which houses their church.

houses their church.
"We use every bit of space we have."
he said. "I think we use it all quite well."
At 5t. Pius, Father Michael O'Mara,
associate pastor, noted that he and Father
James Sweeney have been extremely
pleased by the high amount of lay
involvement in their building projects.

"Seven years ago, the parish had 800 families," Father O'Mara explained. "Now we have about 1,600 families. In a year's time, we may have 300 new families move in, but we also might have 200 families move out for a net gain of about 125 to 150 families a year

Confronted by an ever increasing need for multipurpose rooms, St. Pius staff and lay volunteers began planning improvements to the parish buildings and found that parishioners were very enthusiastic and committed to helping with the many time-consuming construction details

Sometimes it has been real difficult to Sometimes it has been real unificuit of find enough space to have different kinds of religious education programs or social activities," Father O'Mara said. "We would like to see our parish facilities being used for more parish functions. With the addition of a new activity center, we hope to use that for sports events and also for bigger parish functions like dances or social gatherings or major parish education

programs."

In spite of the inconvenience caused by the construction, he said, parish life continues to function smoothly.

"Because of the work that the lay volunteers do, we're able to do our

(pastoral) work," Father O'Mara empha-"We've got literally hundreds volunteers involved in this work. There is a strong sense of ownership on the part of the people. They've indicated to Father Sweeney and to me how must they appreciate doing it."

Students, faculty, and community

Students, faculty, and community members are all celebrating the completion of the new gymnasium at Our Lady of Providence High School, according to Michael Johnson, the new principal of the archdiocesan high school.

archalocesan high school.

"It makes a much better facility for the students," he said. "With the new physical education classes, they are able to do things they had not been able to do before. It's a

much healthier environment."

The school expansion project ated a great deal of pride and boosted morale," Johnson said. "It's shown what morale, joinison said. It is another to we can do when we work together as a community, it's sent a message to people that we are here to stay, it's enabled us to be a better deanery facility, and I hope it's a message to people in the archdiocese that they can exist and they can also grow and do big things

Covering some 20,000 square feet, the massive physical education building with classrooms and offices is much more than a gymnasium, the principal said, because it symbolizes the dedication of many people and "was pretty much a lay project from beginning to end."

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# Jesuits told 'Go Forth and Teach'

by Mary Ann Wyand

"Go Forth and Teach: The Characteristics of Jesuit Education" espouses 28 academic philosophies set forth as recommended goals for faculty members of the 46 Jesuit high schools throughout the United States.

schools throughout the United States, Jesuit Father Joseph O'Connell, director of development, research, and administra-tive training for Fordham University in New York City, has described Jesuit education at Brebeuf Preparatory School and other Jesuit schools as dedicated to recognizing and affirming individuality and potential.

"When we talk about Jesuit education," he told Brebeut pareria, "we're talking about a goal, and the goal is to assist in the fullest possible development of all the God-given talents of each individual person as a member of the human community."

community."
Father O'Connell and Jesuit Father James Stoeger, Brebeut's principal, focused on the two "Go Forth and Teach" characteristics of "world affirming" and "freeing through knowledge" during a program for parents last fall at the northside Indianapolis school. "When we talk about world affirming." Father O'Connell began, "we are talking about the world isself, the world of the

school, the world of Brebeuf. What it means is all very important. Think of the world of your teen-age son or daughter and what it is like from your perspective."

After pausing for reflection, Father O'Connell explained that, "Part of what we do as human beings can be described as a continuing attempt to make sense of the world. As we go through life, we are constantly making sense of the world."

Society of Jesus founder Ignatius Loyola w the world that God created as good, Father O'Connell said, and firmly believed that humanity is called to work for the betterment of the world for one another

"He speaks of everything in the world as worthy of study, of contemplation, capable of endless exploration," he said. "As a result, he called all of us to a sense of As a result, he called all of us to a sense of wonder, a sense of appreciation for the mystery of the on-going life of the world, and for schools especially to be centers or places where we create that sense of wonder and mystery about the world and its evolution and its growth and ours in that

process.

Ignatius had a great appreciation for learning and a sense of thirst for knowlege about our society and our world, Father O'Connell said. His teachings call educators to help students learn to look upon each other as human persons loved by God.

This philosophy translates into per-sonalized care and concern for the individual student, he said, as well as concern for the betterment of the world. Both are important aspects of the edu-

Both are important aspects or the esu-cational process. "Students regard Brebeuf as a safe place, a place where they can feel at home, where they can be themselves," Father Stoeger noted. "I think that's remarkable because Brebeuf is a challenging place. We set up expectations for students, and they need that for their security." Students are seldom absent, the

Students are seldom absent, the principal said, because they know they are expected to be in class and they recognize the importance of that acac activity

demic activity.

"In the world of Brebeuf, we look for a lot of ways to learn and this is a part of our world affirming characteristic." Father Stoeger said. "The reason to get an education in this school is so a person can improve the world, can make a difference.

That's expresses."

improve the world, can make a difference. That's our purpose."

And, he said, "There is a real sense as they grow here that their purpose is to do something with their lives that is going to help other people."

Freeing through knowledge, another important Jesuit teaching philosophy, involves helping students learn how to make the best possible choices in their

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lives, Father O'Connell explained. That demands reflection on the greater good. "How often do we make choices in our lives?" he asked. "We move through our lives?" he asked. "We move through a lot of our lives with very little reflection, very little time to do it, and move on to things without actually stopping to say, "What do I choose to do and why do I choose to do it?"

It's important that students understand that they have the "freedom to choose the very best possible," he said. Faculty members must "expand and erlarge the choices, the possibilities, for students so they can begin to weigh, to study, to think, and to choose."

Critical thinking has always been a strong tradition in Jesuit education, Father O'Connell emphasized. 'To critically look at things, to think of what are the consequences of this, what will it mean what are the possibilities, the options, and what will be for the greater good—that's our sense of instilling knowledge and

values."

An important part of the educational philosophy of freeing through knowledge, he said, is appreciating and respecting the development of individual gifts and the different stages of development.
"It's in making those choices that students learn about freedom and how it works and about responsibility and how it works." Father Stoeger said, "They become, we hope, increasingly responsible for their own actions. We're hoping that they will choose to do something that is of service to others."

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# Marian helps Catholic educators

by Margaret Nelson

Marian College is becoming more involved in educating ucators for the archdiocese. Not only has it started an institute to train new (Phase I) and veteran (Phase II) principals, but students and graduates are being equipped and encouraged to teach in Catholic schools.

Of last year's graduates, seven are teaching in schools in the archdiocese. Brian Ernstes teaches music at Chatard

New elementary school teachers are: lerilynn Harland. St. Mary, Greensburg, Cheryl Eisner, Christ the King, Beth Ernst. Holy Cross, Karen King, St. Christopher, Tina Meyers, St. Mark; and Elisa Sikorski, Immaculate Heart of Mary. The last four schools are in Indianapolis.

Ernstes said, "At Marian, the teachers are much more people-oriented. Because it is a small school, attention was paid to my individual needs. I believe a well-rounded liberal arts education was a lot better for me. I learned a smattering of exempthing."

of everything."

This was especially helpful in Ernstes' musical career."
was able to perform more at Marian than I would have been
able to at other larger schools. And I made a lot of
connections there—with the opera company. And I was able
to get jobs in churches," he said. At Chatard, he teaches
four choirs and two music classes.

"I really enjoy teaching at Chatard," he said. "I am amazed
at how bright these lidd are. They catch on quite fast." Ernstes
said that his students taking beginning music theory advance
so quickly that he can give them college-bound material. "I can't say enough good things about (principal) Ed Smith...
He has an open door policy."

Beth Ernst has been a member of Holy Cross Parish for

Beth Ernst has been a member of Holy Cross Parish for three years, so she was prepared for the situation in a center city school. "It is definitely challenging. The needs of the kids are tremendous. The needs there are academic. But the kids also need someone to listen to them, to show an interest in them, to call them by name

Ernst said, "It is very rewarding work because I feel so

needed. The kids respond very well to positive reinforce-

'Marian's one-on-one educational attitude made me better prepared. It made me realize what it's like to give that kind of attention. I would encourage others to work in the inner city. It is very rewarding.

Jerilynn Harland is teaching in a more rural setting & St. Mary, Greensburg. She agreed, "I really think that I was very well prepared. I had a lot of class experience that

prepared me. The teachers got involved with each person as an individual. We received attention as we needed it. That helped me to see that students have a need for individual

attention.

Last week, 12 Marian College seniors met together. They will be doing student teaching in archdiocesan schools during the 1990 spring session. Teaching in Indianapolis schools are: Susan Hill and Diane Raver. Immaculate Heart of Mary. Beth Riehle and Sue Vierling, St. Luke; and Carul Kuntz, St. Monica.

Anna Gantner, Angie Kuntz, Amy Stomoff and Margaret Wood will do student teaching at St. Malachy, Brownsburg; and Julie Kinsey and Patty Legere, will work at St. Michael, Greenfield.



STUDENT TEACHERS—Twelve Marian College seniors meet before their 1990 semester of teaching in Catholic schools. They are (from left rear): Beth Riehle, St. Luke; Amy Stomoff, St. Malachy in Brownsburg; Anna Gantner, St. Malachy; Suzie McOmber, Immaculate Heart of Mary;

Diane Raver, Immaculate Heart; Angie Kuntz, St. Malachy, Carol Kuntz, St. Monica; Sue Vierling, St. Luke; Julie Kinsey, St. Michael in Greenfield; Patty Legere, St. Michael; Margaret Wood, St. Malachy; and Susan Hill, Immaculate Heart. (Photo by Denise Pery, courtesy Marian College)

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# Catholic school uses new computer technology

bu Margaret Nelson

"If you think about a child at 3, 4, or 5," said Barbara Link, principal at St. Christopher School. "He can tell such wonderful made-up stories. With this program, a child can write anything he can can

write anything he can say."

