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## First seminary collection set for June 2

Educational expenses for ministry personnel now comprise about 10 percent of that office's budget

By Margaret Nelson

On June 2—for the first time—the parishes in the archdiocese will devote a second collection to seminary education.

On that same day, the faithful are being asked to pray for vocations to the priesthood and offer spiritual support to priests.

It has been an archdiocesan tradition for the Easter collection to fund the work of vocations, priest personnel and ministry to priests. For many years, it helped support the Latin School, and seminarians in St. Meinrad and other seminaries.

In the meantime, seminary education has become more expensive, programs for priests were expanded and, in 1991,

a new lay ministry personnel department was added.

According to Father Paul Koetter, archdiocesan vicar for ministry personnel, the educational expenses for seminarians, priests and lay leaders "have skyrocketed," comprising 10 percent of the budget. This led the Council of Priests to recommend a change in funding for the Ministry Personnel Office.

Their recommendation—that the Easter Collection share be returned to the parishes and that the support of the Ministry Personnel Office be accomplished through an annual assessment and a second collection for vocations on ordination weekend—was ratified by the Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein.

This year, education for seminarians will run between \$350,000 and \$400,000, Father Koetter said.

The scope of ministry to priests has expanded since Benedictine Father Hilary Ottensmeyer began that new office in 1977. A program, offering sabbaticals to priests every seven years, was added in 1978. In the late '80s, a wellness program was provided, so that priests could pursue better health care.

"We continue to put efforts into promotion of vocations," said Father Koetter. "And we continue to try to support students in the seminary."

At the graduate level, he said, "That means \$15,000 to \$16,000 a year—with no money to play with. If we send one priest off for a post-ordination degree, that means about \$35,000 for educational expenses. And we have to give salaries if priests are between assignments or unable to serve."

The Lay Ministry Personnel Office oversees the parish life coordinator and the pastoral associate programs. There are six PLCs serving now and about 55 pastoral associates.

Father Koetter said that the Easter collection could no longer meet the ministry personnel needs. But cutting the budget

would mean saying no to the seminarians or telling incapacitated priests they must work. Keeping the Easter collection gives the parishes some help with their cash flow, he said. The office has tried to assess parishes fairly.

He hopes the additional costs can be met with the second collection. "This year, we're hoping to collect \$250,000. We think it's achievable. It's people's way of saying, 'Yes, I want to support seminary education.'"

One priest, Gregory Bramlage, will be ordained this year on June 1. Next year, there will be four men ordained for the archdiocese. Twenty-nine are currently studying for the priesthood, with 10 expected to go to the seminary in the fall.

Generally, seminarians pay for their own college expenses, since that degree is transferable. "We evaluate each person according to need. Everybody is assured a chance to go, but we advise them to apply for all the financial help they can," said Father Koetter.

The archdiocese picks up everything at the theology level, because that will probably not transfer into job credentials, said Father Koetter. "If a seminarian has a \$30,000 debt for theology, he's going to

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## Deacon Gregory Bramlage to be ordained to the priesthood June 1

On June 1, Gregory Donald Bramlage will be ordained to the priesthood for the Indianapolis Archdiocese by Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein. The ordination will begin at 11 a.m. at St. Peter and Paul Cathedral.

Deacon Bramlage is the son of Donald and Emma Bramlage of St. Anthony Parish in Indianapolis. His father is on the advertising staff of *The Criterion*.

On May 6, 1995, the archbishop ordained Bramlage to the transitional diaconate at Mount St. Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

The new Father Bramlage will celebrate his First Mass at St. Anthony Church at 1 p.m. on June 2 with Fathers John Ryan and Joseph Schaedel concelebrating. The new priest's cousin, Msgr. Don Hellman from the Diocese of Covington, Ky., will participate, as will Fathers Chad Wilhelm, Dan Wilder, Kevin Rhoades, and Lee Gross from the Maryland seminary.

Bramlage worked while earning a degree in business administration from Marian College and for two years before deciding to study for the priesthood. (A complete profile is on page 3.)

Rev. Bramlage earned his master of divinity degree in moral theology from Mount St. Mary this year.



Deacon Gregory Donald Bramlage

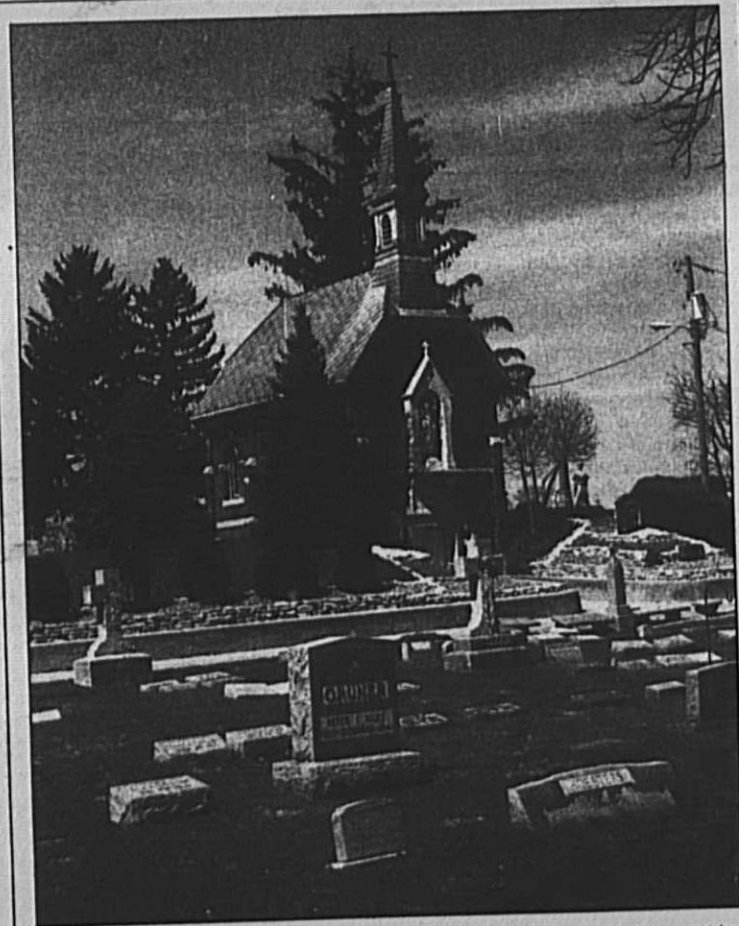


Photo by Margaret Nelson

Those who visit Catholic cemeteries on the Memorial Day weekend will see reminders of days gone by, like St. Joseph Chapel in St. Joseph Cemetery in southside Indianapolis.

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## Seeking the Face of the Lord

Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein, O.S.B.



# Why do we need the diocese?

On May 8th I participated in the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Diocese of Memphis. Both the second bishop, Archbishop Stafford of Denver and I, the third bishop, were delighted to join Bishop Terry Steib in the celebration of a vibrant young diocese. Two thousand representatives from all of the parishes gathered. It was clearly a celebration of unity.

The diocese was founded in 1971, being separated from the Diocese of Nashville which had covered the entire State of Tennessee for about 100 years. Having been so distant from the See City for so long, parishes in West Tennessee were very independent and tended to think of themselves virtually as independent churches. There was a natural proclivity in that direction because most churches of other faith traditions in that area were and are independent. It took a while for the young Diocese of Memphis to develop an identity as a diocese. We worked hard at it and it was great to experience the joy, enthusiasm and pride with which the folks celebrated their larger identity and unity two weeks ago.

Our archdiocese is a lot older than the young Diocese of Memphis and we embrace a different cultural experience. Yet, understandably, some of the parishes and missions of the archdiocese which are most distant from the See City also struggle to understand themselves as part of the larger church, the archdiocese. Also, because we as Catholics are a minority church in Indiana, we can unwittingly take on the sense of an independent identity like neighboring churches of other faith traditions. Another factor sometimes causes an isolationist mentality for us: because so many of our parishes are experiencing growing pains it is easy to become preoccupied with parish challenges and lose sight of the larger mission of the church.

At the anniversary Mass in Memphis, Bishop Steib chose a quotation of each of us previous bishops. For mine he chose a quotation from a pastoral letter which I wrote titled "The Diocesan Church": "A bureaucratic office is not the church. A voluntary federation of independent 'corner congregational churches' we are not. Diocese is the term the church gives to a local or 'particular Church.' This means that the diocese is not simply a segment of the wider universal church, but a concrete realization of it; it is the whole church made visible here and now in this place called West Tennessee."

I still remember people in Tennessee saying to me, "I can see why we need a bishop, but why do we need the diocese?" In my pastoral letter I wrote: "The primary unit of the church is the diocese. The universal church is the communion of all the local churches, the dioceses of the world. I am not the bishop of an office or building. Together, all of us, the Catholic bishop, clergy, religious and lay people of West Tennessee are the Catholic Diocese of Memphis. By God's grace and papal decree we are the people of God made visible as the apostolic church here and now in West Tennessee."

Of course, everything I wrote six years ago about the Diocese of Memphis applies to our Archdiocese of Indianapolis and any other diocese. Here too, in central and southern Indiana, some people think of the archdiocese primarily as an administrative division: An archbishop in charge of a certain number of parishes and priests in a given geographic area. Or others think of the archdiocese as "that office at 1400 N. Meridian in Indianapolis."

The Catholic Church is a composite of many faces, of all peoples of every race, language and way of life. The Second Vatican Council reminded us that all people are called to belong to the people of God, the body of Christ. The universality of the church is a gift of God and shows the work of the Holy Spirit. From this characteristic of universality the church takes its name: *Catholic*, from the Greek which means both "universal" and "whole." Our church is not isolationist or sectarian. We try to be for everyone and partial to no one. Every Sunday in the Nicene Creed we pray, "We believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic church." The church must be all of these. In a way, the church's "catholicity" captures the meaning of "one, holy, catholic and apostolic."

In order to achieve this marvelous catholicity, to truly be one, holy and apostolic, the universal church has been formed by God down through the centuries as a communion of particular churches called dioceses headed by successors to the apostles. As an archdiocese we are many faces, but together we worship and together we serve.

## Editorial Commentary/John F. Fink, Editor

# The important election in Israel next Wednesday

A very important election will take place next Wednesday, May 29. The results will have a vital effect on peace in the Middle East. It's not an election in this country but in Israel. For the first time in its history, the Israelis are having a direct election of that country's prime minister, either the Labor Party's Shimon Peres or the Likud's Bibi Netanyahu.

And everyone is trying to get in on the election. Those who are opposed to the peace process in the Middle East are doing their best to defeat Peres, the present prime minister since the assassination of Yitzhak Rabin. Extremists among the Arabs, although only a small minority, are opposed to the peace process because they still hope they can turn all of Israel into a Palestinian state. They hope that, through terrorist acts, they can make the Israeli people mad enough that they will become disillusioned over the peace process and will elect Netanyahu because he is perceived as being tougher.

Extremists among the Israelis also want to elect Netanyahu because his party is committed to preventing a Palestinian state in the West Bank and in favor of expanding the Jewish settlements in the Occupied Territories. So the extremists on both sides have the same goal—the defeat of Peres.

Things are very tense in Israel now. News reports have taken to starting their broadcasts with, "Nothing has happened—yet," and the people know what

that means. They're expecting more bombs to explode. Perhaps between the time this is written and you read it, something will have happened.

Peres has had to try to demonstrate that he will not give away the state in order to bring peace, so he has tried to get tough. The result has been severe restrictions on Palestinians in and out of Jerusalem, including Christian Palestinians. But if Peres loses, it seems assured that those restrictions will soon become more severe.

For his part, Netanyahu has tried to play down his party's platform by saying that he will abide by the Oslo peace accords. But if he is elected, he would almost be forced to turn the clock back on the peace process in order to hold onto the members of his party.

Most of the Israeli people, as well as most Jews in the country, say that they are in favor of the peace process. The U.S. government has given as much support to the process as it can, including the sometimes dubious attempt to get Syria to join in. At last count, Secretary of State Warren Christopher had traveled to Damascus 17 times to try to get Syria's Hafez Assad to cooperate.

Seldom does an election have as much riding on it as does this one, and seldom are the candidates so diametrically opposed to one another. For the sake of peace in the world, we should hope and pray for a Peres victory.

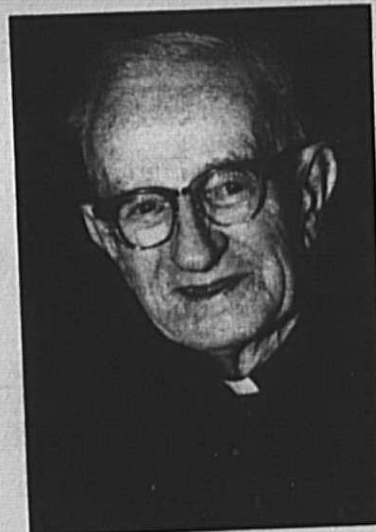
## Fr. John Bankowski dies at 94

Father John A. Bankowski, who had been the oldest priest of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, died May 18 at St. Augustine Home in Indianapolis, where he resided. He would have been 94 on June 21.

A funeral Mass was at St. Augustine Home on Tuesday. Another Mass was celebrated at St. Anne Church in Jennings County on Wednesday. Father Bankowski was buried in St. Anne Cemetery in Jennings County.

Father Bankowski was ordained in 1937 and served five years in the Archdiocese of Louisville. In 1932 he became administrator of St. Mary Parish in Sullivan and was named pastor there in 1937. He was pastor of St. Vincent in Shelby County from 1941 to 1949 when he was made pastor of St. Rose of Lima, Franklin. He served there until 1957 when he was named pastor of St. Michael in Cannelton. He retired in 1973.

He is survived by a brother, Peter Bankowski, and a sister, Gertrude W. Heideman.



Father John A. Bankowski

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Augustine Home.

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have trouble picking that up later."

Father Paul Etienne, director of the vocations department, is asking people in the archdiocese to commit prayers for priests and seminarians on June 2, the Annual Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Spiritual Support of Priests.

Brochures have been distributed to the parishes with space for pledges of daily

## Memorial Day Mass set at noon Monday

The annual Memorial Day cemetery Mass in Indianapolis will be held at noon on Monday, May 27, at Calvary Chapel in Calvary Cemetery at 435 W. Troy Ave.

Father Joseph Schaedel, archdiocesan vicar general, will be the celebrant. The public is invited.

or weekly: vocations prayer, Mass, the rosary, scriptural meditation, eucharistic adoration and Stations of the Cross. There are lines on each folder to name the priest or seminarian being prayed for. The faithful are asked to fill out duplicate portions and return them with their Sunday offerings.

"We're encouraging people to pray for vocations as well as pray for the seminarians and priests," said Father Etienne.

A "Prayer for Vocations" is included: "Lord, grant to our young men and women the generosity necessary to follow your call and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocations. Give to parents that faith, love and spirit of sacrifice that will inspire them to offer their children to God's service and cause them to rejoice in their call. Let your example and that of your Blessed Mother and St. Joseph encourage both children and parents, and may our (parish) archdiocese encourage and support them with our prayers."

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## Masses scheduled for 500 Mile Race fans

Special Masses have been scheduled for Catholics who will be attending Sunday's 500 Mile Race.

The first race day Mass at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway will be at 6 a.m. Sunday at the end of Gasoline Alley. A second Mass for race fans will be held on the north side of the Speedway Hall of Fame Museum at 7 a.m.

Nearby St. Christopher Parish has changed its Mass schedule to have three anticipation Masses on Saturday: 4, 5:30, and 7 p.m. The only Sunday Mass at St. Christopher will be at 5:30 p.m.

At St. Michael the Archangel Parish, also near the track, no Masses are scheduled for Sunday. The Saturday Masses will be 4, 5:30 and 7 p.m.



# Enthusiasm for faith drew Bramlage to priesthood

By Margaret Nelson

Deacon Greg Bramlage is now 32. He didn't seriously think about becoming a priest until about seven years ago.

"In growing up, a priestly vocation never entered my mind as an option. I always wanted to be married."

Bramlage will be ordained to the priesthood by Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein at 11 a.m. on June 1 at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral.

It was the "contagious" enthusiasm of the late Father John Elford that sparked his interest in a religious vocation.

In fact, the priest recommended young Bramlage's name to the archdiocesan Call by Name program. Several lay people also asked him to consider a priestly vocation, adding that they were praying for him.

"Father Elford had it in mind that I was meant to be a priest and he slowly unveiled this idea to me," said Bramlage.

The St. Joseph pastor discussed religion with the young man in a "comfortable" way. "If it weren't for him, I wouldn't even have considered the priesthood," said the ordinand.

But the priest's example was what drew Bramlage closer to God. Once arriving early for a meeting, the young parishioner found his pastor praying before the Blessed Sacrament. Father Elford asked him to join him.

"His example stood out to me." Bramlage was inspired by the way the priest answered questions while he taught catechism. "He welcomed any and all questions and he answered them with great joy and love for God's truth," he said.

When he learned that his pastor had submitted his name as a possibility for a religious vocation, "I sat down and talked with him. He convinced me to at least get in the seminary. I decided to take one step at a time," said Bramlage.

"His enthusiasm for the faith, the

church, and the priesthood were very contagious. Because I knew him to be such a sincere and holy priest, I believed that God spoke through him," he said.

After Father Elford died in 1991, Father John Ryan became administrator at St. Joseph. After that Bramlage started attending the parish where Father Ryan was pastor—St. Anthony.

"Father Ryan took over nurturing my vocation. While I was away at the seminary, he prayed for me," said Bramlage. "He helped keep me going."

Father Ryan kept up with Bramlage's progress and gave him liturgical ministries to perform during his seminary breaks. "Last year, he flew to Maryland to vest me with stole and dalmatic at my diaconate ordination. His personal interest and priestly example have helped me tremendously during the past five years."

In fact, Bramlage said, "God nurtured my vocation from the very beginning by placing certain devout people in my life, like my family, relatives, and friends. I was always surrounded by Catholics who loved God and put him first in their lives."

The rector at the seminary, many of his professors, and "many other good priests and religious" have helped him through the years, he said.

Bramlage did not attend any Catholic schools until he went to college, being a graduate of Ben Davis High School in Indianapolis.

At the seminary, he found that he was "no longer the exception, but the rule. We had a professional football halfback, all kinds of people—doctors, lawyers, a submarine engineer—anything but the traditional young man."

Bramlage said that the average age of seminarians at St. Mary is 30 to 32.

The deacon said he brings a total dedication of himself to the priesthood—"to do whatever God asks of me."

"I felt secure in God's call to the priesthood after my first parish assign-

ment" when he had been in the seminary two years.

But he said, "The day I knew for certain I was called to the priesthood was May 6, 1995, the day Archbishop Buechlein ordained me to the diaconate."

"It didn't sink in until the next morning, when I woke up and realized that I now belonged to God 100 percent," said deacon Bramlage. "It was a great feeling, knowing that God had chosen insignificant me to do something so special for him as being his priest."

Bramlage said that his father, mother and sisters "are the biggest and most constant nurturers of my vocation. They've always been there to build me up and cheer me on."

His father, Don Bramlage is now on *The Criterion's* advertising sales staff. When Greg was younger, he worked for the transportation company his father owned at that time.

After earning a bachelor of arts degree in business administration from Marian College in Indianapolis, Bramlage worked in Fort Wayne for a national moving company. Then he came to Indianapolis to work as packing department supervisor for the local distribution center of a national discount department store.

"I learned from the family business how to sacrifice my own desires for the common good of the family. We each learned to depend on the other without counting the costs," said the ordinand.

He believes his experience there—doing everything from washing trucks to working as supervisor—and his three years in the business world after college will be valuable to his work as a priest.

"The business was a real blessing because my sisters, parents and I are now closer than ever before," he said.

"The church is my new family. I can see the importance, as well as the benefits, of a priest sacrificing himself for the good of the church," said Greg Bramlage.

## Office informs parish leaders about political responsibility



Photo by Margaret Nelson

Charles Schisla (third from left), director of public policy information for the archdiocese, meets with leaders of the North Deanery of Indianapolis to discuss guidelines on political lobbying and electioneering.

Charles Schisla is the director of the Office for Public Policy Information.

That means he's there for the pastors, parish life coordinators and staff members of parishes—to provide the church's position on political matters.

Because of the national elections this year, Schisla has arranged a series of meetings this spring—usually making presentations at the already-scheduled deanery gatherings of leaders throughout the archdiocese.

Schisla said he wants to promote increased awareness of the church's role and the need to have its voice heard in the public policy arena.

Without stating political preferences, leaders are being asked to encourage their parishioners' participation in the political process.

In addition to using various state and national materials, he prefers to tailor his presentations to local situations.

One of the reasons Schisla feels it is necessary to inform the leaders is that representatives of groups calling themselves Catholic and Christian have been asking to distribute their political materials through the parishes.

"These groups want to use the Catholic voice," said Schisla. "What we want to do is use our own voice. At these meetings we can find out how best to do that."

The position of the 30-year Indiana Catholic Conference (ICC) is that no political literature should be distributed in parishes without the authorization of the ICC. Schisla gives parish leaders ICC brochures outlining its guidelines for lobbying and electioneering.

Before the fall elections, the PPI director will also distribute ICC literature with information on the candidates' positions on selected issues and the voting records of state legislators.

"We want to build and informed resource base," he said. "We are asking interested parishioners to help identify those who are involved in the issues and to gather profile information on state and federal candidates from their areas."

Schisla said that he has been meeting with the leaders of the archdiocesan agencies whose outreach ministries impact and are impacted by public policy decisions.

Those who have questions about the Church's role in building public confidence and participating in the political process are asked to contact Schisla at 317-235-1591.



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of*

*Gregory D. Bramlage*

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From the Editor/John E. Fink

# Where traditions about Mary come from



My column in the March 22 issue about where some of our traditions about St. Joseph came from seemed to generate interest. So, since we're in the month of May, Mary's month, I thought I would do the same about her.

We know a little more about Mary than we know about Joseph, but not much more. She appears in all four Gospels, but is mentioned by name only in Matthew and Luke. In Mark there's the episode where Jesus' mother and brothers arrive outside. When he is told they are there, Jesus asks, "Who are my mother and brothers? Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother." That's Mark's only mention of Mary.

John's Gospel's treatment of Mary has always puzzled me. He tells us that, while Jesus was hanging on the cross, he entrusted Mary to "the disciple Jesus loved" (always assumed to be John) and that "from that hour the disciple took her into his home." Yet nowhere in John's Gospel does he tell us what Jesus' mother's name was. And the only other mention of Mary in John's Gospel was at the marriage feast at Cana where he performed his first miracle at his mother's request. In both instances, Jesus addresses his mother as "woman," as in "Woman, behold your son" and "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." If Mary lived with John after Jesus' death, why wouldn't he have been the one to tell us about Jesus' birth since Mary could have told him about it? Instead, the infancy narratives were written by men who, so far as we know, never met Mary.

Much of what the church has come to accept about Mary is not in the Gospels but in what was eventually declared to be an apocryphal account—"The Gospel of James." The early church decided that this account wasn't divinely inspired. However, that doesn't mean that everything in it was wrong.

It was from the Gospel of James that we learned that Mary's parents were Joachim and Anne. And those of you who have been to the Holy Land can tell me exactly where they lived because every tour takes pilgrims to the Church of St. Anne by the ruins of the Pool of Bethesda in Jerusalem. You can walk down to the crypt of the church to what is claimed to be the site of Mary's birth. According to tradition, Mary was born in Jerusalem and her parents were people of means.

The very first verse of the Gospel of James says, "Joachim was a very rich man."

This apocryphal gospel also claims that Mary was presented to the Temple by her parents when she was 3 years old, in thanksgiving for her birth after they had been barren for many years. According to this account, she lived in the Temple until her betrothal to Joseph. And somewhere along the line Mary decided to remain a virgin all her life.

The canonical Gospels of Matthew and Luke, and the apocryphal Gospel of James all differ about where Mary lived at the time of her marriage. According to Luke's Gospel, the angel Gabriel appeared to Mary in Nazareth. According to Matthew's Gospel, Mary and Joseph lived in Bethlehem. According to James' Gospel, it was in Jerusalem. The truth is that we don't know which is right. But all three accounts agree that Mary conceived Jesus by the Holy Spirit before she started to live with Joseph.

Only the Gospel of James, though, gives Mary's age at the time, although there's a discrepancy. When the priests start looking for a husband for her, it says that Mary was 12, but at the time of the Annunciation and Visitation (the Gospel of James has both) it says, "And Mary was 16 years old when all these mysterious things happened."

In the column I wrote about St. Joseph, I quoted the Gospel of James' account of Jesus' miraculous birth, preserving his mother's physical virginity. Matthew and Luke don't mention it, but the church has always taught that Mary remained a virgin during the birth.

The only Gospel that tells of the flight into Egypt is Matthew's. Luke has the Holy Family returning to Nazareth peacefully after his presentation in the Temple. James says that, when Herod's soldiers came to kill Jesus, Mary hid him in an ox-manger. That gospel then ends with the slaying of John the Baptist's father.

Luke and Matthew's Gospels both agree that Jesus was reared in Nazareth. Today visitors to that village still see the well in the middle of the city used by Mary to get water for her family. In Nazareth, too, is the magnificent Church of the Annunciation and, almost next door, the Church of St. Joseph with its excavations. Today pilgrims walk above deep pits where the home of the Holy Family is believed to have been.

Next week I'll discuss traditions about the latter part of Mary's life.

## Matters Liturgical/Fr. Rick Ginther Guidelines for when cremation is chosen instead of burial

Keeping the memory of our dead is a time-honored tradition of high priority for Christians, and Roman Catholics in particular. We are reminded of this as Memorial Day, the national parallel to our All Saints and All Souls celebrations of November, approaches.

