New document tells dissenters to remain silent

by John Thavis Catholic News Service

VATICAN CITY-A new Vatican document called on dissenting theologians to reflect "in silence and prayer" and with church teachings.

issued June 26, said some forms of theological debate can help the church grow, but declared that the "pressure of public opinion" has no place in the clarification of doctrinal issues

It also warned against setting up the individual conscience as a type of "supreme magisterium" for those who question church teachings.

Titled "Instruction on the Ecclesial Vocation of the Theologian," the 28-page document was signed by Cardinal (See NEW DOCUMENT on page 24)

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Archbishop O'Meara's mother buried Saturday

Indianapolis Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara leaned across his dying mother's bed and quietly asked, "Mom, can you hear me?"

The 100-year-old woman, who had been in a deep sleep st couple weeks, roused herself slightly and replied, 'No. I can't.

Those were her last words, the archbishop said in the homily he gave at her funeral Mass Thursday, June 28, at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis.

Mary Fogarty O'Meara died Tuesday, June 26. She was buried in Calvary Cemetery in St. Louis, next to her husband John, after another funeral Mass in St. Louis Cathedral Saturday, June 30.

Six bishops, Benedictine Archabbot Timothy Sweeney Six bishops, Benedictine Archabbot Timothy Sweeney, about 100 priests from the archidocese and other places, and numerous religious and laity attended the Mass in the Indianapolis cathedral Archibishop O'Meara particularly singled out for his appreciation Auxiliary Bishop William J. McCormack of New York, who succeeded Archibishop O'Meara an antional director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, and Lawrence A. Pezzullo, executive circetor of Catholis Relief Services. Archibishop O'Meara is chairman of the CRS board of trustees.

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In his homly, Archishop O'Meara said that his mother, who never liked the idea of death, "came to accept death and lovingly embraced it with confidence and total hope."

He said that he was able to give the homily at the Mass because "I really am not grieving although! o'ill miss my mother very very much. I realize that her passing was the end of a successful faith journey."

He spoke about the vigil that he and members of his



FUNERAL LITURGY—Six bishops and more than 100 priests concelebrated with Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara

family had at his mother's bedside at St. Augustine Home during the last 48 hours of her life. During all that time, he said, one of the Little Sisters of the Poor was always in the room, and the whole community chanted the Liturgy of the Hours in the room. He learned, he said, that this was not done just because of him but that the Little Sisters do it for all of their guests as they are dying.

He didn't mention it in the homily, but the previous

at the Mass for his mother, Mary Fogarty O'Meara, at SS Peter and Paul Cathedral. (Photo by Margaret Nelson)

evening during the Liturgy of the Hours' Prayers for the Dead at 5t. Augustine, Archbishop O'Meara said that the sisters had arranged for him to say Mass on Monday at the foot of his mother's bed. During the Mass, he said, "my mother opened her eyes and kept them on the celebrant." He concluded his homily by saying that, for his mother, "death was not like the blowing out of a candle but like the start of a peak day."

start of a new day.

Fathers Hilary Meny, Richard Terrill retire

by Margaret Nelson

Two archdiocesan priests retired from active ministry yesterday, July 5: Father Hilary G. Meny and Father Richard F. Terrill

Father Meny was ordained on May 14, 1940, at St. Meinrad Archabbey by Bishop Joseph E. Ritter. He was first Bishop Joseph E. Ritter. He was tirst assigned to serve as assistant pastor at St. Philip Neri, Indianapolis. In 1947, he took the same position at St. Joseph, Clark County, and in 1948, he moved to St. Vincent de Paul, Bedford.

In 1949, Father Meny became pastor of St. Patrick, Madison, where he has served At years. This is the longest single pastorate in the archdiocese in recent years.

When the Father Michael Shawe Memorial High School was built in Madison in

1952, Father Meny served as special gifts chairman. And he was the first superinten-dent of that school, from 1954-1965. Also in Madison, he has served as Catholic chaplain to Madison State Hospital

Father Meny plans to retire to Haubstadt, Indiana, just a block from the place of his "Thanks to the generosity of my parishioners, I am going on a cruise around the world next January." said Father Meny

He explained that the four-month trip on the Queen Elizabeth II will take him to Hawaii, Samoa, the Fiji Islands, New Guinea, New Zealand, Tasmania, Australia, Japan, Taiwan, China (Hong Kong), Thailand, Singapore, India, Africa (Kenya), Suez Canal, Italy, Spain, through the Strait of Gibraltar. In Monte Carlo, Fathey Meny quipped that he will "refill the purse." From Cherbourg, France, he will fly back to New York.

Though the parish held a special celebration for Father Meny's 50th anniversary of ordination on May 13, another all-parish pitch-in dinner was held to honor him June 24.

Father Terrill was ordained on May 3, Father Tertill was ordained on May 3, 1954 at 5t. Meirrad. His first assignment was as assistant pastor of Holy Trinity, New Albany, In 1956, he became assistant pastor of St. Christopher, Indianapolis. In 1961, he took the same post at Holy Cross, while serving as an instructor at 5t. Mary Academy and Cathedral High School. In 1964, Father Terrill became pastor of Our Lady of the Springs, French Lick, with its mission in Paoli. He took the pastorate of 5t. Philip Neri, Indianapolis, in 1971. Then in 1978, he became pastor of St.

Nicholas, Ripley County, where he has

remained until his retirement.

On June 3, the people of St. Nicholas honored their pastor with a retirement dinner. Invitations were sent to family members and friends. All parishioners who made reservations attended the event.

Father Terrill received a hand-carved wooden replica of the church from Weberding's Carving Shop in Batesville. This formed the base for a clock. As a gift for their pastor, the Ladies' Guild made a wall depicting the setting of the

Father Terrill said he plans to retire to a "little house out in the country" near Newaygo, Mich., where he grew up. "My family is all close by there," he said. Father Terrill will assist the pastor of his parish church of St. Bartholomew there

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Father Hilary Meny



Father Richard Terrill

FROM THE EDITOR

Radicals on both sides are winning in Israel

It's awfully hard to find anything to be optimistic about when it comes to Israel and the Palestinians these days. The only ones who are winning are those who are determined to keep stirring up trouble for one reason or another.

Relations between the U.S. and

Relations between the U.S. and straig lowerments got as strained as they've ever been during U.S. Secreary of State James Baker's testimony before a House committee. That's when he gave the White House phone number and told the Israelis indirectly, "When you're serious about peace, call us." He was frustrated by the actions of the Yitzhak Shamir government.

Then the hard-liners among the PIU.

of the Yitzhak Shamir government.

Then the hard-liners among the PLO had to pick that time for their seaborn attack on Israel's beaches at Tel Aviv. When Yasser Arafat would not condemn the attack, the U.S. had no choice but to call off the dialogue we had been having with the PLO.

Then Shamir wrote his letter to President Bush rejecting the U.S. proposal for talks between Israel and the Palestinians.

sult is victory for the radicals on both sides and defeat for those who are promoting peace.

IT'S INTERESTING THAT some prominent members of the Israeli Labor Party called on the U.S. to continue the dialogue with the PLO. According to Milton Viorst, in an article on the op-ed page of The New Mutton viorst, in an article of the op-eu page of the New York Times, from former Israeli ministers, including ex-Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin, saw that the real purpose of that PLO raid was to force a break in that dialogue. Viorst called the raid a trap and added that "the extremists—Abul Abbas on one side and Mr. Shamir on the other—are partners in crushing the peace camp in the middle. . . . The president's role is to get the process back on its feet, not deliver the knockout

The reason it's significant that Rabin was among the four is because he is increasingly being looked upon as the best hope for the future. Shimon Peres remains head of the Labor Party for now, but he was unsuccessful in his attempts to form a government. Peres and Rabin have long been rivals within the Labor Party and Rabin knows that this is the time for him to try to regain the party and national leadership that he had in the 1970s. Even columnist William Safire, who seems to back the policies of the Likud government, calls Rabin "the m respected leader in Israel."

MANY U.S. JEWS OBVIOUSLY expect the Shamir government to fail. Rabbi Maurice Davis, for example, in his regular column in the Jewish Post and Opinion, recently wrote: "Shamir's government will fall. It was a bad coalition to start off with. It is too filled with outrageous coalition to start off with. It is too filled with outrageous promises, and party loyalty is a total mirage. Moreover, the extreme turn to the right, with Sharon becoming Minister of Housing, for example, scares an avful lot of people. Shamir's government will fall, however, not because those who want progress for peace are somehow able to be heard. It is going to fall because some dissidents did not get the payoff they either were promised or thought they were promised. In the end, a bad government will fall for all the bad reasons."

I keep hoping that Shamir will surprise everyone and ill make a real attempt at finding peace instead of making ke a real attempt at finding peace instead of making als that he knows can't be accepted. After all, it was proposals that he knows can't be accepted. After all, it was his predecessor, Menachem Begin, a hard-liner if there ever was one, who made peace with Egypt. It is sometimes easier for someone on the right to make moves that someone on the left could not because of the criticism he would get from the right.

It was significant, I thought, and the only good news I've seen from Israel recently, that Ariel Sharon, now the Housing Minister and immigration chief who has been in charge of settling the Soviet Jews, said that it would not be charge of settling the Soviet Jews, said that it would not be the policy of the government to settle the immigrant Jews in the occupied territories. It's still not clear why he changed his mind, because just a week before he proclaimed that Israel was going to continue to "build all over the country. . . Everyone can live wherever he chooses." (If is revealing that he obviously considers the occupied territories to be part of "all over the country.")

THE MOST PROMINENT Christian leader in the Holy Land is the patriarch of the Latin Rite. Michel Sabbah. He recently met in Rome with the leaders of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre from throughout the world. whose special mission it is to help preserve a Christian presence in the Holy Land, and he emphasized to them that his most serious problem now settlements in the occupied territories.

As the Jewish settlers move in, they are making it more As the jewish settlers move in, they are making it more and more difficult for the Palestraina Christians and Moslems to continue to live there and expect to make something of their lives. That's why they are leaving, so their children can grow up looking forward to some improvements in their lives.

improvements in their lives.

No other country recognizes the right of the Israelis to take over the Arab lands they have been occupying since 1967. Many Jews in this country and in Israel feel the same as Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek who recently said that he is ashamed of what is happening in the occupied

some commentators have been writing lately that it's up to Arab countries to make peace overtures to Israel, which really wants peace. On the contrary, it is up to Israel to show that it really wants peace by stopping the oppression of the Palestinians and by granting them the autonomy they deserve. Some commentators have been writing lately that it's

Catholic ISTEP scores continue to top state

by Margaret Nelson

Once again, the average scores of students in the higher grades of arch-diocesan Catholic schools were much higher than those in state-supported schools in the 1990 Indiana State Test of

schools in the 1990 Indiana state lest of Education Progress (ISTEP). There is no grade level or subject where the Catholic school average fell below the state norms. Total average archdiocesan scores are between 3.3 and 9.1 normal curve equivalency (NCE) ranks higher than walkinghad etab. surraness. published state average

The method of analyzing the results was changed this year because the Indiana Department of Education did not release scores as national percentiles

California Achievement Tests were given in reading, language and math to grades 1, 2, 3, 6, 8, 9 and 11.

G. Joseph Peters, coordinator of school services for the Office of Catholic Educaservices for the Office of Catholic Educa-tion, again speculates about the wide score advantages, especially in secondary schools: "Could this be the cumulative effect of Catholic schooling?" he asks in his

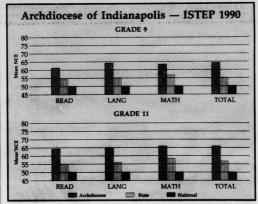
analysis.

But Peters warns, "Achievement tests do not really do an adequate job of measuring the performance of schools. Rather the tests are designed primarily to gauge the performance of individual students—to pinpoint areas which need attention as well as areas of strength."



"When viewed as a 'district,' our twork of schools is a very large "When viewed as a 'district,' our network of schools is a very large system—one of the largest in the state," Peters said. "It is also very diverse socio-economically as well as geographically and these factors have a profound effect on test performance—much more effect on test performance—much more profound than the quality of instruction. Therefore, the building level and neigh-borhood scores are much more important

indicators of school performance than the scores contained in this report." In reading tests, Catholic students ranked between 4.3 and 9 NCEs higher ranked between 4.3 and 9 N.C.s nigner than the state averages. In total language performance, mean scores were 2.2 to 9.1 NCEs higher than in public schools. Again, largest differences over state scores occur at 8th, 9th and 11th grade



COMPARISONS-The most dramatic differences in ISTEP results are at the higher grade levels. Here, the mean normal curve equivalencies (NCEs) on total test batteries of the archdiocesan and state schools are compared to the national norm group average of 50 (shown in black). The first column in each figure shows the NCE ranks that average Catholic students achieved compared to the second column, showing NCEs for students at state-supported schools. (Chart information courtesy the Office of Catholic Education)

Fr. Borchertmeyer wins at golf

Forty priests of the archdiocese partici pated in the annual golf tournament, held at Old Oakland Country Club on Monday, June 25. Co-chairmen were Fathers James

Higgins and Joe Wade. Father Robert Borchertmeyer, pastor of Little Flower Parish, had low gross score. Vicar General Father David Coats had the longest drive. And Father Joseph Wade, pastor of St. Matthew Parish, won the competition for hitting a drive closest

After the tourney the priests gathered for a social hour and awards dinner at St. Matthew. The meal was donated by Jugs

Ed Knych, the golf professional at Hillcrest Country Club, donated prizes, as did several other individuals and

In math, the differences were between to 7.6 NCEs higher than the state average percentiles reported. The rankings get progressively higher above state and national norms from grade one through

grade eight. In the total batter for subtests of the California Achievement Test, average archdiocesan scores are between 3.3 and 9.1 NCE ranks higher than the state averages

The state used more stringent standards for remediation this year to allow more students to benefit from summer remediation, Peters said. Last year, 3.6 percent of students in the state were eligible for summer school state-wide, while that figure is 6.8 percent this year

For the archdiocese, 2 percent of students qualified in 1989. This year the percentage of students falling below the new standards was 3.8 percent, or 312 of the 8,190 students tested.

The school services coordinator said that many of these students do not attend public summer school, but are retained in their present grade.

Peters summarized the results of the third year of testing, "Overall, the archdiocesan ISTEP scores of the 'average student' are quite good and are, in general, at least slightly improved, at most grade levels."

Individual student scores-shared with parents and properly used by teachers—provide the most important information for the education of children," Peters concluded

AAA at 73 percent of \$2 million goal

As of June 20, this year's Archdio-cesan Annual Appeal has reached 73 percent of the \$2 million goal. According to a report from Michael Prosser, archdiocesan development director, pledges totaled \$1,451,686

The report showed that 47 parishes had so far exceeded the dollar amounts they pledged during the 1989 drive. St. Peter parish, Harrison County, led the way with a 242 percent increase. In second place was Our Lady of Provi-dence, Seymour, with 170 percent

At the same time, 35 parishes had so far reported pledges under 75 percent of their 1989 totals.

City's eastside extends 'adios' to Sister Marie

by Margaret Nelson

On Sunday, Holy Cross Parish and the near eastside community of Indianapolis said its farewells to Sister Marie Werdmann with a "day of celebration" that included a special liturgy and a picnic at Brookside Park. Until July 1, the Franciscan nun has

Until July 1, the Franciscan nun has lived and worked among those who are in need, while serving as pastoral associate of Holy Cross. After a month of training, she will begin to work with the people of Guaymas, Mexico, in September.

"Que por medio del Espiritur Santo, tu presencia traiga amor, par y esperanza en tus caminos" was handstitched on a plaque presented to Sister Marie during the multi attended Mass. A nitrure of a parish

presented to Sister Marie during the well-attended Mass. A picture of a parish outdoor Mass with red balloons being released was in the center of the frame.

Below was the English translation:
"With the Holy Spirit may your presence
bring love, peace and hope in your
journey. July 1, 1990." Parishioner Nancy
McNiece did the embroidery and Janet nbaugh took the photo.

Sister Marie gave members of the parish slips containing her address in Mexico and a quote from the Maryknoll

Sisters general assembly in 1984: "Each of us has been recreated and transformed by the people with whom we share our lives; each of us in turn embodies omething of the other.

Parishioner Guadalupe Garcia made a nata that was part of the offertory ocession. And after the Mass, the procession. reception had a Mexican theme. In fact, two of Guadalupe's pinatas were the center of attraction during the picnic at Brookside attraction during the pictuc at procession Park later that afternoon. Her husband, Alfredo, skillfully guided the rope as blindfolded children "had a go" at the pinata. Later, Sister Marie, Father Pat Doyle and other adults tried to open a second candy-filled creation.

But there was a serious side to the picnic when Sister Marie was thanked by the community. Charles Schisla, director of the Catholic Communications Center, thanked her for her work on the "Know Your Faith

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Kathy Wallace thanked Sister for her efforts on behalf of Eastside Community Investments, Inc., which rehabilitates housing and creates jobs in the area. Wallace gave her a "plaque" honoring her as a "Sagamore of the Pogue." (Pogue's

Run is a small creek that runs through the neighborhood.)

lerry King acknowledged Sister's work with the Near Eastside Community Organization. And Carl Henn thanked her for her work with the Urban Parish Cooperative. Parishioner Jackie Martin, who serves on the neighborhood ministe-rial association, wrote a special song for Sister Marie

Father Doyle, administrator of Holy Cross said, "She has certainly been a real gift for us. We'll certainly miss her!"

