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Cardinal Sodano said Pope John Paul saw in Mother Teresa a "woman of unshakable faith: her extraordinary spiritual vision, her attentive and self-sacrificing love of God in each person she met, her absolute respect for the value of every human life and her courage in facing so many challenges."

The pope, he continued, wanted Mother Teresa's funeral to be "a great prayer of gratitude to God for having given her to the church and to the world."

Concelebrants besides Cardinal Sodano included four cardinals, about 30 bishops and 170 priests from at least 14 countries. Among them were Indian Cardinals Simon Pimenta, retired archbishop of Bombay, and Simon Lourdasamy, former prefect of the Vatican congregations for Eastern-Rite Churches and for the Evangelization of Peoples; the apostolic pronuncio to India, Archbishop Giorgio Zur; Archbishop Henry d'Souza of Calcutta; Cardinal Jean-Claude Turcotte of Montreal; and U.S. Archbishop John R. Roach, a former president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Mother Teresa died of cardiac arrest Sept. 5 at the Calcutta motherhouse of the Missionaries of Charity, which she founded. She was buried in the motherhouse, where she had lived for 47 years.

Observing that "Mother never expressed any specific wish for the place of her burial," the Calcutta vicar general, Msgr. Francis Gomes, declared that "it is the nuns who have decided that she be buried in the motherhouse."

Archbishop Roach traveled to the funeral as part of the official U.S. delegation, which included Bishop William G. Curlin of Charlotte, N.C., and Ken Hackett, executive director of Catholic Relief Services.

Among those who brought up the gifts during the funeral Mass were an orphaned girl who had been found in the streets, a person with leprosy and a handicapped boy. Archbishop Roach remarked that from his vantage point during the funeral, he had a clear view of Mother Teresa's open casket. He said he was struck by how small it was, like the size used for a child.

"I kept thinking how could someone with that little body be that powerful?" he said. But, he added, her work and her legacy were "so uncomplicated. (It's) a mission of God's love and . . . it's going to last."

Local Catholics remember Mother Teresa's dedication

By Peter Agostinelli and Margaret Nelson

"She was so great because she was eternally simple." That's one recollection of Mother Teresa offered by Benedictine Archabbot Lambert T. Reilly, the spiritual leader of the monks of Saint Meinrad Archabbey. It was one of many memories recounted last weekend as the founder of the Missionaries of Charity was honored by a state funeral in India. Celebrations in the archdiocese included a simple memorial Mass celebrated Sept. 13 at St. John the Evangelist Church in Indianapolis. Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein presided at the Mass, which was attended by about 300 people.

(Archbishop Buechlein's homily from this Mass is included on page 1.)

Archabbot Lambert first encountered Mother Teresa when Archbishop Buechlein—a fellow monk of Archabbot Lambert and then-bishop of Memphis—referred him to the Missionaries of Charity as a retreat leader. Archbishop Buechlein had assisted Mother Teresa in establishing a chapter of her community in Memphis.

Archabbot Lambert, a nationally-known retreat leader, led the sisters on a number of retreats starting in 1990. Mother Teresa herself attended several of these retreats.

Last week the archabbot told *The Criterion* about his memories of Mother Teresa, including his private conversations with her during some of the retreats. His efforts included a six-week trip to Calcutta as well as visits to the Missionaries of Charity facility in New York City.

Every person she talked with or cared for was the most important person, Archabbot Lambert recalled, and her greatness was rooted in the fact that she was extremely simple.

In one story the archabbot shared, the sisters had opened a new building in which to carry out their work. When told that they needed to plan to install elevators in the building, Mother Teresa refused, insisting that the sisters would simply carry the sick and dying people up and down the staircases.

"Her idea was to be poor with the poor—that's why she was so good," Archabbot Lambert said.

Missionary Sister of Our Lady of Africa Demetria

Smith, mission educator with the archdiocesan Mission Office, encountered Mother Teresa in 1980 while serving as a missionary in Africa. Mother Teresa visited the residence in Uganda where Sister Demetria was staying with two other sisters. She was looking for a place to send some of her Missionaries of Charities sisters to help.

"It was during times of trouble in the country," Sister Demetria said.

Mother Teresa arrived from the airport in a big limousine escorted by soldiers. People from the area came to talk with her, summoned by word of mouth and tom-toms. Sister Demetria helped translate. When it was very late, the sisters told the crowd that Mother Teresa (and the two nuns with her) had to eat.

Sister Demetria remembers that, after Mother Teresa had eaten, she asked, "Where is your chapel?" Mother Teresa opened the tabernacle. The other nuns were in the chapel as Mother Teresa knelt upright, praying for nearly two hours.

Sister Demetria said: "We felt like we were living in poverty. She looked at our cobblestone floor and asked how many lived there. When they answered three, she said, 'In a place like this in India, we would be 75.'"

John Fink, editor emeritus of *The Criterion*, said that in his career as a Catholic journalist, he was with Mother Teresa five times.

"The most meaningful meeting for me occurred in Jerusalem," Fink said. "Mother Teresa met with a group of Catholic journalists I was leading on a trip to Jordan, Israel and Egypt. A couple of days before, we had toured, and had Mass in, one of her homes in Jordan for the dying, the insane and those with diseases like leprosy. I told Mother Teresa how much we admired her for the important work she was doing."

"She replied: 'You cannot do what I do. But I cannot do what you do. Each of us has his or her own work to do. The important thing is that we all do something beautiful for God. God has brought you to the Holy Land for you to learn the truth. Now it is your job to write the truth about what is happening here.'"

"That was in 1981," Fink said, "and I've tried to do that ever since."



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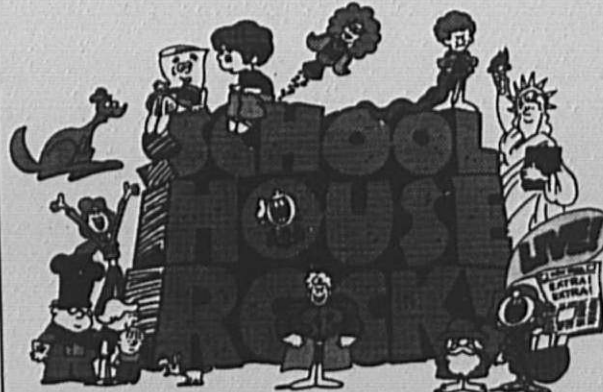
Rev. Paul A. Evard, returning from 20 years of ministry in Ecuador, appointed pastor of St. Leonard of Port Maurice Parish in West Terre Haute and St. Mary-of-the-Woods Parish in St. Mary-of-the-Woods.

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ParishCapitalNeeds

Parish renovates church, rebuilds parish center

By Sue Hetzler

TERRE HAUTE—It's been nearly 10 years since Sacred Heart Parish in Terre Haute had a debt to repay. But long-overdue deferred maintenance and expansion needs left the parish with no option three years ago.

It had been 42 years since the colonial-style church was built on the north side of this industrial community in Vigo County, and no major renovations or repairs had taken place at the church since then.

The parish could no longer avoid major maintenance and cosmetic repairs or expanding to accommodate for growth, said former pastor Father Anthony Volz (Father Volz was appointed pastor of St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Indianapolis in early September).

"So we built a new parish center and

almost started from scratch with the church renovations," he said. "We left the four walls standing in the church and that's about it."

Now \$506,000 later and after a three-year capital campaign that raised all but \$100,000 of the goal, Sacred Heart has a like-new church and a new Holy Family (parish) Center. Both were (re)dedicated in January.

Father Volz said the parish hopes to retire its new debt early with pledges from the parish phase of the archdiocesan-wide capital campaign. And if funds are left over, the church could get a new roof and windows.

"The people here are really eager to retire the debt first," he said. "That's the foremost thing on their minds right now."

There are no regrets over incurring a new debt, though, added Father Volz.

"These were obvious needs of the parish," he said. "In order for a parish to be a

parish, people have to have a place to gather, and we did not have that place."

Holy Family Center is a 3,200-square-foot addition attached to the church that will serve primarily as additional meeting space, a bridal hospitality room, an overflow room during Mass, and for social gatherings after Mass.

The inside of the church has an entirely new look with more open space in the sanctuary, new flooring and sanctuary furnishings, brighter walls and borders, and an extended altar area that stretches out to the pews to give parishioners the feel of being around the communion table. A new boiler was also installed.

For all that was done, though, the cost was kept extraordinarily low due to thousands of dollars in donated supplies and labor from parishioners. And most of the marble now seen in the circular altar and at tables located under the statues of the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph was recycled from the parish's original communion railing and eight-foot-long altar.

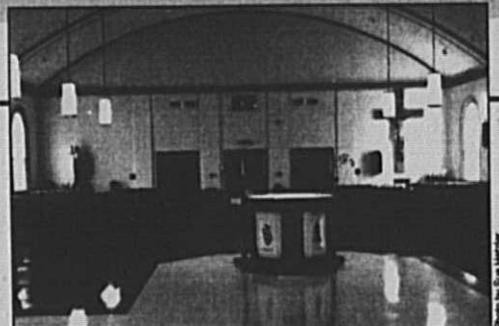
Other noticeable changes are a new baptismal font, new pews and an elevated sanctuary.

"We're very proud of what was accomplished," Father Volz said. "Vigo County is one of the poorest in the archdiocese and many of Sacred Heart's parishioners are working-class people. What they gave in the way of time, talent and treasure is commendable."

This isn't the first time parishioners pulled together to accomplish major renovations on the Sacred Heart campus. The school has also benefited from a generous donation of parish stewardship efforts.

Father Volz said an estimated \$80,000 was saved over the past seven years in renovations to the 75-year-old school. In fact, when he arrived at Sacred Heart in 1990, the school was on the verge of closing.

Deferred maintenance had been put off forever, he said. Windows were nailed shut, plaster was falling off the walls, there were only 64 students in the



A view of the newly renovated Sacred Heart Parish shows how pieces of the old marble altar were used to make a new altar, and the new extended and elevated sanctuary.

entire kindergarten through eighth grade, and there was no principal.

"It was dreadful what needed to be done here," he said. "But we didn't want to close this school. We knew the north side of Terre Haute needed Catholic education. And the business community responded."

It was a slow process with plastering walls and painting, putting in new windows, plumbing and lighting, and replacing the roof. Icing on the cake came when Providence Sister David Ellen VanDyke returned to the school for the third time as principal (1962 to 1968, 1972 to 1979 and 1991 to present) and the school earned its accreditation.

Father Volz said the school is like new now, and enrollment is at a long-time high with 142 students and growing.

"Once the process of renovations and accreditation happened, word got out about Sacred Heart and we are where we are now," he said. "If you look at the whole picture logically, it should never have worked. The place should have closed, but faith does mean something."

The school has a sound future now with student retention high and waiting lists at most of the elementary grade levels. There's even talk at the deapery level of starting a new Catholic high school.


But capital needs are endless, said the principal. Plans now are to air-condition the school.

"The wish list is endless," Father Volz said. "But our parishioners give us supply on demand. When you show them the need, they will respond." †

(Sue Hetzler is director of communications for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.)


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Echoing the tradition

They carry out one of the oldest ministries in the church.

They are among the church's most dedicated, committed and generous stewards. They are lavish in the sharing of their talents, and they are veritable spendthrifts when it comes to donating their time.

They devote hours in preparation for their work; many even return to school to obtain necessary information and to hone their skills.

Most are volunteers.
All are ministers.

Most are busiest from September to June; but others toil during the summer months when everyone else seems to be on vacation; for still others, it's a year-round thing.

They are everywhere. We work with them, shop with them, relax with them and worship with them. But often, because they go about their ministry so quietly, we are probably unaware of the important role they play in our lives and in the life of the church.

Last year in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, they touched the lives of some 58,000 individuals from toddlers to grandparents.

They are the catechists.
According to the Office of Catholic Education, the church in central and southern Indiana is blessed with the ministry of approximately 5,000 cate-

chists. In a very real sense, catechists are specialists in tradition and in serving as sounding boards. To understand this, it's important to go to the root of the matter. The Latin root word for *tradition* means to *hand on*, and the Greek root word for *catechist* means to *echo thoroughly*.

These parishioners are charged in a special way with the responsibility of helping to hand on the faith, that precious legacy we received from those who have gone before us.

**Lavish in sharing
their talents, spend-
thrifts in donating
their time.**

Catechists are also sounding boards in the sense that their words, actions and lives are to echo the words, actions and life of Jesus Christ, in whom they are to be firmly rooted.

It is "Rooted in Jesus Christ," the archdiocesan faith-formation strategic plan that says that, serving as models, catechists are called to inform us about, and to form us in, the beliefs, traditions and values that will foster in all of us a mature faith that is living, conscious and active.

As we take time to reflect on the ministry of catechists and on lifelong faith formation, let's remember to say a prayer for our catechists that they may continue to carry out this most important ministry. And let's thank God—and our catechists—for their presence and their good work among us.†

—William R. Bruns

Seeking the Face of the Lord

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



Black Catholics and evangelization

On the weekend preceding last Labor Day, the Eighth National Black Catholic Congress was held in Baltimore. I joined our archdiocesan delegation for the occasion. I am glad I did. The theme of the congress was evangelization and African-Americans. Recall that evangelization is one of the three themes of our Journey of Hope 2001.

After the keynote address on the challenge of a new evangelization by Cardinal Francis Arinze, the featured speeches of the congress addressed more specifically the particular situations and the unique features of the African-American culture in our church in the United States. Features by Catholic News Service have covered some of these topics.

Bishop Edward Braxton, auxiliary bishop of St. Louis, gave an address specifically intended for us bishops who were present. Referring to Pope John Paul's Apostolic Constitution, *Fidei Depositum*, which introduced the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, Bishop Braxton reminded us that we cannot be effective evangelists if we are unwilling to learn firsthand about the fabric of the everyday lives of the people we hope to welcome in the name of the Lord. He wanted to focus for us serious and realistic evaluations of how best we could "expend our energies" at the dawn of the third millennium of Christianity.

In his talk, the bishop used the imaginative rhetorical device of taking us bishops on a visit to a neighborhood barber shop in a poor black community. We were invited to overhear the conversation of various patrons about all kinds of racial issues from their perceptions about the Rodney King beating, the O. J. Simpson trial, how to keep their children in school, rap music and why police arrest a black \$1,000 crack dealer on the street and "let the \$500,000 supplier from outside the neighborhood sleep in a comfortable suburban bed ..."

In the imaginary visit to the barber shop, someone turns on the TV and channel surfs, stopping at a Catholic program. "The Catholic channel on TV is something else. There is never a black person on that show. No black people in the audience. No black people attending church services either." They don't talk about being poor or black. They observe that it is no wonder not many blacks join the church. There follows a discussion about what color Jesus was. The fact that he was Jewish would surely mean that he was not fair-skinned. And so the discussion proceeded.

The rhetorical device used by the bishop was far more extensive and nuanced than I could present here. For example, he went on to describe

a roundtable discussion on the roots of African culture by highly educated black professors at Harvard. The rhetorical device was a helpful way to help us bishops relate to the perceptions and preoccupations of many African-American people today.

After some reflections on the meaning of evangelization, Bishop Braxton went on to make some specific recommendations to be considered by us Catholics in trying to reach across the divide experienced by African-Americans.

1. The first recommendation is a more intentional and obvious message to black people in our neighborhoods that they are welcome in our churches. He spoke of visible neighborhood signs, imaginative advertisements of black-oriented radio and TV stations, a Catholic message on the sides of buses and on bus-stop benches in black neighborhoods.