We keep such memory because we honor the body and the person, created in the image and likeness of God. We also recall the hope of resurrection, central to our faith.

Our funeral and burial customs typically reflect this.

We embalm the body; we bury the body or place it in a crypt, so that there is a visible place/reminder of the person whom we honor in our memory.

However, cremation—at one time prohibited for Roman Catholics—recently has begun to supplant the embalming or burial of the body. The reasons for this are many, and far too complex for this limited column. Suffice it to say that the church, so long as the reason for choosing cremation is not denial of the resurrection, allows this ancient human practice (Code of Canon Law, No. 1176.3).

Our ancient Catholic custom is to gather the community in

### Cremation—at one time prohibited for Roman Catholics—recently has begun to supplant the embalming or burial of the body

liturgy when someone dies. The funeral liturgy—wake, Mass, commendation and burial—presume the presence of the body. Many questions arise, therefore, when individuals or their families choose cremation. In light of such questions, coupled with recent experiences of pastors and pastoral ministers, and the values of memory of the dead and the honoring the "vessel" of the body, here are a few guidelines/options when cremation is chosen as the final disposition of the body.

- Cremation follows the funeral Mass. After the final commendation and farewell (either at the church or at the crematorium), all disperse for a few hours or days. Then the internment or burial takes place.

- If cremation takes place before the funeral liturgy (Mass), then a memorial Mass may take place without the presence of the remains in the sanctuary or nave of the church. There would be no final commendation. Burial or internment would follow.

- Burial or internment (i.e., placing the urn in the ground or in a columbarium (niche or mini-vault) is the norm. Scattering, though not the norm, is allowable but restricted to blessed ground (i.e., a Catholic cemetery).

These are the current liturgical practices in the United States. The National Conference of Catholic Bishops, through its Committee on the Liturgy, is preparing at their June 1996 meeting to discuss and, if approved, subsequently seek an indult from Rome (as the Canadian bishops already have done) to allow for the presence of the ashes during a funeral liturgy. Until that indult is sought and approved, the current practice is best.

When for compelling pastoral reasons the ashes are brought to church, care should be taken not to "focus" or "enshrine" them. They would not be sprinkled or incensed, nor draped with a "mini-pall" (lest the rituals and symbols of "funeral Mass" be confused in the minds of those present).

## A View from the Center/Dan Conway

### How should we handle our reaction to sad news?

Every day of the week you can find "bad news" in the newspaper, on television, in endless "talk radio" discussions and even on the Internet.

Sometimes it seems that we are so accustomed to bad news that we would be shocked to learn that someone—in families, government, business or the church—had actually said or done something good. Fortunately, whether we recognize it or not, good news is happening all around us all the time. It just doesn't get reported (very often) on CNN or in *The New York Times*.

But what do we do with sad news? By sad news, I mean the kind of news that you wish the news media wouldn't even discuss—such things as the gruesome procedures for a "partial-birth abortion," or the grief of families who have lost someone they love in an airplane crash that is so devastating that no human remains can be found intact.

Sad news makes us feel heartsick. It also causes us to be profoundly moved by the tragic stories of individuals and communities that have to suffer from the effects of human weakness or natural disasters. And sad news forces us—often quite reluctantly—to acknowledge and accept the all-pervasive, destructive consequences of evil and of original sin.

Readers of *The Criterion* in various regions of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis were exposed to this kind of sad news story recently when a Carmelite priest living in Jasper was accused of illegally receiving through the mail videotapes believed to contain child pornography. Some read this sad news in *The Indianapolis Star*, others learned about it on CNN or in their local newspapers or on TV.

news programs. Still others heard it through a powerfully effective form of media known as "word of mouth" or "the grapevine" or "the Gossip Gazette." But no matter how it was told, it was a very sad story.

If the allegations are true, a priest (and a former seminary professor) has caused a serious public scandal, and in the process has hurt himself, his religious order and the church. If the allegations are false, there is still hurt and humiliation for all concerned—especially in light of the widespread publicity surrounding this investigation. No matter how you look at it, this is sad news.

How do we handle our reactions to this kind of story? I don't know about you, but I felt hurt and angry and betrayed when I first read this in *The Indianapolis Star*. I also felt like screaming at someone (though fortunately no one was nearby): How can this kind of thing happen? Or, why do I have to read this stuff in the Sunday paper? Or, would someone please explain to me how—if the allegations are true—an intelligent person (a Carmelite priest) could get himself into this kind of situation?

But the worst thing about sad news stories is that clear, simple, comforting answers are rarely available. Bad things happen. And good people frequently get hurt.

Fortunately, our faith tells us that good news (told most vividly in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus) will outlast both the bad news and the sad news. In fact, we are currently celebrating the victory of this good news in the Easter season, and we renew this celebration daily in the Eucharist and in the proclamation of God's word.

How should we handle our reaction to sad news? By remembering that Jesus has overcome sadness and death. By praying for all those (including ourselves) who still suffer from the consequences of human sinfulness. And by letting God do the rest.

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## To the Editor

### Some hippies also know the Messiah

It is unfortunate that Cynthia Dewes' Easter was marred by the sight of some hippies ("Cornucopia" column May 3). She must have felt like a Pharisee who, wishing simply to pray in the Temple, suddenly spies a publican.

Not to worry, Cynthia. There do exist people who wear long curly hair, make vegetarian casseroles, consider themselves

environmentalists, and know the Messiah also!

Nancy Worland  
Nashville

### Why should anyone be surprised?

A couple weeks ago there was a story in the news about a 6-year-old boy charged with attempted murder of a 1-

month-old baby. I suppose most folks reacted to this story with shock and horror, especially after they read the account of how the 6-year-old boy, along with two 8-year-old boys, broke into this child's house, dumped over its crib and proceeded to beat it with a club. Evidently, the family of this baby had been "harassing" the 6-year-old by "looking at him the wrong way." So the 6-year-old decided he had to kill the baby.

I don't know about you or your readers, but it all makes perfect sense to me. You see, each day for the past 20-some years we in this country have systematically executed thousands of children just like this 1-month-old that this 6-year-old attacked. The only difference is that the 6-year-old waited a few weeks or months longer than the president of the United States would have.

Think about it. This 6-year-old has no doubt watched the news on TV. He has heard how the president says it's OK to jam a rod into the back of the skull of a child and suck its brain out as it is on its way out of its mother's birth canal. He has probably even heard how the doctor turns the baby around so it comes out feet first just so it won't take a breath before he or she has a chance to kill it. Why should anyone care if he waits a few more weeks and does that same thing?

I also suspect this 6-year-old has heard how the killing of children is pro-

tected by his country's Constitution. Besides, what difference does it make? The same Constitution that says we can kill children now also says that we can kill old folks, too! Hey, maybe he's onto something here! All this killing is protected somewhere in the U.S. Constitution, so anytime anyone looks at him wrong, or does not show him the kind of respect he feels is due him at this stage of his life, he can exercise his constitutional right to kill them, just like the babies and the old folks!

Why should anyone be surprised?

Nicholas N. Welch  
Greenwood

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## Why I Became a Catholic/Linda Welty

### Catholics show their love in action

I had been searching for some time just where I did belong. I guess my job was somewhat instrumental in helping me find the Catholic faith. Let me explain that:

I work with the low-income families in our community and many, many times I have called on St. Agnes Parish and St. Vincent de Paul Society to answer the needs of my clients. Whether it be emergency housing, food, utility assistance, whatever the need, it has always been met. I realized that the Catholic Church truly follows the Lord's teachings to love and serve our neighbor. They show their love in action. I wanted to learn more about these special people and their faith.

With encouragement from my office assistant, who also became my sponsor, I began attending RCIA classes last fall. Our class became very close and we looked forward to each week and each

Scripture and topic as we journeyed forward. Holy Week and my confirmation were so incredibly special to me that I can't put it into words. My heart was filled with love and joy as I took my first Holy Communion. I had longed for that moment.

I'm very thankful for the love and support from our instructors, sponsors and the entire parish. They have made me feel truly welcome and I look forward to learning more about my new parish as I continue to grow in my relationship with our Father.

(Linda Welty is a member of St. Agnes Parish, Nashville.)

(We invite other recent new Catholics to share their faith journey with our readers. Tell us why you became a Catholic. Send your faith stories to Why Catholic?, The Criterion, P.O. Box 1717, Indianapolis, IN 46206.)

## Light One Candle/Fr. John Catoir

### The internal forum of conscience

Jesus said, "If you love me, keep my commandments." To love God is to avoid doing anything that would offend him.



But that's precisely the question. What are the things that really offend him? What about areas of doubt? How does conscience come into play?

Conscience helps a person to discern the course of action to take in any moral dilemma. In the seminary they taught us the principle: "when in doubt follow freedom." You can't be bound in conscience unless your conscience accepts something as truly offensive to God. This is church teaching.

Is it reasonable to apply this principle in as serious a matter as divorce and remarriage? Yes, if the first marriage is dead and there is a reasonable doubt about its validity. For example, suppose a couple in an uncanonical marriage felt that their marriage was blessed by God even though it was not approved by the church. In such cases a thorough discussion with a

prudent spiritual director can free a person from much unnecessary fear. If the prior marriage does not bind in conscience, the marriage in possession does.

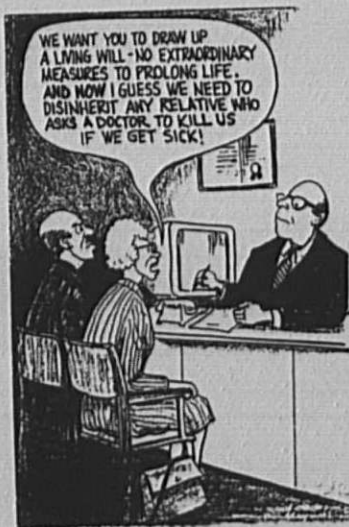
No one is excommunicated for being divorced or even for remarrying outside the church without the benefit of an annulment. That penalty was revoked retroactively years ago. The church regards the new marriage as a sinful union, unless the first marriage is proven to be invalid.

It is important for Catholics in such situations to try to obtain an annulment to have their present marriage validated. If for some reason that is not possible and there is still reason to believe that the earlier marriage was not valid, a serious conflict of conscience will exist. It might be expressed this way: "Do I trust the external law which is designed for universal application, and which does not take into account all the particular circumstances of each marital situation, or do I trust God and follow my own sense of justice?" The couple should weigh all the facts, keeping God's law in mind, and try to come to a decision based on their best sense of what is right and wrong.

We are always bound to follow the Gospel of Jesus Christ as it is authentically interpreted by the church's magisterium, but this obligation is not the same as getting the facts straight in a complicated marriage case. It is a solemn teaching that a true marriage is indissoluble but the question here is whether or not this particular marriage was a true marriage in the first place. If there were psychological problems or a lack of true consent the marriage might be invalid. People not only have the right but the duty to follow their consciences. A great deal of mystery surrounds these marriage cases. That's why annulment cases are so complicated. A simplistic legal answer does not always reflect the mind of Christ.

People must have the courage of their convictions when they make decisions of conscience. St. Thomas Aquinas wrote, "It would be better to be excommunicated than to violate one's conscience."

(Father Catoir will conduct a special program for senior adults at Fatima Retreat House in Indianapolis Aug. 5-8. For information call 317-545-7681.)



## Faith Experience/Gary Vandermarks

### My meetings with Mother Teresa

(Editor's Note: Last week, in the Indianapolis area, news anchor Anne Ryder treated her viewers on TV station WTHR, Channel 13, to an eight-segment series about her visit to Calcutta, India to experience Mother Teresa's work and to interview her. This week we present the story of another person's experience with Mother Teresa and her work. This one happened in 1992.)

We had arrived. My mind and senses were still reeling from the first of our early morning walks to the motherhouse of the Missionaries of Charity. For the last half-hour we had stepped lightly around and past the huddled forms of the fortunate Calcutta residents who had a section of "sidewalk" to sleep on and a piece of filthy rag to use as a blanket.

There was the smell of coal smoke in the air from the chulas, the tiny stoves that the people who were awake would cook their breakfasts on. I could still remember the sight of the skinned goats (or were they dogs?) hanging in the butcher shop entry. Even inside the motherhouse we could hear the ever-present hacking cough that most people in this armpit of the world endured.

We were here for Mass. There were maybe 100 "angels" before me in their white Indian saris and the distinctive blue striped veils of the Missionaries of Charity.

When I finally remembered that Mother Teresa might be there, I looked around the room to find her. First I looked toward the altar. Surely she would be there. She was such an important person. She wasn't up front, though. In a short time, I saw her small bent form in the very back of the room, sitting against the wall and, as we all were, on the floor! Mother Teresa was 82 years old that steamy November morning, and she was sitting on the floor!

It was difficult to take my eyes from her. I was fascinated that such a small frail-looking woman could do the incredible work that had been attributed to her. Was her back bent from some code in her genes? Or was her back bent from the incredible weight that her vocation must carry? Her feet were bent, too. They looked like tiny fists at the ends of her legs. I thought of the thousands of miles those gnarled feet had traveled just walking Calcutta streets, let alone where they had carried her around the world. Mother was a eucharistic minister that morning, and each morning thereafter. I

was deeply touched as I watched her remove the host from the ciborium and gently, reverently, kiss it. This was a woman who deeply loved Jesus and knew him well. It was a beautiful blessing for those who received the body of the Lord from her hand. Day after day I was privileged to watch this tender scene.

The group I was with was blessed to spend a total of about one hour in personal contact with Mother Teresa during the time we were in Calcutta. I will share a few of the more striking events from those two meetings.

The first time we met with her was right outside the chapel after evening prayer. She spoke so softly it was impossible for me to hear most of what she said. But at one point she began to pass little plastic packets to each of us. She kissed each packet as she had kissed the host during Mass. And it soon became clear that the packets all contained a small plastic rosary. She said, "You people are lucky. A man just brought these to us this morning." There were just enough to go around. And her supply was exhausted. She had given the rosaries to us as she gives everything, until it was all gone, and she once again was pleased to trust in Providence.

During our second meeting with her, Mother Teresa told us that the people in the United States are really poorer than the people she cares for in Calcutta. She said our people are so alone; many times unloved. She said we have a lot of stuff, but we lack the important things: love, relationship with Jesus, real community.

Something that really struck me powerfully was that she asked us poor westerners to pray for the work she and her sisters were doing. She asked us to pray that they wouldn't mess it up. I was shocked to find that this living saint was so truly humble that she thought it was actually possible for her to ruin God's work. So I pray for her. She asked. How could I say no? We asked her to pray for us, too. And I know she does, each and every day.

It is a once-in-a-lifetime honor to meet someone like Mother Teresa; there is no one like her. She is an elderly person whose age has taken a toll. But she isn't slowed down much. I pray that as our world is populated by more and more older folks, they (we) will have such a sense of purpose that they won't be slowed down much either.

(Gary Vandermarks is a member of St. Agnes Parish in Nashville.)



Cornucopia / Cynthia Dewes

# Remembering our American identity

This year on Memorial Day let's forget about the 500-mile race. Both 500-mile races. Let's remember some U.S. of A. things, instead.



Time was when Memorial Day was a big deal. The school kids, carrying little American flags, would be asked to assemble at the school. Then they'd parade behind the high school band out to the American Legion cemetery where the veterans were buried.

Some old guy in a cocked campaign cap would get up and address the crowd. Naturally there was a crowd, since all the kids' parents were on hand to keep an eye on them. And there were the townspeople who had nothing better to do on a holiday,

and other veterans besides the master of ceremonies. They'd also be wearing campaign caps and medals, and some were even squeezed into their old uniforms.

After the band had led the assemblage precariously through "The Star Spangled Banner," everyone would pledge allegiance to the flag and bow their heads for an invocation delivered by whatever clergyman had the job that year. Then they'd sit down and listen to the veteran tell of his war experience, and his gratitude for peace and life in America.

He'd remind the listeners that many of his companions did not come back from the wars, and that some were buried here beside them. His voice would break a little and the more tender-hearted among his audience would wipe tears from their eyes.

It didn't really matter what he said, or what the clergyman prayed, or even how well or badly the band played. What mat-

tered was what was going on in the heads of the listeners.

For many, the immigrant experience was still fresh. They thought of the economic or political hardships they or their families had left behind in the old country, and reflected on their present advantages.

Some, whose ancestors had been brought here against their will, thought of the anger and pain still prevalent in their lives. They contemplated the inequities and prejudices, but also the opportunities and triumphs which were possible in a society which valued individual freedom even when it didn't always act like it.

Others took pride in being citizens of a country which made policy out of noble purpose and religious conviction. It didn't hurt that it was also a country of immense natural beauty and wealth. There is, after

all, something to be said for superiority by association.

The kids were often bored, sometimes attentive, and all eager for the refreshments which would follow. But in their excitement to be out of school and jostling with their pals on a nice day, they nevertheless gained impressions of what it was to be an American.

Somehow they understood that Americans are one, from many. Although they are a mixed people, and not homogeneous as were most of the communities from which they came, they are a "melting pot" from which a new and better society will emerge.

They understood that they must value and preserve their individual ethnicity and culture. But at the same time they must be striving toward an identity as Americans, an identity which requires responsibility as well as bestowing privilege.

Memorial Day is a day for remembering that we are Americans, and for remembering what it is to be one. If we do that, God will bless America.

## VIPs . . .

**Mary Therese McGoff**, daughter of James P. and Dorothy McGoff of St. Pius X Parish in Indianapolis, will make her final promises of poverty, chastity and obedience with the Madonna House Lay Apostolate on June 8 in Combermere, Ontario, Canada. She served as youth minister at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Indianapolis, before joining Madonna House in 1986. Madonna House, founded by Catherine deHueck Doherty, is composed of about 200 lay men and women as well as priests. Its headquarters are in Combermere and it has 23 field houses located around the world. McGoff is currently assigned to Winslow, Ariz., where she works with Hispanics and Native Americans.



Indianapolis. They will be honored by their children with an open house 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. May 26. The couple was married May 25, 1946 at St. Catherine of Sienna Church. They have five children; Christine Muller, Susan Sylvester, Julie Able, Jane Hoffman, and James Sylvester. The couple also has eight grandchildren.



**Peter J. and Joan T. Schickel** will celebrate their 50th anniversary June 1 with 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Mary Parish in Lanesville. A reception will follow in the parish hall. The couple was married June 6, 1946 at St. Michael Church, Bradford. They have five children; Marilyn Ann Lines, Robert Leo Schickel, Janet Marie Hardy, Carol Sue Hoehn, and Donna Jean Schickel. They also have 10 grandchildren and two step-grandchildren.



**Bill and Margaret Brown**, who are parishioners at Sacred Heart Church in Indianapolis will celebrate their 60th anniversary May 30. The couple has three children; Bill Brown, Ann Brown, and Pat Adkins Lomen. They have three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.



**Providence Sister Regina Lynch** will retire from teaching at All Saints School in Indianapolis, where she taught 17 years, at the end of the school year. A Mass in her honor will be celebrated at 8:15 a.m. May 28 at St. Anthony Church in Indianapolis. A reception will follow in Ryan Hall.



**James A. and Joan M. Sylvester** will celebrate their 50th anniversary with a Mass at Holy Name Church in

## Check It Out . . .

Interact, an informal network of interacting Catholic adults' groups, will hold a picnic "Friendship in the Park," at 1 p.m. June 9 at Broad Ripple Park, located at Broad Ripple Ave. and Primrose. The King's Singles is hosting the event. Those interested should call Ann Casey at 317-253-3518; Ken Marsh at 317-475-2538; or Mike Elliott at 317-879-8018.

Mt. St. Francis will host a special

**Memorial Day retreat reunion** for all young adults who have made high school retreats at the center at 4 p.m. May 27 near the lake. For more information call 812-923-8817.

**The 1996 March for Jesus** will be held in downtown Indianapolis June 1. The event begins with prayer at 9 a.m., followed by the march at 10 a.m. and the prayer rally at 11 a.m. For more information call 317-767-4593.

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# Hundreds mourn family killed in plane crash

James and Janice Weimer and her children, Andrew, Jeremy and Tabitha were killed in ValuJet crash

By Mary Ann Wyand

Hundreds of mourners solemnly filled St. Pius X Church in Indianapolis on May 17 for a memorial Mass in remembrance of a Cloverdale family who died May 11 when ValuJet Flight No. 592 crashed in the Florida Everglades.

On the day after Ascension Thursday, family members and friends of James and Janice Weimer and her children, Andrew, Jeremy and Tabitha Leonard, sought comfort in Scripture and song as they gazed at a family portrait surrounded by flowers and mounted in front of a huge Resurrection banner of a joyous Christ.

Father Martin Peter, St. Pius X pastor, celebrated the Mass with Fathers Patrick Doyle and David Coons, who are the former chaplain and current campus minister at Bishop Chatard High School in Indianapolis.

James Weimer was a graduate of St. Pius X School and Bishop Chatard. Many Chatard alumni attended the Mass to pay their respects to a beloved friend.

In the introductory prayer, Father Peter

asked God to comfort and support family members and friends in the wake of the Weimers' tragic deaths while on a flight home from southern Florida following a vacation cruise in the Bahamas.

"Lord, our God, you are always faithful and quick to show mercy," the priest said. "Our brothers and sisters, Jim, Janice, Andrew, Jeremy and Tabitha, were suddenly and violently taken from us. Come swiftly to their aid, have mercy on them, and comfort their family and friends by the power and protection of the cross."

The memorial Mass was especially poignant for relatives and friends who received postcards from the Weimers in the mail a few days after their deaths.

"We come together to grieve, remember, pray and support one another," Father Peter said, "and to celebrate new life in Christ."

Readings were taken from Ecclesiastes, Romans and the Gospel of Luke. In his homily, Father Peter paid tribute to a loving family who enjoyed helping others.

"The Scripture readings the family has chosen for our memorial service have a lot of help and meaning for us," he said. "In that first reading from

Ecclesiastes, it says there is a time for everything, even—unfortunately—untimely deaths, especially for people so young as Jim, Jan, Andrew, Jeremy and Tabitha. That reading also tells us that God has put the timeless in our hearts, even though we didn't know it. God has put deep within us the promise of eternal life.

"That beautiful and consoling reading from Romans says neither death nor life, nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus," he said. "Also, I believe it means death cannot separate us from our love for one another and our love for Jim, Jan, Tabitha, Andrew and Jeremy. That love and friendship transcend death."

"Finally, the Gospel reading reminds us to always be ready, for we know not the hour," Father Peter said. "For those of us who are the survivors, sudden death is such a shock. We are here to remember that we are a people of faith who are following the teachings of the life of Jesus Christ, who showed us... that death is not the end, but is truly the beginning of new life."

"In that first Psalm we sang together today, it refers to Jesus but it also refers to loved ones who have died," he said. "It says, 'We remember how you loved us to your death, and still we celebrate for you are with us here.' Christians have had Jesus go before us to show us the way. Let's make no mistake that the sadness and sorrow of the loss that we feel are for ourselves, the loss that we feel of people whom we loved very dearly. But we need not feel sorrow and sadness for them because they have gone on to a life of full and complete joy in heaven with God."

"That's what Jesus taught us and promised us," Father Peter said. "We come together today to remember, to celebrate, and to believe. Let us take consolation from these Scripture readings as we celebrate the new life and resurrection from these five folks. That is the new life that God offers us. It is the consolation we have to offer one another. And as we remember, let us share those memories with one another and continue to live that friendship and love."

## New Catholic physicians' guild to have its first gathering June 5

By William Bruns

The Society of St. Raphael, a Catholic physicians' guild for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, will hold its inaugural gathering on

Wednesday, June 5. The event will begin with Mass at 5:30

p.m. at St. Peter and Paul Cathedral, with Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein presiding and preaching. Mass will be followed by a reception and dinner at the Indianapolis Athletic Club, 350 N. Meridian St.

Dominican Father Benedict Ashley, a nationally known medical ethicist from the Aquinas Institute in St. Louis, will be the featured speaker at the

dinner. Father Benedict is co-author of the well-known book "Healthcare Ethics: A Theological Analysis." He holds a doctorate of philosophy and a licentiate in sacred theology from the Aquinas Institute and a doctorate in political science from the University of Notre Dame.

The guild is being formed at the

request of a group of physicians and chaplains to assist physicians, osteopaths, and medical residents in both their spiritual and professional lives. In addition to maintaining and strengthening a sense of Catholic identity and providing a forum for examining and discussing issues where faith and medical practice intersect, the society will provide opportunities for members to interact socially with other Catholic physicians.

Father David Lawler, chaplain at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis, and Father Joseph Rautenberg, medical ethicist at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis, have been spearheading the effort to create the guild.

Catholic physicians, osteopaths, and medical residents who may not have received an invitation to the June 5 event and who would like to attend should contact Carolyn Noone, of the Catholic Communications Center, at 317-236-1428 (or 1-800-382-9836, extension 1428).

St. Raphael the Archangel, whose name means "God heals" in Hebrew, is one patron saint of physicians. Raphael plays a prominent role in the Old Testament book of Tobit as God's messenger to Tobias. Raphael instructs Tobias to apply the gall of a fish to his father's eyes as a cure for blindness. Tradition also associates Raphael with the unnamed angel who stirred the healing waters of Jerusalem's pool of Bethesda.



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## Retreat scheduled for southern Indiana youth with special needs

"Having Faith... Come Be Molded!" is the theme of a June 1 retreat for southern Indiana youth with special needs.

There is no charge for the ecumenical retreat at Mount St. Francis Retreat Center. It is open to youth with disabilities who are ages 13 to 19 and reside in Harrison, Clark or Floyd counties.

