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A weekend for thanks and celebration



SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral hosted two big events Jan. 17 and 18—the bestowing of papal honors on 15 men and women of the archdiocese (left) and the ordination of Jack Emrich to the priesthood (below). In top photo, recipients of the *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice* medal are seated to the far left of Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein, while the archdiocese's eight new monsignors sit to the right. Below, at left, Archbishop Buechlein is assisted by seminarian Russell Zint (left) and Deacon Patrick Beidelman (right), while Emrich awaits his ordination.

Jack Emrich ordained to priesthood

By Margaret Nelson

Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein thanked those who supported Jack Emrich, especially his parents, as he began his Mass of Ordination to the Presbyterate at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral the morning of Jan. 17.

"Your presence on this snowy morning is a wonderful sign of your support of Jack Emrich," said the archbishop.

Deacon Emrich, 46, processed into the church with his parents and sat next to them through the Liturgy of the Word. He came forward during the Calling and Presentation of the Candidate.

"An affable, talented, strong-headed man has chosen to follow an old dream," said the archbishop. "What he does this morning is both joyful and profound. It is beyond the understanding of many people. It is counted foolish by some. Jack chooses to live at the very heart of human and divine reality."

"It is a beautiful, challenging life, like that of Jesus," he said.

But the archbishop said, "Obedience is the most difficult form of humble service." He said that by obedience the clergy hands on the Tradition and teaching of the

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Fifteen in archdiocese receive papal honors

By Margaret Nelson

Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein thanked the 1,100 faithful who came to SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral Sunday to honor eight new monsignors and seven who received the *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice* (For the Church and the Pontiff) medal.

The archbishop reported that one monsignor chided him for picking an afternoon when the basketball schedule included a game between Indiana University and Purdue University, as well as Coach Larry Bird's return to Boston with his Pacer team.

Archbishop Buechlein's answer: "It's either this or the Super Bowl," drew unanimous laughter.

"You come because you are grateful for seeing God's goodness among us," the

archbishop said. "The common denominator of this afternoon's honorees is that their service is for the community and for the larger human family."

Archbishop Buechlein said, "We single out for exceptional service our sisters and brothers who represent the exceptional service of so many among us." He said those who serve are sometimes recognized but often "unsung." He added that too much energy goes into telling what's wrong with those who serve.

"Anyone who is able to do good things for God and his people does not do it alone," said Archbishop Buechlein.

The two religious and five lay members of the archdiocese who received their *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice* medals and framed documents from the archbishop were:

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Pope names 22 cardinals; two secret, two from U.S.

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—Pope John Paul II named 22 new cardinals Jan. 18, including Archbishop Francis E. George of Chicago, Aloysius M. Ambrozic of Toronto and J. Francis Stafford, the U.S. president of the Pontifical Council for the Laity.

The pope's announcement during his midday Angelus address included two surprises:

He said he was waiving the limit on the number of cardinals under age 80.

He named two cardinals *in pectore*, keeping their identities secret.

Nineteen of the 20 cardinals-designate are under the age of 80; after their formal installation in the College of Cardinals, they would be eligible to vote in a conclave to elect a new pope.

Cardinals named secretly are not eligible to enter a conclave.

Popes have named cardinals *in pectore*, literally meaning "in the heart," when, for political or other reasons, a public announcement could make it difficult for the person or his ministry.

The last cardinal named *in pectore* was Chinese Cardinal Ignatius Kung Pin-Mei of Shanghai. Pope John Paul secretly named him a cardinal in 1979. Once the Chinese prelate left his homeland and was living in exile in the United States, the pope announced his nomination and formally inducted him in the College of Cardinals in 1991.

Pope John Paul said the 20 prelates whose names he announced would be formally made members of the College of Cardinals during a Feb. 21 consistory at the Vatican.

In addition, he said that Croatian Archbishop Giuseppe Uhac, secretary of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples, had been informed three days earlier that he was to be among the new cardinals, but had died. "The Lord called him to himself this morning," the pope said. Archbishop Uhac was 73 years old.

Among the 20 cardinals-designate named Jan. 18 was an

86-year-old Polish missionary, retired Archbishop Adam Kozłowiecki of Lusaka, Zambia.

Pope John Paul has made it a practice every time he names new cardinals to include at least one theologian or bishop who is more than 80 years old. The nomination is seen as a sign of the pope's personal appreciation for the work of the cleric.

When the pope visited Poland in June 1997, he paid tribute to Archbishop Kozłowiecki and two other bishops who were the last surviving bishops to have been imprisoned in Dachau, the Nazi concentration camp.

Not counting those named secretly, the new cardinals come from 13 countries. Eight of the 20 hold Vatican positions.

"The group of new cardinals, coming from various parts of the world, eloquently reflects the universality of the church," Pope John Paul said after reading out the names.

The cardinals-designate, he said, have generously expended their energy either in serving the universal church through a Vatican job or by carrying out their pastoral ministry in a diocese.

In fact, the pope said, there were so many clergymen who deserved to be cardinals that he was setting aside Pope Paul VI's 1975 ruling that there should be no more than 120 "cardinal-electors"—the cardinals under age 80 eligible to vote in a conclave.

Barring deaths, there will be 123 cardinal-electors on Feb. 21. The number will not return to the 120 limit until the Oct. 4 birthday of Cardinal-designate Giovanni Cheli, president of the Pontifical Council for Migrants and Travelers.

Passionist Father Ciro Benedettini, a Vatican spokesman, said that in waiving the limit of 120 for this round of nominations, the pope did not formally change the rule.

The new cardinals announced by the pope included six Italians in addition to Cardinal-designate Cheli, which will bring the total number of Italian cardinals to 41. After the Feb. 21 consistory, 22 of them would be eligible to vote in

a conclave.

The nominations of Archbishops George and Stafford will bring to 12 the number of U.S. cardinals; all but retired Cardinal John J. Carberry of St. Louis, 93, would be eligible to vote in a conclave.

No other countries have more than 10 cardinals. After the consistory, Brazil—the country with the most Catholics—will have six cardinal-electors.

Canada will have five cardinals, two of whom would be eligible to vote in a conclave.

Other cardinals-designate include:

- Jorge Arturo Medina Estevez, pro-prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments. The 71-year-old prelate is from Chile
- Alberto Bovone, pro-prefect of the Congregation for Sainthood Causes. The Italian is 75 years old
- Dario Castrillon Hoyos, a 68-year-old Colombian who is pro-prefect of the Congregation for Clergy
- Lorenzo Antonetti, 75, an Italian who is pro-president of the Administration of the Patrimony of the Holy See
- Salvatore de Giorgi of Palermo, Sicily, 67
- Serafim Fernandes de Araujo, the 73-year-old archbishop of Belo Horizonte, Brazil.
- Antonio Maria Rouco Varela of Madrid, 61.
- Jean Ballard of Lyons, France, 63.
- Dionigi Tettamanzi, the 63-year-old archbishop of Genoa, Italy.
- Polycarp Pengo of Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania, 53.
- Christoph Schonborn of Vienna, who was named just four days before his 53rd birthday.
- Norberto Rivera Carrera, the 55-year-old archbishop of Mexico City.
- Paul Shan Kuo-Hsi, the 74-year-old bishop of Kaohsiung, Taiwan.
- Francesco Colasuonno, the 73-year-old nuncio to Italy and former nuncio to Russia.
- Dino Monduzzi, the 75-year-old prefect of the papal household. †

Archbishop decries upcoming execution

Says capital punishment really about revenge not justice; promotes culture of death

By William R. Bruns

On Jan. 29, convicted murderer Robert Allen Smith will be executed by lethal injection at the penitentiary in Michigan City.

Smith told prosecutors that he would plead guilty of the 1995 murder of fellow inmate Michael Wedmore if they would give him the death penalty. Smith will die just two months after Gary Burris was executed for the murder of Kenneth Chambers, an Indianapolis cab driver.

Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein, general chairman of the Indiana Catholic Conference, will release a statement to the news media next Monday decrying the execution.

"In the name of its citizens the state of Indiana will execute Robert Allen Smith," the archbishop said that "it

must be very clear that, in taking this action, the state is acting against the will of its Catholic citizens, who follow Jesus Christ and his Gospel of Life."

The archbishop pointed out that the Catholic Church teaches that capital punishment cannot be justified when there are other means to keep someone from doing evil and when there are other means to exact appropriate punishment. In addition, the archbishop pointed out, the death penalty is "beneath the inherent dignity of human beings who are called into life bearing the image and likeness of God."

The church also holds that the execution of a murderer in no way honors the murderer's victim and that violence only leads to further violence, the archbishop said.

"Although many speak of capital punishment in terms of justice," Archbishop Buechlein continued, "it is really about revenge. As Catholics, we believe that the life and

teaching of Jesus call all Christians to lives of forgiveness."

The archbishop also listed five nontheological reasons for opposing capital punishment: it is not an effective deterrent, it doesn't restore the social order breached by the crime, it is often imposed unfairly—with the poor and racial minorities disproportionately convicted of capital crimes; and it is financially more costly to society to impose the death penalty than to sentence an offender to life imprisonment without the possibility of parole.

"It is sadly ironic," Archbishop Buechlein said, "that his execution will occur one week to the day of the 25th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to legalize abortion. It is clear," he said, "that we find ourselves caught up in a society whose actions promote a culture of death." †

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March for Life efforts held here and in capital

Archdiocesan delegation includes more than 300 youth from central and southern Indiana

By Sue Hetzler

Twenty-five years after the landmark decision that legalized abortion, the issue still makes front page news on a regular basis, and cities across the country mark the *Roe vs. Wade* decision with memorial services and marches that peacefully demonstrate opposition to abortion.

This week's March for Life in Washington, D.C., included more than 300 high school youth from the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. *The Criterion* will cover the local March for Life delegation in next week's issue.

In Indianapolis, right-to-life supporters will gather in the north atrium of the Indiana Statehouse at 2 p.m. on Jan. 25 to commemorate the millions of babies aborted since the *Roe vs. Wade* decision on Jan. 22, 1973. The one-hour memorial service and rose ceremony will be interdenominational and led by local religious leaders. It is open to the public.

Dr. Russ Blowers, senior minister emeritus of the East 91st Street Christian Church in Indianapolis, will deliver the invocation; Rev. Charles Sanders, pastor of Freedom Temple Church of God in Christ in Indianapolis, will give the benediction; and Father Vincent Lampert, director of Pro-Life Activities for the archdiocese, will introduce two high school students and a college student who will give remarks about the national pro-life rally held in Washington, D.C.

The memorial service will include prayer, spiritual music and singing, as well as the rose ceremony. It has become a tradition for pro-life representatives to carry one red rose to symbolize each anniversary of the 1973 decision and to remember the babies who have died as a result of the decision. This year, those presenting roses will range in age from a mother carrying her

newborn to a young adult aged 24.

Following the service, a Walk for Life is planned from the north entrance of the statehouse to Monument Circle and back.

In addition to annual memorial events, millions of Catholics use the anniversary to flood the United States Capitol with postcards and letters in a nationwide campaign aimed at stopping abortion. This year's campaign will be especially important if it is to have an impact on legislation banning abortions performed during the last trimester of pregnancy—a procedure commonly known as partial-birth abortion.

Beginning on Jan. 24, Catholics throughout the country will send postcards to their senators urging them to vote to override President Clinton's veto of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act. Dioceses have already ordered more than 11 million postcards in anticipation of the campaign that is sponsored by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and the National Committee for a Human Life Amendment.

Local non-Catholic churches are also joining the effort and using the postcards in an ecumenical effort to stop partial-birth abortion.

With an estimated 1.3 million abortions performed last year and an increasing number of partial-birth abortions, United States bishops say that "a deadly blindness has come over our land." It is now more important than ever for Catholics to take a stand against the destruction of life, they said in their letter, "Light and Shadows: The Nation 25 Years After *Roe vs. Wade*."

"A deadly blindness has come over our land, preventing many persons of good will from recognizing the right of innocent human lives to respect, acceptance and help," they wrote. "Legalized violence has spread through our society like a cancer. The powerless of all ages are threatened."



The anniversary of the Supreme Court's *Roe vs. Wade* decision legalizing abortion is marked each year by the March for Life from the Ellipse to the court building in Washington. In this 1997 file photo, marchers kneel in prayer at the foot of the Supreme Court steps. This Jan. 22 will be the 25th anniversary of the ruling.

The bishops have appealed to Catholics and non-Catholics to help restore legal protection for the unborn.

"Abortion is an assault on human dignity, an act of violence against both mother and child and the whole human family. Legal protection for the unborn human life must be restored in our nation," they said.

The bishops ended their letter by pledging their continued support of programs in pregnancy centers, hospitals, agencies, schools and medical centers that work to support those who have been involved in abortion decisions. But they called for fellow Catholics to do even more for life:

"Reach out to women who are pregnant and in need of help, to families struggling with financial or emotional difficulties. Stand by those who wish to choose life with the witness of solidarity, hope and service," they said.

"Catholic families should be living symbols of our conviction that life is always, always a gift from God. Teach your children to respect human life from conception to natural death. Pray as a family for an end to this evil that destroys the weakest of the weak, the poorest of the poor." †

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



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The Holy Spirit's place in our journey

Pope John Paul II has proclaimed 1998 to be the "Year of the Holy Spirit" in preparation for the third millennium. Last year was the "Year of Christ" and next year will be the "Year of the Father."

As the pope wrote in his encyclical *Tertio Millennio Adveniente* ("As the Third Millennium Draws Near"), we need to build up "a renewed appreciation of the presence and activity of the Holy Spirit, who acts within the church both in the sacraments, especially in confirmation, and in the variety of charisms, roles and ministries that he inspires for the good of the church."

Sometimes it seems that the Holy Spirit is the forgotten person of the Blessed Trinity, but he is absolutely essential to the faith of each Christian. St. Paul told us, "No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit" (1 Cor 12:3). As the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* puts it, "Faith is possible only in the Holy Spirit: to be in touch with Christ, we must first have been touched by the Holy Spirit" (#683).

The Holy Spirit is also essential in the Journey of Hope 2001 we are on in our archdiocese. Not only is Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein stressing the virtue of hope in our preparation for the third millennium; so is the pope. In *Tertio Millennio Adveniente*, he wrote that "Christians are called to prepare for the Great Jubilee of the beginning of the third millennium by renewing their hope in the definitive coming of the kingdom of God, preparing for it daily in their

hearts, in the Christian community to which they belong, in their particular social context, and in world history itself."

Since it is the Holy Spirit who is the principal agent of the new evangelization, we Christians are called on to use the charisms he has given us to make Christ and his teachings better known. Further, members of the laity are called to do that specifically in our secular society. We are to use our gifts, whatever they might be, for the good of the church.

The pope noted in his encyclical that the signs of hope present in the church "include a greater attention to the voice of the Spirit through the acceptance of charisms and the promotion of the laity, a deeper commitment to the cause of Christian unity and the increased interest in dialogue with other religions and with contemporary culture." And he said that "the reflection of the faithful in the second year of preparation ought to focus particularly on the value of unity within the church, to which the various gifts and charisms bestowed upon her by the Spirit are directed."

Perhaps Catholics could make an effort during this "Year of the Holy Spirit" to brush up on their knowledge about what the church teaches concerning the Third Person of the Trinity. That's found in the section "I Believe in the Holy Spirit," #683-741 in the catechism.

"Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in us the fire of your love."

—John F. Fink

Seeking the Face of the Lord

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



The unique mission of Catholic education

Last week I spent a good part of a morning at Holy Angels School here in Indianapolis. The occasion was the observance of Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday. After I marched with the children and teachers and Father Clarence Waldon, we celebrated Mass. Then I was given a quick tour of the school in session. It was a delightful morning and I was touched by the children in a variety of ways. As a facility, Holy Angels School is surely the poorest in our archdiocese (and is a convincing reason for the capital and endowment campaign we are launching). The children who are enrolled at Holy Angels come from families who know what real poverty is. Yet they were excited, engaged and showed love with open hearts and arms!

They thoroughly enjoyed making their own march, a festive parade really, in honor of Dr. King. The young fellow who delivered the famous "I Have a Dream" speech of Dr. King did so with passion and rhetorical skill. The readers at Mass commanded attention. The children sang their hearts out. I compliment the teachers who were proud and they should be!

What impressed me the most was the attentive and prayerful spirit of the children. They knew they were in church and they knew why. Many of the students, perhaps most, are not Catholic, but they know the Mass and they responded and participated with ease and enthusiasm.

At the Prayers of the Faithful the children were invited to come to the microphone (held by an older student) to offer their petitions. One girl prayed that her mother would find a job. Another prayed for the homeless in his neighborhood. One student prayed for safety from violence. A young fellow prayed that his dad would come back home. Someone prayed for peace in the world. The prayers were real and revealing and heartfelt. And they were not self-focused either. These students have been taught to pray for all the church and for all the world and they did. The teachers and students pray together as a community every morning. I could tell.

I wasn't at Holy Angels to quiz or examine the school children in their learning skills. The success of their education showed nonetheless. What a great sacrificial gift the parents and grandparents and teachers and benefactors are giving these children! My words do not do justice to the all-too-

brief experience I had at Holy Angels School, but they outline a strong case for our commitment to Catholic schools as we celebrate Catholic Schools Week.

One of the unique and historic features of the Catholic Church's mission in the United States is the development of a Catholic school system. We are told that the primary reason this happened in an immigrant culture was to maintain and strengthen the faith in a foreign and largely hostile culture. In a climate that has become hostile in a little different way, namely as a secularized culture of death, the need for solid Catholic education is as great as ever.

Catholic education became a key to freedom from poverty for many of our ancestors. It remains so today. We are told that one of the major causes the number of successful Catholics in the business and professional world is proportionately higher today than it is for other segments of society is the excellence of Catholic educational institutions. Excellent education and training in discipline and moral values provide a key to freedom from poverty in all of its forms. Catholic education offered for poor people is a tremendous gift our Church provides. It is, of course, a marvelous opportunity for evangelization, for sharing the good news and life of Jesus Christ.

It is no secret that I have deep personal convictions about the value of our Catholic schools because of what they did for me. I never miss an opportunity to thank the Sisters of Providence who taught me so much about the world, about God and about the church. They affirmed my love of God and my love of the church, which I learned at home. The fact that my mother taught in my home parish bolstered my conviction even more.