2. He told us bishops that we should lead the way in the elimination of the practice of calling people "minorities" and "minority groups." These terms are not perceived as even neutral terms.

3. He noted that we need to be more proactive in hiring more black people in our chancery offices, seminaries and parishes.

4. We should feature frequent articles about African-Americans in our diocesan newspapers, whether or not we have large numbers of African-American Catholics.

5. We need to invest money in organized efforts to evangelize among African-Americans.

6. Like the Islamic faith-sponsored neighborhood storefronts called Centers for Community Development and Self-Help, offering a wide range of social services, why can we not do the same?

7. We need to make it known that our Campaign for Human Development program is sponsored by the Catholic Church.

8. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults needs to be flexible in recognizing the particular needs of black parents who are on difficult work schedules and find it too long.

9. Bishops and teachers should re-read the excellent NCCB statements addressing the concerns of African-Americans, e.g., *Brothers and Sisters to Us* (1979), *Here I Am, Send Me* (1989), *Go and Make Disciples* (1992).

10. The bishop also recommended that we consider the art work and devotional images in our churches with an eye to other cultures.

These recommendations provide a workable checklist as we move forward in our evangelization efforts on our Journey of Hope 2001.†

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The Bottom Line/Antoinette Bosco

'Wisdom has built her house' in Connecticut oasis

There's a place in Litchfield, Conn., that I call an oasis.



Others have called it "a spa for the spirit." It is Wisdom House, an interfaith retreat center on 54 acres in the foothills of the Berkshire Mountains. The place vibrates with spirit, extends invis-

ible arms to all who come. It is dedicated to being a witness for wisdom, that heavenly gift which makes us yearn for the Lord—yearn to see the divine in all things.

Sister Rosemarie Greco, a Daughter of Wisdom and Wisdom House's director, with her ready smile, would say, "Here's a place where you're always welcome." Visitors from around the nation attest to that.

Here people find hospitality, a warm and loving embrace, and an environment of peaceful comfort that is just right for meditation, reflection, conversation and prayer.

As Sister Rosemarie explains, you can come to Wisdom House because you need to talk to a friend, go on a directed or private retreat, or just have some quiet time for whatever your need is, be it writing, art, praying, or exercise.

"You may come here because you're interested in yoga, or the arts, or women's or men's issues. This is how God works. Wisdom is a biblical term for God. . . . Whatever your experience in life, that's where God is," she says. She welcomes "seekers and learners" who come to Wisdom House, to "treat themselves to a retreat, . . . some precious time to commune with God, nature and themselves."

I first encountered Wisdom House in the 1980s when the place was in danger of becoming a white elephant. The property, with a farmhouse, had been purchased in 1949, and a 115-room brick building was added in 1953. It served as a training center and college for women studying to become Daughters of Wisdom, a religious order founded in 1703 in France by St. Louis de Montfort and a devout teen-ager, Marie Louise Trichet.

The order suffered a decline in vocations beginning in the 1960s. For a while the future of Wisdom House, an almost empty set of buildings, was on shaky ground. When Sister Rosemarie, who received part of her training here back in 1963, became director in 1990, she was unsure what could be done to bring Wisdom House back to a new life.

Before long she hired Sister Joanne Iannotti, a Dominican Sister of Hope who is a poet, writer and photographer, to be her associate director and program developer. Together these two dynamic nuns, counting on the power of God to transform people, places and things, have turned Wisdom House into a viable center for retreats, seminars, conferences, and talks.

These nuns rent space for meetings, for programs on healing arts, poetry and creative arts. Their vision of art encompasses wisdom, recognizing the artist as one "who expresses the depths of the soul in ways that heal and unify a person." One program this year, for example, was titled "Montfort: Artist of Divine Wisdom."

I have led two retreats at Wisdom House, and rarely have I felt such power in how God responds to heal us. I believe it is a place where, as the Bible says, "Wisdom has built her house. . . . Let whoever is searching turn in here."†

A View from the Center/Dan Conway

North Deanery pastoral leaders serve in many diverse ways

I recently attended my first meeting as the official liaison between the Indian-



apolis North Deanery and the Catholic Center. This is one of several responses to the recent evaluation of offices and agencies of the archdiocese by parishes.

Our archdiocese currently has 151 parishes in 39 counties of central and southern Indiana. We also have 37 separate offices and agencies (most of them located at the Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis). These agencies are responsible for carrying out the broader mission and ministries of the archdiocesan church, which can be divided into five major areas: spiritual life and worship, education and lifelong faith formation, lay ministry and pastoral services, Catholic Charities and family ministries, and stewardship. Coordinating communications between and among all these diverse parishes and agencies is no small task.

In an effort to communicate effectively, we use most of the available communications media, including mail, telephone, fax and e-mail. But, in the end, there is no substitute for face-to-face communication. So, each member of the archbishop's management council (the secretariat heads and vicars who direct the work of the agencies) has been assigned as an official liaison with one or two of the 11 deaneries in the archdiocese.

My job as liaison with the Indianapolis North Deanery is simply to be available to the dean, Father Pat Doyle, and the pastoral leaders of the deanery. I will attend deanery meetings whenever I can, and I will serve as a communications link with the Catholic Center. If a pastor or parish life coordinator has a question, and doesn't know whom to call, he or she can call me. I may not know the answer, but chances are I can find out pretty quickly. (At my first meeting, I responded to a few basic questions about the make-up of the Archdiocesan Pastoral Council. This probably saved Father Doyle several phone calls.)

The North Deanery ordinarily meets on the second Wednesday of each month except during the months of December (Advent/Christmas), March (Lent/Easter) and July (summer vacations). A parish or school in the deanery hosts the meeting and provides a light lunch. Meetings normally last about two hours.

No earth-shattering issues were discussed at the September meeting, but I came away feeling very good about the sincerity and dedication of our pastoral leaders. They are "ordinary folks" who serve with distinction as pastors, parish life coordinators, associate pastors, religious education directors, youth ministers, and school principals. Even when they disagree over how best to serve the pastoral needs of their parishioners, it is obvious that they care deeply about the spiritual, educational and community needs of the church in north Indianapolis!†

From the Editor Emeritus/John F. Fink

The controversial question of Jesus' brothers and sisters

For the past several weeks I've been discussing some of the earliest traditions about Mary, the mother of Jesus, and Joseph, her husband. This week I want to show how the controversial question about Jesus' "brothers and sisters" ties in with those traditions.

Mark's Gospel has two instances that refer to Jesus' brothers and sisters. In chapter 3, we are told that his mother and brothers arrived to see him. In chapter 6, his neighbors in Nazareth wonder where he got all his wisdom and they ask, "Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary, and the brother of James and Joseph and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" (Mk 6:3).

Furthermore, the leader of the church in Jerusalem after Jesus ascended into heaven was his brother James. Both the Acts of the Apostles and St. Paul's letters refer to James as the brother of Jesus. Since the Catholic Church has always insisted that Mary was perpetually a virgin, how could he have brothers and sisters?

That question has been answered in different ways by different Christian churches. Protestant churches, which don't believe in Mary's perpetual virginity, generally accept that those mentioned in the Scriptures were Jesus' younger brothers and sisters. The Catholic Church has generally followed the opinion of St. Jerome, who lived in the fourth and fifth centuries, that they were in fact cousins since it was customary to regard all members of an extended family as brothers or sisters.

Eastern churches, though, including the Greek Orthodox Church, teach that these children were Joseph's by a previous marriage. This is the earliest tradition, going back to the *Protoevangelium of James*, as we've seen the past two weeks.

According to this tradition, Joseph was a widower with four sons (those mentioned in the Gospels) and two daughters when he took Mary to be his wife. Mary had taken a vow of virginity and Joseph respected that vow, agreeing as an older man to be her protector and provider. In return, Mary helped raise the six children of Joseph's previous marriage along with her own son, Jesus. However, some of Joseph's children might have been older than Mary, so it's not as though Mary had seven small children to raise.

After Joseph died, someone had to care for Mary since widows in that society were dependent upon a relative. It's probable that James, the oldest child, became head of the family. Mary wasn't dependent upon Jesus because she was cared for by James. After Jesus' death, resurrection and ascension, James became the leader of the Christian church in Jerusalem. He was martyred in the year 62.

Mary's perpetual virginity has sometimes been questioned by people who say that a vow of virginity could not be Jewish. It's true that the Pharisees maintained that the first duty of a person is to marry and to have children. But, thanks to the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls, we now know that Jews who were influenced by the Essenes believed differently. In the so-called "Temple Scroll," found in a cave near Qumran, there are instructions for a girl who takes a vow of continence.

There are various evidences that Jesus was influenced by the Essenes, and this might be an example of his mother also being so influenced. Celibacy was admittedly not common among Jews, but it was among the Essenes. Since many of Jesus' followers were unmarried—Mary of Magdala and Mary, Martha and Lazarus of Bethany, for example—it seems likely that they were influenced by the Essenes.

Next week: Jesus' estrangement from his family.†

The Human Side/Fr. Eugene Hemrick

What made these two women so memorable for us?

The swirl of emotions stirred by the deaths of Mother Teresa and Princess Diana will not be put to rest with them! We are driven to probe deeper into what it was about them that touched us.

For most of us, our first contact with Princess Diana was on her wedding day, with all its pageantry. Most striking was the radiant and warm Diana, exuding a sense of confidence in the future.

In its early stage, Diana's marriage appeared to blossom with the birth of two boys. But like many fairy tales, her story began to crumble. It wasn't long before tabloids were filled with stories of divorce and scandal.

Just when the public was about to dismiss Diana as a jet-setter out of control, she took control of her life and began to show the world that she was profoundly concerned for those who suffer and that she deeply cherished motherhood and its responsibilities.

Queen Elizabeth II, in her final farewell to Diana, praised these qualities, adding that she never had lost her smile and warmth. This was particularly true for the suffering people and children who clung to her because they felt she truly cared.

One of the most beautiful qualities of Diana's life in her final days was her ability to leave her high position and to walk with the commoner.

Mother Teresa, unlike Diana, was born a commoner in Albania. Early in her adult life, she told us, she was riding on a train

and felt the inspiration to serve the poor rather than to pursue teaching like most nuns in her religious order.

That inspiration led her to establish thousands of hospices and to touch the lowly—those ignored by most in this world. It is said that during the 1979 ceremony when she was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo, Norway, she really taught the world that, despite horrendous odds, it can change for the better. She showed us that love can create a new brand of hope.

As Diana was criticized, so was Mother Teresa. Some said that her accomplishments were exaggerated, along with her holiness—that she attracted those who are credulous and who worship anyone popular or famous.

She had her detractors, yet she rose above them.

What was it in these two women that touched people so profoundly? Could it be that in them we experienced charity grounded in the mystery of the incarnation?

When we think of God's majesty, we are awestruck. What makes the incarnation a source of such wonder is that our Creator took on our flesh—became, you might say, a commoner like us.

Christ did not secure a place for himself among royalty, but walked among the poor and suffering. This was God's pointed way of showing love for us.

I suspect that what we most loved in Mother Teresa and Princess Diana is the way their love patterned Christ's love. They walked among commoners like us and in doing so taught us the true meaning of royalty.†



Cornucopia / Cynthia Dewes

Satisfying our need for intimacy

When Princess Diana met her recent tragic death, a lot of us took it personally.



We greeted the news flash interrupting our Saturday night television viewing with the same emotion we usually reserve for bad news about close friends and relatives.

The same thing happened with the passing of Mother Teresa. We

wept to think we would never again hear pure wisdom delivered in that charming accent, or see her kind eyes soothing some unfortunate or other. As the Indian people said, we all felt we lost our mother.

Now, very few of us had ever met Princess Diana or Mother Teresa, let alone known them well enough to grieve at their passing. But we reacted with real sorrow because we felt intimate with them and so thought their deaths untimely, in one case, and an irreplaceable loss in the other.

Thanks to technology we feel connected to all kinds of people we'd never have heard about otherwise. This is evident if you take a quick, unscientific poll of the Most Horrid Crimes of the Century. According to my calculations, there were about three in the first 60 years (Lizzie Borden, the Lindbergh kidnapping, and I forget what).

But since then we've heard about every smile or pimple on the face of society on television, in so-called newspapers, and now on the Internet. We know more about everybody, high, low, rich, poor, criminal or saintly, than we ever wanted or needed to. We feel downright chummy with celebrities.

The result is that some of us still speak to Elvis by telepathy, and some still spot him hanging out in remote parts of the country. Some of us still get all sentimental about James Dean and John Lennon and JFK and Marilyn Monroe.

Sometimes it's apparent that the celebrities we mourn were not the kind of persons we would've brought home to meet mother, or even anyone we might have chosen as friends. We may not have liked their music or held their opinions or supported their politics, but we grieve nevertheless, as though for a favorite pal who shared all our hopes and dreams.

This is not exactly a new phenomenon, although it does seem to be growing into an epidemic. Mysterious tributes continue to appear at the tombs of long-dead Rudolph Valentino, John Dillinger and Edgar Allen Poe, and there are folks in Argentina who still evoke Evita.

Now, deep down most of us realize that we are not now, nor have we ever been, friends with these people. We understand that our intimacy with the celebrated is a

construction of our own imagination and sometimes our pathetic need.

But we appear to be rather unselective in our affections. The more a celebrity is talked about, good or bad, the more we seem to relate to him or her. It's as though we experience intimacy with the famous in direct ratio to how famous (or infamous) they are.

We see the face of Jesus in human goodness. Mother Teresa and even Princess Diana are attractive because of the good-

ness they represent, as are other celebrities whom we perceive as political heroes, inspirational artists, wholesome examples of virtues we admire and want to share.

Maybe we need to examine our motives. Are we voyeurs of celebrated lives because ours are so dull, so difficult, so meaningless? Or are we just expressing human curiosity, which can be a pretty extensive activity with the new technologies available?

Maybe we need to look for genuine intimacy.†

Check It Out . . .

Radio Rosary on WNTS 1590 in Indianapolis, which has been on the air daily for the past 20 years, is seeking donations in order to continue the program. The daily broadcast is from 6:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Monday through Friday and at 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Information: Jim Wilson at 317-359-5591.

Christ the King Parish in Indianapolis is hosting a parish mission Sept. 28 through Oct. 2. The mission will begin each evening at 6:30 p.m. Redemptorist Fathers Pete Schavitz and Mat Kessler are facilitating it. The theme is "Journey of Hope." For transportation to and from the church call Ann Collins at 317-253-1502. For child care call Leslie Poore at 317-259-0529.

"The Psalms Revisited," a **Scripture weekend** for women and men will be offered Oct. 3 through Oct. 5 at the Fatima Retreat House, 5353 East 56th Street in Indianapolis. Benedictine Father Conrad Louis from Saint Meinrad Archabbey is the presenter. The fee is \$110 for single and \$180 for married couple. A nonrefundable deposit of \$30 is due at registration Sept. 23. Information: 317-545-7681.

St. Philip Neri Parish in Indianapolis is hosting a '50s and '60s hop from 7 p.m. to

11 p.m. Sept. 27 in Busald Hall. The cost is \$6 per family; \$5 per couple; and \$3 per person. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Brady Bishop Fund. Brady is a student at St. Philip Neri School who is suffering from leukemia. Information: 317-631-8746.

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College's alumnae club of Terre Haute will host a **Style Show and Luncheon** Sept. 27 to benefit scholarships. A silent auction begins at 12:30 p.m., with lunch following at 1 p.m. in O'Shaughnessy Dining Room in Providence Center at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods. Tickets are \$15. Information: 812-877-2899.