Sponsored by New Albany Deanery Catholic Youth Ministries, the retreat is made possible with funding from the WHAS Crusade for Children. It will begin at 10:30 a.m. and conclude by 3 p.m.

For registration information about this retreat or other spiritual programs for special needs youth, telephone the New Albany Deanery Catholic Youth Ministries office at 812-945-0354.

Since 1988, the New Albany Deanery Youth Ministries office has provided opportunities for youth with mild to moderate physical or mental handicaps to learn about God, their faith, and what it means to be a Christian.

"This retreat will give youth a chance to learn more about how faith plays a part in their daily lives," said Ray Lucas, director of Catholic Youth Ministries in the New Albany Deanery.

"We are so thankful to the Crusade for Children for their support of this important project over the past few years," Lucas said. "This retreat has been a unique opportunity for special needs youth to come together and learn about the role God plays in each of their lives."

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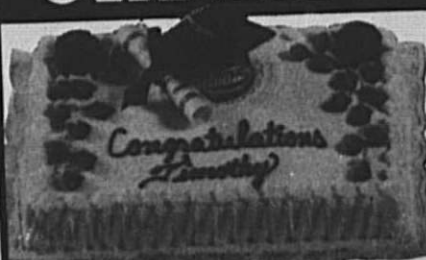
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# Women dispense hope with their hospital ministry

By Margaret Nelson

Father Joseph Kos wants everyone to know about the faithful women who distribute Communion at University and Wishard hospitals.

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When Father Kos was assigned to the former St. Bridget Parish in 1990, he began serving as chaplain at the Indiana University Hospitals. During coffee after Mass one Sunday, he asked some of the women why they didn't have lay eucharistic ministers at the hospitals.

They told him about the Our Lady of Hope Hospital Guild, which started about 40 years ago. During the time, the group's \$2 annual dues supported the purchase of religious items given to the patients.

The guild was re-formed, and several of the women agreed to serve as eucharistic ministers at the hospitals. Since then the ministry has grown. And though the women attend other churches now, they continue this ministry.

Maxine Sharp, president of the guild attends SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, as do Dorothy Fanning and Thelma Kennedy, vice-president and secretary. Esmerelda St. Clair is a member of St. Mary; Connie Smith belongs to St. Christopher; Clarice Baxter attends St. Michael, and Pat Sullivan, is a member of St. Pius X.

"I'd been a eucharistic minister at church," said Sharp. "They asked for volunteers. I said I'd go over to the hospital and try it. It makes you feel like you've been

able to help someone."

The president is elected at one of the two annual meetings of the group, held at Holy Trinity Church. The 151 members now pay a \$5 annual membership fee.

The women also get together to make the thousands of rosaries they give to patients. "That is just a get together. All we do is make rosaries—and eat," she said.

"You try to give back when you retire. I feel like I have been so blessed," said Baxter. "We all love what we're doing."

Smith said, "We visit anybody who asks us to." Sharp said, "Mainly, we visit Catholic people. Sometimes people grab us by the arm and say, 'We need you!'"

"That's no joke," said Kennedy. "Sometimes people are dying and they need someone to talk with."

Baxter said, "The patients really react to us." Smith said, "We can even relate when they can't speak any English. When they see the sign of the cross and I bring out a rosary, they start to chat in their language and I'm chatting in mine."

"One woman was not listed as Catholic and she only spoke Spanish," said Sharp. "Her husband was working in the northern part of the state and her children were in Mexico, so she didn't have anybody. She was so happy to see us. Father Kos got a Spanish priest."

"I went into a room once when a doctor had just told a woman there was no hope for her," she said. "I almost felt helpless. All I could do was pray with her."

"I've experienced almost everything," said Smith. "I tell them you've got to pray to make the faith work."

Fanning said, "I come behind Connie.



Among members of Our Lady of Hope Hospital Guild who take Communion to patients at Indiana University Hospital are (seated, from left): Pat Sullivan, Maxine Sharp, Connie Smith; (standing) Clarice Baxter, Dorothy Fanning, and Thelma Kennedy. The volunteer group was formed by Father Joseph Kos when he became chaplain of the hospitals.

Photo by Margaret Nelson

They tell me, 'That lady is just so full of the Spirit.' One person was moving to another room. He said, 'Tell Connie I'm moving.'

"Lots of people have great things happen to them spiritually," said Fanning. "The sharing of that is reinforcement of our own faith. One woman asked me to call her after she left the hospital because she had an unusual faith experience."

Sharp said, "We have no fundraisers. People who have been in the hospital have sent Father Kos checks. It's just that people appreciate what we do."

"Father Kos really has a good structure," said Fanning. "If he hadn't planned it this way, we couldn't do our work."

Fanning said that some patients from out of town return for second hospital stays. "Having the same people visit them weekly helps them feel more at home." She said that Father Kos corresponds with about 100 former patients.

Ann Homrighous, director of volunteer service at Indiana University Hospital, said the communion ministers attend the general orientation sessions offered through her office. Father Kos then gives them volunteer training specific to the ministry. The hospital requires them to get an annual health screening—and covers the cost of it. University Hospitals has annual dinner for volunteers, this year on April 22.

Homrighous said of the volunteers,

"They really bring a breath of fresh air when they come in. Even when the administrative offices are closed on holidays, these ladies are in. I don't know how Father Kos would get everything done without them."

Sharp said, "Most of them are from out of town, so they have no family here."

Homrighous said that more than half of the patients the hospital serves are from outside Indianapolis. "It's not like their local parish priest can follow them. It's a nice plus that we get to meet people from as far away as Spain and Germany."

Shellie Candler, from Holy Name in Beech Grove; Margie Robinson, of SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral; and Sullivan are lay eucharistic ministers at Wishard.

Besides the hospital visits and making rosaries and scapulars, the members make baby clothes to be given to newborn babies at Wishard Hospital. And they buy other religious items for patients.

Some guild money has helped with gas for cars or bus fare—even clothing—so that people can get home from the hospital. The group has purchased medication and paid for telephones for people who cannot afford them.

The guild funds purchase new items needed for the altar and for saying Mass, as well as the Communion wafers they use. The guild also provides Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets at Wishard.



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# Values seen as major issue in presidential election

By Patricia Zapor, Catholic News Service

WASHINGTON—Debate over values may be hot politically, but the practical application of issues in that debate is what matters to voters, according to a panel of writers on politics at a Georgetown University forum.

Just as values were important in the 1994 congressional election, they will again be a key in the 1996 races, said speakers at the Woodstock Theological Center's May 14 forum on values in the election.

Brookings Institution research fellow Peter N. Skerry, who writes on politics and social policy for a variety of newspapers and journals, said the "chattering class" of pundits and journalists has turned "values" into a political symbol that essentially only benefits politicians and the "chattering class."

"That's not to deny some basic agreement (by society) on values is needed," Skerry explained. But a preoccupation with "values" as a symbol of what is wrong with the nation can and has led to some drastic policies being enacted, he said.

Skerry suggested that the public is better served when what society truly values is established through the political structures of election and legislation than by mandate of those who use "values talk" as a device for their own goals.

Another panelist said a clue to President Clinton's

current strong standing as the favorite in pre-election polls comes from comparing material on the subject of values from him and Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, the probable Republican candidate for president.

In preparing for the forum, Thomas B. Edsall, a national correspondent for *The Washington Post* and author of several books about contemporary politics, said he asked both presidential campaign offices for copies of the candidates' speeches and writings about values.

"I received about 150 pages from the Clinton campaign and nine from Dole's—three of which were repeated," Edsall said at the forum at Georgetown University's theological center.

Clinton's speeches touched on a variety of issues—welfare, immigration, crime, affirmative action, Edsall explained. Meanwhile, the one transcript of a Dole speech seemed to have little to do with values, and included gaps where the transcriber found the recording "inaudible."

"Dole has in effect been inaudible on the subject," Edsall said.

The third panelist, syndicated columnist Mary McGrory, credited Clinton's success to his understanding of the appeal to the public of "nonintrusive" measures that seem to underscore the values people think are lacking in society. His support for school uniforms and the V-chip, which would allow parents to block out

objectionable television programs, have broad appeal without seeming to be excessive government intervention, she said.

But on top of that, the Republican Party seems to inadvertently be helping Clinton with a series of moves that make the GOP appear insensitive to the things most Americans value, McGrory said.

Republican leaders seem intent on helping their opponents, she said. She pointed to a range of actions, from an admission by House Speaker Newt Gingrich of Georgia that he was so upset at being asked to leave Air Force One by a rear stairway that he suspended budget talks and allowed the government to shut down last fall, to the recent suggestion by House Majority Leader Dick Armey of Texas that the revenue that would be lost by ending a gas tax be made up by cutting the education budget.

Such incidents give the public the feeling that ideology is more important than the practical effects of Republican commitments to cut the size of government, she said.

Even when it comes to as divisive an issue as Clinton's veto of legislation banning partial-birth abortions, McGrory said, Republicans seemingly stepped in to take some of the heat off of Clinton with an internal party dispute over whether to moderate the GOP anti-abortion platform.

Clinton's veto of the bill was a blow to abortion opponents who had accepted his declaration that abortion should be "safe, legal and rare." But McGrory said the battle over the Republicans' abortion plank is muddying the picture in Clinton's favor, particularly for Catholics who supported him for his positions on immigration and welfare reform.

"I don't think the late-term abortion issue will induce that kind of Catholic voter to vote for Dole, with whom they disagree on almost every other issue," she said.

While the 1992 election raised many questions about Clinton's personal character, the forum panelists seem to agree that voters are less concerned about questions of Clinton's personal life than they are about how well he understands the things that are important in their own lives.

"Can Clinton win?" McGrory asked, summing up much of the evening's discussion. "I think if he were to officiate at a same-sex marriage he might be in trouble, otherwise he can win."

## Church is not 'for members only,' cardinal says

Cardinal Arinze says Catholics must listen to others, understand them, and see what we can do together

By Catholic News Service

CINCINNATI—The Catholic Church is not "a club for members only" but must reach out to "every human being," said the Vatican's top expert on dialogue with non-Christian religions.

Cardinal Francis Arinze, president of the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue, made the comment in an interview with the Catholic Telegraph, Cincinnati archdiocesan newspaper. He was in Cincinnati in mid-April to address the world conference of Human Life International.

Many Muslims, Buddhists, Hindus or followers of other traditional religions are happy in their religion and do not want to become Christians, the Nigerian-born cardinal said. "Should we as Catholics then say, 'Goodbye, we want nothing to do with you'?"

"We would be wrong to say that because Christ set up the church not as a club for members only but to meet every human being," he added. "Our aim, therefore, is to promote interreligious dialogue, relations across religious frontiers."

Catholics must seek "to listen to others, help to understand them, what they believe, their moral code, and see what we can do together—and we hope they will reciprocate," Cardinal Arinze said. "If they reciprocate, it becomes dialogue."

But the task cannot be handled around the world by "12 people sitting in the Vatican," he said. "We (at the Vatican) suggest, we collaborate, we indicate, we engage in symbolic actions, such as occasional talks, visits, messages, to keep this consciousness alive in the church."

Cardinal Arinze noted that another Vatican agency, the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples, is devoted to the task of helping those who want to become Christians.

But he said evangelization can include "the whole of the mandate which Christ gave to his church... silent witness to Christ without words; actual proclamation of Christ; conversion and baptism; looking after a Christian community already established; catechesis; liturgical life; interreligious dialogue; human promotion; ecumenism; apostolate..."

Every Christian has a duty to proclaim Christ, the cardinal said. "The Gospel is not a contraband good to be smuggled across the customs," he said. "If I have good news, I want to share it with others... But—and this is a big 'but'—always with respect for the human person who has ability and freedom."

"We do not want others to become Catholics by force, or by tricks or by maneuver, whether political or economic or social," Cardinal Arinze added. "But if another person wants to hear about Christ, is open to the Gospel, then... we are bound to preach."

He praised the U.S. tradition of religious freedom, calling it "one of the most positive elements of your culture." But he warned that many today are "religiously indifferent. They are neither hot nor cold, and they think they are progressive. They are not. They are regressive. They are stagnating. They are spiritual dwarves."

Cardinal Arinze outlined some ways for Catholics to become better prepared for dialogue with Muslims or with members of other non-Christian religions at the local level.

"First, be a good Catholic in knowledge and in daily life," he said. "It is dangerous for a person who is very poorly informed about our Catholic faith to think that he or she is going to dialogue with Muslims or other believers."

The second important task is to become well-informed about Islam or the other religion and its teachings, he said.

"Gradually a person will begin to know what the Muslims hold on various matters; where they agree with us and where they hold something totally different," Cardinal Arinze said. "That will influence what we can do together, always in mutual respect."

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# When is a statement from the Vatican official?

*'These statements have the value of telling people what the Vatican has been discussing, and that's all'*

By Cindy Wooden, Catholic News Service

VATICAN CITY—Sometimes a statement published by a Vatican office isn't a Vatican statement. And sometimes, Vatican offices examining the same question issue documents containing different conclusions. The differences obviously do not involve basic truths of the Catholic faith. However, the topics can be very serious, and conflicting opinions can cause confusion, especially when they diverge from the statements of national bishops' conference.

Two recent examples revolve around sex education and welfare.

Last December the Pontifical Council for the Family published guidelines for sex education, emphasizing complete parental control and a very gradual approach to providing information about sexuality.

When the document was published, opponents of sex education in Catholic schools took its emphasis on parental responsibility as a clear call to withdraw children from school-based programs they found objectionable. But in the United States, some of those programs have been mandated by a local bishop and follow guidelines published by the U.S. bishops.

Now the Congregation for Catholic Education is putting the finishing touches on an updated version of its own document outlining principles to be followed in sex education programs in Catholic schools.

Cardinal Pio Laghi, prefect of the education congregation, said his congregation's document also would affirm parents' primary responsibility for educating their children, but at the same time it would acknowledge "that that's not happening" when it comes to sex.

"If you ask young people where they learned about the mysteries of human life, 80 percent would not say in their families," the cardinal said.

He said he favors a "multidisciplinary approach" that would involve health, science, religion and even literature teachers offering "not just biological facts, but values."

While Vatican documents may have different emphases, they should not be seen as conflicting, said Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls.

"It has been my experience that the documents of various Vatican offices do not so much contradict, as complement or explain each other," the spokesman said.

With the sex education documents, readers must keep in mind the competence of the office issuing the document. The Council for the Family's document focuses on the family's role and responsibilities. The education congregation's document will look at what schools should do.

Conflicting conclusions are even more common when they result from the "expert consultations" Vatican offices hold throughout the year. The fact that the sponsoring Curia office publishes the experts' conclusions does not mean that the statements are Catholic teaching, Navarro-Valls said. "These statements have the value of telling people what the Vatican has been discussing, and that's all. They are not documents of the Holy See," he said.

In fact, on social questions, the experts may even disagree with church teaching or cite practical problems that arise from following the church's position. This was the case with the experts gathered by Pontifical Council for the Family in March to discuss the family and the economy.

Government welfare programs came under heavy attack, but no mention was made of Catholic social teaching, which assigns governments a moral responsibility to provide a safety net for the weakest and most disadvantaged members of society.

"The breakdown of the family harms the economy," said the experts convened by the Pontifical Council for the Family. "But the welfare state and its social welfare systems, which began with the best intentions, accelerate this family breakdown by weakening parental responsibilities and choices."

The main speaker at the conference said welfare payments to single mothers discourage young women from marrying if they are pregnant. He also said paid maternity leave and subsidized child care may force women into the job market.

Navarro-Valls said that in reading the experts' conclusions Catholics must keep in mind that official Catholic teaching is explained in the "Catechism of the Catholic Church," in papal documents and in documents issued by Vatican offices with the pope's approval.

The Vatican always is careful to label the level of authority of its various documents, Navarro-Valls said. The lack of papal approval "does not imply those documents are rubbish, but they are reflections on questions under discussion. You can disagree with what these individuals say."

Official church documents say that "on a moral level people in need must be given assistance by the government," he said.

The U.S. bishops reaffirmed the church's official position in the political responsibility statement they issued last fall.

Another group of experts working under the auspices of the Vatican may well come to a conclusion in conflict with the results of the Council for the Family's three-day meeting. The Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences, whose members are appointed by the pope, is looking at questions related to work. The academy members' early discussions included a look at how economic, labor and welfare policies affect the family.

To what extent their conclusions will differ from those of other Vatican-sponsored studies won't be known for a while. The academy members have outlined a four-year research and discussion process aimed at publishing a preliminary report in the year 2000.

## Bishops disappointed at U.S. policy on land mines

WASHINGTON (CNS)—The head of the U.S. bishops' International Policy Committee said he was "deeply disappointed" that the land-mines policy announced by President Clinton May 16 would continue to allow some U.S. military use of the weapons.

"We believe the U.S. must set an example as our nation seeks to persuade other countries to abandon these weapons," said Bishop Daniel P. Reilly of Worcester, Mass., in a May 17 statement. "We deeply regret that this opportunity has been missed."

Clinton announced a new policy May 16 that would permit the U.S. military to continue using self-destructing mines indefinitely in war zones such as Korea while seeking a permanent worldwide ban on land mines.



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# Summer camping retreat offers spiritual experience

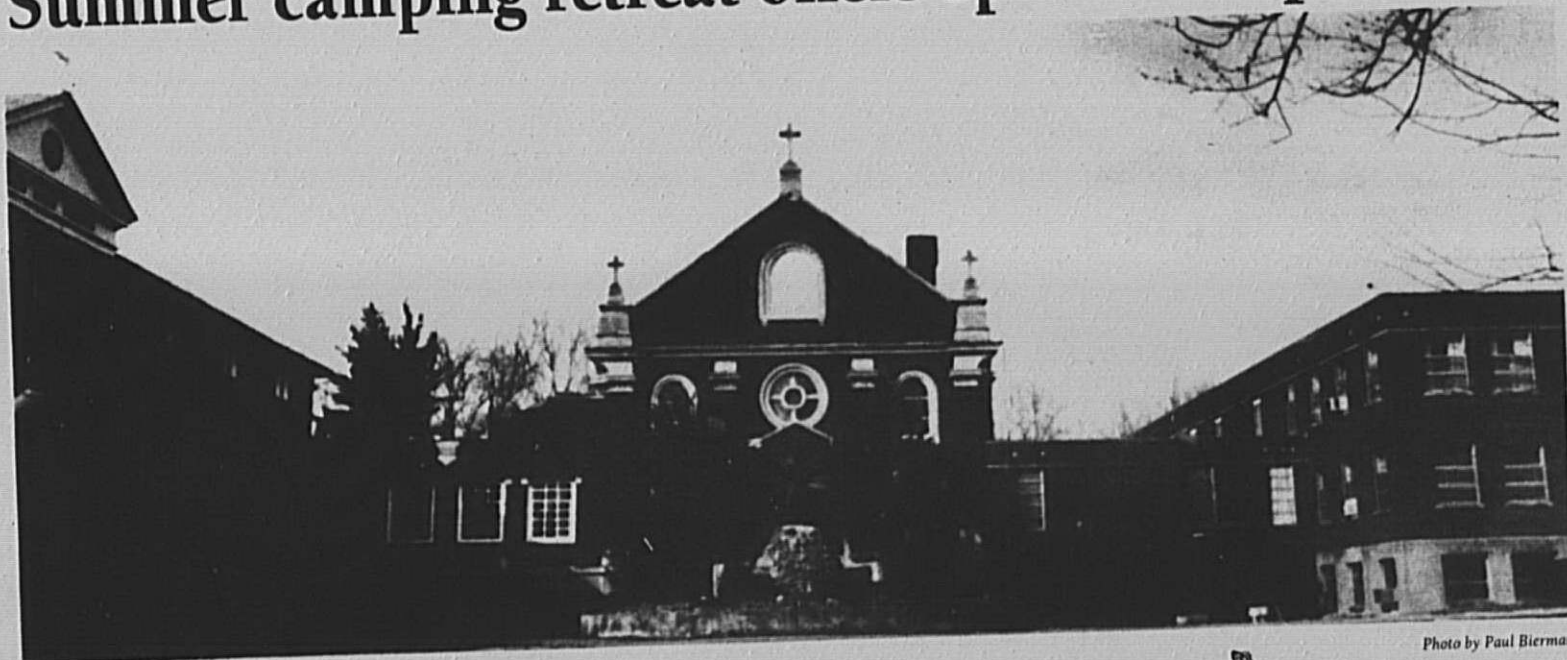


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The main chapel at Mount St. Francis Friary and Retreat Center.

By Susan Bierman

It's camping with a spiritual twist. For the sixth year Mount St. Francis Retreat Center in southern Indiana will host a weekend summer camping retreat, June 21-23.

The camping retreat is for all ages. "For the person who is comfortable outside, who is looking to enhance their own spirituality of their faith within a context of a large group," Conventual Franciscan Father Tom Smith, retreat coordinator said.

Each family or group is assigned a camp-

site at the lake. The cost for each site for up to five people is \$18. There is a \$5 fee for each additional person. The campsite includes a picnic table, although campers must bring their own tents and gas stoves.

The weekend offers something for families with children, young adult groups, and senior citizens alike.

Canoeing, volleyball, hiking, hayrides, games, fishing, and crafts are some of the activities the weekend offers. Canoes and rowboats are available at the lake. Campers must bring their own fishing poles.

Campers are invited to bring their own food. For most meals, groups and families prepare their food at each individual camp-

site, with the exception of a pitch-in dinner at the bonfire and a pancake breakfast.

The weekend offers more than vacation type activities.

"We set it up initially as both a fun experience for people but also a spiritual retreat experience," Father Tom said.

Morning and evening prayer services are held every day. The Sacrament of Reconciliation or "forgiveness fire" is scheduled for one evening and the Eucharist will be celebrated on Sunday morning at the lake.

"When people come here they experience God and experience their own faith in a rich way. It's not just like taking the weekend off and going to a state park," Father Tom said.

Some of the presentations are based on this year's theme, "Brother Sun, Sister Moon," and will be offered to the group as a whole, while other presentations will be presented to individual age groups.

Rain or shine, the retreat will go on as scheduled. Father Tom said it has rained only twice in the retreat's six years running.

"Anybody who goes camping recognizes rain is a possibility and so we just live with it," he said.

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Above participants prepare for a canoe ride on the lake at Mount St. Francis during the 1994 summer camping retreat. Below campers assemble their tents in an area by the lake at the 1992 retreat.





## Children find a place of their own at Holiday World theme park

By Roy J. Horner

As long as I'm able, I'm one father who will lead my family back to Holiday World, summer after summer after summer.

A leisurely pilgrimage each year to Holiday World's 100 acres of fun in Santa Claus, Ind., has become the Horner family's favored summertime tradition. The amusement park has 60 rides, attractions and shows, including the Splashin' Safari water park.

Holiday World isn't the largest theme park in America. Bigger doesn't mean better. After two extensive visits, my wife Jody and I have reached the happy conclusion that Holiday World is the sweetest of all of America's theme parks.

As parents of four young children, Holiday World has earned a special place in our hearts. All the credit goes to the endearing thoughtfulness of a management devoted to preserving childhood innocence instead of trying to snatch it away.

Accolades also go to the cadre of young employees who seem to understand and appreciate families, love children and are exceptionally attentive and patient.

Our assessment comes after numerous visits to many other family attractions located throughout Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia. Some of the attractions were fine and we had a good time. But some of the others—too many in fact—have been complete horror stories.

Which leads us to Holiday World. The park's family atmosphere is unmatched. It's as real as the stomach butterflies our 6-year-old daughter Hillary got on the tilt-a-whirl or the sticky hands that sons Wally, 7, and Francis, 3, got from tussling for control of the cotton candy.

In keeping with our family tradition,

all six of us Horners were among the first to arrive at Holiday World on our visit last summer and the last to leave. No grumpy workers angrily stared at us or made snide comments to hurry us on our way at closing. Our van was literally the last vehicle to leave the parking lot that night.

With about 10 seconds left until the park's closing, the teen-age girl operating "Eagle's Flight" grinned as Wally and Francis ran up to the gate to the ride. She hurried the two boys on through with a wave of her hand. She helped Francis in and out of his seat, and made him feel special by talking to him.

"Everyone here is so sweet and nice to these children," Jody said to the operator. "Are you all family members?"

"No," the operator replied. "We just love children."

It's that atmosphere—all the product of the Holiday World tradition—that has made the park our prime destination each summer.

In 1946, Evansville, Ind., industrialist Louis J. Koch opened the park as "Santa Claus Land." Over the years, the park has expanded but its management has remained in the hands of his family for three generations.

The name was changed to Holiday World 11 years ago. One of the stellar attractions—added in 1993—is the Splashin' Safari Water Park. Holiday World also lays claim to being America's first theme park.

To celebrate its 50th consecutive year of operation last summer, Holiday World debuted the "Raven," the largest wooden roller coaster in Kentucky or Indiana.

Holiday World was designed with children and families in mind. The park is easy to traverse. It is varied enough to keep enthusiasm at peak levels. Children, teens and adults can enjoy the park in its



Photos courtesy of Holiday World Theme Park

The Splashin' Safari Water Park at Holiday World Theme Park located in Santa Claus, features the AmaZoom, the Bamboo Chute, Congo River, Crocodile Isle, and more.

entirety in a single day. It is an easy drive from the Louisville area and from Indianapolis.

On the tilt-a-whirl, the operator didn't hesitate to take immediate action when Francis and Hillary became terrified. The operator gently assisted Hillary, who explained that "the ride made my stomach scared."

