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ICC issues open letter to governor; offers help in welfare reform

Archbishop Buechlein

comments on welfare

reform in his column

on page 4.

By Brigid Curtis

Bishop Gerald A. Gettelfinger, of Evansville, presented Indiana Gov. Frank O'Bannon with "Critical Needs of the Poor," an open letter from the Indiana Catholic Conference (ICC) at an Oct. 3

meeting at the state-house. The bishop also offered to form a partnership with state gov-ernment in tackling the challenge of welfare

reform implementation. Bishop Gettelfinger, speaking on behalf of

the board of directors of the Indiana Catholic Conference said, "We come to you and your administration with a plan of and your administration with a plan of action for implementation of welfare reform in Indiana. We want to ensure the respect and dignity of all human beings especially those most vulnerable — in this case, the poor. We are committed to partnership and offer our pledge to partner with government, local businesses, nonprofit organizations and other churches to help individuals and families make a successful transition from wel-fare-to-work."

The bishop went on to say, "We don't

just issue statements, we believe in action. Poor families are not an abstract issue for us. In 1995, diocesan agencies in Indiana served 101,078 with an expen-diture of more than \$14.6 million. Hospitals under Catholic auspices in Indiana provided millions of dollars in

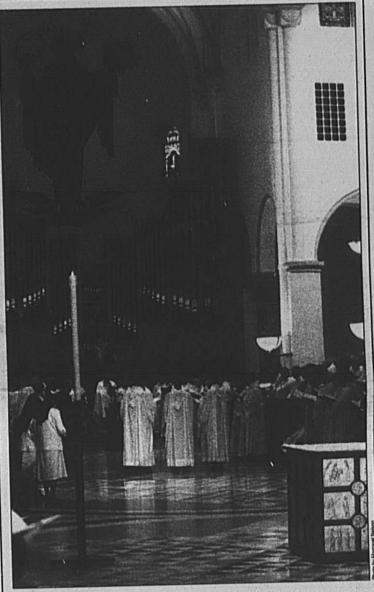
charity care." Gov. O'Bannon echoed his concerns for the poor and said, Welfare-to-work is not just about spend-ing fewer tax dollars on public assistance. It is also about helping our

fellow Hoosiers break the cycle of dependency and lift themselves up to fulfill their potential — as human beings, as citizens, and as models for their children. I share the concern of the Catholic conference. State government will work with the churches and businesses and civic organizations to extend a supportive hand to our neediest brothers and sisters. They must acknowledge their individual responsibility for their lives. But we as a society also bear a joint responsibility for one another.'

The open letter advocates reform that Soo WELFARE, page 3



on Oct. 3 to discuss welfare concerns are (from left) Indiana Catholic Conference (ICC) Executive Director and Ryan, Governor Frank O'Bannon and Evansville Blahop Gerald A. Gettelfinger. The three talked about the pen letter *Critical Needs of the Poor* and welfare implementation.



How holy is this place!

Lady of Einseldein. An 18-month, \$5.2 million renovation brought a lighter worship environment, new altar (right foreground) and other furnishings. The floor was replaced with a marble and terrazo design. New choir stalls were placed on both sides of the church and the organ was renovated and moved. The 1943 Christus (top, left) was retained, as were the windows from the original 1906-1908 church. (See story on page 10)

Catholic enrollment up by more than 1,000 students

By Sue Hetzler

Enrollment in the 72 archdiocesan Catholic schools is up by more than 1,000 students this year, marking the eighth consecutive year classroom numbers have increased by substantial amounts.

This year's enrollment has topped

25,000 students in pre-school through 12th grade—that's 5,000 more students than were on the rolls just seven years ago. This year's increase is the second largest in nearly a decade and is more than 400 students over last year's head count.

While some of that increase can be

attributed to several school expansion and rebuilding projects that are allowing schools to accommodate more students, Catholic school leaders say the dramatic growth is more an indication that parents are expecting and demanding higher academic standards and more consistent train-

ing in religious moral values.
"In droves, parents are wanting the best support the church can give them in raising their children to be good people-people who will take their places in society," said Daniel Elsener, head of Catholic education for the archdiocese. "They believe the best way to do this is through Catholic schools. I feel a great sense of pride in the schools. I feel a great sense of pice in the support we offer parents and the tremendous amount of faith and commitment that goes into that support."

The higher enrollment numbers trans-

late into slightly more than a 4 percent increase in the student body, which is above the national Catholic school norm by nearly 2 percent. The greatest growth can be seen in the elementary grade levels, specifically kindergarten where nearly every class in the archdiocese is at capacity and many have enough children on

waiting lists to open other classrooms.

According to Joseph Peters, associate executive director of Catholic education. kindergarten enrollment went up by a full 10 percent this year, yet only two new classrooms were added among all archdiocesan schools combined. There are lit-erally hundreds more students who would be in Catholic schools right now if there were space available, he said.

"Many schools are turning kids away

for the entry level grades at record num-bers," Peters said. "When you get into the higher grades, that can translate into thousands of students."

Indiana public and private schools have increased their rosters since 1990, too, but not at nearly the rate Catholic schools have. Public schools have seen the lowest
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Respect Life Sunday promotes volunteerism

Award recipient urges prayers for 'the courage to publicly defend life'

By Mary Ann Wyand

St. Lawrence parishioner Tom Pottratz of Indianapolis was among the first to arrive and the last to leave the archdiocesan Respect Life Sunday observances Oct. 5 in

diocesan Respect Life Sunday observances Oct. 3 in downtown Indianapolis.

The 1997 recipient of the Archbishop Edward T.

O'Meara Respect for Life Award stayed late to help Father Vincent Lampert, director of the archdiocesan Office of Pro-Life Activities, and Steve Flynn, administrative assistant, put away pro-life materials after the Mass for Life at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, the ecumenical Control Indiana Life Chain along North Meridian Street Central Indiana Life Chain along North Meridian Street, and the archdiocesan Pro-Life Activities Fair in the Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center Assembly Hall.

Pottratz also had helped organize Catholic parish participation in the Central Indiana Life Chain, one of 400 interfaith one hour property visits hald nationally in con-

interfaith, one-hour prayer vigils held nationally in con-

junction with Respect Life Sunday events.

The retired salesman said his commitment to work for life issues is a response to the Gospel teachings to reach

life issues is a response to the Gospel teachings to teach out to "the least among us."

After accepting the Respect for Life Award at the conclusion of the liturgy, Pottratz thanked God, Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein and the Catholic Church, his family and other pro-life volunteers. He also encouraged greater participation in furthering the Holy Father's call to work for The Gospel of Life.

Pottratz invited central and southern Indiana Catholics to participate in the monthly archdiocessan Mass for Life at 8:30 a.m. on the third Saturday of the month at St. Andrew

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He also urged archdiocesan Catholics to participate in the 1998 March for Life and U.S. bishops' National Prayer Vigil for Life next January in Washington, D.C.

"I feel honored by the award, and to be associated with the previous winners, many of whom I know personally."

the previous winners, many of whom I know personally and have long admired," he said. "Let me thank, first of all, almighty God for the opportunities that he has given me to serve the cause of life.

"May we all pray that everyone, especially the most vulnerable in our culture—the unwanted unborn and the terminally ill—will always be welcome members of society," Pottratz said. "I want to emphasize the word 'wel-come,' that we welcome each individual we contact in our daily lives because we see in them the face of God.

Pottratz encouraged pro-life supporters who filled the cathedral for the Mass to continue to "pray for the courage to publicly defend life in a culture that often forgets that each person should be loved and welcomed because God has made them in his image."

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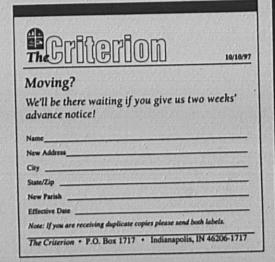
Quoting Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Pottratz emphasized that " 'the best gift we can give to any child is to make that child feel wanted, loved and cared for because that child is the greatest gift of God."

In his homily, Father Lampert echoed the words of Pope John Paul II as he encouraged people to demonstrate compassionate support for persons affected by abortion, divorce, AIDS and homosexuality.

"St. Bernard writes that 'the measure of loving is to love

"St. Bernard writes that 'the measure of loving is to love without measure,' "Father Lampert said. "For love to be real

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These girls were among 70 junior high youth from St. Luke Parish in Indianapolis who joined an estimated 4,000 pro-life supporters of all ages for the Central Indiana Life Chain on Oct. 5 in downtown Indianapolis.
Confirmation candidates Megan Amore (from left), Moni Akiwowo, Lauren Kern, Lauren Traylor and Meghan Connors made their own sign for the one-hour pro-life

it must be unconditional. In the face of the growing divorce mentality in our society, Pope John Paul II teaches that love cannot be sincere unless it is absolute; if it is measured, if it

cannot be sincere unless it is absolute; if it is measured, it it comes with strings attached, it is not genuine—it is a fraud."

In modern society, he said, "such fraud has become the norm, rather than the exception. Pope John Paul II describes this as a 'culture of death'—one that pits the powerful against the weak; a culture in which those who require great acceptance. Love, care and concern are conrequire great acceptance, love, care and concern are considered useless, treated as burdens, and rejected."

This culture of death "gets its subtle hold on us when

we begin to judge others, condemn them, write them off as insignificant, or worse yet, remain indifferent to them," Father Lampert said. Christ calls us to reach out to help others, he said, citing "the woman who has had an abortion, a young man dying of AIDS, a person [incarcerated]

on Death Row, an elderly woman locked away in Alzheimer's [disease], a young person struggling with his or her sexual identity, a pregnant teen-ager and, yes, the person who divorces and remarries."

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Christians must "give people the love and dignity they deserve in being created in the image and likeness of God," Father Lampert said. "This is especially true for those who may not be living according to God's plan for us. We must leave it up to God to do the judging. What should be primary for us is not the sin, but the fact that another person is now hurting and needs to hear, not words of condemnation, but rather those of love and support."

Christians must "see the beauty of each individual

Christians must "see the beauty of each individual human life," he said, "and reach out to one another with the love and compassion that we all deserve in being called the children of God."†

Fr. Richard Grogan, retired priest, continued to teach, touch lives

Father Richard P. Grogan, a former pastor, dean and director of the Catholic Information Bureau, died Oct. 4. He was 84.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Prince of Peace Church, in Madison, on Oct. 7. Burial took place in St. Patrick Cemetery, also in Madison.

Father Grogan was ordained in 1937 and served as assistant pastor at St. John the Evangelist Parish in Indianapolis. In 1942, he was appointed director of the Catholic Information Bureau, the forerunner of the current Catholic Communications Center. He served in that position for 15 years until he was appointed pastor of St. Mary Parish in Madison and of Most

Sorrowful Mother of God Mission in Vevay and administrator of St. Michael Parish in Madison.

In 1966, he was named dean of the North Vernon Deanery, and in 1975 he became pastor of St. Joseph Parish in St. Leon. He retired in 1983. Gwen Weber, of Indianapolis, who had known Father

Grogan since his days at St. John Parish, wrote of him at the time of the 60th anniversary of his ordination earlier this year. "Since 1984, Father Grogan has been a resident of the Clifty Falls Health and Convalescent Center in Madison. . . . Father continues to be an inspiration and a witness to the qualities he personified so well as an active priest.

"As Father steadily sinks deeper into the world of the Alzheimer's patient, those of us who were the recipients of his giftedness continue to be grateful for his presence in our lives. His continued life speaks of faith and devotion to the church, which were his hallmarks. ... He continued to the church of the church which were his hallmarks. ... ues to teach and touch lives."

ther Grogan is survived by a niece, Monica M. Young. Memorial contributions may be made to Friends of Shawe and Pope John Schools, Inc., Madison. †

Official Appointment

Effective October 29, 1997 Rev. Stephen Giannini, currently pastor of St. Ann, Indianapolis, and chaplain of Roncalli High School, appointed pastor of Sacred Heart, Terre Haute.

The above appointment is from the office of the Most Reverend Daniel M. Buechlein, O.S.B., Archbishop of Indianapolis.





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protects human life and human dignity, strengthens families, encourages and rewards work, and preserves a safety net for the vulnerable. Some of the concerns highlighted include: an increase in the poverty rolls; an exclusion of children from benefits, especially health benefits; the reduction in food stamps, which will affect nearly all households; and an increase in the number of "working poor" with no real opportunity

for self-sufficiency.
In 1995, Indiana enacted a welfare reform law geared toward moving persons off the welfare rolls and into work, according to M. Desmond Ryan, executive director of the Indiana Catholic Conference. Then in 1996, the federal government enacted a welfare reform law of its own.

"Although Indiana got a jump start on reforming welfare, it is uncertain how well those who are no longer on welfare are doing or if they in fact have jobs," said Ryan. "It is also important that those moving into jobs obtain work that offers an

ing into jobs obtain work that offers an adequate wage, with benefits so that individuals are able to support their families."

More than a half million Hoosiers —

15.2 percent of them children — live in poverty according to recent state statistics.

The Indiana Catholic Conference, the

official public policy voice for the Roman Catholic Church in Indiana, represents more than 700,000 Catholic Hoosiers.

The board of directors for the Indiana Catholic Conference comprises the five active bishops in the state and five lay board members, one from each diocese-appointed by the bishop. Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein, of Indianapolis, serves as the general chairman of the ICC board.

The open letter, which is also addressed to state legislators, was distributed to the 150 members of the Indiana General

To obtain a copy of Critical Needs of the Poor, contact Thomas Gaybrick, head of archdiocesan Catholic Charities.

(Brigid Curtis is director of commu-nications and research for the Indiana Catholic Conference.)†

Archbishop dedicates new altar at Fatima Retreat House

By Margaret Nelson

At the Mass during his Sept. 15 retreat for families at Fatima Retreat House in Indianapolis, Archbishop Daniel M.