St. Malachy Parish in Brownsburg will host its annual **Country "Fare" and Hog Roast** Sept. 19 and Sept. 20. Hours are from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Sept. 19 and from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Sept. 20.

Caterers, restaurant managers, church festival dinner organizers, crafters, and do-it-yourselfers are invited to come to **Michaela Farm's Benefit Sale** Sept. 20 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. EST. The sale will be in held in the historic brick barn at Michaela Farm located at 3127 State Road 229 in Oldenburg. Information: 812-933-0661.†

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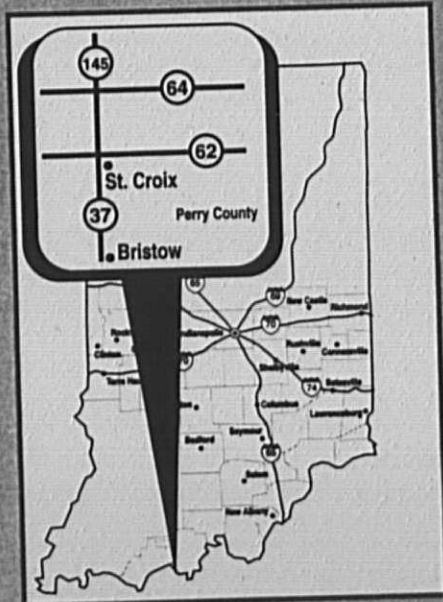
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By Susan Etter

Fast Fact:

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Journey
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Volunteers keep religious education vibrant at Holy Cross, St. Isidore parishes

PERRY COUNTY—It's all about sharing at two Tell City Deanery parishes.

Holy Cross Parish in St. Croix and St. Isidore the Farmer Parish in St. Isidore, Perry County, keep their religious education programs going solely on a volunteer basis.



Holy Cross, St. Croix

Theresa Koloeple, a parishioner at Holy Cross, along with three others, teaches religious education there. Fifteen children are enrolled in the program in first through sixth grades. Religious education is held for one hour on Wednesday evening, every other week. After they complete the sixth grade, the children attend religious education at St. Isidore on through the twelfth grade.

Koloeple said it is important to her as well as other parents to keep the religious education program going at Holy Cross.

"There are some of us who wanted to keep our kids going

to catechism where we went," said the native parishioner of the 55-household parish.

Holy Cross uses religious education materials from the library at St. Isidore, a 115-household parish. Just as they share materials, the two parishes share programs, such as summer Bible school, and a Christmas pageant. And they also share their pastor, Benedictine Father Isaac McDaniel of Saint Meinrad Archabbey.

Joyce Foury is the administrator of religious education at St. Isidore Parish. She has been in her volunteer position for eight years. She now has two children in the program. However, when she began, she did not have children of her own in the program, but was asked to take on the responsibility.

"Through the years I've grown to love it—being able to touch so many children's lives," she said. There are 90 students in grades one through twelve enrolled in the religious education program at St. Isidore. The children meet for one hour once a week on Wednesday evenings. Attendance is very good, Foury said.

In the first through eighth grades, attendance is near 100 percent, while it is about 50 percent in the ninth through twelfth grade program.

Volunteer parents teach grades one through eight, and students from nearby Saint Meinrad Archabbey teach grades nine through twelve.



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OCE moves resource materials to Marian College

By Sue Hetzler

The need to make Catholic resource materials more accessible for parishioners and religious educators throughout the archdiocese has prompted the Office of Catholic Education to relocate its resource materials to the Marian College Library in Indianapolis.

The move to close the resource center, once located in the Xavier Building at the Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center, came in early June after extensive discussion about the dwindling use of materials by parish leadership, catechists and parishioners. According to Joseph Kappel, associate executive director of Catholic education for the archdiocese, budget cutbacks were also a deciding factor in the closure.

"The resource center was being used primarily by parish leadership and catechists in the Indianapolis area and even that was limited," he said. "We wanted to reach out to a broader market, and moving our materials to Marian College seemed like the most effective way to do that."

Thousands of books, periodicals, video tapes and audio cassettes that were housed at the resource center are now part of Marian College's *Catholic Identity Collection*. All materials are available to the

public with a library card. (For more information about getting a library card, call 317-955-6090.)

The resource center first opened more than 25 years ago and was widely used as the central library for the archdiocese. At its peak of operation during the late 1980s, more than 15,000 resource items were loaned out every year. That number had dropped in recent years to about 4,000 pieces per year.

Kappel said the Office of Catholic Education attempted to reverse the downward trend through marketing efforts directed at parish catechetical leaders and Catholic school teachers, but the idea never caught on.

"Many of our Catholic schools have media centers of their own now," he said. "And it is more cost-effective for them to purchase their own resource materials and have easy access to them."

Some of the most widely used resources are materials designed specifically for teacher formation, adult education and the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults leadership development, Kappel said. There is also an extensive library of audio and video cassettes (nearly 2,000 combined), slides (about 92 sets covering a wide range of subject matter), and reference books.

While the resource materials have already been moved from the Xavier Building to Marian College, cataloging every item will take some time. Once that is done, patrons will be able to access a catalog of the materials in the *Catholic Identity Collection* via the internet.

Materials will be available 80 hours per week and can be reserved for pick up on a walk-in basis or through ground shipping services, as they have been in the past.

Funds were allocated to Marian College by the archdiocese to cover shipping costs, the move of resource materials, purchase of

new materials, and the entering of each resource into the college's catalog system. The archdiocese has also agreed to subsidize the purchase of new materials in the future to ensure that the collection does not become outdated.

Three representatives from Catholic offices were invited by Marian to serve on the acquisition committee for the *Catholic Identity Collection*. Kappel said this will help ensure that the archdiocese has a voice in what materials are purchased.†
(Sue Hetzler is director of communications for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.)

Monthly archdiocesan Mass and rosary for life continue Sept. 20

Prayers for an end to abortion will continue this Saturday, Sept. 20, during the second monthly Pro-Life Mass and rosary sponsored by the archdiocesan Office for Pro-Life Activities.

Archdiocesan Catholics are invited to participate in the September Mass for life, celebrated by Benedictine Father Noah Casey, at 8:30 a.m. Saturday at St. Andrew the Apostle Church, 3922 E.

38th St. in Indianapolis.

Following the Mass, pro-life supporters will pray the rosary during a walk to the Clinic for Women, an abortion clinic located at 38th and Parker streets.

After continuing the rosary at the clinic and on the way back to the church, the participants will conclude their prayers for life with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at the church.†



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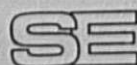
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Black congress delegates ready to evangelize

Evangelization is high on the agenda of the 24 women and men from the archdiocese who attended the National Black Catholic Congress VIII in Baltimore last month. The mission statement of the congress includes a commitment for the evangelization for African-Americans. Blanch Stewart of Indianapolis, a team leader for the archdiocesan group said, "We were blessed to have 36 bishops, three cardinals and the apostolic pro-nuncio to the United States" at the Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., to dedicate the Our Mother of Africa Chapel there. The shrine seats 6,000 people. "It was standing room only," said Father Kenneth Taylor, director of the archdiocesan Office of Multicultural Ministry. Lillian Stevenson of Indianapolis represented the elders attending the congress, sitting in the front row of the Mass at the National Shrine. Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein attended the Mass and

participated in the gathering of archdiocesan delegates. Stevenson said, "Our archbishop stayed right along with us when we had the delegates' meeting. I got a different understanding of what he does and what he expects of us. "He let us know he appreciated us," said Stevenson of the archbishop. The delegates did not know of another bishop who met with his local delegation. Among recommendations of the archdiocesan delegation was that the group consider sponsoring a black congress in Indianapolis. They suggested that parishes hold open forums once a month after the last Mass to "teach and reteach the faith." Delegates liked the idea for evangelization teams to visit the homes of inactive Catholics and shut-ins "by twos." Some wanted to implement these ideas presented at the congress: go eight blocks from the church in each direction; set two-hour weekly dates; and listen carefully to the people they visit.

The youth Mass at the congress was outstanding, said Stewart. She and others recommended that each parish in the archdiocese hold a youth Mass once a month, with young people as planners and ministers. They suggested forming a youth choir. Other suggestions included formation of an archdiocesan African-American gospel choir, presenting programs of interest to the elders, and holding parish Women's Days (Mothers' Day) and Men's Days (Fathers' Day). Stewart said the first delegate to the first national congress in this century was the late Shirley Richardson Evans of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Indianapolis, who reported to the late Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara after the 1987 national congress. Delegates will meet Oct. 4 to discuss plans for further action on the recommendations they made during the Black Catholic Congress VIII.†

Oldenburg Franciscans sponsor lecture series on Christian religions

"Celebrating What Unites Us" is the theme of the 1997 Lecture Series sponsored by the Sisters of St. Francis in Oldenburg. Four lectures—one each Thursday for four weeks beginning Sept. 25—will help participants explore the tra-

ditions of eight mainline Christian religions. Speakers from the Indianapolis area include Father Paul Koetter, pastor of St. Monica Parish in Indianapolis; Pastor J. William Novak, Bethlehem Lutheran Church; Rev. Carol M. McDonald, associate

executive of Lincoln Trails, Presbyterian Church USA; Professor David Bundy, Christian Theological Seminary; Rev. Dr. Eugene Ton, retired executive minister, American Baptist Churches, USA. Disciples of Christ will be represented by area minister in Kentuckiana, Rev. Joel Duffield; Episcopalians by the canon of the Diocese of Indianapolis, Rev. Robert Hansel, and members of the United Church of Christ, by Rev. Patrick W. Larracey of Shelbyville. The series will conclude on Oct. 23 with a 7:30 p.m. ecumenical service in the convent chapel in Oldenburg, coordinated by the Batesville Ministerial Association. The presentations will be held on Thursdays at 2 p.m. in the convent and at 7 p.m. in Olivia Hall. Admission is \$20 for the entire series. For more information call Franciscan Sister Helen Eckrich at 812-934-2475.†



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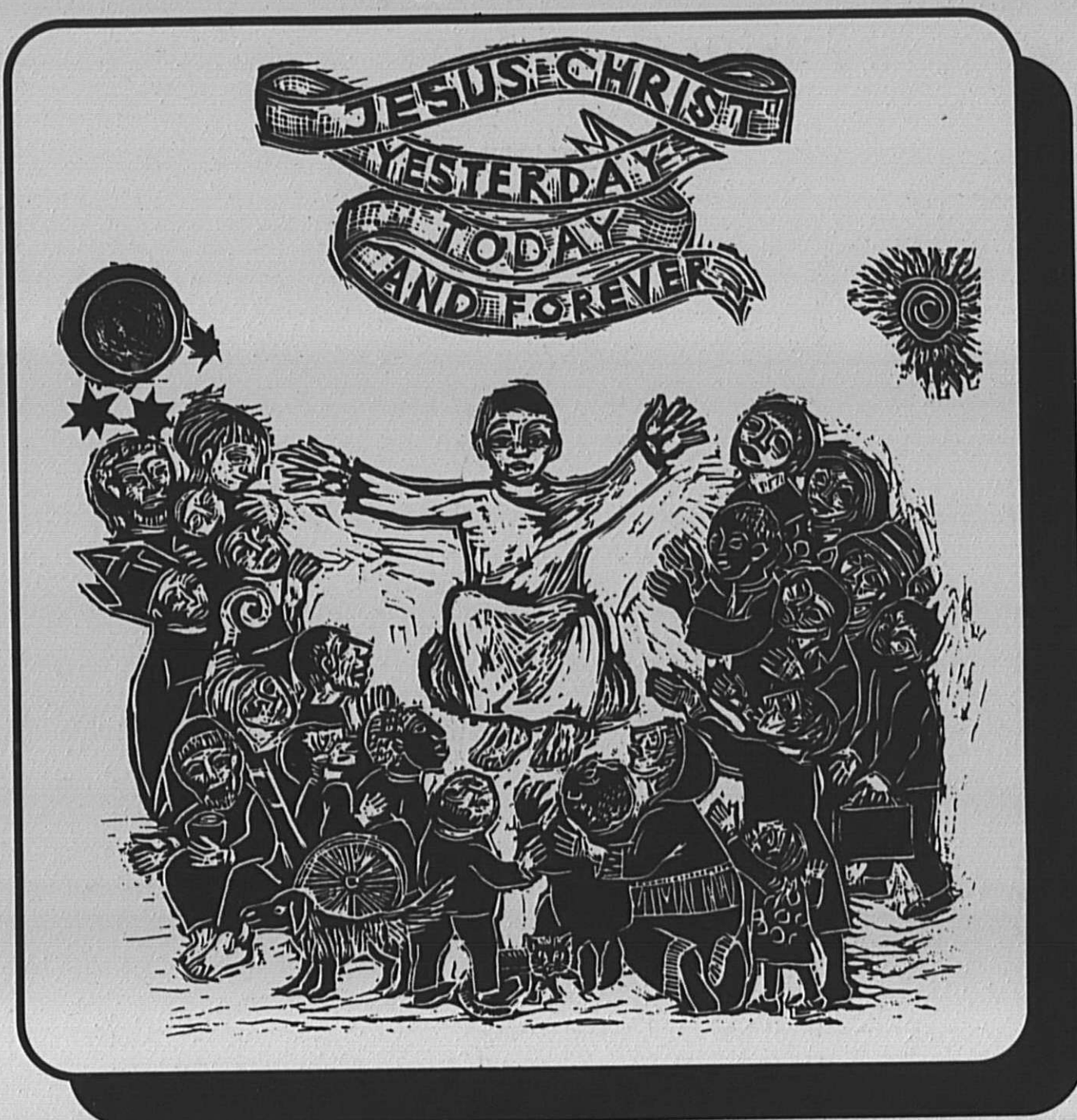
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Sunday recognizes Jesus as model teacher

By Joseph Kappel

"Jesus—Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow" is the theme of Catechetical Sunday, September 21, 1997.



It's an appropriate theme since Jesus was himself a model teacher, continues to teach today and will teach us more in the years to come.

It seems to me that there were several qualities to Jesus' teaching that make it a model for others.

- The first outstanding quality of Jesus was that he was a person of deep prayer. He had an ongoing relationship with God. One can cite example after example of Jesus in the Scriptures that confirm this quality. He prayed before the selection of the Apostles (Lk 6:12), after the multiplication of the loaves and before Peter's profession (Lk 9:18 and Jn 6:15).

We read of his prayer at the Transfiguration (Lk 9:28), before raising Lazarus (Jn 11:41) and after entering Jerusalem (Jn 12:36).

Jesus was a man of prayer. As parents and catechists (teachers) we need to have an ongoing relationship with the Lord. We need time to be alone with our God—a

time when we can pull our thoughts together and reflect on Jesus' message.

- Second, Jesus lived out what he preached. He didn't ask anyone to do what he himself did not do. In Mark 6, Jesus challenges us to deny ourselves, take up our cross and follow him. In Mark 10, he challenges the rich young man to sell all he has, give the proceeds to the poor and to follow him.

Jesus tells us the first command is to love the Lord your God with your whole heart, your whole soul, your whole mind and your whole strength in Mark 12. The second commandment is like it. Love your neighbor as yourself.

In Jesus, we see love in action. At the heart of his message is the conviction that love is the core and meaning of life. Jesus was a carpenter—a local contractor who built homes and bridges. When he left his work to become an itinerant preacher, he took the risk of leaving a good source of income.