Link was talking about the IBM "Write to Read" program
being used by kindergarten and first-grade students at the
Speedway school for one hour each day. There is a separate computer lab for older students

computer lab for older students.
"In the traditional method of writing, we limited creativity." Link said. "If words were not spelled correctly, the writing process was stopped. This method takes all of the sounds and reduces them down to 42 symbols with a key picture for each.

The computer room has five stations. Three are called "must" stops by the aide, Roberta Hurst. These are the computer station, with the computer display; the work journal station, which reinforces what is learned at the

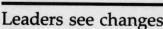
journal station, which reinforces what is learned at the computer station, and the writinglytping station, where the stories are written on paper or in the computer. The other possibilities in the room are the listening library, where stories are read to the children over headphones, and the "make words" station, which includes manipulatives or anything that will help them write the story. Besides the students' classroom teacher and an aide, 12 mothers youlneter in the computer room.

aude, 12 mothers volunteer in the computer room.
"It is a risk-free environment," said Link. "No one
makes a mistake. That is the key to the success of the
program. The teacher, aide, and the "mom' are enablers.
But they do not do any correcting. They are letting it come
from the child. The kids love it. There is a lot of
self-direction. No one is inactive in this room."

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these criticizen are grown. We at least liave to teach the today's technology."

"All the research points to the need for better writing skills," added Barbara Link.



Today's Catholic school principals don't fit into the same concept as those of two decades ago—or even one decade. Principals may be lay or religious, male or female. But they all believ scrongly in Catholic identity.

Joyce Schindler has been the principal at St. Mary School in New "Libany for 17 years. She said, "We still need to focus in on the sight thing. The schools are Catholic and we need to keep our Catholic identity as we consider the education of our students."
"Our school is a ware worthwhile thing to all."

our students."
"Our school is a very worthwhile thing to offer our community." said Schindler. "It is important that we don't lose sight of our Catholic focus. It is important in the hiring of teachers, in working with the students, and in setting up our curriculum

Schindler, who taught for 15 years in Evansville and New Albany Catholic schools, said there have been some changes. "As far as the family units are concerned, they have really changed and the school supplements there. We have to see what the needs of ramilies and students are and

have to see what the needs of families and students are and adapt accordingly."

Kent Schwartz is the new principal at Holy Spirit Elementary school in Indianapolis. The role of principal is not new to Schwartz. In his former work with the Indiana department of education, he planned training programs for principals. And he worked with Marian College to plan the institute for Catholic principals.

institute for Catholic principals.

Schwartz sees more emphasis now on the principal's role as the leader of instructors. Another important aspect of the principal's job is to be a "positive motivator of children," he said. "Visibility is very important. I try to visit every class at least once a day." He said that he has made it a priority to know the children's names. "One of my major goals is to set high teacher morale and high student morale."

There is a new climate of collaborativeness, "Schwartz

said, adding that he believes that those involved in decisions

said, adding that he believes that those involved in decisions should participate in the process.

Even those who fit the more traditional concept of Catholic school principals see differences. Providence Sister Rosemary Eyler, of St. Matthew School of Indianapolis, said, "One difference I see is that the principal is accountable to a parish board of education now. In the past, it was more likely to be a pastor."
"Today they is much more appearability involvement," set of the process of the process of the past, it was more likely to be a pastor."

"Today, there is much more parental involvement," said Sister Rosemary. "This gives the principal the responsibility of coordinating volunteers. Another difference is the increase in the cost of education, so that the principal is

much more involved in fund-raising and development."
"Discipline is much different than it used to be and teaching methods are different because of that," Sister Rosemary said. "Problems in society today make a



AUTHORS—Vincent Mason (from left) and Chris Thom-pson, first-grade students at St. Christopher School, work on stories at the Writing to Read computer station.



AT WORK—Carrisa Sexton (from left), Jamie Gullion and Jeff Kline reinforce what they learned at the computer at the "work journal station." (Photos by Margaret Nelson)

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# NCEA director offers Schools Week focus

by Father J. Stephen O'Brien Director of Chief Administrators, NCEA

There are two concepts in this year's Catholic Schools Week theme—parent and choice. Both are fundamental to understanding the place of Catholic schools in the United States. The parent first.

In its Declaration on Christian Education, Vatican Council II acknowledged the role of parents: "As it is the parents who have given life to their children, on them lies the grave obligation of educating their family. They must therefore be recognized as being primarily and principally responsible for their education. The role of parents in education is of such importance that it is almost impossible to provide an adequate substitute. (§3)

As strong as the council was about the role of the parents, it was not unaware that they need help: "As well as the rights of

parents, and of those others to whom the parents entrust some share in their duty to education, there are certain duties and rights vested in civil society inasmuch as it is its function to provide for the common good in temporal matters.

Why quote church documents from 25 years ago to make a point everyone acknowledges? There are two reasons. First, many in our society do not recognize parents as the first and foremost educators of their children.

Many good and dedicated educators in the public schools would not admit that parents have primary responsibility. They claim that they see too many parents who have no interest in their children's education. Or as one public school superintendent argued with me recently, "You can't say parents are the first and foremost educators of their children any more than you can say they are the doctors of their children."

The second and perhaps more important reason for quoting Vatican II documents is that we in Catholic schools need to remind our constantly of the answer to the basic constantly of the answer to the basic properties of the children are they, anyway? We stand in the place of parents, but it is the parents who have entrusted us with their children and cannot give away that responsibility.

One of the greatest strengths of Catholic schools in this country has been Catholic educators' practical recognition of this truth Parents have always been and continue to be an integral part of the formal schooling process. It is not always an easy task to involve parents in meaningful ways, it is often messy and time consuming. But Catholic educators know it is the parents' right and that education is much more successful when they are more involved.

The second part is choice. Why do parents choose Catholic schools? The answers to that question are well known. Most recently, the Archdiocese of St. Louis reported on what influenced parents on school selection. They discovered that regardless of what school parents chose for their children, parents saw the opportunity to gain academic saw the opportunity to gain academic.

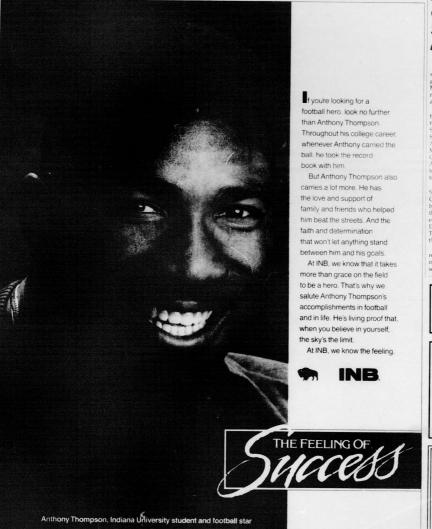
knowledge as the primary benefit of education. For parents, the school where their children learn must be the best school that it can possibly be. The second reason for parents choos-

In second reason for parents choosing a specific Catholic school was for their children to learn responsibility and self-discipline. They thought that only when children learn self-discipline in a disciplined environment can they grow up to meet the challenges of adulthood.

The third reason was for religious education. Parents expect the school to graduate students, who, as adults, will understand the beliefs of the Catholic Church, will understand what is morally and ethically correct, and will live a good Christian life.

There is no reason to become concerned because parents put religious education third on their list of reasons. After all, a school is primarily a school. And if it is not a good school, the best that it can be, it will not provide a good religious education program.

Catholic Schools Week is a good time to reflect on who we are, what we are about, and who our partners are in this enterprise in the name of the Lord Jesus. It never hurts to go back to fundamentals.



#### Catholic Schools Week activities

(Continued from page 12)
"Family groups," consisting of children from all grade levels will gather on Monday in their "home rooms" to work on projects and activities.

The Terre Haute Deanery had an all-deanery litturgy that included St. Patrick and Sacred Heart in Terre Haute. Sacred Heart in Clinton and Annuncation in Brazil. The Mass on Jan. 17 celebrated Catholic Schools Week early. All the students had lunch together following the liturgy.

At St. Nicholas School in Summan, each day of Catholic Schools Week will be special. Grades five through eight have written essays on "What a Catholic Education Means to Me." The best were published in the Sunday parish bulletin.

Friday will feature a children's liturgy. Parents will be invited to share lunch at school.

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#### FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# The Sunday Readings

Sunday, January 28, 1990

Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13 - 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 - Matthew 5:1-12

by Fr. Owen F. Campion

The prophecy of Zephaniah provides this weekend's Liturgy of the Word with its first reading. Zephaniah's prophecy is although

without power and expression.

Little is known of the prophet himself. He is called the son of Cushi,

which means "the Ethiopian," and his de Seent is traced from Hezekiah, the king of Judah. If indeed that descent was a fact, Zephaniah would be the only one of the

ancient prophets venerated today who was himself of David's family.

Zephaniah's central message is that ere will occur a day of the Lord. In that day, all wrongs will be confronted and amends will be made. Necessarily, there is a jarring tone in forecasting such a day, especially in the case of considerable misconduct and sinfulness.

However, there also is a peaceful, triumphant quality to be expected in the day of the Lord. At that time, the righteous and the devout will be at peace, secure in the Lord. It will be a day of joy and of thanksgiving. Only the wayward need expect to be disturbed.

expect to be disturbed.