Needless to say, if we claim to offer excellent Catholic education, we are obligated to do the best we can to be sure that it is as excellent and as Catholic as we can possibly make it. I take this opportunity to assure you of my commitment to do so. I am also committed to providing the leadership that will make our schools more and more available to more and more of our families. This large challenge is another reason for our impending capital and endowment campaign, A Legacy of Hope from Generation to Generation. †

Archbishop Buechlein's intention for vocations for January

Parents: that they may remain faithful to their vocations and encourage their children to consider God's call to service in the church, especially as priests and religious.



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Buscando la Cara del Señor

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Mi compromiso en la misión única de las Escuelas Católicas

La semana pasada pasé buena parte de la mañana en la escuela Holy Angels de Indianapolis. Fui para observar la celebración del cumpleaños del Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Después de marchar con los niños, los maestros y el Padre Clarence Waldon, celebramos la Misa. Luego, visité la escuela cuando estaba en sesión. Fue una mañana agradable y gratificante, en realidad los niños me conmovieron de varias maneras. Ciertamente, como instalación, la escuela "Holy Angels" es la más pobre en nuestra archidiócesis (en tal sentido tenemos otra razón convincente para empezar nuestra campaña de capital y dotación.) Los niños que asisten a la escuela "Holy Angels" vienen de familias que bien conocen la pobreza. Pero con todo y esto, ellos se mostraban excitados e interesados, y mostraron su amor abriendo sus brazos y sus corazones abiertos.

Los estudiantes, intensamente, gozaron de hacer su propia marcha en honor al Dr. King. En realidad fue muy festivo. El joven que pronunció el famoso discurso "Tengo un Sueño" del Dr. King lo leyó con pasión y habilidad retórica. Los lectores en la Misa fueron el centro de atención. Los niños cantaron con toda sinceridad. ¡Felicitó a los maestros quienes legítimamente estaban tan orgullosos!

Lo que más me impresionó, fue el espíritu atento y piadoso de los niños. Ellos sabían que estaban en la iglesia y conocían la razón de estar allí. Muchos de los estudiantes, aunque quizás la mayoría no eran católicos, se sabían la Misa respondiendo además con facilidad y entusiasmo.

Durante las Oraciones de los Fieles se invitó a los niños a ir al micrófono, el cual fue sostenido uno de los estudiantes más antiguos, para que ellos ofrecieran sus peticiones. Una muchacha oró porque su madre encontrara un trabajo. Otro estudiante oró por los que no tienen casa u hogar en su barrio. Un estudiante oró por que haya seguridad en vez de violencia. Un joven oró porque su papá volviera a casa. Alguien oró por la paz en el mundo. Las oraciones eran reales, reveladoras y cordiales. Las oraciones no se enfocaron solo en los niños. Se les ha enseñado a estos estudiantes a orar por toda la iglesia y por todo el mundo y así lo hicieron. Claro está, que los maestros y estudiantes oran juntos, como una comunidad, todas las mañanas.

No fui a Holy Angels para examinar a los niños en sus habilidades de aprendizaje. No obstante, se evidenció el éxito de su educación. ¡Qué gran regalo de sacrificio están dando a estos, sus padres, abuelos, maestros y bien-

hechores! Mis palabras no hacen justicia a mi breve experiencia en Holy Angels, pero se exponen razones para nuestro compromiso con las escuelas católicas cuando celebremos la Semana de las Escuelas Católicas.

Uno de los rasgos únicos e históricos de la misión de la Iglesia Católica en los Estados Unidos de América es el desarrollo de un Sistema Católico Escolar. Se dice, que la principal razón para el desarrollo, en una cultura de inmigrantes, es mantener y fortalecer la fe más aún si ésta es hostil. En el clima actual donde la cultura es hostil por otras diferentes razones, como lo es la cultura de la muerte legalizada, la necesidad de una fuerte educación católica es más importante que nunca.

La educación Católica fue la llave a la libertad desde la pobreza para muchos de nuestros antepasados. Queda así hoy en día retomarla. Se nos dice, que la razón por la que hay más católicos exitosos, en negocios y en el mundo profesional, que en otros segmentos de la sociedad es debido a la excelencia de las instituciones educativas católicas. Una excelente educación, el entrenamiento en disciplina y los valores morales proporcionan la llave a la libertad de todo tipo de pobreza. Otro regalo que provee nuestra Iglesia a los pobres es el de obtener una educación. Por supuesto, se puede aprovechar la maravillosa oportunidad para evangelizar, compartiendo las buenas noticias y la vida de Jesús Cristo.

No es un secreto para nadie, yo tengo profundas creencias personales sobre el valor de nuestras Escuelas Católicas debido a la ayuda que ellas me dieron. Nunca me olvido de agradecer a las hermanas de la Providencia quienes me enseñaron tanto sobre el mundo, sobre Dios y sobre la iglesia. Ellas afirmaron mi amor a Dios y mi amor a la iglesia, reforzando así la enseñanza que mis padres también me dieron en casa. El hecho que mi madre enseñara en la misma parroquia fortaleció aún más mi convicción sobre el amor a Dios y la Iglesia.

No es necesario mencionar que si decimos que ofrecemos una excelente educación católica, estamos entonces obligados a hacer todo lo posible para asegurar que ésta sea excelente y muy católica. Aprovecho la ocasión para asegurarles, a ustedes, de mi compromiso a hacerlo así. Me he comprometido a proporcionar la dirección que permitirá que nuestras escuelas estén disponibles a más y más de nuestras familias. Este gran desafío es otra razón para nuestra campaña de capitalizar y dotar nuestras escuelas. Se llama Un Legado de Esperanza de Generación a Generación. †

La intención del Arzobispo Buechlein para vocaciones en enero:

Padres: Que ellos puedan permanecer fieles a su vocación y puedan alentar a sus hijos a considerar la llamada de Dios para servir en la iglesia, especialmente como sacerdotes y gente religiosa.

The Bottom Line/Antoinette Bosco

A bishop, a priest and the poor they serve

I was devastated by news of the carnage in Chiapas, Mexico, just days before Christmas. Attackers with machetes and assault rifles mercilessly killed 45 unarmed indigenous villagers, among them 15 children.



The bloodbath was an escalation of the conflict that began four years ago in this region—one of the poorest and least democratically governed of Mexico's states. That was when an army of indigenous people launched a brief revolt to reclaim lands and demand democracy for all Mexicans. They are called *Zapatistas*, after the Mexican revolutionary Emilio Zapata, assassinated in 1919.

"They only asked to be allowed to live in peace together, to own some land, to have something to eat and a place to sleep," according to Sam Hine, a member of the Bruderhof community.

Hine learned this firsthand when he visited Mexico with seven other members of the Bruderhof community in December, a few days before the killings. They met with Bishop Samuel Ruiz García of San Cristóbal de las Casas, located in Chiapas, and Father Joel Padron. The Bruderhof representatives saw for themselves the plight of the people these courageous priests serve.

Both clergymen are under fire by the

local power structure for their work to seek a peaceful solution for these poorest and most disadvantaged people.

"It was clear the minute we met Bishop Ruiz that he is a man of God," said Hine. Hine said they didn't go to bring Christ to the people, "but to find him."

Hine said also that he wasn't surprised by the killings in Chiapas. "The government of Mexico has to take responsibility for ending the terror against these people, who want nothing more than democracy and human rights for all Mexicans. Our own government, too, has a responsibility, because we're providing weapons and guns that are being used to fight a 'drug war' against the *Zapatistas*," he said.

Most remarkable was the response of the clergy and Christian community after the murders. Hine sent me a fax of Father Padron's urgent call to the authorities to put a stop to the killings.

The priest, who has been imprisoned and abused, asked the grieving families "not to take the wrong road of vengeance. That would only increase the violence and end in destroying us all. Leave justice to the corresponding authorities. We believe they can act according to law. Take, rather, the road that Jesus of Nazareth showed us: the road of reconciliation and forgiveness."

My respect and gratitude goes to Hine and the Bruderhof for sharing their experience with me, for further opening my heart and increasing my understanding of the pains endured by my brothers and sisters in another part of the world. †

Parish Diary/ Fr. Peter Daly

Walking the path of life

I was leaving the hospital one recent Sunday afternoon, just after anointing a dying man. A woman stopped me on my way across the lobby.



"Are you nondenominational?" she asked.

"No," I answered to this rather odd question, "I am a Catholic."

"You'll do," she said. I looked puzzled.

She followed up. "Can you say an adoption prayer? There is a couple giving up their baby for adoption. They need, like, a prayer." She was from the adoption agency.

I followed her to the maternity ward where a young couple was about to give up their 2-day-old baby. The adopting parents were standing by in the waiting room.

When we got to the room, I saw a teenage boy and girl seated by the window. An older couple, probably the new baby's grandparents, were standing near the bed.

They all were looking at the little baby, a darling boy with a good head of dark hair. The name they gave him was "Matty." The new mother was crying. It was a painful moment.

The parents couldn't have been more than 19 years old. The father looked especially young because he still had his teenage skin problems. The mother looked frightened. They had not finished their education. They were not married. They could not support this baby. They knew this was the right decision for everybody. But it still hurt.

It was true love. Real love is concerned not with its own welfare but with another's. These young people had learned that lesson. They were worried about the baby and its future, not about what would be easiest for them.

I praised them for giving the child a chance for life. I also praised them for recognizing that they could not care for this tiny, perfect little boy.

I told them that they would give enormous joy to an older couple that might not be able to have children of their own. That no one could give a greater gift than they were giving and that God would bless their selflessness.

I told them of the many people looking for children to adopt and of the great difficulty in finding healthy children for adoption. I mentioned that one in eight couples has fertility problems.

I know that none of this could console them for their loss.

In the prayer I asked God to send a holy angel to watch over this child and preserve him into life eternal. We prayed that some day he might know the great love that his birth parents had for him that caused them to think of his welfare, not their own desires.

I praised God for this miracle of life and prayed for all infertile couples who desired to become parents. We finished with the Our Father together.

The young mother and father nodded along through the prayer, brushing back tears. At the end they collapsed into a hug of each other and the baby, sobbing as he was about to be carried away.

The image of that couple stays with me. They had done a courageous thing. They had, no doubt, matured a lot through what they had suffered.

They had learned that love is not without cost and that every Christian carries the cross. They also had learned what a tremendous gift from God every life is.

I am sure they will be better parents for this experience. Of course the pain of abstaining from sex would have been less than the pain of giving the baby away. But I was glad they had walked the path to life. †

Osgood churches present Festival of Lights

By Barbara Jachimiak
Special to The Criterion

OSGOOD—More than 20 churches of all denominations participated in the presentation of the Festival of Lights and Boar's Head Festival at St. John the Baptist Parish in Osgood on Jan. 4.

Under the direction of Pat Hicks, organist at St. John, and parishioner Ruth Lengerich, who managed the dozens of costumes, the pomp and pageantry of the medieval celebration was re-enacted.

The Festival of Lights script was written

and directed by Hicks. A combined choir of several churches, a quartet, an orchestra, and instruments such as the harpsichord and bells, provided the music.

The festival was common in medieval England to celebrate happiness, wealth, and love for family and neighbors, and to re-create the miracle of the birth of Jesus Christ in Bethlehem and the light that came into the world.

The program began with the Boar's Head Festival at a medieval manor house in Gothic England, complete with lords and ladies, singers, dancers, jesters, and

acrobats, along with rich and poor residents of the countryside. A boar's head and food for the banquet table were brought to the feast.

The second half of the program featured the birth of Jesus Christ in a manger in Bethlehem, the announcement of his birth by the Angel Gabriel, the adoration of the Messiah by the shepherd, and the presentation of gifts by the Three Kings.

Former pastor of St. John, Msgr. John Minta, and Franciscan Sister Julia Biehle, the director of religious education at

St. John, were proclaimers one and two in the telling of the story during the presentation.

The combined choir was lead by Bev Miller, a member of St. John's choir. The stewards bearing the boar's head were Devon and Jon Hill, members of St. John's youth group. King Wenceslas was portrayed by parishioner Dick Lengerich.

The ecumenical effort by so many denominations was evident by the end of the program which received an enthusiastic ovation from the audience.†

Check It Out . . .

The archdiocesan Office of Worship will sponsor "Celebrating Good Friday and the Triduum," a workshop for priests, parish life coordinators, liturgists, musicians, and pastoral leaders, Feb. 10 at the Benedict Inn in Beech Grove. Capuchin Father Edward Foley, a noted scholar, author, musician and liturgist, will be the presenter. The program will begin at 9:30 a.m. and conclude at 3 p.m. The cost is \$20 per person or \$15 per person when five or more persons from the same parish register. Information: 317-236-1483 or 800-382-9836 ext. 1483.

"Blessed Grieving: When a Loved One Dies," a healing retreat, will be offered Feb. 13 through Feb. 15 at Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th Street in Indianapolis. Dr. Margie Pike and Benedictine Father Hilary Ottensmeyer will be the presenters. The cost is \$110 for single and \$180 per couple. Information: 317-545-7681.

"Passing On Our Catholic Faith to Our Children and Grandchildren, a reflection day, will be held Feb. 10 at Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th Street in Indianapolis. Sister Antoinette Purcell will be the presenter. The day will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 2 p.m. The cost is \$20. Information: 317-545-7681.

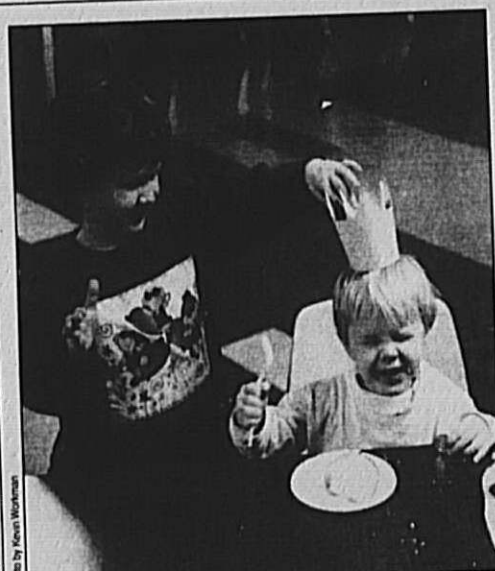
"These Last Days—The Many Faces of Faith," a women's retreat, will be held Feb. 20 through Feb. 22 at Mount St. Francis Retreat Center in southern Indiana. For more information call 812-923-8817.

VIPs . . .

Providence Sister James Michael Kesterson will celebrate 50 years with the Sisters of Providence with a liturgy at St. Jude Church, 5353 McFarland Road in Indianapolis, on Sunday, Feb. 1 at 2 p.m. A reception will follow Mass. †

The archdiocesan Family Life Office will offer a six-week Divorce and Beyond Program to be held Jan. 26 through Feb. 2 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the O'Meara

Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian Street in Indianapolis. The cost is \$25. For more information call 317-236-1586 or 800-382-9836 ext. 1586.†

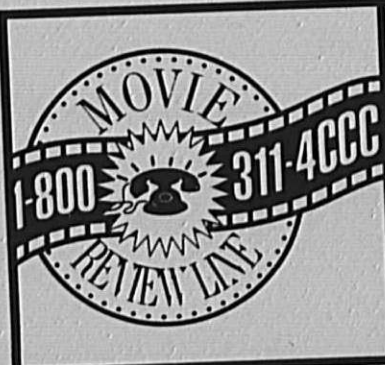


King for the day

Emily (left) and Samuel Myren attend an Epiphany party at Holy Trinity Parish in Edinburg on Jan. 4. Samuel, who was king for the day, eats king's cake.

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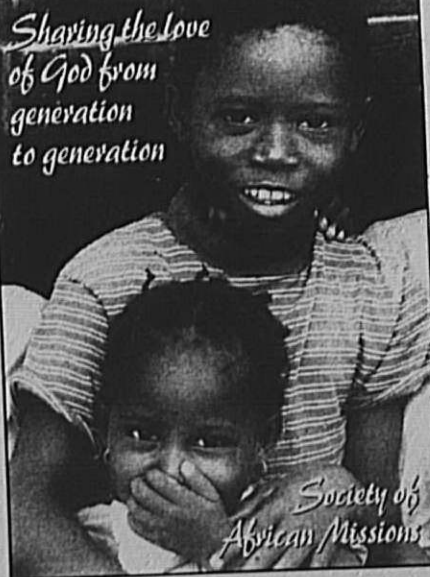
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HONORS

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Patricia DeVault of St. Anthony Parish in Indianapolis; James Magee of St. Pius X Parish in Indianapolis; Lucious Newsom of Nativity Parish in Indianapolis; and Benedictine Archabbot Lambert Reilly, archabbot of Saint Meinrad Archabbey.

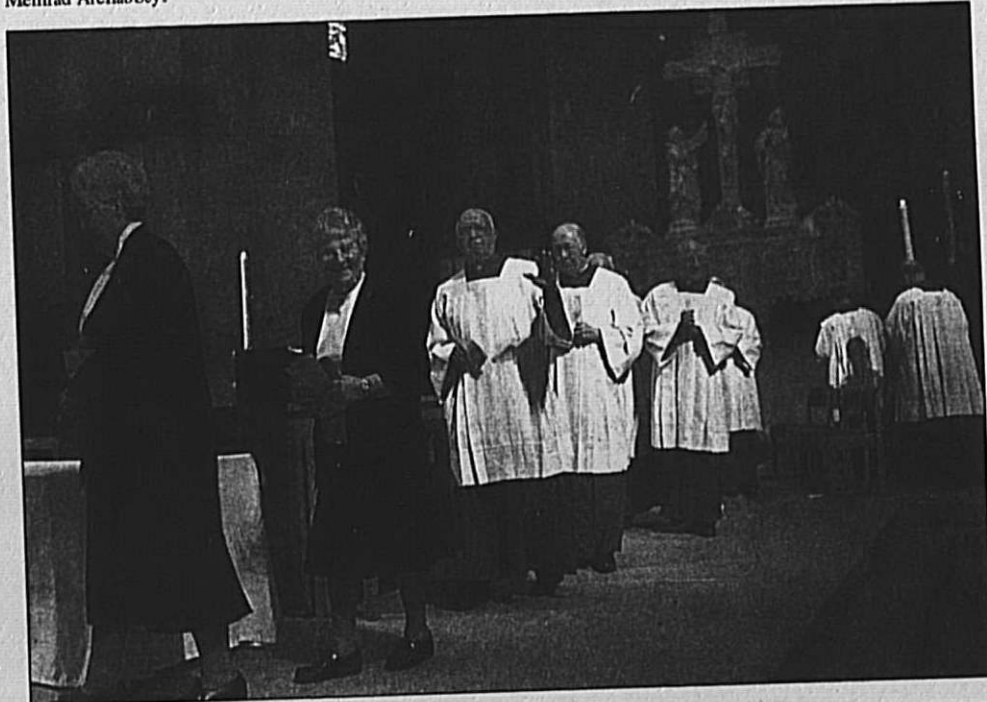
Others receiving the honor for service to the church are: Marie Robertson of Sacred Heart Parish in Jeffersonville; Franciscan Sister Rita Vukovic of Cardinal Ritter High School in Indianapolis; and Lois Weilhammer of Nativity Parish in Indianapolis. (*The Criterion* will include stories about the honorees in future issues.)