Jesus, who asked others to be voluntarily poor, had chosen to be poor himself. Do we as parents and catechists live out the message that we preach or is it only words on a page?

- Jesus preached the kingdom, not himself. He preached God's message. He was not there so that the people would rave about what a wonderful person he was or how good a preacher he had.

His Father's message always took priority. When he performed miracles he told them—"Tell no one!" Are we teaching because we hope for recognition or because we want to impress someone? Do we need reinforcement often? What we should really be about is the "Father's business."

- Jesus invited, he did not coerce. Come follow me! Come with me and I will teach you to catch men (Mk 1:17 and Mt 4).

There were several occasions when people left Jesus. He did not pressure them to remain. And one man went away very sad, for he was very rich. Jesus allowed people the freedom to accept or reject his message.

What about us? Do we invite rather than cajole or coerce? What about our own families?

- Jesus taught in ways that people understood. He explained when they didn't. Look at the parables, especially the one about the sower. Jesus was patient. He explained and repeated when necessary. Are we patient—especially in primary grades or with special needs students? What about our patience with an adolescent or adult who asks what seems like millions of questions? Are we patient?
- The sixth quality is that Jesus affirmed others. He took people where they were. He didn't say, "I like you, but . . ."

"What you really need to change is . . ." Look at the many examples of Jesus' affirmation: Dismas, the good thief; the woman at the well; Zaccheus; Peter, and the woman caught in adultery.

Do we affirm our children and students? Do we relate to them as individuals? Do we affirm them in front of others—or criticize them? Jesus affirmed.

- Jesus' ministry was social. He touched all classes and types of people—the Samaritan woman, tax collectors, lepers, women. Am I accepting and welcoming, even of those who are different from me?

These are but a few qualities of Jesus' teaching. Are we like Jesus as parents, models and teachers? Content and instruction are important, but they are not as important as the example that we give our children, students and peers.

Those we teach must know, but also experience, the content of the message. We religious educators are the messengers who make the message become more than words on a page. They are the words of life.

As we reflect on Jesus as model teacher, I pray that we come to fully understand how much he is our model from yesterday, for today and for tomorrow.†

(Joseph Kappel is associate executive director of religious education for the archdiocese.)

Evangelization and catechesis: partners in pastoral ministry

By Fr. Joe Folzenlogen, S.J.
Special to The Criterion

One of my favorite resources for evangelization is *The Challenge of Catholic*



Youth Evangelization: Called to be Witnesses and Storytellers. One of the things I particularly like is the way this document takes a "both/and" approach rather than an "either/or" approach. So early on it observes that evangelization has

both an initial and an ongoing dimension: "First of all, evangelization is the initial effort by the faith community as a whole to proclaim through word and witness the Good News of the Gospel to those who have not yet heard or seen it, and then to invite those persons into a relationship with Jesus Christ and the community of believers."

"Second, evangelization is the ongoing witness of the faith community as it attempts to live out the Gospel with such authenticity that the faith of all members is sustained and nourished. As such evangelization is recognized as the energizing core of the life of the church and all its ministries: word, sacrament, all forms of pastoral ministry, and justice and service."

Jesus is our Lord and Savior, and that is wonderful. But the amazing thing is that Jesus did not stop there. As He so beautifully shared in the conversation with the disciples at the Last Supper, Jesus wants an ever growing intimacy leading to the

unity that lies at the very heart of the Trinity—Father, Son, and Spirit.

That is a powerful and wonderful story. Evangelization introduces us to that story, and then keeps reminding us that there are further chapters to the story. If we are going to receive the full impact and the full benefit of the story, we have to know the story inside and out, and the story has to become part of us inside and out. The story begins to shape and mold us, to influence, guide, direct, and challenge us.

There is knowledge involved here, but a very special kind of knowledge. Earlier this year, the archdiocese published a plan for lifelong faith formation. The wording is significant. As we have been saying, there is an ongoing dimension to the story of Jesus and our story. There's always more to learn; the relationship can always grow closer.

When the Bible talks about this kind of learning, it likes to use the word "wisdom." Catechesis or faith formation helps us to receive, to accept, and to live the wisdom the faith community has accumulated over the centuries. That wisdom touches and transforms head and heart. It is no wonder that Scripture so often uses the relationship between husband and wife as an image of the relationship between God and us.

Notre Dame Sister Camilla Burns used a wonderful story during a presentation on the wisdom literature in the Bible. There was a couple who had been married for 62 years when the wife died. At the wake, the husband was disconsolate. His friends tried to cheer him up by saying, "After all, you've had over 60 wonderful years with this woman." His response was, "Yes, but there's still so

much I don't know about her."

That is the kind of knowledge our faith invites us to. It is deeply relational. It is profound, strong, and intimate. And it keeps growing. There's always more.

Evangelization and catechesis have a strong relationship in which one constantly builds on and reinforces the other. Evangelization in the initial sense awakens in a person the desire to learn more of the story and to be in a closer relationship with Christ. Catechesis or faith formation responds to that desire by sharing the story as experienced by other believers and lovers.

But as that formation develops, it brings a person to a new moment of evangelization in which he or she becomes aware of further possibilities and elicits an intensified desire to learn more and to cultivate an even more intimate relationship.

We all know that the path to greater knowledge of and intimacy with Christ is not a smooth, unbroken one. There are times when we resist; there are times when we refuse. And so there are moments when we need to be re-evangelized and/or re-catechized. This is one of

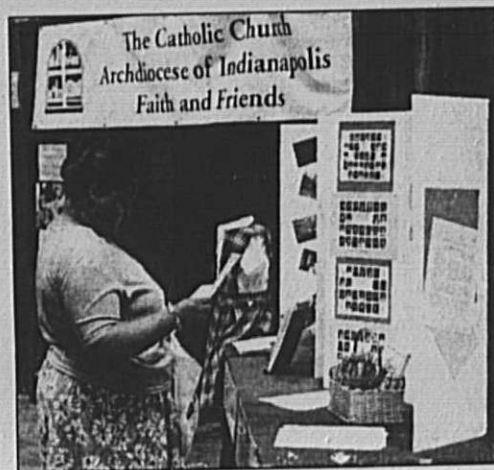
the reasons that Pope John Paul II has talked about a "new" evangelization.

We are not simply sponges. At the National Black Catholic Congress, Sister of the Blessed Sacrament Mary Roger Thibodeaux cautioned participants about hugging Christ too tightly. We have to let Jesus loose to move out into the world.

In fact we need to become his active partners in spreading the good news of God's love present and active among us. As the subtitle of the youth evangelization document puts it, we need to become witnesses and storytellers. Sometimes we will do that through listening and sharing in a way that awakens in others an initial interest in the Jesus story, that sparks the first elements of curiosity. At other times we will nourish that desire by sharing the wisdom of the faith community.

The youth evangelization document describes an evangelizing community as one that celebrates the story, tells the story, and is the story. We need to have experienced the difference that Jesus makes, and we need to gather in public with others who have been touched by him as well. We need to share the story in both formal and informal ways. And we need to live out the story so people can see and hear that it is real.

Evangelization and catechesis are partners in awakening and nourishing the desire to know Jesus and to be in close relationship with him.†



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Rural parishes face different religious education challenges

By Susan Etter

TELL CITY—Religious education challenges exist in the rural as well as the urban settings.

However, the challenges religious education administrators face in the rural programs are different from those of urban programs.



Faith Schaefer

Faith Schaefer, the administrator of religious education at St. Boniface Parish in Fulda, agrees that challenges exist in both the urban and rural settings. She believes the challenges she faces in her program are different than those she might face in an urban setting. There are currently 98 children enrolled in the kindergarten through twelfth grade program at St. Boniface, which serves 149 households. The 20-volunteer catechist team is comprised of parents, college students from the nearby Saint Meinrad and others. Religion classes are held on Wednesday nights.

Schaefer believes that meeting only once a week could be one of the biggest challenges that her program faces. "We only get together once a week, so this means that we are not solely dependent on the education of religious educa-

tion during our classes," she said.

She explained that religious education must also be provided by parents in homes.

"Sometimes this can be a problem because of the busy lifestyles of parents," Schaefer said.

Teaching materials are another unique challenge of a rural religious education program.

"It is hard to find material [that is appropriate] for us," she said.

Schaefer explained that there is not enough time for the children to cover an entire book in one year. In the past, when the children were allowed to take the books home, some of the materials did not make it back to class for the next meeting.

"They are gone," she said.

A solution to this was to adopt the Silver-Burdette book for the children in kindergarten through sixth grades. They use the same book for two years, so the material in the book can be completely covered.

Yet another problem is that a lot of the material—such as movies—is geared toward a larger population.

Finding catechists can also be a challenge in a rural area. Schaefer said sometimes the people do not think they are qualified to teach children religion.

She added, "We have to stress to our teachers that if they can teach at home, they can teach at school, too."

"I think the challenges would be different, but I don't think it would be necessarily easier in either parish life. I think there are different challenges that you meet in different ways," Schaefer said.†

Danville program growth 'amazing'

By Margaret Nelson

DANVILLE—Mary, Queen of Peace Parish in Danville has gone from being a fairly rural parish to becoming a suburb of Indianapolis.

"In all that's being done, God is working through the people here," said Debbie Armenta. She is coordinator of religious education. And her family is part of the reason for the growth in the Danville area.

Three years ago, when she was eight months pregnant and the mother of two little boys, Debbie Armenta arrived in the Indianapolis area with her husband. He was one of many United Airlines employees who came from California when United decided to move its operations to a location west of Indianapolis.

"Three years ago, there were 300 families in the parish; now there are 500," said Armenta. "All you have to do is drive around here to see the construction that's going on." She sees a lot of United employees in the area. And a couple of her teachers are United spouses.

"The parish is growing at a phenomenal rate. It's just amazing to me," she said. "Last year, we had 20 teachers. Now we have 44. There are 250 kids enrolled in

the program." There are five preschool classes, including kindergarten. She said the Sunday sessions are larger than the Wednesday night groups.

Armenta has already had four teachers' meetings. To train the catechists, she had workshops on the "Echoes of Faith" program.

"This is wonderful. The new teachers loved it," she said. Sessions were scheduled for the returning teachers. "We are working toward catechists' certification."

She said that, when she was hired a year ago, she had trouble finding material for catechist formation.

"Echoes of Faith is a real gift. It is very timely," said Armenta. "I've had good feedback. The teachers were hungry for material."

The pastor, Father Vincent Lampert, has started offering the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults process year-round.

"Father Vince is open to trying new things," said Armenta. "He looks at the need and asks, 'How can we do this?' " Because of this, the parish has started working on a sacramental program for developmentally-disabled persons.

Mary, Queen of Peace Parish is working on a strategic plan for its future.

Parishioners will come together for a retreat on Sept. 20.

"We have a wonderful building in back we use for religious education," she said. "But we are bursting at the seams for space. In a couple of years, it will not be enough."

Sue Weber, a consultant for the archdiocese will meet with parish leaders to help them with the strategic planning, especially decisions on what kind of building the parish needs.

Armenta said that Father Lampert asks the parishioners to pray that, with all the growth, Mary, Queen of Peace Parish will continue to be a welcoming community.

She said that she felt welcome in Danville. "I found the people in Danville very good—very kind."

When the family moved east, the Armentas affiliated with St. Malachy Parish in Brownsburg. She became involved with the Mornings for Moms program, joined the social committee and was a catechist there. Then she learned that the position of religious education coordinator was open at the Danville parish.

"One of the things built into religious education programs of today is service," said Armenta. "Because the parish I came from was strong on social issues—offering everything from a food pantry to immunizations—it follows my own personal convictions."

"That is how you meet Christ—in the poor," she said. The young people at Mary, Queen of Peace Parish are already collecting canned foods and helping at the Damien Center in Indianapolis, among other good works.

"The teachers have asked me to compile a directory of social services they could be involved in," said Armenta. She wants to have the young people hear a presentation by Our Lady of Africa Missionary Sister Demetria Smith, educator in the archdiocesan Mission Office.



Debbie Armenta of Mary, Queen of Peace Parish in Danville, checks out a religious education 'student' someone left at her desk.

"I hope to make their awareness local and global," she said.

"There are needy people in our community, too," said Armenta. "As Mother Teresa said we, as a First World country, are the poorest of the poor."

Last year, Armenta went to Haiti with a group from St. Malachy Parish. "That really was an eye-opener," she said.

"For those who have nothing, God is everything. When we have more than we need, we have to ask where God is in all of this," she said.

Now working with Santa Clara University on her master's degree in catechetics, she has a degree in mental health in human services. In California, she worked with the homeless and mentally ill before joining the parish's hot meal program.

"It's not so much what I've done—or am doing," said Armenta. "It's the people in Danville who are really responding to the grace of the Holy Spirit and the movement of the people of God."†

Young people enliven parish

By Susan Etter

CHARLESTOWN—It's the children who keep the parish vibrant.

"A parish without a ministry for children isn't too alive," said Father Stephen D. Donahue, pastor of St. Michael Parish in Charlestown.

The child care center at St. Michael Parish, located inside the school building, houses a daycare, preschool, and kindergarten.

The daycare was started in 1985 because "these kids needed someplace to go where they are going to be cared for and loved," said Rita Poff, the director of the child care center.

The preschool and kindergarten were started in '93 after the parish school closed at the end of the 1992-93 school year. The board of education members believed these programs were something the parish could continue.

"We needed something here for the children in the area and for our own children," he said.

Father Donahue views the daycare, preschool, and kindergarten as one ministry.

During the summer, the daycare serves 65 children. On Sept. 2, the preschool and kindergarten programs returned for the 1997-98 school year. There are 58 children enrolled in the preschool's combined morning and afternoon programs.

There are 19 children enrolled in the kindergarten—the only all-day kindergarten program in the area.

The child care center serves a 60 to 40 ratio of non-Catholics to Catholics. The

daycare and preschool programs feed directly into the kindergarten program, which is taught by Sheila Hubbard.

Juliann Eickholtz, administrator of religious education, believes parents—both Catholic and non-Catholic—come to the center seeking what they can't find in other daycares, preschools and kindergartens.

"Even though they don't come out and say it, they are looking for something we have," she said. In the summer daycare program, the children are not directly taught religion. However they are reminded of right and wrong.

"We talk about certain issues, like how God would see things," said Rita Poff.

Religious education is formally taught in the preschool and kindergarten programs. Terri Poff is the preschool teacher and Mary Wafford is her aide.

Terri Poff uses the "I Am Special" series, a program that intertwines religion into every subject—including math and science.

"We try to keep it non-threatening to non-Catholics and yet still introduce the basic concepts of God by offering good value-based Christian beliefs," Rita Poff said.

Poff said that the religious environment at the center is a definite reason it has become popular with the non-Catholics, as well as the Catholics in the area.

"Because spirituality is a big factor, the parents feel that the staff is going to be a little more careful with their children," Rita Poff said.

She added that the preschool and kindergarten classes are full each year.

"I think it's because we are in a religious setting," Rita Poff said.†

"Playing phone" is a popular game at the Child Care Center at St. Michael Parish in Charlestown.



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Youth focus of urban parish

By Margaret Nelson

"I wanted to find a program that is Scripture-based," said Joe Schafer. He's director of religious education at St. Rita Parish, located in the center city of Indianapolis.

"When I first came, we were using a lectionary-based program," he said. "It was OK, but when I went into the classroom, I wanted something with a lot of Catholic belief and doctrine and multiculturalism."