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Reverend Phil Tom, pastor of Westminster Presbyterian said, "She's just a
wonderful, carring person who is always
thinking of others first. She embodies
Christ-like service. We will miss her on the
near Eastside. I think the most important
thing about her is that she speaks the truth.
She does speak the truth."

Several public figures attended the picnic. One city councilwoman quipped that she could not run for office again after

Parish secretary Jean Knarr said, "I just marvel that she's taken on a challenge like this when most of us would be thinking about retirement. There is never any comment that reflects fear."

"She bring he seen of the way to the seen of the seen

her bicycle, so she could have conversa-tions with the people here."

Knarr said that Sister's five years as pastoral associate, "has carried quite a bit of responsibility," especially since the parish has not had a pastor. Father Doyle now serves as administrator of St. Patrick and Holy Rosary, as well as Holy Cross. Sister Marie has been sharing the job with Verlann Major. And the parish secretary

said Holy Cross has a "very good parish

Sister Marie has been very faithful to her ministry as chaplain to the Indiana Women's Prison, which is located in the parish. Knarr added, "She has ministered privately to many women in distres

crisis situations."

This work is connected with the food pantry, one of the largest in the state, which is operated through St. Vincent de Paul. Sister Marie is on the board of the pantry. On major holidays, 1,200 to 1,500 families are supplied with food.

"Her hospital ministry speak for her compassion," said Knarr. "We get a call from the hospital that someone is in surgery. She copes or makes sure someone is in surgery. She copes or makes sure someone

from the hospital that someone is in surgery. She goes or makes sure someone is there with the family."

Sister has contributed much to the community through the Metro Advocate Ministry (MAM), "an interfaith volunteer organization that helps people find the resources and support they need to make it through difficult times." She has served on the board of directors of the group, which has its offices on the Holy Cross campus.

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Marie is going to Mexico. "She spent a
month in Guaymas last year to see if she
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But she said that Sister Marie Werdmann's idea of a retreat is living with the American Indians or helping the povertystricken in New York City.

Ann Marie Hanlon is past president of the Holy Cross Parish council and chairper-son of the parish planning committee. She said she keeps telling Sister Marie, "Go ahead. Go to Mexico. Get it out of your

system. Inert councy you desperately!"
Hanlon observed that the ideal weather for Sister Marie's picnic day was no surprise. "She's got connections in high

'Week that was' picnic gathers

The Marian College campus was the scene of a Sunday, July 1 pinns for those involved in the Blitz Build week of July 16-23, when Habitat for Humanity completed seven new homes in Indianapolis.

Holy Names Sister Louise Bond hosted the pinns. As vice-president of the Association of Religious in the Indianapolis Archdiocese (ARIA), she drew the North and East Deaneries of the city into supporting the project.

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The Boyd family received a special welcome. Larry, Joyce, and their children Larry Ir., Rhonda and Matthew occupy the new Habitat home sponsored by Höly Trinty. Someone brought a hanging plant for their home to the picnic.

Officials of Habitat were there, including the executive director, Kevin O'Brien, and the past president, Warren Perney and his wife. Perney was especially touched when he heard that one of the young new residents bathed before retring at night and was anxious to bathe again first thing

in the morning. But Perney knew that the child's former home had only a rusty shower with a bucket under it.

Several people who spent hours making calls and organizing volunteer schedules attended the picnic. Some who made sandwiches brought their own picnic lunch to the Marian campus. And others who worked at the site came.

The building supervisor from Jonathan Homes was there. And some people who gave financial contributions came.

Ann Wadelton and Pat Linehan at-tended the Habitat picnic. They will join Sister Louise in acting as a family nurturing team for the Boyd family.

ream tor the Boyd family.

Some of the Franciscan Sisters who live at Marian joined the group.

The picnic was a time of sharing "before and after" joitures and of recalling the special experiences that came from sharing an hour, a day, or a week with others to help provide a decent home for a working family.

Archbishop approves 30 parish council constitutions as revised

"As you know, the Archdiocese of Indianapolis is firmly committed to a future that is planned at every level of operation. To make this possible, there is the further commitment to a sharing of pastoral

responsibility which seeks to involve the faith and the talents of every member of the archdiocese in the mission of the church."
On June 27, Archbishop Edward T.
O'Meara sent letters with these statements to pastors of 30 churches, approving the revision of the constitutions of their parish

councils.

"It is both my hope and my belief that your own pastoral ministry will be enhanced and made more effective, and that all the people of your parish will feel greater ownership and be more involved in parish life than ever before," wrote the archibishop in his letter to the pastors.

These constitutions were minimal than the pastors.

These constitutions were revised ac-These constitutions were revised ac-cording to the policies and norms promul-gated by the archbishop in March, 1986, through the Office for Pastoral Councils. Councils were asked to review their constitutions and, if necessary, to revise them within a reasonable period of time.

In his letter accompanying the approval, the archbishop reminded pastors that his letter and the norms for pastoral councils, from page 9 of the "Archdiocesan Pastoral Council Guidelines," are an integral part of the constitution of each parish council.

Other parishes are in the process of reviewing and seeking approval for their pastoral council constitutions

The movement toward the full comple ment of pastoral councils at the parish, deanery and archdiocesan levels by Sept., 1990, marks a significant new moment in 1990, marks a significant new financiarion our efforts as an archdiocese to share responsibility through formally-approved pastoral councils," said Providence Sister pastoral councils," said Providence Sister Marie Kevin Tighe, director of the Office of Pastoral Councils.

Pastoral Councils.

The deanery task team of the Archdiocesan Planning Commission is preparing guidelines for deanery pastoral councils.

One of the first tasks of the Arch-

diocesan Council will be the appointment of a constitutions committee to clarify its

of a constitutions commistee to causy mode of operation.

"It is hoped that the linkage of these councils will be a means of greater effectiveness and a deeper sense of shared responsibility in serving the mission of the church in this archdiocese," said Sister Marie Fund

Connersville assembly part of pastoral planning

At St. Gabriel, Connersville, the parish council and planning committee facilitated the first parish assembly meeting as part of the pastoral planning process.

Father Frank Eckstein, pastor, offered the opening prayer at the June 13 meeting.

Chairman of the planning committee John Showalter welcomed the group. Gary Curry, chairman of the pastoral council, introduced the members of the council and the planning committee to the assembly.

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Participants were then given the results
of the environmental scan. And the
combined observations of the staff, planning committee and council were shared
regarding strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats facing the parish now
and in the future. and in the future.

After small groups were formed, the

parishioners were given the opportunity to add their own ideas on these matters. Each group recorded its ideas and shared them with the whole assembly.

The resultant recommendations of those at the meeting will be correlated with the intermation already gathered.

The council will now begin to set goals and objectives based on the data collected.





PLANNERS—Discussing plans for St. Gabriel Parish are (above photo, from left): John Showalter, Florence Pitsick, Florence Brochin and Elizabeth Luking. At left, the St. Gabriel Parish assembly meets with the parish planning committee as part of St. Gabriel's movement toward plans for the future. (Photos by Joyce Rowland)

Commentary

THE HUMAN SIDE

Catholic officeholders, and meaning of loyalty

by Fr. Eugene Hemrick

If politicians are not loyal to the church's teaching on abortion, they risk excommunication.

munication.

The number of bishops publicly saying this is growing. Also growing is the number of Catholic office-holders who are disturbed by such statements.

It would seem that we have an escalating public controversy that will remain with us for some time. Human nature being what it is, and given the complexity of the issues, the two sides may never fully

agree. So, what redeeming fea found in this controversy? Let's look at it from the perspective of loyalty-taking a second look at our own understanding of just what loyalty entails.

A loyal person remains true to a sponsibility in spite of loss or danger. power of conscience contributes to kind of conviction that leads to loyalty. The loyal person can say, "I have reached my conviction after much evaluation. Though my conviction is contrary to the convictions of others and brings me scorn, I firmly hold it."

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In the present controversy, bishops argue that they have the responsibility to oppose abortion because of a strong faith based on a moral tradition rooted in centuries of interpreting God's word.

On the other hand, there are Catholic politicians who argue that they were chosen by the people to serve and protect society and that the demands of loyalty are encountered here also.

Some of those a politician serves do

Some of those a politician serves do not agree in conscience with the bishops. And since a politician takes an oath to

uphold the Constitution, which allows for a plurality of convictions, loyalty to the office means respecting a variety of

In fact, many officeholders would say it is the responsibility of political office to defend a plurality of thinking, even though the politician may personally disagree with many positions.

But, it is countered by many church leaders, God's law supersedes a nation's constitution and a Catholic politician has a responsibility in conscience to publicly support Catholic teachings. He or she is t of the church community.

There is an obligation to stand firm in one's faith despite dangers. This is a way to witness to the faith and to evangelize.

Where does this leave us? Are we stuck in a situation of conflicting loyalties, with

We have to look again at the idea of loyalty and the principles underlying it. It is easy to forget that loyalty is not synony-mous with a rigid motionlessness. Take

marriage, for example In marriage two people begin with commitment and loyalty to each other. As time passes, individual differences develop that may challenge the couple's marriage. Yes, loyalty means standing firm. It says, "Hold on!" But it is not rigid. Loyalty in marriage is living, growing, creative and always adjusting

If a marriage is to succeed, a man and a n must re-evaluate their convictions

If they clash, creative ways of reconcil-ing must be found without resorting to fear tactics or hardness of heart.

When a conflict develops or a new challenge emerges in a marriage, loyalty does not mean forgoing one's powers of



reasoning. The marriage must have space

to grow.

To the extent that the present contro over abortion and Catholic officeholders is a question of loyalty—loyalty in the church, loyalty to the public an officeholder serves—we should expect some type of reconciliation. In and of itself, loyalty is dynamic. It is alive, growing, creative.

The loyal person searches for a full understanding of what loyalty means in given situations. We would need to worry, however, if either side in this controversy stopped searching.

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THE YARDSTICK

European heroes martyrs to dream of just society

by Msgr. George G. Higgins

What ails the emerging democracies of Bastern Europe? According to Michael Novak of the American Enterprise Institute, the worst threat these newly emancipated countries face is neither inflation nor un-

meither inflation nor un-employment; it is envy. "Communism," he writes in Forbes ma-gazine, "mandated le-thal infections of envy-in every man, woman and child. People were

taught . . . to despise those who get ahead . . . They were not . . . They were not taught that envy is a cardinal sin; they were told that it is the first of the virtues

That goes for the clergymen of Eastern Europe too. "Having been held by brute away from the West for over 40 years," Novak, they now need "to learn not to says Novak, they now need denounce success but to praise it.

This is Novak's way of saying capita is the only hope for Central Europe. Is it? Yes—and no. It depends how one defines capitalism and assesses it.

Novak's definition and assessment are almost liltingly upbeat. However, Pope John Paul II, Eastern Europe's most illustrious clergyman, offers a more sober

Since communism began crumbling across Eastern Europe, the pope, as the New York Times put it, has spoken "almost jubilantly" of its failure.

Yet the pope does not think capitalism has "won" in Eastern Europe—or that it should win unless and until its defects

The pope told the business community of Mexico in May that the recent events in Eastern Europe "have been interpreted as the triumph or failure of one system

vis-a-vis another: namely, as the triumph of the liberal capitalist system.

"Particular interests would like to carry the analysis to the extreme of presenting the system they regard as the winner as the

only path for our world on the basis of the only part for our world on the basis of the experience of the setbacks suffered by contemporary socialism, and shunning the critical judgment required toward the effects liberal capitalism has produced in the countries of the so-called Third World, at least until the present."

The pope thinks the church, committed to no ideology, must encourage critical reflection on all economic systems, capitalism included. His reflections lead him to conclude that capitalism has pluses and minuses, and that in some instances those minuses result in terrible suffering.

It remains to be seen how capitalism will erform in Eastern Europe, but surely it is tuous to suggest that those concerned about its impact are infected with envy

I cannot claim to know all that much about Eastern Europe, but after four extensive trips to Poland during the past decade and having attended the two congresses of the Polish labor movement Solidarity, I know that many of Poland's most heroic anti-communists—e.g. Lech Walesa—are terribly concerned that the

uncritical imposition of unfettered free enterprise and an unregulated market might wreak havoc on the poor and, in the end, prepare for a new form of political

AFL-CIO President Lane Kirkla offered this analysis on his return from a recent in-depth study of conditions in Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia:

It was not for unfettered capitalism that 55 shipyard workers laid down their lives in Gdansk in 1970 and kindled a movement that was to change the course of history, he said. And it was not the greater glory of private enterprise that inspired the hundreds of 1956 freedom fighters who ended up in an unmarked grave on the outskirts of Budapest.

It is no service to the memory of these heroes "to suppose that their sacrifice is redeemed by enslavement to the most extreme versions of free-market theory. They are martyrs to the dream of a society fit not just for economists, but for human beings as well. That's what this struggle is all about."

EVERYDAY FAITH

Is God interested in weather: shifting meteorological patterns?

by Lou Jacquet

Now that the summer picnic and recreation season has come upon us full bore, I'm probably not the only one who's heard someone say, "We're praying for good weather for our parish festival this festival

But does God really about the weather The question reminds me of the remark attri-buted by broadcaster Joe Garagiola to Yankee catcher Yogi Berra when Yogi saw an op-posing hitter make the

Sign of the Cross in the dirt before stepping in to bat. Asked Yogi, "Can't you just let him enjoy the game?"

It's not so foolish a question. There is no

It's not so toolish a question. There is no doubt that God is all-powerful and can do whatever he pleases, no matter what we happen to think about it, but I've often wondered why he would be interested in shifting a meteorological pattern, for example, to ensure that the pixnic at St. Adalbert's gets sunshine while the families

from St. Zeno's a few miles away suffer through a downpour that ruins their festival crowds.

While I firmly believe that the Lord listens to our prayers and cares deeply about what happens to us, I'm not so sure that he worries much about what the weather will be in a given area on a certain weekend or, to cite another example, which team will win the big game on Sunday. After all, if we say that our team won in answer to our prayers, that presupposes that God didn't listen to the who prayed just as hard for our opponents to win. Isn't God busy enough

opponents to win. Isn't God busy enough with other problems?
As a rule of thumb, I've found that the athlietic teams that win have superior athletes rather than superior prayer power behind them. (Notre Dame, of course, has almost always had superior athletes and superior prayer power in vast numbers throughout the country, though the Lord was either busy or indifferent during the Terry Brenan and Gerry Faust years, when Notre Dame didn't have much of anything.)

anything.)
At the root of my doubt about the efficacy of such prayer, I suppose, is my

notion that God gets bombarded from persons worldwide about issues of much greater import than whether it rains on the parish picnic or whether our team wins the homecoming game. In his comment oming game. In his omnipotence, he urely handle requests from the surely millions and millions of persons who address him every day. But I suspect that he gives greater credence to prayers serious issues and prayers of thanks.

He listens to our prayers of thanks. He listens to our prayers about serious matters, we know, because prayer has often changed the course of history. But I think he takes special delight in prayers of thanksgiving. After all, he probably hear so few of them compared with the number of exercise the proposably hear provides he intensity. quests we inundate him with

of requests we inundate him with.

That's not to say that some of us aren't
grateful some of the time. But most of us
are probably more like me: we pray to the
Lord when we need help and direction, but
forget to thank him for favors granted or
unexpected surprises. When something
terrible happens in our lives, we're on the
line to heaven in a few minutes, asking that
the burden be lifted or the illness be taken
away. Yet when somethine, wonderful away. Yet when something wonderful happens to us, we're more likely to be on the phone with friends to share the good

news than on our knees to thank the Almighty.

Few of us, I suspect, thank the Lord first, though we know we should. We should be grateful for all the good things he gives us.



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To the Editor

Same views as the secular world

I need to express some "not usually" spoken-of thoughts on the church. During my time of working in the church. I have watched (and participated) as women began to change things. I fought for and preached for "our rights" in a "male dominated" church. Not knowing where to turn, and not seeing any

women began to change things. I fought for and preached for 'our rights' in a "male dominated" church. Not knowing where to turn, and not seeing any changes, I even wrote a letter to the pope—and received an answer to the pope and the pop and the pop

Didn't lesus foretell that "they will love Didn't Jesus foretell that "they will love you as they loved me"? Priests were to know that if the truth were preached many would follow but many would not. Yes, we have holy priests and sisters (I am blessed to know many), but many have given in to the world. They tell us what we want to the world. They tell us what we want to hear, or what is popular in the secular world, not the truth told by Jesus or the church. What has happened? Don't we believe that what the church or Scripture has taught is still true for us? Are we just

too progressive today?

We should thank God that the Holy
Father does not give in to pressure (even
from his own), but stays faithful, as he
must, to what he believes the Holy Spirit
wants for his church. The Holy Father sees
the danger of a model and a characteristics. the dangers of a world and a church taken over by materialism and worldly views.

over by materialism and worldly views. If things don't change, we will have to make a choice between the church led by Rome or an "American church." I pray that we will all be strong enough to stay faithful. I also pray for those priests and religious to turn back to Jesus and the church that they once were in love with. I pray that they also use Mary as an example of humility, obedience and suffering. She who was faithful was give not exercit that material after all, we have the control of the c given her reward in heaven, a is it not eternity that matters?