St. Paul's First Epistle to the Corinthians is the source of this weekend's second liturgical reading. Corinth occupied a most strategic position in the geography of the ancient Roman Empire.

Commerce from what is today Turkey passed through Corinth in its path to Rome and the West. It was a crossroads, clearing home distributions. clearing house, distribution center, and market all at the same time. Not only goods moved through its

streets. It also was a center for the exchange of ideas. Not surprisingly, it was the site of an ancient community of Jews living away from their ethnic homeland, and of a Christian community.

The Christian community presented Paul with many frustrations and worries. There were divisions and factions within the community. To that community, with appeals for unity and rebukes about disunity, Paul addressed this epistle.

In this reading from the epistle, he develops a theme used elsewhere in other circumstances. Christian faith is the product of God's grace, a gift from God. Without grace, without God, no one can seize salvation. Boasting for the Christian is foolhardy. Instead, humility and humble thankfulness better reflect what is the true picture of the Christian's relationship with God.

St. Matthew's Gospel is the Scripture providing this weekend's liturgy with its third reading. Few passages in that magnificent gospel are as compelling or as lovely as is this selection.

This weekend's reading presents Mat-thew's version of the Beatitudes. The Beatitudes are more than pious sayings. They present the essentials of Christian living, Matthew sets the announcement of the Beatitudes on a high place, for the multitudes, just as Moses spoke the fundamental law to his multitudes of followers from Mount Sinai

tollowers from Mount Smai.

The Beatitudes are central to Christianity since they outline, and require, an attitude without which genuine Christian piety cannot exist. They call for steadfast loyalty to God, and vigorous witness, but never in an overbearing, haughty way. Blessed in the Beatitudes are those who earnestly seek justice, who love calmly but intently, who suffer for the sake of the kingdom.

The winter of 1990 occurs as monumen tal political, social, and economic changes grip the world. The depth of those changes is so vast that even six months ago, they would have been considered impossible. Of the processes effecting those changes, some of the most dramatic were in some of the most dramatic were in Romania, long presumed to be the least responsive in Eastern Europe's movement from Maryiam by decrease and accompanies of the control of from Marxism to democracy. As Romania's communist leadership fell from power shortly before Christmas, it was easy to see in that event the victory of the persecuted, the vindication of those long encumbered

and abused.

Surely there is meaning in the success of the downtrodden in over-coming oppression. However, these readings call us to remember that, for the Christian, victory in this life lies not in the conquest of evil but also in the realization that very often nature, and other people, can mount considerable forces of evil or fear.

Overcomine that evil or fear requires

Overcoming that evil or fear requires the realization that we do not possess all power, incentive, or knowledge. We

depend upon God. This is not a place in which God's justice and peace will always reign. Other forces will build

As Christians, we have been given the glimpse of a world free of fear and despair. We must hope for that world. We must work for that world. In God's goodness, we may experience that world. But, also, that world may elude us. Our humility calls us to rely upon God and to believe that God's goodness and mercy will endure

It is a realization of our own limita It is a realization of our own limita-tions, but also of our strengths. Paul summoned the Corinthians to look frankly at themselves. That meant an awareness of limitations. It also meant recognition of the strength, and the vision, that must attend any effort to improve life. That strength and vision lie in Jesus himself, and in his message. With him, we can accomplish all things. Without him, with ourselves only, we are powerless. To see the difference between our limitations and our strengths. we our limitations and our strengths, we need the humility to know ourselves and to admit our need for the Lord.

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development of the chosen people, such as the patriarchs, judges, and kings. Israel's kings were anointed with oil as a sign that the Spirit of God would guide them in their leadership of the nation.

them in their leadership of the nation.

King David, the greatest of Israel's
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#### MY IOURNEY TO GOD Peace, 1989

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Peace is in the making because of work because of work, the hard work of grieving, the many losses, the harder work of forgiving oneself, one's inabilities, and learning, internalizing, believing, and depending on God's love and forgiveness. Thank you for loving me, Lord, every single day of my life. In you I'm finding my core In you I'm finding my peace

-by Nuala Stanley O'Connor (Nuala O'Connor resides in Indianapolis.)



# Entertainment

VIEWING WITH ARNOLD

# Harvest of 1989 films will keep VCR rolling

by James W. Arnold

For Catholics, 1989 movies were an exciting harvest. Plenty of stimulation and entertainment. There were more good movies than many

who may see 10 or 12 theatrical films a year—could stuff into their cultural schedules

and budgets.

There were inevitable irritations. Two of the best films, "Jesus of Montreal" and "Romero," were just about impossible to see. That

may be rectified in 1990. The m were most extensively hyped and seen ranged, with some exceptions, from ordi-nary to awful. But you don't judge American restaurants by the cuisine of hamburger palaces.

mburger palaces.

The big box-office winners were "Bat-an," "Indiana Jones and the Last

Crusade," "Lethal Weapon II," "When Harry Met Sally," "Look Who's Talking," "Parenthood," "Ghostbusters II," "Honey, I Shrunk the Kids" and "Sea of Only a couple of those are even worth discussing in a year-end survey from a secular, much less Catholic, viewpoint.

So these are my Top Ten selections for 1989, listed in the order I reviewed them. Some are light, others heavily dramatic. All are distinguished by important moral comment and insight. FIELD OF DREAMS (A-2): Writer-dir-

FIELD OF DREAMS (A.2): Writer-director Phil Alden Robinson never loses his amusingly wry touch as he moves this offbeat late through magic, mystery, and nostalgia to love of family and tradition, from basebal to questions of goodness, justice, and immortality.

HEATHERS (O): A sattic fantasy that works. Two high school kids embark on the "final solution" to teen-age anxiety by murdering all the obnoxious, vapid-value types who always show up in youth

types who always show up in youth movies, of which this is arguably the best of the 1980s.

DEAD POETS SOCIETY (A-3): Peter Weir's beautiful movie about an avowed Romantic English teacher (Robin Williams) in an environment of stodgy realists, and how he opens the minds of students and

the possibilities of their lives.

DO THE RIGHT THING (A-4): Spike
Lee's chronicle of a day in Bed-Stuy that
leads up to a senseless and unwanted race riot is real, hilarious, scary, and touching. An important contribution to interracial dialogue in extremely difficult times.

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ROMERO (A-2): While this is not the best of all possible movies about the slain Salvadoran archbishop, Raul Julia's great performance brings the hero's brave,

best of all possible moves about the stain Salvadoran archibishop, Raul Julia's great performance brings the hero's brave, poignant final years to an audience that until now knew little about him. JESUS OF MONTREAL (no rating): Denys Arcand's Canadian entry for the Oscar as best foreign film deals brilliantly with the classic question of what would happen if Christ lived in modern times. The result is a new Christian parable for contemporary urban life. IN COUNTRY (A.3): A teen-age girl seeks the truth about what happened to her dead father in the Vietnam flux. Norman Jewison's gentle adaptation of the Bobble Ann Mason novel suggests a step toward healing and resconcilation in Vietnam films. CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS (A-3): In alternate modes of comedy and

CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS (A-3): In alternate modes of comedy and melodrama, Woody Allen offers the un-happiest possible endings but still leaves you convinced that a benevolent God will have the last word. Skillful, wise, and entertaining in the best sense. WAR OF THE ROSES (A-4): Not the

most likeable of films but relentlessly clever, Danny DeVito's black comedy describes in visual metaphor the horror of love-gone-sour. It's the "Dr. Strangelove" of marital relations, a raucous cautionary

These were the cream, but the 1989 crop vas especially bountiful. A strong "second est" 10 could almost be filled with other generally fine movies of clear moral relevance: "The Abyss" (best action film); "Accidental Tourist" (a rare film for the literate); "Say Anything" (sensitive, posi-tive youth film); "Wired" (the Belushi bio); 'Portion D'Eternite' (the Canadian drama

out fetal research and experimentation), "My Left Foot" (stunning biography of cerebral palsy victim); "Another Woman" (Allen's examination of an intellectual woman's conscience); and "Talk Radio" (social and cultural malaise rivetingly

This isn't yet even to mention several and sin tyet even to mention several good films of lesser moral perception that are well worth seeing: "Tap," a solid dance musical; the romantically upbeat "When Harry Met Sally" and "Steel Magnolias"; the stylish "New York Stories." Even "The Dream Learn, provided a semi-dependent Dream Team" provided some desperately needed laughs in the grand Marx Brothers

It's enough to keep the VCRs humming well into the 1990s.

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Legend: A-I—general patronage; A-II—adults and adolescents; A-III—adults; A-IV—adults, with reservations; O—morally offensive. A high recommendation from the USCC is indicated by the 4 before the title.	1

# 'Talking to the Enemy' looks at Israeli situation

by Henry Herx and Judith Trojan

The enmity between the Palestinian and Israeli peoples, forgad by more than four decades of warfare and terrorism, makes it difficult to imagine any peaceful resolution to the status of the occupied territories.

makes if difficult to imagine any peaceful resolution to the status of the occupied territories.

Suggesting that the situation is not entirely hopeless, however, is the provocative documentary, "Talking to the Enemy," siring Tuesday, Jan. 30, 10-11 p.m. on P85. (Check local listings to verify program date and time.)

The two "memies" are Muna Hamzeh, a Palestinian journalist, and Chaim Shur, an Israeli editor of the journal New Outlook. They met in Washington, and struck up a casual friendship that continued in an exchange of letters when Shur returned home.

Eventually Shur invites Hamzeh to visit Israel and the kibbutz where his family lives. Though she has mixed feelings about accepting the invitation, she finally does so, and much of the documentary records her reaction to what she finds. They visit Halfa, where Shur first felt "fear that an Arab might come to kill us in our home."