Joe Schafer, director of religious education at St. Rita Parish in Indianapolis, points out some of the multicultural art.

The Sadlier "Coming to Faith" series he is using "encompasses all the above," he said.

"Along with that I try to bring out all the Afrocentric cultural information and films and media I can get my hands on," said Schafer.

He said that the parish adult education series is based on some of the late Franciscan Sister Thea Bowman's tapes. They add more Catholic theology to the program.

Schafer uses some of today's social situations to teach about religion. "Last year, instead of making Halloween a pagan ritual, I asked the children to participate in 'Halloween in the Hood' at the church. They dressed up like elements of society that are 'holding them in bondage' in the neighborhood and city."

The whole parish was invited to the celebration. "We asked the assembly for their blessing to keep those influences from the children."

"It was a way for the youth to show how they see society holding them down," he said. The youngsters dressed like police officers, drug dealers, prostitutes and gang members.

"Some of the adults were not sure about it," Schafer said. The pastor, Divine Word Father Tony Clark, supported the effort. For three weeks, he and Schafer explained what it was about. "It turned out to be really educational for the youth and adults," he said.

"We did that last year at the beginning of the year to get the youth involved," he said. "This year, we will have the young people dress as the 'Saints of St. Rita' for All Saints Day."

"We want each of them to portray a person they con-



St. Rita youth Jocelyn Brandon, Elysha Cook and DeShauna Green receive their first Communion at a parish Mass.

sider to be a saint. Then they will have opportunities to tell the assembly why they consider that person a saint," Schafer said.

"Our religious education program is parish-wide. The children from the school who come and participate don't get a whole different program."

"Another parish-wide activity involved with religious education is Black History Sunday," he said. The whole parish comes together for one Sunday Mass. It has become a youth-centered liturgy.

"The youth are getting more involved," Schafer said. "Because of their input, there are many learning opportunities. They do research on the people they are talking about. We have had a member of the Tuskegee airmen talk to us. Adults also give them input if they are stuck for ideas."

Schafer explained that this is the first year the high school students will participate in the Mentor of the City

program with Marian College students. He said it offers them opportunities for service, friendship, leadership and spiritual growth.

Brenda Montgomery coordinates youth ministry for St. Rita. "We're doing a kickoff high school retreat at Fatima on Sept. 19-20," said Schafer.

For many years, St. Rita's youth have been service-oriented. Last year they collected food for the food pantry—enough to feed 16 families. They also provide the effort to collect "pop tops" for Riley's Hospital for children.

St. Rita Parish has six different types of youth activities, including the Ambassadors of the Word, the Junior Knights of Peter Claver, the Junior Daughters of Peter Claver, Boy Scouts, the drill team and the youth choir.

"The parish is really active," said Schafer. "Just look at the calendar. There are activities for everyone, including the Rite of Christian Initiation of Children."

The youth group participates in the Mass two Sundays a month and meets for a meal afterwards. "They enjoy being together and socializing. The youth are really involved in the weekly youth Masses. The whole thing is youth-planned and youth-centered. The youth choir sings. The young people are involved in the welcome, the readings and general intercessions and the presentation of the gifts."

"The priests here are very cooperative with special liturgies," he said.

Because he had studied with the SVDs (Divine Word), Schafer came to St. Rita Parish five years ago to welcome Father Tony. He grew up in St. Lawrence Parish in Indianapolis.

"I came one week. I fell in love with the parish and never left," he said. "My wife started to come with me and she became a Catholic here. We love the community."

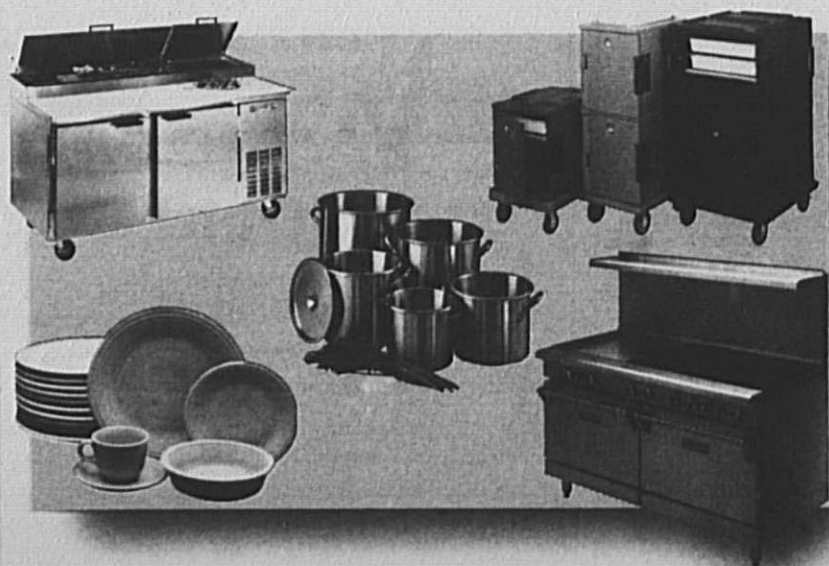
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Terre Haute teens share faith with youngsters

By Cynthia Dewes
Special to The Criterion

TERRE HAUTE—The involvement of teen-agers in the religious education of younger children at St. Margaret Mary Parish in Terre Haute is "not Twinkie stuff," according to the pastor, Father Ron Ashmore.

"God inspires the gift of faith and the strength to share it," he said that in this program "the youth witness to their gift of faith." This not only helps the children they teach, but also enriches the spiritual life of the entire parish.

For the past four or five years, high school students in the parish have been involved at various levels of service in all classes—preschool through grades seven and eight. Father Ashmore said that the process of preparing lessons for the younger students causes the teens to ask themselves "What do I believe?" The result is "a solid sharing of faith."

Mary Diteon, who with her friend Sara Dahle team-teaches the fifth-grade class, said the program "is a good experience for me. It's rewarding." This is her second year as a teacher, and the first for Sarah, who helped last year as an aide.

"The kids have a better connection with us because we're closer in age," Mary said. And they probably "pay more attention because we have a different way of presenting" material, Sarah added. "This program is a good idea because it's fun and gives us a way to help."

Melissa Kukla, who is in her second year of teaching the preschool/kindergarten class, is a freshman at Indiana State University. She volunteers

because she "loves little kids," and she believes this program "shows them that young people care."

Christine Frogozo and Ryan Paige serve milk, juice and doughnuts to the children before their classes that follow the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

Although she was recommended for the job by her mother, Christine readily agreed because she "needed to nurture my soul." She quoted Mother Teresa: "You serve yourself by serving others."

Ryan Paige teased that he took the job at Christine's suggestion because "she's so charming." But he added, "I always looked up to the older kids when I was young, so I'd like to provide a good role model myself."

Both teens are interested in service to others. They volunteered at a hospital during their summer vacation, and plan to pursue a career in medicine someday.

So does Ryan Maddux who, with his brother Kyle, has served as a program aide for the past few years. They run errands and duplicate papers for the catechists, take attendance, and act as general helpers.

According to Providence Sister Mary Beth Klingel, director of religious education and pastoral associate at St. Margaret Mary, the young men are her invaluable troubleshooters.

Ryan volunteered because, "The church does so much for me, I'd like to do something back. It's a never-ending circle of service." Kyle signed up because Ryan did, but both continue to help because they enjoy it. Besides, Kyle said, the kids need "somebody to look up to."

High school freshman Katie O'Connor was also recommended for her job as an aide by her mother, who team-teaches the sixth-graders. Katie helps the children in small groups and passes out papers. She said serving with the program gives her something worthwhile to do. And it proves that there is life after you graduate from elementary religious education classes.

Deborah Robinson began the program as part of a confirmation project three years ago, but has continued because she "loves to be around kids and see their progress." Now she's in her second year of team-teaching the third-grade class with her friend, Renee Connolly, whom she asked to volunteer with her.

The girls have spent hours decorating their classroom with cheerful sponge-painted designs and other visual delights for their students. They said, "We really enjoy it. We can relate to kids and like to get them involved. It's fun."

Sister Mary Beth applauds their enthusiasm and energy. "One of the best things for teens is to have responsibility for younger children, because younger kids appreciate it and they respond," she said.

The catechist program began with a simple statement in the parish bulletin: "We could use more catechists," Sister Mary Beth said. When the teen-agers responded, she thought, "This is a different way to meet needs in the parish."

"We have a good representation of our teens involved in many, many ways," she said. In addition to the high school catechists, some teens are communion ministers, others are readers, greeters, and altar servers, and some are involved in "A Promise to Keep: God's Gift of Human Sexuality," the archdiocesan peer ministry chastity program for adolescents.

Sister Mary Beth is grateful for their help. "I coordinate and everyone else executes," she chuckled. "They make the program happen."

Father Ashmore said, "The amazing thing is that both adults and teens are sharing their faith [in this religious education program]." He alluded to what Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein has said about teen-agers, that they are "not future church, but with-us church."

"These are young men and women of faith," Father Ashmore said.†

(Cynthia Dewes is a member of St. Paul the Apostle Parish in Greencastle.)



Deborah Robinson enjoys team-teaching third-grade religious education students at St. Margaret Mary Parish in Terre Haute, with her friend Renee Connolly. Robinson began working with the younger children as part of a confirmation project three years ago.

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Parish, school religious education are one

By Margaret Nelson

GREENSBURG—"Our whole parish staff tries to work as a team as far as religious education is concerned," said Anita Navarra, coordinator of religious education at St. Mary Parish in Greensburg.

Navarra combines efforts with Martha Hartman, principal of St. Mary School. "Martha and I try to see that those who are not in school get the same education—especially in



Anita Navarra, coordinator of religious education, and Martha Hartman, principal of the school, unpack religious education materials for St. Mary Parish in Greensburg.

regards to the sacraments. And we make sure the parents are getting the same information."

Hartman said that the parish has had parental involvement in its religious education program for years. But in the recent past, the staff has had direct communication and meetings with the parents.

"This year we are taking another step," she said. The parish is working on materials to be used at home to reinforce the students' first reception of the sacrament of reconciliation.

"We recognize the parents as the principal religious educators of their children," said Hartman.

"We also have a celebration immediately preceding reception of the sacraments," she said. "We do it together—the school and religious education children and their parents. It's one of the only times it happens, but it works very well."

Navarra said that the parish uses the same materials for the Wednesday night religious education sessions and the school.

"Part of the reason we feel it is so important to work together is our school only goes from preschool to sixth grade. No one wants religious education to end at grade six," said Hartman. "It is a real priority that we establish an ongoing process of religious education. We don't want them to even miss a beat."

Navarra said that the team begins stressing the continuity in the early grades, so that when the children go to seventh grade in public school, they will expect to continue their religious education.

The principal talked about Navarra's involvement in a Discovery Day for sixth graders. It is a mini-retreat.

Formerly, the parish used outside presenters. But with their own religious educators doing it, "It helps them see the connection," said Hartman.

Navarra said, "It does make a connection." She also sends personalized letters to children entering the seventh grade, inviting them to register in the religious education program.

The parish youth minister LuAnn Scheidler also works with the young people. "We try to unite the youth ministry and religious education programs," said Navarra.

She explained that Scheidler provides a lot of prayer and service experiences for the youth. Hartman and Navarra agreed that the parish and school religious education programs are making prayer the primary focus this year.

The Wednesday night religious education program has study groups that are divided by grade level, from preschool to 12th. The parish has six groups for junior high school and six for the high school.

"Maybe that's because we worked hard before to stress that education should be ongoing—forever," she said. "They can never say, 'I'm out of sixth grade and I'm done.'"

"The small groups have been working really well," said Navarra. The parish children who attend Greensburg High School form 10 to 12 mixed-age groups that meet in the homes of parish catechists for Bible study and work.

Once a month, Scheidler calls the youth out of ninth- to twelfth-grade religious education classes for a youth night of prayer and refreshments.

"Come and See" is used by the preschool children. "Our preschool program is designed differently. It integrates religious education in everything they do," said Hartman.

The parish uses the Sadlier program for kindergarten through sixth grade. The program provides school and parish editions. "We're also using the family guide that comes with the series," said Hartman.

"I think the bottom line is that I respect the work Anita is doing," said the principal. "I feel the same respect from her. We're serving the needs of the parish, not separate programs or entities."

Hartman said, "You can't possibly have school children and religious education students at odds with each other. When they get in seventh grade, they will all be together, not only in religious education, but in school."

"That's why it's important that Anita and I are seen together when we speak to parents," said Hartman.

The parish has 42 catechists and aides. The aides take turns teaching. "It's a big program; we have a big parish," said Hartman.

Navarra said that the parish is fortunate that "a lot of the catechists stay for a number of years." She has group workshops and meets with the new ones individually to plan the program. The veteran teachers serve as mentors.

St. Mary Parish is piloting the new religious education curriculum and the school is piloting the language arts curriculum for the archdiocese.

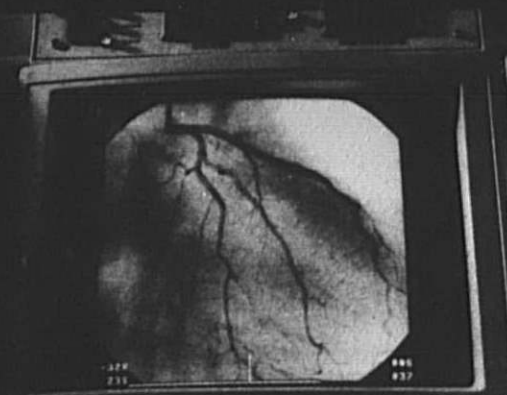
"Another thing we work together on," said Hartman, "is to try to help the children come to better understanding of stewardship."

"The whole parish is heavily involved. Our stewardship commission charged us with that goal. We have selected materials, new envelopes for the children."

The two agreed that working together as a team is a priority of the pastor, Father Steven Schafflein, and the board of Total Catholic Education.

Navarra said, "I very much appreciate Marty being here. We want religious education to be a priority for all our families. This is one way to do it."

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Deanery has Catholic angle on Bible studies

By Margaret Nelson

Parishioners of St. Matthew Parish in Indianapolis use the Denver Catholic Biblical Program. As the name implies, it's a program that gives the Catholic perspective to studies of the Bible.

Sheila Gilbert, St. Matthew's director of religious education (DRE) and coordinator of ministries, explained that, about four years ago, the Indianapolis North Deanery DREs decided to look at Bible studies.

They wanted a program that fit their parishioners' needs for a Catholic alternative to the "fellowship" kinds of Bible study programs. And they wanted a faith-sharing element to balance with the reading part of a Bible study program.

"We found that the Denver program did that—it had all those elements," said Gilbert.

The Denver program also requires so much work on the part of the people facilitating it that it works best if several parishes collaborate. And collaboration was another thing the DREs had hoped for.

"For four years, it has sustained the quality instruction we want to have," she said. There will be 27 graduates from the program at the conclusion of this year.

"People appreciate the fact that the leaders are Biblical scholars. They have a lot to bring in the way of background and training," Gilbert said. One of the teachers developed a Biblical time-line chart that has been published.

She explained that these presenters can give the students much more than they would learn by just covering the reading and commentaries themselves. "They help the students read and understand in new ways."

Now eight Bible study groups exist in the North Deanery—one for each level of the studies on Monday evenings, and another four on Tuesday mornings.

This year, the beginning Bible study groups will meet weekly on Thursday afternoons at St. Andrew and on

Thursday evenings at Christ the King Parish. Parishes hosting the second, third and fourth years are: St. Lawrence, St. Luke, St. Matthew and St. Pius X.