Kathie Dennes

Creenwood

Listening sessions are needed here

Earlier this year Archbishop Rembert rveaxiand of Milwaukee held a series of six listening sessions with Catholic women on the subject of abortion. Women were given the chance to express a variety of concerns regarding this issue, while clergy were given an opportunity to learn from women's own experiences and feelings on the subject.

the subject. Following those sessions Archbishop Weakland released a 21-page statement in which he repeatedly stressed the complexity of this issue and the need for civil and respectful debate (see "Archbishop says 'narrowness' among pro-lifers hurts cause," May 25 Critiznon), With incredible honesty and insight, he addressed such topics as the repervensions of criminalizing abortion, the connections between abortion

and poverty, and the church's obligation to

decisions.

Perhaps similar listening sessions with women could be held here in Indianapolis. Such sessions, I believe, would help open up communication between Catholic women and the hierarchy and provide fuller understanding of the complex issues surrounding abortion which need to be addressed.

Carol LaMasters

Indianapolis

The priesthood and the Eucharist

In "From the Editor" of June 15 Mr. Fink said that those who advocate changes in the church ask, "Which is more important: preserving an all-male celibate

important: preserving an all-male celibate priesthood or preserving the Eucharist?'

As a recent convert to the church (eight months), my answer is emphatically that preserving the Eucharist is more important. Partaking of the sacraments instituted by our Lord through his ordained clergy is a blessing valued and realized by one who until recently never had this privilege. I shudder at the thought that I may lose this blessing after so recently acouring it.

thought that I may lose this blessing after so recently acquiring it. Our Lord commanded that his sheep be fed, nurtured, and shown mercy through the Eucharist, baptism, confirmation, reconciliation, anointing of the sick, etc. The lairy have a right to these necessary sacraments. The church has an obligation to exercise the service of the service o provide them

to provide them.

I never felt neglected in being served for many years by married clergy, but I do feel apprehensive, unsuue, bettyed, and afraid of a future to the Eucharist, and afraid of a future to Eucharist, which is a priest to show God's mercy through renormalisation, and without a priest to grant the comfort of anointing at a freet to grant the comfort of anointing at a time of sudden illness.

I would respectfully ask our good bishops to listen to the cries of the laity of Christ's church and review their stand on celibacy and an all-male priesthood.

Naomi Combs

The privilege of Mass attendance

"We're in Danger of Losing the Eucharist" in the June 15 "From the Editor" column carried a powerful message for every Catholic. I hope that every

for every Catholic. I hope that every subscriber to The Criterion has read it.

We need to slow down from today's reversis pace of life and give very careful thought to the future. There is an apathy and a distortion of values, blinding too many Catholics to the insidious corrosion

many Catholics to the insidious corrosion that is taking place. When Jesus blessed us with the priesthood saying, "Do this in remem-brance of me," he gave himself to be present forever in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. If we lose the Mass and the Mass. It we lose the Mass and consequently the opportunity to receive our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, we will indeed spend the rest of our lives "wandering in the desert." The privilege of attendance at Mass is a treasure and no substitute liturgy will ever fill our hearts and souls in the same way.

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It is up to us, individually and collectively, to pray to God for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. Added to the prayers of the faithful at Mass and to all our daily prayers, surely this petition will be heard and answered.

They are the truly impoverished

When we are told to help the poor, my first thought is of our spiritually poor children, many of whom do not know the riches of our priceless faith. In the average parish about half the youngsters, after First Communion, do not go regularly to religion classes, if at all. They are the truly impoverished. Without a strong faith these days a person cannot make it in life. Teen suicides have skyrocketed; teens on drugs are a horrible problem.

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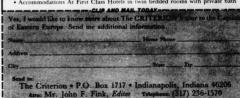
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Loving the church

by Fr. John Catoir The Director, The Christopl

There are times when the church and some of her spokesman get on my nerves. But I am rescued by my own faith in the Mystical Body of Christ. The church is a light to the world, and the glare of that light often offends the eyes of those who live in darkness. My annoyance has more to do with style than substance. I am always edified by those who truly love the church. Mother Teress of Calcutta is one who comes the comment of the comment o

the Missionanes of Charry, includes sisters, priests, brothers, and lay co-work-ers. A further development took place on June 25, 1976, when the late Cardinal Terrence Cooke of New York approved the establishment of a contemplative branch of sisters, headquartered in the Bronx. These contemplative sisters in whave two houses with about 18 sisters in each. Recently they asked me to give them a nine-day retreat, starting on June 3, Pentecost Sunday, and they sent me their constitution to guide me. The sisters' deep love for the church made

rofound impression on me.
'To proclaim Jesus to all nations our community is committed to whole-hearted and free service to the poorest of the poor. . . and to the perfect love of God and neighbor."

"That the church may shine forth as a people made one with the unity of the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit, we live in community"

community.

"Our particular mission is to labor for the salvation and sanctification of the poorest of the poor, not only in the slums, but also all over the world wherever they may be . . . that the church may be full present in the world."

Mother Teresa has ordained that these contemplative sisters go out of their cloist contemplative sisters go out of their closter for two to three hours every day to walk among the poor, visit the sick and counsel those in difficulty. They offer immediate solace as needed, and arrange for follow-up services. Their apostolate is one of

As Mother Teresa has said: "The best way to prove our love and gratitude to mother church is by striving sincerely and earnestly to be true witnesses of her holiness in the world."

The church with all its faults is indeed a refuge of sinners. All of us should work a little harder to strengthen the bonds of unity which hold us together as a family created by Almighty God.

(For a free copy of the Christopher News Notes, "To The Ends of the Earth," send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to The Chris-tophers, 12 E. 48 St., New York, N.Y. 10017.) (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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Bigger than both (all) of us

by Cynthia Dewes

Lovers in old movies always used to say, "This is bigger than both of us." Obscured by the heavy breathing and flared nostrils that went with such

that went with such declarations was an important idea. Even in the heat of overwhelming passion, the lovers sensed that some powerful and mysteri-ous force beyond their ol was stirring to this strong



Moments like that Moments like that are rare, but they still happen. I know this may be hard to believe when we're looking across the breakfast table at a spouse of several years who peers over his/her reading glasses and asks us to pass the toothpicks. But they do happen.

toothpicks. But they do happen.

Of course, the young are not the only players in the game of love. The electric attraction of youth may send shivers through us, but the steady pulse of lifelong

symbiosis continues to produce surprises that prove we're alive.

Romance is not the sole trigger for large, compelling moments. Wonders of nature can do it. We may think that the Grand Canyon or Niagara Falls or Mount McKin-

ley are overrated places . . until we witness them in person and they take our

witness them in person and they take our breath away. Recently we were privileged to see Gibraltar at dawn. As our ship passed by and the shore of Africa came in sight on the other side of the strait, a fellow passenger whispered in awe. "The Pillars of Her-cules." She was thrilled, and reminded of the ancient name of the dramatic scene we were seeing through new eyes.

the ancient name of the dramatic scene we were seeing through new yell mp in our throat, too. On the same trip we heard a choir of schoolboys singing Latin hymns to the Virgin at a mountain-top monastery. Their voices held that solemn, reedy quality which we hear in music of the middle ages. The Vienna Boys Choir they were not. Sincerely reverent kids, yes. Speaking of kids, big moments are sometimes presented by mighty small messengers. We feel them coming on when the new kindergarher takes us by the hand and say. "Don't worry, Mommy, I'll help you find my room." Or when the baby kisses his cousin hello without prompting, and the two clasp each other in a chubby hug. Friends generate some of the most powerful moments of our lives. Spending twenty or thirty years storing up the same memories with a person can produce an overwhelming rush of fondness in us when we merely hear the familiar voice.

Family can do the same, plus. Sisters and brothers, cousins, aunts and uncles, often share a kind of clairvoyance about each other and about family doings.

Relatives are people who know how you think, and what your opinions will be; they sense, rather than see, the expressions on your face, and they react to them in a way that any or all family members could

predict.

The moments that are "bigger than both (all) of us" make life the wonder and challenge that it is. I like to think they also are glimpses of God imaged in us.

I guess we'll find out if that's true when our final Big Moment arrives.

vips...

APOLOGIES to Cathedral High School 1999 graduate Anne Marie Doherty. Her name, listed in an advertisement in the June 8 issue of *The Criterion*, did not contain an asterisk indicating her achievement of graduation With Honors (3.0 and above). We are sorry for any inconvenience caused by this mistake.

Hattie Hatfield, chairperson of the Science Department at Brebeuf Preparatory School, has received a summer grant to attend the Advanced Placement Biology Summer Institute at Purdue University from June 16 to July 28. High school biology teachers and two of their students are teachers and two of their students are studying the introduction or improvement of advanced placement biology courses at their respective schools. Brebeuf students Chris Keiner and Lauren Sayoc are participating in the six-week intensive session with Haffield.

Long-time St. Francis Hospital em-oyee Roberta (Alerding) Sauer retired on pioyee Roberta (Alerding) Sauer retired on June 29 after nearly 37 years of service. A graduate of St. Philip Ners School and now a member of Holy Name Parish in Beech Grove, Sauer served 15 years in the medical records office, five years as supervisor. At the time of her retirement she was employed as a secretary chaplain's office.

Benedictine Prioress Sister Mary Margaret Funk and Benedictine Sisters Carol Falkner and Rachel Best from Our Lady of Grace Monastery in Beech Grove were among 60 delegates from Benedictine among of delegates from Benedictine women's monasteries gathered the week of June 18-24 in Mt. Angel, Ore. for the Seventeenth Chapter meeting of the Federation of St. Gertrude. The Federa-tion, named for a 13th century German mystic, St. Gertrude of Helfta, includes inysus, st. Gerruide of Helita, includes in the Midwest, West and Canada. During the Federation meeting, Benedictine Sister Cornelia Gust, a staff member of Beech Grove Benedictine Center, was elected for a three-year term as a Federation councilor.

Councur.

The Indianapolis Chapter of the Knights of Columbus recently elected officers for 1990-1991: Robert Kossmann, president, Mater Dei 4837, Bill Beaver, vice president, Msgr. Sheridan 66138; Roger Ford, secretary, Holy Family 28682; John Roach, treasurer, St. Pius X 49343. Carl Miller, guard, Our Lady of Fatima 48228; John McCaslin and Steve Sullivan, trustees, St. Joseph #5290. The eight central Indiana councils meet

Because there will be no July 27 issue of The Criterion, material for Active List, Check It Out, VIPs and other news items covering events through August 5 should be in the Criterion office by Monday, July 16, Send to: The Criterion, P.O. Box 1717, Indianapolis, Ind. 46206.

monthly to share individual council projects and fundraising drives. The indianapolis chapter hosts the annual Good Friday Way of the Cross.

check-it-out...

Kevin Barry Division #3, Ancient Order of Hibernians will sponsor Hibernian Baseball Night, featuring the Indianapolis Indians vs. Columbus Clip-pers game at 8 p.m. on Friday, July 13 at Bush Stadium. An auto beaupers game at 8 p.m. on Finday, July 15 at Bush Stadium. An auto transportation caravan will leave the Golden Ace Inn. The cost is \$3.50. For reservations call Dan Shea at 317-787-4770 after 5 p.m.

CARE, a support group association for amputees, now meets every month. The group serves amputees in Indiana and surru-unding areas as an outlet for venting feelings, sharing mutual problems and solutions, and receiving relief and comfort. The next meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday, July 12 at the home of Leland Ernest, 3750 N. Salem, Indianapolis. RSVP to Evelyn Floyd at 317-635-2398 by July 7. For more information call CARE president Abe Mansoori at 317-924-4444.

In conjunction with the approaching Indianapolis 1990 North American Congress on the Holy Spirit and World Evangelization to be held in August, the archdiocesan Office of Evangelization urges preparation with prayer and fasting. Parishes are asked to pray for the success of the evangelistic effort on Saturday and Sunday. Aug. 4-5. Individuals, parishes, or other groups of Catholics are invited to dedicate one day of prayer and fasting for the congress during "our week of prayer." Iuly 31-Aug. 7. Please send name, address, parish, contact phone number, day of prayer and fasting to be observed during the week, and any other special observations to be made to: Office of Evangeligaprayer and rasting to be observed during the week, and any other special observa-tions to be made to: Office of Evangeliza-tion, P.O. Box 1410, 1400 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, Ind. 46206, 317-236-1489 or (Indiana only) 1-800-382-9836.

The 1990 St. Francis Golf Outing will be held on Wednesday, July 11 at Prestwick Golf Course. Proceeds will be used to benefit St. Francis Hospital's used to benefit St. Francis Hospital's Sports Medicine service located at an outpatient clinic in St. Francis Professional Center, U.S. 31 S. and Southport Rd. The cost of the morning session is \$80 per player, with an additional cost of \$20 for the dinner which follows the afternoon session. Call 317-783-8949

afternoon session. Call 317-783-8949.

The 5th Annual Hog Roast/Family Pitch-In Picnic sponsored by the Connersville Deanery will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m on Saturday, July 21 at Treaty Line Camp, southwest of Liberty. Cames begin at 11 a.m., dinner will be served at 12-30 p.m. in a covered shelter, and a square dance will follow from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. The event will conclude with prayer. Parishioners of all 11 parishes in the deanery are invited to attend, and asked to bring a dish of food to share and their own table service. For more information call St. Andrew Parish at 317-962-3902 or Sally Baumer at 317-855-3885.



SERVICE—Kent Schwartz (left), principal at Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, gives a check for \$130 to John Asher, president of the parish St. Vincent de Paul Society, on behalf of the school's 37-d-grade students. The young people, represented here by Carrie Thayer, Brian Oskins, Kelly Bego and Trisha Logan, collected plastic soft drink bottles for recycling as a service project. Adults them matched the money they collected. (Photo by 3rd-grade teacher Millie Arvin)

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Look for "The Ad Game" in Next Week's Criterion!

Four parishes start new ministries

by Mary Ann Wuand

Four archdiocesan parishes will adrour archdiocesan parishes will address specific needs in their faith communities with financial assistance from the New Ministries Project underwritten by the Lilly Endowment, Inc.

St. Gabriel Church at Connersville, St. John the Baptist Church at Starlight, St. Paul the Apostle Church at Greencastle, and St. Paul Church at Tell City will start new parish ministries using grants of up to \$4,000 each plus additional funds for scialized training

specialized training.

Their proposals for grief ministry, evangelization to Hispanic migrant workers, pastoral counseling by lairy, and adolescent and parent support programming were approved in the last cycle of a three-year experimental New Ministries Project aimed at understanding how new ministries are started in congregations.

Eleven other Indiana churches also

Eleven other Indiana churches also will take part in the last phase of the interdenominational project beginning this month, according to Carl R. Smith, director of the ecumenical project.

At Connersville, 5t. Gabriel Church will utilize \$3.093 in grant funds supplemented by \$1.410 for training expenses to teach the lairly skills to minister to people who have lost a member of the family or are confronted with other types of pain.

Father Francis Eckstein, pastor, describes the project as a "companioning with the hurting" program that expands upon existing bereavement ministry in the parish.

"This is not only for those who are hurting from death, but also those who are hurting from other causes such as divorce or family problems or loneliness," Father

Immaculate Conception.
The three native Taiwanese sisters will

The three native Taiwanese sisters will profess vows during the I1 a.m. Eucharistic Liturgy July 12. This ceremony will coincide with the Sisters of Providence sesquicentennial homecoming celebration July 13-15 which will bring 780 present and former Sisters of Providence to St.

The profession ceremony will help

Mary of the Woods.

Providence Sisters profess vows

Eckstein said. "It's certainly letting those who are hurting know that as a parish we are concerned and we care."

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St. Gabriel plans to send a team of parishioners to Minneapolis for a one-week course in grief ministry, he said. Elizabeth Luking, director of religious education, and Mary Ann Holbrook, president of the parish board of education, were instrumen-

parish board of education, were instrumen-tal in preparing the grant. St. John the Baptist parishioners hope to reach out to migrant workers who tempor-arily settle or live in the Starlight area with a new evangelization project funded by a \$4,000 grant and \$700 for training.

Father John Beitans, pastor, will visit the state of San Luis Potosi in Mexico later this year to confer with the pastors of the workers' home parishes about ways to improve cultural understanding and help Hispanic people feel more at home in southern Indiana.

nome in southern Indiana.

"The main component of the grant is that we will be able to have Benedictine Sister Cynthia Granotte as a full-time pastoral associate with heavy responsibilities to evangelize the migrant and recently settled Hispanic community," Father Beitans said.

Father Beitans said.

"There is a counseling dimension to the project related to the celebration of holidays," he said. "The men are away from their families and the problems of

from their families and the problems of loneliness are part of their lives here."

The New Ministries grant will also enable the parish to expand existing English language classes for migrant workers to include Spanish literacy skills.