From the ride operators to the lifeguards at the water park, we've encountered nothing but genuine warmth throughout our entire visits to Holiday World.

Children can make a summer time visit with Santa in what is the off-season for the Jolly Old fellow. There's the Toyland Museum and the Bavarian Glassblowers. From the windows of a child-size train, you can see the larger-than-life figures of nursery rhyme characters in action posed around the track.

There are plenty of educational opportunities at Holiday World, too. In the Hall of Famous Americans, mannequins

dressed in period costumes and posed in realistic settings make historical and fictional characters come to life.

The Avenue of Flags has American flags and state flags going back to the early days of the United States. And then there are the live shows, offering music and comedy and daredevil action.

Society pollutes children's lives with too much trash. So much of today's music (rap, for instance), the shopping malls, the Kids' Club glitter and the other television shows and commercials obnoxiously shout out a sad and false message for children to hurry up and leave childhood behind.

Instead of trying to detract from childhood, Holiday World nurtures the sweetness and innocence that children are born into. The parks management and employees are deeply aware of those virtues and are doing all they can to keep them. For more information about Holiday World, call 800-GO-SANTA.



At left, The Raven, voted one of the world's top three coasters, swoops and sears through the Halloween section of Holiday World. Below, Raging Rapids white water raft ride is just one of the more than 60 rides, games, shows and attractions at Holiday World and Splashin' Safari.



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# 'You could use a little Indiana'

By Mary Ann Wyand

Hoosier license plates currently promote the state's "amber waves of grain." In previous years, the plate's metallic message was an encouragement to "wander Indiana."

That's pretty good advice. Scenic Indiana sites abound off the main highways and are well worth a trip down obscure byways throughout the state.

Diverse sight-seeing opportunities in the archdiocese range from those well-publicized wheat fields in central Indiana to fascinating caverns and lush forests in the southern part of the state.

There's more good news. Hoosiers have plenty of free guide books to choose from, courtesy of the state's tourism program, when planning one-day outings, weekend getaways, or longer vacations throughout Indiana.

The Indiana Department of Commerce has published a series of colorful brochures promoting hundreds of Hoosier highlights easily found by following any direction on a compass or looking at a state map.

These publications offer lots of creative recreational ideas for outings in the state's six regions. The tourism guides feature travel directories, maps, and alphabetical listings of attractions, campgrounds, lodging, and recreation opportunities ranging from festivals and state parks to museums and covered bridges.

Travelers who could "use a little Indiana," the latest tourism slogan, may send a postcard requesting travel ideas to the Indiana Summer Guide in care of 1802 S. Henderson St., Bloomington, IN 47401-7710.

The free guide features descriptions of 69 brochures available on request

with detailed information on different areas of Indiana and activities of interest.

Some of the brochures featuring diverse recreation opportunities in the archdiocese include publications promoting:

- the 1996 Indiana State Fair, which is billed as "the place to be" in early August.

- Eastern Indiana, where country lanes and landmarks are as plentiful as antiques and have earned the region the nickname "Antique Alley."

- the Indianapolis Zoo, The Children's Museum, Conner Prairie, Union Station, and the Circle Centre Mall in and near the state's capital city.

- the Indiana Recreation Guide, which is chock-full of camping, hiking and fishing sites at state parks and reservoirs.

- Clark, Floyd and Harrison counties in southern Indiana and the adjacent Ohio River, which is the site of the

world's largest exposed Devonian fossil bed.

- the wineries of Madison, located in the scenic river valley of this southern Indiana area, which also boasts lots of "bed and breakfast" overnight spots, specialty shops, and historic homes.

- Columbus, the home of world-class architecture, a nationally-ranked golf course, outlet shopping centers, and Victorian buildings decorated with award-winning streetscapes.

- and Nashville, of course, the quaint and historic Brown County village nestled in the hills of southern Indiana next to Indiana's largest state park, where tourists can soak up the atmosphere and shop for arts and crafts galore.

Catholic travelers who wish to venture outside the archdiocese might enjoy a trip north to the University of Notre Dame and "Golden Dome Country," which is advertised as "like no place else."

With this many choices for one-day outings, weekend getaways, and longer vacations, the summer won't seem near long enough. Why not start touring the Hoosier state now? Spring in Indiana is sometimes wet, but always welcoming and well-worth the long winter's wait.

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The Indianapolis Zoo attracts nearly 900,000 visitors each year.

St. Mark School first-grade teacher Jean Schott of Indianapolis got to feed a bottle to a walrus at the zoo on April 18 with help from a marine mammal keeper. St. Mark first-graders won a state-wide "Name the Walrus" contest with their entry "Aurora," which was inspired by research about the Northern Lights.



Photo by Mary Ann Wyand

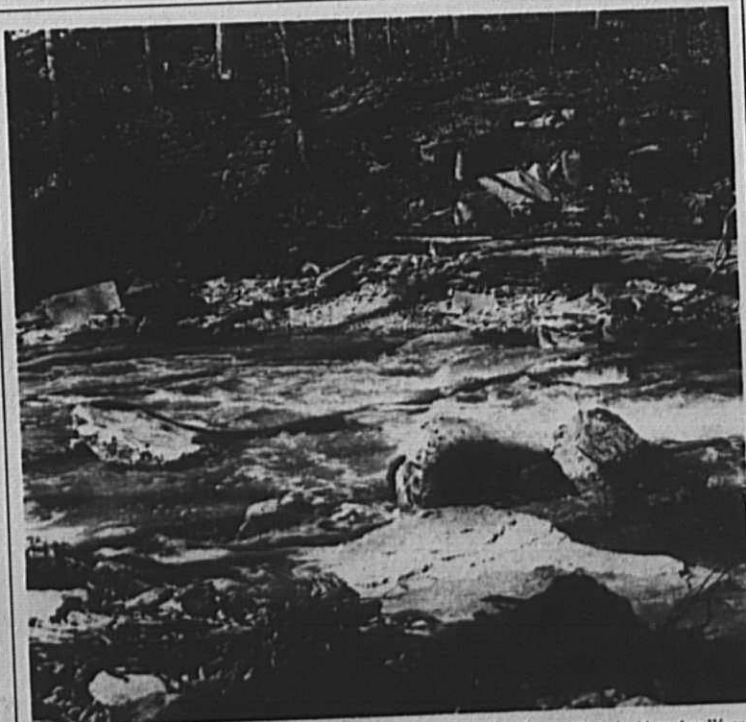


Photo by Mary Ann Wyand

Scenic hiking trails abound in state parks located in central and southern Indiana. This view of McCormick's Creek inside the state park near Spencer was taken from a narrow trail that follows the creek-bed through rugged terrain best suited for hikers who like to climb a little too. Other park trails through these forested hills are graded for easier walking. The Canyon Inn at McCormick's Creek State Park offers tasty and affordable meals for hungry hikers.



# Circle Centre offers plenty for everyone

By Alice Bailey

Are you seasoned travelers tired of tiptoeing through the tulips at Holland, Michigan? Bored with the do-si-do of Branson, Mo.? Fed up with wineries and cheeseries? Then why not try something different and much closer to home?

If you want action, the new Circle Centre in Downtown Indianapolis has plenty. If it's serenity you seek, look no further than the nearby Canal Walk.

Long-planned and much-publicized, the bustling shopping center is, to put it mildly, intriguing. Just browsing through is an adventure. Anchored at opposite ends by such major markets as Parisian and Nordstrom, the extending mall also houses dozens of other shops and eating places, known as the Food Court. Soft piano music and see-through elevators that whisk you to wherever, lend a cosmopolitan air. Who needs to go miles to shop till you drop?

Just five blocks west, and in a complete change of pace and atmosphere lies the stunning Canal Walk, an oasis amid humming activity. One venture here and you're hooked. Petula Clark won't be the only one singing the praises of Downtown.

From a seedy-looking, somewhat blighted area, has emerged a beautiful sanctuary with splashing waterfalls, flowering trees and landscaped paths. Shang-ri-la?

How to get there: The mile-long panorama begins just a few steps down from West and Washington streets and

continues north, uninterrupted. You can stroll at your own pace amid this tranquility affording views of the city skyline.

At the Vermont Street Plaza you may want to pause beside one of two exceptional fountains to meditate or marvel at two grand staircases on each side of the canal. Here, the livin' is easy. The seating, ample.

The planners overlooked no one in providing access. At Walnut Street Commons are ramps to transport handicapped to canal level with its sweeping views of a water wonderland. It is on this site that a memorial has been erected to honor the crew of the USS Indianapolis, torpedoed just two weeks before World War II ended.

Circle Centre itself boasts another striking feature which bears exploring: the 8-story, glass-domed Artsgarden forming a skyline over Illinois and Washington streets. As the name suggests, this imposing edifice is devoted to the performing arts and provides the stage for varied groups. For schedules of events call 317-624-2563.

Maybe you're not a seasoned traveler at all, just a wishful one. For the energetic there are guided walking tours. Information can be obtained from the Convention and Visitors Association, 317-639-4282 or 317-237-5206.

If you don't drive, take a bus. If you drive but fear Downtown traffic, take a bus. One resourceful group, determined to get in on it all, simply chartered a shuttle bus which picked them up at their parish parking lot and returned there a few hours later.

For a mini vacation with appeal to the spirits and the senses, Downtown Indy can't be topped.



Photo by Margaret Nelson

Devoted to the performing arts, the 8-story glass-domed Artsgarden is one feature of Circle Centre in Indianapolis.

## It's important to consider your health before travel

Compiled by St. Francis Hospital and Health Center Community Relations

Considering your health is an important factor when planning a vacation. St. Francis Hospital and Health Center's Community Relations Department in Beech Grove has compiled various health tips for before traveling and while vacationing.

### Before you travel:

- When going on "Adventure Vacations" which often require a lot of physical activity, you should check with your physician about your physical ability.

- If you are under the care of a physician or have been ill, it is important that you check with your physician before making plans. He/she may want you near by to check on any complications that could occur.

- If you are on medication and traveling out of the country, it's important that you carry a note from your doctor stating you are under his/her care and why you need the medication. You should make sure to take an adequate supply of your medication along with you when you travel.

- Keep all important medical information, medication and prescriptions with you. You should never check these items with your baggage because if the airline loses the bags, you could be out of luck.

- You should consider acquiring a Medic Alert Identification Tag if you have a specific medical condition that a doctor should be aware of in case you're in an accident. This tag is recognized internationally and may prove invaluable in an emergency. For more information, about the tag call the Medic Alert Foundation International at 800-432-5378.

- If you are traveling out of the country, especially to third world countries, it's important that you check with the tour company and/or Tourist Board to see what shots you may need.

- A common problem while traveling is jet lag. Jet lag is caused by disruption of sleeping patterns. To help prevent jet lag,

you should shift your sleeping schedule to the new time in advance.

### While traveling:

- Many people eat at fast-food restaurants when traveling. It is possible for you to eat healthy foods at these restaurants. Avoid deep fried foods. You should not double, jumbo or super anything. Stay away from added fats such as oils, spreads, special sauces; soft drinks and shakes; commercial pastries. You should choose: Broiled or baked meat or poultry; fresh salads/vegetables; reduced-calorie dressing; low-fat milk or fruit juice; whole grain breads/rolls.

### To ease motion sickness:

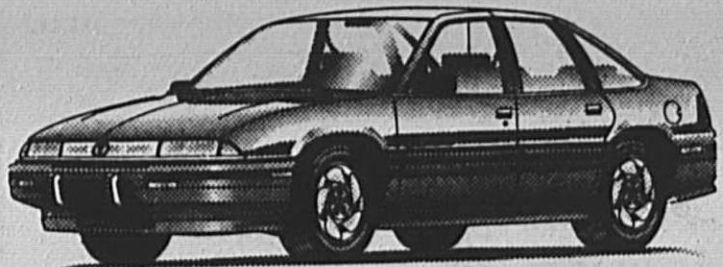
- You should avoid heavy meals and alcohol before traveling.
- When on a boat or in a car, you should focus on the horizon or another fixed point in the distance.
- If you routinely suffer from motion sickness, you should contact your doctor about a medication that may help you. (1)
- If you question the safety of the water, don't drink it, or boil it. You can also add a purifying tablet to it. Safe drinks include coffee, tea (if water used to make it was boiled), bottled wine and beer, and canned soft drinks. Of course if you are wary of the water, don't use ice cubes in your drinks. (1)
- Don't eat meats or other items that spoil easily if they are sold unrefrigerated. (1)
- One of the most common ailments among travelers is diarrhea. Contact your doctor about the best medicine to take if you do experience diarrhea. If you do get diarrhea, make sure you get plenty of clear liquids, such as tea, fruit juice and purified water. You should avoid milk and other dairy products.

(Information (1) was taken from:

*The Wellness Encyclopedia: The comprehensive family resource for safeguarding health and preventing illness.* University of California, Berkeley. ©1991 by Health Letter Associates. Pages 423-428).

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# Let's take a walk on the wild side in state parks

By Cynthia Dewes

Wanna take a walk on the wild side? Wanna skinny along the devil's backbone? Or paddle a canoe past the sandstone cliffs along Sugar Creek?

Then we're talking hiking, camping and canoeing in the wilds of western Indiana, namely at Pine Hills state nature preserve located in Shades state park near Waveland, and Turkey Run state park near Marshall.

Pine Hills is where you'll find not only the "murmuring pines and the hemlock," but also "backbones" or woodland ridges, with drop-offs of 70 to 125 feet on both sides of the narrow trail. They were created by Clifty and Indian Creeks, which eventually join and flow into Sugar Creek.

The farthest of the four major ridges along the trail is the Devil's Backbone, which at one point is six feet wide and

100 feet high. Besides its skinny width and scary height this ridge boasts stone carvings along the top, and carved dates from the mid-1800s. There's a life-sized relief carving of the Devil, done in 1910, and several other carvings of birds which are thought to be depictions of the now-extinct passenger pigeon.

Pine Hills was given to the state of Indiana by the Nature Conservancy, and dedicated as the first state nature preserve in 1961. While families will find it a great hiking experience, small children should not be taken on some of the trails because of the steep and dangerous dropoffs.

Sugar Creek, which runs through both Shades and Turkey Run state parks, is one of the most popular canoeing streams in Indiana. Depending upon the location and the time of year it offers gentle trips or whitewater adventures, with Spring often a dangerous time because of high waters. Canoeers



Photos by Cynthia Dewes

Deer Mill Bridge at the edge of Shades state park.

may bring their own canoes or rent services at one of the several canoe liveryies in the area.

Although Shades state park does not contain a lodge, it offers a sod airstrip for light airplanes and separate campgrounds for backpackers and canoeers. It is also one of the most beautiful natural sites in Indiana, with lush virgin forest, deep ravines and high sandstone cliffs.

The name "Shades" comes from "shades of death," the early name given to the eerie shadows made by the dense foliage of the forest. Other stories about the name refer to the threat from warlike Indians in the area, and the legendary murder of an early settler.

At one time natural springs in a ravine area of Shades led to the development of a health resort, a recreation area and a 40-room inn which is now gone. Fortunately, the stewardship of private owners preserved the scenic beauty and natural state of Shades until it became a state park in the 1940s.

Hiking is also an adventure for families, scout troops and other outdoor-lovers at Turkey Run state park. Its trails range from moderate to rugged, through virgin woods and gorges where it's easy to pretend you're a Native American or an early pioneer coming upon their beauty for the first time.

And if you wonder "what makes Turkey Run?" the name came from

wild turkeys which once roosted in the steep, protected ravines, and were probably stalked by the same Indians and pioneers. Flocks of wild turkeys were reintroduced into the park in recent times and can sometimes be heard gobbling in the distance.

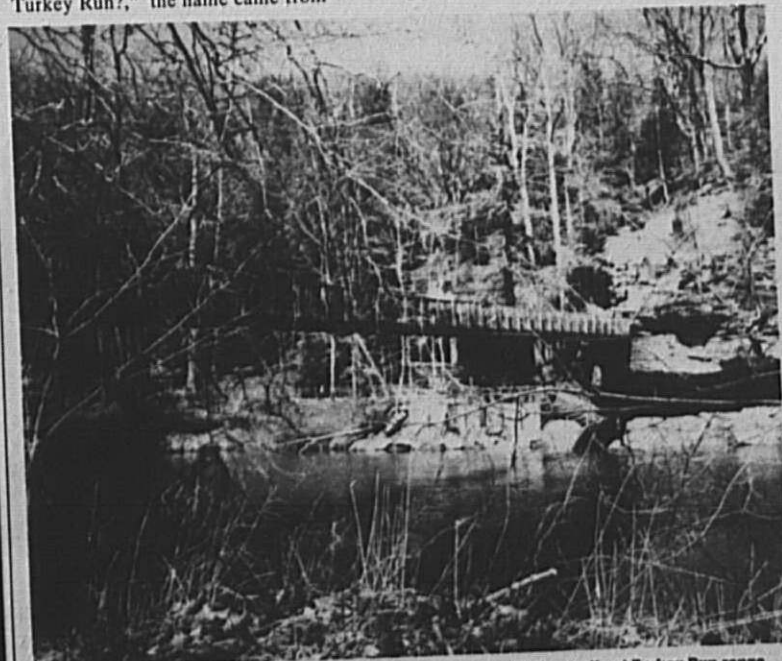
Turkey Run contains a comfortable lodge, and camping facilities for youth organizations and families. It also offers a swimming pool, horseback riding, a nature center and canoeing under a couple of covered bridges on Sugar Creek.

To reach Shades state park from Indianapolis, take I-74 west 21 miles to the State Road 75 exit. Then go south one mile to U.S. 136, turn right and go to State Road 234. Go west about 24.5 miles until 234 turns to the north at the entrance to Shades.

To find Pine Hills nature preserve, stay on 234 for one mile past the turn at the entrance to Shades, to a parking lot on the left side of the road.

To travel to Turkey Run state park from Indianapolis, take I-74 west to State Road 75, turn south and go two miles to Jamestown. Then take State Road 234 west to State Road 47, turn left and go southwest to the entrance to Turkey Run.

For more information about nature preserves and state parks in Indiana call 317-232-4052 for nature preserves or 317-232-4124 for state parks.



Suspension Bridge leads to trails at Turkey Run state park. The hiking trails at Turkey Run range from moderate to rugged through virgin woods and gorges. Scout troops, families, and other outdoor lovers frequent the park. To travel to Turkey Run from Indianapolis, take I-74 west to State Road 75, turn south and go two miles to Jamestown. Then take State Road 234 west to State Road 47, turn left and go southwest to the park's entrance.

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# Falls of the Ohio River is a geological adventure

By Roy Horner

Falls of the Ohio River State Park is an amazing place to see. From the natural to the educational, the park has enough special attractions to please even the pickiest of visitors.

Approximately 270 species of bird, 250 species of flowering plants and 100 species of fish have been identified within this 68-acre slice of federally protected habitat sandwiched between the Louisville-southern Indiana urban areas.

Almost half the park is underwater or solid rock, said Bill Adams, one of the four naturalists on staff. But what really makes Falls of the Ohio State Park unique are the fossil beds.

"They're one of the finest exposures of Devonian fossil beds anywhere in the world, approximately 4 million years old," Adams said. "More individual species of fossils have been identified and catalogued here than any other single spot in the world."

For anybody with a geological interest, the Falls of the Ohio is a special place.

"The rapids here on the Falls of the Ohio are the only exposure of rock like that on the entire 981-miles of the Ohio River," Adams said. "It's unique in that it creates quite an oxygenated stretch of water. It makes excellent habitat for fish, plants, birds. The 270 species of birds seen here is probably the second most important thing that attracts people here."

"We get birds coming up from the Gulf Coast, all kinds of seabirds, really some unusual stuff," he added.

The rich cultural history of the falls area began about 12,000 years ago when a wealth of natural resources attracted native peoples as the last of the mammoth glaciers retreated.

Fossils are all that remain of the inland, tropical sea, teeming with coral and prehistoric life forms, that covered the falls area about four million years ago.

Inside the park's 16,000-square-foot interpretive center are \$1 million worth of

exhibits outlining the history of the Falls of the Ohio, from ancient to modern times.

The price admission (\$2 for adults, \$1 for children) is worth it. Several exhibits trace the river history of Louisville on the Kentucky shore and Jeffersonville, Clarksville, and New Albany on the Indiana side. There are large scale models of the grand paddle-wheel steamboats that carried passengers and goods up and down the Ohio River in the 1800s. One exhibit has full-scale mock-ups of two river boat pilot houses.

Large dioramas and models of prehistoric fish and land creatures, such as mastodons and mammoths, take visitors back hundreds of thousands of years in time.

The center's theater features daily showings of an award-winning film about the Falls of the Ohio.

An observation deck across the front of the interpretive center offers a view of the Ohio River, the falls and the natural habitat. Also within view are nearby islands, the Louisville skyline, the McAlpine locks and dam and the bridges linking Louisville with southern Indiana.

The park is also within the boundaries of more than 1,400 acres of federally protected land and water. So naturally, the interpretive center has a wildlife bird-watching area. Human visitors can sit inside the center and through a one-way glass view the birds that come to feed in a special area outside. Audio hook-ups placed on the feeders allow viewers to hear with crystal clarity the birds chirping and singing outside.

In addition to being a great place for bird-watching and nature study, the Falls of the Ohio State Park has hiking trails to the fossil sites, picnic areas and fishing spots.

The naturalists conduct various educational programs. Adam's favorite job is taking groups to see the fossil beds.

"I really enjoy that," he said. "It gives people an opportunity to actually handle some of the fossils and most people are really surprised to see what's here."



Photo by Roy Horner

A youngster looks out at the Ohio River through binoculars at the Falls of the Ohio River State Park in Clarksville.

"Pretty much you are surrounded by city here," Adams said. "It's got a little... wilderness right here in the middle of the city. And we find some things here you

wouldn't expect to find in the middle of the city. Occasionally we get some deer on the islands out here. We've got red fox here, beaver."

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- Get plenty of sleep the night before starting a trip.
- Drive during the time of day when you are normally awake, and plan an overnight stay rather than driving straight through.
- Take a mid-afternoon break. Find a

place to sleep between midnight and 6 a.m.

•Both passengers in the front seat of the car should be awake. Passengers who need sleep should move to the back seat.

•Take a break every two hours or 100 miles. During this break, take a nap, walk, stretch, get exercise before getting back in the car.

•If there are passengers in the car talk with them. A passenger can also let you know when you are showing signs of sleepiness.

## Tips to avoid travel scams

Have you ever been offered a great vacation bargain that is too good to refuse. Although some offers may be legitimate, others are not.

To help travelers avoid travel scams the American Society of Travel Agents (ASTA), the largest travel trade association in the world, provides six suggestions to apply when evaluating travel offers. The suggestions are taken from the ASTA's brochure "Avoiding Travel Problems." They are as follows:

•Stay away from travel offers that sound "too good to be true," particularly if you have been solicited by phone or have received a postcard or certificate in the mail.

•Never give credit card numbers or any information about bank accounts over the phone to a solicitor unless you initiate the transaction and you are confident about the company with which you are doing business. Never give a courier a cashier's check or money order in exchange for information about a travel package.

•Get the complete details in writing about any trip prior to payment. These details should include the total cost (including taxes, port charges, service fees, and surcharges), terms and conditions, restrictions, cancellation penalties, if any, and specific information about all components of the package.

•If you call a 900 number in response to a travel solicitation, understand the charges and know the risks.

•Walk away from high pressure sales presentations or which require that you disclose your income.

•Be cautious with companies which require that you wait at least 60 days to take your trip or require that you select several dates of departure for your trip.

The ASTA's brochure, "Avoiding Travel Problems," also offers tips for planning a successful trip. For a free copy write to: American Society of Travel Agents, 1101 King St., Alexandria, VA 22314.