Buechlein dedicated a new altar.
While a new roof was being installed over the chapel last November, almost over the chape last two three inches of rain passed through the temporary covering, filling the chapel floor with water. The carpeting and many of the furnishings were ruined. The new altar and other renovations were paid for

with insurance money.

The archbishop said, "In our Catholic tradition, the altar is a symbol of Christ's presence among us." He noted that Christ is the true presider at Mass, which makes the altar "a sign of our unity."

Among the items purchased were a matching oak altar, ambo and presider's chair. Other replacements include the carpeting, statue pedestals, floor candle

sticks, a piano and music stand.

The archbishop donated two new stained glass windows in the sanctuary, in memory of his parents, Rose and Carl Buechlein.

The window on the left of the altar shows a Lenten rose. The book and quill represent Rose Buechlein's teaching profession. The palm in the upper right corner

indicates resurrection.

To the right of the altar, Carl Buechlein is remembered as a woodworker, with the symbols of a saw and a square. The censer in the center demonstrates the Benedictine motto of "work and prayer." The resurrec-tion is symbolized by a lily in the upper left of the window.

The remainder of the windows in Fatima's chapel were designed by Benedictine Father Donald Walpole of Saint Meinrad Archabbey. They depict the fourteen Stations of the Cross and are enameled on both sides so that the stations may be prayed from inside or outside the chapel.†

ENROLLMENT

increase at 2.5 percent, followed by private schools at 12 percent and Catholic schools at nearly 25 percent.

Growth in Catholic schools is not iso-

lated to one geographic region of the arch-diocese but can be seen in most schools throughout all 11 deaneries. Some of the most significant growth outside of Indianapolis center-city schools can be found at places like Annunciation School in Brazil, where enrollment is up 36 percent, or St. Rose of Lima School in Franklin, where the third grade has been added, and the school is experiencing a 44 percent increase in enrollment.
Other schools in Terre Haute,

Clarksville, Sellersburg, Shelbyville and New Albany are also seeing steady increases and continue to add grades or initiate major expansion projects to accommodate the added numbers.

What has been most surprising, though, is the 10 percent enrollment increase in centercity Catholic schools, said Elsener. The increased tuition assistance money from the Educational Choice Charitable Trust and corporate funds from the Making a Difference campaign have allowed more children the opportunity to attend center-city Catholic schools, he

said.
"There are thousands of students on waiting lists to enter our center-city Catholic schools," Elsener said. "The human tendency is to walk away from this challenge. But the great team effort we have among our parents, pastors,

school boards and donors has allowed us to stay committed to the needs of students here, and we are seeing tremendous results from that com-

"Now the entire community, both local and national, is realizing that Catholic schools are great

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This is the first time in several years that enrollment in Indianapolis area schools has

increased faster than in schools in other parts of the archdiocese. Elementary growth

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within the city spurred by opening the new St. Simon the Apostle School in the northeast part of Marion County, which added 268 students to its roster.

While growth in Catholic schools has been viewed as inevitable and even

expected during the past five years, Elsener said the huge jump in this year's enrollment numbers was not anticipated nor projected by demographic specialists. In fact, demographic studies projected a modest 2 percent increase based on births and baptisms.

Enrollment numbers have far outpaced

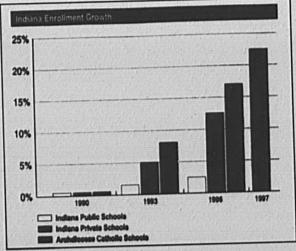
those projections, he said, and there is no indication that the pace will slow down in the near future.

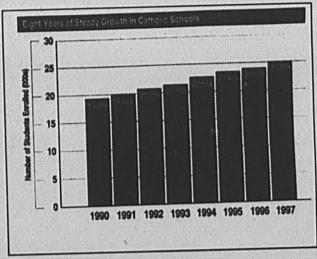
"The technological science of demogra-phy does not work here," said Elsener.
"What's at work here is faith, and I'm confident that over the next few years our schools will continue to grow."

It's a beautiful picture when you look into the future, he continued.

'I'm looking 20 years out when these "I'm looking 20 years out when these kids take their place as lay leaders in our parishes, and they have good academic skills and knowledge of church teachings and its mission," he said. "I see some 25,000 young people a day who are fully engaged in the church and its mission, and learning about Jesus as well as academics. That's so powerful it's overwhelming."

(Sue Hetzler is director of communications for the archdiocese.)†





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Editorial

People's right to privacy

n the wake of Princess Diana's death and the deluge of anger against the news and entertainment media's relentless pursuit of her, British newspaper editors are now discussing a volun-tary code of ethics that would protect public figures from unwarranted intrupublic figures from unwarranted intrusions into their private lives. This code, which Britain's Press Complaints Commission called, "the toughest set of industry regulations anywhere in Europe," requires editors to demonstrate an "overriding public interest" before they expose someone's private life to the public. The code also establishes policies for protecting children, discouraging publication of pictures obtained through "persistent pursuit," and protecting families in grief or shock.

It's tempting to be cynical and to say that this postmortem effort to develop a voluntary code of ethics is nothing more than a desperate attempt to prevent the

voluntary code of ethics is nothing more than a desperate attempt to prevent the British Parliament from enacting legislation that would make these proposed voluntary practices the law of the land. In fact, many people in Britain and elsewhere are convinced that the press's newfound enterprint (opened lab) covered the where are convinced that the press's newfound restraint (especially toward the
royal family) will not last. As Diana's
death showed beyond any possible doubt,
the public's appetite for information about
the private lives of celebrities is insatiable.
Like any addiction, this voyeuristic
appetite feeds on itself — and destroys
itself in the process.

The Catholic Church has some very
important things to say about the whole
question of an individual's right to privacy. And the Catholic viewpoint is
countercultural and somewhat controversial (even within the church). What
does the church teach about the right to
privacy?

privacy?
According to the Catechism of the
Catholic Church: "Everyone should observe an appropriate reserve concerning persons' private lives. Those in charge of communications should maintain a fair balance between the requirements of the common good and respect for individual rights. Interference by the media in the private lives of persons engaged in politi-cal or public activity is to be condemned to the extent that it infringes upon their privacy and freedom" (#2492).

It's interesting to note that in Catholic teaching, the individual's right to privacy exists alongside the public's right to "a true and just freedom of information." We Catholics are not in favor of censorship or "managed news," but we do believe that invasions of privacy or personal freedom should be condemned (a word that the catechism does not use word that the catechism does not use

very often).

In fact, the catechism says that, when dealing with the news media, "the good and safety of others, respect for privacy, and the common good are sufficient reasons for being silent about what ought not heavy or for making use of a discreet sons for being silent about what ought not be known or for making use of a discreet language. The duty to avoid scandal often commands strict discretion. No one is bound to reveal the truth to someone who does not have the right to know it. (Cf., #2489, emphasis added.)

In a word, the church teaches that the labilities ight to privacy is inviolate.

In a word, the church teaches that the individual's right to privacy is inviolate. It is not subsumed by the public's right to know or even by society's equally inviolate right to information based on truth, freedom, justice and solidarity. The church teaches that civil authorities have an obligation to safeguard and defend an obligation to safeguard and defend both of these fundamental human rights. both of these fundamental human rights. The catechism (#2498) even says that "civil authorities should punish any violation of the right of individuals to their reputation and privacy." Such punishment is not possible, of course, without appropriate legislation and the means to enforce any laws that are enacted.

Simply stated, unless there is a grave threat to the common good, or to the life and well-being of-individuals, the private lives of individuals — including public figures and their families — should be off-limits for the news and entertainment

figures and their families — should be off-limits for the news and entertainment media. And, while we welcome voluntary regulations like those proposed by Britain's Press Complaints Commission, we would also like to see laws passed (on both sides of the Atlantic) that provide equal protection for the freedom of information and the right to privacy.

As our church teaches, respect for the person is an essential, and therefore indispensable, element of the common good. Without this fundamental respect for the inviolability of personal freedom and privacy, there can be no free society.

-Daniel Conway

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The church, the poor and welfare reform

he Catholic Church has always stood with the poor and will continue to do so. Poor families are not an abstract issue for us. They are in our shelters and soup kitchens. Our Catholic Charities are the largest nonprofit social service network in Indiana.

Because of our concern for the poor, the bishops of Indiana, acting as the board of the Indiana Catholic Conference, have issued an open letter addressed to Governor Frank O'Bannon, his administration and our state legislators. The letter, entitled Critical Needs of the Poor is a response to changes being made in the welfare system. We make recommendations for reform, and we raise some concerns about the new welfare reform. We also pledge our support in forming public/private partnerships.

(See story on page 1.)

Many people in the United States, and in Indiana in particular, are doing well economically. Unemployment rates are the lowest in decades. Families are leaving public assistance to participate in the job market while businesses grow in profits. The stock market has set new records. Major initiatives have been put into place to control and finally balance the federal budget. Yet, while more people are working, many worry about future job security. People on welfare try to find jobs but don't find them, while others struggle to raise families with very low wages. This is true in Indiana. More than a half million Hoosiers live in poverty. Fifteen percent of them are children. Some predict a widening gap between the rich and the poor.

Our church crosses economic, racial, ethnic and class lines. We find ourselves in the middle and on the margins of society. We are the CEOs and the migrant farm workers, the union orga-nizers and homeless children. It is our challenge to bridge the social distance between people. As followers of Christ, we are called to respond to the needs of all our sisters and brothers, but the greatest response is needed for those who have the greatest need. The inspiration of St. Vincent de Paul and St. Francis of Assisi as well as the beautiful memory of Mother Teresa of Calcutta affirm our tradition of caring for the poor among us. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states: "The duty of making oneself a neighbor to others and actively serving them becomes even more urgent when it involves the disadvantaged, in whatever area this may be. 'As you did it to of the least of my brethren, you did it to me.' (Mt. 25:40)" (#1932).

The main focus of the new welfare reform law is to move persons from welfare to work. According to our

Catholic social teaching through the es, work is a fundamental duty to which every individual has both a right and a responsibility. The bish-ops of the United States have eatedly affirmed this right and this responsibility. The most recent Labor Day statement from our national conference encourages "those who can work, to work. But we believe new rules and repeated lectures on responsibility are no substitute for real jobs with decent wages and a genuine national commitment to help families overcome poverty.

What about those who, through no fault of their own, are incapable of obtaining and maintaining employment? Some lack transportation to get to work or they need child care, which they can't afford. It is wrong to exploit the "down and out" with inadequate wages or lack of health care insurance or little or no legal worker protection. Public authorities are responsible to oversee the needs of the poor.

We should support welfare reform and as we Indiana bishops state in our letter, a reformed welfare system should rely more fully on the skills and responsiveness of community groups and increased involvement of corporations, nonprofit organizations and religious institutions. Nonetheless they cannot take the place of the government's responsibility to help the poor.
Our Indiana Catholic Conference

supports reforms that strengthen families, encourage productive work and protect vulnerable children. We strongly advocate an approach that promotes responsibility while offering concrete help to families. Genuine reform should rely on incentives rather than on penalties. Reform should protect all human

life and human dignity by safeguarding children without reinforcing morally destructive behavior. It should discourage teen pregnancy through abstinence. Families should be strengthened by affirming the sacredness of marriage and support of family life while child support should be enforced. Reform should encourage and reward work with adequate wages and benefits for those leaving the welfare roles, while transitional health care should be provided. And there must be a safety net for vulnera-ble children and disabled adults.

The Indiana Catholic Conference, as the public policy arm of the Catholic Church in Indiana, believes that with our prayers, reflection, service and action, we will place a higher priority on the critical needs of the poor among us.†

Be Our Guest/Shirley Vogler Meister

First rosaries—from monastic gardens to the holy beads

In a small library in a nursing home, I randomly opened a beautiful book about



roses that was sitting alone on a table. I immediately flipped to something significant for the month of October—the month of the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary. "How strange," I thought, "that I've never known the

background behind the rosary.

According to The Book of the Rose by David Squire and Jane Newdick (a Salamander/Random House publication), the first person to call the beads a rosary was Thomas of Cantipere (or Cantimpre), in the 13th century; and the oldest meaning of the word rosary is a rose garden, coming from the Latin rosarium. Tradition has it that, also in the 13th century, Our Lady appeared to St. Dominic, who founded the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), putting the holy beads in his hands and telling him to go out and preach. The beads were perfumed by roses.

Centuries before that, rosaries were actually enclosed gardens, where monks prayed their devotions to the Virgin Mary. It's said that Irish monks began separating their Psalter devotions—the

reading of Psalms—into three sets of 50, eventually making strings of beads, sometimes in circles, to aid their count-

ing.
The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "Medieval piety ... developed the prayer of the rosary as a popular substitute for the Liturgy of the Hours" (#2678).

The rosary, as we know it, is a sacramental, a blessed object of devotion. "To say" the rosary is to recite the prayers on the beads, prayers that honor the Mother of God and renew the main doctrines of the Catholic faith.

Doctrines are renewed through the Apostles' Creed, said on the crucifix; the Our Father on the first separate bead, and Hail Marys on the three next beads, followed by a Glory Be to the Father. Hail Marys are said on each bead in the groupings of 10, which are called decades; and each decade is preceded by an Our Father and followed by a Glory Be. For each of the five decades of the rosary, a Joyful, Sorrowful, or Glorious Mystery of Faith is meditated upon. So, three rosaries can be said before meditations repeat themselves. This is considered a complete rosary, although usually only five decades are said at a time.

In October, some schools, churches, and shrines present living rosaries, often outdoors. Volunteer participants become "living beads," and these roles are considered honors.