At Greencastle, lay members of St. Paul the Apostle Church will learn pastoral techniques for counseling the sick, grieving and homebound with a \$4,000 grant and \$1,500 for training needs.

ninister in Taiwan will attend. Later this summer, on Aug. 15, Sister Judith Cervizzi, a native of Revere, Mass., will profess perpetual vows in the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

Seven sisters recently renewed vows: Sisters Carolyn Bouchard, Katheryn New-port and Susan Whitlow of Indianapolis; Patricia Endicott of Evansville; Anne Therese Falkenstein of Elmwood Park, Ill.;

Marjorie Funke of Alhambra, Cal.; and Catherine White of Hawthorne, Cal.

Father John Schoettelkotte, pastor, said astoral associate Gwen Goss will direct the

pastoral associate Gwen Goss will direct the spiritual companioning program at St. Paul the Apostle Parish.

"The hope is that we will train people to have a better sense of what it means to be companions for those who are homebound, whether they are people who are all or elderly," he said. "Since this parish is so spread out—it covers all of Putnam County—perhaps we will have a better outreach to people who are 10 or 15 miles away from the church."

At Tell City, St. Paul Church will

develop a junior high ministry and a parent support group that will also include members of 5t. Pius Church at Troy and 5t. Michael Church at Cannel-ton. The tri-parish ministry is made possible by a \$4,000 grant and \$1,500 for

training.
"Thanks to the efforts of Pam Drake, coordinator of youth ministry, we have been able to obtain the grant to respond to local needs for ministry to the junior high age group," Father J. Lawrence Richardt explained. "We will build a full youth ministry program to help adolescents know themselves as part of their parish

community."

St. Paul Church also received a New Ministries grant in 1988 to organize a neighborhood ministry program.



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Ten U.S. and three Taiwanese Sisters of Providence will be making, or have made, their profession of vows this summer at St. Mary of the Woods.
Sister Marilu. Covani, a native of Argentina, and Theresa Boland of Freeport, Ill., will make their first profession of vows July 8 and 10 a.m. in the Church of the celebrate the 70-year mission of the Sisters of Providence to the Chinese. Sister Huei-Ru "Valerie Dillon's open approach to today's girls on issues relating to sexuali-ty is refreshing and welcome. I especially commend the non-judgmental tone of this book, the inclusion of touchy areas like AIDS, the author's supportive invitation for today's girls to respect their own bodies and selves." Norene) Wu will profess perpetual vows, Sister Shu-Hsia (Rosa) Pan will renew her vows and Sister Chia-Yu (Rose) Chiu will profess first vows. All 13 sisters who now

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POTTERS-Father Robert Klein (left) demonstrates the art of pottery making during the St. Monica Parish Vacation Bible School last week. "Markeplace 29 A.D." coordinator Mary Jo Thomas-Day (center) and a young participant watch as Father Klein forms clay on a pottery wheel. More than 100 children learned 13 Biblical-era crafts June 18-22. Guests included representatives of Mennonite, Presbyterian, Episcopal, and other Catholic churches. (Photo by Maria Pimentel-Gannon)

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Local woman sees what CRS is doing in 3 African countries

by Maureen Geis

Without our saying anything to each other, the elderly African woman placed her small frail hand in mine and looked at me with deep passion and gratitude in her eyes. In the moments that followed, although we did not even

speak the same language, there was an understanding, a powerful expression in her eyes.

The woman seemed overjoyed merely by my presence, of which I did not feel worthy. This beautiful person was

It was I who should have been thanking her for opening my eyes to the truth because for the first time in my life I was witnessing people who had experienced a lifetime of

These were people who had endured the frustration of not having food to feed their children, suffered the pain of losing a child from malnutrition and disease, and nced complete physical exhaustion from working in the fields all day

the fields all day.

Yet in spite of this woman's lifetime of worries, pains and sufferings, she still held on both to my hand and to life itself. This courageous little woman reminded me of the saying, "Each day of loving is a day of real living." How true this is of the people of Africa!

On June 2, 1 left for a 15-day trip to East Africa and, more specifically, to the countries of Rwanda, Tanzania and Kenya. A group of seven people traveled together, each

dioceses. We all shared one common bond-a deep concern for the welfare of the poor.

It was my privilege to represent the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara, the chair-man of the Catholic Relief Services board of directors, and Father James D. Barton, archdiocesan director of Catholic Relief Services, on this unforgettable journey.

Father William Joy of Baltimore, the national director of Catholic Relief Services, organized the trip through each country's CRS representative

country's S.KS representative.
What is known today as Catholic Relief Services was established in 1943 as War Relief Services in response to the critical human needs caused by World War II. Recognizing the many needs of people affected by war, the bishops of the United States formed this Catholic overseas agency to provide relief to all persons in need regardless of creed.

The direction of the agency began to change during the 1950s. In 1955, the bishops expanded the efforts of War Relief Services to encompass more than a war and post-war effort. In doing so, they renamed the agency Catholic Relief

Part of this expansion involved the agency's participation in the U.S. government's Food for Peace program, according to author Eileen Egan. Through this program, the government provides food and funds to ship the food to needy people in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

Catholic Relief Services continues this human service



FRIENDS—Children from Tanzania walk home together. The Tanzanian population increases by 2.7 percent annually, with most people living in poverty. Catholic Relief Services responds to their needs with help from donations. (Photo by Maureen Geis)

program today as the largest private distributor of Food for Peace commodities. The agency's scope of work has continued to widen to include socio-economic develop-

ment and nutrition projects.

CRS recognizes the important role of good health in strengthening people who can add to the development of their country. Projects that have initiated self-help and that fight the basic causes of hunger and poverty have become an emphasis of the agency's programming. As a result, today CRS provides emergency relief and development aid

more than 74 countries. The motivating force in all activities of Catholic Relief Services is the Gospel of Jesus Christ as it pertains to the end of human suffering, the development of people, and the fostering of charity and justice in the world. The policies and fostering of charity and justice in the world. The politics and programs of the agency reflect and express the teaching of the Catholic Church. Simultaneously, Catholic Relief Services assists persons on the basis of need, not creed, race

The purpose of the trip to Africa was to learn what Catholic Relief Services is doing there in the way of development projects for the poor. The group visited the sites of many CRS human service programs during the 15-day tour

According to Tom Mulhern, cluster director for nine countries in East Africa, the new objectives of CRS are "to give more empowerment to the people to discover their own concerns so they are able to work more effectively."

much of the water is still drawn from In Rwanda, primitive wells or from along the banks of rivers where both nimals and humans bathe.

Using CRS funds, workers recently installed a new water system to assist more than 3,000 people in the Gahombo and Kigoma sectors of Rwanda, plus an estimated 2,000 domestic animals. By providing clean water for these communities, the

ater project and education about how to tap, transport and store the water will improve the overall health statu

With the new system, women and children can collect and move water more easily to their homes. Any family and move water more easily to their homes. Any tampidestiring to use the new water system must pay an annual fee of 100 francs. This sum will cover repair and maintenance costs as well as maintain the community's participation and ownership of the system.

Wherever the group wont in Rwanda, Tanzania and Kenya, the people were most gracious and appreciative that we would travel around the world to visit the programs they had developed through the assistance of Catholic Relief Services. It was obvious to me that God is present in their struggle to fight to survive.

Africa has come a long way, but many problems remain. The population in Africa is rapidly increasing. A realm of water-home and water-related diseases constitute a large percentage of deaths, making health awareness an increasingly important issue.

The clearing of land to plant export crops as well as the daily struggle of the poor to search for fuel for their cooking fires are among the many problems that plague the African people.

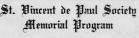
All of these experiences have awakened in me an overwhelming gratitude for the blessings I have. But more importantly, it has opened my eyes to the strong sense of commitment we have as Christians to assist people in securing a life of hope and dignity

As I looked at the elderly woman who had suffered so many hardships in her life, it was I who returned the expression of gratitude through the silent placement of my hand in hers. For me, this day was the beginning of every

day of real living.

(Maureen Geis is the mission educator for the archdiocesan

Office of the Propagation of the Faith and Catholic Relief Services.)





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Longtime parishioners support Walk of Honor

by Mary Ann Wyand

"St. Philip Neri has summoned the faithful to this eastside parish for over 80 years," a new church fund-raising video explains. "It has become a symbol of the otion of this community.

Built in 1909 at the corner of Rural and North streets, St. Philip Neri Church will receive a new brick "Walk of Honor" later

receive a new brick "Walk of Honor" later this year in front of the main steps as the result of a creative parish fund-raising project announced recently. Longtime parishioners who fondly remember the early days of the parish are especially excited about the plans for a new front walk where people can gather to talk after Mass.

to talk after Mass.

Some of the charter and longtime parishioners met at the church rectory recently to discuss memories from years gone by. They recalled stories about cornfields across the street from the construction site, how neighborhood children carried drinking water to the skilled laborers who built the church, and in later years how boys slipped away from the school on warm days to play in a nearby creek

recognize donors or their relatives and friends with engraved bricks to be placed in the new sidewalk, according to Father Glenn O'Connor, pastor. For information, contact the church office at 317-631-8746.

Creative fund-raising has become a necessity for many archdiocesan parishes, and members of St. Philip. Neir Church are among those central and southern Indiana Catholics who are actively recruiting development dollars these days.

Former Cathedral High School president Michael McGinley, a St. Philip Neri alumnus, brings a wealth of fund-raising experience to the challenging task of raising \$500,000 in endowment funds for the parish within the next five years.

The brick walk is a nostalgic way to pay tribute to the parish, file said, adding that there is a tremendous amount of heritage in the St. Philip Neri community.

the St. Philip Ner community.
"It's a great way for people to show
their support and put their mark on parish
history," McGinliey told The Criterion. "It's
very unique. A lot of people are remembering their spouse, or their maiden name, or
the date they got married at St. Philip, or
priests they have known. A lot of
businesses have given bricks. In just three



FUND RAISER—Father Glenn O'Connor, pastor of St. Philip Neri Church in Indianapoli (right) and Michael McGinley (left) show longtime parishioners (from left) Catherir Tremain, Margaret Heede, Ted Heede, Geneva Clark, Mary Hellen Brook and Ferne We one of the bricks to be installed in the new "Honor Walk of Donors" in front of the eastsic

weeks, we've sold about 200 bricks. We're hoping to sell about 500 bricks

As campaign director for the St. Philip Endowment Fund, McGinley said he thinks

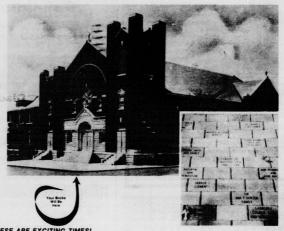
Endowment Fund, McCinley said he thinks "other pastors will look to this program as something to pattern themselves after to establish parish endowment programs." Interest from the endowment will provide a third source of income to supplement weekly church collections and ancillary parish fund raisers, he explained.

Some of the money generated from the endowment campaign will be used to pay current bills, Father O'Connor said, but most of the donations will be invested in the Catholic Community Foundation, an archdiocesan pooled-income fund.

"An endowment is a long-term invest-ment," he said. "You're telling people that you're here to stay. The campaign is just in the beginning stages, but the parish has really rallied around it."

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Family Shelter honors volunteers

by Margaret Nelson

'No one wants to be homeless," said Daughters of Charity Sister Nancy Crowder's voice on the videotape shown a a volunteer recognition dinner on Wed-

nesday, june 27.

As director of the Holy Family Shelter since 1988, she believes that statement. The home that provides housing, food, job counseling and medical care has been helping families since 1984.

neppig tamuses since 1984.

But she knows she and the staff alone cannot take care of 1,685 people—925 children—as they did during 1989. They depend heavily on their 70 "full-time" volunteers.

The dinner hange of the 1984.

The dinner honored them. "You are the heartbeat of the shelter," said Sister Nancy. She presented awards to volunteers and contributors.

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Sister Nancy "turned the tables" on Cindy Dawson, who is the coordinator of volunteers. Calling Dawson "a gift," Sister pulled out a hidden plaque, sying, "She walked into the shelter and organized the volunteer program. She is very special."

Sister explained that Dawson had planned and coordinated the volunteer dinner herself. She arranged things so that awards, flowers and food were contributed or paid for by donations.

Holy Family volunteers help by prepar ring meals when the cook has days off, Sister Nancy said. They paint, clean, repair and maintain the facilities beyond the mandatory household chores that the residents perform.

Other volunteers babysit with the children when their parents attend parenting classes, serve as tutors and maintain the clothing room.

She thanked Dr. Jack Trippe and his Gennesaret Free Clinic, which has begun providing free medical care for homeless families.

"I will never forget what these com-panies did," said Sister Nancy as she panies aid, said sister ivancy as she thanked four companies for installing air conditioning at the shelter. She cited the firms of Carrier, J.A. House, Apex Ven-tilating and Davis-Huck for making the cinder block building more comfortable and healthful for the families.

Sister said the volunteers "take time from things we think are important to ourselves" in order to help these homeless people to obtain "just a basic level of

Sister Nancy said, "Hopefully, one day we will be out of business.

we will be out of business.

(The new monthly orientation class for volunteers will be held on Saturday, July 14, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the shelter. Those wishing to participate should call 317-635-7830.)



HONOREE—Daughters of Charity Sister Nancy Crowder, director of the Holy Family Shelter, reaches for a plaque to surprise Cindy Dawson, volunteer coordinator for the shelter, at a dinner to honor volunteers last week. (Photo by Margaret Nelson)



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'CONVERSATION BETWEEN HEARTS'

Prayer helps faithful speak to God as a friend

by Jane Wolford Hughes

The shadowy city church was empty except for the old man in the first pew. His suit was green-shiny with wear and age, but a merry look lighted his face.

The priest saw him from the sacristy. The old man was smiling, nodding and occasionally slapping his knee as laughter rolled out of him. The next time the priest looked, the old man was leaving.
"It was nice to hear you laughing," the

riest said as he met him at the door.
"Thanks," the old man replied. "I was telling the Lord some jokes. Most people tell him their troubles but once in awhile I think he needs a laugh.

think he needs a laugh.

My father experienced that same uncomplicated joy in God's company.

In his last years, my father often sat in his leather chair listening to music and "talking

leather chair listening to music and "talking things over" with his unseen friend.

One of my father's favorite musical scores was from "Camelot." He defined his fondness for it in this way:

"As the Lord and I sit here, the lovely images of the title song are like getting a peek at heaven and we smile at each other. But most of all, I am fond of the song 'If

Faith Alive!' concludes series in July 13 issue

Next week concludes the current series "Faith Alive!" articles published each tek in *The Criterion*. The religious education supplement prepared by C lic News Service resumes on Sept. 7.

Ever I Should Leave You,' for the Lord reminds me that this is the way he loves us and that he will never leave us.''

Gerre is a caring wife and mother, an accomplished musician and a dedicated volunteer. Her voice sped along like quicksilver as she told me why the rosary for her is not the bland, rote prayer some

people say that it is.

Gerre described an added dimension of er rosary prayer, which she says before lass each morning.

After reflecting on the mysteries of each decade of the rosary, her generous spirit recalls to mind the following:

"With the first decade, I pray for family and friends, especially those who are ill; for leaders, scientis

ders, scientists and medical personnel.
"The second, I give thanks for the gra en to my family and for the church, the

Eucharist, and forgiveness of sins.

"After the third decade, I ask for single frength for my family to obey God's will, and mercy for those who are seeking freedom or who are alienated.

freedom or who are alternated.
"The fourth, lappeal for compassion for those who are without love, for the mentally and physically handkapped, for the insane and criminals and those who bring violence. The fifth is a general wrap-up specifically for those to die this day, those who call the control of the

the Lord will be with me whatever I do."

The stories I tell here help to reveal what a person says to a friend who is God. They are stories about people for whom prayer is what the writer Father John Shea calls "a conversation between hearts." (Jame Wolford Hughes is an adult religious educator and a free-lance writer. She contributes arricles to Catholic News Service on a regular basis.)



PRAYERFUL—Prayer offers comfort and solace to all persons, regardless of age or economic background. (CNS photos clockwise from top by Mark Hertzberg, United Press International, Catholic News Service and Barbara Ries)

Prayer time can become conversations with God

by David Gibson

Let's face it. Praying can be a problem.
Maybe you know exactly what to say
to God when you're experiencing a major
crisis and really need help. But what
about life's non-crisis m ments? Is prayhard to contend with then? Or is it
dispensable.

hard to contend with then? Or is it dispensable?

Or maybe you never feel that you know exactly what to say to God, even though you think prayer ought to take the form of words' and that you' ought to know in advance what those words are going to be. In that case, finding yourself speechless before God could make you feel

Reducing prayer to emergency requests or to words alone—words uttered in completely smooth, logical order—can contribute to making prayer a problem. Listening, after all, can become a form of prayer, along with simple reflection and contembalation. emplation

Prayer can, of course, be like a conversation with God. The risk is to unduly limit the conversation.

unduly limit the conversation. Are you elated about something right now? Or are you disappointed? Are you happy at some development, or perhaps fearful or puzzled?

Any of those feelings would be the subject matter of an ordinary conversation with a friend. Is it within the scope of prayer?

(David Gisson is editor of Faith Alivel.)