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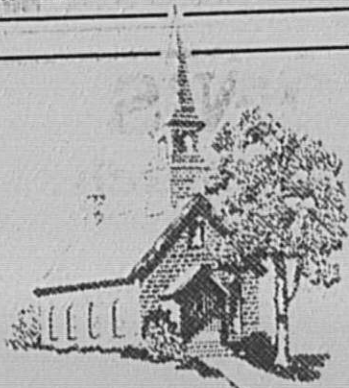
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# SUMMER MASS SCHEDULES

(June 1 to August 31, 1996)

PARISH	SATURDAY ANTICIPATION	SUNDAY AM MASS	SUNDAY PM MASS
<b>INDIANAPOLIS</b>			
SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral	5:00	10:30	
Christ the King	5:00	7:30, 9:00, 10:30	Noon
Good Shepherd	4:30	9:00, 11:00	
Holy Angels	6:00	9:00, 11:00	
Holy Cross	5:30	10:15	
Holy Name	5:30	7:30, 9:00, 11:30	
Holy Rosary	4:30		12:15
Holy Spirit	5:30	7:30, 9:00, 10:30	Noon
Holy Trinity	5:30	9:00	
Immaculate Heart of Mary	5:30	8:00, 9:30, 11:30	
Little Flower (St. Therese)	5:00	8:30, 10:30	6:00
Nativity	5:30	8:30, 11:00	
Our Lady of Lourdes	4:30	8:30	Noon
Sacred Heart	5:00	8:00, 10:00	
St. Andrew	5:30	9:00, 11:30	
St. Ann	5:30	8:30, 11:00	
St. Anthony	5:30	8:00, 11:00	
St. Barnabas	5:30	7:00, 8:45, 10:30	Noon
St. Bernadette	6:00	10:00	
St. Christopher	5:30	7:00, 8:30, 10:30	Noon, 5:30
St. Gabriel	6:00	8:00, 11:00	6:00
St. Joan of Arc	5:30	8:30, 10:30	5:30
St. John	5:30	8:00, 11:00	
St. Joseph	5:30	7:00, 9:00, 11:15	
(airport)		10:15	
St. Jude	5:00	7:00, 8:30, 10:00	Noon
St. Lawrence	5:00	7:30, 9:00, 10:30	Noon
St. Luke	5:30	7:30, 9:00, 11:00	12:30
St. Mark	5:30	7:30, 9:15, 11:45	
St. Mary	5:20	10:00	Noon, *1:15
St. Matthew	5:30	7:30, 9:00, 11:30	
St. Michael	5:30	8:00, 10:00	Noon
St. Monica	5:30	7:30, 9:00, 11:30	6:00
St. Patrick		8:45, 11:00s	6:15s
St. Philip Neri	5:30		
St. Pius X	5:30	7:45, 9:00, 10:30	Noon
St. Rita	6:00	10:00	
St. Roch	6:00	8:00, 10:30	
St. Simon	5:30	7:30, 9:00, 10:30	Noon
St. Thomas Aquinas	5:30	8:00, 10:30	
Aurora, St. Mary	5:00	8:30, 11:00	
Batesville, St. Louis	5:30, 7:30	6:30, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00	6:00
Bedford, St. Vincent de Paul	6:30	10:30	
<b>BLOOMINGTON</b>			
St. Charles Borromeo	5:00	8:00, 10:00	Noon
St. John	5:30	10:00	
St. Paul Catholic Center	5:30	8:00, 9:30, 11:15	
Bradford, St. Michael	5:30	8:00, 10:15	
Brazil, Annunciation	5:30	9:00, 11:00	
Brookville, St. Michael	5:30	7:00, 10:00	
Brownsville, St. Malachy	5:30	8:00, 9:30, 11:30	5:30
Brownstown, Our Lady of Providence			Noon
Cambridge City, St. Elizabeth	5:30	7:30, 10:00	
Cannelton, St. Michael		7:30	
Cedar Grove, Holy Guardian Angels	7:30	8:30	
<b>CHARLESTOWN, ST. MICHAEL</b>			
Clarksville, St. Anthony	5:00	8:30, 11:00	
Clinton, Sacred Heart	5:30	10:30	
<b>COLUMBUS</b>			
St. Bartholomew		9:00, 11:00	
St. Columba	4:00, 6:00	7:45, 10:15	
Connersville, St. Gabriel	5:30	8:00, 10:30	
Corydon, St. Joseph	5:00	8:00, 10:00	
<b>CRAWFORD COUNTY</b>			
St. Joseph		9:00	
Danville, Mary, Queen of Peace	5:00	8:00, 10:30	
<b>DECATUR COUNTY, ST. PAUL</b>			
Dover, St. John	6:30	10:00	
Edinburgh, Holy Trinity	6:30	9:30	
Enochsburg, St. John	7:30	8:30	
Floyds Knobs, St. Mary of the Knobs	5:30	8:00, 10:00, 11:30	
Fortville, St. Thomas	5:30	8:00, 10:30	
Franklin, St. Rose of Lima	5:00 (eff. 7/2)	8:00, 11:00 (eff. 7/2)	
<b>FRANKLIN COUNTY, ST. PETER</b>			
French Lick, Our Lady of the Springs	6:00	7:00, 11:00	
Frenchtown, St. Bernard	5:30	7:45, 10:15 (exc. picnic day)	
Fulda, St. Boniface	5:00	8:00	
Greencastle, St. Paul	5:15	8:30, 11:00	
Greenfield, St. Michael	6:00	8:00, 10:45	
Greensburg, St. Mary	4:30, 6:30	6:30, 9:30, 11:30	
<b>GREENWOOD</b>			
Our Lady of the Greenwood	5:30	7:30, 9:00, 10:30	Noon
SS. Francis and Clare		9:00	
Hamburg, St. Ann	6:00		
<b>HARRISON COUNTY, ST. PETER</b>			
Henryville, St. Francis Xavier		10:00	
<b>JEFFERSONVILLE</b>			
Sacred Heart	5:30	8:30, 11:00	
St. Augustine	5:30	8:30, 11:00	5:30
<b>JENNINGS COUNTY</b>			
St. Anne		10:00	
St. Dennis	4:00		
St. Joseph	7:15	8:00	
Knightstown, St. Rose	7:00	10:30 (5/4 - 9/7)	
Lanesville, St. Mary	5:30	8:00, 10:30	
Lawrenceburg, St. Lawrence	5:30	8:30, 10:30	
Leopold, St. Augustine	4:00	10:00	
Liberty, St. Bridget	7:00	7:00, 9:00	
MADISON, Prince of Peace	6:00	8:00, 10:00	
Martinsville, St. Martin	6:00	7:30, 10:30	
Milan, St. Charles	5:00	8:00	
Millhouses, Immaculate Conception	6:00	10:30	
Mitchell, St. Mary	4:30	8:30	
Montezuma, Immaculate Conception		8:45	
Mooresville, St. Thomas More	6:00	8:00, 9:30	
Morris, St. Anthony	5:30	8:30	
Napoleon, St. Maurice	6:00	8:30	
Nashville, St. Agnes	5:00, 6:30**	8:30, 10:45	
Navilleton, St. Mary	5:00	8:30, 11:30	
<b>NEW ALBANY</b>			
Holy Family	5:00	8:00, 10:00, 11:30	

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		AM MASS	PM MASS
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	5:30	8:00, 10:00	
St. Mary	5:30	8:30, 10:30	
New Alsace, St. Paul	6:30	8:30	
New Castle, St. Anne	5:00	8:30	
New Marion, St. Magdalene	7:00		
New Middletown, Most Precious Blood		8:00	
North Vernon, St. Mary		7:30, 8:45, 11:00	
Oak Forest, St. Cecilia	7:00****	10:00***	
Oldenburg, Holy Family	5:30	8:00, 10:00	
Osgood, St. John the Baptist	5:00	8:00, 10:00	
Paoli, Christ the King		9:00	
PERRY COUNTY			
St. Isidore	6:00	9:30	
St. Mark	5:30	8:30	
Plainfield, St. Susanna	5:30	8:00, 10:30	
RICHMOND			
Holy Family	5:30	8:00	
St. Andrew		9:30	5:00
St. Mary	5:15	11:00	
RIPLEY COUNTY, St. Pius		10:30	
Rockville, St. Joseph	5:00	10:30	
Rushville, St. Mary	5:30	7:00, 9:00, 11:00	
St. Croix, Holy Cross		8:00	
St. Joseph Hill, St. Joseph	5:30	8:00, 11:00	
St. Leon, St. Joseph	5:00	8:30	
St. Mary-of-the-Rock, Franklin Co.	7:00--	10:00****	
St. Mary-of-the-Woods, St. Mary-of-the-Woods	7:00	9:00	
St. Maurice, St. Maurice		10:30	
St. Meinrad, St. Meinrad	6:30	9:00	
Salem, St. Patrick		10:30	
Scottsburg, American Martyrs	6:00	8:30	
Seelyville, Holy Rosary	5:30	9:00	
Sellersburg, St. Paul	5:00	8:45, 11:00	
Seymour, St. Ambrose	6:00	8:00, 10:00	
SHELBY COUNTY, St. Vincent	6:00	8:00, 10:00	
Shelbyville, St. Joseph	5:00	7:00, 9:30	
Siberia, St. Martin		9:30	
Spencer, St. Jude	5:00	8:00, 10:30	
Starlight, St. John		8:00, 10:00	
Sunman, St. Nicholas		7:00, 10:15	
Tell City, St. Paul	5:30	9:00	Noon
TERRE HAUTE			
Sacred Heart	5:00	9:00	
St. Ann		11:00	
St. Benedict	5:30	8:00, 10:00	
St. Joseph	5:00	9:00, 11:15	7:00
St. Margaret Mary	5:00	8:30, 11:00	
St. Patrick	5:30	9:00, 11:30	
Troy, St. Pius		10:30	
Universal, St. Joseph		8:00	
Vevay, Most Sorrowful Mother	4:00		
West Terre Haute, St. Leonard	5:00	7:00, 10:00	
Yorkville, St. Martin	5:00	10:30 EDT	

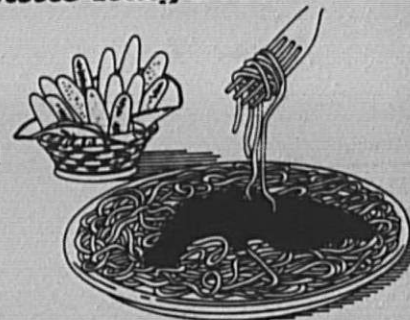
NOTE: Masses in the southern part of the archdiocese (especially near Louisville) may be on Eastern Daylight Time.

s=Mass in Spanish  
 \*Special Mass in Spanish at 1:15 p.m.  
 \*\*6:30 p.m. Mass at Brown County State Park  
 †8:00 a.m. Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month; 10:00 a.m. Mass on the 2nd, 4th, and 5th  
 ††8:00 a.m. Mass on the 2nd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of the month;  
 10:00 a.m. Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays  
 †††Daily Mass, Monday through Friday at Noon, beginning Monday, June 13  
 †††6:00 p.m. Mass on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Saturdays of the month  
 †††6:00 p.m. Mass on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month  
 ††††Tridentine Latin Masses: 1st Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. beginning June 2  
 --7:00 p.m. Mass on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month  
 +++7:00 p.m. Mass on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Saturdays of the month  
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July 16-17	Basic Enneagram	
July 21-28	Enneagram Teacher Institute	



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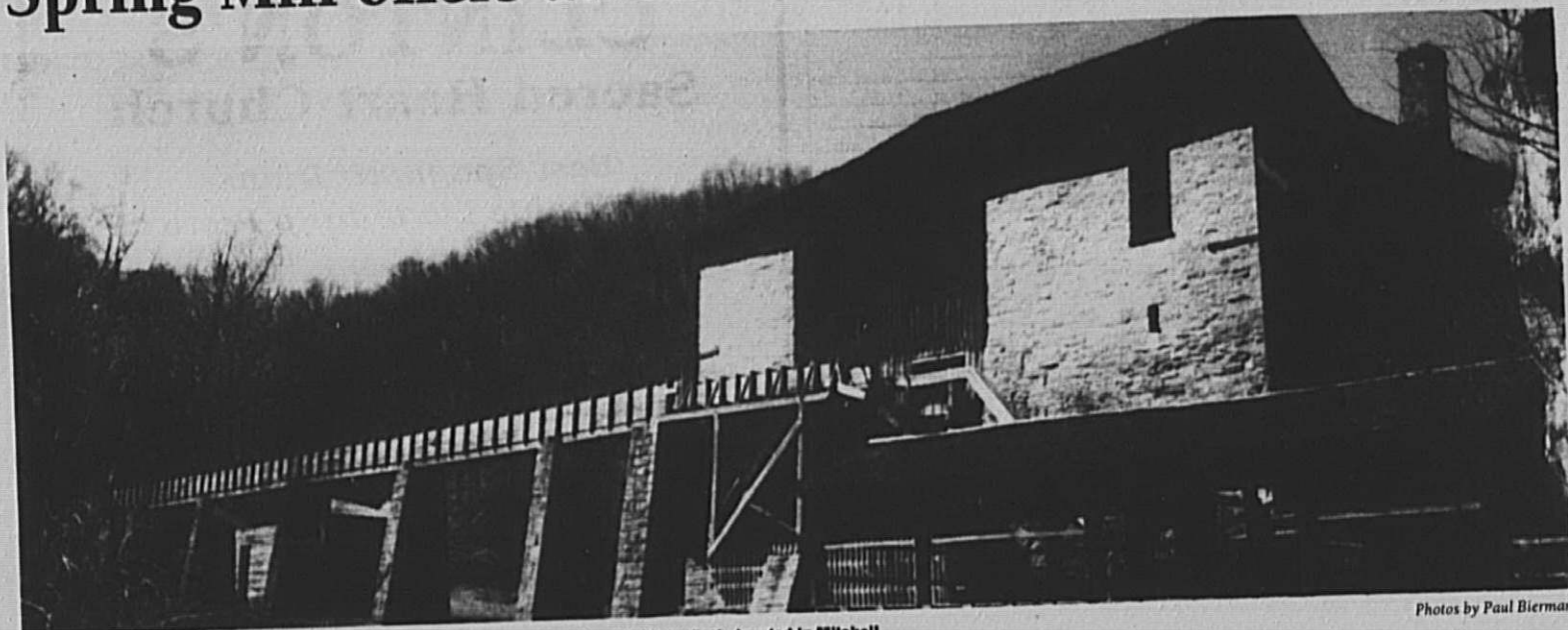


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# Spring Mill offers an abundance of activities



Photos by Paul Bierman

The grist mill, built in 1817, is the focal point at the pioneer village at Spring Mill State Park, located in Mitchell.

By Susan Bierman

For families looking for a vacation site offering lots of activities, Spring Mill State Park in Mitchell may be the answer.

"This park has enough activities for a full week or a two week vacation," Mark Young, Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of State Parks property manager, said.

Here is a sample of what the 1,319 acre park offers. For the family that likes to camp, the park offers Class A and Class C sites. A youth tent area is available for youths under adult supervision. Camp site fees are \$11 for a Class A site and \$5 for Class C site per night. The youth tent area is 50 cents per person per night. There is a \$1 camping reservation handling fee.

For families who are more interested in indoor sleeping facilities, the Spring Mill Inn may be a better option. The inn offers one and two-bed accommodations, a dining room, an indoor/outdoor pool, conference rooms, a game room, and a gift shop.

Whether sleeping indoors or outdoors, families can find plenty of activities at Spring Mill State Park.

Families can visit the Virgil I. Grissom Memorial, a tribute to America's second man in space. Gus Grissom, a native of Mitchell, was one of the seven original astronauts. He served in the Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo programs. Grissom and two other astronauts died in 1967 during initial tests on Apollo I prior to the first test flight. The space capsule Gemini III, a space suit and helmet are featured inside the memorial.

The Pioneer Village offers another taste of history.

People who wonder through the village are taken back in time to the 1800s. The village's focal point, a grist mill, operates on the original plot in which it was constructed in 1817. Other buildings in the village are also located on their original plots. While some cabins like the Granny White House, built in 1824, and the Sheeks House, built in 1817, were located within Lawrence County and moved to the Pioneer Village.

Among the buildings inside the village are: a leather shop, a saw mill, a distillery, a tavern, a carpenters' shop, a mill office, a nursery, a spring house, a carriage house, a blacksmith shop, an apothecary, and a general store-post office.

For those interested in nature, the park offers several hiking trails, a nature center, and fishing. A state fishing license is required.

"Most people don't realize it, but we do have a good trout population," Young said.

Young explained that the water temperature in the lake stays cool all year because water pours into the lake from two caves.

"That makes it a pretty good temperature for trout."

Park visitors can take guided boat rides into the Twin Caves. The tour travels about 500 feet into the cave and then turns around. The cost is \$1 per seat.

Vacationers can bring their boats along with them to the boat docks at the park, or they can rent row boats, canoes, and paddleboats. Row boats and canoes cost \$2.50 per hour, or \$9.50 per day. Paddleboats rent for \$5 an hour or \$22 a day. Boaters who bring their personally owned boats must have a launch permit, which can be purchased at the park.

At the park's saddle barn, visitors can take trail rides for \$10.50, pony rides for \$3, or hayrides for \$2.50.

An olympic-size pool with a bathhouse and wading pool is open daily for guests to enjoy Memorial Day through Labor Day. Admission is \$1.50 per person.

The Spring Mill State Park entrance fee is \$2 for non-commercial vehicles with Indiana state license plates. Vehicles with out of state plates pay \$5. For more information about the park call 812-849-4129.



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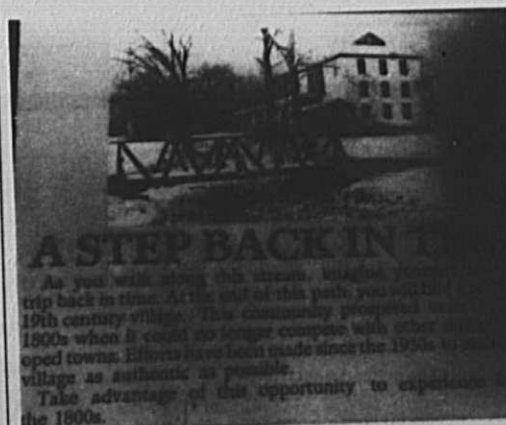
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As you walk along the stream, imagine your trip back in time. At the end of this path, you enter the 19th century village. The community prospered in the 1800s when it could no longer compete with other open towns. Efforts have been made since the 1930s to restore the village as authentic as possible. Take advantage of this opportunity to experience the 1800s.

A step back in time is exactly the feeling when strolling through the pioneer village at Spring Mill State Park. Along with the grist mill, which is in operation daily, other buildings in the village are: a leather shop, a saw mill, a distillery, a tavern, a carpenters' shop, a mill office, a nursery, a spring house, a carriage house, a blacksmith shop, an apothecary, and a general store-post office. Each of the buildings is authentic. Some of the buildings are located on the sites over which they were constructed over years ago, while others were brought into the village from areas throughout Lawrence County.



# Summer camping fun for kids

By Cynthia Dewes

Are you age 7 through 14? Do you have a child or a "grand," age 7 through 14? If the answer to either of these questions is Yes, you or yours may qualify for a special way to "Brighten up your summer."

Brightening up summer is what's advertised at Summer Camp at the Woods, sponsored by St. Mary of the Woods College on its campus near Terre Haute. Even if you can't remember what it was like to be age 7 through 14, you'll appreciate the wealth of camping opportunities offered at the Woods. The program is accredited with the American Camping Association, and is set up to serve kids with widely varying interests and talents.

General resident camps will be held during the weeks of June 16-22, June 23-29, and July 21-27. Each day, campers can participate in canoeing, archery, fishing, tennis, biking, basketball, and hiking. As if that weren't enough, there are arts and crafts projects, swimming, nature walks, Indian lore, volleyball, badminton, skits, songs and storytelling.

In the evening there are games, movies, hayrides, campfire pow-wows and even overnights camping under the stars. When the kids finally drop into bed in their college dorm rooms they'll probably be too tired to whisper with their

roommates. Or to write that letter home to mom and dad.

Special interest camps at the Woods are held during the week of July 14 through 20. These include a Cartoon Camp for young artists, an Earth Scape-Outdoor Experience, a Science Camp, a Scuba Diving Camp and a Theatre Camp. There are separate Sports Camps for Boys and Girls, and separate camps for Things Guys or Girls Like To Do.

For game wizards there's a Compopoly Camp, and for 7 to 9-year-olds a Camping Sampler. Kids can even Bring a Grandparent to Camp, sharing a room with them in the College Guesthouse. To date, only the Photography Camp enrollment is filled.

Music camps offered at the Woods are a Piano Camp and Vocal Camp for high schoolers on June 16-19, and a Piano Camp for boys and girls entering grades 5-8 from June 16 to 22.

Dale and Donna Gettelfinger of New Albany are two of the many parents who are enthusiastic about camping at the Woods. "It's been a good experience" for their daughters Jessica and Jenna for the past few years, Donna said.

She said that once, when Jessica was upset because none of her school friends would be attending camp with her, it turned out to be "her very best year." Jessica not only enjoyed herself but she became more independent. The Gettelfingers hope the Woods camp will also be a



Photo courtesy of St. Mary of the Woods College

Kids can enjoy canoeing during Camp at the Woods 1996.

good experience for their youngest daughter Joanna, who will be a first-time camper this year.

The cost for general camping is \$260 per week which includes housing in Le Fer Hall, meals in O'Shaughnessy Dining Hall, expert instruction and supervision. Age requirements and costs for theme camps vary. A \$50 deposit is due with each registration. For more information contact the Office of Continuing Education, St. Mary of the Woods College, St. Mary of the Woods, IN 47876-1099, 812-535-5148.

## Wander Indiana to explore nature in all its forms

By Cynthia Dewes

Some of us used to snicker at the auto license plates that urged everyone to "Wander Indiana." But on second thought, that's not a bad idea. After all, the Hoosier countryside is really something to see.

It's the land of homemade houses constructed from imagination and whatever's at hand, automobile graveyards, and double-wide trailers with signs advertising "Home Bible study or at your convenience." It's the place where every small town boasts a Carnegie library and an old-time movie theater, and breaded pork tenderloins are the gourmet menu selection *du jour*.

When weekends or vacation days present beautiful summer weather and a bunch of bored kids whining that "There's nothing to do," wandering Indiana could be just the right solution. And one particular jaunt into a unique but relatively undiscovered section of west central Indiana comes highly recommended.

The trip includes exploring state nature preserves at Portland Arch in Fountain County and Fall Creek Gorge in Warren County, with side visits to the historic town of Attica, and to nearby Williamsport Falls. The falls, proclaimed to be the "highest in Indiana" at 90 feet, are near the center of Williamsport. An observation deck affords a great view of the falls and the deep pool at their base.

Hiking trails on this trip are easy enough for all but the smallest children, and the "potholes" at the Gorge invite summer visitors to jump in and cool off. Taking walking shoes and swimsuits along, in addition to a picnic lunch and drinking water, would be in order.

Portland Arch is one of Indiana's most scenic nature preserves, named for the massive sandstone formation created by a tributary of Bear Creek. A north self-guiding hiking trail winds through an upland oak-hickory forest, down a rock-walled ravine, and through the arch to spectacular Bear Creek Canyon.

A south trail goes through old fields and along steep ridges, forested with white pine, beech and maple trees. According to the Nature Conservancy, several uncommon plants can be found here including the endangered Forbes' saxifrage, Canada blueberry, and sand club moss.

After leaving Portland Arch the day trippers can continue northeast to Attica, whose chief claim to fame (at least for the kids) is that it's the home of Wolf's Homemade Candies. Bribing the backseat natives with a hunk of fudge or a toffee may be messy, but it will keep them busy while everyone admires mainstreet and the fine examples of Victorian and Carpenter Gothic houses around town.

Northwest from Attica lies Fall Creek Gorge, with a side trip to Williamsport Falls along the way. The Gorge is a steep-walled canyon of sandstone cliffs containing the potholes. These are large, almost circular openings in the sandrock that forms the bed of the canyon, and offer cool dunkings for the hot and tired day-tripper.

There are some white pines on the cliffs of the Gorge, and oak-hickory woods along the ridges. The Nature Conservancy reports that state-endangered and globally-rare forked asters, and the state-rare snow trillium, are also found here.

It's fun to bring a camera along to record wildflowers and animal tracks, and maybe catch dad lolling waist-deep in a pothole. And don't forget the bug repellent, meat tenderizer for bee stings, and a field guide for plants, if only to identify poison ivy.

To begin the day trip from Indianapolis, travel west on I-74 to U.S. 41 where you turn north. Continue to County Road 650 N. where there's a sign pointing west to

Portland Arch and the town of Fountain. Travel 5 miles west to Fountain, where there's a sign directing you to turn left on a gravel road. Turn left and then turn left on the next road, which will take you to the north parking lot. The south parking lot and trail are a little farther down the road, past the 90 degree turn. From Portland Arch to Attica, travel back east on 650 N. to U.S. 41. Turn left and take 41 into Attica.

To travel to Fall Creek Gorge, follow U.S. 41 northwest from Attica approximately 4 miles to Five Points intersection, adjacent to a small power relay station. Turn right, or north, on Pot Holes Road and travel 1.5 miles to a small parking lot on the left side of the road where the trail to the Gorge begins.

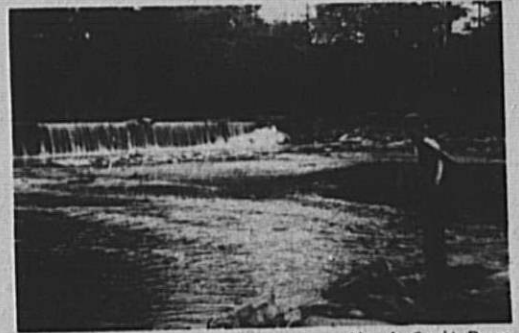


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The falls at Fall Creek Gorge.

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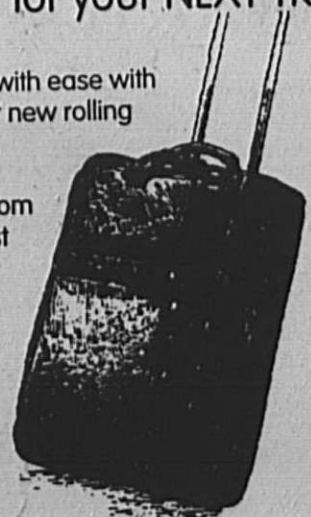
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# Tips for traveling with pets

By Carla Cox, Humane Society of Indianapolis

Vacation, Webster's definition—a period of rest and freedom from work, study, etc. Do pets need vacations? Sleeping, eating, playing and cuddling—aren't their lives continuous vacations?

The real question is what do you do with your pet when you're on vacation? Is kenneling out of the question for your pet? For example, will Rover eat in a strange place, or does Fifi become aggressive when placed in a cage? Is kenneling out of the question for you? Will my pet be cared for to my standards? Or, do you simply love Barkey's company so much that you couldn't enjoy your vacation without him?

So you're planning to take your pet on vacation with you. Two words: Plan ahead! First things first, is your pet a qualified traveler? The ill, very young or very old pet should be left at home with a caregiver. Hyperactivity and/or aggression are also disqualifiers.