I was honored by my youngest daughter when she was in grade school. She designed a rosary made from the nuts of our yard's buckeye tree. Her father helped her drill holes for the heavy 8-foot cord, which she knotted between buckeye beads. She formed the cross from stained glass. This rosary hangs on the wall near my computer, with a plaque depicting the Blessed Mother cradling the Christ Child. The plaque was my late mother's. Her middle name, coincidentally, was Rose.

Most Catholics have rosaries they cherish—those used daily or sporadically. Some are treasured family, first Communion and confirmation keepsakes. Some are lovingly handmade. Some are so old that links need repairs. Others are dormant in drawers, waiting for prayerful fingers to polish them again. I have even seen a rosary that partially "turned gold" while being used during family devotions—an unexplained phenomenon that many

Catholics throughout the world have experienced.

Besides my buckeye rosary and the one I carry in my purse, I have holy beads so tiny that, when crumpled, fit on a nickel; one of carved wood; another in crystal; some in bright colors; and a couple that even glow in the dark. I keep even the broken ones carefully protected. Someone said to me once that the rep-

Someone said to me once that the rep etitious prayers of the rosary are "drudge," yet that same person could repeatedly chant cheers and slogans at sports events or endlessly croon meaningless song lyrics without considering that boring.

Monks reciting rosaries and Psalms in their medieval gardens found inspiration in their prayers, just as millions of Catholics still do today. The Blessed Mother herself, through visionaries, wouldn't request rosary devotions if they weren't essential in our spiritual

(Shirley Vogler Meister is a member of Christ the King Parish, Indianapolis.)†

From the Editor Emeritus/John F. Fink

A slave, brawler and ex-con became one of greatest popes

When I was doing research for the series of articles called "The Saint of the Week," which ran in



Week," which ran in The Criterion from 1993-1995, one of the most fascinating characters I met was the saint whose feast day will be next Tuesday, Oct. 14. He is St. Callistus, the 16th pope, who

reigned from 217 to 222. But a more unlikely man never sat on Peter's chair—except, perhaps, Peter himself.

Callistus was a slave of a Roman
Christian named Carpophorus, who put
him in charge of a bank. When the bank
failed, Callistus panicked and fled, but he
was caught and put to work on a treadmill.
Hoping to recover losses, his creditors
arranged for him to be released, but soon
he was arrested again for brawling in a
Jewish synagogue on the Sabbath. This
time he was sent to work in the salt mines
on the island of Sardinia.

About that time, a woman named Marcia, the mistress of Emperor Commodus (but a Christian), asked Pope Victor I for the names of Christians in the Sardinian salt mines in order to get them released. Victor deliberately withheld Callistus' name, but Callistus managed to get on the list anyway. He was released. The pope was surprised to see him and sent him to Anzio. Good riddance, the none thought.

pope thought.
Victor's successor, though, Pope
Zephyrinus, saw something in Callistus
that others didn't see. He called him to
Rome, ordained him a deacon and made
him his chief adviser. He became the real
power during Zephryinus' 18-year papacy
and was elected pope by the clergy and
laity of Rome to succeed him.

laity of Rome to succeed him.

This was too much for his chief rival,
Hippolytus, considered as the most important theologian and prolific religious writer
before the age of Constantine. He also
became the first anti-pope in the church's
history (there have been 37 of them).
Furious that Callistus was elected pope
instead of himself, he set himself up as a
rival pope. He accused Callistus of being
too lenient with penitents and of espousing
the heresy of modalism.

Callistus was not a modalist. In fact, he excommunicated Sabellius, the intellectual leader of modalism, for maintaining that Father, Son and Holy Spirit are only successive modes of God and not real distinctive persons. As for leniency,

Hippolytus was a rigorist who accused Callistus of admitting to Communion those who had already done public penance for murder, adultery and fornication; holding marriages between free women and slaves to be valid; authorizing the ordination of men who had been married two or three times; holding that mortal sin was not a sufficient reason to depose a bishop; and being lenient toward those who had temporarily apostatized during persecution.

We sinners can be grateful that
Callistus was pope and not Hippolytus
because Callistus taught that the church
was a home for sinners as well as saints
and should offer reconciliation to
Christians who had fallen into any sin after
baptism. He had an important influence on
church teachings and is ranked among the
greatest popes.

greatest popes.

He died during a disturbance in the
Trastevere section of Rome, so he is considered a martyr even though there was no
persecution of the church in 222. In the
church's earliest martyrology he is the second pope, after Peter, to be commemorated as a martyr.

Hippolytus, by the way, is also recognized as a saint, the only anti-pope to be so rehabilitated. He and his followers remained in schism through the reigns of three popes, but in 235 he, too, was banished to Sardinia, along with Pope Pontian. There he became reconciled with Pontian and the church. His feast, which he shares with St. Pontian, is Aug. 13.†

To the Editor

What would Jesus do?

In response to Richard Wellman's letter about Sherie Berg's article, "Dress code and the liturgy": both Mr. Wellman and Ms. Berg are missing what lies at the heart of Jesus' ministry. Would Jesus have ever turned anyone away simply because of their appearance?

their appearance?
We are not judged worthy by the clothes we wear but by what lies in our hearts, and only God knows what lies in our hearts.

Faced with turning someone away from church because of wearing shorts, I believe that we must ask ourselves the question that many teen-agers are wearing on their wrist these days: W.W.J.D.? (What would Jesus do?)

Jim Davis Indianapolis

Matters Liturgical/Fr. Joe Folzenlogen

Witnesses and storytellers: sharing what we have seen, heard

About a year ago, Father Don Schmidlin, pastor of St. Matthew



of St. Matthew
Parish in
Indianapolis, took
me out to lunch
and asked if I
would be willing to
help do a parish
mission that would
serve as a kickoff
for evangelization
as a more conscious dimension

of the ongoing life of the parish. I told him I would do it if he would gather a group of parishioners to help plan and lead the sessions of the mission. He agreed. The planning began in January, and the mission took place in mid-September.

It turned out to be a wonderful week, and I carry many rich memories from that extended period of prayer with the St. Matthew community. There are two items in particular that I would like to share. The first was the witness given by Bob Downing. When Bob stepped up to the lectern, he began signing his witness and someone interpreted for those of us who did not know signing.

This experience was a powerful reversal of what happens at the 9 a.m.

This experience was a powerful reversal of what happens at the 9 a.m. Sunday liturgy and other parish events when an interpreter signs the readings, songs, homily, and other spoken parts for the community of hearing-challenged people who attend. Bob's witness told the story of how hard it was when he first came to the parish before there were interpreters, and how the efforts of the parish to learn to communicate with him made him feel more and more at home. Now he wants to do things that will allow him to share his gifts others

In her witness, Kate Thedwall

In her witness, Kate Thedwall shared that her mother had spent the last eight years of her life in the hospital with a series of heart attacks. At the time, Kate was upset with God because she thought this was a waste of her mother's intelligence, humor and other gifts.

When her mother died, Kate and her

brothers and sisters wondered if anyone would come to the wake. It was
packed. And most of the people there
were strangers. Person after person
came through the line and said things
like: "You don't know me, but I'm an
electrician who fixed a wall socket in
your mother's room one time when
she was in the hospital. We got to
talking together, and she promised to
pray for something I was worried
about. I felt so good after chatting
with her that I would often stop by
her room after I finished working."

A young woman with a baby in her arms stepped up and said, "I was one of the nurses who took care of your mother during one of her hospital stays. I was pregnant at the time, but I was very concerned about bringing the child to term because I had had a series of miscarriages. She prayed with me, and told me the baby would be fine. She was right. Here he is!"

Kate admitted how wrong she had been. What she had viewed as a waste was clearly not. Even though her mother was experiencing some of the lowest moments of her life, she was still touching other people very

There is one other story I would add to these two. I recently attended an informational session for the American Bible Society. They gave us an overview of the resources they provide, including a set of stamps with short Bible quotes about love (God is love. Love is eternal. Walk in love. Love one another. Love never gives up). One night a woman was scrambling to write the check for her utility bill so she could drive it to the central post office to get it postmarked in time. She put one of those stamps on the back of the envelope. The next day a woman from the utility company called to thank her. That little inspirational message gave her a lift when she really needed it.

These three stories illustrate how

These three stories illustrate how evangelization can happen in simple day-to-day ways. It takes place naturally when we share what we have seen and heard in faith.†

Cornucopia / Cynthia Dewes

Revising our evil beginnings

We're about to celebrate, if that is the word, a holiday whose namesake is anath-



ema in certain circles these days. Poor old Columbus is no longer a hero in the eyes of those revisionists who believe that he was a villain at worst, or a mean-spirited oppor-

tunist at the very least. Never mind that human slavery, rigid

separation between haves and have-nots, and the absolute authority of kings and queens were hardly disputed in Columbus' day. Never mind that certain kinds of cruelty and the subjugation of perceived inferiors was condoned by all, including the church.

No, today we must judge Columbus by the enlightened standards of the late 20th

century. These include: No human

bondage, except enslavement to the acqui-sition of money and power; vigorous respect for all cultures and religions except those held by the majority; and personal guilt for all the evils of the past.

Now, if all those critical of the discovry of the Americas in 1492 really wanted to remedy the damage allegedly done by Columbus, they'd give all their possessions to the first Native American they could find and head back to Europe. By

Spanish galleon.

They'd dig up all the corn now growing in the Old World and ship it back where it came from. They'd also have to tear down those pretty church missions up and down the coast of California, and repatriate all the immigrants who've arrived since Columbus stepped into the New World.

The King's English could revert to what

it was before the colonials learned to speak without nasal involvement, and before

they invented slang, technospeak and psychobabble. As a matter of fact, every non-Native American invention would need to be dumped: no telegraph, no auto-mobile, no hybrid seed, and even no pizza, no sauerkraut, no margaritas. Gosh. (But chocolate, thank God, would remain!)

If the revisionists really got going, they might even try to purify other continents. They could make the Angles and Saxons leave the British Isles and return to continental Europe. They could restore the Druids and Celts to their rightful—ermagic circles, and send the Huns back to Mongolia or wherever it was

If we think the exodus of the Brits from Hong Kong was scary, how about removals such as these? Talk about Balkanization! Besides all that, we couldn't blame aliens for mysterious natural events since everyone outside our homogeneous group would be aliens.

The logical extension of reneging on Columbus's accomplishment is just too uncomfortable to fiddle with. So let's come to terms with what Columbus actu-

From the fifteenth-century point of view, he was a brave, loyal, adventurous and sometimes imprudent man. He wanted to follow his own dream while pleasing his sovereign and feeding his family at the same time. He was the astronaut of his day.

astronaut of his day.

From our vantage point, Columbus may appear to be somewhat foolhardy, but we are correct in admiring his bravery and his devotion to his dream. And, while the results of his discovery were not always the inches to him for the state of the sta desirable or just, we can't blame him for

behaving like any man of his age.

Personally, I'm glad he discovered

America. I hate to think where we'd be

Check It Out . .

Father Vincent Lampert, archdiocesan director of the Office of Pro-life Activities, will celebrate a pro-life Mass in the New Albany Deanery at 1 p.m. Oct. 12 at St. Mary Church, 415 E. Eighth Street in New Albany. Father Lampert will commission all parish pro-life chairs. Refreshments will be served. Information: 812-923-

Volunteers who can give at least eight hours a month responding to calls from pregnant women in need should call the diocesan Birthline Office at 317-236-1550 or 317-236-1559, the calls are forwarded to your home at pre-arranged times. A two-day training session is scheduled for Oct. 22 and Oct. 29 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian Street in Indianapolis. Volunteers are also needed twice a month to prepare layettes.

"Journey To Freedom: Journey To God," a reflection Tuesday, will be offered Oct. 28 at Fatima Retreat House, 5353 East 56th Street in Indianapolis. Father Thomas E. Clegg, pastor of Good Shepherd Parish in Indianapolis is the presenter. The day begins at 9 a.m. and concludes at 2 p.m. The fee is \$20 payable by

St. John the Apostle Parish, 3410 W. Third Street in Bloomington will host a three-part series on St. John of the Cross. on Sunday evenings Oct. 12, 19, and 26 Father Daniel B. Donohoo, pastor, is the presenter. The program will begin at 7 p.m. and conclude at 9 p.m. Information: 812-339-6006.

"Time Change," a vocal group from Louisville, Ky., will perform at Saint Meinrad Archabbey Church at 2:30 p.m.

(E.S.T.) Oct. 19. Their presentation will comprise primarily renaissance choral music. Information: 812-357-6501.

"Who Do You Say That I Am?-The Many Faces Of Jesus," a retreat for women, will be offered Oct. 24 through Oct. 26 at Mount St. Francis Retreat Center in southern Indiana. Information:

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Blessing of

During the blessing of the pets for the Feast of St. Francis, St. Roch, Diane Schloegi holds her dog Jack as Father James R. Wilmoth, pastor, prinkles holy water on the Weimaraner, a German sporting dog.



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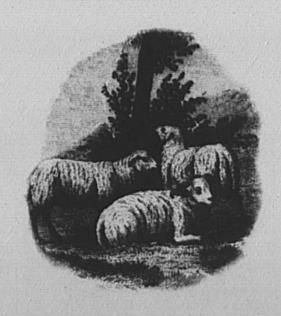
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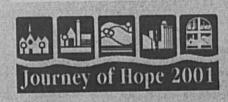
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GET GOING AGAIN



New Albany Deanery

Sacred Heart Parish Jeffersonville

By Susan Etter

Fast Fact:

Because of stewardship, Sacred Heart Parish School in Jeffersonville is tuition-free to the parishioners. Currently there are 310 enrolled in preschool through eighth grade.



'Stewardship is a way of life' at Sacred Heart Parish in Jeffersonville

JEFFERSONVILLE—The act of stewardship is not strange to parishioners at Sacred Heart Parish in Jeffersonville.