DISCUSSION POINT

Prayer blends with daily living

When do you pray? How do you pray? Where do you

"I'm a quadraplegic. I can't do anything for myself. But I can pray for others. I have lots of people I pray for. They call me up and say. 'Chris, don't forget to rattle your beads.' I pray the rosary, not with my hands but in my head.'' (Chris Mattia, Denville, New Jersey)

"When I obey warmhearted impulses I am praying, and also when I graciously let someone help me. When I smile and cause another to smile, I am praying." (Terri Doktorski, East Brunswick, New Jersey)

"Out on a teeming highway with its risks and dangers, prayers for the safety of all in transit become second nature." (Alice Daily, Indianapolis, Indiana)

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"I pray whenever I need to express my feelings, whether they may be gratitude or the need for comforting, It never matters where I am when I need to pray; what does matter is that I do." (Lucia Vargas, Gainesville, Georgia)

Lend Us Your Voice

An upcoming Faith Alive! edition asks: "In terms of your homelife, what support do you seek from the church?"

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Prayer helps uncover varied life connections

by Fr. Herb Weber

Sometimes we learn from failures

One of the "failures" in our campus ministry became a powerful teacher for me, once I was able to understand it

For several years, our Catholic campus ministry united with several Protestant campus programs to conduct a "Values

and Ethics Week" at our state university.

Each year we lined up speakers on topics like abortion, rock music, the dangers of nuclear arms, or the imperson-alism of high-tech society. We conducted the programs both on and off campus, in seminar style and through lectures, with movies and without.

But the response continued to be poor very poor. I was convinced that the topics were appropriately intriguing for contemporary college students. I couldn't believe their response was merely a matter of apathy

Then one day Father Joe, my associate, casually mentioned that even though our topics were on target they were missing the students in terms of focus

The program appealed to the mind instead of the soul.

instead of the soul.

Certainly there is nothing wrong with addressing the mind at a university. I argued. He agreed, but then reminded me that conversion of the heart takes place out of other hungers, other parmings. So this year we attempted another approach that we now think has great potential. We call it a spiritual wellness program. Basically, it probes the ways that

some kind of spirituality is part of personal

growth.

That means it helps students seek out a driving principle that integrates their lives and gives their lives meaning.

Interestingly enough, as we explored vays to find meaning in everyday life or to handle setbacks, students soon began to look upon prayer as a means of reaching and expressing spiritual health and inte

That elusive attraction known as prayer came to be seen as the way of making some important connections

constantly marvel at the amount of prayer that goes on in the lives of college students. Even more, perhaps, I am intrigued by the many forms of prayer that

One common element, though, is that prayer has to be "real" if it is to remain a part of the life of a young adult. The same

may be true for other busy persons.

Prayer becomes real in this way when it

ows out of a need to go beyond oneself. Our chapel, open 24 hours a day, is a haven for young pray-ers. Frequently, night or day, students stop by to legeel or sit, cry or reflect, thank God, or ask for help

Often they write their prayers in a loose-leaf binder that has been located at loose-leaf binder that has been located at one end of the chapel for nearly 20 years. Whether words of petition or gratitude, most of the written prayers express an effort to reach out to a greater power who is a part of the writer's file.

Sometimes the words reflect a struggiling faith, but always they depict a person who must share his or her world



CONNECTION-Group prayer can connect people with God. (CNS photo)

and God about the daily occurrences in that person's life.

Perhaps it is that connection with real

life that makes prayer real, too.

In the same vein, one young man who had just returned from a retreat told me that the most valuable part of his weekend was when he learned to pray about what was on his mind already.

The ability to take his day-to-day concerns and bring them into his prayer, both by himself and with a prayer partner, left a lasting impression on him.

Books have been written about different ways in which different personality styles

ways in which different personality styles pray. And not surprisingly, sometimes what appeals to someone is not what I would have guessed.

One student who is very current on church happenings, very sociable, and academically sophisticated, regularly can be found with a group of students who have initiated a Tuesday rosary. The student's presence depicts the blending of old and new that sometimes goes on.

Late one night, I sat with about six students in the basement apartment of one

of the participants. Their weekly discussion had officially ended, but several stayed around just to talk

The topic was how they pray

Georgie, the host, picked up a book of meditations that she kept on her desk. She said that reading a little reflection each day helped her keep her own rhythm with God. The meditations often gave her an

insight into life, something that she tried to think about as she walked to class or went

In addition, students often indicate that they have found value in prayer forms that appeal to their whole being. Listening to music ranks high for many young people. (I was amazed to hear how one woman prayed with a Bruce Springsteen lyric.)

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Likewise, use of imagery and even
physical movement often provide channels
for prayer that mere words do not.
Prayer, in many forms, becomes the
connector between persons and God. And
in the lives of these students, prayer helps
to uncover the connections among all the
seemingly disjointed aspects of their lives.
(Father Weber is pastor of St. Thomas More
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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME The Sunday Readings

Sunday, July 8, 1990

Zechariah 9:9-10 - Romans 8:9, 11-13 - Matthew 11:25-30

by Fr. Owen F. Campion

This weekend's first reading is from the prophecy of Zechariah. Although this book is not among the major prophetic works of the Hebrew Scriptures, it has its own eloquence

After the fall of the ngdom of Judah, Jewish governance of the Holy Land effec-tively ended. In any event, the kings, de-scended from David

sevent. the kings, de-scended from David and possessing his special relationship with God, were no longer. From that time onward, pious Jews yearned for the day when the kings stored in glory, and when the kings stored in glory, and when the kings would reign again. The kingdom fell because of conquest from the outside. For centuries, strong neighboring empires ruled God's people, from the Babylonians to the Romans. No observer of the scene at any point in history could have expected the might of the conquerors to fall easily and simply. So they looked for a deliverer. But even a deliverer, or even a future king, would succeed because it would be God's will that he succeed.

succeed.

This week's reading from Zechariah

loks to the arrival of a deliverer. But the

liverer would appear riding an ass. It

build be a modest way to travel, to say the

st. The powerful and the rich could rely

stronger, faster mounts, such as horses.

Soldiers, too, rode horses. The image here is clear. God's champion would come humbly and not in warfare and violence.

For several weeks now, the Liturgy of the Word has presented readings from St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans. The epistle is the source of this weekend's second reading.

Written to Rome's Christians in the first century, the epistle was directed to an atmosphere in which peril lay poised over Christianity. In that era, Rome's official leadership turned against Christianity. The victims of that process were the Roman martyrs, who died terrifying deaths for their beliefs

their beliefs.

The epistle reassured Christians. Their flesh was ultimately unimportant, since it was their spirits that would live eternally. They would have eternal lie in the spiritual order since the Spirit himself was within them and vivified them.

This Spirit within them was the Spirit of Jesus, with whom they were united in baptism, in faith, and in their eternal destiny.

destiny.

St. Matthew's Gospel provides this weekend's Liturgy of the Word with its Gospel reading. St. Matthew's Gospel recalls the Lord's progress through Galilee. As he taught in Galilee, he met many who ignored him or rejected him. Surely many of those who heard this gospel preached for the first time could remember events in which Jesus was scorned, or rebuked, in Galilee.

By way of explanation, then, the story read in this weekend's liturgy contains a prayer spoken by Jesus. As did Jewish prayers of that period, this prayer

commences with a tribute to God's glory and majesty. Then the Lord affirmed his unity with God in terms so intimate and binding that nothing less than the imagery of lather and son could describe majer to those who approach Jesus Anows Cod, and only God knowly Jesus knows Cod, and only God knowly Jesus knows that the control of God's wisdom. It is beyond human grass. Only acress to less:

beyond human grasp. Only access to Jesus provides true wisdom.

By paradox, Jesus then declares that what God has denied the learned and the worldly wise, he has revealed to innocent children. It is a refrain the Gospels often offer. Trust and humility must precede any

In this time, as in the first century and in In this time, as in the first century and in all the years between and before, conventional human wisdom has established standards and rewards. People live by those standards, and they seek those rewards. However, very often those most observing of those standards, and most successful in attaining those rewards, find them useless and unfulfilling. In any event, everyone finds them impermanent.

This weekend's Liturgy of the Word

instructs us in that fundamental fact of life. It is obvious, but the appeal of earthly rewards leads us all to overlook that fact

We are reminded, in the words of the We are reminded, in the words of the Epistle to the Romans, that our flesh one day will die. It will pass away. Our spirits will survive. They will survive in heaven if our turning to Jesus has been sincere enough to admit the Holy Spirit into our hearts and decisions. Then our decisions and actions will be Christ-like. Then we will resemble Jesus in the state of the proceedings of the state of the state of the proceedings of the state of the proceedings of procedings of procedings of procedings of procedings of proc resemble Jesus in our lives, and we will represent him in our surroundings. To pierce the curtain of worldly values

that covers so much of the world's analyses of life, and therefore truly to be wise, means not great intelligence, nor exhausting study. Rather, it means pos-sessing a humble, contrite heart. When we approach Jesus in that humility, we bring ourselves to the revelation of God himself, and in God, to all understanding

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THE POPE TEACHES

Jesus grew in age, grace, wisdom

by Pope John Paul II Remarks at audience June 27

In the "infancy narratives" of St. Luke's Gospel, we read the story of the losing and finding of Jesus during the Holy Family's pilgrimage to the Temple

in Jerusalem.

The Holy Spirit is not explicitly mentioned in this account, but if we read the infancy narrative together with the following chapter, which relates Jesus' baptism in the Jordan by John, we see that Luke describes the whole of Jesus' childhood and youth as being under the guidance and working of the Holy Spirit.

After the return of Jesus to Nazareth,

After the return of Jesus to Nazareth, Luke says that "he increased in wisdom and in stature, and in favor with God and man" (Luke 2:52). From this and other texts, it is clear that there was a real human development as Jesus passed from child-hood to youth, just as is the case for all those born "of woman," as St. Paul says (cf. Galatians 4:4)

Luke also underlines the spiritual growth of Jesus. He says: "And the child grew and became strong, filled with

wisdom, and the favor of God was upon him" (Luke 2:4). When the favor of the Lord "is upon" a person chasen for a special mission, Luke attributes this to Holy Spirit, as in the case of Mary Gf. Luke 1:35) and Simeon (cf. Luke 2:26). The term evokes the transcendence, lordship and intimate action of the one whom we call "the Lord and giver of life."

St. Thomas repeatedly refers to the "growth in grace and in wisdom" in the life of lesus as the grace of the Holy Spirit (cf. Summa Theol. HI, q.106, a.1) and says that "its principal cavae is the Holy Spirit"

that "its principal cause is the Holy Spirit" (I-II, q.112, a.1. to 1.2). However, this fullness of grace in Jesus was in proportion to his age: there was always a fullness, but a fullness that increased with his years. The same can be said of the wisdom which Christ had from the beginning. With the passing of the years the fullness of wisdom

passing of the years the fullness of wisdom correspondingly grew. The ideal of holiness is offered by Jesus to everyone, including children and young people, and the church today, guided by the same Spirit, rejoices in all the heroic young witnesses of the faith who have become striking images of the young Jesus, filled with the Holy Spirit.

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Entertainment

VIEWING WITH ARNOLD

'Total Recall' could be called 'Total Revulsion'

by James W. Arnold

The worst is happening with the Arnold Schwarzenegger movies. They're moving from simple corn beginnings a few years ago to low-brow but high budget horrorshows hooked

on brutality, gore and

At least that's true with Arnold's latest, the \$50-plus million "Total Recall," which also has an advertising budget larger than the economies of some small countries. That adds up to a lot of

small countries. That adds up to a lot of hype, and mucho dollars for spectacle and gross-out special effects. This is a big business movie, and the cash isn't being spent on acting or literary talent.

The predictable result: Arnold's trip to Mars rocketed to the top of the charts in its first week on the market.

"Recall" united Scharzenegger's mus-cles with the bad taste and dark humor of gifted Dutch director Paul Verhoeven ("Robocop"). There is little hope the ("Noncoop"). Inere is intue nope the partnership is an aberration, because the onetime Mr. Universe is now a movie auteur with complete control. His movies make so much money that Arnold picks the scripts and the people, and word is he's delighted with what Verhoeven has done to and for him.

to and for hum.

The movie is a series of chases, explosions and gory combats interrupted by a few patches of mostly foul-mouthed dialogue. (The basic words are used even in relatively calm moments by all sides and genders.) The tone is tawdry. It's not just

action, but outrageous action designed to

Provoke intestinal queasiness.

Verhoeven's style has been aptly described as "mercilessly violent," but don't confuse him with Coppola or Peckinpah, or expect what you get in gangster or cowboy movies. His fondness is for gleefully upsetting conventional aesthetics and

morality.

One way is to go as far as the R rating allows with violent visuals, and then to counterpoint them with rbald verbal jokes. One of many examples: a bad guy is coming at her on all heroin driving a huge tunnel-boring grinding vehicle, grinning and spouting sexual double entendres. But Armie gets to him first with his own drill, withdraws the corkscrew dripping with blood, and says, "Screw you!" That's an audience laught cue.

"Recall" makes a serious effort to be 1990 state-of-the-art in movie blood-and-1990 state-of-the-art in movie blood-and-gore and grotesque horror effects. (Mars is full of mutants.) But it goes beyond that to quirkiness. It will be sure to have soundtrack crunching sounds when Arnie squeezes somebody (so you know a neck or back has been broken), tools for combat are pointed or sharp edged (updated picks and axes), blood gushes and sprays. People break into combat the way they sometimes used to break into song and

sometimes used to break into song and dance in a musical—constantly. Extras are zapped by the hundreds. Verhoeven is with slow-motion While some of this may be routine in today's tougher movies, it isn't usually so

Then there are the sicko extras. The gratuitous disrespect in the ways in which the human body is mangled,



BETSY'S WEDDING—Eddic Hopper, played by Alan Alda (second from left), offers to throw a lavish wedding for his daughter. Betsy, played by Molly Ringwald (third from left) in 'Betsy's Wedding.' Hopper soon finds that he is in over his head and must make comic compromises in a movie that highlights "the pitfalls that often accompany planning a family wedding." The U.S. Catholic Conference classifies the film A-III for adults. (CNS photo from Touchstone Pictures)

torn asunder, (through the makeup skills of Rob Bottin). The use of wisecrack lines, not to make the violence less real, but to undercut the normal revulsion for the horror just witnessed. (One of the two moments of compassion in the film is a joke.)

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Add also the gender aspects. One of the mutants has three breasts, and she will be fondled. Schwarzenegger has two leading ladies (blonde and brunette, which is about the extent of the characterizations). The bad one fights with Arnie, formidably but in one ngms with Arrive, formadably but in vain. Any movie that gives a man the size of Arnold a reason to beat up a woman for our pleasure these days is wickedly irresponsible. Later the women crunch irresponsible. Later the women crunch each other, and a dwarf prostitute adds a few thrills wasting guys in a brawl after disemboweling a key villain.

The story idea isn't bad, since it's apted from a clever sci-fi tale by Philip K adapted from a clever sci-fi tale by Philip K.
Dick (also the source for the already classic
"Blade Runner"). Set in 2084, it's about a
man who buys a fake memory of a vacation
on Mars—don't we go on trips mostly so
we can remember them later?—but discovers that his life on Mars in "real" and
his earthly life is a delusion created by a
villationer yello.

It's a perfect tale for paranoids, and ids to lines like "If I'm not me, who the leads to lines like hell am I?" It also allows for a lot of futuristic magic, like holograms, robot taxicabs, and a terribly campy finale in which oxygen bursts out of the Martian depths and turns the planet into a

But mostly "Total Recall" is a film in love with ugliness and death.

(Extreme violence, language, amoral tone; not recommended.)

USCC classification: O, morally offensive.

Recent USCC Film Classifications

Days of Thunder A-III
Happily Ever After A-I
May Fools A-IV
The Misadventures of nd: A-I—general patronage; A-scents; A-III—adults; A-IV-vations; O—morally offensive.

Documentary gives homage to actor and director

by Henry Herx

Giving homage to a movie actor who became more interested in directing features than in acting in them is "John Cassavetes," a documentary in the "American Masters" series airing Monday, July 9, 9-10 p.m. on PBS. (Check local listings to verify program date and time.)

Three weeks after Cassavetes' death in 1989, British television put together a half-hour overview of his career as an independent filmmaker.

Though he acted in dozens of Hollywood movies and TV dramas, the program is interested only in his body of work as a director—a total of nine films made between 1959 and 1983

Praising Cassavetes and his influence on him as a director is Martin Scorsese, though director Peter Bogdanovich, who started his career writing film criticism, is somewhat more helpful in describing Cassavetes' unique style and "passionate sense of humanity."

Most helpful are the comments made by a number of those who worked with Cassavetes, especially actors Peter Falk and Ben Gazzara, who were his close friends as well as

associates.

In seeing excerpts from some of his best known works, notably "Faces" (1968), "Husbands" (1970) and "A Woman Under the Influence" (1974), viewers can judge the results of his improvisational methods in filming.

The program's last half hour is a BBC documentary that was made when Cassavetes was in London filming "Husbands." It is a fascinating behind-the-scenes look at a

made when Cassavetes was in London filming sbands." It is a fascinating behind-the-scenes look at a director preparing his actors for a scene.

Cassavetes on the set is seen as a dynamic force in

getting the actors to collaborate with him in coming up with the best approach to playing a scene. Though at times he demonstrates precisely how he wants it to be done, he is always willing to talk it over with an actor who thinks it's not right.