Returning to the block in Jerusalem where she grew up, her eyes fill with tears and Hamzeh says she feels "very, very angry, very hateful. . I feel a side of me that can fight, that can carry a gun."

Interspersed throughout are telling comments about tensions between Arabo and Jews. A Palestinian woman states, "I spent most of my life under occupation, but I'm not getting

used to it." An Israeli woman says, "I'm really frightened about the next war ... it's only a matter of time."
The barriers between these two peoples are all too evident in the documentary's picture of a land about which it is said, "Graves here are not resting places—they are calls

And yet there are signs of hope to be seen in Hamzeh's thoughtful response to Holocaust Day as she reflects on the pain and loss of those observing a minute of silence on the streets of Tel Aviv.

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The final exchange between Hamzeh and Shur resolves nothing as far as ideological differences are concerned. Yet on the human, personal level, Hamzeh is able to relate to this Zionist family as friends without betraying her dream of a Palestinian homeland.

Ris Shur's swife, however, who seems to best understand the need to cut through the old fears and inbred hatred separating the two communities. She believes that the two peoples must share the land rather than fight over it.

As the mother of a son who died in the fighting in Lebanon, she would prefer reconciliation rather than another war and what that would mean to other mothers. Her words, "I never had any hate," are used to close the program and, though governments might not accept their validity, viewers will find in them some measure of hope that Israelis and Palestinians can live together in mutual respect and peace.

Written, produced and directed by Mira Hamermesh, whose parents died in the Holocaust and who in 1969

helped establish Israel's television industry, the documentary was produced in 1987 for airing in Britain. What makes the program unusually satisfying is the willingness of these two intelligent, rational "enemies" to engage in an estended dialogue about their differences. In the end neither of them has come closer to the other ideologically, but what is most important is that in the process they have deepened their friendship as human beings. For those who despair of Middle Eastern politics, it's a start toward reversing a legacy of enmity in the region.

TV Programs of Note

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Sunday, Jan. 28, 5-9 p.m. (CBS) "Super Bowl XXIV." It's back! Break out the chips and dip and rent a movie.

Sunday, Jan. 28, 10-11 p.m. (PBS) "Dawn's Early Light—Ralph McGill and the Segregated South." Rebroad-cast of a fine documentary on the life and times of journalist Ralph McGill, who emerged during the troubled years of the 1950s and 1960s as one of the South's most influential white opponents of racial segregation, largely through his Atlanta Constitution editorials blending moral outrage with pragmatic moderation.

Monday, Jan. 29, 9-10 p.m. (PBS) "Power! (1967-68)." The third of eight episodes in the "Eyes on the Prize II" series focuses on black aspirations for community contol, using such examples as Cleveland's election of Carl Stokes as the first black mayor of a major U.S. city, and the birth in Oakland, Calif., of the Black Panther Party, a group armed with guns, law books, and free food.

Tuesday, Jan. 30, 9-10 p.m. (PBS) "The Noriega Connection." In the wake of the U.S. invasion of Panama, "Frontline" solng relationship with the fallen dictator. Wednesday, Jan. 31, 8-9 p.m. (PBS) "The AIDS Quarterly." The fourth edition of this ongoing series features a major story on the financing of research on acquired immune deficiency syndrome, a report on the latest test results of two experimental drugs, and a studio interview conducted by ABC news anchor Peter Jennings.

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Wednesday, Jan. 31, 9-10 p.m. (various networks) "State of the Union Address." George Bush's State of the Union Address. Wednesday, Jan. 31, 10-30-11 p.m. (PBS) "Monet: Legacy of Light." This documentary about French painter Claude Monet uses the artist's letters, journals, and paintings to show what he achieved through his art, with actor Peter Ustinov as the voice of Monet.

Thursday, Feb. 3, 10-11 p.m. (PBS) "Robert Frost." In a rebroadcast of the 13-part "Voices and Visions" series, the first program is devoted to Frost's poetic vision of the world, notluding film excerpts of him reading poetry and talking about nature as a window into the human soul.

Sturday, Feb. 3, 8-9 p.m. (PBS) "Prince Caspian and the Vorgag of the Dawn Treader." In the second part of a three-pisode British dramatization of the C.S. Lewis fantasy classic. Caspian gains the throne of Narnia and Aslan sends the four children home to England where they are magically drawn into the picture of a Narnian ship which comes to life in this "Wonderworks" presentation. (Check local listings to verify program dates and times.)



VOYAGE OF DAWN TREADER—In the Wonderworks presentation of "Prince Caspian and the Voyage of the Dawn Treader," Robert Lang as King Miraz, Caspian's

corrupt uncle, and Angela Barlow as Queen Prunaprismia confront the young prince about his future as the King of Narnia. (CNS photo from Wonderworks)

#### **QUESTION CORNER**

# Explain the Immaculate Conception

by Fr. John Dietzen

Q I was born and raised Catholic, but all my life I have had the wrong idea about the Immaculate Conception until I read your column about it some time ago

This past December I was confused again. If the Immaculate Conception means that Mary was conceived without sin in the womb of her mother as you said, why is the Gospel Dec. 8 about the time when lesus was conceived in her. which I think is what happened in the Annunciation.

believe what you said. But wonder people are confused. The Gospel for that feast seems to say that the Immaculate Conception means that Jesus was conceived without sexual relations but by the power of the Holy Spirit. Can you explain this? (Texas)

A You're not'the only one confused by this, I assure you The Gospel on the feast of the Immaculate Conception (Luke 1:26-38) could seem to mean what you say, until we recall some points about our faith and liturgy.

I'm sure you are aware that we do not have, and could not expect, anything in the Gospels about our Blessed Mother's birth or early childhood. The New Testament, the Gospels in particular, is not about her but about her son. She comes into the picture only in relation to him.

#### **FAMILY TALK**

### Thumb-sucking ends when child is ready

by Dr. James and Mary Kenny

Dear Mary: I have two grandnieces, ages 3 and 4. They both suck their thumbs. Their mother doesn't know what to do. The 4-year-old's thumb is white and it looks awful. They told the doctor and he said to put a guard on it, but they can't find any that fit. (Illinois)

Answer: Thumb-sucking is an age-old behavior in children. Many myths and a few facts exist regarding the

A common belief is that thumb-sucking is the child's release from tensions in his/her life. Remove the stresses on the child and the thumb-sucking will disappear. Yet many children who seem to be generally happy, relaxed, and much loved are also thumb-suckers. Tension does not explain everything.

A second belief is that thumb-sucking must be stopped

because it will ruin the alignment of the child's front teeth. Yet many children in our society require braces to straighten their teeth regardless of whether or not they were thumb-suckers. Thumb-sucking does not explain crooked teeth.

Inumo-sucking aces not explain croosed teem. So much for the popular beliefs. What do we really know? We know that thumb-sucking does eventually run rist course, although the time it takes can vary widely. Some children thumb-suck only during the first or second year of life and give it up spontaneously. Still others happily suck their thumbs until age 6 or 7.

Additionally, we know that during the time the child has the urge to suck, trying to stop it can be virtually impossible. Children can display amazing ingenuity in getting around almost any restraint the parent uses. There are even drastic

almost any restraint the parent uses. There are even drastic measures available in which few parents want to cooperate. Parents often can tell when the thumb-sucking urge is diminishing. When the child is asleep, pull the thumb out of the mouth. If it stays out, the sucking urge might be diminishing. If it pops right back in, the thumb-sucker still is going strong. Similarly, if the child only thumb-sucks when tired or hurt or only when at home, the urge probably it diminishing. is diminishing.

When the urge is very strong, even if the child is 3 or 4, the best course is to ignore the thumb-sucking. Give the child lots of physical affection with holding and hugs and try to reduce any tension-causing situations you notice Otherwise, ignore the thumb-sucking.

When the child is beginning to cut down or when he/she wants to stop, you can help. Offer sugarless chewing gum as an alternative. Hold the child's shand at bedtime while he/she is trying to fall asleep. Put a piece of adhesive tape over the thumb. Let the child take stuffed animals to bed. Suggest that the child thumb-suck only in his/her own

These suggestions are only for the older child, probably of school age, who wants to stop thumb-sucking

While thumb-sucking often is annoying to parents, it does no demonstrable harm. It is virtually impossible to end

does no demotoradate faith. It is vitually impossible to the the habit until the child personally wants to stop. Try to ignore thumb-sucking in a younger child and help the older child when and if helshe wants help. (Address questions on family living or child care to be answered in print to the Kennys, Box 872, \$1. Joseph's College, Rensselaer,

Thus, we would expect the Gospel on the feast of the Immaculate Conception to deal with that relationship. It would give us insight on how the early Christian communities, out of which the Gospels were written, regarded her and the special gifts God bestowed on her as

In other words, we always return to the basic truth that while we honor Mary as the holiest of all human beings apart from Jesus himself, we believe that all her gifts of grace were given by the Father, first of all, to glorify and honor his Son, who would become a member of our human family

through her. When Pope Plus IX declared the dogma of the Immaculate Conception (1854), he stressed the point that all of our Blessed Mother's glory, including her sinless conception in the womb of her mother, came to her through the foreseen ments of Jesus to make her "a worthy dwelling for Christ, not on account of her own endowments but because of the grace that was hers from

Reflecting on this, it becomes clear why the church would choose this particular Gospel passage for Dec. 8. Every word and phrase in those verses glows with biblical themes which proclaim the greatness of our Lord and of Mary's sharing in his mission to redeem the world.