"We became a stewardship parish before that word was in vogue," said Cindy Black, youth ministry coordinator at Sacred Heart Parish.

Monica Graf, the director of religious education at Sacred Heart, said it was four years ago that the board of total Catholic education made a conscious decision to recommend to the pastoral council that it become a

to recommend to the pastoral council that it become a stewardship parish.

A few months later, the recommendation turned into a reality. Becoming a stewardship parish became a joint effort of the board and the council.

"We emphasize that each parishioner search his or her heart and give back to God 10 percent of time, talent, and treasure," Graf said.

Fach year, parishioners are asked to

Each year, parishioners are asked to fill-out pledge cards listing what they feel they can give back to God, in the areas of time, talent, and treasure.

"It is a faith thing between them and God. We don't know what they are

putting down there [on the intention cards]," Black said.

Black said 5 percent of the 10 percent of time, talent, and treasure pledged by the parishioners goes to the parish and the remaining 5 percent goes to the com-

munity.

"We want people to serve here but also to serve the needs of the greater community," Graf said.

Graf said a lot of times people automatically think stewardship is concerned only with money.

"That [money] is only a third of it," Graf said.

After parishioners have completed their intention cards, a listing of the talents they are offering is recorded in a book. Black said the book with parishioners' names is divided into every category of talent imaginable. When there is a particular need in the parish—for example if the air-conditioner is broken—the parish staff will refer to its book before looking through the Yellow Pages.

"We look in the book to utilize these talents before we call a repairman in the city," Black said.

Theresa O'Bryan, the director of worship at Sacred

Heart, said the book is brought up during the procession along with the gifts at weekend Masses.

"It is symbolic of all of us who have gathered to pray and to honor God with our gifts," O'Bryan said.

Black said that the idea of carrying the book up

Black said that the idea of carrying the book up was to get away from just bringing up the money.

"Traditionally, it is always just the money. We want to make sure that the people see that they have signed and said these are their gifts and talents that they are presenting as well," Black said.

There are many avenues that the parishioners have chosen to show stewardship outside the parish, including the Advent Project, a community soup kitchen and volunteering at the St. Elizabeth's Home.

O'Bryan said the Advent Project began some 20 years ago. For an entire evening parishioners bring in food and clothing for the poor. Last year the parish served 250 families. The parish supplies needy families with food, clothing, and Christmas gifts. Each needy family has a parish sponsor family that delivers all the goods to the needy family. In some cases,
O'Bryan said some of the parish families have kept in touch with the families that they helped at Christmas as part of their community service.

She said other parishioners ultimately community service.

She said other parishioners ultimately

volunteer their time and talent at St. Elizabeth's Regional Maternity Center in southern Indiana.

southern Indiana.

Black said it is a continual challenge to help people understand that the concept of stewardship is not just about money. To combat some of the misunderstandings about stewardship, the parish has formed a Stewardship Awareness Committee, even though there already was a Stewardship Committee.

This new committee has devised and planned three meetings that will be offered at various times so everyone in the parish will have an opportunity to

everyone in the parish will have an opportunity to attend. The meetings will fully explain to people what stewardship is and what it means to Sacred Heart

"We will talk about all the aspects of steward-ship—sharing their time, talent, and treasure," Graf

Black said many of the parishioners have got on





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board with the idea of stewardship.

"I am seeing people here a couple nights a week because they believe they need to be here to give of their talent and their gifts as well," she added.

Graf said the planned meetings are something very important on the staff members' schedules.

"We are having these stewardship awareness meetings with the hope to get more people on board" with stewardship as a way of life. Stewardship is a way of life," Graf added.†



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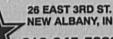
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Young adults are a priority at Sacred Heart

JEFFERSONVILLE—Serving the needs of young adults is a major focus at Sacred Heart Parish in Jeffersonville.

Cindy Black, the youth ministry coordinator at Sacred Heart, said young adult ministry is not just for those who are single. Young adult ministry is for those who fall between the ages of 18 and 39 and are single, married, and married with or without children.

Black said over the summer a group of young adults got together to play volleyball. These particular young adults were college age and single. Now, a young adult volleyball league has formed in the New Albany Deanery that consists mainly of young married couples with and without

"We are seeing a switch, but we really want young adult ministries to come from the young adults," Black said.

She said the question to the young adults is "what can the church do for you?"

Currently the ways adult wind the church to be a said.

Currently, the young adult ministries program, which began about three years ago in the parish, is in a transition phase.

We are trying to turn it around so the young adults can tell us what to do," Black

Black believes it is important to offer a young adult ministry program for those in the parish who graduate from the youth program and go on to college.

"I think the young adults here, especially in the New Albany Deanery, have come from such strong youth ministry programs they feel very disconnected after they go on to col-lege," she said.

Black said it is important to keep contact with the young adults while they are at col-lege, so when they do return home they will come back to the parish.

"Traditionally, what we see is those young adults going away and it's not until they get

married or have children that we see them come back. We want to maintain that relationship all the way through,"

This fall, Black and several other youth ministry coordinators and youth ministers from the New Albany Deanery will travel to various college campuses to visit young adults from their parishes.

"We visit all the parishioners at college even if they weren't necessarily young people that we saw all the time in our youth programs," Black said.

The students are notified by e-mail or mail of the visit. Upon arriving on campus, the youth ministers and youth ministry coordinators visit with the students, take tours, and take them out for pizza.

"What is happening is there are young adults who are actually brought together, because when we leave, they stay connected," she said.†



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Saint Meinrad archabbey church rededicated

How awesome and mysterious, how holy is this place! How wonderful your house, O God, how beautiful your face! —Dedication processional

By Margaret Nelson

At two o'clock in the afternoon, nearly 200 men strode by the elegantly simple table without a second glance.

table without a second glance.

Two hours later, the same archbishops, bishops, archabbots, abbots and Benedictine priests and brothers bowed reverently as they passed that same table—the new altar of the Archabbey Church of Our Lady of Einsiedeln at Saint Meinrad.

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Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein, O.S.B.,
presided at the dedication of the altar, as
well as the walls and other furnishings of
the church. Concelebrating were
Benedictine Archabbot Lambert Reilly
and Abbot Georg Holzherr, abbot of the
Saint Meinrad's mother abbey, Maria
Einsiedeln Abbey in Switzerland.

Einsiedeln Abbey in Switzerland.
Archabbot Lambert greeted the assembly by thanking God, "whom we as Benedictines truly seek. We thank that same God for all the gifts all of you have received and shared so lavishly with us."

In his talk during the Sept. 29 vespers, he charged his flock to have one simple goal: to follow Christ in all things.

At the dedication, the archabbot said, "We begin our celebration today very humbly," and drew a response of laughter by quietly adding, "even if we don't look that way."

The homily for the dedication liturgy was given by the archabbot of Saint Meinrad from 1978 to 1995, Father Timothy Sweeney, who began the renovation efforts. Father Timothy referred to the first read-

Father Timothy referred to the first reading in Nehemiah when he likened the archabbey renovation to the rebuilding of the temple by the Jews in the fifth century before Christ, after they traveled from exile in Babylonia to their homeland in Judah.

"In a sense, we monks of Saint Meinrad have been brought back from 29 years of Babylonian exile of drab concrete and dissonated sound; we have been expatriated from a winter, which could at times make visible in puffs of fog our very praise of God. We have now been freed

from stifling summers marked by the highpitch buzz of fans. And we have entered into a paradise of color, sound, sufficient warmth and refreshing coolness."

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He said that the archabbey church is really the home of the monks of Saint Meinrad. "Here in this church is where we monks are birthed into the monastic way of life and, God willing, here is where we will be rebirthed into our heavenly paradise."

Monks who were members of the church renovation committee, which planned the changes over a period of four years, assisted Archbishop Buechlein when he poured the oil of chrism over the new altar.

Women were prominent in the dedication liturgy. Ursuline Sister Margaret Ann Hagan, associate academic dean for Saint Meinrad School of Theology, proclaimed the first reading.

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A schola of Benedictine sisters from the Monastery Immaculate Conception in Ferdinand sang while the walls were being anointed at 12 points, at which crosses were then added.

Sister of Loretto Jeanne Dueber was the designer and sculptor of the paschal column, which portrays the lives of women who have "witnessed the power and grace of God's deeds." She brought the paschal candle to Archbishop Buechlein for the ritual lighting.

Then Sister Jeanne took the candle to a group of 12 women associated with the archabbey—family and board members, teachers, students and benefactors. They, in turn, took lighted candles to the 12 crosses on the church walls.

The subprior of Saint Meinrad Archabbey, Benedictine Brother Raban Bivins, proclaimed the second reading.

Those who attended the dedication events included bishops and archbishops, other religious superiors in Indiana, Benedictine prioresses and Benedictine and Trappist abbots.

Members of Saint Meinrad's advisory boards, faculty and students from Saint Meinrad College and School of Theology, and the project architect and artisans were also present. The major benefactors of the \$5.2 million archabbey church renovation project were invited to attend the liturgies.

For 18 months, the archabbey church has been undergoing the renovation. The result is an environment focusing on prayer—the lofty ceilings are light in color and edged in gold; the floor, now on a single level, holds

white oak choir stalls arranged in four-tiered rows on each side of the church. That's where the monks gather for Mass, and the chant-filled vigils, lauds and vespers of the divine office.

The Christus, the figure of the Risen Christ, done by a Belgian Benedictine monk in 1943, remains from the old church. It was cleaned and preserved. The organ was rebuilt and relocated below it in the apse. The original 1906-1908 stained-glass windows remain, as well.

There are three shrines in the renovated church—for St. Meinrad, All Saints and Our Lady of Einsiedeln. The St. Meinrad Shrine has brightly hand-painted scenes depicting the life of the ninth-century monk. The Shrine of All Saints holds the archabbey's collection of saints' relics.

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The statue of Our Lady of Einsiedeln, also known as, the "Black Madonna" was given to Saint Meinrad Archabbey on the centennial of its founding (1954) by the mother abbey in Einsiedeln, Switzerland. Abbot Georg presided as the monks carried the statue from the temporary chapel to the new shrine in a Sept. 29 procession during vespers.

Sept. 29 procession during vespers.

A new Blessed Sacrament Chapel was created behind the wall of the Christus. New arched windows allow light into a room that focuses on a gold filigreed tabernacle. It is topped with part of the Regensburg gold altar of the original Saint Meinrad Church.

The six circular patterns of the marble and terrazzo floors correspond with the six bays of the ceiling. Each has two overlapping triangles forming a Star of David, sacred to both Jewish and Christian traditions. Each star contains one large triangle and 12 smaller ones, recalling Christ and the 12 apostles.

The design was fabricated and assem-

The design was fabricated and assembled at a Carrara, Italy, stone company and installed by a Louisville firm. The colors of marble include blue from Brazil, green from India, red from Greece, and yellow, black and white from Italy.

Bell number six, the largest of the eight bells in the church tower, was replaced because of a 1973 crack. A new bell, weighing two and one-half tons, was cast in Holland of bronze alloy. Replacement of the bell, regilding of the gold crosses and finials, and the repair of tower clocks was paid for by the alumni of Saint Meinrad.

Several of the monks participated directly in the details of the renovation and planning for the liturgical celebration. The wooden oak frame for the altar was constructed by Brother Lawrence Shidler in the Archabbey Carpentry Shop. (Each side features 17 gilded bronze panels that represent a theme from Christ's life.)

Father Germain Swisshelm constructed the statement of the second sta

Father Germain Swisshelm constructed the panels for the St. Meinrad Shrine that were painted by a Marianist brother in St. Louis. The paschal and dedicatory candles were designed by Father Julian Peters and manufactured by a New Hampshire company.

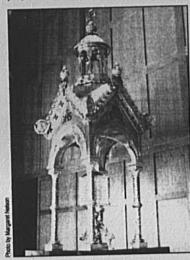
by a New Hampshire company.

Vestments worn during the dedication liturgy were designed and fabricated by Brother Kim Malloy. The original music was by Father Tobias Colgan.

The Archables Church Renovation

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Committee included Fathers Kurt Stasiak,
Warren Heitz, Father Adrian Burke and
Harry Hagan. Fathers Colman Grabert and
Aurelius Boberek also served on the committee for some time. Father Julian Peters
coordinated the dedication events.

In his remarks, Archbishop Buechlein said that the prayers that are said within its walls are what truly consecrates a church. "May this truly be a house of prayer," he said.†



The new tabernacie for the Biessed Sacrament Chapel at Saint Meinrad Archabbey Church was formed from the original Regensburg gold altar.

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Father Priest

I am the father of a priest. What blessedness! What joy! Each morn the Holy Sacrifice Is offered by—my boy!

My boy, who only yesterday Was just a little lad, With eager face and winning ways.

ways, A-romping with his dad.

The Holy Mass—by my own son? Whence comes this boon to me? O Lord, I am not worthy—but My soul sings thanks to Thee.

There's one I would give credit to, I merit not the least: 'Tis all due to his mother That our son is now God's Priest.

With pious, firm, wise motherlove, she guided, shielded, blest That soul entrusted to her care, And—God's Grace did the rest.

Vocations grow from little seeds Of grace within the soul. To propagate the seed, the plant— That is the mother's role.

That is the mother's role.

To call to God's own service

To God's own chosen few.
O Catholic Mother, does not this
Enkindle hope in you?

The hope, one of God's Chosen Few May be—your girl, your boy? The very thought of it must thrill Your motherheart with joy.

With joy and with high resolve To rear your children so, That should one have that seed of grace That seed would sprout and grow.

Pray with your children. Pray for them; Then to your very best To guide them firmly, wisely, well, And leave to God the rest.