Next, research regulations. For interstate travel, dogs and cats need current rabies vaccinations with certificates and current health certificates. Don't forget quarantines. It's 120 days in Hawaii. Fortunately, it is the only state that imposes one. Quarantine alone discourages many pet owners from traveling internationally with their pets. It can range from 14 days to nine months, depending on which country you will be visiting. Contact the consultant of each country several months in advance.

Continue to plan ahead by calling about accommodations. Many hotels and motels now accept pets, but you will need to reserve early during peak vacation months.

If all of these rules and regulations haven't discouraged you, then it's time to make an appointment with your veterinarian. The clinic can provide you with proof that your pet's rabies vaccination is at least 30 days old. In addition, if you're going to fly, you'll need to visit your veterinarian again to receive a health certificate no more than 10 days old, stating that your animal is healthy enough to make the trip. Make several copies of these certificates, and carry them with you at all times. All other vaccinations should be up to date, and don't forget to take along your dog's heartworm preventive medicine.

What to pack? Plenty of food and maybe a toy from home would be appreciated. Always include lots of water, even if it's not hot weather. Nervous panting quickly dehydrates a pet. You may want to withhold food for up to six hours before your trip. No reason to risk a mishap. In fact, your pet will probably be so busy checking out his new surroundings that he may not eat for a few days. Don't worry, he'll eat when he's ready.

Also, always remember to keep your pet cool. The temperature in a car can reach lethal levels in a matter of minutes, even with a window down. Never leave your pet in the car if your car is out of sight. Towing or theft can be very frightening for you and your pet.

Aside from travel by car, airlines also allow pets. Once again, plan ahead. Check with your airline for rules and regulations. Always book direct flights to your destination. The fewer times the animal is handled, the less likelihood of trouble.

It is very important, no matter which mode of travel, to ID your pet. Identification can save your pet's life and not just while traveling. In addition, label your carrier with the pet's destination as well as stating "Live Animal—This End Up" in all applicable languages.

With these simple precautions and planning ideas, you and your pet should have a purrfect vacation.

## Quick Travel Tips

- Boating dog owners should use life preservers made for canines, remove collars, and attach dog tags to life vest.
- Place a piece of your unwashed clothing in your pet's carrier. Your scent will comfort your pet.
- Breeds with pushed-in noses like Pugs and Persians may have a hard time traveling due to their poor airways. They are poorly equipped to handle the rapid breathing that occurs with stress.
- Never muzzle a traveling dog. He must be able to pant.
- Don't travel during extreme heat.
- Avoid airports during busiest times.
- Acclimate your pet to short rides before a lengthy road trip.
- Stop more often for your pet than you would yourself.
- Do not allow your pet to hang his head out the car



Photo by Paul Bierman

A little boy joins his two Labrador puppies at the slide.

window. Small particles in the air can damage his eyes and ears.

•Your dog should never ride in the back of a pick-up truck. Many dogs die each year from the fall or traffic accidents.

## Take a vacation from modern society

By Susan Bierman

Ever wanted to take a few hours' "vacation" from modern society? If so, a tour of the Culbertson Mansion, a state historic site in New Albany, could be fulfilling.

Randall Lehman, assistant laborer at the Culbertson Mansion said visitors are amazed by the mansion's size and decor.

A formal parlor, a ball room, a formal bedroom, and a master bedroom are among the 25 rooms inside the mansion. Each of the rooms includes antique furniture from the era. The ceilings and walls are currently being restored back to their original appearance with hand-painted designs when the Culbertsons lived in the mansion.

The three-story painted brick exterior mansion was built in 1867, taking two years to complete and costing \$120,000. Covering more than 20,000 feet, the Second Empire style mansion tells a story about the lives of a wealthy Victorian family as well as their live-in servants.

From the mansion's back balcony, visitors can view the Ohio River. Lehman said when the Culbertsons lived in the mansion they could see the river and many factories that were built along it.

"The wealthy people of that time had a different feeling than wealthy people today have. Today wealthy people want to live away from the factories, but in those days they looked out at the factories and saw progress," Lehman said.

William S. Culbertson at the age of 21 left his hometown of New Market, Pennsylvania, for the expanding Western Territory located along the Ohio River. Settling in New Albany, Culbertson worked as a clerk in a dry goods store. However, because of his great business sense and high energy, he became a wealthy independent businessman.

One year after the completion of his mansion in 1868, Culbertson left the dry goods business and went into banking. For 24 years he worked as the president or director at a New Albany bank.

Culbertson was married three times and was left widowed twice. His third wife out-lived him by several years. He had 10 children. His youngest daughter was born in the mansion. At the time of his death in 1892 at the age of 78, Culbertson was considered to be one of the wealthiest men in Indiana, with an estate worth \$4.5 million.

Culbertson State Historic Site is located 914 E. Main St., in New Albany. For more information call 812-944-9600.

## The Scribner House

Not far from the Culbertson Mansion sits the Scribner House, one of New Albany's oldest buildings. It was built in 1814 by one of the city's founders, Joel Scribner. The house, which is located near the Ohio River, was the first frame house built in the town.

In 1813, traveling from New York, Joel and his brothers Nathaniel and Abner came to the town which they would later name in honor of their state capital New Albany. They advertised the town they had established in newspapers. People in Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, New York and Connecticut read the ads and came to New Albany to settle. New Albany soon became the largest city in Indiana, which it remained until 1850.

The house is two stories with a loft. Inside the house are original items such as furniture, clothing, and cooking utensils that the Scribners used. Several generations of Scribners lived in the house. In 1917 Harriett Scribner sold the home to the Piankeshaw Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

The Scribner House is located on the southeast corner of State and Main Streets in New Albany. Tours of the house are given by appointment. For more information about the Scribner House tours call 812-948-2921.

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# Readers share vacation memories

## Two holy hitchhikers pray for ride and find friendship

By Donna Novotney

In 1953 we took our two children, ages 6 and 2, to Colorado. We stayed overnight in Colorado Springs, and planned a trip to Cheyenne Mountain the next day. We got up early, packed the car, and had our first exciting adventure driving up the mountain road.

We visited the Will Rogers Shrine and spent the rest of the day touring the zoo and viewing the beautiful scenery. It was getting late when we started back down the mountain. About a third of the way down, we rounded a curve and saw two nuns walking briskly on the road in front of us, habits and veils flying in the wind.

We pulled alongside them after they frantically waved us down. They were out of breath and were talking at the same time.

"We were left by the bus," one nun said, "and it's time for us to be back at the motherhouse."

"We were praying so hard for a Catholic family to come along and pick us up," the other nun said. "You're the answer to our prayers!"

They climbed in the car and away we went down the mountain. Our destination was, much to our surprise, what is now the Broadmoor Hotel, a famous resort. At that time, their order was in residence there, thanks to a wealthy benefactor. We were invited in and shown their beautiful quarters.

We corresponded with the sisters for a number of years, and the last time we heard from them they were in Arizona, teaching at an orphanage. They always referred to our family as "the answer to their prayers."

(Donna Novotney is a member of Holy Rosary Parish in Seelyville.)

built from blocks of stones thousands of years ago. The Indians had used their hands to smooth the surfaces and left handprints in the finish. They had moved rocks and sand up from the Verde Valley and riverbed, which lie below their living quarters on the top of the big hill.

The Verde Valley and river were so beautiful below that their beauty could not all be captured on camera. We could not capture on film the gentle breezes, the sound of birds singing, or the beauty and peace of the area.

We left that valley and entered the Sedona area, with beautiful red-rock mountains all around us. We went there especially to see Holy Cross Chapel on the Mountain. As we approached the area in the morning sunlight, we saw the chapel above us. It was built into the red rock of the mountain. A cement walkway with handrails winds around the side of the mountain to the back entry of the chapel.

As we entered the chapel and gazed at the interior, we experienced a feeling of awe. To the left was a large rock sculpture of Mary and the infant Jesus. The back wall behind the altar was glass. It had an awe-inspiring view of the red rock of the surrounding mountains.

On one of the mountains was a large rock formation, fashioned by God's hands, called "Mother and Child." The view was so beautiful we could feel God's presence there.

There was a quiet and peaceful feeling inside the chapel. Some of the visitors were kneeling in prayer, while others conversed in whispers and lighted votive candles. We could hear a Gregorian chant over the intercom.

Truly God was present there among us. It was there I left my sorrow about the recent deaths of four of my close family members. I gave thanks for the recovery of my son from his recent brush with death following a heart attack.

I also thanked God for the inspiration he had given to the lady who saw the mountains and envisioned the chapel there. What a gift she gave to the people fortunate enough to visit the beautiful Holy Cross Chapel.

When I boarded the plane for Indiana, I felt rested in body and spirit and I thanked God for my vacation.

(Agnes Hagerty is a member of St. Mary Parish in Greensburg.)

## 1976 vacation in Rome for ordinations was joyful

By Martha Beidelman

It was such a beautiful sight, with the sun going down in the late afternoon on June 20, 1976, when 350 men joined together from all over the world to be ordained in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican.

Those of us from Little Flower Parish in Indianapolis were especially proud of this date because two of our parishioners, Robert Gilday and Jim Farrell, were to be ordained there. Their parents and many friends from Little Flower and elsewhere were on this trip with them.

Not too long ago, on one of my weekly volunteer days at Community Hospital East's transitional care unit, I visited Mrs. James Farrell, who was a patient there. We relived some of the good times we had on this occasion of her son's ordination. It was hard to believe that 20 years had gone by since that memorable vacation.

My father, Clarence Beidelman, so enjoyed this trip to Europe. So many times I wished my mother, Louise, could have been with us. I'm sure she was in spirit.

After the ordination, we were treated to an open house for Fathers Gilday and Farrell. That trip will long be remembered by all of us who were lucky enough to go there.

(Martha Beidelman is a member of Little Flower Parish in Indianapolis.)

## Woman's dream vacation yields unexpected results

By Brenda Mosier

Although I've traveled a bit, it was always a dream of mine to drive over the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco and see the Pacific Ocean.

Imagine my excitement when my dream trip became a reality. The skies were clear as our plane flew over the majestic Rocky Mountains and Utah's glorious canyon-lands to California.

At the airport, we rented a car and headed for the Golden Gate Bridge. Though lovely, the bridge over San Francisco Bay wasn't quite as big or as shiny as I'd imagined it. Lunch at the famous Fisherman's Wharf was noisy, crowded, and over-priced.

The next day we headed south on Highway 101 for a drive down the coast to Big Sur and my first look at the Pacific Ocean. Nothing I'd ever read or seen in the movies could have prepared me. I burst into tears and marvelled at God's power to create.

The entire trip continued in this vein. We were underwhelmed by the tourist spots everyone had told us "you just gotta see," and stunned into silence by the giant sequoia trees at Yosemite. My breath was taken away by the largest rainbow I'd ever seen, as well as a colorful hummingbird darting into a fountain.

This trip was my favorite vacation because it taught me (no, reminded me) that nothing man-made ever lives up to the hype, but nothing God-made can ever be adequately described.

(Brenda Mosier is a member of St. Joseph Parish in Marengo.)

## Arizona's beauty inspires Hoosier, leads to healing

By Agnes C. Hagerty

My vacation started out as rest and recreation, following some events in my life that left me depressed. I guess in truth my vacation was "running away."

In December of last year I boarded a plane and flew from Indianapolis to Arizona. A three-hour time delay made our arrival time in Arizona about midnight. There I was met by my daughter, who greeted me with her beautiful smile. This made me feel better already.

The next day we climbed into my daughter's Jeep and ventured forth to explore Sedona and the surrounding area.

We first visited Gozquez, the ruins of the prior living quarters of the Sinequan Indians, which were

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# Summer festivals scheduled around the archdiocese

## May 24

Holy Trinity Parish, Indianapolis, will host an Indy 500 Festival starting at 5 p.m. For more information contact Carol Douglas 317-241-4379.

## May 25-26

St. John the Baptist Church, Floyd's Knobs, will sponsor the Starlight Strawberry Festival from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. The event features food, craft booths, and build your own shortcake. Admission is free. For more information call Robert McCoy at 812-923-5593.

## June 1

St. Paul Parish, Sellersburg, will host Spring Fling from 7:30 p.m. to midnight. Music, food and drink, Monte Carlo, will be featured. Admission is free. For more information call George Hardy at 812-246-5957.

## June 6-9

Our Lady of the Greenwood, Greenwood, will host its parish festival from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. Thursday; 5 p.m. to midnight Friday; 2 p.m. to midnight Saturday; and 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday. The event will fea-

ture Poor Jack Rides, food booths, Monte Carlo, and a \$10,000 grand prize drawing. Admission is free. For more information call Sandy McGill at 317-888-2861 or 317-885-5007.

## June 7-8

Our Lady of Providence High School, Clarksville, will hold its annual spring festival. Friday, adult night, is from 7 p.m. to midnight. Saturday, family day, is from 2 p.m. to 11 p.m. A spaghetti dinner will be served in the cafeteria from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday. Capital prizes of \$5,000, \$1,000, and \$500 will be drawn on Saturday. A bingo will be held from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Friday. For more information call Marilyn Jarboe at 812-945-3350.

## June 7-9

Little Flower Parish, Indianapolis, will host its parish festival from 5 p.m. to midnight, Friday and Saturday; and noon to 10 p.m. Sunday. The event is free and will feature rides, dinners, a beer garden, and Monte Carlo. For more information call Bette Smith at 317-357-8352.

St. Louis Parish, Batesville, will hold a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday; and 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sunday. A variety of items will be featured. For more information call Diane Huntman at 812-934-3204.

## June 14-15

Holy Rosary Parish, Indianapolis, will host its 13th annual Italian Street Festival from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. each night. No admission charge. For more information call Bernie Greene at 317-636-4478.

Christ the King Parish, Indianapolis, will have its festival from 5 p.m. to midnight each evening. The summer social will feature food and entertainment. No admission. For more information call Paul Cappel at 317-255-2587.

St. Mary, New Albany, will hold its school fundraiser, St. Mary's Festival. Family night from 5:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Friday; a street dance, will be held from 6 p.m. to midnight Saturday. Marlins and Monarchs will perform. For more information call Joyce Schindler at 812-944-0417.

## June 14-16

Richmond Catholic Community, Richmond, will host Seton Fest to benefit Seton Catholic School from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Holy Family, 815 W. Main St., in Richmond. The event will feature rides, spaghetti dinner, dance, Monte Carlo, and entertainment. Admission is free. For more information call the Richmond Catholic Office at 317-962-3902.

## June 14-16

St. Simon the Apostle Parish, Indianapolis, will hold its summer festival featuring food, rides, games, and entertainment. Hours are from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Friday, 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, and 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday. For more information contact Mike Baker at 317-1707.

## June 15

St. Roch Home School Organization, Indianapolis, will host a flea market from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Rental space is \$15 and tables are \$5 each. For more information call Roma Duh at 317-782-9263 or 317-784-9144.

St. Malachy Women's Club

will hold a garage sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Noll Hall. For more information call Mary Day Garrison at 317-852-5910.

## June 20-22

Holy Name Parish, Beech Grove, will host its Summerfest '96 Festival. The event will feature a raffle, Monte Carlo, rides, and food. Festival hours are from 5 p.m. to 12 a.m. Thursday and Friday, and from 3 p.m. to 12 a.m. on Saturday. For more information call Tim Griffin at 317-881-7642.

## June 22-23

Sacred Heart Parish, Jeffersonville, will hold its annual summer picnic. Booths, games, pony rides, and a petting zoo will be featured. There will be a chicken dinner on Sunday. Hours are from 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, and 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. For more information call Tim Cox at 812-284-1343.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Indianapolis, will host its Alumni Kickball Tournament from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information call Jo-Ann Deery at 317-357-6559.

## June 23

St. Nicholas Parish, Sunman, will host its summer picnic from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Chicken dinners, turtle soup, homemade pies, and games will be featured. For more information call Kenneth Hountz at 812-623-2894.

Sacred Heart Parish, Indianapolis, will hold its festival from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. in German Park. For more information contact Terri Utterback at 317-5551.

## June 28-30

St. Jude Parish, Indianapolis, will host its festival. For more information call 317-784-4371.

## June 29-30

St. Michael Parish, Brookville, will hold its 24th annual festival from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday. A pork chop supper will be featured from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday. A family-style chicken dinner will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday. Games, arts and craft booths will be featured both days. For more information call Thomas J. O'Connor at 317-647-4156.

## July 4

St. Paul the Apostle, Greencastle, will host its parish festival. For more information call Pat McCune at 317-653-2824.

## July 11-13

Holy Spirit Parish, Indianapolis, will hold its parish festival from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Thursday through Saturday. Games, rides, Monte Carlo, and beer garden will be featured. For more information call Dick Hess at 317-353-0474.

## July 14

St. Joseph Parish, Corydon, will host its picnic from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Harrison County Fairgrounds. The event will feature chicken dinners, game wheels, and bingo. For more information contact Ed Hoehn at 812-738-2742.

## July 18-20

St. Christopher Parish, Speedway, will hold its summer

festival featuring fish fry, rides, games, and bingo. Each day carry-out begins at 4 p.m. Dining room and food tent opens at 4:30 p.m. and rides and games are from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. For more information call 317-241-6314.

## July 20

Our Lady of Lourdes, Indianapolis, will host its Golf Outing and Steak n Bake Dinner. Golf starts at 7:30 a.m. at Pleasant Run Golf Course. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. in Our Lady of Lourdes gym. Golf is \$40 per person, dinner with band is \$20. For more information call Mark Hudson at 317-353-1210 or 317-232-6057.

## July 21

St. John Parish, Dover, will hold its summer festival from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. EDT. Chicken dinners will be served from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Carry-out will be available until 6 p.m. The event will feature concessions, games, crafts, bingo, a country store, and a raffle. For more information call Linda Freeman at 812-576-4159.

St. Mary Parish, Navilleton, will host its summer picnic from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information contact Dan Schneider at 812-923-5824.

St. John the Baptist Parish, Osgood, will hold its annual chicken dinner from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information contact Father Frank Eckstein at 812-689-4244.

## July 26-27

St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Clarksville, will hold its parish picnic from 5 p.m. to midnight Friday, and from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday. A food court, games, booths, a raffle, and bingo will be featured. For more information call the parish office at 812-282-2290.

St. Mark Parish, Indianapolis, will hold its Funfest from 4 p.m. to midnight. Monte Carlo, rides, band, and food will be featured. For more information call Dennis Musgrave at 317-887-2565.

## July 26-28

Holy Family Parish, Oldenburg, will hold a rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, and from 7 a.m. to noon Sunday. Clothing, shoes, toys, small appliances, and miscellaneous items will be featured. For more information call Theresa at 812-934-3013.

## July 27-28

St. Martin Parish, Yorkville, will hold its picnic starting at 3 p.m. on Saturday and at 9 a.m. on Sunday. On Saturday prime-rib dinners and volleyball will be featured. On Sunday there will be a race and chicken dinners. For more information call Floyd Trossman at 812-623-2591.

## July 28

St. Augustine Parish, Leopold, will host its annual parish festival from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Chicken dinners, bingo, a country store, quilt raffle, and a toy stand will be featured. For more information call the parish office at 812-843-5143.

## August 3

St. Thomas the Apostle, Fortville, will hold its festival from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Games,

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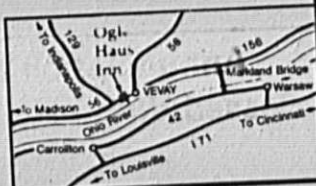


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# Readers share favorite vacation travel experiences

## European vacation was special experience for couple

By Steve Gutzwiller

We had visited the Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, the Blessed Virgin Cathedral in Munich, the Xavier Cathedral in Lucerne, and the Strasbourg Cathedral, but none compared to the simplistic beauty of the St. Michael the Archangel Church in Niederschoefflesheim, a village in the province of Alsace, France.

My wife, Joan, and I were touring France, Switzerland, and Germany with a high school group during the summer of 1994. We left the group in Frankfurt, Germany, and drove the Autobahn through the Bavarian countryside and across the Rhine River into France to extend our trip by visiting cousins we had never met who live in the eastern French province of Alsace.

Also visiting them was another cousin, Frances Kisselmand, who had grown up in Alsace before coming to America when she was 18 years old. Frances would be our guide and interpreter and would try to keep her thoughts straight during conversations in French, English, and Alsatian, the local Germanic dialect.

When we met my cousins, Martha and Charles, it seemed like we had known them forever. Even though there was a language barrier, we communicated and laughed throughout our visit.

Their house was documented as dating back to 1790, and had been in their family since the early 1800s. The house had undergone many changes in 200 years, but it was almost as though the walls could talk about all the

memories captured within them. One moment especially moving happened while Joan and I were looking out over their small balcony off the master bedroom our first night there. We saw a shooting star and considered this an omen that we were meant to be there.

My grandfather, Emil Claus, who was originally from Niederschoefflesheim, had shown me pictures of St. Michael Church when I was a child. It was situated in the center of the village, and he had said it had been the center of his childhood. He was baptized there, received his First Communion there, and was confirmed there. The church sat next to a small cemetery where his parents were buried.

The church was constructed of stone and stucco with a large rose window high above the altar. The same midsummer sunlight, which brightened a nearby vineyard and surrounding fields of grain and hops, also streamed through the window, casting a spectrum of color on the otherwise simple interior.

As we left, we lit a votive candle as our way of leaving a bit of ourselves behind in this church as we had done in the other churches we visited during our travels. However, this time the candles had a special meaning and were symbolic of the light we had found at this stop in our journey.

While visiting St. Michael's, it wasn't hard to visualize my grandfather walking to church up the same path that we were retracing so many years later. Looking at my great-grandparents' gravestone filled me with an inner peace which I had finally connected with all the stories and pictures that had been shared with me in my life.

As we were leaving the village, Joan handed me an old prayer book she found in the church. I treasure this as a small remembrance of that spiritual and moving visit to this special place.

(Steve Gutzwiller is a member of St. Barnabas Parish in Indianapolis.)

## Language barrier complicates rest stop, results in a humorous travel tale

By William Bruns

While traveling in Puerto Rico a few years ago, my wife and I stopped for gasoline at a self-service station-plus-convenience-store in Ponce, the island's second largest city. It was the evening rush hour, and the station was crowded.

After waiting in line patiently for several minutes, our turn at the pump finally arrived. I got out of our rental car, confidently approached the pump with its directions in Spanish, did all the things I do with English-speaking gasoline pumps in the States, and... nothing happened.

I puzzled over the Spanish directions, tried everything once again, and still... nothing happened. Then, a voice speaking very rapid Spanish came over the loud speaker above the pump. Since I listen to Spanish at about 5 miles an hour and the voice was going at least 50 miles an hour, I put the nozzle back in the pump and walked into the station-store. The place was packed with people paying for their gas purchases and buying cigarettes, soft drinks, and snacks.

Again, the cashier spoke to me in rapid Spanish. When I asked if he could please explain to me in English what I was doing wrong, he—and at least four patrons standing in the check-out line—informed me loudly, slowly, and in unison, "You're parked on the hose!"

(William Bruns is a member of SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral Parish in Indianapolis.)

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food, and an auction will be featured. For more information call Paul or Joy Nobbe at 317-326-3722.

### August 4

St. Boniface Parish, Fulda, will hold its parish picnic from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Food, games, bingo, and a quilt raffle will be featured. For more information call Susan Heeke or Pearl Gelarden at 812-357-2483.

St. Bernard Parish, Frenchtown, will host the St. Bernard Country Picnic from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Quilts, booths, chicken and noodles will be featured. For more information call 812-347-2558.

### August 11

St. Mary Parish, Lanesville, will hold its annual picnic from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information call Jerry Reinhardt at 812-952-2800.

Holy Trinity Parish, Indianapolis, will host its picnic with Mass beginning at 12 noon. For more information call Father Kenneth Taylor at 317-631-2939.

### August 16-17

St. Monica Parish, Indianapolis, will hold its Festival of August Moon featuring a diversity of ethnic foods. Hours are from 5 p.m. to 12 p.m. Friday, and 11 a.m. to 12 midnight Saturday. For more information call Helen Hampe at 317-255-9144 or 317-266-3279.

### August 18

St. Pius Parish, Sunman, will hold its picnic from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will feature chicken dinners, raffles, games, and mock turtle soup. For more information call Jerry Volz at 812-623-3261.

### September 1

St. John the Evangelist, Greensburg, will host its

parish picnic from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information call the parish office at 812-934-2880.

### September 2

St. Anthony Parish, Morris, will host its Labor Day picnic from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. The event will feature chicken and roast beef dinners from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.; raffles, games, and amusement. For more information call Michael Stenger at 812-934-5313.

St. Peter Parish, Brookville, will hold its annual Labor Day festival featuring family style chicken dinners. Festival time is from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Dinner will be served from 10:15 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. For more information contact Pat Ruehl at 812-623-3670.

### September 6-7

St. Ann Parish, Indianapolis, will host its fall festival featuring a raffle, food, kids games, and a casino from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. each evening. For more information call Ken Betz at 317-856-8006 or 317-856-8006.

### September 8

St. Mary Parish, Rushville, will host a fall festival featuring chicken and ham dinners, and games from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dinner will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information call 317-932-2588.

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St. Mary Parish, Greensburg, will host its homecoming featuring chicken dinner, youth and adult games from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dinner will be served from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Chicken dinners are \$6. For more information call Del Moeller at 812-663-8427.