For example, Gabriel's words to Mary, "The power of the most high will overshadow you," echo the oversha-dowing cloud or pillar of fire, the "glory of the Lord," which stood over the Ark of the Covenant in the Exodus, and later in the Temple of Jerusalem.

For the Jews, this hovering sign marked the presence of God himself. See, for example, Exodus 40:35

To those of Luke's readers who saw his words in the light of that tradition, this new "overshadowing" revealed a new Ark of the Covenant in which, or rather now in whom, the Lord God himself was present

It would be difficult to find a more appropriate Gospel passage to celebrate the sinless entry into the world of her who was to become this new Ark of the Covenant.

(Questions for this column should be sent to Father Dietzen oly Trinity Parish, 704 N. Main St., Bloomington, Ill 61701 )

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#### January 26

The Prc-I ife Committee of St. Christophe Parish, Speedway will hold a Prayer Service at 7 p.m. in church, to pray for an end to abortion.

Cistercian Father Thomas Keat-ing will present a free lecture on "Extending the Fruits of Contem-plation" at 7 p.m. in the Benedic-tine Monastery chapel, Beech Grove. Public invited.

#### January 26-27

Catholic Adults Reaching Out (CARO) will hold a Cause for Applause Variety Show each evening at Park Tudor School for the benefit of Day Nursery. Tickets \$8. Call 317-574-9070 for deather.

January 27 argical Ministry Formatic ogram Phase II "Planni tramental Rites" will be he m 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Mari dlege, Indianapolis.

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Feb. 9-10 - "Renewed in God's Love." A retreat

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Liturgy and dinner for participants and their families. Cost: \$50 per person; \$90 per couple. \$5, for Saturday closing dinner. Non-refundable deposit, \$25.

Feb. 16-18 - Men's Weekend, "Masculine Spiri-

tuality." Father John Doctor, OFM. Cost: \$75; non-

March 2-4 - Women's Weekend. "Wake Up and

Live!" Father John Maung. Cost: \$75; non-re-fundable deposit, \$25. Waiting list only.

March 9-11 — Women's Weekend. "Celebrating

the Sacraments Daily." Father Tom Stepanski. Cost: \$75; non-refundable deposit, \$25.

larch 16-18 - Women's Weekend, "My Image

of Christ." Father John O'Brien. Cost: \$75; non-

March 23-25 — Women's Weekend. "Mary's Role in our Liturgy." Father Dan Winter. Cost: \$75; non-

March 30-April 1 — Women's Weekend. "Staying in Love." Father Michael Dorrler, SJ, and Sister

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Madonna Circle of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, 1752 Scheller Lane, New Albany will sponsor its annual Spaghetti Supper from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Large orders \$4; small orders \$3; carry-out available.

#### January 27-28

Benedictine Father Matthias Neuman will teach Basic Beliefs of the Catholic Tradition at St. Meinrad School of Theology. Call 812-357-650! for more informa-

#### January 28

College, Indianapolis.

Separated, Divorced and Remarried Catholics (SDRC) will Indianapolis North Deanery DREs will sponsor a Catechist at 1926 Cunningham Dr., Speed

way. Bring salad, dessert, own drinks. \$2 cost.

Catholic Adults Reaching Out (CARO) will hold Fellowship from 7-9 p.m. at the CYO Center, 580 Stevens St.

Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) classes spon-sored by Catholic Social Services begin from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at 5t. Thomas Aquinas Parish, 46th and Illinois Sts. Call 317-236-1500 for details 1500 for details

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St.Christopher Parish, Speed-way Sunday Lecture Series con-tinues in the parish activity room from 9:30-10:15 a.m. with "Pro-tecting Indiana's Environment."

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A Baby Picture Contest and talk by Clara Green, director of Mother and Unborn Baby Con-in St. Roch Parish rectory base-ment, 3600 S. Pennsylvania St. Bring baby pictures and \$2 per entry.

Secular Franciscans of the Sacred Heart Fraternity will meet at 3 p.m. in Sacred Heart Chapel, 1530 Union St. New formation group will meet at 2 p.m. in Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) classes spon-sored by Catholic Social Services continue from 7-9 p.m. in Room 217 of the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St.

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An hour of prayer for peace and justice is held each Mon. at 8 p.m. in St. Rita Church, 1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Ave. Benedic-tion 9 p.m.

Separated, Divorced and Remarried Catholics (SDRC) will hold a Pitch-In Dinner at 7 p.m. at the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St. Bring covered dish.

The Focus on the Family film series by Dr. James Dobson continues at 7 p.m. at 5t. Lawrence Church, 4950 N. Shadeland Ave.

The Divorce Recovery Series continues from 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Christopher Parish, Speedway Call 317-241-6314.

tionships With Youth" will be held from 7-9 p.m. at St. Mar-garet Mary Parish, Terre Haute. Call 812-232-9400 for details.

Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) classes spon-sored by Catholic Social Services continue from 7-9 p.m. at John-son Co. Hospital, Franklin.

A free Parenting Skills Workshop for parents of children aged 5-11 begins from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Green-castle. Supper and child care

#### January 31

A program on "A Deepening Prayer Life for Couples in Their Mid-Years" will be presented from 7-9 p.m. at Beech Grove Benedictine Center. Call 317-788-7581 for details. \*\*\*

Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) classes spon-sored by Catholic Social Services continue from 10 a.m.-12 noon in Room 217 of the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St.

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Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) classes con-tinue from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at St. Lawrence Parish Adult Learning Center, 4850 N. Shadeland Ave.

February 1

Franciscan Sister Diane Jamison will present a Leisure Day on "Will the Real Heroine Please Stand Up!" from 9.a.m.-2.p.m. at Fatima Retreat House, 5363 E. 56th St. Adults \$10; children \$3 each; non-refundable deposit \$5. Call 317-545-7681.

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The St. Vincent de Paul Conference of Holy Trinity Parish, 2618 W. St. Clair will sponsor a Rummage Sale. \*\*\*

South Deanery DREs conclude their mini-series from 7:30-9:30 p.m. with a session on "Morality."

A Seder Supper Workshop will be held from 7-9 p.m. at Terre Haute Deanery Center, 2931 Ohio Blvd. \$3 fee.

A free program on the Church's A free program on the Church's teachings on marriage, divorce, annulment and sacraments after divorce will be presented by Father Fred Easton from 6.45-8.30 p.m. at St. Mary Parish gym, Greensburg.

February 2

A "Puttin" on the Hits" lip-sync show will be presented at 8 p.m. by St. John the Evangelist Parish, Enc-hsburg. For tickets call Sandra Peterson 812-923-9721

Free Youth Ministry Training on 'Initiating and Developing Rela-

Retall Friday Mass at 7:30 p.m. in St. Michael Church, 3354 W. 30th St. Soup and bread supper 6 p.m.

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#### February 2-3

Alexandra Kovats will present "Journey Into Wholeness," a preparation for Lent, at Beech Grove Benedictine Center. \$40. Call 317-788-7581 for more infor-

February 2-4

A Mixed Serenity Retreat will be held at Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St. Call 317-283-8105

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A Married Couples Retreat will be held at Mount St. Francis Retreat Center. Call 812-923-8817 for information.

February 3

Cardinal Ritter High School will sponsor a Silver Anniversary Dinner Dance at 6:30 p.m. at Adams Mark Hotel. \$25/person; reservation deadline Jan. 31. Call 317-924-4333.

Terre Haute Deanery continues its catechist training workshop series with "What Are They Saying About Jesus?" from 9:30 a.m.-12 noon at Sacred Heart School, 610 5. 6th St., Clinton. \$3 fee; pre-registration required. Call 812-232-8400.

The World Apostolate of Fatima (The Blue Army) will hold First Saturday Holy Hour devotions at 2 p.m. in Little Flower Parish Center chapel, 13th and Bosart. Everyone welcome.

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Fatima Devotions and a FIRE chapter meeting follow 8 a.m. Mass at St. Nicholas Parish, Sunman. Public welcome. \*\*\*

Chatard High School will offer a placement test for eighth graders from 8:30-11:30 a.m. \$10 non-refundable fee. Scholarships availa-ble. Call 317-251-1451 to register

Providence High School, Clarks-ville will present a free placement test required for incoming fresh-men from 8:30-11:30 a.m. Call Rene Lippman 812-945-2538 for details.

The second in a series of seven Jericho Prayer Vigils to pray for the religious will be held from 7 a.m.-12 noon at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1347 N. Meridian

The Polish Century Club will hold its third annual Bigos (Hunter's Stew) Dinner/Dance at 6 p.m. at the Gun Club Bldg., 709 N. Pennsylvania. Tickets \$5. Reservations required; call 317-241-4650 or 317-257-0124.



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# Youth News/Views

# Scecina thanks parishes

On "Scecina Sunday" this weekend, On "Seecina Sunday" this weekend, the administration, faculty, and students of Father Thomas Seecina Memorial High School will show their appreciation and say "thank you" for all that the Indianapolis East Deanery parishes do to assist the eastside school.

eastside school.

Father Robert Borchertmeyer, pastor of
Little Flower Church and dean of the 12
eastside Catholic churches, has designated
Jan. 28 as "Geccina Sunday" to recognize
the parishes for their many contributions, especially the financial support given through the high school assessment.

Scecina students will assist with the liturgical readings and petitions during Masses at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, St.

Mary, Holy Cross, St. Philip Neri, St. Therese of the Infant Jesus, Our Lady of Increse of the Infant Jesus, Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Bernadette, St. Rita, St. Simon, Holy Spirit, St. Thomas at Fortville, and St. Michael at Greenfield.