What joy! When your young priest or nun Attains the lofty goal! While life endures their love is yours; Their prayers—for your poor soul.

So: As the father of a priest, My wish—to help it come true!— To all good Catholic parents is: "A priest! A nun! to you!"

Mother of Africa Chapel dedicated

Twenty-four women and men from the archdiocese attended the National Black Catholic Congress VIII in Baltimore in late August.

These same people were part of the assembly for the Aug. 30 dedication of the Our Mother of Africa Shrine in the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.

In fact, Lillian Stevenson of St. Rita
Parish was one of the elders who went in
with the bishops and archbishops when they
dedicated the Our Mother of Africa Chapel.

Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein was among 39 archbishops, bishops and cardinals who concelebrated the dedication Mass.

Father Kenneth Taylor, director of the Office of Multicultural Ministry; Father Clarence Waldon, pastor of Holy Angels and chairman of the fund-raising efforts for the chapel, and Jesuit Father Joseph Folzenlogen, coordinator of evangelization, were among the delegates who participated

Located in the crypt level of the shrine, the new chapel is just between

the chapels of Our Lady Queen of Peace and Our Lady of Lourdes.

Three sculptural components form a conversazione (sacred conversation). Faithful visitors may participate by studying the three works of art: the figure of Our Mother of Africa, the carving of her Crucified Son, and a bas-relief in the nave, which depicts the African-American experi-ence from slavery to the emancipation. The Blessed Mother figure seems to

stride forward toward the narrative relief in the nave. She holds the Christ Child, who is shown gesturing toward the depic-

tion of the African-American heritage.

The relief narrative begins with slave traders raiding an African village and herding the men, women and children into small merchant ships. In the New World, they are shown being traded for cargoes to be sold in England and Europe.

Beyond the relief's representation of

struggles for freedom are figures of a father and mother modeled fully in the round ("free" of the sculpture), lifting their arms as if in supplication to Christ on the cross. Their young son and daugh-ter appear to gaze hopefully across the nave toward the figure of the Blessed Mother and the Christ Child.

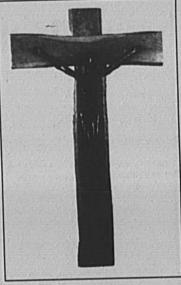
The \$2.5 million chapel was built through the generosity of thousands of individuals and groups—scores of them from the archdiocese—as well as many

from the archdiocese—as well as many parishes and religious communities.

Among archdiocesan parishes contributing to the chapel were St. Bartholomew, Columbus; Holy Angels, St. Andrew the Apostle, St. Christopher, St. Gabriel, St. Joan of Arc, St. John the Apostle, St. Lawrence and its Clayer Court # 190. St. Lawrence and its Claver Court # 190, St. Patrick, St. Rita, St. Thomas Aquinas, Indianapolis; St. Charles, Milan; St. Anthony, Morris; St. Mary, New Albany; Holy Family, St. Andrew, Richmond; St. Nicholas, Sunman; and the archdiocesan Mission Office.

The commemorative book from the dedication of the Our Mother of Africa Chapel also includes the names of many individuals and couples from the archdio-cese among its list of 3,500 donors. The names of contributors are sealed within

An endowment fund will support the "living aspects" of the chapel.

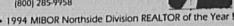


The crucifix in the new Our Mother of Africa Chapel at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception is a combined effort of two artists. Tanzanian woodcarver Juvenal Kaliki created the ebony figure of Christ and a New York City artist carved the

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Religious life requires love and commitment

By Stan Konleczny

"There was fascination with God and God's working in my life," Ursuline God's working in my life," Ursuline
Sister Mary Jacqueline Pratt, a native of
Festus, Mo., explained 39 years after joining her religious order. "And that fascination goes on and unfolds every day."

It is the reason she stays. "Being an
Ursuline means continuing the charism of
our foundress, St. Angela Merici: to

respond to the needs of women in the church and to be of service to God's people in a variety of ways," she said.

Sister Mary Jacqueline has spent most of her ministry in religious education, with special focus on adult catechesis, and in secondary education administration.

Currently, she is prioress for a commu-nity of eight Ursulines in St. Louis, who "vital force" in her ability to carry out her vocation.

"I need the support of women who are like-minded and like-hearted," she explained. "We have a lot of fun together, and we do a lot of faith sharing that supports me in my ministry and life. I am not alone in anything I do."

Marianist Sister Marcy Loehrlein, a native of Evansville, Ind., recently became coordinator of religious education at Holy Rosary Parish in San Antonio, Texas. She is responsible for the development of small faith communities in the

"This fits in with what I am called to do as a Marianist sister," she said. "It is very life-giving, addressing intellectual, spiritual and emotional growth."

As a Marianist sister, she said, "God has been with me through thick and thin. There have been moments of darkness and light, pain and healing, and a lot

of joy."
Sister Clare Boehmer of the Adorers of the Blood of Christ in Ruma, Ill., recalls that 37 years ago she committed herself to a life of deepening relationships with God, my community and those I work with in my ministry. The years between then and now have been a process of discovering what that commitment means for me" and how to live it out.

"I find that I energize others and am energized in living out my relationships with members of my religious community, in working with students and teachers, in prayer, and in the many people, events and things which God uses to reveal himself to me," Sister Clare said. "I have remained in religious life for 37 years because of commitment, energy and

(Stan Konieczny is director of commu-nications for the Adorers of the Blood of Christ in Ruma, Ill.)†



The call to a religious vocation as a priest, brother or sister is connected to each i faith. Vocations come from God, but God also speaks through all kinds of people.

'Master, you have the words of eternal life'

By Fr. Eugene LaVerdiere, SSS

Many priests and religious-order mem-bers left the ordained ministry or religious life in the past three decades, some under dramatic circumstances.

During the same years, many more men and women stayed, attracting little attention.

Recently, I heard Bishop Donald Pelotte of Gallup, N.M., thank the people of Waterville, Maine, where he grew up, on the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

"I have been very happy as a priest," he said. "Throughout these 25 years, I never doubted my vocation to the priesthood. I never wavered on my decision to be a priest. My vocation comes from God, of course, but God speaks through your family and all kinds of peopleneighbors, friends, sisters and priests—in the town where you grow up. At first, you can't hear the call, but it is there. Once you begin to hear it, it gets louder and louder, clearer and clearer."

It must have been like that for the first disciples. John's Gospel gives a wonder-ful example of why some disciples left and why the Twelve stayed.

Jesus had just nourished some 5,000 people with five barley loaves. His disci-

ples had filled 12 baskets "with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat" (John 6:13). After that, Jesus told the crowd: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever" (John 6:51). Jesus had nourished

the 5,000 with his very person.

After hearing him say this, "many (of) his disciples returned to their former of life and no longer accompanied him' (John 6:66). The problem was not what Jesus did. The problem was who he claimed to be: the presence of God (I am), with them as nourishment for eternal life (the living bread).

Seeing them leave, Jesus asked the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?"
Simon Peter answered: "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life" (6:67-68).

It was not that they had no alternatives. But none of them had the words of eternal life. The Twelve wanted to hear the words of eternal life, not just for themselves but to hand them on to others Jesus' words could bring eternal life to all peoples. But for that, they have to hear

(Blessed Sacrament Father Eugene LaVerdiere is a Scripture scholar and senior editor of Emmanuel magazine.)†



ne of the 87 priests, religious and Catholic laity who ran in a past Los Angeles Marathon promote ations before the 26.2-mile race with Cardinal Roger Mahony (back row, center) of Los Angeles.

Discussion Point

'Religious life has great value'

This Week's Question

As a long-time member of a religious order, why have you stayed with your community? How has religious life benefited you?

"My community has been wonderful to me. We've given a lot of ourselves to people, and people have given so much back. It's been a rewarding lifetime in every sense of the word." (Father Leonard Cordier, CSSR, New Smyrna, Fla.)

Because I feel I have a calling to this community, and I believe this congregation is meeting the needs of God's people in ministering through education and care of the elderly. I also believe the religious life has at value as a witness in the life of the church. (Sister Mary Barbara Buckley, OSF, Peoria, Ill.)

"For me it would be the community life we have, that

I'm living. And I like teaching, which is what we do most of here. And I'm able to have time to deal with my inner self and my outer self. My spiritual life is nourished, both with our Lord and in our community life." (Brother Bernard Samp, Salinas, Calif.)

"Because I feel there is a purpose in religious life, that God has called me to serve and this is where he wants me to fulfill his plan for me in life." (Sister Mary Cabrini, CSSF, Coraopolis, Pa.)

An upcoming edition asks: What would you tell a cou-ple preparing for marriage about exercising forgive-ness and reconciliation in homelife?

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Movie Review/Gerri Pare

Soul Food dishes up a dramatic family feud

An extended African-American family starts falling apart when its elderly, peace



keeping matriarch is hospitalized in Soul Food, a new release from 20th Century Fox.

Each Sunday, patient, loving Mother Joe (Irma P. Hall) prees over the gathering of her three married daughters, their hus-

bands, a few grandchildren and the ever-hungry Rev. Williams at her Chicago ner table for a home-cooked feast.

Prosperous attorney Teri (Vanessa L. Williams) has never forgiven her home-maker sister Maxine (Vivica Fox) for stealing away and marrying Kenny (Jeffrey D. Sams), and constantly reminds the family that she is the responsible, accomplished

one who pays for mama's upkeep.
Unlike her two happily married sisters, however, Teri is usually dissatisfied about life. Currently, she is upset that her lawyer husband Miles (Michael Beach) wants to walk away from his legal career and try

making it as a jazz musician.

Newlywed Bird (Nia Long) has her own beauty parlor, but her ashamed husband Lem (Mekhi Phifer) is keeping it a secret that he lost his job for lying that he was never convicted of a falcon. was never convicted of a felony.

A boisterous Sunday dinner is inter-

rupted by the unexpected return of cousin

Faith (Gina Ravera), a sexy young dancer looking to stay at Teri and Miles' plush digs while she hunts for a job.

Family jealousies and resentments intensify when Mother Joe's diabetes results in surgery and she goes into a possibly lethal coma

With Faith driving a wedge between Teri and Miles, and Teri ready to sell mama's house when the others think she should pay the mounting hospital bills instead, a calm family gathering around

soul food would have to be a near-miracle.

Despite the suds and schmaltz, this film is a tasty confection from writerdirector George Tillman Jr.

The movie is a spirited look at an extended family with strong emotions and just as strong an awareness that family ties are worth fighting for to preserve.

This is not to suggest that the film is all

angst and conflict, because peppering the story is a steady stream of comically warmhearted moments, sharply observed characterizations and sassy dialogue.

The family fracturing is resolved in a hokey, highly contrived manner, but again the core relationships ring true.

Williams gives her best performance to date in a largely unsympathetic role of a sharp-tongued woman who feels she is unappreciated but who herself does not cherish the people in her life enough.

Much of the film is seen through the

ves of Maxine's 10-year-old son (Brandon Hammond), who narrates the



Variessa L. Williams, Nia Long and Vivica Fox portray three sisters who are not happy about the events at a wedding in Soul Food. The U.S. Catholic Conference classification is A-III for adults. The Motion Picture Association of America rating is R for restricted viewing.

story (a device that is overused) and

tches a plot to bring everyone together. Although the movie ends up as a testament to family closeness, the two bedroom scenes could have been more discreet and four-letter words are far too frequent.

When the camera lingers lovingly on the fried chicker, warms collected to the control of the fried chicker.

the fried chicken, yams, collard greens and peach cobbler, viewers may recall how home-cooked foods brought other movie families together, such as in Mexico's Like Water for Chocolate and China's Eat Drink Man Woman

But neither of these films featured the

great grace before meals that the 10year-old boy delivers at the climatic dinner he hopes will make them a true

family once more.

Because of fleeting violence, brief bedroom scenes, occasional profanity and recurring rough language, the U.S.

Catholic Conference classifies the film 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.) †

TV Review/Henry Herx

Documentary on priests is a realistic portrayal

The life and ministry of two parish priests are profiled in the documentary

Answering God's Call: The Experience of Priesthood, which is being distributed by ABC to its affiliates.

The documentary is scheduled for broadcast on Sunday, Oct. 12, from 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. (EDT). WRTV Channel 6 in Indianapolis will broadcast the documentary from 2-3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 12. WCPO Channel 9 in Cincinnati will air the program from 1-2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 19. Check listings in other areas for program availability.

Father Mitch Rozanski is the pastor of two parishes four blocks apart in Baltimore's Federal Hill neighborhood-Holy Cross, founded by German immigrants in 1858, and St. Mary, Star of the Sea,

founded by Irish immigrants in 1868.

Father Patrick Smith is the pastor of
St. Peter Claver, a rural African-American parish in St. Inigoes, Md. He traces the ori-gins of his parish to the turn of the century when "racial tensions in the area caused a split between the black and white communities here.

Though the church was built in 1918, Father Smith is the first African-American priest to serve at St. Peter Claver Parish.

The documentary talks with both pastors

about their vocation and what the priesthood

"I had an idea that somehow, some way, I would want to serve God," Father Smith said, adding that he worried about how he would manage his responsibilities.

"I came to the realization that I was capa-

ble of meeting these new challenges," he said, "and that God would guide me in this

process."

The program shows the priests visiting with their families, friends and parishioners. But it is by following the daily rounds of these two priests that one gets a sense of the demands of parish work in counseling others, working with committees, and visiting the sick as well as the frustrations of endless

paperwork and financial concerns.
What comes across most clearly is how dedicated both priests are in their pastoral work and concern for helping their people

and their community.

Directed by Gerardine Wurzburg, the documentary presents a well-rounded view of two priests as each in his own way fulfills his ministry.

Though they have different individual styles in their pastoral work, their common purpose is emphasized by interweaving scenes of saying Mass, preaching and other

liturgical functions.