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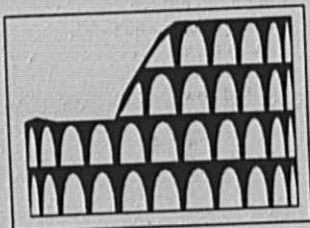
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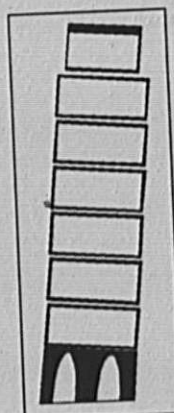
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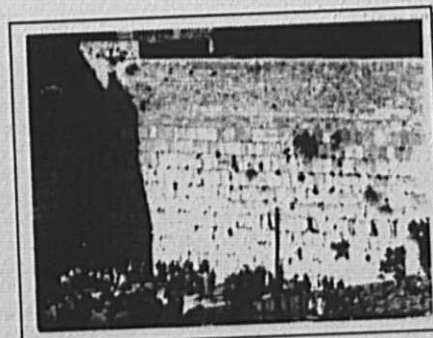
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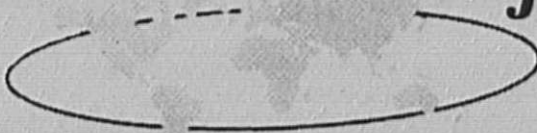
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of the Chinese people who came with us to the shrine. After the Mass, when we opened the door, they were standing outside!

Another great celebration was at the close of Vatican Council II. I was part of a crowd of more than 500,000 people. I remember where I stood near the fountain, the one on the side of the papal palace.

People around me came from all over the world. I kept saying to myself: "The whole world is here! The whole world is here!"

This was no crowd. It was a eucharistic assembly. The whole world was there, as surely as I was there.

I can think of many other great celebrations, some in large churches on festive occasions with people of many races.

At such celebrations, I know only a few people. Most are strangers. Oh, I take that back! Those people are there as Christians, children of God, inviting me to discover them as my brothers and sisters.

Some of the other celebrations that really stand out I celebrated on a weekday morning in the parish where I grew up, surrounded by family, neighbors, old friends, classmates, and the children of classmates.

proclaiming the Lord Jesus Christ.

In all of these celebrations, no one should be passive. No one is a mere spectator.

Consider this: We may be spectators watching a football game at home alone on television, but no one is a spectator at the stadium for a University of Notre Dame football game.

Again, we may be spectators watching the circus alone on television, but no one actually present in the arena is a spectator when the elephants enter the ring. If you doubt that, just look at the children!

It is the same at the celebration of the Eucharist.

When we feel alone at the Eucharist, with no concern for anyone else, how can we participate? We do not relate to Christ, the head of the church, without relating to those who make up his body.

With that, we can move to the second question:

• How can we participate in the Eucharist to the full?

Again, there is no one way.

Some people are extroverts; others are introverts, perhaps reclusive. Some sing with a full voice. Some sing quietly. But one thing all can do is to express thanks to God.

The Eucharist expresses thanksgiving.



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Music is another powerful tool that fosters our active participation in the liturgy. But if the music does not actively involve parishioners, the eucharistic celebration may at times seem like a concert.

## Liturgy requires community response

By Dan Luby

Call it a "mountaintop Mass." It's the celebration of the Eucharist when music, preaching, sacred gestures, and communal dialogue inspire us as a faith assembly.

Vatican Council II teaches that everyone's "full, conscious and active participation in liturgical celebrations" is called for "by the very nature of the liturgy" (No. 14). "The Catechism of the Catholic Church" says "it is the whole community that celebrates" at Mass (No. 1140).

We prepare ourselves for Mass by

studying the readings, arriving early, making time to ask God for openness to the movement of the Spirit, getting to know others so we feel a sense of belonging while praying together, and participating in the music as a community.

The Mass is meant to unify us and send us forth on mission as followers of Jesus. It prepares us to love and serve the Lord, and to transform the world until it comes to resemble the kingdom of peace, harmony and love which Jesus proclaims.

(Dan Luby is the director of the Division of Christian Formation for the Diocese of Fort Worth, Texas.)

## Discussion Point

# Liturgy prompts emotional response

### This Week's Question

When have you most strongly felt you were participating in the liturgy? Why?

"During the Easter Vigil when people I had worked with were being brought into the church. That was an exciting moment and a time of reaffirmation of my own faith." (Brother Dennis Moses, O.F.M. Conv., Terre Haute, Ind.)

"Last year at the senior retreat liturgy. It was my first year as principal of this high school, and I attended the retreat to get to know the seniors better. I found a real presence of the Spirit within the group. The liturgy gave me a sense of family. We'd built a sense of trust that hadn't been there before, and that lasted throughout our year together." (Jordan Roy, Morgan City, La.)

"I belong to an association called the National Catholic Development Conference, and when we have

committee and board of directors meetings, we often have a Mass. It's a small group of 25 to 30. Two things are important in helping me feel closer to the liturgy: One, we all know each other personally, and two, it's a small group." (Carmelita Lynden, Chicago, Ill.)

"The Liturgy of the Word is particularly meaningful to me because when I listen to what was written 2,000 years ago and I'm able to apply what's being said to situations and problems in my own life, that really brings me into the liturgy." (Marie Do, Houston, Texas)

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## Entertainment

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# Saga of 'Jane Eyre' is big-screen classic

If Jane Austen is trendy, can "Jane Eyre" be far behind? The answer is obviously no, and that famous Charlotte Brontë heroine is back in the movies, falling quietly in love with the brooding Mr. Rochester.



This faithful, modest new version, made in England and directed by the formidable Franco Zeffirelli (now 73), offers William Hurt as an intelligent, intense Rochester against a Jane played by newcomer Charlotte Gainsbourg. In demeanor, she seems almost crafted by some computer magic out of Brontë's pages: austere, tall and thin, with an angular face, a Jane pleasant but plain, yet sturdy as steel, with a kind smile and basic goodness, all combining to fascinate Rochester off his horse in their famous first encounter.

Director Zeffirelli is of more than routine interest to Catholics, having crafted the epic six-hour "Jesus of Nazareth," which has become the consensus best-for-now movie story of Christ. Also the creator of "Brother Sun, Sister Moon" (lyric St. Francis and St. Clare) and a truly cinematic "Romeo and Juliet," Zeffirelli is known for lively, opulent stage and film productions of classic subjects.

(He's also known as an outspoken loyal

Catholic in the mix of routinely stormy Italian controversy, and for being publicly miffed earlier this year when the Vatican issued its list of 45 great films made during the cinema's first century. None of his films—including "Jesus" and "Brother Sun"—made the list, while the works of some much less orthodox Italians—Pier Paolo Pasolini and Federico Fellini—were included. It was a brother-of-the-prodigal situation.)

As for "Jane Eyre," this 19th century novel, first published in 1847, practically spawned a new genre. That's the one about the innocent young woman who comes as a governess to a large, scary mansion run by a mysterious housekeeper for a still more mysterious and troubled, but darkly handsome, master. Yet if it were only that, it would not have persisted and appealed to six generations of readers.

As a heroine, Jane is famous for not being beautiful, and for being someone (like many 19th century literary protagonists) who actually triumphs over an abusive childhood. The first part of the film, describing the orphan Jane, age 10 (played by Anna Paquin), serving her time at the infamous Lowood Charity School for girls, has by far the most emotional impact.

It's a place where religion and Scripture are used to justify cruelty and sadism. (John Wood and Geraldine Chaplin are marvelously despicable as the twisted



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Jane Eyre, portrayed by actress Charlotte Gainsbourg, and Mr. Rochester, played by actor William Hurt, go to the altar in the film based on the novel "Jane Eyre," Charlotte Brontë's literary classic. The U.S. Catholic Conference classifies the film A-II for adults and adolescents.

puritans in charge.) Yet it's also where Jane meets her kind little friend, Helen of the beautiful hair, who of course dies, in a heart-crunching scene where she promises they will meet again in heaven.

Lowood is also where Jane gets the education that eventually (with the help of a large surprise inheritance) gives her strength and independence. In much 19th century literature—perhaps why it appeals to us—the hero, male or female, not only survives childhood but resolutely refuses to be destroyed by it or to forget its lessons of good and evil. (Later, in a scene Zeffirelli makes important, Jane fully forgives the dying Mrs. Reed, the aunt who caused all her misery.)

At 20 she goes to the vast castle-like Thornfield to tutor young Adele (Josephine Serre), Rochester's ward and also an abandoned child. Bright and pretty, she provides a bit of sunshine in the dark, dusty mansion. For Jane, a new and benign life blossoms. The housekeeper, folksy but secretive Mrs. Fairfax (Joan Plowright), likes her, and Rochester, in his grouchy way, seems to prefer her to the spoiled rich ladies of the neighborhood.

But there are those strange noises in the attic, and other hints of disaster. As a boy, I recall seeing the 1944 "Jane Eyre" (starring Joan Fontaine and Orson Welles, with Alfred Hitchcock directing) and being scared to death by the mad scenes and the fire. Zeffirelli, in contrast, plays everything with restraint, the passion as well as the terror. Maybe it's that I'm not

a kid now, but this new version is much lower on all scales of emotion.

But then there's a lot of smoldering, i.e., passion under control. On the night Jane saves him from the fire burning the drapes over his bed, she shivers under a blanket as he thanks her. He touches her hand, realizes she's injured it fighting the blaze, their faces almost touch in silhouette, etc. Movies should go back to more smoldering.

The story is one of poetic justice, in which all pay for their sins in fair proportion, and genuine goodness prevails. In her art instructions to Adele, Jane says, "Remember the shadows are important as the light," and while Zeffirelli's camera seems to be obsessed with shadows, the movie this time can't seem to wait to get to its just and serene conclusion.

(A romantic classic, credibly reborn and well-behaved; satisfactory for mature youth and adults.)

USCC classification: A-II, adults and adolescents.

## PBS profiles economic hardships in 'Living on the Edge' documentary

By Henry Herx, Catholic News Service

How blue-collar families are faring in today's uneven economy is the subject of the "Frontline" report "Living on the Edge," to be rerun on Tuesday, May 28, from 9 p.m. until 10 p.m. on PBS. (Check local PBS listings to verify the program date and time.)

Filmed over five years, the program documents how two Milwaukee families have struggled to make ends meet since job layoffs began in 1991 at a factory which is the city's largest employer.

The documentary is a careful, caring portrait of two hard-working American families who deserve better than they have gotten from changes in the economy. They represent a growing number of American workers who compete for minimum-wage service jobs with no security or benefits as U.S. business reduces its labor force and ships the work overseas.

The program gives a human dimension to the Washington debate over welfare reform. Recently the U.S. bishops reaffirmed the principles of a just family wage and the need for unions stated in their pastoral letter on economic justice 10 years ago.

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# The Sunday Readings

Sunday, May 26, 1996

- Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11
- 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13
- John 20:19-23

The Acts of the Apostles provides the first reading for this great feast. Once Christians routinely celebrated the Jewish feasts, since most Christians were Jews, and Christianity was seen as merely a faction of Judaism. Very early in the development of Christianity, however, a series of events occurred which drove Jews and



Christians apart. Today, Pentecost is the only Jewish feast still present in the Christian calendar.

Pentecost in the Christian liturgical year has a distinctively Christian context. The Jewish feast commemorates the binding of the people together under the law of Moses, the law given by God to Moses on Sinai. By contrast, the Christian feast of Pentecost celebrates the binding of the followers of Christ together, not just in the law of God but in the very life-giving force of the Redeemer.

As Jews, the apostles were observing Pentecost on the day reported by this reading. So were the many Jewish visitors to Jerusalem, present in the city at the time specifically to celebrate the feast.

Two verses in this passage from Acts are especially revealing. The first is the list of the visitors. They come from many places. Actually the text mentions every place then recognized as part of the Roman Empire. It would be as if today such a list were constructed of all the independent states in the world, from Albania to Zimbabwe. The message is that the whole world in a sense was in Jerusalem that day.

The second important message here is that, empowered by the Holy Spirit, the apostles could speak to all. In other words,

the Gospel is for all people everywhere. It speaks to every human heart.

As a second reading, the Liturgy of the Word presents a selection from the First Epistle to the Corinthians. As was his style, Paul was straightforward and clear in his words in this epistle. "Jesus is Lord!" is a testimony to Christ's identity. It was a favorite exclamation in the early church.

St. John's Gospel gives us the Gospel reading. It is a Resurrection narrative. Appearing to the astonished apostles, the Risen Lord gives them the authority to forgive sins, a divine authority since sin offends God, and only God can erase the effect of the offense. In this, Jesus bids the apostles to be at peace.

## Reflection

For weeks since Easter the church gradually has developed its excited proclamation that the Lord lives. On Easter its message through the Scriptures joyfully announced that Jesus was risen. Then, as if anticipating our frustration and bewilderment in the fact that we do not experience the Risen Savior as did the apostles, the church reassures us that, despite the ascension of Jesus into heaven, despite the passage of time, despite distances and differences, the Lord is with us here and now.

During the past few weeks the church has told us that this presence reposes in the church, in the community formed of believers on the foundation of the apostles' faith.

This weekend, on this great feast, the church underscores and elaborates the message. The Lord lives in the church. The church preaches the words of the apostles, who possessed all the Lord's authority, who spoke the gospel with its salvation, a salvation destined for every human being.

The Ascension was no departure. Jesus is not a page in history that has not been turned. Jesus is Lord! He lives! He lives in the church which is God's gift to everyone. In the church's sacraments, teachings, and compassion, the Lord lives even still.

## My Journey to God

### Solo

The sun shone its translucent rays and glowed in my face. All I could see was the glare of the gleaming sun from the extravagantly and delicately created stained-glass windows.

I felt as if the radiance of God was encompassing my body and spirit—radiance from the same sun and the same God I knew at home, now so far away.

I was half a world away in St. Giles Cathedral in Scotland. At this particular moment, though surrounded by others, I was alone. There were hundreds of people with me in that glorious Scottish cathedral, but I was the only one preparing to sing a solo.

I looked up to see my fellow choristers beside the hand-carved altar, 100 youth standing amongst the old, antique surroundings in the cathedral. They stood in the area near the old wooden pews. These pews were hundreds of years old, and the wood from which they were carved might have been living trees almost a thousand years ago.

The young and the ancient were together in the cathedral. The children seemed an anachronistic symbolism to the agelessness and timelessness of that awe-inspiring place. The icons, the stained glass, the massive stone arches, and the great slabs of stone in the floors all spoke of hundreds of years of worship.

If I breathed in deeply enough, I could smell the mustiness and age of the place, but also the freshness of the newly-cut flowers. All around me were the tombs of long-dead clergymen, which added to the awe of the vast and magnificent building that had seen so many generations come there to worship.

I suddenly felt a calmness and conviction that this time and place were destined for my solo. There was a cool peace about me that was derived from my assurance of God's presence.

God was present in all the beauty of that sacred place. In the balconies overlooking the congregation, in the stone walls creating the marvelous and astounding echo, in the meticulous detail of the hand-painted murals on the ceiling, God was there.

I looked out on all the faces reaching back to the far wall of the cathedral and I sang, "Oh, the far off and here, whole and broken, who in the necessity and in the bounty wait, whose truth is light and dark, mute though spoken, show me the narrow gate."

As I sang the song, it reminded me that the narrow gate is the only path leading to God's greatness and that this magnificent cathedral, majestic though it is, is but man's feeble attempt to give glory and tribute to our creator.

By Sarah Scharbrough

(Sarah Scharbrough is a junior honors student at North Central High School in Indianapolis and a former member of the Indianapolis Children's Choir. During the summer of 1994, she toured England and Scotland with the choir. Her mother, Marlene Scharbrough, is a music minister for St. Matthew Parish in Indianapolis.)

## Daily Readings

Monday, May 27  
Augustine of Canterbury, bishop,  
religious, missionary  
1 Peter 1:3-9  
Psalm 111:1-2, 5-6, 9-10  
Mark 10:17-27

Tuesday, May 28  
1 Peter 1:10-16  
Psalm 98:1-4  
Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday, May 29  
1 Peter 1:18-25  
Psalm 147:12-15, 19-20  
Mark 10:32-45

Thursday, May 30  
1 Peter 2:2-5, 9-12  
Psalm 100:2-5  
Mark 10:46-52

Friday, May 31  
The Visitation of Mary to  
Elizabeth  
Zephaniah 3:14-18 or  
Romans 12:9-16b  
(Response) Isaiah 12:2-3, 4b-6  
Luke 1:39-56

Saturday, June 1  
Justin, martyr  
Jude 17:20b-25  
Psalm 63:2-6  
Mark 11:27-33

## The Shaping of the Papacy/John F. Fink

### First canonized saint since Pius V, Pius X was an enemy of modernism

Pope Pius X was pope from 1903 to 1914. He was canonized a saint by Pope Pius XII on May 29, 1954, the first pope to be canonized since Pius V, who was pope from 1566 to 1572.

The future Pope Pius X was born Giuseppe Sarto on June 2, 1835, the son of a postman and a seamstress. Ordained a priest at 23, he served as a pastor, as chancellor of Treviso, bishop of Mantua, and finally patriarch of Venice and a cardinal prior to his election as pope after the death of Leo XIII.

Although Leo XIII is known mainly for his teaching through encyclicals, Pius X considered him to have been a political pope because, upon his election, he declared his intention to be a pastoral rather than a political pope.

Pius X is known particularly for his devotion to the Eucharist, urging Catholics to receive Communion frequently (that was not the practice at the time) and allowing children to begin to receive the Eucharist at age 7. He also appointed commissions to codify canon law and revise the Vulgate (the Latin translation of the Bible). He ordered the establishment of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine in all parishes, and he reformed liturgical music through the restoration of Gregorian Chant. He also reformed seminaries and their curricula, and was a champion of what was then called Catholic Action—"the collaboration of the laity in the apostolic mission of the hierarchy." He had a profound effect on the spiritual renewal of the church.

When it came to doctrine, Pius X was such a traditionalist that he believed that the only good theology was that of St. Thomas Aquinas, who lived in the 13th century. He particularly disliked the historical studies by theologians and scholars that showed how Catholic doctrines had developed over the centuries as circumstances changed. He opposed efforts to synthesize the truths of Catholicism with the current thoughts of what was then modern society.

On July 3, 1907, Pius issued the decree "Lamentabili" and on Sept. 8 of that year the encyclical "Pascendi Dominici Gregis." Both condemned what the pope called Modernism, which he labeled "the synthesis of all the heresies." The pope condemned 65 modernist propositions, including the idea that revelation and doctrine evolved in conjunction with the development of mankind, that no absolute knowledge of God is attainable by the human mind, and that belief in God arises only out of the necessity for people to believe in some kind of Supreme Being.

On Sept. 1, 1910, the pope ordered all clergy to take an oath against Modernism.

In his efforts to stamp out any modernist ideas in the church, Pius X ordered every diocese to set up "vigilance committees" with the power to excommunicate anyone who taught modernist ideas. The purpose was to eliminate any tendency to question the official teachings of the church.

Those who supported Pope Pius X in these efforts began to call themselves "integral Catholics." They began to search out for denunciation those whom they considered less than Catholic. The effect was devastating to Catholic scholarship. Among those denounced to the Vatican for espousing modernist ideas were two future popes—Benedict XV, Pius's successor, and John XXIII.

The anti-modernist efforts didn't last past the death of Pius X. Pope Benedict XV condemned integralism in his first encyclical and dismissed the integralists from the curia.

Meanwhile, although Pius X said that he was not going to be a political pope, he inevitably became involved in politics. In dealing with European states he often felt compelled to issue hard pronouncements. Along with his secretary of state, Cardinal Rafael Merry del Val, he insisted on the church's rights.

Less than a year after he became pope, there was a break in relations with France because of the Vatican's protest of anti-Catholic measures by the French government and the transfer of church property in France to lay associations. Pius also protested the Law of Separation of 1906 and rejected a compromise solution in 1910. As it happened, this had the effect of securing the church's independence and made it free of secular interference. However, it also meant the loss of valuable property for the church in France.

Pius X protested just as strongly against the separation of church and state in Portugal in 1911 as he had in France in 1906. And he angered the Russian and British governments when he supported Catholic minorities in Poland and Ireland. As for Italy, he gradually began working with the government and permitted bishops to relax his predecessors' ban on the participation of Catholics in elections. There was, however, no change in official relations between the Vatican and the Italian government.

By 1914 the political situation in Europe had deteriorated. Pius tried to avert war but, unable to do so, he died Aug. 20, a few weeks after the start of World War I.



## The Active List

The Criterion welcomes announcements for The Active List of parish and church-related activities open to the public. Please keep them brief, listing event, sponsor, date, time and location. No announcements will be taken by telephone. No pictures, please. 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.

### May 24

A pro-life rosary will be prayed every Friday morning at 10 a.m. in front of Affiliated Women's Services, Inc., 2215 Distributors Drive. Everyone is welcome.

St. Lawrence Church, Indianapolis, will have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel every Friday from 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mass. Benediction will be held before Mass. Everyone is welcome.

Holy Trinity Church, Indianapolis, will hold its annual "500" Festival and Raffle on the parish grounds starting at 5 p.m. The festival will feature carnival rides, games, food, clowns and the "500" raffle. For more information, call Dr. Sue Ann Yovanovich at 317-638-9509.

### May 25

A pro-life rosary will be prayed every Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. at the Clinic for Women, 38th and Parker. Everyone is welcome.

### May 26

The Secular Franciscans will meet in Sacred Heart Parish

Chapel, 1530 Union St., Indianapolis, at 1 p.m. for ongoing formation classes, Benediction, and business meeting. For more information, call 317-888-8833.

Mary's Rexville Schoenstatt Center, Madison, will present "The Covenant of Love and Mary's Schoenstatt Shrines" at 2:30 p.m. followed by Mass at 3:30 p.m. The center is located .8 mi. east of U.S. 421 south of Versailles.

St. Paul Parish, Sellersburg, will hold prayer and praise from 7-8:15 p.m. in the church. For more information, call 812-246-4555.

Sacred Heart Parish, 1530 Union St., Indianapolis, will hold a holy hour with the rosary at 2 p.m. in the church. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Dorothy at 317-356-5110.

St. Lawrence Church, 4650 N. Shadeland Ave., Indianapolis, will have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel every Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

St. Patrick Church, Indianapolis, will hold two Masses in Spanish at 11 a.m. and 6:15 p.m.

St. Gabriel Church, Indianapolis, will hold a Mass with a sign language interpreter at 11 a.m.

St. Mary Church, 317 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis, will hold a Mass in Spanish at 1:15 p.m.

St. Anthony Parish, 379 N. Warman Ave., Indianapolis, will hold a Mass in Spanish at 3:30 p.m. All are welcome.

### May 27

Calvary Cemetery, Indianapolis, will hold a Mass at noon in the chapel. All are welcome.

Mt. St. Francis Friary and Retreat Center will hold a special Memorial Day retreat reunion at 4 p.m. on the grounds near the lake at Mt. St. Francis. For more information, call 812-923-8817.

### May 28

The Prayer Group of St. Lawrence Parish, Indianapolis, will meet in the chapel each Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 317-546-4065.

Our Lady of the Greenwood Marian Prayer Group will meet in the chapel at 7 p.m. to pray the rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. All are welcome.

St. Malachy Parish, Brownsburg, will hold a Country Social starting at 5:30 p.m. in Noll

Hall. For more information, call 317-852-3195.

### May 29

The archdiocesan Catholic Social Services Counseling Program will be taking registrations for adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse starting this fall. For more information, call Linda Lohede Clarke at 317-236-1500.

At Immaculate Heart of Mary Church a Marian Cenacle will pray the rosary every Wednesday from 1-2:15 p.m. The church is located at 57th and Central Ave., Indianapolis. All are welcome.

St. Francis Hospital and Health Centers' Hospice Office, 438 S. Emerson Ave., Greenwood, will hold a free adult bereavement support group from 3-4:30 p.m. and 6:30-8 p.m. For more information, call 317-865-2092.

### May 30

St. Lawrence Church, 4650 N. Shadeland Ave., Indianapolis, will hold adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel from 7 a.m. until the 5:30 p.m. Mass. Everyone is welcome.

St. Roch Parish, 3600 S. Pennsylvania St., will hold a family Eucharist holy hour with rosary and Benediction from 7-8 p.m. in the church. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 317-784-1763.

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St. Paul's Catholic Center, Bloomington, will hold a Coffee House at 7:30 p.m. in the Gathering Place. The cost is \$5 which includes food and entertainment provided by Fr. Dan Atkins, Charlie and Diane Gardner and others. Proceeds to benefit Tami Zeman's missionary work in Guatemala. For more information, call 812-332-6155.

### June 1

St. Nicholas Church, Sunman, will hold a S.A.C.R.E.D. meeting at 7:30 a.m.

Apostolate of Fatima will hold a holy hour at 2 p.m. in the Little Flower Chapel, 13th and Bosart, Indianapolis. For more information, call Lean Peoni at 317-784-9757.

Holy Angels Parish, 740 W. 28th St., Indianapolis, will hold exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 11 a.m.-noon. All are invited.

A pro-life rosary will be prayed every Saturday morning at 9:30 — See ACTIVE LIST, page 31



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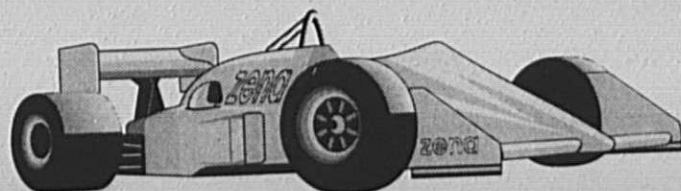
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## Hello, Dalai

## Pope meets with the Dalai Lama

By Cindy Wooden, Catholic News Service

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Pope John Paul II met the Dalai Lama at the Vatican near the end of the Tibetan Buddhist leader's tour of Italy to offer guidance and to publicize the plight of Tibetans living under Chinese rule.