The new prelates of honor who were invested are: Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel, vicar general of the archdiocese; Msgr. Frederick C. Easton, archdiocesan vicar judi-

cial; Msgr. Harold L. Knueven, pastor of Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish in Greenwood; and Msgr. Louis H. Marchino, retired pastor of Holy Family Parish in New Albany.

The other new monsignors are Msgr. John J. Minta, retired pastor of St. John Parish in Osgood; Msgr. Lawrence J. Moran, pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Terre Haute; Msgr. John T. Ryan, pastor of St. Anthony Parish in Indianapolis; and Msgr. Louis E. Schumacher, pastor of St. Michael Parish in Brookville. †

At left, Marie Robertson of Sacred Heart Parish in Jeffersonville and Franciscan Sister Rita Vukovic of Cardinal Ritter High School in Indianapolis lead the procession past the altar at the Jan. 18 Mass to honor recipients of papal honors. The *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice* medal is shown below.



ORDINATION

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church.

"Remember that prayer is the key to happiness," said Archbishop Buechlein, "because personal prayer is the key to fidelity."

After the examination of the candidate, Emrich promised his obedience. While the assembly sang the Litany of the Saints, he lay prostrate before the altar. After the archbishop performed the Laying On of Hands, the other priests who concelebrated followed suit.

After the Prayer of Consecration, Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel, archdiocesan vicar general, and Father Paul Etienne, archdiocesan vocations director, helped the new priest don his stole and chasuble. Archbishop Buechlein then anointed Father Emrich's hands.

The next action was the Presentation of Chalice and Paten to the new priest. This was followed by the Kiss of Peace by the archbishop and the other priests.

Father Emrich stood to the right of the archbishop to concelebrate the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Before he distributed Communion, the new Father Emrich gave his first blessings to his parents.

Beside them, the seat he had occupied at the beginning of Mass was empty—except for his deacon's stole. †



The newly-ordained Father Jack Emrich confers with Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein Jan. 17.

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Indianapolis West Deanery

St. Malachy Parish Brownsburg

Story by Mary Ann Wyand

Fast Fact:

In recent months, St. Malachy parishioners have initiated interreligious dialogue with the members of Calvary United Methodist Church in Brownsburg and supported the Cornerstone Christian Church's Food Pantry efforts in Brownsburg to help the rural poor of Hendricks County. St. Malachy parishioners also help with a variety of Catholic Social Services and St. Vincent de Paul projects for needy people.

St. Malachy parishioners help the poor in Indiana and Haiti

Faith formation, social justice efforts and hospitality are priorities at St. Malachy Parish in Brownsburg, a Catholic community of 1,987 households and 6,430 parishioners.

"St. Malachy has doubled in size in 12 years, and we're still growing," Father Daniel Staublin, pastor, explained on Jan. 9. "Our parish secretary, Nancy Bishop, registered three new families today."

The growth is so continual that the parish hosts a coffee and donuts get-together after the 9 a.m. Mass one Sunday every month to welcome new parishioners.

Last fall, Father Staublin said, the Hendricks County parish adopted the archdiocesan stewardship program, emphasizing the gifts of time, talent and treasure, with wonderful results.

"So much of what the social justice committee has done has flowed from our faith formation and stewardship programs," he said. "We educated parishioners about Christian stewardship and nudged them to help more with their time, talent and treasure. I've been very happy with the response from

the people. They have stepped forward in new ways. Now we're collecting the time, talent and treasure cards and assigning new names to committees to get people more involved in parish life."

St. Malachy parishioners also began working on a long-range strategic plan during a parish leadership retreat Jan. 16-17 to better meet the future needs of the parish into the next millennium.

"We're embarking on a new chapter in our parish with our stewardship efforts and long-range planning," the pastor said. "The energy among parishioners has been very high. It's exciting. People are acknowledging—because the Brownsburg area is changing so rapidly with lots of housing construction and new people moving here—that we've got to change, too. The parish leaders want to plan for that."

Since Father

Staublin's appointment as pastor in August 1996, St. Malachy completed the parish building program which was started under the leadership of Father Wilfred Day, St. Malachy's former pastor.

"St. Malachy was in the middle of our parish expansion



Following St. Malachy School's major expansion and remodeling project completed in August 1996, students helped clean the classrooms to get the building ready for the first day of classes. St. Malachy School third-grade teacher Michelle Craney cleans desks with help from Abby and Amanda Fisher.



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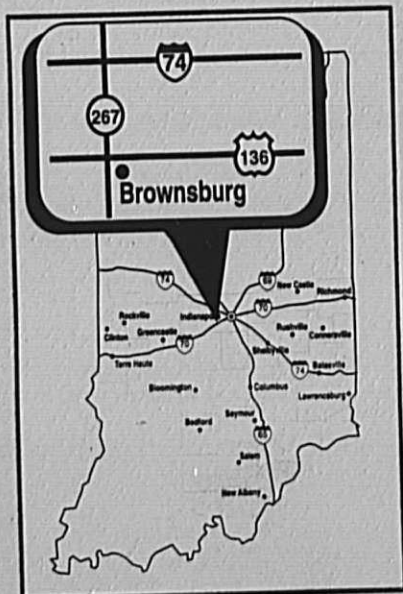
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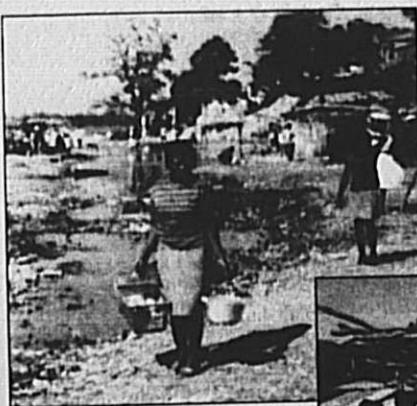
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St. Malachy parishioners are planning a medical mission to Haiti in May to help the people of St. Marguerite Parish in Port Margot. The Indianapolis West Deanery parish donates a portion of its tithing to the Haitian parish as part of the Haiti Parish Twinning Program. Parish school and religious education students are making rosaries for the medical mission team to give to St. Marguerite parishioners.

St. Malachy parishioners respond to the Gospel call to serve the poor in a variety of ways, he said. "Our St. Vincent de Paul Society committee helps at the Indianapolis warehouse, and we have a wonderful group of people who regularly work at the Cathedral Soup Kitchen in Indianapolis. Kevin Smith, our parish youth ministry coordinator, takes the high school youth group to Indianapolis once a month to help Beggars for the Poor distribute clothing and personal hygiene articles to folks in the inner city."

Every month St. Malachy parishioners also donate canned goods to the Cornerstone Christian Church Food

Pantry in Brownsburg to help the rural poor in Hendricks County.

"The high-profile activities of our social justice committee keeps that part of our mission as church very visible in the parish," Father Staublin said. "I think our stewardship and planning efforts and what we're doing in the area of social jus-

tice illustrate how we're trying to live the Journey of Hope 2001 as a faith community and build toward the next millennium."

Diane Burns, parish administrator of religious education, said St. Malachy formed a social justice committee three years ago to coordinate and expand outreach efforts among parish groups.

"Our social justice efforts evolved from our faith formation programs," Burns said. "Last year we sponsored a soup and bread supper and invited a representative from the Cathedral Soup Kitchen in Indianapolis to tell us about that ministry. That's how we got parishioners interested in helping there. This year we plan to invite a staff member from the Holy Family Shelter in Indianapolis to get our parishioners interested in that ministry for the poor."

St. Malachy contributed its Thanksgiving Day collection to the Cornerstone Christian Church Food

Pantry to purchase food vouchers for needy people in Hendricks County.

"We collected about \$1,000 for that project," Burns said. "People don't always notice the rural poor, but we know their numbers are increasing because the food pantry is getting more and more calls for help."

Future parish outreach plans include some type of prison ministry, she said, to reach out to yet another group of forgotten people.

St. Malachy parishioners also are sponsoring a medical mission in May to St. Marguerite Parish, their sister parish in Port Margot, Haiti, she said. The 14-member team includes doctors, nurses, dentists and a nutrition expert. Parishioners already have generously responded to this project with donations of funds and medical supplies.

Through these and other service projects, Burns said, "we're making a difference in the local community and the larger church, and that's been one of our faith formation goals. St. Malachy parishioners care about others, and our social justice efforts have been the biggest way we've expressed that." †

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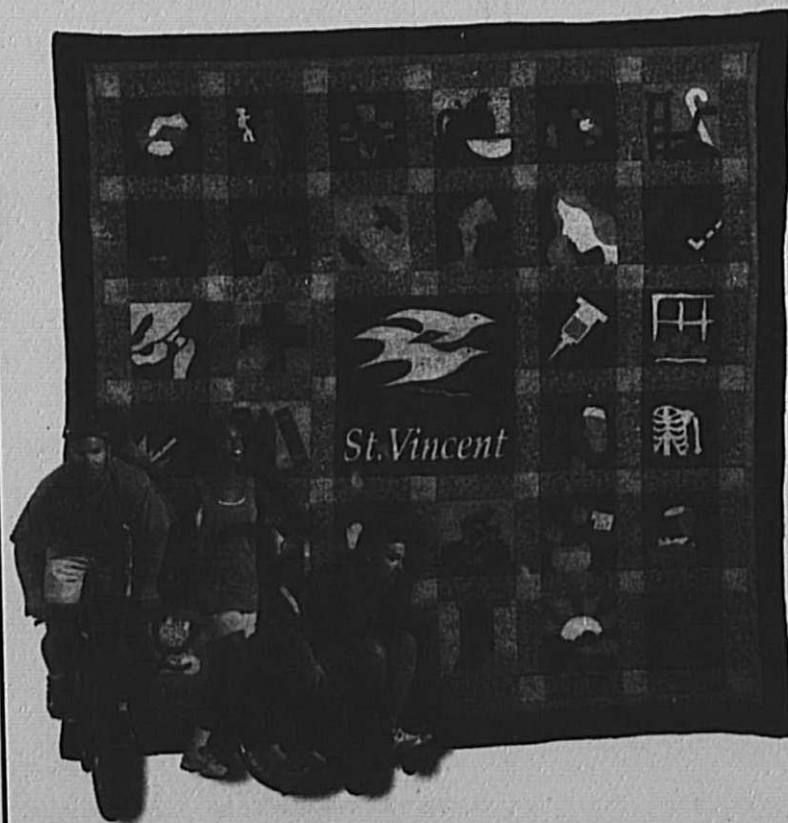
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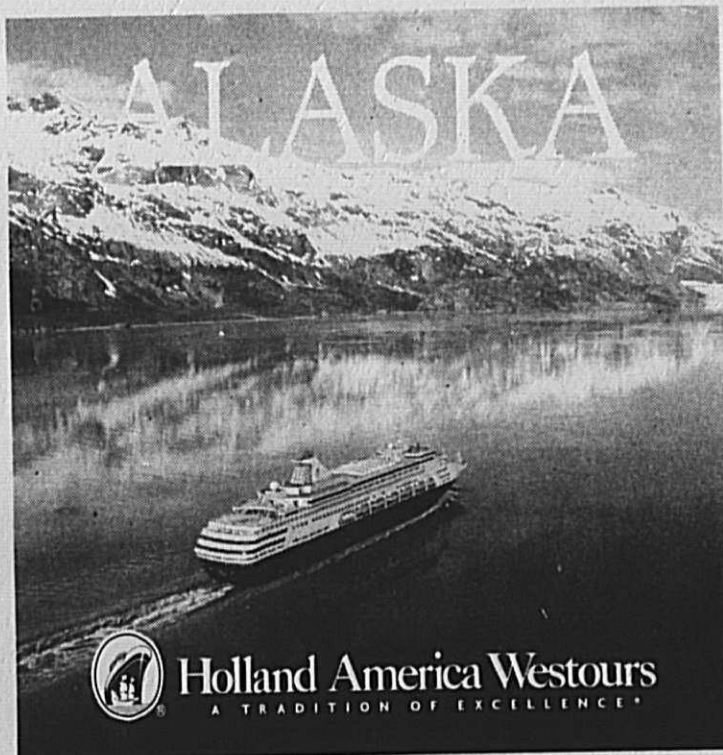
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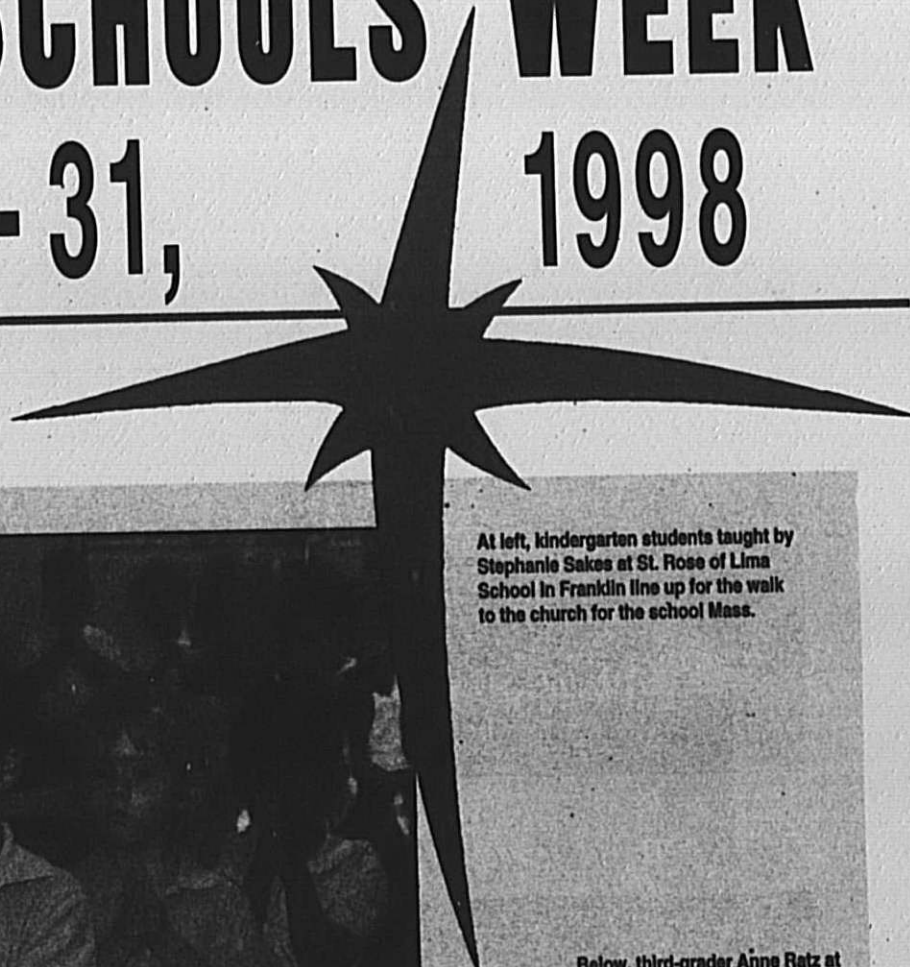
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At left, kindergarten students taught by Stephanie Sakes at St. Rose of Lima School in Franklin line up for the walk to the church for the school Mass.

Below, third-grader Anne Ratz at St. Roch School in Indianapolis gives her teacher full attention.



Catholic schools a cornerstone for revitalized center city

National and local leaders like Marilyn Quayle, American United Life president Jerry Semler and Indianapolis Mayor Stephen Goldsmith are joining forces to help the schools in center city Indianapolis.



Daniel J. Elsener

During Catholic Schools Week, on Thursday Jan. 29, there will be a formal kickoff for the Building Communities of Hope campaign for Indianapolis center-city Catholic schools.

These schools have experienced a 10.5 percent enrollment increase this year.

The Office of Catholic Education is teaming up with Catholic Social Services, businesses and corporations and the city administration "to make a significant contribution to children, families and neighborhoods in the center city of Indianapolis," said Daniel J. Elsener, executive director of the Office of Catholic Education for the archdiocese.

"It is going to be a dramatic announcement. Significant mission-driven institutions are coming together to help children and families," Elsener said. "It will be a new era in the center city."

"In the last six months, we've been taking time to consult with a lot of business leaders to form a cabinet. We are putting together a leadership team and inviting initial lead gifts for this campaign," he said.

"It is interesting that, as the leadership has formed, the concept of all entities working together to help families, neighborhoods and children has become the central theme of our case," said Elsener.

It is clear that this effort will be a national model as diocesan, city and business concerns find better ways to address the serious problems of poverty, crime and violence through education and social services for center-city children, youth and families, he said.

"We have asked very busy people, people with a lot of other things to come on board," Elsener said. "They represent both Catholic and other faith traditions. One after

another, they have said yes. There has been an overwhelmingly positive response."

While the entire campaign committee will be announced on Jan. 29, he did confirm that Marilyn Quayle will serve as national chairwoman; Semler will be general chairman and Mayor Goldsmith honorary chairman.

"We really have a big story to tell," said Elsener. "The creation of significant endowments and multi-million dollar capital investments. Lilly Endowment and the Catholic hospitals have provided leadership and helped promote the effort."

"It is really exciting," he said. "I couldn't be happier with the kind of response we've received."

"At the heart of it, of course, is our faith and the power of the Holy Spirit," said Elsener. "People of other faith traditions and Catholic business leaders are responding in the spirit of good stewardship to invest in these ministries."