Every student starts with the first year program because each year's program builds on the previous year.

One hour of the weekly schedule is spent discussing the homework. The students typically spend two to four hours reading and answering the program questions.

The second hour is for the lectures. Gilbert has found that this prepares the student for the next week's assignment.

The first year of the Denver Bible program covers the Old Testament and the second covers the New Testament. The third year covers more of the Old Testament and the fourth includes "everything else we haven't covered," according to Gilbert.

She said that both the morning Bible study group and the afternoon group have formed communities. They pray for each other and keep in touch with each other.

"That crosses parish lines, which is one of the hopes we had," said Gilbert of the DRE group. "Things happening in the parishes come up in the Bible study discussion period."

The North Deanery expects to have 100 enrolled in this year's Denver Catholic Biblical Program. It's open to anyone who wants to participate.

St. Matthew has other Bible study programs and adult education programs.

"One of the things I am hearing from people," she said, "is that, when they hear the Sunday Gospel, they need to know what comes before and what comes after that passage. And they want to know why it says what it says."

Gilbert said, "When people begin to listen to the Scripture, it raises more questions."

"People want to know that the Bible study they are using is the way the church interprets the Bible. These people want to make sure the study is from a Catholic perspective."

"Some Bible study groups in the area use a literal inter-

pretation of Scripture," she said.

Gilbert had heard about the differences before St. Matthew was involved with the Denver program, but she said several people who have been through the fellowship-type Bible study are now in the North Deanery group. "They had difficulty believing the interpretation from the Catholic perspective, because they had been led to believe differently. 'It helps me understand there's more difference than we realized,' she said.

St. Matthew is a "lectionary-based" parish, according to Gilbert. "Most of what we do is based on the lectionary. We take preparation for Sunday liturgy and living out preparation for Sunday liturgy seriously."

The parish also has Monday night and Tuesday morning lectionary-based Bible study groups, which use the *Sunday-to-Sunday* videos and *Share the Word* magazine.

"They spend two hours a week trying to break open the Scriptures," Gilbert said.

As a way of adding spirituality to its Journey of Hope 2001 observance, the parish is adding something new to the practice of praying at the meetings.

"As much as possible, the council, the commissions and all the gatherings begin their meetings by having discussions on one of the Sunday readings," she said. "By the time it is read on Sunday, these people will have heard it and prayed about it."

"I think it is going to be powerful," said Gilbert. The staff also hopes to add intercessory prayers at the end of pastoral council meetings.

"If they pray for each other's needs, it will help them know each other at a different level," she said. "It will put the Christian community aspect more strongly into the meetings."†

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Collaboration works for variety of programs

By Mary Ann Wyand

Parish collaboration isn't a new idea, but many parishes have yet to take advantage of its benefits to religious education programs.

Last summer, one archdiocesan parish had to cancel plans for a Vacation Bible School because of a shortage of daytime volunteers.

That wasn't the case at Christ the King and St. Pius X parishes in Indianapolis, where religious educators co-sponsored a Vacation Bible School at St. Pius in June for 242 children.

This first-time collaboration was inspired by a parish building project, said Cindy Flaten, coordinator of religious education for Christ the King Parish.

"We were renovating our resource center," Flaten said, "and due to the debris, we were concerned about safety. I asked Msgr. [Francis] Tuohy [the pastor] about the possibility of joining forces with another parish to present a joint Bible School."

Flaten discussed the situation with Franciscan Sister Michael Marie Burns, director of religious education at St. Pius X Parish, who was delighted with the idea.

"We met with our coordinators and decided it would be a great opportunity to put on a wonderful Vacation Bible School with volunteers from both parishes," Flaten said. "Our coordinators, Mandy Bates and Cindy Bartlett from St. Pius X Parish and Leslie Poore and Sue Hoff from Christ the King Parish, worked fabulously together."

So did the 28 catechists, 45 adults and 67 youth helpers from both parishes, she said. "It was such a success that we're going to continue the

Vacation Bible School as a collaborative effort next year. It was a meaningful experience for the volunteers to come to know and love and serve God better. Out of every adversity lies a seed of equal or greater benefit, if people would just remember that."

Sharing parish resources has multiple benefits, Sister Michael Marie said, because religious education programming depends on lots of volunteers.

"Not only did we get volunteer support, it also brought people out of their parochial existence," she said. "It helped [members of] both parishes grow in new understandings

of their neighboring parishes and allowed them to see new cooperative ways of being church together. It helped [the people of] each parish see the gifts of their parish and also the gifts of another parish."

"Our connection with our sister parishes, St. Philip Neri in Indianapolis and our sister parish in Portillo, El Salvador, goes beyond religious education," she said. "We're always looking for joint ways of sharing ministries with our sister parishes in the areas of social justice and education."

Religious educators in the Indianapolis East Deanery have collaborated on the sponsorship of a variety of programs and activities for six years.

David Burkhard, pastoral associate at Little Flower Parish in Indianapolis, said each fall the East Deanery parishes sponsor a six-week adult education series at Secena Memorial High

School. Open to the public, the series attracts more than 100 participants for each session.

"We've offered courses on holistic spirituality and catechist training for beginning catechists," Burkhard said. "Last year we sponsored a Christology course. We think Secena High School is an excellent site for our deanery classes because of its central location and space for large groups. We also want to promote our high school and make sure services are offered through our school for a much wider audience."

The late Father Robert Borchert-meyer, former pastor of Little Flower Parish and dean of the East Deanery, was a great believer in parish collaboration, Burkhard said. "He thought we needed concrete religious education programs for adults and catechists. He was very supportive of it, and when we needed funding for it, he pushed

for it."

East Deanery parishes could not afford to offer an annual adult education series without parish collaboration, he said. "The courses are offered to anyone who wants to attend, and we draw people from outside the deanery. This year we received a Total Catholic Education grant from the archdiocesan Office of Catholic Education to help fund the series. We're grateful for that help."

This year's courses are "The Old Testament and its Interpretation," taught by Marian College Theology Department faculty members, and "Witnesses and Storytellers: The

Spirituality of Discipleship," presented by Jesuit Father Joe Folzenlogen, archdiocesan coordinator of evangelization.

The courses are scheduled from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. on six consecutive Wednesday nights, beginning Oct. 8 and concluding Nov. 12, at Secena Memorial High School. Registration is \$20 per person, which includes the cost of books. Those wishing more information should call Burkhard at 317-357-8352 before Oct. 1.

"Since we started this series, the Marian College theology faculty has offered one course a year and the other courses have been taught by other professional people," Burkhard said. "Franciscan Sister Norma Rocklage presented 'Praying with the Mystics' last year, and that was a very popular course."

The Old Testament course will be offered for college credit for the first time this year, he said. "It meets catechist certification requirements for the diocese and state of Indiana continuing education requirements for grade school teachers."

Benedictine Sister Joann Hunt, director of religious education at Holy Spirit Parish, likes the idea of collaboration on religious education programs because it generates greater attendance.

"Collaboration makes a lot of sense," Sister Joann said. "The directors of religious education in the East Deanery meet for lunch once a month to talk about our ministry needs and how we can help each other. One of our duties is to provide good [training] for catechists, so we share that programming. Why should each one of us try to reinvent the Eiffel Tower? Collaboration is such an easy way to accomplish a big task."

Every parish has special charisms, Sister Michael Marie said, and sharing programming recognizes and welcomes the charisms of other parishes

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Prayer reminds us that God is present to us all of the time

By Fr. Thomas Keating, O.C.S.O.

St. Teresa of Avila said that all difficulties in prayer come from one single flaw: praying as if God were absent.

All difficulties in daily life are probably the result of living as if God were absent.

The impression often is given in catechetical or religious instruction that the self is outside of God and God is outside of the self.

On the contrary, God is totally present to us all the time: closer than thinking, closer than breathing, closer than choosing, closer than consciousness itself.

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Creation is an ongoing event. It is not something that happened only once. We emerge from our Source at every micro-moment of time.

The chief wound of the human condition is the monumental illusion that God is absent. We have self-awareness. But without the experience of union with God, this self-reflection gives rise to feelings of fear, guilt or acute loneliness.

Because the human heart is designed for limitless happiness, limitless truth and limitless love, nothing less than that kind of fulfillment can satisfy our innate longing.

We all come into this world in a state of complete helplessness. Very early in our lives we have traumatic or painful experiences, such as moments when we feel deeply rejected or neglected.

As a result we feel increasingly alienated and alone in an unsafe world.

We try to compensate for these painful feelings by developing complex emotional programs that search for happiness in symbols of security, esteem and power provided by the culture or environment.

What might be called the false self is the aggregate of these programs that compensate for the pain of our emotional wounds coupled with our overidentification with cultural values or disvalues. It is the source of all our ordinary thoughts and feelings.

It is who we think we are.

Contemplative prayer is a kind of divine psychotherapy that dismantles the false-self system. It helps to heal the deep emotional wounds of a lifetime and opens us to the possibility of experiencing, right here in this world, intimacy with God and divine union.

In the apprenticeship for contemplative prayer that we call centering prayer, we sit in silence for 20 to 30 minutes and open up to the spiritual level of our awareness by disregarding the thoughts, feelings and impressions that are passing along the surface of our consciousness.

Repeating a word of one or two syllables—such as "God," "Abba," "Jesus"—serves to maintain or renew our intention.

The stream of consciousness constantly is flowing by, like a river. On the surface of the river are all kinds of particular ideas, memories, sense perceptions and emotions that we might compare to boats.

Indeed we are so dominated by the awareness of all the boats that there is almost never a moment when we see the river itself.

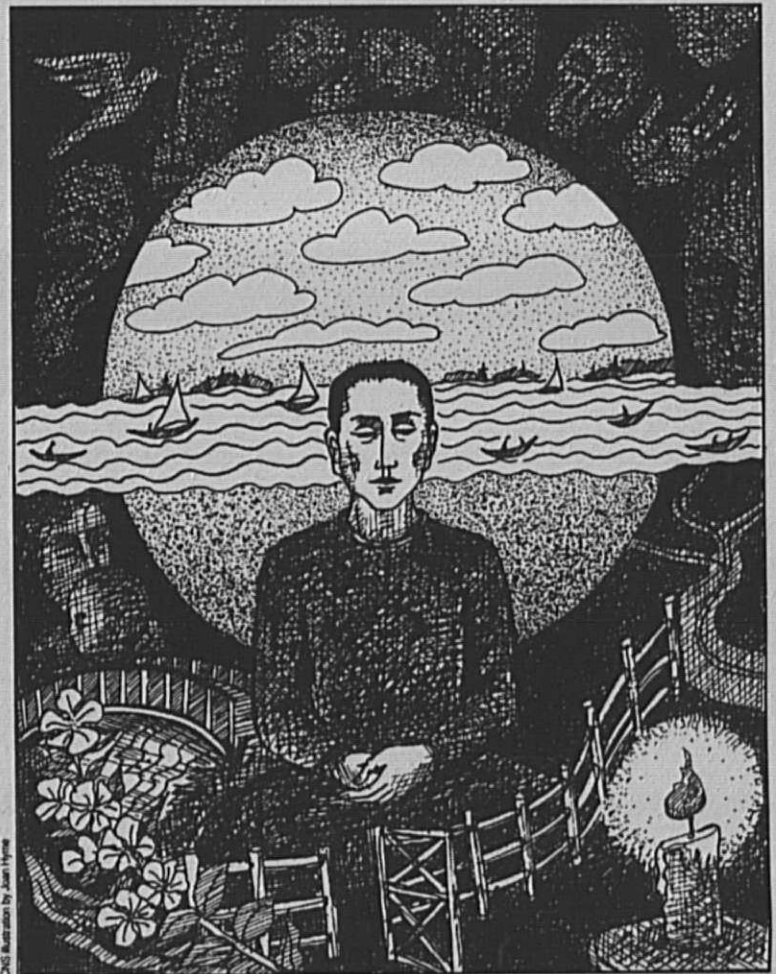
But sometimes God reaches up from within us and pulls us down into the divine presence.

I have met people who have experienced this who have no particular religion. Such experiences are an invitation to begin the spiritual journey, not a sign that we have arrived.

The Christian contemplative tradition recommends a discipline of prayer that enables us to disengage temporarily from our usual flow of thoughts.

Our ordinary thoughts tend to reflect the mindsets, prepackaged values and preconceived ideas that we learned in childhood.

To stop thinking about them for 20



Our stream of consciousness constantly is flowing by, like a river, in the course of daily life. On the surface are all kinds of particular ideas that we might compare to boats. Indeed, we are so dominated by the awareness of all the boats that we rarely see the river itself, the Divine Indwelling, the God who is the source of our being.

minutes is like taking a much-needed vacation. Beneath the surface of the river is the Divine Indwelling, the God who is the source of our being.

In contemplative prayer, we allow ourselves to be in God's presence and to receive divine love without self-reflection. It is a totally receptive attitude.

We move beyond thoughts and feelings into a more intimate exchange with God, from conversation to communion.

We allow God to be God without knowing who God is, but just that God is. The presence of God transcends all forms of knowledge.

Thus Meister Eckhart calls this the "unknowing knowing of God."

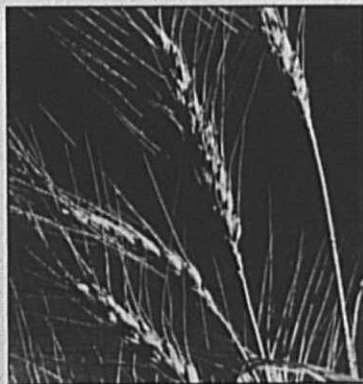
The thrust of contemplative prayer is

not self-perfection or self-preoccupation. Its thrust moves us beyond ourselves. We turn ourselves over completely to God and consent to God at the deepest level of our being.

To be able to hear God, we have to learn the discipline of interior silence. St. John of the Cross said: "The Father spoke from all eternity just one word. And he spoke it in an eternal silence. And it is in silence that we hear him."

This is a magnificent summary of what we do in contemplative prayer. It is also the ultimate healing.

(Trappist Father Thomas Keating, of St. Benedict's Monastery, Snowmass, Colo., is a noted lecturer and has written many books.)†



Creation is an ongoing event. A hidden power guides the process of growth and rebirth.

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Discussion Point

Society challenges prayer time

This Week's Question

What is the "hard part" of prayer for you?

"Sometimes the only thing that is hard is that I feel I'm bothering God. . . . But I know that's not true, and so I keep praying." (Ruth [last name withheld], Sioux City, Iowa)

"We're a noisy society, and getting the solitude and quiet for prayer is a difficult thing." (James K. Lichow, Tulsa, Okla.)

"The only hard part is staying faithful to my commitment to set aside the time to do it." (Carole Wielosinski, Donaldson, Ind.)

"Time. I have two grandchildren who live with me, and interruptions are frequent." (Trudy Colbert, Fresno, Calif.)

"My mind wanders. I find repetition boring. . . . I whine to the Lord [about] how difficult it is to talk to him when I can neither see, hear nor touch him. . . . I complain, 'But I find him so silent.' . . . [However] I know in my heart that I do feel his presence . . . see him in the eyes of my fellow man . . . hear him when he speaks to me in the Scriptures." (Helen Colby Swiers, Fort Madison, Iowa)

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Entertainment

Movie Review/Gerri Pare

Fire Down Below relies on Seagal's heroics

Toxic wastes threaten an Appalachian community in eastern Kentucky—until action hero Steven Seagal arrives on the scene in *Fire Down Below*, a new release from Warner Bros.