"It was a spiritual meeting, with prayer and an exchange of thoughts on religious themes," a Vatican source said after the May 20 meeting.

The Dalai Lama is recognized by many as the spiritual and temporal ruler of Tibet. However, he and about 100,000 Tibetan Buddhists fled into exile in India in 1959 when China, responding to an uprising against its

rule, crushed a rebellion and placed tight controls on Buddhist monasteries.

The Italian Buddhist Association says there are about 30,000 Buddhists in Italy. The Dalai Lama, often accompanied by actor Richard Gere, visited many of the country's 28 Buddhist centers during a trip to Italy from May 17-21.

Pope John Paul and the Dalai Lama have met on at least two other occasions, first in 1980 then in 1982. The Dalai Lama also met Pope Paul VI at the Vatican in 1973.

As he did during his last visit to Rome in 1982, the Dalai Lama stayed with the Benedictines monks at St. Anselm Abbey.

a.m. at the Clinic for Women, 38th and Parker. Everyone is welcome.

## June 2

St. Jude Church, Indianapolis will have a holy hour for religious vocations from 4 to 5 p.m. It will include exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, rosary and Benediction.

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St. Mary Church, 317 N. New Jersey, St., Indianapolis, will hold a Mass in Spanish at 1:15 p.m.

Holy Trinity Parish, Indianapolis, will celebrate a 90th anniversary Mass at 3 p.m. with dinner following. For more information, call 317-631-2939.

St. Louis Church, Batesville, will hold a natural family planning class from 9 a.m.-noon in the school, room B-16. Fee is \$15. For more information, call 812-934-3338.

## Bingos

MONDAY: Our Lady of Lourdes, 6:30 p.m.; St. James, 5:30 p.m. TUESDAY: K of C Council 437, 1305 N. Delaware, 11 a.m.; St. Michael, 6 p.m.; St. Malachy, Brownsburg, 5:30 p.m.; Msgr. Sheridan K of C Council 6138, Johnson Co.,

6:15 p.m.; St. Pius X Knights of Columbus Council 3433, 6 p.m. WEDNESDAY: St. Anthony, 6:30 p.m.; K of C Council 437, 1305 N. Delaware, 5:45 p.m. THURSDAY: St. Catherine, 5:30 p.m.; Holy Family K of C, American Legion Post 500, 1926 Georgetown Rd., 6:30 p.m.; FRIDAY: St. Christopher, Speedway, 6:30 p.m.; Holy Name, Beech Grove, 5:30 p.m. SATURDAY: K of C Council 437, 1305 N. Delaware, 4:30 p.m. SUNDAY: St. Ambrose, Seymour, 4 p.m.; Ritter High School, 6 p.m.; Msgr. Sheridan K of C Council 6138, Johnson Co., first Sunday each of month, 1:15 p.m.

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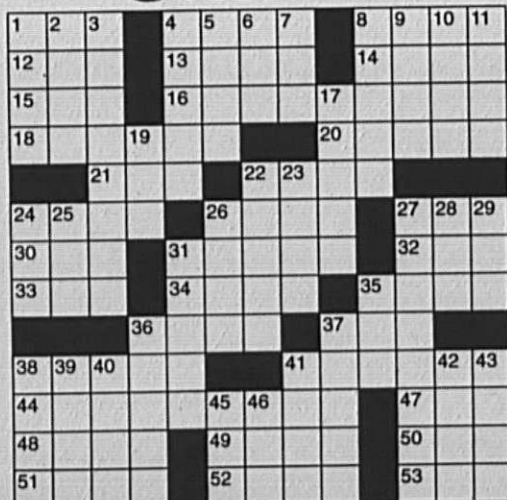
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## ACROSS

- 1 — Moines, Iowa
- 4 Strikes lightly
- 8 "Go up and — the country" (Jos 7:2)
- 12 Likely to
- 13 A woodwind
- 14 Inactive
- 15 Mal de — (sea sickness)
- 16 "The country was in — forty years" (Jud 8:28)
- 18 Treat for an elephant
- 20 Video game button
- 21 A maiden name follows this
- 22 Black, Red and Caspian
- 24 "Blessed be the most — God" (Gen 14:20)
- 26 Tribe of Israel
- 27 Blue bird
- 30 Lyric poem
- 31 Metal fastener
- 32 Before, to poets
- 33 High, craggy hill
- 34 "And Moses stretched out his hand — the sea" (Ex 14:21)
- 35 Killer whale
- 36 Nod is east of here (Gen 4:16)
- 37 To and —

## DOWN

- 36 Pond scum
- 41 Chafed against
- 44 "They have — the Lord their God" (Jer 3:21)
- 47 Belonging to us
- 48 Indigo dye
- 49 Magician's prop
- 50 "Blessed — the meek" (Mat 5:5)
- 51 "The harvest is —" (Joel 3:13)
- 52 Food scraps
- 53 Cut the grass
- 1 Slightly wet
- 2 Fencing foil
- 3 "I was a —, and ye took me in" (Mat 23:35)
- 4 Winter cap
- 5 Border on
- 6 Taro paste
- 7 "Your father Abraham rejoiced to — my day" (John 8:56)
- 8 Climbing plants
- 9 Roman date
- 10 Otherwise
- 11 "As far as the east is from the —" (Psa 103:12)
- 17 Characteristic
- 19 Book following Ezra (Acb)

- 22 Number of trumpet judgments (Rev 8:2)
- 23 "The Lord shall reign for —" (Psa 146:10)
- 24 Goes with humid
- 25 Wedding words
- 26 "The just shall — by faith" (Gal 3:11)
- 27 Evil king of Israel (1 Ki 14:16)
- 28 Electrical spark
- 29 "— the light of the wicked shall be put out" (Job 18:5)
- 31 Competition for cowboys
- 35 Sphere
- 36 "Behold, he shall fly as an —" (Jer 48:40)
- 37 Money supplies
- 38 From a distance
- 39 Actress Anderson
- 40 Clutch onto
- 41 Lease
- 42 Type of kangaroo
- 43 "Then Simon Peter having a sword —" (John 18:10)
- 45 "No man can serve — masters" (Mat 6:24)
- 46 Road-paving goo

Answers on page 34.

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## Youth News/Views

# 1,066 seniors to graduate from 9 Catholic schools

By Mary Ann Wyand

More than a thousand seniors from nine Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis will receive their diplomas during commencement exercises in late May and early June.

At Shawe Memorial High School in Madison, 20 seniors will participate in a Baccalaureate Mass at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 28, at Prince of Peace Parish.

Shawe graduates will hear three commencement addresses from valedictorian Regina Brown and salutatorians Laura Flint and Carrie McWilliams, all Prince of Peace parishioners, during a 2 p.m. graduation ceremony on Sunday, June 2, in Meny Gymnasium.

Oldenburg Academy, a Franciscan girls' school in Oldenburg, will celebrate its 143rd annual commencement for 36 graduates with a 4 p.m. Mass on Saturday, June 1, in the Sisters of St. Francis Chapel. The academy's valedictorian and salutatorian will be announced this week.

Our Lady of Providence High School in Clarksville will recognize 132 graduating seniors during an 11 a.m. Baccalaureate Mass on Sunday, May 26, in the Robert I. Larkin Center.

Valedictorian Christopher Gahagen of St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Clarksville and salutatorians Angela Day from Holy Family Parish in New Albany and Christine Norton from St. Joseph Parish in Corydon will address the graduates during a 7 p.m. commencement on Thursday, May 30, also in

the Larkin Center.

This year 163 Roncalli High School seniors will attend a 6 p.m. Baccalaureate Mass on Friday, May 24, at Holy Name Church in Beech Grove.

Roncalli's 27th annual commencement is at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 29, in the school's gymnasium. Holy Name parishioner Stephanie Rizzi of Beech Grove is the valedictorian and St. Barnabas parishioner Theresa Hellmann of Indianapolis is the salutatorian.

Cardinal Ritter High School graduating seniors will attend a 7:30 p.m. Baccalaureate Mass on Wednesday, May 29, at St. Michael Church in Indianapolis.

Ritter's 29th annual commencement begins at 8 p.m. on Friday, May 31, at the Scottish Rite Cathedral in downtown Indianapolis. Valedictorian Angie Russell of St. Michael Parish in Indianapolis and salutatorian Julie Harnishfeger from St. Malachy Parish in Brownsburg will address the 65 graduates.

Bishop Chatard High School's 130 graduating seniors will attend a 5:30 p.m. Baccalaureate Mass on Friday, May 31, at the Indianapolis North Deanery school.

Chatard's 32nd annual commencement begins at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 2, at the Madame Walker Urban Life Center in downtown Indianapolis. Christ the King parishioner Betsy Graves is the valedictorian and St. Luke parishioner Richard Linden is the salutatorian.

Seccina Memorial High School has scheduled its Baccalaureate Mass at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 2, at Little Flower Church in



Photo by Mary Ann Wyand

These graduating seniors from Catholic high schools in the Indianapolis deaneries process from SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral at the conclusion of a Senior Mass on May 6 celebrated by Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein. Seniors assisted with the readings and music and as eucharistic ministers.

the Indianapolis East Deanery.

The school's 40th annual commencement for 116 seniors begins at 8 p.m. on Thursday, June 6, in the Seccina gymnasium. Four students will address the graduates this year. The valedictorians are Joseph Becker from St. Michael Parish in Greenfield and Nicholas Graf from Little Flower Parish. Holy Spirit parishioners Jessica Lawrence and Matthew Lord are the salutatorians.

Brebeuf Preparatory School's 175 graduating seniors will participate in a 10 a.m. Baccalaureate Mass on Sunday, May 19, in the school gymnasium.

The Jesuit college preparatory school's 31st annual commencement is Saturday, June 1, at 1 p.m. at the Circle Theater in downtown Indianapolis. Brebeuf seniors selected Jason Beehler as their graduation speaker. Weather permitting, Cathedral High

School in Indianapolis is planning a 10 a.m. Baccalaureate Mass on Saturday, June 1, at the new Cathedral Courtyard on the wooded campus. The school auditorium is the alternate site for the liturgy.

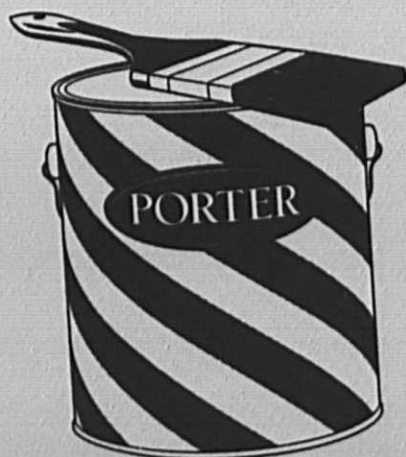
Cathedral's 229 graduating seniors will participate in the school's 76th annual commencement at 1 p.m. on Sunday, June 2, at the Circle Theater in downtown Indianapolis. Valedictorian Joshua Walstrom and salutatorian Kathryn Hammel, both of Indianapolis, will address the graduates.

Father Joseph Schaedel, vicar general of the archdiocese, chancellor Suzanne Magnan, archdiocesan Office of Catholic Education executive director Daniel Elsener, and OCE staff members G. Joseph Peters, Mickey Lentz, and Sister of Christian Community Michelle Faltus will attend various commencement exercises.

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## Young Adult Scene

# Archdiocese honors Roth, Lucas for youth service

By Mary Ann Wyand

Youth ministry coordinators are typically very devoted, hard-working and energetic people, so when it came time for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis to honor only two youth ministers for excellence it must have been difficult.

After careful deliberation of a number of nomination forms submitted by peers, the archdiocesan Office for Youth, Young Adult and Campus Ministries (OYYACM) singled out longtime youth workers Ray Lucas, the director of Catholic Youth Ministries for the New Albany Deanery, and Janet Roth, the youth ministry coordinator for St. Ann, St. Benedict and Sacred Heart parishes in Terre Haute.

Both have devoted their lives to youth work. Both have willingly contributed countless unpaid overtime hours to this important ministry. And both were very surprised to be honored during a May 14 youth ministry awards program at the Columbus Holiday Inn sponsored by the archdiocesan Office for Youth, Young Adult and Campus Ministries.

Clutching their trophies, the stunned award winners accepted congratulations from archdiocesan chancellor Suzanne Magnant, acting OYYACM director Tony Cooper, administrative assistant Beth Ann Newton, who planned the day's events, and other youth ministry coordinators.

It was a gala culmination to a day of affirmation and faith sharing for diocesan

youth ministers who were all honored for "Being a Star." The printed program for the Spring Youth Ministers' Gathering reminded youth workers that, "There are hundreds of stars, new ones each day. All of them lead to the manger."

The event also paid tribute to the late Joyce Rowland, longtime youth ministry coordinator for St. Gabriel Parish in Connersville, and retiring youth workers Eva Corsaro from St. Lawrence Parish in Indianapolis, who is joining the Sisters of St. Francis of Oldenburg, and Ellen Grantz from St. Joseph and St. Margaret Mary parishes in Terre Haute, who is pursuing another career.

Lucas and Roth were both nominated for the Youth Ministry Leader of the Year Award by Marlene Stammerman, youth ministry coordinator for St. Michael Parish in Greenfield.

"I admire his faith, his belief in ministry, and most definitely his love of young people," Stammerman wrote about Lucas. "Ray is a visionary who looks into the future and visualizes how youth ministry will need to change, expand and adapt in order to still be effective. The great thing about him is that he puts things into action. Ray has impacted the ministry within the New Albany Deanery and also is very involved in diocesan ministry. He continues to enhance the Youth Ministry Association with his involvement and support."

Lucas serves on a variety of diocesan committees to give youth and youth ministry a voice or perspective, Stammerman said. "I think what I enjoy most about Ray is his ability to be Jesus for other people."



Photo by Mary Ann Wyand

Veteran youth ministry coordinators Ray Lucas from the New Albany Deanery and Janet Roth from the Terre Haute Deanery were honored by the Archdiocese of Indianapolis on May 14 for excellence in youth ministry during an awards program at Columbus.

He has a true humility in his call to serve. He also has a wonderful sense of humor. I see Ray as a positive role model because he has a balance in his life of family, friends and ministry."

New Albany Deanery's director of Catholic Youth Ministries is "a true blessing to the ministry in our archdiocese," Stammerman noted. "He has always been supportive, encouraging and challenging. Ray loves God, loves his church, and loves people. Because of all this, he can do awesome ministry."

Thoughts of Janet Roth put "a smile on my face and in my heart," Stammerman wrote. "I think she is a wonderful model and example of what youth ministry can be. She has a family, she has longevity in the field, and she still has the desire to learn and grow" even with more than 10 years of ministry experience.

"She enjoys sharing faith with everyone," Stammerman said, "and when you leave her you take a little something with you that you didn't have before. I really admire her commitment to peace and justice. It is apparent in her ministry and in her personal faith. She is a 'Beatitude person' for me. I think God created a wonderful person when he created Janet, and she has grown and continues to grow into being that person."

Roth "admits defeat, owns up to frustrations, cherishes moments, and treasures relationships," Stammerman noted. "She is like this with her family, her ministry, and her colleagues. When she says she will pray for me, I feel it and I believe it. She shares in people's lives. She has a beautiful faith and a wonderful sense of humor and truly enjoys ministry."

## Second Collection — June 2, 1996

# Education of Future Archdiocesan Priests

## Prayer for Vocations

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Artwork by Rev. William Stumpf  
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"The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers to his harvest."

Matthew 9:37



Question Corner/Fr. John Dietzen

# Must we go to confession at least once a year?



**Q** Our group was discussing the sacrament of penance and disagreed whether or not yearly confession is an obligation.

Most don't think it is mandatory. I'm up in years and always thought it was. Can you tell us who is right? (Wisconsin)

**A** If we're talking strict church law, any obligation concerning annual confession is binding only if it is necessary for a person to receive the Eucharist worthily.

It is true that "to confess at least once a year" is generally considered an absolute regulation which every Catholic must follow. In its actual theology and sacramental practice, however, the church has always meant this to apply only when a mortal sin needs to be confessed.

If you wish a specific example with which most older Catholics will be familiar, refer to the Baltimore Catechism No. 3, for decades before Vatican Council II considered the most authoritative and official expression of the beliefs and practices of American Catholics.

Question 293 asks, "What is meant by the commandment to confess our sins at least once a year?"

The answer: "By the commandment to confess our sins at least once a year is meant that we are strictly obliged to make a good confession within the year, if we have a mortal sin to confess" (Baltimore Catechism, St. Joseph Edition).

The canons of the Council of Trent (16th century) and of the Fourth Lateran Council (1215) on the subject clearly support this interpretation.

Our Code of Canon Law (No. 989) states that all are obliged to confess any serious sins once a year. As in past statements, the church does not intend to impose a new obligation here. It simply prescribes a time within which mortal sins should be confessed so that, if for no other reason, the Eucharist may be received.

This rule is closely related, of course, to the requirement that all the faithful who have received first Communion should receive the Eucharist at least once a year.

Unless something stands in the way, this should be done during the Easter time, between the beginning of Lent and Pentecost (Canon law No. 920).

I hope it's obvious that we're talking of bare minimum, not what the church recommends.

Any Catholic with even a minimal awareness of how this sacrament heals us in our sinfulness and strengthens us to orient our lives in the direction of the Gospel of Christ will normally receive it more than once a year, mortal sin or not.

**Q** Is it possible to receive the sacrament of penance over the telephone? It's hard for me to get out of my house and to church, but the priest tells me I can't go to confession that way. (Florida)

**A** As do the other sacraments, the sacrament of penance involves a personal dialogue and presence with the

Catholic community on earth, in this case in the person of a priest as representative of Christ and of his body of believers.

The official ritual for this sacrament points out often the social nature of penance. It involves reconciliation with all our brothers and sisters who form the family of faith, especially those who have been harmed by our sinfulness.

Thus, the personal encounter with the earthly body of Christ, with the priest as their, and his, ordained representative, is essential.

With this understanding of the sacraments, a telephone interaction does not fulfill the requirements for the sacramental forgiveness of sins. One must still confess personally to a priest.

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

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## Rest in peace

Please submit in writing to our office by 10 a.m. Mon. the week of publication; be sure to state date of death.

Obituaries of archdiocesan priests and religious sisters serving our archdiocese are listed elsewhere in *The Criterion*. Order priests and brothers are included here, unless they are natives of the archdiocese or have other connections to it.

**ANDRES, Patrick Kurt**, 32, Holy Family, New Albany, May 5. Husband of Joyce (Beebe)

Andres; father of Ashley Andres; son of Thomas and Jo-Ann Andres; brother of Michael G., Thomas J. Andres.

**AREHART, Catherine**, 92, St. Martin of Tours, Siberia, May 12. Grandmother of two; great-grandmother of three; great-great-grandmother of one.

**CONERTY, Mary C.**, 75, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, April 26. Mother of Joseph F., Stephen M. Conerty, Patricia A. Walls, Sheila M. Kaufman; sister of Francis A. (Bud) Wiley;

grandmother of ten; great-grandmother of four.

**EASTON, Lena**, 76, Holy Angels, Indianapolis, May 11. Wife of Jerry Ross Eaton; mother of Edith Glover; sister of Edith Roberts, Susie Garrett; grandmother of one.

**GREATHOUSE, William L. Jr.**, 38, Holy Name, Beech Grove, May 3. Husband of Catherine J. (Brown) Greathouse; father of Rick, Angela Greathouse; son of Julia L. and William L. Greathouse, Sr.; brother of Michael, Patrick Greathouse; grandson of Ruth J. Myers.

**HARDING, Katherine L. (McGinley)**, 74, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, April 29. Mother of Maroon Harding; sister of Emmitt L. McGinley; grand-

mother of two; great-grandmother of one.

**HUNKER, Eugene W.**, 67, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, April 26. Husband of Virginia (Loizzo) Hunker; father of Diane Rautbort, Debbie Nelson, Donna Hunker-Grether, Michael Hunker; brother of Robert Hunker; grandfather of five.

**JACKMAN, John F.**, 76, St. Anthony, Indianapolis, May 6. Husband of Mildred E. (Jenkins) Jackman.

**KEY, Clarence**, 77, St. Augustine, Jeffersonville, May 13. Husband of Thelma E. Key; father of Carl M. Key; brother of Keskue Key, Aileen Faloney, Lillie Zeller; grandfather of four.

**PETRAITS, Charles A.**, 89, St. Malachy, Brownsburg, May 7. Father of John J., Robert P., Michael C. Petraits; grandfather of 11; great-grandfather of two; great-great-grandfather of one.

**POWELL, Elizabeth "Betty" M. (Larner)**, 80, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, May 4. Mother of John T., Michael D. Powell, Karen Tames; sister of John Larner, Kaye Scruggs; grandmother of eight; great-grandmother of 12.

**REIDINGER, Frances C.**, 90, St. Joseph Hill, Sellersburg, April 29. Mother of Leo, Melvin Reidinger, Joann, Delores Gettlefinger; sister of Ida Missi, Sr. Francine Ackerman, OSB; grandmother of 17; great-grandmother of 27.

**STATON, Maude K.**, 94, St. Francis Xavier, Henryville, April 14. Mother of Ruth Stefanich; grandmother of one; great-grandmother of three.

**STEVENS, Kevin**, 39, St. Agnes, Nashville, May 10. Husband of Kitty Stevens; son of Clyde and Helen Stevens.

**STRODE, William (Bill)**, 73, St. Lawrence, Indianapolis, May 8. Husband of Jo Strode; father of Kay Weikel, Lynn McKinney; grandfather of four; great-grandfather of two.

**STONE, Emma**, 89, St. Mary, New Albany, May 7. Mother of Jess Stone, Jr., Helen Hund, Sue Coley; grandmother of nine; great-grandmother of seven.

**TONER, Charles Joseph**, 59, Holy Name, Beech Grove, May 5. Husband of Anna Marie (Quattrochi) Toner; father of Charles Jason Toner, Mary Sue Sandler; brother of Samuel Toner, Mary Bateman, Katherine Allen, Suzanne Hemmelgarn; grandfather of one.

**WAKELAM, James**, 71, St. Monica, Indianapolis, May 11. Husband of Marian Wakelam; father of James C., Ron, Robert, Sheila Wakelam, Linda Williams; brother of Charles, Edward Wakelam, Virginia Alexander; grandfa-

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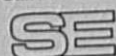
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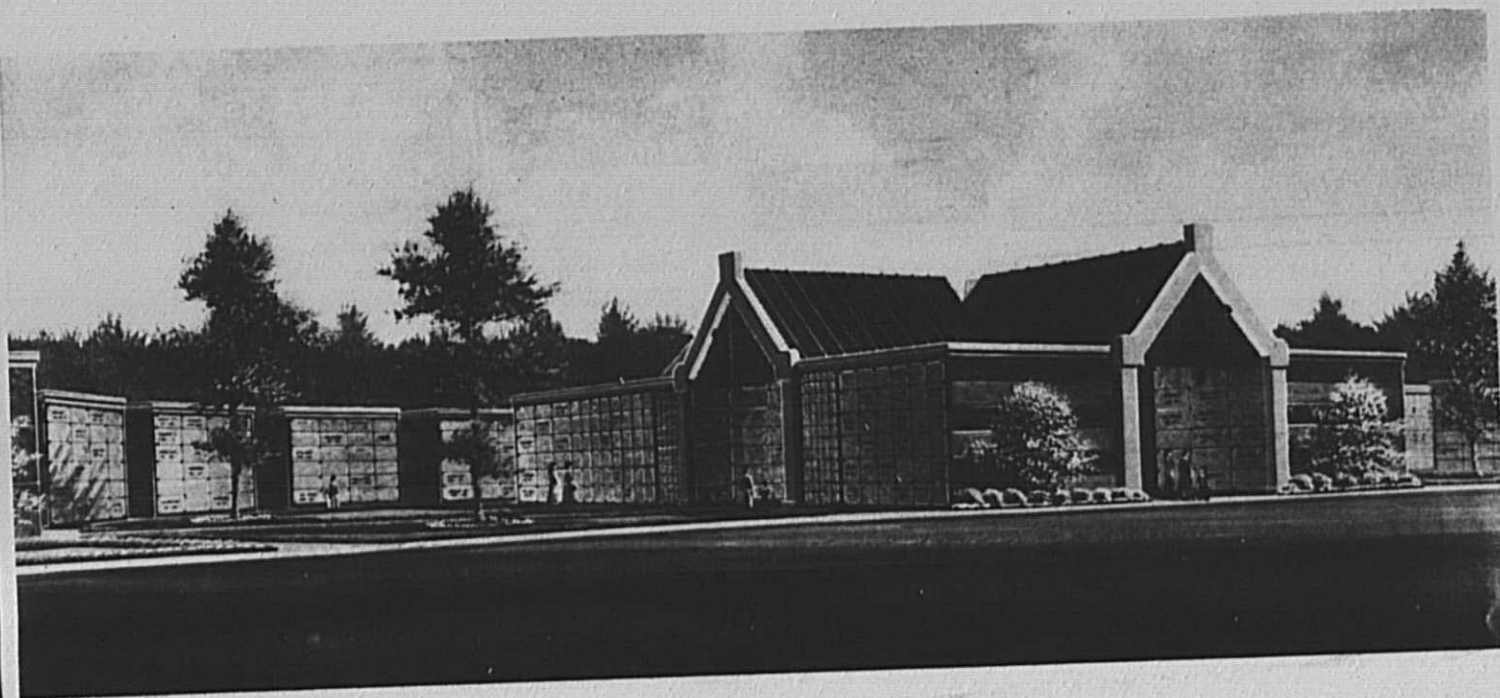




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