"It's edifying to see this kind of faith alive in the community, and the bishop's leadership has been key to getting this program under way," he said. †

Special learners 'precious' in New Albany

By Cynthia Dewes

NEW ALBANY—Franciscan Sister Sharon Marie Blank, principal of Our Lady of Perpetual Help School in New Albany, said she always felt badly in previous years about the inability of Catholic schools to serve children with special learning needs.

One reason was the alienation from the church felt by the families of such children. Ann Steiner, mother of a Perpetual Help kindergartner with Down Syndrome and president of the school board, shared this feeling with Sister Sharon Marie.

Steiner said special needs kids seemed to be automatically denied a Catholic education and expected to attend public school, where special education services are mandated by law. Many such parents ended up drifting away from a church they felt was indifferent to their situations.

For three years, Perpetual Help School has addressed the needs of special children. One way is by using the "Everybody Counts" program to heighten awareness and understanding of these needs among students and teachers.

In this program, each grade is taught about a different disability by acting it out for a week. One group puts on mittens and tries to pick up Cheerios, learning how it feels to be physically handicapped. Others use blindfolds and walking canes to realize how difficult it is to maneuver without sight, or they wear earplugs to simulate hearing loss.

At the end of the week the students celebrate an all-school Mass in which special needs students participate. Later a speaker addresses their experiences.

Sister Sharon Marie said in one particularly instructive follow-up, a public school teacher who had become deaf explained how her students had learned sign language in order to communicate with her.

Perpetual Help is "trying to become an inclusive school," said Sister Sharon Marie, having served special kids for the past three years. At present, the school includes one autistic student, one with Down Syndrome, one hearing impaired, one hearing and sight impaired and some mildly mentally handicapped and learning disabled students.

Sister Sharon Marie said teaching spe-



Tommy Steiner (from left) and Patrick Noyes take time out for snacks with Cara Martin, special education teacher at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School in New Albany.

First graders Tyler Clark (from left) and Sam Himburg learn their senses of touch rather than sight in the Everybody Counts program. Parent volunteer Terri White leads the students in their discoveries.



cial children is "scary for teachers. They think they need special education degrees." For the past three years, several of her teachers have been given encouragement by attending the "Perspectives on Disability" workshops offered by the University of Dayton, Ohio. What it comes down to is "taking it one by one" and teaching each child according to how he or she learns.

The Special Education Task Force of the archdiocesan Office of Catholic Education (OCE) also "means a lot to the teachers," she said, because it agrees with parents like Steiner. Its philosophy statement reads: We believe all children with special needs/exceptions are entitled to a Catholic education.

So when teachers wonder, "What do I do with this child?" the task force offers ways to permit the child to remain in a Catholic school classroom. Its resource directory supplement is full of valuable information "for diverse learners," describing such students as "precious in his sight." The supplement includes informa-

tion that is helpful to parents as well as teachers.

Among other subjects, it includes sources for assessment tools, teacher materials, counselors, internet access, religious education materials, private schools, testing and tutoring services and all kinds of related catalogs, books, videos and pamphlets. Also of particular help to parents is the task force's directory of services available at Catholic schools in the archdiocese.

Sister for Christian Community Michelle Faltus, associate director of Catholic education, curriculum and assessment for OCE said, "We'd love to do what the public schools do for these kids, but we just can't."

Nevertheless, she is impressed with the program offered to special needs students at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School. "They're doing a good job with special education," she said.

Parents or others who want information about the task force and special education services in the archdiocese can call Sister Michelle at 317-236-1486 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1486. †

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Batesville school dramatizes Journey of Faith

BATESVILLE—St. Louis School in Batesville is getting into the spirit of a real journey for the archdiocesan Journey of Hope 2001.

The first sign was in October, when

the pastor, Franciscan Father William Farris, appeared at the school Mass with a suitcase to begin the Journey of Hope.

Students were given a "passports" with their (school) photos and identifica-

tion. Designed with the input of the principal, Michael Amrhein; the art teacher, Mary Sorrells; and Father Bill, they were put together by members of the parent-teacher organization.

The three pillars of the Journey of Hope have separate pages in the passport: spirituality, evangelization and stewardship.

As they participate in each of these areas, the students and staff members will document what they have done in their passports. For example, during the spiritual journey of Advent, they noted where prayer and Scripture "took them":

to Elizabeth's home, to Bethlehem, to Nazareth. The passports are stamped after each journey.

Every Monday, the students begin their week by praying the Journey of Hope 2001 prayer with the entire school. The students document any acts of evangelization and stewardship in their passports.

The pastor is on a journey to Jamaica to visit St. Louis Parish's twin parish and the four schools it maintains. When he left, the students sent letters and gifts of shoes and other necessary items.

They are now preparing for the Lenten journey. †

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Schools help special children

Children with special educational needs may get the extra help they need to reach their potential in nearly 70 percent of the schools in the archdiocese.

A parent education night will be held in the fall of 1998. Schools involved with the special education task force are:

- Batesville Deanery: St. Louis in Batesville, St. Mary in Greensburg and St. Nicholas in Sunman.
- Bloomington Deanery: St. Vincent dePaul in Bedford and St. Charles Borromeo in Bloomington.
- Connersville Deanery: St. Michael in Brookville, Seton in Richmond and St. Mary in Rushville.
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Thomas Aquinas and Bishop Chatard High School.

- Indianapolis South Deanery: Our Lady of the Greenwood, St. Jude, St. Mark and Roncalli High School.
- Indianapolis West Deanery: St. Gabriel, St. Malachy in Brownsburg, St. Michael, St. Monica, St. Susanna and Cardinal Ritter High School.
- New Albany: St. Anthony, Clarksville; St. Joseph, Corydon; Sacred Heart, Jeffersonville; Holy Family, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, and St. Mary, New Albany St. Paul, Sellersburg; and Our Lady of Providence High School in Clarksville.
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Those from St. Jude School who went to Washington in November to accept the award included the principal, Providence Sister James Michael Kesterson; the president of St. Jude School's Parent Teacher Organization, Sabrina Young and teacher, Susie Halloran.

Dr. Robert J. Kealey, executive director of the Department of Elementary Schools at the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) and Leonard DeFiore, president of the NCEA presented the award.

Kealey said, "We are proud of the recognition given to St. Jude School and Principal Sister James Michael Kesterson. St. Jude serves as an example of the excellence that Catholic schools contribute to our nation's educational system."

The 12-year-old program calls attention to the success of schools that are exceptionally effective at educating stu-

dents, encouraging other schools and communities to learn from their ideas and examples.

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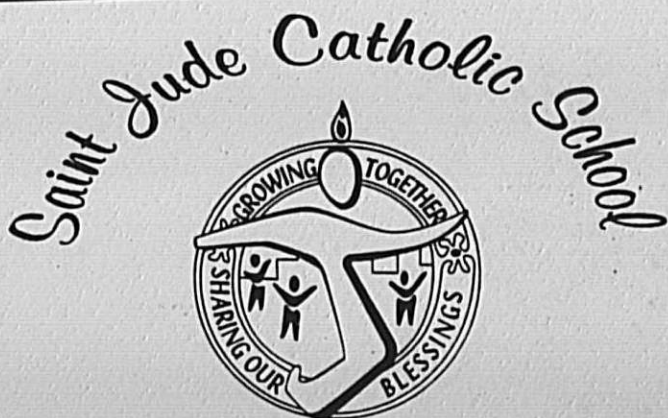
cators of success, such as student performance on measures of achievement, daily student and teacher attendance rates, and school, staff and student awards.

Schools are identified on the basis of their effectiveness in meeting local, state and national education goals and other standards of quality. They must give clear evidence that their students are developing a solid foundation of skills in reading, writing and mathematics, as well as in reasoning and problem solving.

Kealey noted that parents place their children in Catholic schools for three reasons. "Parents recognize the superior academic achievement of Catholic school students. Parents also see in Catholic schools secure and disciplined learning environments which nurture children."

"Finally, parents acknowledge that children must be exposed to a total education that includes growth in religious awareness and a critical evaluation of the world in light of basic moral principles," said Kealey.

St. Jude School will celebrate the Blue Ribbon Award during a liturgy and blessing of the school's new wing and multipurpose room at 5 p.m. on Jan. 24. †



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Scecina student scores nearly perfect on SAT

Senior who scored 1590 out of 1600 on aptitude test plans to study aeronautical engineering at Purdue University this fall

By Mary Ann Wyand

The sky isn't the limit for Scecina Memorial High School senior Melissa Hanafee of St. Mary Parish in Indianapolis.



Melissa Hanafee

Melissa recently scored 1590 points out of a possible perfect score of 1600 points on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). She plans to major in aeronautical and astronautical engineering—the study of satellites, space-

ships and airplanes—at Purdue University this fall.

Her future goals are to design spacecraft or work for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) as an astronaut and explore the infinite reaches of outer space.

After completing grade school at St. Jude and Nativity schools in

Indianapolis, Melissa accepted an academic scholarship to continue her Catholic school education at Roncalli High School. She spent one year at the Indianapolis South Deanery interparochial high school before transferring to Scecina when her parents, Tom and Marianne Hanafee, moved to the east side.

At both Catholic high schools, Melissa said she has appreciated the honors classes taught by dedicated and thorough teachers.

"I've got some teachers I love who really challenge their students," Melissa said. "Mr. [Gerald] Matheny [who died on Dec. 23] came to school early every day to teach a special Latin class at 7 a.m. for interested students. He did that without extra salary, out of the kindness of his heart, because he thought it would help us with the SAT test. He also taught honors English. The students all loved him."

Melissa said other Scecina teachers who are special mentors include Bruce Law, who now teaches senior honors English; Jim Nohl, who teaches physics and algebra; Doug Haywood, a calculus teacher; and Mary Goebes, a chemistry instructor.

"Miss Goebes got me enrolled in a program called the Exploration of Careers in Science Summer Institute offered by

Indiana University at Bloomington," Melissa said. "During the summer before my junior year at Scecina, I lived on the I.U. campus for two months with free use of the dormitory, free food and free access to the Internet."

Melissa said Indiana University paid each institute participant \$625 to research the design and development of a high-speed pulsed gas valve for the I.U. synchrotron, a particle accelerator more commonly known as an "atom smasher." They also published a paper on the project. "I love math and science," she said. "Mr. Nohl and Mr. Haywood were always there for me when I had questions."

At Roncalli, Melissa was a member of the swim team. During her three years at Scecina, she has participated in the Brain Game team, is a member of the National Honor Society, and is a National Merit Scholarship semifinalist.

She also serves as a peer mentor for the archdiocesan "A Promise to Keep" chastity program, volunteers as a tutor with Scecina's Service Club, and participates in Scecina's Color Guard.

Melissa serves St. Mary Parish as a cantor and chair of the stewardship committee.

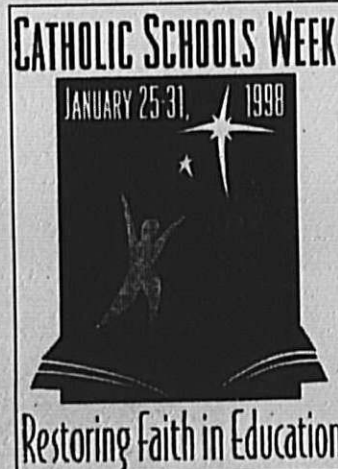
Regarding her outstanding performance on the comprehensive college admissions exam, Melissa said she took the SAT test three times to improve her score and studied with a set of flash cards available in Scecina's school library.

"The flash cards are great," she said. "They explain the reasoning behind the

questions so you know the answers."

Tom Hanafee said he and his wife are glad Melissa and her younger sister, Allison, are enrolled at the Indianapolis East Deanery interparochial high school. He also praised the late Gerald Matheny for inspiring and challenging the students to excel.

"The primary function of Catholic schools, as we view it, is to have God integrated into all of the curriculum," Hanafee said. "We feel that is an integral part of life. God has to be at the center. Science is great, but it is God who creates the laws that the sciences follow." †



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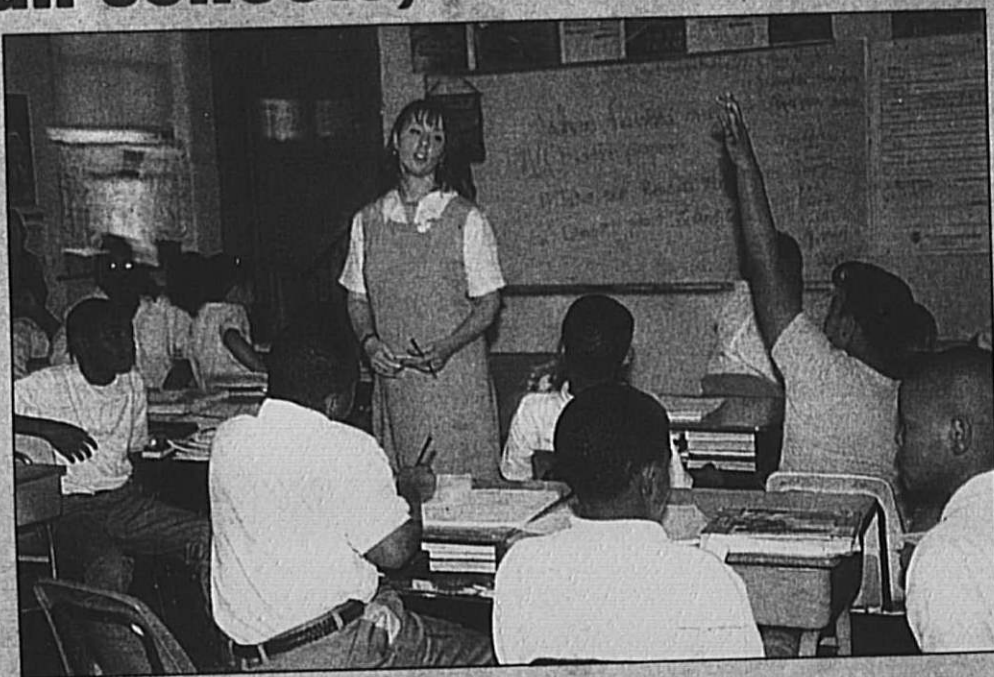
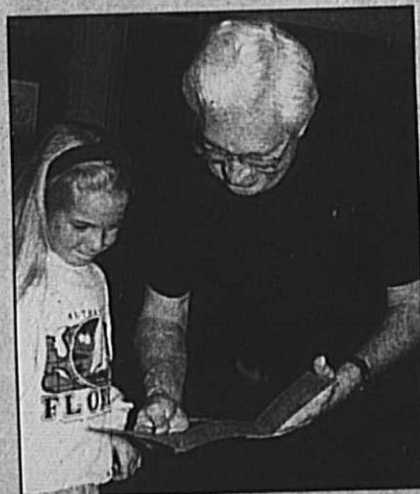
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At Holy Angels School in Indianapolis, Jennifer Sheehan fields a question from one of her sixth-grade students in photo at right.

At St. Roch School in Indianapolis, second-grader Amanda Murphy gets report card approval from the pastor, Father James Wilmoth.



Catholic schools throughout the archdiocese are celebrating Catholic Schools Week with open houses, games, special school Masses and presentations at parish Sunday Masses.

At St. Charles School in Bloomington, the Catholic Schools Week theme will be When the Saints Go Marching In. Each class will adopt a saint and focus on

what qualities saints have in common. Besides the special days, students will write thank you letters to parishioners who support the school ministry. The school will have a student/faculty talent show, among other activities.

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Afterwards they will present plaques of appreciation. Monday will be a day of service, with students honoring veterans, fire and police officers, nursing home clients and working at a soup kitchen.

On Monday afternoon, All Saints students will honor Mayor Stephen Goldsmith, Msgr. John Ryan, Mickey Lentz and Sister for Christian Community Michelle Faltus. An all-school recognition Mass and breakfast will be held Tuesday. Honor students and staff members will be honored during the week. On Friday evening, there will be a reading lock-in. And on Saturday, the Home and School Association will sponsor a Mexican fiesta dinner.

Students at St. Barnabas in Indianapolis are making posters to express appreciation to local businesses that helped during the past year. All volunteers in the building will be given special treats. The school is stretching out into its new space, including a music room that is home to 135 middle school choir members.

In Indianapolis, St. Mark teachers have challenged students to a volleyball game. Students will be writing letters to students at a Catholic school in Illinois. Eighth graders will run the school on teacher appreciation day. And a special prayer service and Mass will close the school week.

Holy Name School in Beech Grove will have an art fair in the cafeteria on Sunday, students' day on Monday, volunteers' day with a movie on Tuesday, teachers' day with a spelling bee and a skating party on Wednesday, parents' day on Thursday and grandparents' day and an all-school liturgy on Friday.

Holy Cross Central School in Indianapolis will show its appreciation of family, students, and teachers on different days. On Monday, the student council will sponsor a bake sale, with proceeds going to the Holy Childhood Association.



Julie Bowers, a first-grade teacher at St. Patrick School in Terre Haute, signs a student's yearbook.



Students at St. Philip Neri School in Indianapolis form a choir during a program in which Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein and Mayor Stephen Goldsmith spoke to the community.

At left, a student at St. Rose of Lima School in Franklin proclaims the Scripture during a school Mass.

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St. Andrew teacher is geography leader

Karen Cooper is the geography teacher at St. Andrew the Apostle School in Indianapolis.

Because she has participated in some special training opportunities, she has become nationally-known for her work in geograph. In fact, she is a certified consultant for the National Geographic Society.



Karen Cooper

She said that one of the biggest changes in geography is that the students remember what they learn because it is tied in with the culture of the location. They don't memorize geography anymore, Cooper said.

"It is not just learning, but an application of it, too," said Cooper. "They realize that it is a truly global culture."

Her St. Andrew students are enthusiastic. "They are having fun with geography," said Cooper. "When I check, they

seem to be getting As and Bs in high school. It is their enthusiasm. I can't say it's all me. But I feel I am giving them a good foundation."

Her National Geographic connection began in 1995 when she trained in Washington, D.C. The teachers took a trip to New York to look at the city "as a playground for teaching geography." Washington was also a training spot.

Cooper is a certified consultant for the state geography alliance, Geography Educators Network of Indiana. She has been trained to give teachers' workshops; she will

make a presentation at the archdiocesan teachers' convention in October.

"I will do that for anyone in the archdiocese," she said. There is no charge. "It's like giving back from what I've received. I will help children anytime—or anybody in the archdiocese who would like geography presentations."