Falk characterizes Cassavetes as being less interested in realism than "in emotional moments that were bigger than life." Another of Cassavetes' associates describes his movies as following "an emotional line rather than a story line" and said that he was "not afraid to torture his audience from

deed Cassavetes' best films cut to the emotional bone

which accounts for their lack of popular success more than does the fact that they were done on shoestring budgets. The program perhaps does a disservice by claiming too much for Cassavetes' limited but interesting body of work. He demonstrated the virtue of working outside the studio system, yet was not alone in doing so.

But unlike many of his more commercial colleagues, Cassavetes was an independent who cared deeply about what his craft could achieve. That he is the subject of an American Masters" program is entirely appropria

TV Programs of Note

Sunday, July 8, 8-9 p.m. (PBS) "If Dolphins Could Talk." he fifth season of the "National Audubon Society Specials' opens with a program investigating the extent of dolphin intelligence, the puzzling question of dolphin intelligence, the puzzling question of dolphin die-offs in coastal areas, and an update on what is being done to stop the killing of these mammals in the fishing nets of the world's tuna fleets.

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Sunday, July 8, 9-10 p.m. (PBS) "Piece of Cake." In the first of a sik-part "Masterpiece Theater" dramatization of Derek Robinson's novel about Royal Air Force fighter pilots in the first year of World Warl, II, the 12 young pilots of Hornet Squadron arrive in France in September 1939 to do battle with the better equipped and trained German

Sunday, July 8, 9-11 p.m. (CBS) "The Woman He Loved." Rebroadcast of a 1988 dramatization recounting the story of the romance between U.S. divorcee Wallis Simpson (Jane Seymour) and England's future King Edward VIII (Anthony Andrews) that led him to give up the throne in 1936 to wed her. This is a royal tearjerker for the incurably romantic

Sunday, July 8, 9-11 p.m. (NBC) "A Stoning in Fulham County." Rebroadcast of a drama about a young county prosecutor who fights to bring to trial a group of teen-agers who harassed an Amish family and accidentally killed their infant child. Likely fare for all but the

youngest in the family circle.

Sunday, July 8, 10-11 p.m. (PBS) "Challenge on the Coast." The final program in a rebroadcast of the 1989 "Conserving America" series profiles several environmental disputes over the use of America's coastiline, from a North Carolina fisherman contesting land developers to a Duke University geologist at odds with a fishing community.

Monday, July 9, 8-9 p.m. (PBS) "Fishing in the Himalayas." Following the search of anglers John Balley and Paul Boote for one of the world's great sporting freshwater fish, the mighty "mahseer," is this "Adventure" program which journeys from the lakes of the Kashmir to the rivers of the Upper Ganges.

Monday, July 9, 9-11 p.m. (NBC) "Poor Little Rich Girt. The Barbara Hutton Story." Rebroadcast of a two-part dramatization starring Farrah Fawcett in the title role as the so-called Woolworth heiress who inherits \$42 million at age 21 and then squanders it on a series of worthless husbands-excluding her marriage to actor Cary Grant (James Read), of course. Part 2 airs on Tuesday from 8-11 p.m. Both segments are unsuitable for the young and impressionable.

Tuesday, July 10, 9-10 p.m. (PBS) "Adam Clayton

impressionable. Tuesday, July 10, 9-10 p.m. (PBS) "Adam Clayton Powell" Rebroadcast of "The American Experience" Oscar-nominated documentary on the rise and fall of the charismatic black preacher and controversial U.S. Congressman who served in the House of Representatives from 1945 to 1970.

Tuesday, July 10, 10-11 p.m. (PBS) "On Ice" and "Larry right." The "P.O.V." séries presents two programs, the first a tongue-in-cheek look at cryonics, the pseudoscience of freezing the dead for future revival, and the second a

or reczing the case for future revival, and the second a portrait of a 14-year-old drammer whose stage is a subway platform with an empty bucket as his instrument. Wednesday, July 11, 10-11 p. m. (P85) "Man-Made America: Figure in a Landscape with J.B. Jackson." The founder of Landscape magazine examines the evolution of such uniquely American institutions as shopping malls,

such unquery American institutions as snopping mains, trailer parks, and office campuses, showing how such developments change society and affect people's daily lives. Thursday, July 12, 10-10-30 p.m. (P85) "Kumu Hula: Keepers of a Culture." The Hawaiian hula is the subject of this "Alive from Off Center" program which explores the cultural significance as well as the different styles of a dance

cultural significance as well as the different styles of a dance which dates back to the year 500.

Friday, July 13, 10-11 p.m. (PBS) "Cajun Country: Don't Drop the Potato." Searching for the roots of Louisianas' distinctive bayou culture, the second in the five-part "American Patchwork" series captures a blend of French, black Creole, Native American, and classic Cajun song, dance and storytelling.

(Check local listings to verify program dates and times.)

QUESTION CORNER

Talk to priest about abortion soon

by Fr. John Dietzen

I hope you can help me, because I feel very troubled. I was pregnant and my husband was in the military service. I went to the hospital to have my haby at 6 p.m. and until 10-15 that night I was strapped to the table. The Catholic doctor acted sort of mad and went home because I was so long having the baby. I really had a terrible time. I was scared and didn't

ow what to do

After almost a year, my husband returned home and I became pregnant the same month. I had a different doctor. He stayed until the delivery was over, but I had another terrible

When I became pregnant again I thought I just couldn't stand it. The doctor said he would

I never even thought about it as taking a life. I really thought life began after you had the baby



FAMILY TALK Couple needs to start new life in new home

by Dr. James and Mary Kenny

Dear Mary: My 65-year-old mother lives with us. We do not have any children yet. My mother became a widow 25

not nave any condoren yet. My mother became a widow 25 years ago.
We live on a little farm where my mother spent the first. 21 years of her married life. We lost our farm during the farm crisis. My mother later moved in with us.
She has a big beautiful old home, but it is full of her pet dogs and cats. This home was truly grand, and now it looks awful.

We have good jobs and want to make repairs and start over with our lives, but my mother is resistant. She threatens and may have removed my name from her will because I want to clean and repair the buildings. She refuses to socialize. She refuses to do any household

Siks. That is my job.

My husband and I did all her chores and farm work for

My husband and I did all her chores and farm work for five years. We never received a dime or a thank you.

My cousins work for her. She pays them a wage and takes them to eat. My cousins think she will give them her farm when she dies. They live off welfare.

My mother tells me she hates my husband. I truly lowe my depressed mother and my husband. He's a good decent my depressed mother and my hus man and a good provider. (Iowa)

Answer: I applaud your efforts to respond lovingly to both your husband and mother. You face a host of factors: your mother's failure to accept her husband's death, her preference for your cousins and unkindness toward your husband, and her failure to do household tasks.

In view of all these problems, you and your husband need to review your priorities. You say that you want to fix up your home and start over. These are reasonable priorities. I doubt that you can realize them in your present ircumstances

I suggest you plan to move as soon as possible. You can begin to invest your time and money in a place of

Tell your mother at a time when your relationship is at its best. Tell her you are moving to develop a place you can call your own, much as she had in the early years of her

Do not say anything about the housework, the pets or our frustrated efforts to help her. Simply tell her what you eek as you look toward the future.

This move could change your relationship with your mother. As you recognize, she seems to be immobilized by depression, and your presence has enabled her to live

Now you are leaving. You might become bogged down in guilt and attempt to do everything for her. This would be a mistake. You and your husband need to think through when and how you can help your mother. Perhaps you can offer to help her with housework for two or three hours on

Perhaps you can invite her to dinner at your new home once a week, forcing her to socialize. Plan specifically what you will do for her and stick to it.

Your move might cost you your inheritance. On the other hand, you might already have lost it. Unless you are willing to relinquish it, you will spend your whole married life trying to please your mother.

Your desire to preserve and improve the home of your childhood is understandable and admirable. But the odds are against you. Put your efforts into a new home and a

(Reader questions on family living or child care to be ans in print are invited. Address questions to the Kennys, 219 W Harrison St., Rensselaer, Ind. 47978.)

1990 by Catholic No

I have thought about it and prayed all the time that God Il forgive me. I cannot go to the priest in my parish for will forgive me. I cannot go to the reasons which I cannot explain nov

The only places that I go are to church and to the store as I am afraid I might be in a wreck and be killed. It is a heavy burden on my mind and I can't be myself until I get this straightened out. (Missouri)

A While deliberate abortion is unquestionably a very serious sin, judging from what you tell me in your letter it is extremely doubtful that you were aware enough, or morally free enough, to make what you did a serious,

You may remember the old basic catechism requirements for a mortal sin. It must be a serious matter, there must be sufficient awareness and reflection on the fact that it will be a mortal sin, and one must be emotionally and otherwise free to make an honest-to-God choice.

Judging from your description of the situation, the last two of these requirements are at least in serious doubt.

I suspect, however, that you will not feel this is totally resolved unless you talk with a priest about it personally

This may be in or out of the sacrament of penance, at least to start with

There are other priests in the general neighborhood of your community. If you feel uncomfortable talking with your parish priest, why not try to talk with one of them

I hope you will take my advice. God certainly does not want you to continue suffering this personal anguish over a long-past action.

lease read again carefully what I have said above and

ricase teat again carefully what the table to talk with someone soon.

(Questions for this column should be sent to Father Dietzen in care of Holy Trinity Parish, 704 N. Main St., Bloomington, Ill.

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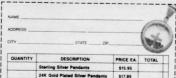
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German church leaders warn against 'outmoded' nationalism

by Meinrad Scherer-Emunds Catholic News Service

BONN, West Germany—In an unprecedented joint statement, divided Germany's church leaders raised the specter of the Nazi era in a warning against the development of narrow nationalism as the country reunites.

olic and Protestant bishops from both sides of the catholic after trovelsant bishops from both sakes of the old Cold War border, in a document released June 26, cautioned against "outmoded nation-state thinking" and said that a united Germany must "find its place in Europe." The churchmen also urged Germany's churchgoers to help those who will be hurt by the process of economic

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reunification, and said spirituality is important to the process of change.

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Europe as well as the dangerous confrontation is coming, as

Europe as wen as the dangerous controllation is confingled we confidently hope to a close," it said.

The statement called the unification process "an unprecedented challenge for all." It criticized "narrow-mided thinking and actions" that would endanger the opportunity to build a peaceful future for Europe.

It is necessary to remember the "burden of the past," the document said, and noted that the division of Europe and Germany was a "consequence of the National socialist dictatorship and the irresponsible unleashing of World War

While expressing an understand current preoccupation with itself Germans to keep larger problems ng of Germany's statement warned mind

"Outmoded nation-state thinking cannot be our objective, the united Germany must find its place in Europe," it said.

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The document said the path toward a united Germany includes "dangers and risks," and compared the situation

"There are risks and the whole body will be affected—and yet often it is the only responsible path to restore health," it said.

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In light of possible unemployment and other hardships in East Germany following economic unification, the statement emphasizes the "important task of the churches and Christians to remain advocates of the poor and weaker

Unification must respect the interests of Germany's neighboring countries, it emphasized. It also said world-wide issues of hunger, poverty and economic justice must be heeded and that government as well as church aid for developing countries must not be reduced, even tem-

poranily.

The statement also said unity is not simply a matter of solving economic problems.

"The reunited Germany and the common Europe are dependent upon strong forces of the spirit and the soul of faith, hope and love," it said.

In a similar move, German lay Catholics issued their own

ent on the reunification process at the end of May.
"Berlin Declaration of German Catholics" said

The "Berlin Declaration of German Catholics" said solidarity among people and nations is vital to building a common future in Germany, Europe and the world.

The lay Catholics—represented by the West German Central Committee of German Catholics, and the East German Common Action Committee of Catholic Christians in the German Democratic Republic and the East German Lay Apostolate—called for intense efforts to overcome poverty and to expand freedom, unity and peace in Europe. Their statement also called for the formation of a European

Their statement also called for the formation of a European federation and for far-reaching disarmament.

The lay statement also urged increased cooperation between Germans and Poles, the confirmation of existing borders between their countries, and increased efforts to end hunger and poverty in the world.

The lay leaders pledged to work. To make the Christian foundation of Europe more visible and effective in the pluralism of values."

House denies funds

by Liz Schevtchuk

Catholic News Service

WASHINGTON-In moves welcomed by Catholic Church officials and other groups, the House of Representatives June 27 denied funding to abortion-backing overseas family planning agencies and decreased military

The actions came as the House voted 308-117 to approve \$15.8 billion foreign aid appropriations bill. The bill still

a \$1.5.8 button foreign and appropriations bull. The bull still needed Senate approval.

The House bill, in "reaffirming U.S. policy against funding organizations that promote abortion in developing nations, is a victory for human life and for good common sense," said Vincentian Father John W. Gouldrick, executive director of the National Conference of Catholic Bishors." Sensessis for But Idea account.

Bishops Secretaria for Pro-Lie Activities.

The House voted to bar allocation of money to the International Planned Parenthood Federation and the U.N. Fund for Population Activities for family planning in Romania. Neither organization has been funded by the U.S. government since 1985, following allegations that the two Support abortion initiatives coverease.

support abortion initiatives owns an algarions that the two support abortion initiatives owns as. Instead, the House approved \$3 million in assistance to Romania—with \$1.5 million to be used for health programs for women and children and \$1.5 million for family planning

carried out by a coalition through the U.S. Agency for International Development.

On another issue, the House voted to cut in half the \$85 million in military aid to El Salvador which had been

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The legislation also provides that the remaining \$42.5 million could be denied under certain circumstances—if the Salvadoran government refuses to negotiate in good faith with the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front rebels it has been fighting for several years; if Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani were to be ousted in a coup; or if progress is not forthcoming in bringing to justice the killers of six.

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Rome meeting strengthened Ukrainian bishops

Catholic News Service

VATICAN CITY—After a two-day papal meeting and a two-hour synod, 10 Ukrain-ian Catholic bishops return to the Soviet Union in a stronger position to negotiate with government and Russian Orthodox

Along with a public recognition of their ministries, Pope John Paul II gave the clandestinely ordained bishops a mandate to redouble efforts to improve their relations with the Orthodox.

Opening the June 25-26 meeting, the pope told the bishops that reconciliation between Christian denominations is "one

of the primary tasks of the church today."
"This obligation is fundamental also for the church of the Ukrainian rite," he told

By calling the Ukrainians to Rome and addressing them as bishops, the pope "gave an assurance to the Russian Ortho-dox that he recognizes these bishops ... and their substantial authority in their homeland," said Bishop Basil H. Losten of homeland," said Stamford, Conn.

The recognition was formalized during a June 27 synod of the world's 29 Ukrainian Catholic bishops at the Vatican.

The synod's ratification of the 10

bishops' positions is expected to be approved by the pope, Bishop Losten said. Before the synod, Archbishop Volodymyr Sterniuk of Lvov, the ranking bishop in the Ukraine, told the pope that without formal re-establishment of the hierarchy, his church would be seen as a disorganized mob, whom no one cares

Some Orthodox leaders he said "mock us with public accusations that hierarchs who have emerged from the catacombs—are not recognized by the Apostolic See, that we do not have onical territories, that we have no rights

and no authority."

Government officials have made similar points when asked about their relations with the Ukrainian Catholics. An official at ne Soviet Council for Religious Affairs in Moscow told reporters in April that the Ukrainian Catholic community is not considered a church, "because a church

must have bishops."

He pointed out that in the Catholic Church bishops' appointment Church bishops' appointments are an-nounced in Rome, and those of the 10 in

the Ukraine were not.

The official made no mention of the fact

that Ukrainian Catholic bishops were imprisoned for exercising their ministries. The Vatican wants a commission it established with the Russian Orthodox

dealing with tensions that have accom-panied the normalization of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in the Soviet Union, Vatican officials told bishops at the meeting.

Archbishop Sterniuk, who interrupted the commission's work by walking out,

indicated a willingness to start again.

The 14 demands he presented to the commission last March seem to have been narrowed to three: legalization of the Ukrainian Catholic Church; recognition that the 1946 synod merging the church with the Russian Orthodox was invalid; and the return of St. George's Cathedral in Lvov

The Rome-based head of the Ukrainian church, Cardinal Myroslav Lubachivsky, told the pope that "despite the difficult path between our church and the Orthodox Church and the injustices we often

Church and the injustices we often suffered, we are prepared to forgive, forget and begin a new way of living together on the basis of truth, justice and love."

Another issue Archbishop Sterniuk raised was the establishment of a patri-archate for the Ukrainian Catholic Church, the largest of the 17 Eastern-rites in union with Rome. Patriarchs head six of those

requested a patriarchate since the Second Vatican Council said that the rights and privileges of patriarchs "should be re-es-

traditions of each of the churches."

The Vatican's answer has been that as

long as a rite's leader is in exile, he cannot be named a patriarch.

A patriarchate would not only recognize the importance of the Ukrainian rite would put its leader on an equal level with the heads of the Russian Orthodox and Ukrainian Autocephalous Orthodox

During a lunch with the Ukrainian bishops June 27, Pope John Paul expressed a willingness to consider the request, Bishop Losten said.

"He didn't say yes; he didn't say no," the bishop said, "but if everything goes

Bishop Losten said that at the end of the meal, the pope "talked about the structure of our church," the number of Eastern-rite patriarchs and the fact that the churches they lead are smaller than the Ukrainian Catholic Church.