Both men's stories offer good examples

of what it means to be a priest.

The documentary is the first fall season program in the annual Vision and Values series sponsored by the Interfaith Broadcasting Commission, of which the United States Catholic Conference is a member. The program was funded by the Catholic Communication Campaign.

(Henry Herx is director of the U.S. Catholic Conference Office for Film and

Broadcasting.) †



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Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time/Msgr. Owen E. Campion

The Sunday Readings

Sunday, Oct. 12, 1997

- · Wisdom 7:7-11
- Hebrews 4:12-13
 Mark 10:17-30

The Book of Wisdom is the source of this weekend's first Scriptural reading.

An interesting liter-



ary technique developed in the composition of this book. It was to speak of wisdom as if wisdom were a person. (Understandably, the technique is called "personified wisdom.") In this weekend's

reading, the book refers to wisdom as a person. It also emphatically says that wis-dom is to be preferred over all else. The reading even lists what is secondary to wisdom in every respect. It equates gold with sand. The reading actually places health and comeliness in a place below wisdom.

Useful in reading this text, and indeed in

reading the whole Book of Wisdom, is a realization of the circumstances which sur-round its origins. Scholars agree that the book was written in Alexandria, on the Egyptian coast of the Mediterranean Sea, about a century before Christ.

At that time, a colony of Jews existed in Alexandria, then one of the major centers of the world in commerce, culture, affluence, and extent of population.

When some Jews may have had good fortune, many surely did not. Furthermore, those Jews who kept their ancient tradi-tions, values and beliefs comprised a tiny segment of the wider society. Their values clashed with what was the vogue, so the Jews had to defend themselves and explain their ideals and principles.

An obvious and continuing contrast lay between the Jews' feelings about human dignity and intangible qualities and the pagans' greed. This text insists that the pagans' gold was, after all, not of such exalted worth.

The second reading is from the Epistle to the Hebrews. This eloquent and expressive Scripture was written by an author whose identity is unknown, but who knew well Jewish beliefs and attitudes of the time.

In this selection, the book speaks of the written Word of God, the revelation of God, and of divine wisdom. As the reading says, nothing is concealed from God. Also,

says, nothing is conceated from Oct. Asso, to God all must one day render an account.

St. Mark's Gospel supplies the Gospel reading. It is one of the Gospel's most famous passages in which the "rich young man" walks away from Jesus rather than renouncing his earthly goods. (The Gospel doesn't say the man was young, only that he was wealthy.) Unwilling to part with his possessions, the man refused the opportunity to follow Jesus. The meaning is

Two other important lessons emerge from the reading. The first insists that with God's loving help anyone can be saved. The second identifies Jesus as Lord.

To follow Jesus requires absolute devotion. But such devotion must be mustered and, if it exists, then the kingdom of God awaits. Finally, it is important to note that the apostles have a special relationship with Jesus. He teaches them in a special and more comprehensive way, appropriate for their future mission of spreading the Gospel. However, Peter-and only Peter-

These readings were written long ago, in different cultures, for people now long dead. But they have an immediate quality in their message for us.

Indeed, perhaps our age in history needs

God's revelation in these circumstances more than persons of any other time. Material things are so abundant and so available in our time. Long ago, legitimate ambition gave way to greed. The material aspect of life governs our world.

Wisdom reminds us that those who build their houses on the material rewards

of this world are building on sand.

St. Mark's Gospel vividly illustrates the reality of encountering God. The Gospel says Jesus looked upon the wealthy man with love and called him to be a disciple.

But the measure annuallies to leave his But the man was unwilling to leave his wealth behind and did not accept the call. Such is Christian discipleship and the

opportunity for discipleship. God reaches to us. If we need strength, God will supply it, but we must choose whether or not we will pursue the rewards of heaven or the passing delights of the world. God calls us to genuine life in the church, founded upon Peter and the other apostles. Communion with God is found in Scripture, in the sacraments and in prayer.†

Daily Readings

Monday, Oct. 13 Romans 1:1-7 Psalm 98:1-4 Luke 11:29-32

Tuesday, Oct. 14 Callistus I, pope and martyr Romans 1:16-25 Psalm 19:2-5 Luke 11:37-41

Wednesday, Oct. 15 Teresa of Jesus, virgin, religious and doctor Romans 2:1-11 Psalm 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 Luke 11:42-46

Thursday, Oct. 16 Hedwig, married woman and religious Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin and religious Romans 3:21-30

Psalm 130:1-6 Luke 11:47-54

Friday, Oct. 17 Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr Romans 4:1-8 Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 11 Luke 12:1-7

Saturday, Oct. 18 Luke, evangelist 2 Timothy 4:10-17b Psalm 145:10-13, 17-18 Luke 10:1-9

Sunday, Oct. 19 Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 53:10-11 Psalm 33:4-5, 18-20, 22 Hebrews 4:14-16 Mark 10:35-45 or Mark 10:42-45

Question Corner/ Fr. John Dietzen

Communion eligibility prompts family debate

Our son and his wife left the Catholic Church a few years ago. They have



two sons, now ages 10 and 12. These boys were baptized Catholic, but never made their first Communion.

Recently they visited us in our home and attended Mass at our parish. All four

received Communion, including from the cup. My daughter-inlaw says this is a matter between them and

God. How do we respond to that?
Please send us your brochure on ecumenism. A friend told us this explains the Catholic teaching about Protestants receiving Communion in our church.

A l assume you and, from what you tell me, probably your son's family, are basically aware of the Catholic Church's policy on interfaith Communion in the

I've discussed these regulations several times in this column, so let's talk about the personal issues that concern you.

You might remind them that they left the Catholic Church on their own initiative, which, if it says anything, says they wanted to separate themselves from Catholic belief and worship.

Thus, what they are doing directly abuses the hospitality of the church and is at the very least a thoughtless discourtesy One would not act in such a way with

former friends. No one would say, "I never want to see you again," and then drop in for a meal whenever he or she

Of course, you cannot physically stop them if they persist. You do, however, have a right to tell them how their actions

hurt you and violate what you believe.
The word Eucharist comes from the Greek word eucharistein, which means to return thanks. That is the primary purpose of the eucharistic liturgy-to remember what God has done for us in Jesus Christ, and to thank him for it.

During Communion time, young chil-dren and adults who are not receiving

Communion-non-Catholic spouses and parents, for example—may approach the Communion minister with arms crossed over the chest to receive a brief blessing.

Although you already have talked with your son and daughter-in-law about this, you might want to discuss it again at an appropriate time and ask them some obviand honest questions:

If you choose not to be a Catholic and say you don't believe what we believe, why do you feel you can drift in and out of the Catholic Church?

If you believe the Eucharist is the body and blood of Christ, why aren't you Catholic?

If you do not believe in the Catholic

If you do not believe in the Catholic faith, why do you act as if you do?

If you do believe, how can you not raise your children Catholic?

Whatever you do, just explain your feelings. Don't accuse them, and don't ask. "How could you do this to us?" or

ask, "How could you do this to us?" or even "How could you do this to God?" You cannot know their hearts, but questions such as these may help them become more honest and aboveboard with themselves than they seem to be right now

This question arose after the feast of the Assumption. Was Mary assumed into heaven after her death or was she still alive? (New Jersey)

Christian writers have disagreed Athrough the centuries whether or not Mary died before she was taken into

When Pope Pius XII defined the doc-trine of the Assumption in 1950, he delib-erately avoided settling the controversy.

He said only that at the end of her earthly life (the Latin reads expleto ter restris vitae cursu) Mary was taken body and soul into heaven.

(A free brochure on ecumenism, cluding questions on intercommunion including questions on intercommunion and other ways of sharing worship with people of other faiths, is available by sending a stamped and self-addressed envelope to Father John Dietzen, 704 N. Main St., Bloomington, Ill. 61701. Questions for this column should be sent to Father Dietzen at the same address.) © 1997 by Catholic News Service †

My Journey to God

Retreat

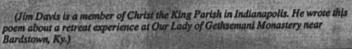
Awakened from sleep: foreign sound; Abbey church bells call me back to God; bleary eyed, I answer.

Scripture, Praise and singing; I greet the dawn with Hope.

Quiet solitude, tacit contemplation, In silence abundant sound.

Lesson learned; God is near; in humility kneel down,

By Jim Davis



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.

St. Andrew Parish, Indianapolis, will hold a rummage sale. Friday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. \$1 a bag day on

October 10 - 11

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College Department of English, Journalism and Languages, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, will hold a "Power of Publishing" workshop for high school women. Fee: \$20. Information, registration: 812-535-5148.

October 10 - 12

Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., Indianapolis, will hold a Koinonia Retreat focusing on the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Information, registration: 317-545-7681.

Sisters of St. Benedict at the Monastery Immaculate Conception, 802 E. 10th St., Ferdinand, will host a Benedictine Life Weekend for single Catholic women, ages 20 to 40, who want to explore a call to the monastic life. Information, registration: 800osbnuns@psci.net, or on

Worldwide Web at http://www.thedome.org.

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College Theater Area, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, will pre-sent "A Woman's Worth," in the Cecilian Auditorium. Information, reservations: 812-535-5212.

The family growth program of archdiocesan Catholic Social archdiocesan Catholic Social Services, in cooperation with St. Paul Episcopal Church, is offer-ing a Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) workshop from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m., at 10 W. 61st St., Indianapolis. Fee: couples \$80, per couples, individual, \$50. Information, registration: 317-236-1526. 236-1526.

St. Malachy Parish, Brownsburg, Women's Club will hold the annual fashion show luncheon in Noll Hall, 326 N. Green St., Brownsburg, at 11 a.m. \$20 donation. Information, reservations: 317-852-5910.

St. Christopher Parish, Indianapolis, Singles & Friends and St. Lawrence Singles will

play volleyball at St. Lawrence, 4650 N. Shadeland Ave., Indianapolis, 7 p.m. Information: 317-543-0796

St. Joseph Parish, St. Joseph Hill, Sellersburg, will hold a holy hour for vocations follow ing 5:30 p.m. Mass. Information: 812-944-5304.

Saint Meinrad Archabbey pil-grimage to honor Our Blessed Mother at the Monte Cassino Mother at the Mothe Cassino Shrine, "Stories about the Rosary," by Benedictine Father Louis Mulcahy, followed by a rosary procession and Litany of the Blessed Virgin. on and Litany of

KC-Schoenstatt Marian Day Field Mass Mary's Rexville Schoenstatt 2:30 p.m., with rosary procession to the shrine, followed by a basket picnic. Bring chairs. Information: Father Elmer Burwinkel 812-689-3551. On the web at http://www.seidata.com/~eburwink/; e-mail eburwink@sei-data.com. Directions: .8 mile E. of 421 on 925-S, 10 south of

St. Christopher Parish, Indianapolis, Singles and Friends will attend 10:30 a.m. Mass and then go to brunch.

St. John the Apostle Parish, Bloomington, will host the series "St. John of the Cross: An Introduction to his Thought and Writings," presented by Father Dan Donohoo from 7-9

p.m. Information, registration: 812-339-6006.

Couple to Couple family plan-ning class will be held at St. Joseph Parish, Corydon, at 7 p.m. Information, registration: 812-732-4768.

The World Apostolate of Fatima will hold its annual Rosary March at Our Lady of Lourdes, 5333 E. Washington, Indianapolis, 3 p.m. Fr. Victor Schott will preside. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will follow. will follow.

Holy Rosary Parish, 520 Stevens St., Indianapolis, will host the series "Rosary as a Walk with Jesus and Mary" pre-sented by Providence Sister Mary Slattery, 4 p.m.

St. Mary of the Rock Parish, 17440 St. Mary's Rd, Batesville, will host the annual Turkey Festival featuring food, games, country store and beef, hog, turkey raffle. Food service, 10:30 a.m.- 4 p.m. Carry-out available. Adults, \$6; under 12, \$3.

The Altar Society of St. Anthony Parish, Indianapolis, will host a euchre party in Ryan Hall, 379 N. Warman Ave., at 1 p.m. Admission: \$3.

October 13

St. Augustine's Home will host an evening of prayer and repa-ration in the chapel, 2345 W. 86th St., Indianapolis, beginning at 7:30 p.m., sponsored by Mariamante-Lambs of Christ Chapter of Shepherds of Christ Associates, St. Malachy.

October 14

The Ave Maria Guild will meet at 12:30 p.m. in St. Paul Hermitage, Beech Grove.

Marian College, 3200 Cold Spring Road, Indianapolis, Mature Living Seminar "Coping with Change" with Franciscan Sister Olga Wittekind, 10 a.m.-12 noon. Information, registration: 317-

October 15

The St. Gerard Guild will hold the annual membership lun-cheon and fashion show at the Crystal Yacht Club, 6729 Westfield Blvd., 11 a.m. \$18. Information, reservations: 317-849-2833.

Little Flower Parish, 4720 E. 13th St., Indianapolis, Ladies Club will host a Marsh Dinner 951-2295. in the school social hall at 6 p.m. Adults: \$6; children \$3. Information, reservations: 317

"I think we are starting Christmas a little early."

Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish, 335 S. Meridian St., Greenwood, will host a Mass with healing service celebrated by Servite Father Peter Mary Rookey. Servite Rosary prayer, 6:15 p.m. followed by Mass and healing service. Information: healing service. Information: 317-888-2861; 317-297-5966.

357-4225; 317-359-4096; 317-

356-5058.