Two other training opportunities came after her National Geographic training. National Council of Geographic Education (NCGE) has taken a strong look at the participation of minorities and women in geography.

"In 1996, I was able to train at Temple University. They try to sensitize teachers to gender bias, teaching them how to address women and minorities equally."

"Also, we learned how to look at textbooks for biases. It was helpful here with the last textbook adoption. We found some that used women as window dressing." She explained that some publishers had attempted to make changes.

In 1997, she went to the U.S. Naval Academy to participate in the Maury Project in oceanography. She was selected because she was a geographer in education. Most of those they had previously trained were science teachers.

"It was wonderful. I hope to go back next year for two weeks," said Cooper. She knows that funding is available.

Last summer, she met Bob Ballard, geographer in residence who found the Titanic wreckage and more recently, a Spanish galleon. She also met Will Steger, co-leader of the U.S. team on the 1989-90 International Transantarctica expedition. The schools tied their studies into what he was doing.

"Those are the kinds of positive things that come out of this," she said. The students will participate in the Jason

Project, which was started by Ballard to gear kids into geography and oceanography.

Cooper explained that one of things she does with the St. Andrew students is show them how things they watch on TV are connected with geography.

She thinks more teachers should be trained through geography workshops. The state legislature has been supportive, but geography is not required for teacher training. And high school students have a choice between geography and world history.

"We think it's important that they have both," said Cooper.

St. Andrew students study the rainforest in the 6th grade. And they picked Harlem in the '20s and '30s to learn about places named for in history. They use information from television shows, books and newspapers to supplement their studies. They finished their gridiron geography project in December.

Seventh and eighth grade geography classes always tie in with whatever hemisphere they are learning about and how that affects those people, she said.

Since eighth grade students are studying native Americans, they will visit The Eiteljorg Museum, Indianapolis this week. There, they will look at how the Miami Indiana art was affected by the geographic area.

Cooper said that her husband and two sons are very supportive of her studies. The youngest son, a junior in high school, has attended the last two geography conventions with her.

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Cooper is co-chair of the local committee. St. Andrew students will help as will many youth of Indiana.

She also helps every year with the state competition for National Geographic's geography bee. One student is selected from each grade level with a run-off bee at St. Andrew. Those three take a one-hour written test. There are only 100 state finalists and none of her students have yet gone to the state competition at IUPUI.

Cooper was selected to receive eight Odyssey Atlasphere computer globes because of her training. The company called the national geography organizations, asking for names of teachers in certain states. All three organizations named Cooper.

"The globes are great," she said. "The kids have even found ways to use them beyond what the company suggests. Sometimes they use them to support written material."

"They try to get their work done early so they can use them," said Cooper.†



St. Andrew School eighth-graders Lindsey Maden and Ebony Thomas show how to use the Odyssey Atlasphere computer globe to obtain geographical information about countries by pointing a pen. Their teacher, Karen Cooper, was given eight of the globes because of her involvement in national geography groups.

New Albany principal up for distinguished NCEA award

Franciscan Sister Sharon Marie Blank is the principal at Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Franciscan Sister Sharon Marie Blank has been nominated for the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) Distinguished Principal Award. She has been administrator of Our Lady of Perpetual Help School in New Albany since 1985.

In recommending her for the award, Daniel J. Elsener, executive director of Catholic education said, "She conveys a true Christian love and gentleness in her interaction with co-workers" and with her students.

Sister Sharon has been active in many educational organizations, committees and task forces in the archdiocese, including the group that implemented the new catechism.

She believes students should be "individually respected, challenged to reach their highest potential, nurtured to become faith-filled, moral, responsible Christians with the skills necessary to develop a tolerance and appreciation for

the complexity and diversity of each other and all of society."

Doris Gast, a math teacher at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, pointed to Sister Sharon Marie's gift of listening, support of staff, and spiritual leadership.

One parent supported Sister Sharon Marie's nomination because of her encouragement of their child who has Down Syndrome. In his letter, the mayor of New Albany wrote to commend her drug and alcohol resistance program.

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Three are Indiana teacher of year finalists

Three teachers of the archdiocese were selected as state Teacher of the Year finalists: They are Janet Hudson of Cardinal Ritter High School; Elaine Jerrell of Roncalli High School; and Kathy Schubel of St. Bartholomew School in Columbus. Both high schools are in Indianapolis. The three were honored by the state at a banquet last November.

Kathy Schubel is a graduate of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College. She earned a master's degree in library and information science at Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis (IUPUI). She taught in Dayton, Ohio, before she became media specialist and technology coordinator at St. Bartholomew in 1986.

When asked why she enjoys teaching at St. Bartholomew, Schubel said it is "like being at home for me." She attended the school from first through eighth grades and has had someone in her family in the school since 1955.

"Working in a Catholic school, teachers are not only challenged to be excellent teachers, but they are also challenged to be Christian role models for their students," she said.

Schubel said the students are continually involved in service to others. And she hears their prayers: "I am very moved at the depth of prayer which these students are experiencing on a daily basis. For all of our students there is a bonding that worshiping and praying together brings to their lives."

The Columbus teacher has been very active in professional associations and committees and in presenting development activities.

Jerrell received her bachelor's degree in social studies from IUPUI and her master's degree in American history at Butler University. She provides before-school, after-school and private tutoring to her geography students.

She coaches academic teams that have won state championships and respect for team members.

Ten years ago, Jerrell developed a cadet teaching program, which has nurtured many educators who are now in positions throughout the archdiocese and the state.

She is a member of several professional and archdiocesan educational groups and has won many honors for her leadership in education.

Janet Hudson has been a mathematics teacher at

Cardinal Ritter High School for 12 years. She has a bachelor's degree in psychology from DePaul University and a master's degree in mathematics from Butler University.

Hudson began her career as a social worker at Central State Hospital in Indianapolis. Her husband, John, works for a computer company. When the youngest of their three children entered kindergarten, she started her mathematics studies.

"I had two overriding interests in school—mathematics and human behavior," said Hudson. "So I must have

the perfect profession."

She said, "I think my greatest contribution to the education of my students is convincing each of them that they can do mathematics. It is not something mysterious that just a few 'smart' people can do."

A native of Richmond, she is pleased to have been named a semi-finalist for the state Teacher of the Year Award. "I really feel that I merely represent a lot of very hard working teachers at Cardinal Ritter, who care about kids enough to push them to achieve," said Hudson. †

Madison students quilting effort aids charities

By Susan Etter

MADISON—Seventh-grade students at Shaw Memorial High School in Madison learned the trade of quilting while offering the spirit of giving.

Debbie Yingst's 7B class spent the last seven weeks before Christmas learning how to quilt.

First, they learned the basic techniques of sewing and stitching while becoming familiarized with various types of fabrics.

Then, all of the 17 students created their own personalized quilt blocks.

"As the blocks grew, their enthusiasm grew," Yingst said.

As Yingst received the finished blocks, she took them home to sew together on her sewing machine. Each time a strip of the quilt was completed it was sewn on and displayed in a big window in front of the school.

"Everybody could see our quilt growing," she said.

The quilt has 17 personalized blocks that were created by each student. There is also an area in the bottom center of the quilt with a large "S" that is surrounded by each youth's signature.

As the students worked on their quilt blocks they sold raffle tickets and researched various local organizations to which they would donate the proceeds.

Student Breanna Thevanow proposed that the class give the money raised from the quilt raffle to the local youth shelter and to Turning Point, a women's shelter in Madison that is scheduled to open in the spring.

Thevanow, 12, said she thought it would be a good idea to

give to the women's shelter because currently there is no resource like this in Madison.

"Now abused women won't have to be shipped out of town, they can stay here," she said.

The 12-year-old said she proposed that they buy Christmas gifts for the residents of the youth shelter.

The raffle raised \$397, which was split and presented to representatives of Turning Point and the Youth Shelter of Jefferson County during a classroom visit. The drawing for the quilt was held Dec. 19 during the school's Advent program.

Although student Charlie Griswald said he learned several things from the project—like how to sew and how to sell raffle tickets—he gained something more.

"We were donating money and it felt good doing it," he said.

Nancy McCabe, principal, said the idea to create a quilt to raffle for a community service project "got the kids involved in a way that I haven't seen happen in many places."

"I am really proud of the seventh-graders and Debbie (Yingst)," McCabe said. She added that everything Yingst does seems to have a service component.

"That is really what Catholic schools are about," McCabe said.

Students who participated in creation of the quilt were: Anna Barber, Aaron Culussi, Holly Crable, Rebecca Fabian, Charlie Griswald, Greg Hodge, Dustin Lakins, Bretani Munier, Katie Schafer, Sarah Storm, Becky Suchocki, Clayton Tandy, Breanna Thevanow, Betsy Ward, Cameron Willoughby, John Zink, and Julie Zubaty. †



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Artwork helps school financial picture

By Susan Etter

Something so successful must be done again. Last Christmas Jackie Swihart's fifth and sixth-grade art classes at St. Christopher School in Speedway created artwork that was printed onto nearly 16,000 greeting cards.

Early last fall, Andy Ording, father of one of the students, first suggested the idea to put the students' art on Christmas cards.

The cards included religious Christmas verses, which were also created by St. Christopher students. Swihart said the selected artwork was pinned up in front of the classroom and the students were asked to come up with inspirational verses for each.

"We wanted to stick with religious themes," Swihart said.

More than 1,600 packets containing 10 different greeting cards were sold for \$5 each. The school raised more than \$8,000 to go toward matching a Lilly Endowment grant.

Swihart said the students enjoyed the task, however the biggest challenge was getting the youth into the Christmas mode in October.

"It was really hard for the kids because we were asking them to think about Christmas when it wasn't even Halloween yet," she said.

So, the artwork for the Christmas '98 cards was completed this past Christmas.

"All we have to do now is get them printed up and they will be ready for next Christmas," Swihart said.

A challenge for Swihart and other staff members was selecting which 10 pieces of art would be used for the cards.

"It was really tough picking the best ones," Swihart said.

Swihart said the project not only raises money for the

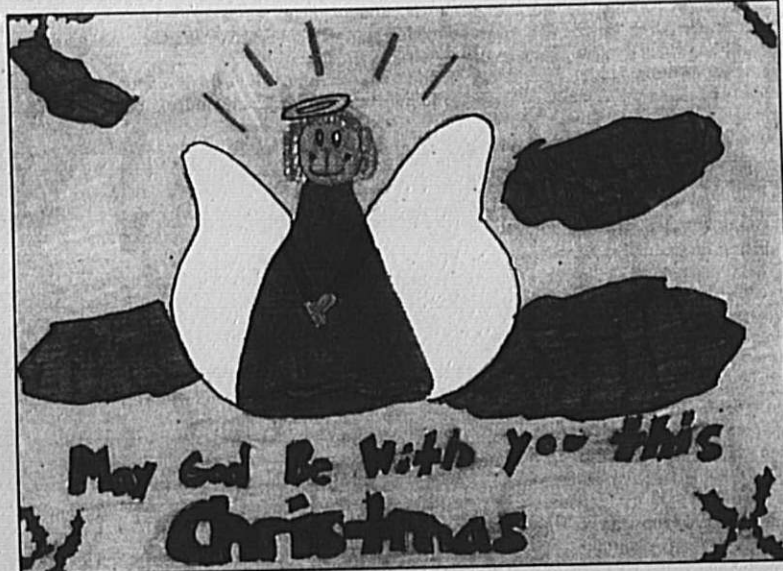
school, but also teaches the students important lessons.

"It teaches them that they need to reach out to other people and they need to show people that they do have faith and that religion is important to them," Swihart said.

She also believes that her students are not only excited

to see their artwork printed professionally onto cards, but they are also happy to help out at school.

"They want to be a part of making their church and school better, so they can be proud and say that they did something to help our community," Swihart said.



As a fund-raising activity, students at St. Christopher School in Speedway designed and wrote the verses for cards like this one by sixth grader Megan Mauser. The verse by Lindsey Surbey reads: May the Angel of the Lord watch over you through this Holy Season. The school sold 16,000 cards, or 1,600 sets of 10 each.



Madison artist

Shaw Memorial High School sophomore Maria Littrell of Trimble County, Ky., works on her sculpture of a boy helping a homeless man during an art class at the Catholic high school in Madison.

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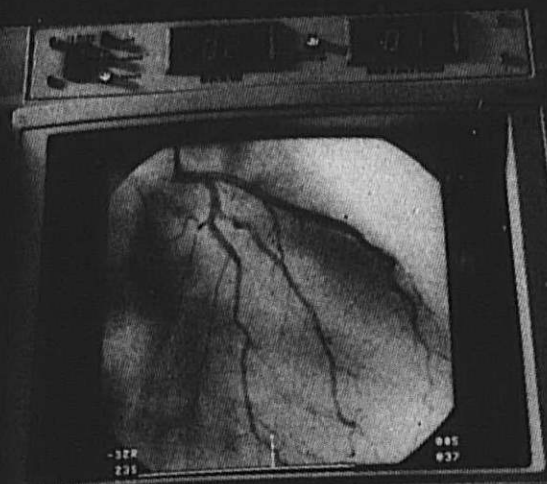
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News briefs

U.S.

Traveling exhibit on pro-life movement unveiled

WASHINGTON (CNS)—Requests by dioceses to display a new traveling exhibit on the 25th anniversary of *Roe vs. Wade* have been coming in so fast that it might have to stay on the road into 1999, according to the U.S. bishops' pro-life spokeswoman. Helen Alvare, director of planning and information for the bishops' Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities, unveiled the new exhibit Jan. 16 at the National Shrine of the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Washington. Under the general title, "The People of Life: A Story of Faith, Hope and Love," the exhibit features four panels with pictures and text on remembering the child, remembering the woman, speaking truth to power and remembering God. But its main message is summarized in the phrase that Alvare described as the pro-life movement's "rallying cry for the 25th anniversary"—"Here until no more children die, no more women cry."

Survey finds greater ethnic mix choosing consecrated life

WASHINGTON (CNS)—Hispanic, African-American and Asian-American Catholics are joining religious orders and secular institutes at a faster rate than ever in the United States, according to a survey of those choosing the consecrated life. The survey, released in January in connection with the U.S. observance of the World Day of Consecrated Life on Feb. 1, was conducted last year among 288 men religious, 652 women religious and 51 members of secular institutes, all of whom were in the initial stages of religious formation or commitment to secular institutes.

Hunger chain to support strikers

NAPLES, Fla. (CNS)—A hunger chain of volunteers committed to undertaking one-day fasts has been launched to support the farmworkers in southern Florida who have

been on a hunger strike since Dec. 20 to protest wages. Six farmworkers began their fast to draw attention to a campaign by the Coalition of Immokalee Workers to push for higher wages for tomato pickers. One hunger striker had to resume eating Jan. 10 after spending two nights in the hospital for dehydration and other complications. Several days later two others had to end their fasts for health reasons.

World

Pope: Catacombs important evangelical tools

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—Pope John Paul II praised Rome's catacombs as important evangelical tools as well as historical treasures. Speaking to the leaders of the Pontifical Commission for Sacred Archaeology Jan. 16, the pope said the ancient underground cemeteries will be an integral part of pilgrim visits during the year 2000. "The catacombs, while presenting the eloquent face of Christian life of the first centuries, constitute a perennial school of faith, of hope and of charity," Pope John Paul said. "Following their corridors, one soaks up a suggestive and moving atmosphere."

Pope, Israeli officials discuss plans for 2000

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—Israeli tourism officials met with Pope John Paul II and other Vatican officials in what they termed a productive planning session for the year 2000 celebrations in the Holy Land. During their 20-minute papal audience Jan. 16, the Israeli delegation renewed the government's invitation for the pope to visit their country. The pope responded that it was on his "horizon," but did not mention a date. The hoped-for papal visit is particularly important to Israelis, who believe it will be a crucial ingredient to the success of the Holy Year, which is being celebrated in both the Holy Land and Rome. Israeli experts said they expect some 5 million additional tourists for the jubilee, but believe that number could be much higher if the pope comes.

Caritas, world food program to unite in global food distribution

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—Caritas Internationalis has

agreed to cooperate globally with the United Nations World Food Program to improve the distribution of food aid. The international Catholic aid organization signed a cooperative agreement with the Paris-based United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization a few days before approving the WFP document Jan. 13. "What is attractive to both UNESCO and the WFP is our global reach," explained Karel Zalenka, the head of Caritas' operations department who was instrumental in the realization of the latter agreement.

Pope asks Polish bishops to focus on ecumenism, evangelization

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—Pope John Paul II asked visiting bishops from central Poland to emphasize ecumenism and evangelization amid rapid social change in their country. The bishops and archbishops from Wroclaw, Gdansk, Gniezno, Poznan and other cities from the pope's native country were on their *ad limina* visits to the Vatican when they met with the pontiff Jan. 16. Pope John Paul noted that Poland had undergone dramatic changes since the bishops' last group visit. Most notably, he said, the social structure which guaranteed support to the majority of the population under communism had eroded. "In this particular moment in history, in which many peoples and countries, among them our nation, give thanks to God for the extraordinary gift of liberty, but at the same time (are suffering) . . . from the experiences of hostility and humiliation of the past, the role of the church is irreplaceable," the pope said.