Typical of his macho movies, Seagal plays a character so indestructible and incorruptible that his

every move is anticipated and boringly telegraphed far in advance, this time by director Felix Enriquez Alcala.

Time and again Seagal's federal agent Taggart takes on six or more men and emerges from the conflict with barely a scratch. As usual, his broken opponents always lie scattered in humiliation at his feet.

Seagal has the best lines, of course, and always gets the last word in every dialogue exchange.

In his spare time, Seagal's character also rescues vulnerable Marg Helgenberger from her abusive brother Stephen Lang.

Self-righteous and smug, Taggart single-handedly saves eastern Kentucky from venal mogul Kris Kristofferson, who is storing toxic wastes in the area, which will poison the water supply and endanger helpless people.

Clearly, realism was not a valued commodity in the shaping of this environmental-themed action film.

At least the movie was shot on location, providing testament to the beauty of the Kentucky bluegrass area, and the sprightly country music soundtrack is another authentic touch.

Otherwise, it's a familiar Seagal vehicle—a community is in trouble and his superhero-type character is motivated by revenge.

This time he is called in to save the day after a fellow agent from the federal Environmental Protection Agency, who was sent there to investigate the hazardous waste problem, is killed by an unknown villain.

Fortunately, with brute brawn—and blasting bullets—Taggart will put all aright, amidst the obligatory car chases and giant explosions.

There's no need to rush to the movie theaters to catch this routine underdog-defeats-the-bullies film unless you're a diehard Steven Seagal fan.

Due to much stylized violence, sexual references, occasional profanity and several instances of rough language, the U.S. Catholic Conference classification is A-III for adults. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is R for restricted viewing.

(Gerri Pare is on the staff of the U.S. Catholic Conference Office for Film and Broadcasting.)†



Actor Steven Seagal (center) stars with Ed Bruce (left) and Steve Palmer in the action film *Fire Down Below*. The U.S. Catholic Conference classifies the film A-III for adults. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is R for restricted viewing.

Movie Review/Gerri Pare

The Game challenges and puzzles viewers

After receiving a bizarre birthday gift from his estranged brother, a cold-hearted investment banker soon finds himself trying to survive *The Game*, a new film from Polygram.

Steely San Francisco magnate Nicholas Van Orton (Michael Douglas) has amassed a fortune, but along the way has tossed aside his ne'er-do-well younger brother, Conrad (Sean Penn).

Living alone in his mansion, Nick pretends that he doesn't care that his wife finally left him.

Nick is surprised to hear from Conrad, and more surprised to receive a birthday gift from him.

The gift turns out to be membership in *The Game*, an entertainment service which Conrad raves about but will not describe to his brother.

Nick must discover what it is and how it works for himself by visiting the company that provides the service and enduring their psychological testing so that his personal version of *The Game* will be "customized."

The company representative (James Rebhorn) refuses to tell him just what the game is, what the rules are, or even the object of it.

All Nick finds out is that once *The Game* starts he is in the fight of his life to hold onto his company, his fortune and his life.

Nick's first encounter with danger comes alongside a mysterious waitress (Deborah Kara Unger) who may in fact be his worst enemy even as they are forced to climb elevator cables, evade snarling attack dogs and flee from masked gunmen.

Ultimately, Nick comes to consciousness alone, in a foreign country, inside a coffin.

As written by John Brancato and Michael Ferris, and directed by David Fincher, the movie is easily analyzed and dismissed once it has been viewed. However, while the film is unreeling it is impossible not to keep involved in the plot and guess about what will happen to the unfortunate Nick.

That makes this thriller an odd combination of being simultaneously absorbing and suspenseful despite being wildly illogical.

The narrative can only proceed based on the premise that the forces out to get Nick will always correctly guess just what Nick will think and how he will react to each assault on his mind or body.

To say more about the plot's direction would reveal too much, but if the viewer

is willing to suspend disbelief in the script's absurd coincidences and its facility at predicting human behavior, *The Game* makes for a unique movie.

Nor does it hurt that Douglas skillfully conveys the character of a man on the run from unknown assailants, no longer the master of his universe, and at a loss how to regain control of a life spun out of control.

Realizing he sounds increasingly paranoid to all around him, Nick's former arrogance gradually devolves into the embodiment of incomprehensible dread.

In short, Douglas carries the movie and the point is made about his changed humanity as he loses all he had.

Technically, the movie is handsome, moody and marvelously sinister, but if one is a stickler for logic or doesn't enjoy mind games, the ever-twisting mechanics of *The Game* may be exasperating rather than engaging.

This film genre seems to be popular with movie-goers, because Hollywood production companies continue to generate sophisticated suspense and action films like *The Net*, a computer-themed thriller starring Sandra Bullock, which did well at the box office and in video stores last year.

Due to stylized violence, occasional profanity and frequent rough language, the U.S. Catholic Conference classification is A-III for adults. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is R for restricted viewing. †



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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time/Msgr. Owen F. Campion

The Sunday Readings

Sunday, Sept. 21, 1997

- Wisdom 2:12, 17-20
- James 3:16 - 4:3
- Mark 9:30-37

The Book of Wisdom supplies the first reading for this weekend.



Ancient Jewish authorities would not accept Wisdom as being truly Scripture because it originally was written in Greek and was written outside the Holy Land. Most likely it was composed in Alexandria in Egypt.

As a result, the traditional Protestant version of the Bible, the authorized version, or the King James version, excludes the Book of Wisdom.

Scholars believe from the style of language employed that it was completed in the last half of the first century B.C., not too many generations before Jesus.

At that time, Alexandria was one of the major cities of the western world. As a seaport, it was a great commercial center. It drew people from everywhere, including many Jews. With customs and beliefs so unlike those of the pagans, the Jews must have seemed strange to others in Alexandria. Then, sadly as always, such differences prompt mistrust and dislike among people.

This weekend's reading has a very threatening tone. It is understandable. Jews in Alexandria surely endured their share of scorn. Their children certainly on occasion were humiliated. And without doubt their children wondered if maintaining the old Jewish culture and value system was worth the sacrifice.

Thus, Wisdom was written to reinforce trust in the Jewish heritage.

The reading for today has been taken by the church because Christians can see in it a foretelling of Jesus. The Lord met enemies who conspired. In the end, the conspiracy brought Jesus to Calvary.

For this weekend's second reading, the church presents the Epistle of James.

The epistle presents outright a situation which the Gospel reading mentions

obliquely. The epistle reminds the faithful that jealousy and self-interest are the breeding grounds for vice. It is a stern message, but it is true. It reveals that in the early Christian community which first received this epistle, arrogance and envy were hardly unknown.

They are unknown in no human community anywhere, at any time.

St. Mark's Gospel is the source of the Gospel reading. Several important messages emerge clearly in the story.

The first is that without Jesus, the Twelve are helpless and uninformed. They nevertheless are the special followers and students of Jesus and are given information not conveyed to the multitudes.

The second lesson is that the Crucifixion is the great moment of the Lord's ministry. Its meaning is so profound that the Twelve cannot understand.

Finally, the reading asserts again that absolute faith is needed for discipleship. Ambition and envy will doom a person to an unsatisfying and dishonest Christianity. The Lord, and obedience to God, are everything.

Reflection

Recurring sadly throughout the centuries, and still afoot despite strong and repeated repudiations by the church this century, is the old saw that "Jews killed Jesus." The church officially counters this charge by saying that as historic fact Jesus was condemned by a Roman, according to Roman law, in a Roman court.

But, more compellingly, the church reminds us that human sin—and precisely our own sins—nailed the Lord to the cross of Calvary. These readings summon us to face the fact of our personal sin. More broadly, they call us to face the fact of who and what we are.

Not even the selected Twelve were able to stand without Jesus. Neither can we. In our situation, however, the Lord leads us, redeems us, heals us and nourishes us.

We are our own worst enemies. Our selfishness spills over into sin. We envy. We quarrel. We hate. Until we overcome self, we are not in possession of the new life of God's eternal grace.†

Daily Readings

Monday, Sept. 22

Ezra 1:1-6
Psalm 126:1-6
Luke 8:16-18

Tuesday, Sept. 23

Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20
Psalm 122:1-5
Luke 8:19-21

Wednesday, Sept. 24

Ezra 9:5-9
(Response) Tobit 13:2-4, 6-8
Luke 9:1-6

Thursday, Sept. 25

Haggai 1:1-8
Psalm 149:1-6, 9
Luke 9:7-9

Friday, Sept. 26

Cosmas and Damian, martyrs
Haggai 1:15b - 2:9
Psalm 43:1-4
Luke 9:18-22

Saturday, Sept. 27

Vincent de Paul, presbyter and religious founder
Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15a
(Response) Jeremiah 31:10-13
Luke 9:43b-45

Sunday, Sept. 28

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Numbers 11:25-29
Psalm 19:8, 10, 12-14
James 5:1-6
Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Question Corner/ Fr. John Dietzen

Bishop may approve Mass after cremation



Your columns are a big help in understanding our Catholic teachings. Now I need to clear my conscience regarding cremation.

I'm a 41-year-old mother of three, and wife of 15 years. I

want to donate my organs when I die to save the lives of others, and I want my body cremated.

My husband and children disagree. His reasoning is that I should return to God the way he sent me, all in one piece with nothing missing.

I say it doesn't make any difference once you're dead. You can have a funeral Mass, even after cremation.

Are they right to oppose my wish? Does the church have anything to say about this? (New York)

Let's take the two parts of your question separately.

Regarding cremation, for years now the church has taught that cremation is permissible, unless it is requested for reasons opposed to Christian belief. (For a long time cremation was seen as a way of rejecting belief in the Resurrection.)

Two heavy concerns need to be thoroughly considered, however.

First, the Catholic Church strongly professes the preference for burial of our natural body rather than cremation.

The reason is clear. Our bodies are not, as some tend to think, merely the shell of our "real self," our soul—a shell that may be discarded in any way we wish.

Christian belief, and the reality, is that our bodies are as much a part of our human selfhood as our souls. Whatever we know and feel comes to us originally through our bodies, our senses and our feelings. These bodies are an essential part of what we are as human beings, men and women.

This is so true that, according to traditional Christian philosophy and theology, our soul is not a human soul, even in eternity, without a relationship to a body.

St. Paul explains, in 1 Corinthians 15 and elsewhere, that this is what the resurrection is all about. Our bodies will be transformed, but we will still be ourselves, body and spirit, after we rise to new life with Christ.

Obviously, cremation does not make resurrection impossible.

Second, as I have explained several times previously, the desire for cremation may reflect a serious misunderstanding, a minimizing, of the truth that "in baptism the body was marked with the seal of the Trinity and became the temple of the Holy Spirit," and this is why "Christians respect and honor the bodies of the dead" (Introduction to the Catholic ritual for Christian funerals).

In other words, our bodies are profound symbols of our faith in Christ. Someone recently wrote beautifully, "When we touch and kiss and bless and process the bodies of our dead, we are 'teaching' ourselves not only that we will miss this loved one but also that this body, though dead, is still part of Christ's body. This body, seemingly lifeless, will one day be filled with new life" (*Modern Liturgy*, September 1997).

Nevertheless, cremation is not against the law of the church.

A funeral Mass may take place in the presence of the body before cremation. With permission of the local bishop, cremated remains may be present in the church during the funeral Mass.

Fifteen centuries ago, St. Augustine noted that our Christian funeral rites are more for the living than for the dead.

The deceased individual may be unaffected by cremation as distinct from usual burial, but friends and relatives still have many lessons to learn about life and death, the shortness of our time on earth, and the priorities in our life that can become extremely confused in the business of daily living.

As Augustine said, our confrontation with death can put things back into proper focus.

People considering cremation must think of those left behind, especially children and grandchildren. Discuss the matter thoroughly with them and be sure they are emotionally and spiritually comfortable with the arrangements.

If we ever lose touch with those larger realities that confront us in death, we will lose something very precious in our Christian lives.

Organ donations are another large question. We must hold that question for the column next week.

(Send questions for this column to Father John Dietzen in care of Holy Trinity Church, 704 N. Main St., Bloomington, Ill. 61701.)†

My Journey to God

A Beautiful Fire (Revised)

She was small, stooped, wrinkled, brown and old, but her Beloved stood among the stars and reached for her with the hands of lepers dying, with the silence of children crying in the womb, with the tears of the old who despair and the abandoned young who care for no one.

She knew his touch and never turned away, never resting 'til her last September day. Until then she held us tight and warmed us with the melting candle of her life, the wax transparent, seamless, shaped to his design.

Ah, who can say, when the stars are burned away, what beauty will blind us with her light



as heaven's king reveals to our sight the blazing soul he hid behind a small brown body ravaged by our needs, and time.

By Sandra Marek Behringer

(Sandra Behringer is a member of St. Luke Parish in Indianapolis. She rewrote an earlier poetic tribute to the founder of the Missionaries of Charity after Mother Teresa's death on Sept. 5.)

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 can be taken by telephone. No pictures, please. Notices must be in our offices by 10 a.m. on Monday of 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.

September 19

St. Elizabeth's Home, 2500 Churchman Avenue, Indianapolis, will hold a fall garage sale from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, donations: 317-787-3412.

The Ave Maria Guild will have a rummage sale from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in St. Paul Hermitage, 501 N. 17th Ave., Beech Grove.

Holy Name Parish, 89 N. 17th Ave., Beech Grove, will host a

Couple to Couple League natural family planning class at 7 p.m. Information, registration: 317-862-3848.

Sisters of St. Benedict of Ferdinand will host a benefit concert of religious music by Carey Landry and Carol Jean Kinghorn-Landry at the Monastery Immaculate Conception Chapel, Ferdinand. Information, tickets: 812-367-1411.

September 19 - 20
Little Sisters of the Poor and St.

Augustine's Home for the Aged, 2345 W. 86th St., Indianapolis, will hold a rummage sale from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

September 19 - 21

Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., Indianapolis, will hold a Tobit weekend for engaged couples. Information, registration, 317-545-7681.

St. Christopher Parish, Indianapolis, Singles and Friends will attend Brown County Weekend '97 Interact. Information, registration: 317-879-8018.

September 20

The Newman Center for Catholic Students, 1200 W. Riverside Dr., Muncie, Ball State University, and the Knights of Columbus will sponsor a state-wide Catholic Student Conference "Catholics on Campus: Facing New Challenges; Interacting with God Spiritual Growth for Young Adults." Information, reservations: 765-288-6180.

St. Matthew Parish, 400 E. 56th St., Indianapolis, will have a community Fun Fest 3-10 p.m., featuring live music, adult and children's games, and a picnic. Information: 317-842-9558.

September 21

St. Anthony Parish, Indianapolis, will hold a Police and Firefighters' Appreciation Day beginning with Mass at 11 a.m. followed by brunch in Ryan Hall, 379 N. Warman Ave.

St. Louis Parish, Batesville, will hold the annual church festival featuring chicken and roast beef dinners, mock turtle soup, and raffle beginning at 10:30 a.m.

St. Mary Parish, 302 E. McKee St., Greensburg, will hold a homecoming picnic featuring WFMS Friends and Neighbors Music, fried chicken or roast beef dinners, games, country store and raffle from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

At Mary's Rexville Schoenstatt & Hermitage, Eucharistic Schoenstatt Holy Hour and Benediction at 2:30 p.m., followed by Mass at 3:30 p.m. Information: Fr. Elmer Burwinkel 812-689-3551. On the web at <http://www.seidata.com/~eburwink/>; e-mail: eburwink@seidata.com. Directions: .8 mile E. of 421 on 925-S, 10 south of Versailles.