Scecina students who are members of beccan students who are members of the 12 eastside parishes will attend the designated Mass at their parish when classmates will assist with the liturgy and distribute brochures about the archdiocesan school, Larry Neidlinger. school, according to principal

"Scecina Sunday" corresponds with the beginning of Catholic Schools Week observances in the archdiocese. Other schools week activities are detailed in a supplement to *The Criterion* this week.



PIANIST—Brebeuf Preparatory School senior Veena Kulkarni practices her instrumental music performance in preparation for the annual Prelude Awards competition Jan. 26 at The Children's Museum. The accomplished student pianist spends four hours a day at the piano. (Photo by Mary Ann Wyand)

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### Pianist practices for Prelude competition

by Mary Ann Wyand

Accomplished student pianist Veena Kulkarni spends Accomplished student pianist Veena Kulkarni spends four hours after school every day practicing classical music, but told The Criterion that her rehearsal time passes quickly because she becomes very absorbed in her work. In addition to her busy academic schedule at Brebeuf Preparatory School on the Indianapolis northwestside, Veena takes piano instructions twice a week from Tamara.

Veena takes piano instructions twice a week from i aimata Orlovsky, a concert pianist and professor of music at the University of Indianapolis. This Friday night. Veena and four other Catholic students will compete in the annual Prelude Awards competition at 6 p.m. at The Children's Museum's Lilly

neater in Indianapolis.

Roncalli High School sophomore Renee Peters, a St. Mark parishioner, will also be competing in the instru-mental music category.

mental music category.

Dance finalists include Roncalli senior Christopher
Corbin, Cathedral freshman Brandie Metz, and Shayne
Dutkiewicz, a North Central High School freshman from St.

They are among 35 Prelude Awards finalists who will compete for \$2,000 scholarships in six categories, with winners announced Saturday night during a dinner at the

winners announce Saturday ingit during a duffiel at Westin Hotel in downtown Indianapolis.

The daughter of Kishor and Josie Kulkarni of Carmel will perform Chopin's "Polomaise in A-Flat," which she describes as "a heroic piece," for the intensive competition.

lt will be her third appearance in the Prefude Awards finals. In 1988 Veena won both the overall award and the instrumental music division while only a sophomore to claim \$5,000 in scholarships. Last year, she finished first in the instrumental music category again and received a \$1,000

Music has been an important part of her life for 11 years, e said, and competitions help her fine-tune her skills at the keyboard.

the keyboard. "I started playing the piano when I was 5," Veena remembered. "I liked to touch the piano and my mother asked me if I wanted lessons. My mom loves music. She comes to every lesson because she enjoys it." While the thought of memorizing classical music seems mind-boggling, Veena said the memory work is the easiest part of learnings to play a piece.

part of learning to play a piece.

"Learning the notes and memorizing them is only the first step," she explained. "Actually, the hard part is working on the piece and using your own ideas and those of the teacher and knowing the traditions of the style of

of the leacher and knowing the traditions of the style of music that you play."

Concert pianists just interpret what's already written, she said, so it is important to take frequent lessons to learn how to perform the music correctly.

"The teacher is very important." Veena said. "To work on a piece, say a Beethoven Sonata—one of his earlier sonatas—could take a couple of months. Actually, I don't spend enough time with music. I need to learn more about the composers and the great performers. Also, good musicians should know a lot about art."

Perfecting her musical talents requires listening to other performers and studying their techniques, she added, as

performers and studying their techniques, she added, as yell as performing in front of audiences. Veena's future plans are to study at a music conservatory in preparation for a career as a concert pianist.

"You only get better with practice" she said. "It's worth racticing if only just to make good music, not to become famous

Veena said she enjoys painting, crafts, reading, biking, sing, and spending time with her school friends, but hiking, and spending time with her school friends, but music and schoolwork come first. "I really love classical music," she said. "I've developed

a love for playing in the last two or three years. I probably play the best when I perform. I'm sure that I want to do this for the rest of my life."

# Ever wonder how Cathedral became the Irish?

by Mary Ann Wyand

Cathedral High School students will have access to a new school book soon, but unlike their other textbooks this non-fiction book promises to be fun reading

It's a definitive history of Cathedral, the oldest high school in Indianapolis, and should be published well in advance of the school's 75th anniversary in 1993.

One particularly interesting narrative to be featured in the book will explain how the Cathedral teams came to be known as the

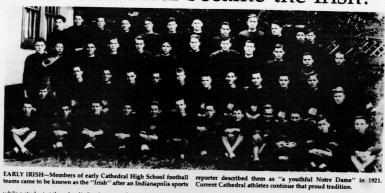
It seems that an Indianapolis sports reporter started that tradition in 1921 when reporter started that tradition in 1921 when he described the Cathedral team as "a youthful Notre Dame" and referred to former Coach Al Feeney's success with the "youthful Irish."

Journalist Bill Shover, a 1946 CHS graduate, is collecting information and anecdotes to fill the book with historical facts and memories about both curricular and extracurricular life. Chapters will profile well-known teachers and coaches, school rivals, joys and disappointments, race relations, and other interesting topics.

Shover is currently editing letters from Cathedral alumni who offer praise for their schooling because of the values they learned as students and how their education helped them become successful as individuals.

He welcomes contributions from current CHS students as well as alumni. Direct letters to Shover in care of 120 E. VanBuren St., Phoenix, Ariz., 85004.

51. Phoenix, Artz., 85004. Other little known facts that Shover plans to include in the manuscript range from mention of University of Notre Dame football great Knute Rockne, wino gave per talks to inspire the undefeated 1920 CHS gridfron team, to a profile of current president Julian Peebles, who played football for the Irish



while a student at the school's first location at 14th and Meridian streets. In 1933, Cathedral's talented roundball

In 1933, Cathedral's talented roundball team captured the National Catholic Hardwood Championship to continue the school's winning ways. Over the years, the Irish have celebrated many exciting victories and outstanding seasons in football, basketball, wrestling, and other sports. Another example is the story about the 1932 basketball team, which became the first mythical state champions. Fifty years later, some of those men returned to Cathedral at its new location on Fast 56th.

Cathedral at its new location on East 56th Street to congratulate the 1982 Irish team for advancing to the Indiana State Athletic Association's

ssociation's state finals.

Indianapolis Mayor William Hudnut

and Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara were also on hand to help the Irish celebrate the school's 1982 designation as one of the state's "Final Four."

Founder Joseph Chartrand, then pastor of SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral and later bishop of Indianapolis, had dreamed of a Catholic high school for boys in Indiana's

A fund drive secured the necessary monies and on September 13, 1918, the school opened with 90 students under the direction of the Brothers of Holy Cross.

direction of the Brothers of Holy Cross.

Lay directors took over administration of the school in 1971 when the Holy Cross brothers ended their educational ministry at the downtown school.

In April of 1976, the lay board of

directors decided to consolidate the private school for boys with Ladywood-St. Agnes Academy on 39 wooded acres adjacent to Fatima Retreat House on the northeastside. At that time, Cathedral became a coeducational high school with an expanded academic curriculum.

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"Heart of the Redeemer," by Timothy T. O'Donnell, Trinity Communications, \$19.95 cloth, \$12.95 paper, 301 pp. An authoritative and extensive study of the history

and development of devotion to the Sacred Heart of

"The Intimate Friendships of Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton," by Sister of Charity Marie Celeste, Alba House, \$12.95, 212 pp. By utilizing studies of the friendships of the native-born American saint, the author provides a unique view of Elizabeth Seton's spirituality.

"Faith, Religion and Theology," by Brennan R. Hill, Paul Knitter and William Madges, Twenty-Third Publications, 519.95, 388 pp. Primarily a text for undergraduate introductory courses, this book is also well suited for parish adult study groups.

"Theirs Is the Kingdom," by Robert D. Lupton, edied by Barbara R. Thompson, Harper & Row, \$6.95, 121 pp. Essays by a Christian social worker based on his experiences

Esasys by a Christian social worker based on his experiences in a chaotic impoverished are of Atlanta. "Ethics and Community," by Enrique Dussel, Orbis Books, 526.95 (oth), 513.95 paper, 260 pp. Introductory approach to what liberation theology has to say about ethics and morals. "Transforming Ferninism," by Dominican Sister Maria Riley, Sheed and Ward, 88.95, 112 pp. An invitation to engage in a dialogue between ferninist perspectives and Catholic social thought in a search for a feminism leading to human liberation in the church and in society

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† ADOLAY, Lucille, 70, St. Catherine of Siena, Indianapolis, Jan. 7. Mother of Mark, Pete Anthony, Cindy, Lou Ann Lud-low and Paula Campbell.

t BEDEL, Arthur A., 79, Holy Family, Oldenburg, Jan. 12.

Father of Donald G. and Gary L.; grandfather of Heather, Michelle, Jeff and Lisa.

+ BOTT, William H., 80, St. Mary, North Vernon, Jan. 13. Husband of Kathryn (Johnson); father of James; stepfather of Rita father of James; stepfather of Rita Knight and Donna Wolff; brother of Louis "Pete" and Ludger; grandfather of four; stepgrand-father of two; great-grandfather

† BRANSON, L. Nellie, 88, Little Flower, Indianapolis, Jan 12. Mother of William G.; grandmother of seven; great-grand-mother of 12; aunt of three.

+ BROMAGEN, Elizabeth A., 66, St. Gabriel, Connersville, Jan. 7. Wife of Joseph; mother of Michael, Christopher, Timothy, Stephen, Anthony, Patricia Ster-ling, Anna Morse, Mary Elaine Mertons and Kathleen Loveall; sister of Mary Horr and Anastacia Dill; grandmother of 23.

† BUSALD, Loretta A., 72, St. Roch, Indianapolis, Dec. 25. Sister of Helen L.