St. Mary Parish, Lanesville, Altar Society will sponsor a Halloween dessert and card party featuring homemade desserts, drawings, door prizes and quilt raffle beginning at 7

p.m. Admission: \$2.50. Infirmation 812-951-2611, 812-

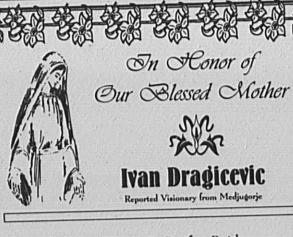
October 16

The Guardian Angel Guild will host a luncheon/fashion show "Light A Candle for Your Angel," to benefit Catholic spe-cial education at the Marriott Hotel, 7202 E. 21st St. Indianapolis. Tickets: \$20. Information, reservations: 317-257-8478.

St. Joseph Parish, Indianapolis, Seniors is sponsoring a trip to John XXIII Retreat Center in Hartford City for a day of reflection with Fr. Keith Hosey Departure from 1375 S.
Mickley Ave., 8 a.m., return
4:30 p.m. Information, reservations: 317-244-0255.

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Will Be Visiting St. Boniface Parish 318 N. 9th Street, Lafayette, Indiana

Sunday, October 19, 1997 Adoration ~ 3:00 pm + The Holy Rosary ~ 6:00 pm

Ivan's presentation will begin after the Rosary. (For more information, call 765-742-5063)

> Will Be Visiting Holy Spirit Parish 10350 Glaser Way, Fishers, Indiana

Monday, October 20, 1997 Adoration ~ 5:00 pm + The Holy Rosary ~ 6:00 pm Benediction ~ 6:45 pm

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The Ave Maria Guild will hold its fall card party to benefit St.
Paul Hermitage in the Benedict Inn gymnasium, 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove,

Saint Meinrad Archabbey College, St. Meinrad, will host the Caedmon Series presenta-tion of "Dante and the French Poets" at 8 p.m. in the Newman Conference Center. Dr. Gerald E. Seaman will be the presenter. Information: 812-357-6501.

The Catholic Divorce Recovery Network of Southern Indiana and the New Albany Deanery Catholic Charities will sponsor a six-week divorce recovery workshop, "Divorce and Beyond," at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 1752 Scheller Lane, New Albany. Information, registration: 812-948-9438

St. Louis deMontfort Church, 11441 Hague Rd., Fishers, will host a Mass with healing service celebrated by Servite Father Peter Mary Rookey Servite Rosary prayer, 6:15 p.m. followed by Mass and healing service. Information healing service. Information: 317-842-6778, 317-849-9821; 317-297-5966.

October 17

St. Christopher Parish, Indianapolis, Singles & Friends will have Friday movie night. Information: 317-240-4764.

The Couple to Couple League will hold a natural family planning class at Holy Name Parish,

89 N. 17th Ave., Beech Grove, at 7 p.m. Information, registra-tion: 317-862-3848.

Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Central Indiana will gather in the chapel at St. Francis Hall, the chapet at St. Francis Hall, Marian College 3200 Cold Spring Road, Indianapolis. Teaching at 7 p.m. followed by praise worship and Mass. Father David Newton will be the cele-brant. Information: 317-927-

October 17 - 19

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

October 18

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, will host the 1997 Race for the Cure at 10 a.m. Information: 812-535-5104.

St. Bartholomew Parish, Columbus, will host a Journey of Hope parish retreat led by Benedictine Archabbot Lambert Reilly, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. in the St. Columba campus parish hall. Child care will be available. Information, registration: 812-372-2207.

St. Martin of Tours Church, 1720 E. Harrison St., Martinsville, will host the annual Holiday Bazaar, with 28 vendor booths, baked goods, door prizes, raffle, food and drink, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Information: 317-831-7293.

The Catholic Widowed Organization will meet at the Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, to welcome new members at 7 p.m.

October 19

Cardinal Ritter High School, 3360 W. 30th St., Indianapolis, will hold an information open house from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Information: 317-924-4333.

St. Isidore Parish, Bristow, will host the annual Fall Festival and Shooting Match, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Ham and turkey shoot at 11 a m : beef and pork shoot at 2:30 p.m. Chili, hamburgers, pies, cake stand, pull tabs, bingo, splatter boards, country store, and grand raffle will be

Little Sisters of the Poor and the residents of St. Augustine's
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86th St., Indianapolis, will hold
a holy hour to pray for vocaa non nour to pray for voca-tions, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, evening prayer fol-lowed by Benediction in the chapel at 4:15 p.m..

Scecina Memorial High School, 5000 Nowland Ave., Indianapolis, will hold an eighth grade open house. Session A, 4-6 p.m.; Session B, 6-8 p.m. Information: 317-351-5976.

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

October 22

Marian College, 3200 Cold Spring Road, Indianapolis, Mature Living Seminar "Trends in Alzheimer Research" with Dr. Mary G. Austrom, 10 a.m.-12 noon. Information, registra-tion: 317-955-6000.

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Central Indiana will hold a Mass and healing service at St. Louis deMontfort Church, 11441 Hague Rd., Fishers at 7 p.m.

October 23

Christ the King Church, 5884 N. Crittenden Ave., N. Crittenden Ave., Indianapolis, will host an evening with Anne Ryder who will share her "Hope to Tell" story of Medjugorje at 7 p.m. Child care available. Information: 317-574-8898.

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Weekly

Sundays

Sacred Heart Church. Indianapolis, will hold Marian Prayer, 2-3 p.m.

St. Patrick Church, Indianapolis, will hold a Tridentine (Latin) Mass at 1:30 p.m.

Mondays

Benedict Inn. 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove, yoga class,

Tuesdays

Our Lady of the Greenwood Marian Prayer group will meet from 7-8 p.m. in the chapel to pray the rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

St. Luke Parish, Indianapolis, Single Adults Group will meet in the church reception room, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Information:



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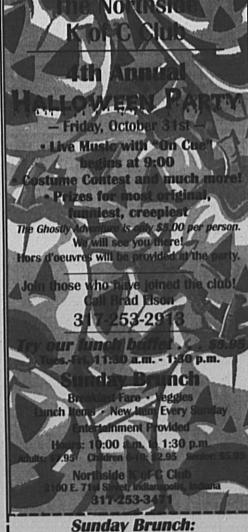
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Archdiocesan pilgrims pray, visit shrines in Florence and Siena

Vicar general leads prayers for the poor, the domestic church, and a renewed commitment to married life

By Peter Agostinelli

ASSISI, Italy-Comedy schtick by the vicar general and a wrong turn in

Philadelphia kept them on seat's edge.

But a trans-Atlantic airplane ride, followed by a three-hour bus ride, couldn't come close to dimming the spirits of 50

their journey to worry about rumpled clothes and hungry stomachs.

Archdiocesan Catholics on the

Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Italy arrived in Florence Oct. 3 just in time to drop their bags in their motel rooms and

pilgrims from central and southern Indiana. They were too excited about



Archdiocesan pilgrims pray in Philadelphia

Father Joseph F. Schaedel, vicar general of the archdiocese and pilgrimage leader, delivers the homily during Mass at the Shrine of St. John Nepomucene Neumann at St. Peter the Apostle Church in Philadelphia, the first stop on an archdiocesan pilgrimage to the shrines of italy. The pilgrims prayed there for God's protection and guidance for the archdiocese and the church during the journey of hope to the new millennium. Neumann, a Redemptorist missionary from Europe, was bishop of Philadelphia from 1852 to 1860. He was canonized in 1977. The next stop for the 50 archdiocesan pilgrims was Florence.

grab another bus—this time to
Mass, the second of the pilgrimage and the first liturgy in Italy.
They began nine days of prayer,
celebration of daily Mass and,
yes, lots of good eating.
The archdiocese has planned

annual pilgrimages to holy shrines as an integral part of the Journey of Hope 2001 celebration.

Archbishop Daniel M.
Buechlein led the first pilgrimage to the shrines of southern Europe

The first Mass of the pilgrim-age to be celebrated in Italy occurred in a chapel of the church of Santa Maria del Fiore, also called Il Duomo. The massive church is located in Florence's Piazza del Duomo and sports the famous dome designed by Brunelleschi, which is the virtual symbol of Florence. The church also features a well-known baptistry within its separate bell tower

(A long layover in Philadelphia before departure from the United States prompted an afternoon trip to the shrine of St. John Neumann near the city's center. Pilgrims took a quick look around the small shrine, which is located within the city's St. Peter the Apostle Church. Father Joseph F. Schaedel, the archdiocesan vicar general and leader of the pilgrimage, presided at the Mass. Benedictine Father Noah Casey of Saint Meinrad Archabbey, who serves the archdiocese as minister to priests, led the congregation in music,

on Oct. 4, the second day in Italy, the pilgrims celebrated Mass in the church of Santa Maria Novella, a Dominican church located near Florence's main railroad terminal.

The day was a special one, being the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, especially due to the presence of one pilgrim— Franciscan Sister Rita Vuckovic. Sister Rita teaches English and theology at Cardinal Ritter High School in Indianapolis.

It also was a day of prayer intentions centered on a generous response to the



needs of the materially and spiritually poor of the archdiocese through

poor of the archdiocese through renewed Christian stewardship.

In his homily at the Oct. 4 Mass, Father Schaedel recounted the "countercultural" ways of St. Francis and likened his "radical way of life" to the path followed by Mother Teresa of Calcutta. The example of both people—their determination to serve the needs of their determination to serve the needs of other people—is rooted in the day's Gospel message.

Pilgrims spent the rest of the feast day of St. Francis taking a tour of Florence's Accademia dell'Arte as well as various piazzas. Feasts that night centered on the austere but noble Tuscan food.

The following day, Oct. 5, saw departure to Siena, Florence's neighboring town to the south. A walking tour of this classic Tuscan town revealed a walled-in community seemingly planted

walled-in community seemingly planted in the Middle Ages.

The pilgrims celebrated Mass in the chapel of St. Catherine of Siena, and the day's intentions focused on God's blessing for the "domestic" church—the ing for the distriction of the gift of married life.

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Pilgrims shaken by Oct. 6 tremor while in Assisi

ASSISI, ITALY—At 1:30 this morning [Oct. 7], I was wrenched from a deep sleep by a violent tremor that shook the town of Assisi.

Everything in my hotel room rattled and shook, and outside the open window I thought I heard rocks falling on the slate roofs of the nearby buildings. My first reac-

on the state roots of the hearby buildings. My first reaction was to get out of the room—fast.

Assisi has experienced over 700 tremors since late
September. Two of these earthquakes (on Sept. 26)
caused the death of 11 people in central Italy and the
destruction of priceless works of art in the Basilica of St.

Francis.

The town itself, a famous pilgrimage site, has been seriously damaged by these quakes, with many of its stone and brick buildings closed temporarily, or condemned, because of structural damage.

We were told that this morning's tremor was mild in comparison with the two earthquakes of Sept. 26, but it was strong enough to cause me and a dozen other hotel guests to seek refuge in the lobby.

There's not much one can do during an earthquake except find the safest possible place to be. For several of us, that

find the safest possible place to be. For several of us, that meant evacuating our small rooms overlooking the valley

below Assisi.

The Hotel Giotto, where half of our archdiocesan pilgrims are staying, appears to be solidly built, but it is surrounded by other buildings made of brick and stone and there's no way to gauge what might happen to the hotel if an earthquake caused the surrounding buildings to collapse.

Just yesterday, our group of 50 pilgrims received a first-hand report from Franciscan Father George Maser, an American, on the damage to the Basilica and Convent of St. Francis.



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All churches closed for safety reasons; Masses held outside

In an Oct. 7 telephone call from Rome,
Father Joseph F. Schaedel, vicar general and leader
of the archdiocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Italy,
reported that all the pilgrims were "safe and sound."

"The weather has been beautiful," Father Schaedel

said, "with temperatures in the 80s and clear, sunny skies."

The group stayed in Assisi the previous night, lodged in two hotels. Both hotels received minor damage in the latest tremors on Oct. 6, but Father Schaedel said the archdiocesan pilgrims were not hurt. (See Dan Conway's pilgrimage report on this

page.)
The vicar general said all the churches in Assisi are closed and very few people are there. The pilgrims visited some other shrines in the area outside Assisi.

"Please keep us in your prayers"
Father Schaedel asked, "and know that you are all in our prayers."†



Franciscan friars prepare for Mass on the Feast of St. Francis outside St. Marie of Angels Church in Assisi, Italy, Oct. 4. The feast was held outdoors there for the first time because two earthquakes, which killed 11 people a week earlier, left many structures in the city unsafe.

According to Father Maser, there is no way to estimate accurately the extent of the damage as long as the tremors continue. Large cracks in the walls and broken slate and

More tremors like the one that occurred this morning could easily cause these minor problems to become very serious. That's why every tremor—no matter how benign it seems—must be regarded as a major threat to the safety of Assisi's 3,000 residents and to many more people who

visit here each year.

Nessun dorma (Nobody Sleeps) is the title of a famous opera aria by the Italian composer, Giacomo Puccini. Those of us who were called from our sleep early this morning know what it's like to be afraid of lying down and letting

sleep come to us once more.

We lack the faith and serenity of St. Francis, and, without at least some confidence in the providence of God, nobody

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Four from archdiocese in Sept. 26 Assisi quake

By William R. Bruns

Four persons from the archdiocese were present in Assisi, Italy, on Sept. 26, when central Italy was struck by two earthquakes several hours apart.

Norbert Lindenmaier; his two sisters, Coldenters Franciscon Sisters Pachel and

Oldenburg Franciscan Sisters Rachel and Evelyn Lindenmaier; and Sister Davida Lund, also from Oldenburg, returned to Indiana last week unharmed and with vivid memories of an unusual trip.

"The roar was just awful," Norbert Lindenmaier said. "It was 2 a.m. and the entire hotel shook. My room had cracks

in the ceiling."

The four pilgrims were sleeping in a hotel next to the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi when the first earthquake hit.

"Our hotel was separated from the basilica only by a narrow street," he reported. "That first quake was very strange. It had a very strange feeling to it—such a loud, horrible roar. All you wanted it to do was stop. To me, it seemed evil, like something that came from the devil."