The Hermitage, 3650 E. 46th St., Indianapolis, will hold an open house from 1-5 p.m. Information: 317-545-0742.

Little Sisters of the Poor and the residents of St. Augustine's Home for the Aged, 2345 W. 86th St., Indianapolis, will hold a Holy Hour to pray for vocations, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, evening prayer followed by Benediction in the chapel at 4:15 p.m.

September 21 - 23

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, 46th & Illinois, Indianapolis, will host Spiritual Revival 1997 "Let Christ Stretch Us Beyond..."

featuring music, readings and homilies with divine Word Father Chester Smith at 6:45 p.m. each evening. Child care and transportation available. Information: 317-257-8505.

September 21 - 26

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Office of Continuing Education will host an elderhostel entitled "Focus on Greece." Information, reservations: 812-535-5148.

September 23

St. Vincent Hospital and Health Services will present "Reflections on Stress and Human Spirituality," by Brian Luke Seaward at the St. Vincent Marten House, 1801 W. 86th St., Indianapolis, 6:30-8 p.m. Fee: \$20. Reservations required. Information, reservation: 317-582-7037.

Marian College, 3200 Cold Spring Road, Indianapolis, Mature Living Seminar tour of the Allison Mansion led by Kathi Ashmore, 10 a.m.-12 noon. Information, registration: 317-955-6000.

St. Christopher Parish, Indianapolis, Singles and Friends will hold a Peer Faith Sharing evening in the annex at 7:30 p.m. Information: 317-299-9818.

September 26

St. Nicholas Parish, 6461 E. St. Nicholas Dr., Sunman, will hold a turtle soup supper and fish fry from 5:30 - 9 p.m. Cloggers, games and big raffle will be featured.

September 27

Familia of Central Indiana will hold a day of reflection for mothers, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at St. Augustine's Home, 2345 W. 86th St., Indianapolis. Information, reservation: 765-342-4905.

Little Flower Parish, 13th & Bosart, Indianapolis, will hold a Monte Carlo in the cafeteria at 7 p.m. Admission \$5 per person.

St. Christopher Parish, Indianapolis, Singles and Friends will have a St. Vincent de Paul service day. Carpool from the church at 8 a.m. Information: 317-879-8018.

St. Philip Neri Parish will hold a Fabulous '50s '60s Hop from 7-11 p.m. in Busald Hall to benefit the Brady Bishop Leukemia Fund. Admission: \$6 family, \$5 couple, \$3 single. Information: 317-631-8746.

St. Roch Parish, 3600 S. Pennsylvania St., Indianapolis, will hold a parish picnic. Information: 317-784-1763.

September 28

St. Michael Parish, 11400 Farmers Lane, Bradford, will hold its annual picnic featuring quilts, games, bingo, silent auction, and booths from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. A trip and 1997 Ford Ranger XLT will be given away. Chicken and dumplings will be served from 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

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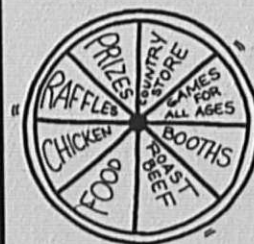
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The annual Doile endowed lecture on church art and architecture will be held in St. Bede Theater on the grounds of Saint Meinrad Archabbey, Saint Meinrad, at 8 p.m. Dr. Nathan Mitchell will speak on "The Place is a Sacrament." Information: 812-357-6599;

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The St. Lawrence Auxiliary and the Knights of St. John will hold their annual Fall

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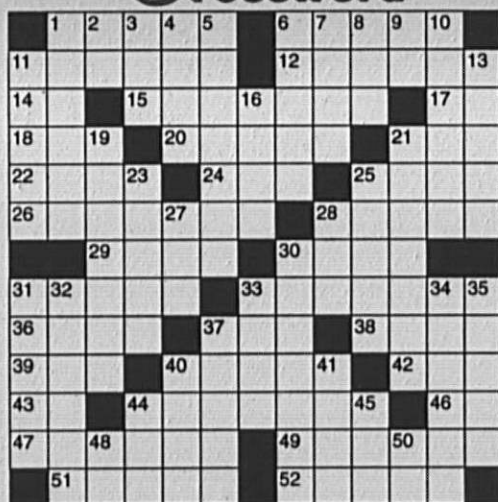


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- 25 Metal
- 26 It was made for man (Mark 2:27)
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- 29 Patmos, e.g. (Rev 1:9)
- 30 Family group
- 31 — Park, Colorado
- 33 "For I have heard the — of many" (Psa 31:13)
- 36 Revelation writer
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- 39 Memorable time

DOWN

- 40 Offer a view
- 42 "I — no pleasant bread" (Dan 10:3)
- 43 Hartford's St.
- 44 He lied to the Holy Ghost (Acts 5:3)
- 46 " — I was saying..."
- 47 Soft or delicate
- 49 "I — new heavens and a new earth" (Isa 65:17)
- 51 "Know that it is near, even at the —" (Mat 24:33)
- 52 Schedule
- 1 Sister of Lazarus (John 11:21)
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- 6 Planet's path
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- 13 Perfume trail
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- 19 Woman raised from the dead (Acts 9:40)
- 21 Pop's pop
- 23 Playwright Henrik
- 25 The former Mrs. Trump
- 27 Capone and Capp
- 28 Before mode or cars
- 30 Medical facilities
- 31 Throw out
- 32 Put in order
- 33 "My — is black upon me" (Job 30:30)
- 34 "Who remembered us in our low —" (Psa 138:23)
- 35 Baseball's Peewee
- 37 Practices boxing
- 40 Unique person
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- 44 "Why make ye this —, and weep?" (Mark 5:39)
- 45 The — of Galilee
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Roncalli students use grant to help Birthline

By Mary Ann Wyand

"Everyone has an obligation to be at the service of life," Pope John Paul II emphasized in his encyclical *Evangelium Vitae*. Five Roncalli High School sophomores from St. Mark and St. Jude parishes in Indianapolis responded to the Holy Father's call to "be at the service of life" in a unique way last month.

They went shopping! After securing a community service grant from Youth As Resources, the girls purchased a variety of infant care items, then sponsored a baby shower for four unwed mothers and their babies.

The new mothers are clients of the archdiocesan Catholic Social Services' Birthline program. During the party in a CSS conference room, the mothers said they were thrilled to receive needed playpens, clothes, layette supplies and toys for their babies. One young mother held her twin boys on her lap as she thanked the girls for the gifts.

"The project was truly student-run from beginning to end," said Gerard Striby, Roncalli's service learning coordinator, who assisted the girls with their Birthline Baby Shower project. "They wrote the grant proposal, made contacts with the sponsoring agency, defended their proposal in an interview with the Youth As Resources board, shopped for the items and delivered them to the recipients."

Roncalli sophomores Hope Kreuzman, Dana Clements, Denise Duncan and Colleen Moore from St. Mark Parish and

Jennifer Allen from St. Jude Parish "worked very hard in developing and implementing the project," Striby said. "It is a perfect example of the kinds of wonderful things teen-agers are capable of doing if given the opportunity."

Dana Clements also volunteers as a Candy Stripper at St. Francis Hospital's South Campus in Indianapolis.

"I felt good helping people," Dana said after the baby shower. "I thought it was neat that we could meet the mothers and babies, and that we could make a difference [in their lives]. The babies were so cute, and the mothers were really nice. I think we'll keep in touch with them."

Dana said the project taught her that "a lot of people need baby things" but can't afford to buy infant care items.

St. Jude parishioner Jennifer Allen said the Birthline Baby Shower was "a good learning experience, and it was fun. It changed my feelings about people, and made me care about people I don't know."

St. Mark parishioner Hope Kreuzman said she thought of the baby shower idea during a religion class discussion about teen pregnancy.

"My aunt has a friend who had a child at a young age and really struggled with finances," Hope said. "I saw how much she struggled, and I didn't want that to happen to other unwed mothers. I thought I could find a way to help some of them."

Hope talked with Roncalli Principal Chuck Weisenbach about her idea, and he told her that Youth As Resources offers community service grants to teen-agers.



Roncalli High School sophomore Colleen Moore from St. Mark Parish in Indianapolis holds a baby during a Birthline Baby Shower for Catholic Social Services clients last month. The baby shower was organized by five Roncalli students and funded by a Youth As Resources community service grant.

"Mr. Weisenbach gave me a grant application, then I talked with Mr. Striby and some of my friends about the general plan," Hope said. "We called Grace Hayes at Birthline, and she met with us and gave us permission to include Birthline clients in our proposal."

Hope said the girls were "really excited" when they found out the Youth As Resources board had approved their grant proposal.

Armed with a calculator, a detailed list of baby care items and their estimated costs, sale advertisements, and the grant money, the girls shopped for the Birthline Baby Shower gifts with help from Striby.

"Shopping was so much fun," Hope said. "First we bought baby formula, then we had our diaper experience. There were so many different sizes and brands of disposable diapers! It took a while to figure out what kind would fit all of the babies. Then we picked out sleepers, booties, receiving blankets and heavier blankets that were on sale."

The girls filled five carts during their first shopping trip, she said. "We shopped the sales on our second trip too, and were able to buy four playpens, bibs, toys and infant cold medicine."

Conversations with a pediatrician and several mothers of young children helped the girls decide what to buy as gifts, Hope said. "Babies need a lot more gear than we expected."

Their Birthline Baby Shower on Aug. 20 at the Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center in Indianapolis was "a beautiful experience," Hope said. "Helping those mothers and babies was one of the most amazing things I think I'll ever do. It was one of those magical moments, one of those times in my life I will never forget. The mothers won't forget it either. They all looked so happy."

The girls "all put our minds together and thought of it," Hope said, "but it couldn't have happened without Youth As Resources. They gave us more than \$1,000 to help the mothers and babies."†

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ANTHONY, Mary M., St. Michael, Brookville, Sept. 7.

Mother of Melvin, James I. Anthony. Grandmother of three.

BELTRAME, Olympio George, 83, Sacred Heart, Clinton, July 13. Husband of Anna J. Beltrame. Brother of Bruno Beltrame, Leonora Whiteaker.

BROWN, Aaron Dale Maidn, 3, St. Mary, Greensburg, Sept. 11. Son of Chelly L. Brown, Christopher Maidn. Brother of Michael Brown. Grandson of

Larry, Virginia Bussell, Alice Reatherford.

BURST, Loretta M., 87, St. Nicholas, Sunman, July 13. Mother of Margaret LaFollette. Stepmother of Thomas Burst.

CRAMPTON, Thomas A. Sr., 64, St. Mark, Indianapolis, Sept. 4. Husband of Mary Frances (Tietz) Crampton. Father of Jane Kress, Thomas A. Crampton, Jr. Brother of Catherine Hammons, Agnes Kennedy. Grandfather of five.

DEZZ, John, 89, St. Malachy, Brownsburg, Sept. 5. Father of Janice Martin, Bonnie Woodworth, Judith Hagy.

Providence Sister Georgiana Terstegge was teacher, author

SAINT MARY-OF-THE-WOODS—Providence Sister Georgiana Terstegge, 91, died on Sept. 10 in Karcher Hall.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Sept. 16 at the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

The former Mabel Alice Terstegge was born in Terre Haute and entered the congregation of the Sisters of Providence in 1924, professed first vows in 1926 and final vows in 1931.

She was an author and translator. She taught at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods and schools in the District of Columbia, Illinois, Massachusetts and in France.

Two of her late sisters were Providence nuns. Sister Georgiana is survived by one brother, Thomas Terstegge.

Stepbrother of Theresa Gibson, Margaret Miller. Grandmother of five, great-grandfather of six.

DOYLE, Raymond G., 85, Little Flower, Indianapolis, Sept. 1. Husband of Elizabeth Doyle. Father of Michael R., Philip A., Patrick E. Doyle, Eileen T. Reel. Brother of Mary Ann Reddick. Grandfather of 17. Great-grandfather of eight.

ECKERT, Wilford J. "Shine," 78, St. Paul, Sellersburg, Aug. 30.

Brother of Father Carl, Matthew, John Eckert, Mary Evelyn Hankins. Uncle of 20.

EVANS, Patricia Lee, 61, St. Jude, Indianapolis, Sept. 1. Daughter of Rosemary (Hulsman) Evans. Sister of Frank, Mickey, Leo, Jim, John Evans, Roseann Hamel.

FORTHOFER, Ralph, 84, St. Nichols, Sunman, Sept. 3. Husband of Mary Forthofer. Father of Raphael, Peter Forthofer, Joanna Kinker, Catherine Niese, Rosemary Theising, Victoria Dudley. Brother of Paul Forthofer. Grandfather of 20.

GOLDMAN, Anna E., 89, Mary, Queen of Peace, Danville, Sept. 1. Mother of Geraldine Griffith, Regina Hawkins, Thomas, James Goldman. Grandmother of 14. Great-grandmother of 25.

HARPRING, Leonard H., 77, St. Louis, Batesville, Sept. 10. Father of Cathy Wenning, Jim, Bob, Bill Harpring. Brother of Paul Harpring, Josephine Schepers, Mary Veerkamp, Betty Brown, Rita Koors. Grandfather of seven, great-grandfather of one.

HARTWECK, Henry Jerome

"Boots," 85, St. Paul, Tell City, Sept. 6. Husband of Edna Fern Hartweck. Father of Robert, Ronald, Timothy, Joey Hartweck, Fran Huff. Stepfather of James, Robert DeWeese, Sharon Kleeman, Patricia Caldemeyer. Brother of Lawrence, Carl, Tony, Leo Hartweck, Clara Benninghauser. Grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

HERBERT, Sebastian J., 79, St. Michael, Indianapolis, Aug. 27. Husband of Erna Opel Herbert. Father of Raimund, Charles, Virginia Herbert, Elnore Callen, Erna Goodwin, Michelle Wilson. Grandfather of 12.

KEEFE, Edward J. "Ned," 38, Immaculate Heart of Mary, Indianapolis, Sept. 5. Son of JoAnn (Grady) Keefe. Brother of Richard, Andrew, Jack, Jennifer Keefe, Susan (Keefe) Kenney. Uncle of nieces and nephews.

MARTIN, Roger, 50, St. Michael, Indianapolis, Sept. 4. Husband of Sandra (Quinn) Martin. Father of Kristin, Whitney, Danielle Martin, Valerie Penny, Chris Stackhouse, Joanna Mattock, Leah Coffman. Brother of Clarence, Raymond Martin, Mary A. Reister, Marjorie Patton. Grandfather of 11.

MUELLER, Lawrence Donald, 68, Holy Name, Beech Grove, Sept. 1. Husband of Lucille Wood Mueller. Father of Kurt, Karl Mueller.

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Southern Ave., Beech Grove, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Fee: \$8. Pre-registration required. Information, registration: 37-786-8663; 317-631-4006.

September 30

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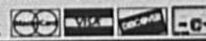
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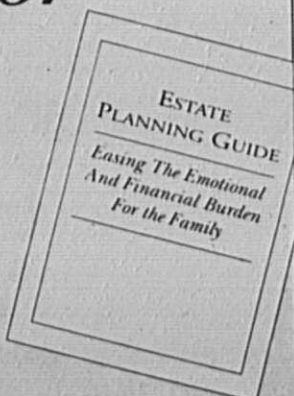
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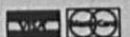
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