+ DOTY, David Allen, infant, S Gabriel, Connersville, Jan. 10. Son of William Edward and Jill (Risselman); grandson of David and Kathleen Risselman and Fred Allen and Betty Lou.

† DAY, Stephen A., 84, Holy Family, New Albany, Jan. 8. Husband of Prisca M. (Tighe); father of John E. and Stephen T., brother of Katherine Maier;

† ERHART, Victor J., 59, St. Anthony of Padua, Clarksville, Jan. 12. Husband of Anna Mae, father of Ronald, Kevin, Brian, Kenneth, Mark, Brenda Kraus,

Diane Batta, Marilyn Caudill and Carla Prickel; brother of Al-phonse, Velma and Dot Ren-nekamp and Rita Munchel; grandfather of five.

FLODDER, Velma D. (Schultz), 81, Holy Family, Ol-denburg, Jan. 6. Wife of John B.; mother of Joyce Carpenter, Ross B. and Mark A.; grandmother of

† FRANCISCO, Bernice Eliza-beth, 70, St. Anthony of Padua, Clarksville, Jan. 13. Wife of Nelson Clarksville, Jan. 13. Wife of Nelson E.; mother of Sharon W. Walter; sister of Alfred and Arthur Samples, Alma Benson and Loretta Byers; grandmother of two; great-grandmother of one.

+ GATES, Dale, 69, St. Columba, Columbus, Jan. 3. Husband of Gladys; brother of John, and Suzanne Coleman.

#### Christ the King, Indianapolis, Jan. 13.

† HALE, Joe M., 58, Holy Name, Beech Grove, Jan. 11. Husband of Mary C. (Schlotterbeck); father of James, Janet Earls and Joan Lile; brother of Luther C. Lewis; grandfather of five.

grandather of tive.

† HAWORTH, Mary J., 75. St.
Augustine, Jeffersonville, Jan. 11.
Mother of Robert E. Abney Jr.
sister of James L. and Henry C.
Jennings, Margaret Brown, Ruth
McKinney, Eta Mae Kemp and
Betty Moody; grandmother of
three; great-grandmother of five.

+ HOCK, Herman, 81, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, New Albany, Jan. 12. Husband of Clara ( (Hubler); father of David, Anna Powell, Barbara Hock-Meyer and Sister Mary Chris; brother of Jerome, Julius, Paul and Bernard; grandfather of four

† HOFFMAN, Gertrude C. (Griffith), 84, Little Flower, Indianapolis, Jan. 8. Grandmother of Anthony L. Ragonesi; greatgrandmother of one.

† HUFFMON, Robert L., 71, St. Augustine, Jeffersonville, Jan. 9. Father of Donna J. Barrette; brother of William E., Gladys M. Howell ell, Irma T. Spears and na VanMeter; grandfather of

† JUDY, Bernice, 88, St. La-wrence, Lawrenceburg, Jan. 10. Mother of Katherine Pugh; sister of Louis Hunter; grandmother of six; great-grandmother of nine; great-great-grandmother of one. t LAFFEY, Marie (Ford), 84, St. Catherine of Siena (buried from St. John), Indianapolis, Jan. 5. Mother of Beverly A. Woerner; sister of William Ford; grand-

mother of ty + LINVILLE, Velma Ruth, 62, † LINVILLE, Velma Ruth, 62, St. James the Greater, Indi-anapolis, Jan. 10. Wife of Joseph R; mother of Joseph R. Jr., Michael J., Thomas F., Carl David, Patrick R., Joyce L. Ryan, sister of John Kieminger; erandmyther of nine. andmother of nine

† MATTHEWS, Mary Elizabeth, 85, St. Philip Neri, Indianapolis, Jan. 2. Mother of Patricia Gedig and Kenneth J.; sister of Ambrose Carrico; grandmother 12; great-grandmother of 12.

† McGORAN, Lillian B., 81, Christ the King, Indianapolis, Jan. 11. Mother of Margaret McGui-ness and Sandy Cannon; sister of John Enders and Ceil Darrah.

† MONTGOMERY, Mildred (Smith), 88, St. Anthony, Indi-anapolis, Jan. 11.

#### Sister Gaudentia Downey, 89, dies at Woods Jan. 15

ST. MARY OF THE WOODS—Providence Sister Gaudentia Downey died here Jan. 11 at the age of 89. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for her on Jan. 15 in the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

The former Mary Henrietta Downey was born in Denver, Colo. She entered the Congrega-tion of the Sisters of Providence in 1915 and professed final vows in 1924

Sister Gaudentia served as a teacher in California, Illinois and teacher in California, Illinois and Indiana schools. Her assignments in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis included St. Anne School in New Castle, and St. Andrew, SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, and Holy Spirit schools in Indianapolis.

schools in Indianapolis.

One sister, Lula Coleman of Indianapolis, survives Sister Gaudentia

† MUNCHEL, Bernard, 69, St Peter, St. Peter, Dec. 19. Brother of Francis, Harry, Loretta Siefert and Margaret

† O'DONNELL, Robert, 80, Annunciation, Brazil, Jan. 11. Brother of Kathryn B. Lane and Ellen lavins

† PFAFI LIN, Mottie Marie, 93 Gabriel, Connersville, Jan. 10 Mother of Dr. lames R.: sister of Mrs. Elmer Land.

† POETTER, Mary I., 88, St. Gabriel, Connersville, Jan. 13. Sister of Patricia Fallon; aunt of Mary Ellen Cooper and Joseph R.

† SCHNEIDER, Alan, 43, St. Mary, New Albany, Jan. 11. Husband of Barbara J.; father of Kimberly Carney and Michelle; son of Alliene; brother of Gre-gory, Patrick and Elizabeth.

+ SMITH, Kayleigh Dawn, 1 year, St. Columba, Columbus, Jan. 9. Daughter of mark and Patricia (Walker); sister of Zachary Samuel; granddaughter of Mary Warren, Peg and Merle, and Bernon Walker.

tVOIGNIER, Mary, 78, St. Mary, New Albany, Jan. 11. Friend of Alma Schaffner and Pat

tWEBB, Thomas, 72, St. Bridget, Indianapolis, Jan. 14.

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Westerman, 69, St. Peter, St. Peter, Jan. 10. Wife of William; mother of Mary Knopfle, Billy, Melvin, Dennis, and Doris Andre; sister of Clarence and Cletus Gillman, Florence Prelage, Irene Back and Margie Scudder; grandmother of six

tWILDEY, Hazel C., 89, St Ambrose, Seymour, Ian. 9.

#### Franciscan Sister Salome Hoetker dies at Oldenburg



OLDENBURG-Franciscan sister Salome Hoetker died lan 12 at the motherhouse at age 94. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for her here on Jan. 15 in the Sisters of St. Francis Motherhouse Chapel.

The former Henrietta Hoetker was a native of Cincinnati, Ohio. She entered the Oldenburg Franciscan Community in 1925 and made final vows in 1930.

Sister Salome served as an elementary teacher in Ohio and Indiana for 54 years. In the Archdiocese of Indianapolis she Archdiocese of Indianapois taught in the following schools: St. Mary, Aurora; St. Martin, Yorkville; St. Paul, New Alsace; Oldenburg; St. Holy Family, Oldenburg, St. Andrew, Richmond; and St. Nicholas, Sunman. She retired to the motherhouse in 1981.

Three brothers, Albin, Joseph and Bernard, and three sisters, Agnes Dolan, Clara Bueter and Rose Mills, all of Cincinnati, survive Sister Salome.

brother of Katherine grandfather of six.

+ GIOSCIO, Helen Mary, 88 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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# Archdiocese of Chicago plans to close parishes and schools

by Sr. Cathy Campbell, SP

CHICAGO (CNS)—Cardinal Joseph L. Bernardin of Chicago announced Jan. 21 that 13 parishes, two missions and six elementary schools would be closed by June 30.

and six elementary schools would be closed by June 30.

More than 20 additional parishes could be dropped from archdiocesan listings through closing or merger in 1990 or 1991, most of them by the middle of this year.

The two archdiocesan high school seminaries are to be merged, and central programs and administration are to be cut by \$1.8 million.

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When the closings and mergers are coupled with other budget cuts and new funding strategies, the restructuring is expected to improve the archdiocses' syearly balance sheets by nearly \$45 million. In its last fiscal year the archdiocses had a \$28 million deficit.

In a letter read in all parishes fan. 20 and 21. Continuing the contract of the

In a letter read all parishes Jan. 20 and 21, Cardinal Bernardin said the "immediate impetus" for the decisions was "largely financial."

'But what we are about is much more profound," he

"We are preparing ourselves for the 1990s and beyond," wrote. "We are making decisions which will strengthen

he wrote. "We are maxing decisions which will strengthen the church and its ministry for the future." Between 1982 and 1988 the proportion of Chicago archdiocesan parishes breaking even or showing a surplus dropped from about 80 percent to about 35 percent. The proportion receiving archdiocesan aid or percent. The foreign the proportion receiving archdiocesan aid or potential to 55 entrent. reent to 65 percent.

Many of those slated for closing were originally built to

service immigrant groups concentrated in highly Catholic ethnic neighborhoods

Archdiocesan officials estimated that about half the

and schools affected are in white ethnic ities, and the other half are in predominantly communities Hispanic or black communities

Hispanic or black communities

In one area alone, called the Back of the Yards
neighborhood because it is near Chicago's massive rail
vards, there are eight archdiocesan parishes within a single
square mile and three more within a few blocks to the east
or south. Four of the eight are to close, along with a school
parishes belonging to Eastern-rite dioceses, which are
unaffected by the archdiocese's plans.