Lindenmaier, a parishioner of St. Roch in Indianapolis, and the three Oldenburg Franciscans had stopped in Rome prior to visiting the medieval hill-side town where SS. Francis and Clare

had lived.

On that Friday morning after the first quake," he said, "we proceeded with our plans to visit the Basilica of St. Francis, but when we arrived, officials wouldn't let us on the first floor. It was closed to tourists while the officials inspected the damage. We were allowed to visit the lower levels, however, where the tomb of St. Francis is located."

After several hours' tour of the basil-ica, Lindenmaier said that they left the church to get their car in the basilica's

parking lot.

"I got into the car to back it out of its space so the sisters could get in. I turned the key in the ignition, and the car began bouncing around. It felt like it was out of control. At first, I thought I'd

was out of control. At first, I thought I'd done something wrong.

"When I got out of the car," he said, "I could feel the ground moving under my feet. It was moving both ways. The cars in the parking lot looked like they were doing the "wave" at a football game!

"I looked toward the basilica and saw two large charles of stone fall to the

two large chunks of stone fall to the ground. Then a big cloud of dust came out of the roof. Later I found out that that was the dome falling in."

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Two friars and two experts from Italy's Culture Ministry were killed when the vaulted ceiling of the upper basilica collapsed during their inspection.

Returning to their hotel later that day, they found that it had been closed because of damage, and all the guests were asked to leave. "When I went to my room to retrieve my things." were asked to leave. "When I went to my room to retrieve my things," Lindenmaier said, "I saw that the ceiling and wall had separated." The group found accommodations in Perugia, about 30 minutes away. Other plans had to be altered also, with a trip

to Loreto canceled.

"As frightening as it was," Lindenmaier said, "there was no panic. I watched two busloads of guests at the hotel be evacuated. Everyone left in per-fect order."†



Adoration

Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein carries the Blessed Sacrament into the perpetual adoration chapel at St. Luke Church in Indianapolis during a special ceremony on Sept. 28. The pastor, Father Daniel Mahan, and altar server, Mary Emily Noble, assist.

Rally urges men to turn from sin

By Mark Pattison

WASHINGTON (CNS)—There was no tent big enough to contain the nation's largest-ever tent revival. Hundreds of thousands of men sought repentance and reconciliation at the Oct. 4 Promise reconciliation at the Oct. 4 Promise
Keepers rally in Washington, confessing
their sins on the mall and exulting their
salvation through Jesus Christ.
The rally, tilled "Stand in the Gap: A
Sacred Assembly of Men," addressed
the issues of sexual immorality, racism

and sectarianism through stirring preaching and pulse-pounding music. Leading Christian evangelists admitted their own sins, asked God's help to do better, and beseeched men at the rally to do the same

Neither Promise Keepers nor Washington-area police agencies gave crowd estimates. But Catholic University of America sociologist John McCarthy and University of Illinois sociologist Clark McPhail pegged the crowd's size at 480,000 using charts,

aerial photographs and 20 years of experience in estimating crowds.

The rally's only Catholic speaker,

Michael Timmis, a layman from the Detroit suburbs said, "We have ridiculed ourselves" with sectarianism and racism. We must rid ourselves of the disunity

that is in our spirits. To be in a place of disunity is to be in sin before God.

"Each of us have been guilty of the sin of division," Timmis added, asking the men to bow their heads and examine their own considerate. ine their own consciences.

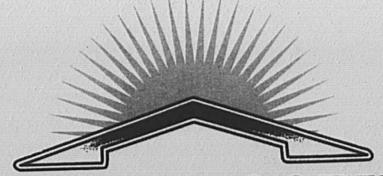
ine their own consciences.

The Rev. Tony Evans, senior pastor of Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship in Dallas, tried to dispel the idea that Promise Keepers are suggesting a patriarchal model of family life. He said that men and women were "equal partners" in marriage. He said that the model is "not deminance" but "submission, mutual dominance" but "submission, mutual honor and respect."

The founder of Promise Keepers, Bill McCartney, told the men to give their time, treasure and talents to their local







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Korean Catholics celebrate

September 14 was an important day to the Korean Catholic Community in Indianapolis. Families came from all over the area to celebrate Ch'usok, Korea's Thanksgiving Day.

The faithful marked the day by thanking God for

the bounty of the earth and honoring their ancestors.

Nearly 150 people gathered at the church, located a
few blocks east of St. Lawrence, for a Mass celebrated in the Korean language by Father Jung-Wook Paul Kim, pastor.

The music was sung in Korean, using the traditional folk song style, and accompanied by a Korean

drum, the Chang-gu.

In front of the altar was a table with a crucifix and covered with plates of food representing God's gen-erosity. The display included fruit, fish, vegetables, wine, meat, rice cakes and flowers.

Just in front of the thanksgiving table was a bowl with candles on each side.

After the homily, the families came forward one by one. They lit incense, placed it in the bowl and bowed

deeply. In silence, they paid respect to their ancestors.

Six members of the archdiocesan Multicultural Commission attended the Mass. Father Kenneth Taylor, director of the Office of Multicultural Ministry, thanked the Korean assembly for its hospi-

Afterwards, the members of the Korean Catholic Community and their guests enjoyed the festive foods

community and their guests enjoyed the festive foods and other activities, including bingo.

In Korea, the first Catholic was baptized by a French missionary in 1784. The number of Catholics in Korea has grown from 175,000 in 1876 (when anti-Catholic persecutions ended) to an estimated 3 million today. In the United States the state of the Catholic persecutions ended) to an estimated 3 million today. In the United States the state of the Catholic persecutions ended to an estimated 3 million today. In the United States the state of the Catholic persecutions are stated as million today. lion today. In the United States, there are 152 Korean

rishes—and 88 Korean priests.

Father Kim visits and celebrates Mass with Korean students and residents at Purdue University at Lafayette and at Indiana University in Bloomington, as well as in Louisville and Fort Knox, Ky.

(Some information was supplied by Inhi [Martha] Bae and the National Korean Pastoral Center.)†



Father Jung-Wook Paul Kim, pastor of the Korean Catholic

Former convent in Terre Haute recycled as new school addition

By David Delaney

TERRE HAUTE-Terre Haute's Sacred Heart School is recycling an old convent into a new school building.

Besides housing some of the seventh-and eighth-grade classes, it will offer a

first-ever preschool program.

The newest part of the school is being called VanDyke Hall in honor of longtime Catholic educator Providence Sister David Allen VanDyke.

Sister David Allen is currently principal of Sacred Heart School. She recently celebrated her 50th jubilee in the Providence community.

"She is devoted to Catholic educa-

tion," said Rick Mascari of Sacred Heart Parish. He noted that the school has grown from 70 students five years ago to a present enrollment of 145.

The new VanDyke Hall will include an art room. And school officials have applied foR a grant for a science lab for the hall

Since the project began last May, 15 electricians donated their time to do the wiring for the new building. Many other volunteers contributed their services.

Five Boy Scout leaders and their seventh- and eighth-grade students offered many hours of volunteer work.

Among them was eighth-grader Landis Kaperak, who led a crew of about 45 people working on the building's first floor. The 14-year-old earned an Eagle Scout award for his part in guiding the project to completion.

Sieter David Ellen commented about

Sister David Ellen commented about the Boy Scout: "He did a lot of planning and worked above and beyond what I would expect for an eighth-grade boy."†

Anne Ryder to speak

On Thursday, Oct. 23, Indianapolis Chan-nel 13 television anchorwoman Anne Ryder will speak at Christ the King Church. She will share her personal account of hope, faith, and the resilience of the human spirit as she followed a group of Hoosier pilgrims at the shrine of Medjugorje in Bosnia. The Adult Catechetical Team is sponsoring the evening. Child care will be available at the school.†



Providence Sister David Allen VanDyke stands next to the newly-renovated VanDyke Hall.



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RAFCHER, Virgilene R., 82, Little Flower, Indianapolis, Aug. 1. Wife of William J. Baecher. Mother of John B., James L., Katherine A. Baecher. Sister of Ralph, Bernard Minton. Grandmother of 12. Great-grandother of four. Memorial contributions may be made to Little Flower Catholic Church.

BECKERICH, Mary Clementine, 78, Christ the King, Indianapolis, Sept. 11. Sister of

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DAUM, Matthew, 18, St. Vincent de Paul, Shelbyville, Sept. 28. Son of Michael and

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EWELL, Alice H., 95, St. Margaret Mary, Terre Haute, Sept. 28. Mother of Theresa Rogers. Sister of Wayne

FARRELL, Bernadette G., 79, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, Sept. 26. Mother of James W. Farrell, Bernadette M. Nicholson. Grandmother of seven. Great-grandmother of two.

Indianapolis, Indianapolis, Sept. 27. Father of John, Bill, Bob Gedig, Grandfather of 15. Great-grandfather of 23.

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MORIARTY, John, 80, SS. Peter and Paul, Indianapolis, Sept. 30.

O'HARA, Mary A., 97, St. Mary, New Albany, Sept. 28. Aunt of Donna D. Osborne.

ANDERS, Charles Albert, 92, St. Roch, Sept. 27. Husband of Helen (Doerr) Sanders. Father of Charles Sanders, Jr., Gay Turner. Grandfather of several.

SCHEELE, Olivia M., 89, St. Louis, Batesville, Sept. 29. Mother of Rosemary Prickel, Arnelda Prickel, Louella "Lou"

Voegele, George, Fred S. Scheele. Sister of Carl Dietz. Grandmother of 26. Great-grand-

SCHOETTMER, Angola G., 85, St. Mary, Greensburg, Oct. 4. Mother of Kenneth F. Schoettmer, Rose Mary Reasoner, Barbara Ruble Grandmother of 11. Great-grandmother of 20. Great-great-grandmother of nine. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation.

SCHULLER, Frieda E. (Bohnonkamp), 91, St. Jude, Indianapolis, Sept. 27. Mother of Mary Grayson, Martha Yamarick, Betty Bothwell. Grandmother of 12. Great-grandmother of 15

SPRIGLER, Louis "Tip", 81, St. Mary-of-the-Knobs, Floyds Knobs, Oct. 1. Husband of Genevieve (Stumler) Sprigler. Father of Jeanette Bedan, Everett, T. J., Paul Sprigler. Brother of Joe, Wolford, Robert, Sprigler, Minnie Larson, Jane Naville, Ann Eckert. Grandfather of 11, Greatgrandfather of seven.

TRIMPE, Anna Marie, 89, Christ the King, Indianapoli Sept. 25. Mother of JoAnne ex, Betty Kippes, Mary O'Connor, Nancy Shepard. Grandmother of 17. Great-grand-

WEDDLE, Aurelia, 84, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, New Albany, Sept. 24. Mother of Joy Creps. Grandmother of six. Great-grandmother of two.

ZALESKI, Mary Ann, 92, St. Mary, Richmond, Oct. 2. Mother of Raymond Zaleski, Ann Parrot. Grandworther of 12. Grandmother of 13. Great-grand-mother of 19. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Mary Catholic Church.†

Papal rally affirms church teachings

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (CNS)-Normally the site of major soccer matches and rock concerts, Rio's Maracana Stadium became center stage in early October for testimonials on how being faithful to Catholic teaching on family life brings blessings and joy.

From the poignant stories of dealing with problem pregnancies to a child's simple recognition that being part of a family means helping with chores, an international group of families very briefly told their stories for Pope John Paul II and more than 100,000 people packed into the stadium.

The pope told the crowd that "a false message of impossible and inconsistent happiness is being spread in the world today, and it car-ries with it only desolation and bitterness. Happiness is not found by following the way of freedom without truth because this is the way of irresponsible egotism, which divides and separates

families and society."

The pope told the crowd to defend their families as a precious gift, to be faithful to their spouses, and to welcome new children as signs of their love for each other and as the future of human-

"Societies which are not interested in children are inhuman and irresponsible," he said. "Welcome your children with responsible love. Defend them as a gift of God from the moment they are conceived and from the time human life is born from its mother's womb.

The pope prayed "that the abominable crime of abortion, the shame of humanity, will no longer condemn the unborn to the injustice of execution.

"The seed of the new humanity sleeps in the moth-er's womb," he said. "In children's faces there shines the future, the coming millennium, the future which is in God's hands."†

Msgr. Frank Hulsman dies

Msgr. Frank Hulsman, 89, died on Sept. 4 in Indian-apolis, 11 days before his 90th birthday.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Sept. 8 at Sacred Heart Church in Indianapolis.

Born in Indianapolis, Frank Hulsman was a graduate of Cathedral High School. After attending St. Mary College in Louisville, he was graduated from Saint Meinrad School of Theology in 1934.

After ordination, Father Hulsman celebrated his First Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes in Indianapolis. The diocese allowed him to minister to the Native Americans in North and South Dakota.

In 1937, Father Hulsman served as assistant pastor at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral for several months. That summer he studied at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

Later that year, he was named pastor of St. Augustine Indian Mission in Winnebago, Neb. In 1941, he was excardinated from the Indianapolis Diocese by

Bishop Elmer Ritter and was incardinated into the Omaha Diocese, where he stayed for 42 years serving as director for all the Indians in the diocese.

Since 1984, Msgr. Hulsman had been living in retirement in Beech Grove with his sister Rosemary Hulsman Evans, who survives. He is also survived by another sister, Theo Lauch, and several nieces and nephews.†

Providence Sister **Iames Marie** Troy, 94, was teacher

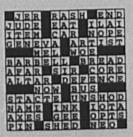
Providence Sister James Marie Troy died Sept. 8 in Karcher Hall at Saint Mary-of-

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Sept. 11 in the Church of the Immaculate

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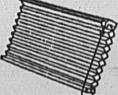
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