Catholic Church.

The pope told the bishops, "once the church is legalized, we can really discuss the establishment of a patriarchate for your church," Bishop Losten said.

Soviet officials have promised the Vatican that the church will be legalized

when a proposed freedom of conscience law is passed. Final approval of the law is expected in September.



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Marian Devotions are held each Sun. at 2 p.m. in Sacred Heart Parish chapel, 1530 Union St. Everyone welcome.

A Tridentine Mass will be cele-brated at 11 a.m. in St. John Church, 126 W. Georgia St.

A Calix meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. at St. Lawrence Church, 4650 N. Shadeland Ave. Mass 10:30 a.m. Call 317-787-9138 for details.

The Active List

The Criterion welcomes announcements of parish and church related activities for The Active List. Please keep them brief, listing event, sponsor, date, time and location. No announcements will be taken by telephone. No pictures, plases. Notices must be in our offices by 10 a.m. Monday the week of publication. Hand deliver or mail to: The Criterion. The Active List, 1400 N. Meridian St., P.O. Box 1717, Indianapolis, Ind., 46206. Citywide Intercessory Prayer Group will sponsor a Morning of Prayer and Intercession from 7 a.m.-12 noon at Alverna Retreat Center, 8140 Spring Mill Rd. Mass, Medjugorje-style rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet. Come for

July 6
Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Central Indiana will celebrate First Friday Mass at 7:30 p.m. in St. Gabriel Church, 6000 W. 34th St. Soup and Bread Supper 6 p.m. Call 317-291-7014 for more information.

A Novena to St. Ann continues with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7 p.m. in St. Ann Church, 2862 S. Holt Rd.

July 6-7

Chatard High School Class of '70 will hold a Reunion. Call 317-984-5791 for more information.

St. Monica Parish, 6131 N. Michigan Rd. will present Worldfest '90 from 5 p.m.-12 midnight Fri., from 10 a.m.-12 midnight Sat. and from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Sun. Forty-booth Art Fair, food of many countries.

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'75 will hold a Reunion. Call 317-924-9703 for more informa-

Fatima Devotions and a FIRE chapter meeting will follow 8 a.m. Mass in St. Nicholas Church, Sunman.

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.

First Saturday devotions to the Blessed Mother begin with 7 a.m. Mass at St. Joan of Arc Church, 42nd and Central. Rosary, pro-

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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 meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St. for a program by Ann Hansen on "Divorce Recovery."

Iuly 10

A Pre-Cana Conference for engaged couples will be held from 12:45-5:30 p.m. at the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St. Pre-registration required; \$15 fee. Call 317-236-1596 for reservations. An hour of prayer and devotion to Jesus and Our Blessed Mother is held each Tues. at 7 p.m. in St. Mary Church, 317 N. New Jersey St. Call 317-786-7517 for more

The Ave Maria Guild will meet at 12:30 p.m. in St. Paul Hermitage, Beech Grove for dessert, coffee and business meeting.

July 11

A Natural Family Planning class will be held from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St. Pre-registration re-quired. Call 317-236-1596. St. Joseph Parish, Corydon will hold its Annual Picnic and Famous Chicken Dinner served 11 a.m. 4 p.m. EDST at the Fairgrounds. Adults \$5.50, children \$2, Quilts, Grandma's Attic, kids' rides.

Catholic Adults Reaching Out (CARO) will hold a Dinner/Social at like and Jonesy's. Meet at 6:30 p.m. at Hill's Dept. Store Plaza, Castleton.



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July 12-14

St. Christopher Parish, Speed-way will present its Annual "Tops in Food" Festival at 5 p.m. daily. Rides, games, bingo.

A Novena to St. Ann continues with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7 p.m. in St. Ann Church, 2862 S. Holt Road.

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July 14

A Life in the Spirit Seminar will be held at Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish, Greenwood. Call 317-888-5970 for details.

A Calix meeting will be held at 8 a.m. in St. James Church, 1155 E. Cameron St. Mass 9 a.m. Call 317-787-9138 for details.

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Supreme Court and abortion: no unanimity or easy answers

by Liz Schevtchuk Catholic News Service

WASHINGTON-To reporters dashing for telephones

WASTINGLION—To reporters casning for telephones while scanning the Supreme Court's just-released abortion rulings June 25, it looked reasonably clear—at first. It seemed the court had voted 6-3 to uphold an Ohio law demanding notification of one parent in teen-agers' abortions but struck down, 5-4, Minnesota's demand for brongared notification.

ro-parent notification.
That was a correct—but incomplete—assessment.
Buried further in the fine print were more details: Four justices, in one opinion, teaming up with a fifth justice, in an individual opinion, subsequently had concluded another version of Minnesota's law is acceptable because it provides

individual opinion, subsequently had concluded another version of Minnesota is law is acceptable because it provides a "judicial bypass."

Thus, far from striking down the Minnesota statute, the court had in fact voted 5-4 to uphold the two-parent notification law—with the judicial bypass. Allowing a girl to avoid parental notification by going to court is known as a judicial bypass. Othio's law also contained such a provision. But the court's two-stage decision-making on the Minnesota law caused confusion, with some pro-lifers immediately castigating the court for what they said was a vote against their cause. By moving first to scuttle Minnesota's strict two-parent-notification rule—only to then approve a second version containing a judicial bypass—the Supreme Court revealed the quirkiness of abortion adjudication, a fact not lost on Justice Antonin J. Scalia. In an opinion accompanying the Minnesota ruling, he wrote that "as I understand the various opinions today:

B"One justice holds that two-parent notification is unconstitutional, at least in the present circumstances, without judicial bypass, but constitutional with bypass.

For in justice would hold that two-parent notification is constitutional with or without bypass.

M"Four justices would hold that two-parent notification is unconstitutional with or without bypass, though the four apply two different standards.

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apply two different standards.

"Six justices hold that one-parent notification with bypass is constitutional, though two for different sets of

"Three justices would hold that one-parent notification with bypass is unconstitutional."

with bypass is unconstitutional."

The problem, he suggested, is that abortion is an issue the court should not be considering at all.

"I continue to dissent from this enterprise of devising an abortion code, and from the illusion that we have authority to do so," he wrote. "The random and unpredictable results of our consequently unchannelled individual views make it increasingly evident, term after term, that the tools for this job are not to be found in the lawyer's—and hence not in the judge's—workbox," he added.

In his opinion in the Ohio decision, Scalia said that he joined with the majority because he agrees that the law neither deprives teen-agers of due process "nor contradicts our holdings regarding the constitutional right to abortion."

But that doesn't mean he finds a constitutional right to

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Constitution contains no right to abortion. It is not to be found in the long-standing traditions of our society, nor can it be logically deduced from the text of the Constitution—not that is, without volunteering a judicial answer to the non-justiciable question of when human life begins."

A dispute over when life should end prompted a similar comment on Scalia's part in his concurring opinion in the Cruzan ruling, handed down the same day.

In its first decision in a so-called "right-to-die" case, the high court ruled 54 against withdrawing food and water from Nancy Beth Cruzan, a young Missouri woman in a "persistent vegetative state."

The high court majority, including Scalia, sided with the Missouri Supreme Court, saying that a state's interest in

preserving life may supersede the wishes of the family in cases where a patient is in an irreversible coma-like state. Scalla wrote in a concurring opinion that although he agreed with the court majority in the Cruzan case. "I would have preferred that we announce, clearly and promptly, that the federal courts have no business in this field."

In his comments in both the abortion and Cruzan courts.

In his comments in both the abortion and Cruzan cas Scalia proposed that the place to resolve such disputes is the nation's legislatures—not its highest court.

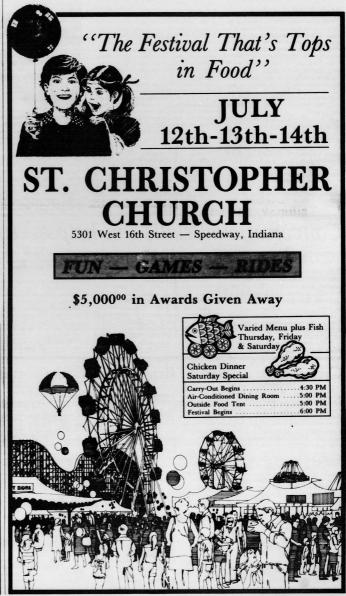
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Ching the "agonizing" questions in dilemmas like that posed by the Cruzan case. Scalia noted that "the states have begun to grapple with these problems through legislation." I am concerned, "he added, that "we are poised to confuse that enterprise as successfully as we have confused the enterprise of legislating concerning abortion."

Whether the court can give up on abortion satisfactor.

the enterprise of legislating concerning abortion."
Whether the court can give up on abortion-related controversies soon, as Scalia advises, is questionable. For the 1990-91 term, the justices accepted a dispute over federal rules forbidding government-funded family planning agencies from encouraging abortion or "disseminating in any way materials....advocating abortion." Pro-lifers see the case as one involving abortion, while family planners contend that free speech rights are at stake.

Once again, the court will get a chance to decide.



Youth News/Views

Teen-age relationships can be real confusing

by Robyn Crosson

There is a difference between love and just a close friendship, but many teen-agers are confused by this difference.

Unfortunately, many teens are being shoved or influenced into relationships that at first appear to be meaningful friendships that could grow into something more. Because of society, however, these friendships are soon labeled as "true love" and quickly become "serious relationships."

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Today teens are told to act their age, yet when they act their age they are told to be mature individuals. And according to some teens, part of being mature is having a relationship deeper than a friendship with someone of the opposite sex.
But the untold or unthought-of part of being mature is becoming capable of

but the untole of untologated part of being mature is becoming capable of handling a relationship with someone of the opposite sex. In other words, if they can't handle it then they should not involve themselves in it. But this is the part that many teen-agers are having trouble with.

A boy/girl relationship during the teen-age years—in my opinion and also in the opinion of many other teens—should be a friendship where they can depend on the other person and share fun experiences. But today, the idea of this is almost

Too many people think that just because their friends have boyfriends or girlfriend Too many people think that just because their friends have boyfriends or girlfriends they must have them also. Then when their friends have deeper friendships or "serious relationships," they feel they must have them also. So in order to be like their friends, they form serious relationships under false pretenses. The one thing that they never consider is that their friends are doing this because they are. It is a rather vicious cycle

When I say "serious relationship, mean a physical relationship usually including sexual contact. In my opinion, on the whole most teen-agers should not be mitting themselves to one person.

For teens today, "true love" is not the definition that it should be. Many teenagers describe "true love" as going out h a person for longer than a m to me, the definition of "true love" is when two individuals who have known each other for a lengthy period of time gradually

While these people are growing closer together, they learn about each others' dreams, goals and ambitions. And not only do these people understand and learn about each others' dreams, goals and ambitions, they also accept each others' dreams, goals and ambitions.

Television does not help clear up the confusion. In fact, it often adds to it. Many confusion. In fact, it often adds to it. Many teens see these soap opera relationships on television and assume that they should do the same kinds of things.

Because teens believe they are the mature individuals they would like to be, they confuse lust with love. So, like on television, they assume that a physical relationship will automatically turn into a mental and emotional relationship.

mental and emotional relationship.

On top of all the natural pressures of teen life like grades, college and acceptance, they must also worry about these false relationships. That creates the added worry of "Does he/she still love met" and "Will he/she love me if I do/do



CONFUSING—Sometimes teen-agers confuse love and friendship, almost like they are wearing blindfolds. These teens were participating in a Catholic Youth Organization leadership program last summer. (Photo by Mary Ann Wyand)

not do this?" It's enough to drive a

not do this?" It's enough to drive a teen-ager crazy!
Today teens are wasting the "best" years of their lives on people that do not have any desire of sharing later years with them. During these years, they should be meeting a variety of people and experiencing a variety of things. Instead, they waste time on one person and miss opportunities to meet many other people.

More young people should listen to the saying "You're only young once." While they are young, they should do all that they can because they might not have time to make up that lost youth when they are older.

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(A junior at Perry Meridian High School, Robyn Crosson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Crosson of St. Barnabas Parish in

Conversational skills can help overcome shyness

by Tom Lennon

Shyness is painful and someone could make a mint of money if he or she had a magical, quick solution to this problem. Normally, however, shy people change gradually. The change is a process, not

So let's get started on making a change. Here are several suggestions to help you gradually feel less shy and more at ease

among people.

In the next week or so, head for the public library. Ask one of the librarians to

guide you to some books on good manners and etiquette. Browse among them, and pick out one or two that seem like they would give you good clues for handling various social situations.

You needn't read these books from You needn't read these books from cover to cover—unless you want to. Instead, look for those situations you are likely to encounter. Etiquette on the telephone, good manners on a date, how to write a thank-you note after a big party, what to do when your girlfriend invites you to dinner at her house—these are a few of

the topics you can look for.

Reading about these various situations

greater assurance and put you more at

shyness.

Try also to change what may be a deep-seated attitude. Stop regarding other persons as threats. Many other people your age are to some extent shy and insecure, whether they admit it or not. They worry about, and fear, many of the same things you do. If you focus on putting them at ease, you will likely succeed in putting yourself at ease. elf at ease.

When you go to a party where there are 20 or 30 people (many of whom you don't

even know), don't feel that you have to relate successfully to every person there. Instead, start with the three or four people you do know. Talk and laugh with them, and perhaps they'll introduce you to some

we people.

And then what? Will you suddenly be brigge-tied and completely at a loss for omething to say? That can indeed be an awkward moment

But you will feel more at ease if, ahead of time, you have equipped yourself with some topics for conversation.

This is not something you can do at the last minute. Make it a point to listen to one or more newscasts a day, and listen especially for those little human interest stories that make their way to the evening news.

Try also to browse in a magazine like Time or Newsweek. Again you don't have to read it from cover to cover. But always check out the sports, music, movies and science sections. There are nearly always some good topics for group conversation on those pages.

Another source of conversation is closer to home. What's been happening with your sister, your neighbor, your parish or around town?

In other words, make a distinct effort to be alive and aware of what's going on in the world around you, and then, naturally,

But stay away from topics that are too heavy. At a party, few people will want to hear about starvation in Ethiopia. That kind of topic is better suited for another time and

Your first earnest efforts at reaching out and making small talk may not shake the universe. But that effort and each succeed-

Little by little, you will become the interesting, relaxed, non-shy person you want to be.

(Tom Lennon writes for Catholic News

Crosson to attend O'Brian leadership seminar

St. Barnabas parishioner Robyn Crosson of Indianapolis will represent western Indiana at the Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation's International Leadership Seminar July 27 through Aug. 4 at Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minn.

She will join more than 200 high school sophomores representing 86 leadership seminars from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and more than 20 foreign countries at the conference later this month

"The Role of the United States in the World Community" is the theme for the international conference. Robyn and other youth ambassadors will have the opportunity to gather a sense of the past while projecting themselves into the future as leaders in the 21st century.

In the tradition of ILS, student ambas-In the tradition of 11.5, student altitudes address with recognized national, regional and local leaders of business, government, education, and the professions on subjects such as transportation, medical technology, communications and media, crime, ethics in business. world food supply, manufacturing, entrepreneurship, the environment, and exploration

During the one-week conference, they

will also experience Americana with a cruise on the Mississippi River, tour a 19th century fort, view a Minnesota Indian PowWow, and attend a Minnesota Twins

The Perry Meridian High School junior earned the chance to attend the international conference during a state seminar for 178 participants June 1-3 at Butler University. She is the Richard Crosson She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Robyn said she plans to pursue a career in business or engineering, but also enjoys writing. She is a student writer for *The Criterion* "Youth News and Views." (See top story on this page.)

At St. Barnabas, Robyn volunteers as a Sunday School assistant and is the young-est lector at the parish. School extra-curricular activities include membership in the Forensic Club, Falcons Against Drunk

Driving, and the girls' golf team.

When he established the youth foundation in his name, actor Hugh O'Brian noted "I believe each man is created as a steward of his own destiny with great power for a specific purpose: to share with his fellow man, through service, a rever-ence for life in a spirit of love."



STATE AWARD-St. Barnabas parish ioner Robyn Crosson holds the Hug O'Brian Western Indiana Leadersh

Apply for College Focus Week

invited to apply for College Focus Week at The Catholic University of America in Washington. It will be held July 29 through Aug. 4.

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attend classes in chemistry, biology, anthropology, politics, drama and English literature.

Participants will also make field excursions, including an archeological dig and a visit backstage at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington. Students will be housed under staff supervision in the university's newest residential complex, Centennial Village, and will eat in campus dining halls. They will also be able to use campus athletic facilities. For more information, telephone 202-319-5115 or write to College Focus Week, School of Arts and Sciences, Room 107, McMahon Hall, Washington, D.C. 20064.

Brebeuf Preparatory School in Indianapolis sent a school record of five competitors to the National Speech Tournament June 172 in San Jose, Calif. Senior Bert Tzeng placed in the top 24 out of over 150 participants in the Student Congress. He was also elected presiding officer of House 3 during the third session. Brebeuf senior Brian Gardiner placed eighth in the

prepara sensor, Bran Gardiner placed eighth in the extemporaneous commentary competition. Junior Sophia Tzeng lasted seven rounds and placed in the top 60 out of 18E Lincoln-Douglas debators. Senior Keith Seay and sophomore Jeff Kulkarni each received nominations for outstanding congressman during their three days of competition. Instructor William Hicks coaches Brebeut's

Youth ministers, teachers and counselors from through-out the archdiocese are invited to attend a Commitment to Wholeness retreat August 34 at the Beech Grove Benedictine Center.