"In many ways we are like a family, and at times all
families have to make some sacrifices for it—sake of the
future." Cardinal Bernardin said at a Jan. 21 press
conference announcing the changes.

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conference announcing the changes.
Specifics of the plan he unveiled included:
An expansion of the stewardship program and new
fund-raising initiatives at both parish and archdiocesan
levels, aimed at increasing parish, school and archdiocesan
revenues by 530 million a year.
A 10 percent cut in central programs and administra-

►The closing of 13 parishes, two missions and six

► A decision by March 1 on four area planning projects involving 30 parishes, aimed at reducing their number to about 20 by June 30 ►A decision by March 1 on consolidation plans for 10

other parishes, to reduce their number to five or six by

►A plan for consolidation by 1991 of 12 additional trishes, with the aim to reduce their number by at least

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Preparatory Seminary South, with students movin temporarily to Quigley North until a new facility established and it is closed as well.

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Cardinal Bernardin said the restructuring would create a savings of \$8 million in parish operations, \$1.8 million in central administration costs, \$3.6 million in archdiocesan grants to needly parishes, and \$1 million in the high school seminary progra

seminary program.

For every dollar to be saved by cost containment, the archdiocesan plan anticipates two dollars in new revenue through stewardship and fund-raising plans.

At the news conterence, Cardinal Bernardin turned aside questions asking him to compare the Chicago closings with those in Detroil tast year, saying he did not "really know all of the details there." Detroit's Cardinal Edmund C. Szoka consideration of the critical services with the critical services of the critical serv of the details there." Detroit's Cardinal Edmund C. Szoka provoked wide protests when he originally announced that more than 50 of the city's 112 parishes would be closed. He eventually closed 35 and gave 20 a reprieve after they showed a turnaround in size, programs and finances. Instead of omparing Chicago and Detroit, Cardinal Bernardin emph. sized the processes of collaborative planning and consulction that preceded the decisions in Chicago.

"The criteria for planning were issued in 1987," he said.
"I have worked very closely with the vicars and deans responsible for regions of this archidocese and they, in turn, have worked very hard with their pastors in applying the

CRIETIA.

He noted that more than one-quarter of the parishes in the Chicago Archdiocese "are within one-half mile of each other" mainly as a result of churches built practically side by side several generations ago to serve different ethnic groups in the same neighborhood.

Almost all the parishes to be closed were built in the late 1800s or early 1900s for specific ethnic groups. According to planning information released by the archdiocese, other major criteria used to determine the viability of parishes included:

Mass attendance. Average weekly Mass attendance.

viability of parishes included:

Mass attendance. Average weekly Mass attendance in the archdiocese is 670 people per priest, but more than 100 parishes, about one-fourth of the total in the archdiocese, have fewer than 335 worshipers a

Neek.

Expenses per parishioner. The average parish operating expense per parishioner is \$316, and the criteria said no parish should be spending more than twice that. Stxty-three parishes exceeded the \$632 level, and among

Sixty-three parishes exceeded the \$632 level, and among those the average cost per parishioner was \$1,079—more than triple the archdiocesan average.

\$\insert\$Chool costs. The criteria said no school should go more than 20 percent above the archdiocesan average of \$1,305 per pupil. Many schools with fewer than 200 students could not meet that goal.

The archdiocese said it is currently borrowing \$1 million speech by mean expensive.

a month to meet expenses

#### Catholic, Russian Orthodox prelates meet in Moscow

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—A top Vatican delegation met with prelates of the Russian Orthodox Church in Moscow Jan. 13-17 to iron out problems concerning the Ukrainian Catholic Church

Catholic Church
A Jan. 17 joint communique said the two delegations
prepared a document on the Ukrainian church which will be
published after approval by "superior authorities of the two
churches." No date for approval or publication was given.
The Moscow meeting marked the first time in more than
40 years that there was official contact between Russian
Orthodox prelates and clandestinely ordained Ukrainian
Catholic bishops. Five Ukrainian bishops were invited to
participate in the Jan. 16 meeting along with a delegation of
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# China arrests Catholic clergy and lay leaders

HONG KONG (CNS)-China has targeted underground

HONG KONG (CNS)—China has targeted undergound Catholics in the northern part of the country in a series of arrest netting more than 30 dergy and lay leaders in recent months. High-ranking Vatican officials, who requested anonymity, told UCA News, the Hong Kong-based Asian church news agency, Jan. 17 that "we are deeply concerned" about the arrests and "we pray for" the detainees. The Holy See is holding back on public statements on the issue to avoid the risk of prompting deeper divisions within the Catholic Church in China, UCA News reported, quoting sources. The church is split into an underground oreanization which maintains lovality to the Vatican and an sources. The church is split into an underground organization which maintains loyalty to the Vatican and an organization recognized by the Chinese government which officially spurns ties to the papacy.

China bars indigenous organizations from close, formal

China bars indigenous organizations from close, formal alliances with foreign groups. Five more underground bishops, including a Jesuit, and about 20 priests and lay Catholics have re-entity been arrested, sources told UCA News Jan. 16. This brings the number of underground church leaders arrested, all in north China, to at least 32 in the past two months.

The five bishops are:

Bishop Zhang Liren of Hohhot in Inner Mongolia. bordering China and Soviet Mongolia, who was cons in late lune 1989

» Bishop Matthias Lu Zhensheng of Tianshui in northwest China's Gansu province, 71, reportedly con-secrated by Bishop Casimir Wang Milu in 1983. Bishop Wang was sentenced in 1984 to a 10-year prison term plus four years' suspension of political rights on charge counterrevolutionary activities.

counterrevolutionary activities

Bishop Bartholomew Yu Chengti of Hanzhong in
Shaanai, northwest China, also consecrated in 1981 by
Bishop Wang Bishop Yu himself reportedly has consecrated
other bishops and priests, including his own brother.

Bishop Philip Yang Libo of Lanzhou, Gansu, ordained
in 1949 and consecrated in 1981.

Bishop Paul Li Zhenrong, a 70-year-old Jesuit,
ordained in 1951 and consecrated in 1983. He was sentenced
to 15 years' imprisonment in 1957 and released in 1990,
when he returned to Xianxian in Hebei, north China.

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The recent arrests are apparently implementation of a directive, Document Number 3 (89), targeting underground

directive, Document Number 3 (89), targeting underground Catholics for a crackdown, a Hong Kong source said:

The document is a policy paper issued in February 1989 by the Chinese Communist Party, reportedly based on a report titled "Strengthening the Work on the Catholic Church in the Present Situation," which adopts a strategy of "isolating a small number and attacking the individual reactionaries" of the "underground Catholic

The "underground elements" include 25 bishops and more than 200 priests, who have turned into a well-organ-

other Catholic sources said they expect "a wave of arrests" in the Beijing area. Agents of the government-sanc-tioned Catholic Patriotic Association have been seen visiting places where underground Catholics live and seem to be working more closely with the police. But Anthony Liu Bainian, a high-ranking member of the state-approved association's national office, on lan. 18 denied any such activity by his organization

A parish in Sanyuan. Shaanxi, was allegedly taken over

by the patriotic association after Father Anthony Zhang

said Liu.

A church observer in Hong Kong, who refused to be identified, said the arrests show the Chinese government's intent to split the underground church.

Father John Tong Hon, executive director of the diocesan-run Holy Spirit Study Center, which does research

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To the Chinese authorities, religious freedom means only freedom of belief, but not freedom of religious practice, Father Tong noted.

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Earlier reports show that arrests of underground church leaders are primarily in Hebei—namely Bishop Peter Liu Guandong of Yixian, vicar general Father Su Zhemin. Fathers Zhang Gangyi and Shi Wande, and Jayman Wang Tongshang. Others are Bishops Joseph Li Side of Tianjin and Guo Wenzhi in Heliongjiang.

Vatican-appointed Bishop Peter Joseph Fan Xueyan of Paoting, Hebei, has reportedly not been seen in his area since being taken away by local police authorities Dec. 11.

### Pope to visit five countries in west Africa

by John Thavis

VATICAN CITY (CNS)-Pope John Paul II travels to Africa for the sixth time in late January, visiting a string of small but energetic Catholic communities in one of poorest regions in the world.

The pope will travel to Cape Verde, Guinea Bissau, Mali, Burkina Faso and Chad—West African countries where, for the most part, Christianity has remained in the shadow of a predominantly Muslim culture

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During the Jan. 25-Feb. 1 trip, the pope will meet privately with Islamic representatives, and trip organizers have scheduled larger meetings with Muslims in Mail and Chad—events they hope will echo the public rally the pope held with Muslim youths in Morocco in 1985.

While church relations with Muslims are generally good in western Africa, there are signs of an emerging Islamic fundamentalism that have alarmed some Catholic leaders.

The pope's trip will take him back to the Sahel, the region bordering the southern Sahara where periodic drought and encroaching desertification have worsened in recent

decades. Ten years ago, in a brief stop in Burkina Faso (then called Upper Volta), the pope appealed for worldwide aid for Sahel populations and later launched a \$20 million foundation to do just that.

The countries on the papal itinerary share a history of colonialism, and several have more recent experience with Marxist-style self-government. But like much of Africa, the

Manxist-style self-government. But like much of Africa, the regimes are increasingly dropping economic central planning in favor of privatization required by Western aid agencies As on his previous trips to the continent, the pope is expected to tread gently in these ideological matters, and instead emphasize the human and spiritual values that the Africans with Christianity.

The pope's visit will be, above all, a chance to see and be seen by the young churches there—young in spirit, in organization and in the actual age of its members. In some places, about half of local Catholics are age 15 and under



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