People

Priest's excommunication lifted after declaration of faith

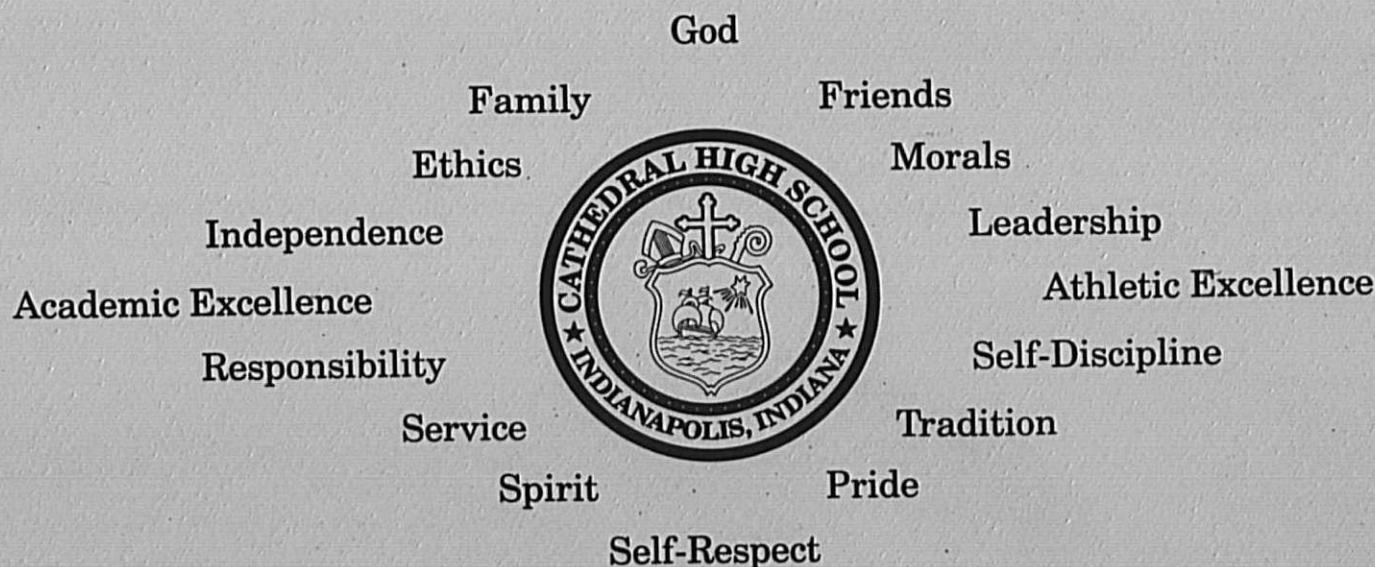
COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (CNS)—The excommunication of Sri Lankan Oblate Father Tissa Balasuriya has been lifted in a ceremony in the private chapel of the archbishop's house in Colombo. "I consider it a satisfactory solution," Father Balasuriya said after the rite, reported UCA News, an Asian church news agency based in Thailand. "I thank all those who prayed and interceded (on my behalf)." Authorized by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Archbishop Nicholas M. Fernando of Colombo, the capital of Sri Lanka, lifted the excommunication at the Jan. 15 ceremony after a declaration of faith by the 73-year-old priest. †

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Perspectives

From the Editor Emeritus/John F. Fink

Herod build the Jewish Temple but Jews never trusted him



King Herod the Great's greatest building achievement was the rebuilding of the Jewish Temple. It took up one-sixth of the entire city of Jerusalem. Work on it began in 18 B.C. and construction was still going on during Jesus' public life. It was a magnificent building that required great feats of engineering to

construct. The platform on which the temple was constructed remains today as the most dominant feature of Jerusalem, with the Muslim Dome of the Rock where the temple once stood.

Despite Herod's attempts, he was never able to gain the support of the Jews in Judea. They simply didn't trust him. When he announced his plans to rebuild the temple, the Jews thought that his real plan was to destroy the temple they had, the one built by Zerubabel after the Jews returned from exile in Babylon. It didn't come near the magnificence of Solomon's Temple, but it was all the Jews had. The Jews refused to work on the rebuilding of the temple until all the materials were assembled.

So the climate among the Jews was definitely anti-government. Even though the last of the Hasmonean kings and high priests had been so bad, the people still wanted their independence. They particularly remembered what Herod did to the Sanhedrin after he became king: He executed 45 of its 71 members because they had opposed him.

The Jews also resented the fact that under Herod, and his successors, the high priest was appointed and dismissed by the king or the Roman governor. There were 28 high priests between 37 B.C. and 70 A.D. The high priests were puppets of the ruler, and the people knew it. The Romans even kept the high priests' vestments sealed in the Antonia fortress. Before each festival the Jewish authorities had to go to

the Antonia to get them.

Such was the atmosphere in the country when Jesus was born in Bethlehem. Since he was born while Herod the Great was still alive, and since we know that Herod died in 4 B.C., historians believe Jesus was born in the year 7 B.C. That means, of course, that the 2,000th anniversary of his birth has already passed—back in 1993—although it will be celebrated in the year 2000.

Before Herod died, he left a will dividing his kingdom among his three sons, Herod Antipas, Archelaus and Philip. Archelaus was given Judea, Samaria and Idumaea; Herod Antipas received Galilee and Peraea; and Philip the area to the north and east of Galilee—the Golan Heights. Herod Antipas ruled Galilee during Christ's public life.

In Jerusalem, Archelaus immediately got into trouble with the Jews. After his father's elaborate funeral, the people were expressing their anger at the dead king and, with Passover approaching, thousands of Jews were pouring into the city. Archelaus sent troops out to control the crowds. The Jews reacted somewhat like today's Palestinians do—they threw stones at the soldiers. But Archelaus reacted much stronger than do today's Israelis: He called out the rest of his army and 3,000 people were massacred.

In Matthew's Gospel we're told that, after Herod's death, an angel told Joseph that he could return from Egypt. But, Matthew says, "When he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go back there" (Mt 2:22). He apparently heard about the massacre. Therefore, he took Jesus and Mary to Nazareth.

Archelaus didn't last long in Judea. After 10 years, the Jews and Samaritans sent a delegation to Rome to complain about him. Caesar Augustus stripped Archelaus of his title and banished him. Judea then came under direct Roman rule, governed by a Roman prefect. One of those prefects was Pontius Pilate. †

Cornucopia / Cynthia Dewes

Gender equality in shopping

There used to be a cliché to the effect that all women were, by definition, shoppers.



Bigtime shoppers. Comedians made jokes about silly wives forever power-shopping and doing lunch with their girlfriends, much to the economic despair of their husbands. Cultural historians even analyzed reasons

for this phenomenon.

They decided that, before the feminist movement came on the scene, women shopped as a vocation because spending their husbands' money was their one and only claim to power. They usually didn't comment on the lunch part.

Whatever the cause, it was true that women did most of a family's shopping: for clothes and gifts and groceries and household goods. Big purchases such as the family home and auto were made jointly or often by the husband alone, with accompanying critical comments from the little woman.

The Great Depression was still within memory, so perhaps to justify whatever guilt they may have felt at this arrangement, if any, the ladies began to embrace trading stamps and coupons. These items were invented solely to make money for their inventors, but no matter.

Thus the appointed, or maybe anointed, lady shoppers went out armed with trading stamps and coupons to fight the good fight. There is no criticism implied here. Even as we speak our household includes many items which were "redeemed" with trading stamps, and coupon bargains fill our pantry and vie for space in the freezer. We are a Coupon Family.

Nevertheless, we are not true frugality fanatics. We do not subscribe to thrift newsletters although they are tempting,

especially when their editors describe how they bought \$250 worth of groceries and paid only \$3.49 for them, thanks to coupons. And not only that, they'd figured to spend \$1.65, but forgot a few of their coupons at home. Tsk.

It seems to me that life is too short to have scissor-cramp from cutting out coupons, or writer's cramp from filling out the kind you send to the manufacturer. And how about sorting and filing the bug-gers, or finding a receptacle suitable for hauling them to the store?

We also are a bit snobbish about rifling through those coupon exchange bins at the entrance to the grocery store. Who knows who touched them last? And tearing off coupons from those little receptacles with blinking lights on grocery shelves seems downright tacky.

We draw the line at those mail-in arrangements, too. You know, the kind where you have to produce three register tapes (who saves them, anyway?!?) with the item circled, five bar codes cut from the products, your name, address, telephone number, favorite store, store where you bought the items, and affidavits verifying your excellent moral character.

Now, it's interesting to note that most men including my husband will share shopping chores nowadays. But, economy notwithstanding, they draw the line at using coupons. "You really don't save any money," they pontificate. "Just buy what you need at a good price."

Sure. But let me tell you, next to using coupons the best way to economize is to not take a man along when you're shopping. They buy stuff like Greek olives and cheese slicers and biscotti and before you know it, they've cheerfully wiped out your coupon savings. Maybe not \$200 worth, but enough to cause trouble.

There was a good reason for women to do all the shopping. And most of us know what it was. †

Be Our Guest/Fr. William F. Stineman

Let us bless the Lord



A town is honored when it can claim its son or daughter as a celebrity. A family is favored if one of its members is chosen to perform a noble task for society. A person is blessed when God chooses to call that individual to do his work for the sake of the kingdom. Only God can bless; we bless by praising and glorifying

Yahweh and by asking him to bless someone we deem deserving of vigor and strength needed to perform a particular task. God blesses when he calls men to the priesthood; those called bless the Lord for his election. There are two aspects to a perfect Christian blessing: that which is sent from God to man; that which man sends back to God. The priest is the one blessed by God; the priest in turn blesses God by reason of God's gift. Yahweh bestows power and favor; the priest returns glory and praise, beseeching Yahweh to continue to bless, as only God can do.

When God calls a man to be a priest, that man's family is distinguished, his hometown is honored, the local society is enriched by the favor bestowed on one of its sons. Obviously the diocese, the local church, is strengthened by the vocation. If the call is to a religious community, that order or society

is invigorated when one of its members professes vows and receives holy orders.

Since 1874, the greater Terre Haute area has given 65 sons to the church. In more than 100 years, eight cities and towns have deserved recognition as the call to sacred orders has been issued in their midst. These communities include Terre Haute, West Terre Haute, St. Mary-of-the-Woods, Clinton, Diamond, Brazil, Jasonville and Linton. The church in Indiana was favored with 43 vocations. Seven religious communities received 22 men into their ranks. 14 of whom became Conventual Franciscans, two were called to the Order of St. Benedict, and two to the Society of Jesus. The congregation of Holy Cross, the Vincentians, Maryknoll and the Trappists each claimed a priest from this area as one of its distinguished members by reason of the blessing God sent down on these his sons living in mid-western Indiana. They have blessed the Lord innumerable times since their ordinations; they continue to bless Yahweh, begging him to send blessings of priestly vocations to other men in the greater Terre Haute area and throughout the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. †

(Father Stineman retired in 1993. Ordained in 1949, he served as assistant, college chaplain and instructor, pastor and administrator in various parts of the archdiocese. He was pastor of St. John the Evangelist Parish in Indianapolis from 1978-93.)

The Human Side/Fr. Eugene Hemrick

Are you creative yet?

Many people don't think of themselves as creative people. But all of us can imitate the creativity of



Christ and improve our lives in the process. I think that in doing so, many will discover that they are more creative than they suspected.

When I was studying psychology, our professor would draw a circle on the board, point to it and say that most people tend to conduct their lives within a predictable circle, never moving beyond its circumference.

Then he would erase part of the circle, draw jagged lines extending out beyond its circumference and comment that this is the way creative people act: They move often than not do the unpredictable by venturing out beyond the confines of their familiar, "enclosed" world.

Christ's life was anything but predictable. In his early public ministry we would have expected him to first go to the Holy City of Jerusalem. Where better to begin to preach the kingdom of God? But he didn't. Rather, St. Matthew portrays him going to the land of Zebulun and Naphtali and the Decapolis. In writing this, Matthew teaches us that Christ is not ordinary. He goes in the opposite direction from Jerusalem and to people who are not of his culture.

This lesson is repeated frequently. Instead of working with religious leaders, Christ works with sinners. He talks with women from Samaria in public, which is contrary to Jewish custom, and he dies

like a slave, which is contrary to his divinity.

In doing the unpredictable, Christ offers us a beautiful model of creativity that contains suggestions for changing our lives.

To start with, do we ever take stock of the circles we live in? Is our circle usually the same predictable group of friends? Although they may be fine people and supportive, have we ever thought of moving beyond this circle and trying to touch someone who might need our support—someone, perhaps, who gravitates to the corner of a room and sits alone?

Have we ever tried to improve our ability to listen seriously to others—including others who may not be part of our circle?

Next December, will our Christmas card list be the same as it was in 1997, or will it include new names—people we've gone out of our way to meet?

Today neighbors tend more and more often not to know each other. This, in part, is because both spouses in a family work and neither one is able to find time to get to know neighbors. Perhaps a spark of creative energy will lead us this year to look upon our home as something more than an isolated, impersonal residence in a particular part of town.

To whet your appetite for creativity during the year ahead, I leave you with a thought from Edith Shaeffer:

"A Christian, above all people, should live artistically, aesthetically and creatively. If we have been created in the image of an Artist, then we should look for expressions of artistry and be sensitive to beauty, responsive to what has been created for our appreciation." †

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time/Msgr. Owen F. Campion

The Sunday Readings

Sunday, Jan. 25, 1998

- Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
- 1 Corinthians 12:12-30
- Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

The first reading for this weekend's liturgy is from the Book of Nehemiah, only rarely a source of Scriptural readings at Mass.



In this book, once one with the Book of Ezra, Nehemiah is the central character. However, the principal name in this weekend's reading from Nehemiah

belongs to Ezra.

Both Nehemiah and Ezra lived at a time when the land of God's people was desolated. Invasions and struggles with forces of occupation had destroyed much of the land.

Not only were walls of stone in ruins. The people's morale was moribund, so great was their hopelessness and cynicism. Many had lost trust in God. As a result, religious practice was at a disturbingly low level.

Ezra called people back to God and a morally-good lifestyle.

The reading says that Ezra spoke to a large crowd of men, women and children old enough to understand. Such a gathering seems not in the least unusual to Americans of 1998.

Yet this small detail reveals something of the unusual circumstance. Men, women and adolescents did not congregate in those days. Men were in one place; women were in another. Adolescent males and females were never together.

The cultural traditions and customs were in shambles.

Even so, people thirsted for God. This is evidenced by the crowd that heard Ezra, who as the Scripture declares was a priest.

Despite the destitution and disgrace of the long years that had passed, Ezra called the people to rejoice in God. But, to secure God's blessings, the people had to obey God's law. This was the ancient covenant.

St. Paul's First Epistle to the Corinthians provides the second reading.

The Christian community of Corinth undoubtedly troubled Paul very much.

First of all, temptations to stray from the Gospel and from the model of the Lord Jesus were many in Corinth. Even in the Roman Empire, where greed and excesses were the order of every day,

people found reports of life in Corinth shocking.

Then, beyond this very significant problem, Corinth's Christians quarreled among themselves. Sharp divisions split the church.

So, while Paul relentlessly called the congregation in Corinth to Christian faithfulness, he also urged upon it a sense of community.

Each person was a disciple, he insisted, regardless of individual circumstances or talents. Each was not only able, but splendidly prepared, to serve God in a personal, unique way.

The Gospel reading is from St. Luke's Gospel. It is a familiar story. Jesus is in Nazareth. He is in the synagogue and reads from Isaiah.

Such was customary for Jewish males, but Luke sees in this otherwise ordinary event a marvelous expression of the role of the Savior.

Jesus defines the Redeemer's mission. In so doing, Jesus presents a self-portrait of the Redeemer, indeed as the very voice of God. He interprets the Scriptures definitively. For the others in the synagogue, it was to claim an authority belonging to God alone.

Reflection

The first reading sets the stage. Times today are very unlike those faced by Ezra and Nehemiah in many respects. Yet they are alike.

All around us in our day are the ruins of broken hearts and hopelessly destroyed ambitions.

Enter now the Gospel reading. Jesus is the answer to lost hopes, the answer to the puzzles of life, the very presence of God in our midst. He brings glad tidings to the poor, to the downtrodden, to all those crushed by the burdens of the soul, whether they are rich or poor in the things of this earth.

Jesus is with us, the gift of God, celebrated at Christmas, saluted in the Epiphany by the Magi, proclaimed by none other than God at the baptism in the Jordan.

The Gospel is everything in life.

As Ezra admonished, however, to share in the richness of the Gospel, to find the blessings of God, we must admit God to our lives not by lip-service but by genuine obedience.

And, as Paul would urge, as he urged in writing the Corinthians, we continue the loving care of the Lord in our dealings with others. Each of us is unique. Each of us therefore is selected—and equipped—to serve God in a way none other can serve. †

Daily Readings

Sunday, Jan. 25
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
Psalm 19:8-10, 15
1 Corinthians 12:12-30 or
1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27
Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday, Jan. 26
Timothy and Titus, bishops
2 Timothy 1:1-8
or Titus 1:1-5
Psalm 96:1-3, 7-8, 10
Mark 3:22-30

Tuesday, Jan. 27
Angela Merici, virgin, religious
foundress and educator
2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19
Psalm 24:7-10
Mark 3:31-35

Wednesday, Jan. 28
Thomas Aquinas, presbyter,
religious and doctor
2 Samuel 7:4-17
Psalm 89:4-5, 27-30
Mark 4:1-20

Thursday, Jan. 29
2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29
Psalm 132:1-2, 3-5, 11-14
Mark 4:21-25

Friday, Jan. 30
2 Samuel 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17
Psalm 51:3-7, 10-11
Mark 4:26-34

Saturday, Jan. 31
John Bosco, presbyter,
religious founder and
educator
2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17
Psalm 51:12-17
Mark 4:35-41

Question Corner/ Fr. John Dietzen

Sacrament of penance brings us closer to God

I am 40 years old, and during Advent made my first attempt at the sacrament of reconciliation in about 20 years.



I was baptized as an infant and made my first Communion, but had little involvement with the church or the sacraments after that.

The night before my wedding the priest informed me that I

was to go to confession. I had no idea what to do, and in addition believed at the time, from my Protestant friends, that I only needed to go to God to ask for forgiveness.

My husband, who is also Catholic, never told me anything about this sacrament either.

Recently, at a nondenominational Bible group I attend, while we were discussing the topic of confession of sins, I felt the Holy Spirit urging me to make the necessary steps to return to the practice of this sacrament.

Finally, on the last weekend of Advent, I went to see my priest. But I couldn't remember anything I wanted to say, so I didn't confess anything in particular at that time.

I need to know, am I absolved of all sins prior to that? Should I go back to a priest for confession with some sort of list in my hand? Is there any literature out there to help me understand confession better?

Please answer. I would like to go again, possibly during Lent. (Ohio)

A I quote your letter at some length because many "boomer generation" Catholics have experiences much like yours.

First, I'm happy you believe this sacrament is important for you. It can be the source of enormous spiritual benefits in our lives.

The simplest and most honest advice I can give is this. Either make an appointment with a priest for confession (many Catholics do this today), or go during a regular confession schedule at your parish. Then tell the priest just what you told me and ask him to help you.

In spite of our trepidation, it really is

not that complicated or difficult. There's no need to make a list of your past sins. If you give some thought to it beforehand, all sins so serious that they need to be confessed will quickly come to mind.

By far most priests will just be happy you came to confession, will trust that your desire for forgiveness and doing good have brought you there, and will guide you gently through this experience of God's mercy in your life.