Benedictine Center.

Sponsored by the Catholic Youth Organization, the two-day retreat is designed to minister to those people who continually minister to archidocean youths.

Through group process, lectures, Scripture, sharing and quiet time, participants will focus on centering their lives in God and balancing ministerial time with personal time.

For registration information, contact the CYO office at 317-632-9311. The retreat fee is \$40 per person.

Students from the sophomore and junior classes at Bishop Chatard High School examined "The Role of the Religious in the Catholic Church Today" during religion

Religious in the Catholic Church Ioday" during religion classes at the conclusion of the school year. Guest speakers from the Sisters of Providence and the Little Sisters of the Poor presented information about the life, mission, history and vocation of their orders during the

special programs.

Students received various media resources stressing the service and ministry of the female religious today. Several sisters also discussed their own stones and addressed specific questions about religious life.

The two-day program was coordinated by Chatard religion instructors Nancy Clapp, David Brake and Father Donald Quinn.

Touth group members of St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Bedford enjoyed a variety of activities throughout the year thanks to the planning and organization of the Youth

Board members include Christine Donovan, Jason Endris, Michael Miskuf, Beth McCreary, Jenny Brenner, Jeff Lytton, Brian Platteter, Holly Clampitt, Jeremy Bundy, Bob Kinerson, Cory Plocher and Mary Anne Flynn.

Other members of the youth board are Jacey Hammel, Sherri Jankowski, Elizabeth Pederson, Tricia Jackson, Jeana Stone, Tam Martindale, and Kathleen Flynn. Linda Fitzpatrick serves as youth minister at the parish.

Bishop Chatard High School recently recognized Nick Harmon and Eileen Powell, recipients of the school's 1990 Father Higgins Awards, and John Mueller and Julie Nash, winners of the Joseph Harmon Awards.

Shawe Memorial High School students John Geyman, Eric Armbrecht and former student Missy Worcester were recognized for artistic excellence during a Scholastic Art Show in Indianapolis last spring.

Cardinal Ritter High School graduate Linamor Pajunar of Indianapolis has received an Eisenhower Scholarship Foundation Award in the amount of \$10,000 for under-

roundation Awar in the amount of stylood for under-graduate study at a college or university.

The annual statewide scholarship competition includes essay and speech contests in addition to outstanding academic performance.

Scecina Memorial High School graduate Pamela Sue Mears of Indianapolis will pursue an undergraduate education with financial assistance from an \$8,000 scholarship awarded by the Central Newspapers Founda-tion Scholarship

Hoosier Basketball Magazine has recognized Cathedral High School athlete Ryan Greenwood and Cardinal Ritter High School athlete Elliot Hatcher in their 1990 Boys' Top 40

Recognition was based on statistical evaluation, game observation, and research conducted during the basketball season. Both high school and college coaches as well as sports writers helped with the selection process.

Scecina Memorial High School graduate Annette Roberts was among 12 finalists to be honored with "Circle of Valor" certificates by the Kiwanis Club of Indianapolis.

The award recognizes hard-working students who have overcome adversity in their pursuit of academic

Annette was chosen to represent Scecina in the competition because of her courage in fighting cancer during her high school years.

orial Junior High School student Jill Kelly of Madison earned the top award in the Young Authors Contest for her illustrated book "Morning Glory and the Dream Warriors

Dream Warnors."

jill's book was selected from thousands of entries. More than 87,000 seventh- and eighth-grade students in southern Indiana and Kentucky competed in the contest sponsored by the Louisville Courier-Journal.

Roncalli High School tennis star Ajay Mencias of Indianapolis, named to the Indiana Academic All-State Team earlier this year, closed his athletic career with a top state ranking in the Indiana High School Athletic Association tennis competition

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Protestantism of Latin America?

IS LATIN AMERICA TURNING PROTESTANT?, by David Stoll. University of California Press (Berkeley and Los Angeles, 1990). 424 pp., \$24.95.

Reviewed by Thomas E. Quigicy

A few months ago, as I was waiting to meet with El Salvador President Alfredo Cristiani in his office in San Salvador, I leafed through a fascinating pamphlet, evidently left there by the Full Gospel Businessman's Fraternity, which told of the "miracle" about to take place in El Salvador.

in El Salvador.

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establish his lordship over the country, "the economy will flourish, multinational companies will return to build factories and create jobs, and the violence will diminish miraculously in proportion to the extent that the people support their government.

It's easy to scoff at such pious simplisms, putting them down as a probably harmless form of right-wing religious Rotarianism. But the fact is that they represent one part of the evangelical tidal wave that is sweeping over much of

the evangelical tidal wave that is sweeping over much of Latin American today. Reliable statistics are virtually impossible to come by, but everyone agrees that literally millions of Latin Americans have, in just the last few decades, identified themselves with one or another form of evangelical Protestantism. It's not the 40 percent of all Guatemalians that the 2.5 million figure is meant to suggest, but hardly the 10 percent that official Catholic reporting still tends to use.

Is Latin America turning Protestant? David Stoll in his book answers that it's moving in that direction and will continue if the current evangelical growth rates continue unchecked. But that's much too big an "if" and there are far too many key variables. What is unquestioned is that the religious configuration of the region has changed dramatically, probably permanently, in very recent years

And what Stoll has done, better than anyone else thus far, is to describe the movements and organizations and players that have brought about this change. For this alone, the book is indispensable for anyone trying to puzzle out the much noted, little understood, phenome-

puzzle out the much noted, inthe understood, phenoiner non of the "invasion of the sects."

Written in a sprightly, almost gossipy style, this is a work of first-rate investigative journalism. As social science, and as an analysis of the travails of the Catholic Church in the region, it has its weaknesses, but if one wants to understand "the politics of evangelical growth" (the book's subtitle), this is the one.

(Quigley is U.S. Catholic Conference adviser on Latin America and a student of religion in the region.)

(Available at your bookstore or order prepaid from University of California Press, 1095 Essex St., Richmond, Calif. 94801. Add \$2 for shipping and handling.)

Reading for children

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WASHINGTON (CNS)-The following children's books

are recommended for summer reading:
CHAIN OF FIRE, by Beverly Naidoo, illustrated by Eric
Velasquez. J.B. Lippincott (New York, 1990), 245 pp. 512.95.
"Chain of Fire" is an outstanding novel that tells the story of
a South African village forced to relocate to a black
"homeland." Naidoo tells the tale through 15-year-old
Naledi, who tries to understand why this is happening and
tries to make a difference. Naidoo, author of the
award-winning "Journey to Jo brug," develops sympathetic,
believable characters to whom readers can relate. She uses
adventure, suspense and minimal violence-especially
considering the topic—and intertwines African culture
without making it burdensome to those unfamiliar with the
situation. This book is an excellent way for young people to
kee apartheid and its very real effects on ordinary people.
Ages 11 and up. (8F)

THE DREAM STAIR, by Betsy James, illustrated by

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Ages 11 and up. (BF)
THE DREAM STAIR, by Betsy James, illustrated by
Richard Jesse Watson. Harper & Row (New York, 1990). 28
pp. \$13.95. Outstanding artwork in "The Dream Stair" will
captivate children and adults alike. The story is about what
happens to a young Hispanic girl after her granny puts her
to bed, but the illustrations make the book. Watson combines
Hispanic and Native American images with childhood toys
and unleashes the imagination with his colorful, compelling
illustrations. Some are quite specific; others are almost
surrealistic; all are beautiful. Ages 47. (BF)

SOME OF THE ADVENTURES OF RHODE ISLAND

SOME OF THE ADVENTURES OF RHODE ISLAND RED, by Stephen Manes, illustrated by William Joyce, J.B. Lippincott (New York, 1990). 117 pp. 510.95. Rhode Island Red is a tall-tale hero-part human, part rooster. Manes tells a delightful make-believe tale, complete with bullies, romance and adventure. The dialogue is folksy-fitting for a tall tale—and makes this book wonderful for reading aloud. Some of the puns might go over the heads of younger readers, but all are sure to enjoy this humorous book. Ages 8-12. (BF)

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book. Ages 8-12. (BF)

† BRADEN, Lou Ann, 72, Holy Family, New Albany, June 22. Mother of Chester L. Jr.; grand-mother of five; great-grandmother of five

+ BRANT, Roslind (Gilday), 68 Our Lady of Lourdes, Indi-anapolis, June 22. Wife of William C.; mother of Maryann R. Stiles; ister of Agnes Prieshoff.

† BROWN, Forrest G., 95, St. Mary, New Albany, June 24. Father of Frances M. Oakes and ester P. Jr.; brother of Levelle Tyler; grandfather of eight.

† DAVIS, Arthur C., 88, St. Lawrence, Indianapolis, June 25. Husband of Rose M. Gyer; father of Rosemary Kremp and Betty J. Smith; grandfather of 10; great-grandfather of 19.

+ FREELAND, Walter G., 63, St.

Gabriel, Connersville, June 24.
Father of Barbara Ann Ferguson,
Roberta Sue Campbeil, Elizabeth
Manie Miller, W. Tom and Michael K.; stepfather of Patricia
McTherson, brother of Louise
Hammerle, Darlene Meyer and
Jeanne Devalus; grandfather of
18; great-grandfather of two.

† HAGER, Charles, 80, St. James the Greater, Indianapolis, June 18. Husband of Edith; father of Glenn, Robert, David, Larry, and Virginia Ashmar

† MOON, Lucille M., 84, Our Lady of Lourdes, Indianapolis, June 17. Mother of Frank J. Sr.

† NELSON, David R., June 24. Husband of Bonnie L.; son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E.; brother of Richard E., Rita E. Cameron and Diane R. Daughtery; grandson of

Lenora.

**SCIARRA, Effie A., 79, St.
Ambrose, Seymour, June 17.
Mother of Fred, John, Carmin,
Helen Branaman, Mary M. Fenton, Betty J. Martin and Brenda
Flick; sister of Pete and Guy
Johnson, Jennie A. Schleter,
Earlene Diranachetf and Thelma
J. Frey; grandmother of 18;
great-grandmother of 18;
great-grandmother of 13.

† TERRY, Robert, 77, St. Am Husband of Grace; father of Sandy, and Roberta Baird; grandfather of two.

Please don't call Alaska parishes 'priestless'

by Catholic News Service

ANCHORAGE, Alaska-Archbishop Francis T. Hurley of Anchorage has six parishes and a mission without resid-priests, but he says, "Please don't call us 'priestless.'"

"The church is not the resident priest," he wrote in a recent column. "The church is the entire people."

Besides, the archbishop said, priests still visit parishes

Archbishop Hurley wrote his column for a newsletter published by the Institute for Pastoral Life in Kansas City, Mo., which devoted the six-page issue to the pastoral

Recent movie ratings

NEW YORK (NC)—Here is a list of recent movies rated by the Department of Communication of the United States Catholic Conference (USCC) on the basis

of moral suitability.

The symbol after each title is the USCC rating. Here are the USCC symbols and their mean-

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ins pastoral administrators and other lay ministers. In a cover letter to 9,000 families in the archdiocese, who were sent copies of the newsletter, Archbishop Hurley said, "We are traveling a new road. We are traveling it together.

traveling it together.

His letter said that "the priests, the religious and the laity (were) developing a new style of parish ministry." That, he said, was the necessity "triggered by the combination of the shortage of priests and the large territory to be covered." His archdiocese covers 138,985 square miles.

"The emphasis in church teaching today," his letter said, is "that the laity are to participate actively in the life, worship, prayer and service of the local church," a participation which "is not a consequence of the shortage

Citing that "outgrowth of the new understanding" from the Second Vatican Council, he said, that "new style manifests itself in two significant ways: full-time, lay parish administrators and special Communion services."

The Communion service is led "by the administrator or one of the parishioners on Sundays when a priest is not available," the archibishop's letter said.

"For some this is a difficult adjustment, but with

adequate instruction and repeated experience the people see the benefit of Communion and learn to appreciate the distinction between a Communion service and the Mass which the priest offers," he wrote.

"Many parts of the country are only now learning to cope with the shortage of priests," the archbishop wrote in his column.

"When I speak to parishes that have a priest only occasionally," he wrote, "I remind them of three components of parish: the word, the Eucharist, the community of faith."

Sister Brenda Aiken, a member of the Sisters of Mary, Anchor of Hope, is the archdiocesan coordinator of pastoral administrators. Five of the parish administrators are nuns, one is a laywoman and there is one parish coordinator, also



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New document tells dissenters to remain silent

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Joseph Ratzinger, head of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, and approved by Pope John Paul II. It was addressed primarily to the world's bishops and theologians.

aouressee primarily to the works a bisnops and theologians. The instruction was prepared during a period of troubling theological dissent. Last year, 163 German-speaking theologisan issued a declaration criticizing the way bishops and theology professors were appointed and challenging the use of papal authority on the birth control issue. The declaration was later endorsed by groups of

issue. The declaration was later endorsed by groups of theologians in other European countries.

The document distinguished between doubts of private theological inquiry and open disagreement or criticism expressed in the mass media or by organized groups. It used the term "dissent" in the latter case, meaning "public opposition to the magisterium of the church." Individual theologians may raise questions about church teachings, the instruction said, although willingness to "submit loyally" to the magisterium—the church's teaching authority—on all matters should be the rule. A theologian's mergin of action is tiefd to the type of church teaching authority—on all matters should be the rule. A theologian's margin of action is tied to the type of church teaching involved, it said.

The document described a hierarchy of church

►Infallible declarations, which require of theologians the therence of "theological faith."

▶Definitive teachings on faith and morals, which "must be firmly accepted and held." Non-definitive pronouncements about doctrine, which

call for "submission of will and intellect. ►Interventions in issues under discussion, which are sauthoritative but which still call for an attitude of assent. ▶ If a theologian reaches a different opinion and cannot tive his "intellectual assent" to a church teaching, he must 'remain open to a deeper examination of the question," the

This can be a "difficult trial," it said, representing "a call to suffer for the truth, in silence and prayer." The theologian should know that "if the truth really is at stake,

theologian should know that "if the truth really is at stake, it will ultimately preval."

"In cases like these, the theologian should avoid turning to the "mass media," but have recourse to the responsible authority, for it is not by seeking to exert the pressure of public opinion that one contributes to the clarification of doctrinal issues and renders service to the truth," it said.

The document elaborated on this point in its longest section, titled "The Problem of Dissent," which condemned the "serious harm" done to the church by "attitudes of cases all consisting to know the saching."

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The instruction stressed that there is no room in the church for an organized challenge to its teaching authority. This kind of dissent cannot be justified by arguments in favor of theological pluralism, human rights or the conscience, it said.

"To succumb to the temptation of dissent," it said, "is to allow the 'leaven of infidelity to the Holy Spirit' to start to

The document said dissent shows up in the claim that theologians are not bound to follow any magisterial teaching unless it is infallible. To consider the teaching of the church as "one theology among many" is likewise mistaken, it said. For one thing, the "divine assistance" given the magisterium gives it a validity beyond its argumentation, it said. Any "parallel magisterium" worked out by theologians can do "great spiritual harm," it said. "It weed, when dissent succeeds in extending its influence to the point of shaping a common opinion, it tends to become the rule of conduct. This cannot but seriously trouble the people of God and lead to contempt for true authority," it said. The document said dissent shows up in the claim that

The instruction rejected the view that a dissenting opinion can somehow be validated if it is held by a large number of Christians—an expression of the "sense of the

faith."

"Not all the ideas which circulate among the people of God are compatible with the faith. This is all the more so given that people can be swayed by a public opinion influenced by modern communications media," it said.

Because of the church's hierarchical structure, standards of democratic conduct cannot be "purely and simply applied" to its workings, the document said. Nor can "relationships within the church be inspired by the mentality of the world around it."

It gave examples of this mistaken approach: "Polling public opinion to determine the proper thing to think or do, opposing the magisterium by exerting the pressures of public opinion, making the excuse of a 'consensus' among theologians, or on' maintaining that the theologian is the prophetical spokesman of a 'base' or autonomous community, which would be the source of all truth."

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All this would result in a "grave loss" of the sense of truth and the sense of the church, it said.

The document said that dissent, in its most radical form, aims to change the church by following a political model of protest.

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The instruction defended the church's right to discipline theologians whose opinions are not compatible with its teachings—for example, by removing a theologian's teaching mandate or condemning his or her writings.

teaching mandate or condemning his or fer writings. The instruction said that within particular churches, it is the bishop's responsibility to be vigilant over theological work and judge whether or not it conforms to church teachings. Dialogue should prevail whenever tensions arise between a theologian and the magisterium, it said.

The document said arguments that appeal to the "obligation to follow one's own conscience" cannot be used to justify theological dissent. It said conscience is "an act of moral judgment," and "not an independent and infallible faculty" that can judge the truth of a doctrinal pronouncement:

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The instruction warned that "setting up a supreme magisterium of conscience in opposition to the magisterium of the church means adopting a principle of free examination" of church teachings. This is incompatible with a correct understanding of the role of the theologian, it said.

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