It is essential, by the way, to remember what I just said. The focus of the sacrament of penance is not on me or my sins, but on the faithful tenderness and compassion of God, who desperately desires that we grow in awareness of his presence and power in us.

Whatever we have done, good or bad, is past. It is part of our history, and not even God can change that.

Thus, it is also valuable to keep in mind that, while we place our sins in God's hands for forgiveness, the grace, love, life and strength of the sacrament of reconciliation is to equip us to turn our lives for the better from here on and live a Christian life.

The church's Rite of Penance (7, 13) recommends that this sacrament be celebrated "frequently," especially during the season of Lent.

Thus, several times a year, perhaps including Advent as another appropriate occasion, would be good.

Finally, the next time try to avoid going to confession during the last week of Advent or Lent. Because of larger numbers of penitents, priests sometimes feel pressured to hurry people's confessions along more than they otherwise would like.

You can find lots of books or pamphlets about the sacrament of penance to read, and that's a good way to learn more about reconciliation. But the important thing is just to do it. †

(A free brochure answering questions Catholics ask about the sacrament of penance is available by sending a stamped and self-addressed envelope to Father John Dietzen, Holy Trinity Church, 704 N. Main St., Bloomington, Ill. 61701. Questions for this column should be sent to Father Dietzen at the same address or to this Catholic paper.)

My Journey to God

Be Here with Me

Be here with me
In the world today,
In the choices I make
And the things I say.

Don't leave me alone
In this chaos of life.
I need your strength
And your hand
As my guide.

I need you to tell me
How to live the life
That will bring me
To sit by your side
In eternity.

By Cynthia S. Stanley

(Cynthia Stanley resides in Indianapolis.)



The Active List

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January 23

Little Flower Parish, Indianapolis, 13th & Bosart, will hold Monte Carlo Night, 7 p.m., includes Black Jack, Poker, Chuck-a-Luck with a food and cash bar available. Cost: \$5.

January 24

St. Joseph Parish, Indianapolis, 1375 S. Mickley Ave., will have a Super Bowl bake sale following 6 p.m. Mass.

Una Voce, Indianapolis to meet at the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., Franciscan Room, 2:30-5 p.m. to discuss temporary cultural problems and religion. Featuring guest speaker, Michael Matt, editor, *The Remnant*. For information, call 317-297-9212.

January 25

St. Joseph Parish, Indianapolis, 1375 S. Mickley Ave., will have a Super Bowl bake sale following 8 and 11:30 a.m. Masses.

St. Jude Parish, Indianapolis, 5353 McFarland Rd., will host an Ecumenical prayer service, 2 p.m. followed by a community open house until 4 p.m. celebrating Christian Unity Week

and the completion of the new church.

January 27

St. Christopher's Singles & Friends, Indianapolis, 5301 W. 16th St., will hold a Peer Faith and Sharing Evening, 7 p.m., at the church annex. For information, call Andrew at 317-299-9818.

Providence Jr. High School, Clarksville, 707 W. Hwy. 131, (Grades 7 and 8) will host an Information Night for those interested in enrolling in the 1998-99 school year, 7-8 p.m. For information, call 812-949-1034.

January 29

West Deanery Recognition Awards dinner will be held at Cardinal Ritter High School, in honor of the new Westside Monsignors and recipients of the *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice* award. Reception to begin 6:30 p.m., dinner begins 7 p.m. Cost: \$25 per person. For information and reservations, call 317-927-7825.

January 30

Cardinal Ritter High School, Indianapolis, 3360 W. 30th St.,

is accepting registration for the second semester. The deadline to register is Jan. 30. For information call 317-924-4333.

January 31

Bishop Chatard High School, Indianapolis, 5885 N. Crittenden Ave., will host a Monte Carlo Night, 6:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Cost: \$10-pre-sale; \$12 at the door. The cost of the ticket includes door prizes, drinks and a catered dinner. For information, call Craig Barr, 317-254-5434.

February 2

The Office for Youth and Family Ministries will present "Divorce and Beyond," 7-9 p.m., to be held every Monday for six weeks at the Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis. Cost: \$25, registration is required. For information and registration call 317-236-1586.

Seccina Memorial High School will hold incoming freshman registration for current 8th graders and their parents. The following schools are able to register on this day: St. Simon, Our Lady of Lourdes, Holy Cross and St. Rita. Future students will fill out the registration packet and tuition information in order to schedule classes for their freshmen year. The registration fee of \$125 must be paid before classes can be scheduled. Registration will be from 6-8 p.m. in the cafeteria at Seccina High School. For information, call Irene Marcotte at 317-356-6377 ext. 119.

February 7

Marian Heights Academy, Ferdinand, 812 E. 10th St., will host an open house for girls and their families who wish to learn more about the school. For information, call 800-467-4642.

February 9

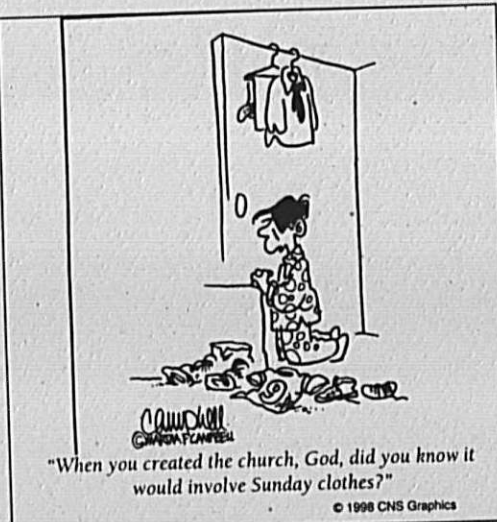
Seccina Memorial High School will hold incoming freshman registration for current 8th graders and their parents. The following schools are able to register on this day: Holy Spirit, Little Flower, St. Philip, St. Michael and any non-deanery schools (public, township, etc). They will be asked to fill out the registration packet and tuition information in order to schedule classes for their freshmen year. The registration fee of \$125 must be paid before classes can be scheduled. Registration will be from 6-8 p.m. in the cafeteria at Seccina High School. For information, call Irene Marcotte at 317-356-6377 ext. 119.

Recurring

Daily

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College Art Gallery, Saint-Mary-of-the-Woods, will present an exhibition of Jan Tenenbaum's primitive print-making techniques entitled "Sources." For information call 812-535-5212.

Members of Saint Mary of the Woods College faculty will dis-



play their works during the 1998 Faculty Art Exhibition in room 132 of Hulman Hall. Opening celebration will be on Jan. 14 at 7 p.m. The gallery will be open daily Mon-Thurs. and from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Information: 812-535-5137.

St. Patrick Parish, Indianapolis, will hold a Tridentine Low Mass (Latin), 8:00 a.m.

Weekly

Sundays

St. Patrick Parish, Indianapolis,

will hold a Tridentine High Mass (Latin), 1:30 p.m.

St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Clarksville will offer "Be Not Afraid Family Hours," topic "Healing through Consecration," presented every Sunday, 6-7 p.m. For information, call Bob or Phyllis Burkholder 812-246-2252.

Tuesdays

Our Lady of the Greenwood Marian Prayer group will meet, 7-8 p.m. in the chapel to pray

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Please join us as we pray for Death Row inmates and their families, especially for Robert Smith, who was convicted for the murder of Michael Wedmore, and who has been scheduled for execution Jan. 29, 1998.

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A Memorial Mass to remember and celebrate Jerry Matheny's life will be held at Seccina Memorial High School on January 30, 1998 at 1:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Family, friends and alumni of Seccina are invited to attend.

Contributions can be made to Seccina Memorial High School in Jerry Matheny's name. A special fund will be established to celebrate the memory of a friend, teacher, mentor and family member of Seccina Memorial High School. If you have any questions, please call the Seccina Development Office at 317-351-5976 for more information.

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the rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

St. Luke Parish, Indianapolis, Single Adults Group will meet in the parish reception room, 7:30-8:30 p.m. For information, call 317-299-9545

St. Joseph Parish, Sellersburg, 2605 St. Joe Rd. West, Shepherds of Christ Associates will pray for priests and religious, the rosary, the litanies to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and Chaplet of Divine Mercy following 7 p.m. Mass.

Holy Name Parish, Beech Grove, 89 N. 17th St., will hold Marian prayer group, 2:30-3:30 p.m. every Tuesday.

Wednesdays

"Wednesdays at the Woods" for prospective students at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, For information, call 812-535-5106 or 800-926-SMWC.

Thursdays

St. Lawrence Parish, Indianapolis, will have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel, 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mass.

St. Mary Parish, New Albany, Shepherds of Christ Associates will gather, 7 p.m. to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life and lives centered in consecration to Jesus and Mary.

St. Francis Hospital & Health Centers will offer Caterpillar Kids, a bereavement support group for children ages 5-12, to meet on Thursdays, January 29-March 5, 4-5:30 p.m. at Christ United Methodist Church, 8540 U.S. 31 S. Cost: Free. Space is limited so call early. For information, call 317-865-2092.

Fridays

St. Susanna Parish, Plainfield, 1210 E. Main, will hold adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, every Friday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

St. Lawrence Parish, Indianapolis, will have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel every Friday, 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mass. Benediction before Mass.

A pro-life rosary will be prayed every Friday, 10 a.m. in front of Affiliated Women's Services, Inc., 2215 Distributors Dr., Indianapolis.

Saturdays

A pro-life rosary will be prayed every Saturday, 9:30 a.m. in front of the Clinic for Women, E. 38th St. and Parker Ave., Indianapolis.

Monthly

First Sundays

St. Paul Parish, Sellersburg, prayer group will meet in the church, 7-8:15 p.m. For information, call 812-246-4555 or 812-246-9735.

First Tuesdays

Divine Mercy Chapel, Indianapolis, next to Cardinal Ritter High School, will hold Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, 7:30 p.m. Confession is at 6:45 p.m.

First Fridays

Holy Guardian Angels Parish, Cedar Grove, 405 U.S. 52, will have eucharistic adoration after 8 a.m. Mass until 5 p.m.

St. Roch Parish, Indianapolis, 3600 S. Pennsylvania St., will hold First Friday vigil adoration, 7-8 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Indianapolis, 5333 E. Washington St., will hold a Sacred Heart devotion, 7-8 p.m.

St. Thomas Parish, Fortville, will celebrate Mass and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 6:30 p.m., followed by discussion of the Eucharist.

SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral Council and Court #191 of the Knights and Ladies of Peter Claver will sponsor the First Friday rosary, 5:15 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, 1347 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis.

St. Joseph Parish, St. Joseph Hill, Sellersburg, 2605 St. Joe Rd. West, will hold First Friday eucharistic adoration following 8 a.m. Mass til 12:00 Noon.

Sacred Heart Parish, Indianapolis, 1530 Union St., will hold exposition of Blessed Sacrament following 8 a.m. Mass, closing with Benediction at 5:15 p.m.

First Saturdays

St. Nicholas Parish, Sunman, will have 8 a.m. Mass, praise and worship music followed by the Fatima Rosary. Monthly SACRED Gathering will follow in the parish school.

Apostolate of Fatima will hold holy hour, 2 p.m. in Little Flower Chapel, 13th & Bosart, Indianapolis.

Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish, 335 S. Meridian St., will hold First Saturday devotions starting with Mass at 8 a.m. followed by the rosary and the sacrament of reconciliation.

Holy Angels Parish, Indianapolis, 28th & Martin Luther King Jr. St., will hold Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 11 a.m.-noon.

Second Wednesdays

The archdiocesan Family Life Office, Natural Family Planning Classes, will meet at the O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, 7:30 p.m. Cost: \$20. For information, call 317-236-1596 or 1-800-382-9836.

Second-Thursdays

Focolare Movement meets Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. at the home of Millie and Jim Komro. For information, call 317-257-1073 or 317-845-8133.

Third Mondays

Young Widowed Group, sponsored by the archdiocesan Family Life Office will meet at St. Matthew Parish, 4100 E. 56th St., Indianapolis, 7:30 p.m. Child care available. For information, call 317-236-1586.

Third Wednesdays

Catholic Widowed Organization will meet, 7-9:30 p.m. at the O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis. For information, call 317-887-9388.

Calvary Chapel/Mausoleum, Indianapolis, 435 W. Troy Ave., Mass, 2:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Peace Chapel/Mausoleum, Indianapolis, 9001 Haverstick Rd., Mass, 2:00 p.m.

Third Thursdays

Sacred Heart Parish, Indianapolis, 1530 Union St., will hold Family Rosary Night, 7 p.m.

Third Saturdays

The archdiocesan Pro-Life Office and St. Andrew Parish, Indianapolis, 3922 E. 38th St., will have a Mass for Life, 8:30 a.m., followed by a prayerful walk to the abortion clinic at 2951 E. 38th St. to pray the rosary, returning to St. Andrew for the Benediction.

Fourth Sundays

The Sacred Heart Fraternity of Secular Franciscans will gather in the Sacred Heart Parish chapel, 1530 Union St., Indianapolis, 3 p.m. Benediction and Franciscan service followed by business meeting and social. For information, call 317-547-6651

Bingos

TUESDAY: K of C Council 437, 1305 N. Delaware, 11 a.m.; St. Michael, 6 p.m.; St. Malachy, Brownsburg, 5:30 p.m.; Msgr. Sheridan K of C Council 6138, Johnson Co., 6:15 p.m.; St. Pius X K of C Council 3433, 6 p.m.; K of C, 1040 N. Post Rd., 9 a.m.-noon. WEDNESDAY: St. Anthony, 6:30 p.m.; K of C Council 437, 1305 N. Delaware, 5:45 p.m.; St. Roch Parish, St. Roch School, 3603 S. Meridian, 6:00 p.m. THURSDAY: Msgr. Downey K of C Council 3660, 5:30 p.m.; Holy Family K of C, American Legion Post 500, 1926 Georgetown Rd., 6:30 p.m.; FRIDAY: St. Christopher, Indianapolis, 6:30 p.m.; Holy Name, Beech Grove, 5:30 p.m. SATURDAY: K of C Council 437, 1305 N. Delaware, 4:30 p.m. SUNDAY: St. Ambrose, Seymour, 4 p.m.; Ritter High School, 6 p.m.; Msgr. Sheridan K of C Council 6138, Johnson Co., first Sunday of each month, 1:15 p.m.

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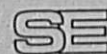
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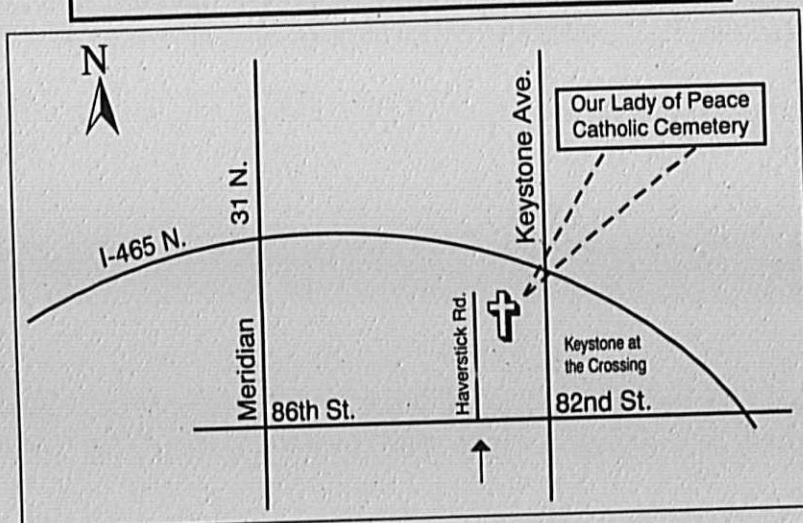
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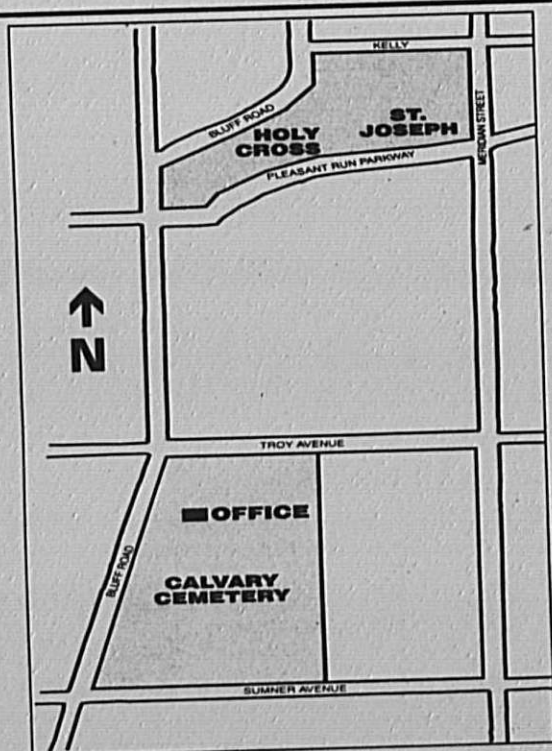


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OBITS

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SPRINKLE, Jr., Noble C., 64, St. Paul, Tell City, Jan. 3. Husband of Ruth Sprinkle. Brother of William E. Sprinkle, Glenda Etienne.

STEWART, Herman Joseph, 70, St. Joseph, Rockville, Dec. 18. Husband of Marjorie

Sister Alice Rita Kummer served in New Albany Providence Retirement Home

Providence Sister Alice Rita Kummer died on Dec. 29 in Union Hospital, Terre Haute. She was 99.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Jan. 3 in the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

The former Ellen Marie Kummer was born in Galesburg, Ill. in 1898. She entered the congregation of the Sisters of Providence in 1915, professed first vows in 1917 and final vows in 1924.

Sister Alice Rita taught in St. Joseph and Nativity schools in Indianapolis and ministered for 12 years at the Providence Retirement Home in New Albany. She also taught in schools in the Evansville Diocese and in Illinois, Massachusetts and Oklahoma.

Sister Alice Rita is survived by a sister, Caroline Riedel.

Stewart. Father of Joseph, Robert, Jerry, Charlie Herman, Marguerite Bladon, Kathleen Fiskejton, Betty Jo Kelley, Florence Olmstead. Brother of Edward, John Stewart, Betty Jo Glenn. Grandfather of 15.

TEBBE, Mary Elizabeth (Moll), 74, St. Louis, Batesville, Jan. 9. Mother of Carol Davis, Janet Mays, Fr. Francis Tebbe, Ray Tebbe. Sister of George Moll. Grandmother of seven. Great-grandmother of one.

Providence Sister Helen Miriam spent life as teacher

Providence Sister Helen Miriam Duker died Jan. 8 in Karcher Hall at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods. She was 85.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in the Church of the Immaculate Conception on Jan. 10.

The former Elizabeth Catherine Duker was born in Chicago. She entered the congregation of the Sisters of Providence in 1933, professed first vows in 1935 and final vows in 1941.

Sister Helen Miriam taught at St. John Academy, St. Agnes Academy and Ladywood-St. Agnes in Indianapolis, Our Lady of Providence in Clarksville, as well as schools in the Evansville and Fort Wayne dioceses and in Illinois schools.

TECKENBROCK, David M., 37, St. Philip Neri, Indianapolis, Dec. 18. Son of Charles and Lorraine Teckenbrock. Brother of Robert Teckenbrock, Donna Schrader.

THOMPSON, Ann Mueller, Christ the King, Indianapolis, Dec. 21. Wife of John W. Thompson. Mother of David L., John W. Jr. Thompson, Cheryl Striwe. Sister of John Mueller. Grandmother of seven.

TURNER, Helene, 78,

Providence Sister Mary Immaculee Nagle taught in Clarksville, Ind

Providence Sister Mary Immaculee Nagle died on Jan. 14 in Karcher Hall at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods. She was 89.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in the Church of the Immaculate Conception on Jan. 17.

Born in Chicago, the former Berenice Catherine Nagle entered the congregation of the Sisters of Providence in 1932, professed first vows in 1934 and final vows in 1940.

Sister Mary Immaculee taught at Our Lady of Providence High School in Clarksville and at St. Joan of Arc and St. Anthony in Indianapolis, as well as schools in Illinois, Massachusetts and the District of Columbia.

St. Mary, Richmond, Dec. 26. Mother of David, Bruce Noelker, Kenneth Borden, Vicky Harrison. Sister of Arthur Crawford. Grandmother of 10. Great-grandmother of 10.

VAUGHN, Betty L., 70, St. Patrick, Indianapolis, Dec. 23. Mother of Dennis, Steve, John McGreevy, Ken Fadgett, Ronald Vaughn. Grandmother of six.

VINGRIS, Kazimirs, 83, St. John, Indianapolis, Dec. 27. Husband of Heda (Mullins) Vingris. Father of Rudy Vingris. Grandfather of three.

WALDRON, Marie A., 81, Christ the King, Indianapolis, Jan. 9. Mother of James M. Waldron, Donna Odonnell, Kathy Turpin. Grandmother of five. Great-grandmother of six.

WATSON, Mary E., 75, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, New Albany, Dec. 31. Mother of Nancy Sample, Janice Fulton, Tammy Hammons. Sister of Earl Griffey. Grandmother of 14. Great-grandmother of 22.

WEST, Ferne Myers, 88, St. Philip Neri, Indianapolis, Jan. 8. Sister of Russel C., Charles C. Myers.

WEST, Vivian M., 87, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, New Albany, Dec. 15. Sister of Harry West.

WILLMERING, Agnes E., 90, St. John Bosco, Churubusco, Dec. 28. Mother of Ann Linvill, Jesuit Father John, Charles, William Willmering. Grandmother of three.

YUNKER, Anne Marie, 73, Prince of Peace, Madison, Dec. 28. Sister of Carolyn Gans.

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ABELL, Helen (Norman), 97, St. Roch, Indianapolis, Dec. 31. Aunt of several nieces and nephews.

AMBERS, Theresa A., 80, St. Roch, Indianapolis, Jan. 2.

BAULT-WILSON, Robin A., 37, St. Anthony, Indianapolis, Jan. 8. Daughter of Joanne Russell Bault. Sister of James, Randy, John, Matt, Luke Bault, Lisa Ashcraft.

BERGER, Charles E., 78, St. Roch, Indianapolis, Dec. 22. Husband of Mary Jane Berger. Father of Mary Jeanette Whittemore, Diane Hildebrandt, Donna Novotney, Debra McGinnis, Darlene Hawkins, Charles E. Jr., John Berger. Brother of Loyal C. Berger, Bernice Nolting. Grandfather of 23. Great-grandfather of nine.

BLADES, Josephine M., 86, St. Bartholomew, Columbus, Jan. 7. Mother of Tom Blades. Sister of Gary F. Rev. Thomas Davis, Sr. Wilma Jean Davis, Anne Davis Russell. Grandmother of one.

BROCK, Jr., Charles W., 65, St. Joseph Hill, Sellersburg, Jan. 9. Husband of Mary Rose Brock. Father of Keith Brock, Laura Roberts. Brother of George W. Brock. Grandfather of three.

BROERING, Robert R., 62, St. Barnabas, Indianapolis, Dec. 21. Husband of Diana (Schnitzer) Broering. Father of Robert R. Broering Jr., Susan L. Bokelman, Sharon L. Raney, Kristen M. Milharic. Grandfather of seven.

CAMISA, Louis, 89, St. Michael, Cannelton, Dec. 22. Stepfather of Frank Maffia. Grandfather of four. Great-grandfather of five.

CLARK, Catherine Louise, 87, Sacred Heart, Jeffersonville, Jan. 1. Mother of Dr. James, Jerry, Tony, Sr. Rose Howard, Dot Herr, Mary Ramsey. Sister of William Raley, Bertha Clark.

CONROY, Rita Glenn, 74, St. Philip Neri, Indianapolis, Jan. 6. Mother of Judy McFadden, James P. Jr., Patrick J. Conroy. Grandmother of six. Great-grandmother of one.

CONSTABLE, William, 80, St. Andrew, Richmond, Dec. 19. Father of Patricia Koons, Carl King. Grandfather of one. Great-grandfather of three.

CULBERTSON, Pauline, 73, St. Andrew, Richmond, Dec. 18. Wife of Russell H. Culbertson. Mother of Jeffrey Culbertson. Sister of Robert,

June Scheibler, Helen Harrison, Rosella Murphy. Grandmother of two.

DAWSON, Donna Marie, 47, St. Paul, Tell City, Jan. 1. Wife of Donald Dawson. Mother of Angela, Rebecca Embry, Tiffany Wheatley. Daughter of Verena Blanford. Sister of Manford, Forrest Blanford, Jeanette Pannett, Carolyn Briggeman, Marian Stout. Grandmother of three.

DELLA-PENNA, Frank F., 91, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, Jan. 10. Father of Frank E. Della-Penna, Judith Ann Nichols. Grandfather of two.

DEPPE, Ralph, 70, St. Bartholomew, Columbus, Dec. 31. Husband of Mary (Sorg) Deppe. Father of Ralph, Steven, Francis, Helen Deppe, Paulette Wolf, Susan Chandler, Mary Bremm, Marilyn Herold, Cathy Kempf, Robert Deppe. Grandfather of 17. Great-grandfather of three. Step-grandfather of five. Step-great-grandfather of nine.

DONAHUE, Thelma, 72, Holy Angels, Indianapolis, Dec. 30. Wife of Oscar Donahue. Mother of Julie, Darryl, Rodney Donahue, Beverly Bennett. Sister of Elizabeth Ann Jones. Grandmother of 14.

EVELO, Katherine B., 90, St. Margaret Mary, Terre Haute, Jan. 2. Mother of George, Michael, James, Don Evelo, Mary Ellen Fears. Sister of Annetta Greenlee, Virginia Tuttle. Grandmother of 21. Great-grandmother of 41. Great-great-grandmother of one.

FLAMION, Alma, 82, St. Paul, Tell City, Dec. 23. Mother of Janet Meyer, James E.

Flamion. Sister of Lillian Goffinet.

GARDNER, Sharon Maxine, 60, St. Philip Neri, Indianapolis, Jan. 7. Sister of Michael Porter, Karen Meltzer.

GESENHUES, Odell, 73, St. Mary-of-the-Knobs, Floyds Knobs, Jan. 9. Husband of Anna Lee Gesenhues. Father of Linda Gesenhues, Lisa Mefford. Grandfather of one.

GRAF, Abigail Ann, infant, St. Paul, Sellersburg, Dec. 30. Daughter of Daniel and Angela Graf. Sister of Jessica Graf. Granddaughter of Cletus and Ann Graf, Rick and Jean Williamson.

GUMERSON, John M., 74, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, Jan. 8. Husband of Edyth F. (Williams) Gumermon. Father of John M. Jr., David A. Gumermon, Christine Shobe, Jane E. Donlan, Sue Zaring. Grandfather of 12.

HAHN, Ann G. (Healy), 90, Little Flower, Indianapolis, Dec. 28.

HAMMEL, Mary M. (Berry), 76, St. Matthew, Indianapolis, Jan. 9. Stepmother of Kenneth Hammel. Sister of Frank Hammel Jr., Howard Tuttle.

HARTMAN, Louise, 90, St. Mary, Richmond, Jan. 2. Mother of David Hartman. Grandmother of five. Great-grandmother of 10.

HEUSTIS, Virginia M. (Rahner), 87, Holy Family, New Albany, Jan. 8. Sister of James B. Rahner, Billie Hornek.

HOLMAN, Earl, 70, St. Paul, Tell City, Dec. 7. Husband of Mary Holman. Father of Linda Arnette, Laurie Ligon, Lance Bunner, Louis Holman. Brother of Curtis, Carl Holman, Eileen Loose, Vita Wagner, Irma Kneeder. Grandfather of five.

HURM, Mabel L., 86, St. Paul, Tell City, Dec. 30. Mother of Margie A. James, William Hurm. Grandmother of two.

JARDINA, Patricia A., 69, St. Roch, Indianapolis, Dec. 24. Wife of Paul Jardina. Mother of Dr. Stephen P., Mark A., Kevin M., Brian J., Patti Jardina, Susan Marie Thompson. Grandmother of 10.

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KELLY, Jr., Arthur J., 87, Christ the King, Indianapolis, Dec. 30. Father of Patty Merrills, Mary Maloney, Nancy McCreary, Arthur Kelly, III. Brother of Merle Schroeder.

KOCH, Dorothy (Knight), 88, St. Augustine, Jeffersonville, Dec. 27. Mother of Jack Koch. Sister of Buddy, Helen Knight, Virginia Stiemler. Grandmother of nine.

KONERMAN, Frank H., 91, Christ the King, Indianapolis, Dec. 27. Father of JoAnn Brackett, Donald E., James A., Frank E. Konerman. Grandfather of 13. Great-grandfather of three.

KOOPMAN, Lucille V., 74, St. Mary-of-the-Knobs, Floyds Knobs, Jan. 7. Wife of Gilbert Koopman. Sister of Melbert, Donald Miller.

KYLE, Georgia, 74, St. Michael Cannelton, Dec. 21.

Wife of Joseph Kyle. Mother of Jeanie Hodgson, Susan Hess, Louise Dixon, Janet Schneider, Janice Walker, Bill, Ed, Michael, Jeremy, Tim Kyle. Sister of Clarence, Alfred, Ray Galloway, Mary Augusta Baker, Mary Magdelene Bell. Grandmother of 22. Great-grandmother of 32.

LADUKE, Emery, 71, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, New Albany, Dec. 29. Husband of Patricia LaDuke. Father of Phyllis McClanahan, Brenda Hostetter. Brother of Brenda Hostetter, Virginia Shaffer, Dorothy Bennett.

LaROSA, John M., 84, St. Matthew, Indianapolis, Jan. 10. Husband of Ester C. (Mueller) LaRosa. Father of Joseph J. LaRosa, Mary Lynn LaRosa. Grandfather of five. Great-grandfather of one.

LONG, Jr., John Kell, 83, St. Paul, Sellersburg, Dec. 15. Husband of Helen R. Long. Father of Sheridan Hadley, Sydney Long. Brother of Charles W. Long. Grandfather of two.

MAGRUDER, Anna M., 86, Holy Family, New Albany, Jan. 10. Aunt of several nieces and nephews.

MANGUM, Reba A., 65, St. Mary, New Albany, Jan. 7. Wife of Joy G. Mangum. Mother of Anita M. Tisdale. Sister of Roy D. Jr., Reece, Rex Finley, Robert Frakes, Ruby Turner, Joy Andrews, Rea Cyra.

MARSH, Mary Rose, 82, St. Malachy, Brownsburg, Jan. 3. Sister of Michael, Frank Hribar.

MAURER, Catherine G., 96, St. Andrews, Richmond, Jan. 5. Grandmother of three. Great-grandmother of four.

McCALLEY, William E., 81, Our Lady of Lourdes, Indianapolis, Dec. 29. Husband of Alice G. McCalley. Father of Eileen L. Hammond. Brother of Richard E. McCalley. Grandfather of one.

McPHILLIPS, Hazel M., 75, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, Jan. 7. Mother of Harold McPhillips, Dorothy Hurst, Karen Jameson. Sister of Earl Gray, Shirley Cantrell, Jessie Glover, Margaret Wheatley. Grandmother of six.

MOONEY, Jr., James J., 72, St. Monica, Indianapolis, Jan. 4. Father of Mary A. Selke, Julie Mundell, Susan E. Paul, Thomas J., James S., Timothy M., John D. Mooney. Brother of Ann Powers, Mary DeCastro. Grandfather of 14. Great-grandfather of one.

NIEDENTHAL, Kathryn L., 79, St. Michael, Brookville, Dec. 31. Mother of Jim Niedenthal, Patricia Ivey. Grandmother of eight. Great-grandmother of 10.

OBERHAUSEN, Louis "Bud", 84, St. Paul, Tell City, Dec. 21. Husband of Eloise "Sis" Oberhausen. Brother of Tony, Ralph, Charles Oberhausen, Marie Clemens. Uncle to several nieces and nephews.

OLIVER, Edward William, 88, St. Matthew, Indianapolis, Jan. 3. Father of Edward R., David Oliver. Brother of Jack Oliver, Helen Goodman. Grandfather of 13. Great-grandfather of 17. Great-great-grandfather of one.

OWNBEY, Agnes E., 85, St. Mary, North Vernon, Jan. 1. Mother of Berle, Woodrow Ownbey, Allen, Dale, Raymond Short. Sister of Virginia Pyle, Naomi Leahigh, Thelma Grinstead. Grandmother of 17.

PARKER, Rita Mary, 72, St. Paul, Tell City, Dec. 21. Mother of John Parker, Norma Jean Hunt. Stepmother of Wib, Ron, Gary, Bill Parker, Mary Lou Poehlein. Sister of Bernard,

David, Earl "Bud" Eger, Lois Doogs, Charlene Brumfield, Delores Little, Lorna Garrett.

PEONI, Helen J., 77, St. Mark, Indianapolis, Dec. 28. Mother of Michael A., John F., Mary Helen Peoni, Nancy A. Clark. Josephine Bogeman, M. Munday. Sister of Thomas J. Schoettle, Sr., Margaretha Jones, Kathleen Dant. Grandmother of eight. Great-grandmother of nine.

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RAPP, Dolores A., 57, Sacred Heart, Jeffersonville, Dec. 28. Mother of Teresa Mintkenbaugh, Donna Lindsey, Russell, Joseph Rapp. Sister of Phillip Scheiber, Mary Herald.

REICHERT, Mabel E. "Betty", 74, St. Bartholomew, Columbus, Jan. 6. Wife of Henry J. Reichert. Mother of Deborah Kubik, Cathy A. Casse. Sister of Judy Hawerton. Step-grandmother of three.

RICHARDS, Christopher D., 45, St. Bernadette, Indianapolis, Aug. 14. Husband of Brenda S. (Burrell) Richards. Father of Anthony S. Richards. Brother of Lee, Michael Gillespie, Kevin, Carrie Richards.

RIEGNER, Homer P., 92, St. Matthew, Indianapolis, Dec. 25. Husband of Anna Doll Riegner. Father of M. Lorraine, Richard R. Riegner. Grandfather of two. Great-grandfather of two.

ROWE, Hester (Wright), 89, St. Rita, Indianapolis, Dec. 15. Mother of Rollin Rowe, Jr., Margaret Taylor. Sister of Gabe Wright. Grandmother of eight. Great-grandmother of nine.

SARSFIELD, Florence R., 91, St. Margaret Mary, Terre Haute, Jan. 13. Grandmother of eight.

SCHAEDEL, Sr., Robert J., 75, St. Bernadette, Indianapolis, Dec. 28. Father of Robert J. Jr., Raymond Schaedel, Toni Stoner. Brother of Joseph, Thomas Schaedel. Grandfather of 11. Great-grandfather of nine.

SCHMITT, Bertha L. (Divine), 84, St. Mary, New Albany, Dec. 19. Mother of John Kavathas, Charlie Threlkel.

SCHULZ, Lois Blanche, 77, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, Jan. 7. Wife of John F. Schulz. Mother of John M. Schulz. Sister of Mary Reed. Grandmother of two.

SCHUTZ, John Thomas, 66, St. Jude, Indianapolis, Jan. 9. Husband of Mary (Gramels-pacher) Schutz. Father of Stephen, Scott, Stan, Randy, Sarah Schutz, Sandra Garrett. Brother of Paul, Harold Schutz. Grandfather of 13.

SELM, Lee Edward, 74, St. Mary, Rushville, Jan. 2. Husband of Helenrose Selm. Father of Frederick, William Selm, Mary Alice Kaiser, Joan Bertermann, Rosemarie Rigos. Brother of John Selm. Grandfather of nine.

SHUTZ, Helen M., 87, St. Mary, Richmond, Dec. 20.

SNYDER, Carolyn Y., 61, St. Pius, Troy, Jan. 1. Mother of Alan, Carla, Snyder, Jennifer Rogier, Coleen Hunter, Bridget Harper. Sister of Floyd, Donald, Robert, Pat Tuggle, Marian Schulthise. Grandmother of six.

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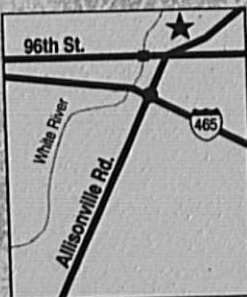
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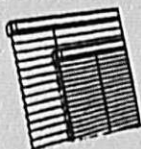
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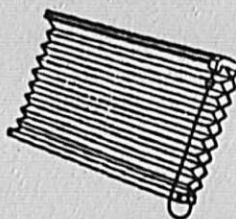
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