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Two men answer call to priesthood

Deacons Patrick Beidelman and Stan Pondo will be ordained June 6 at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral

By Margaret Nelson

Two men—a theology/theater student and a lawyer—have decided to dedicate their lives to God and his people.

Patrick J. Beidelman and Stanley Pondo will be ordained to the priesthood by Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein at 11 a.m. on June 6 at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral.

Father Beidelman's first Mass will be at 2:30 p.m. on June 7 at Holy Spirit Church in Indianapolis. A reception in the parish's Early Hall will follow the Mass.

Father Pondo will celebrate his first Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas Church in Indianapolis at 12:30 p.m. on June 7. A reception will be held immediately afterward at St. Lawrence Parish.

Patrick Joseph Beidelman

Patrick Beidelman, at 25, is as young as an ordinand can be. He grew up with plenty of positive models of the priesthood.

His cousins include Benedictine Father Noah Casey, director of the archdiocesan Office of Ministry to Priests. Father Noah will preach at Father Beidelman's first Mass.

"He has always been a strong support," said the ordinand.

The late archdiocesan priest Father James Sweeney was another cousin. Father Sweeney's brother—former archabbot of Saint Meinrad Archabbey—is Benedictine Father Timothy Sweeney.

Father James Farrell, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Bernadette parishes in Indianapolis, is related as well.

"From an early age, the priesthood was very familiar," said Beidelman. "I saw all sides. Priests were with us in the high points and when we struggled."

"They were inspiring to me because they were all happy and appeared to be living good lives," he said.

Providence Sister Frances Joan Baker, Beidelman's fourth grade teacher at Holy Spirit School, helped him consider the priesthood. She'll attend his ordination.

"The Sisters of Providence were folks that I also see as a source of my vocation because of their presence in grade school and high school," Beidelman said. "They are a blessing to the archdiocese."

"The fourth grade was a wonderful year for me. It kind of worked," he said, explaining how it was then that he gained confidence in his creative and imaginative gifts.

"I stopped wanting to be a pig farmer." He smiled, noting that as a younger child, he liked pigs. He even dug a hole in his back yard where he wanted to raise the pigs.

"In the fourth grade, all that changed."

Beidelman always remembers having a strong faith. And his family members were strong in their faith. He participated as a server at Holy Spirit Church.

"In high school, when you tend to reflect on things for the future, I considered the priesthood as a vocation." It was while he was there—at Cathedral High School—that he became involved in theater. He acted in and directed some 25 productions.

"Lots of folks kind of know me because of my involvement in community theater," said Beidelman. "I was good at that."

"I have a good stage presence," he said. "Being on stage and giving flesh to a role has some of the same qualities as presiding at a liturgy. I find they are different outlets for the gifts God gave me."

"I'm comfortable in front of folks—an extrovert," he said. "Priesthood seems the natural choice. It fits."

"I'm not acting when I'm a priest," said Beidelman. "The priesthood requires me to be authentic. There is a real difference [between the priesthood and the theater]. But you can't deny the surface skills in public speaking and presenting yourself to a large group. I hope to sharpen those skills."

When considering college, he thought about Saint Meinrad. He'd even talked with then-vocations director Father Paul Koetter and the late Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara.

When Beidelman was 17—on the day Father Jim Sweeney died—he found that he had received a full fine arts fellowship to Wabash College.

"It was a nice way to expand my horizons," he said. Wabash offered him the opportunity to spend his full third year of college in Ireland.

"There was no lightning flash," he said. But when he returned to Ireland after Holy Week in Rome, he resolved that, while he spent his last year at Wabash, he would apply to Saint Meinrad.

"It came from always knowing of God's blessings in my life, the happiness I felt from that, and the satisfaction of using God's gifts," said Beidelman.

"I was blessed at an early age to have a kind of clarity about where God was calling me," said Beidelman. "Along the way, I have had to face some of the indecision and struggle like some in my age group."

"In the beginning, it took lots of courage. But now, I'm more familiar and comfortable with the idea."

He calls his time at Saint Meinrad "a fine experience." He said that the seminarians invest time in listening to God. "I consistently learned more about myself. I tried to hear God's call more clearly until I was able to make the decision to commit my life," he said.

Beidelman directed and acted in theatrical productions while at Saint Meinrad as he had done in high school and college. "I love comedy," he said, noting that he believes he has a good sense of humor.

Beidelman's parish assignments included St. Jude and St. Monica parishes in Indianapolis, and Sacred Heart Parish



Deacons Stan Pondo (left) and Patrick Beidelman will be ordained to the priesthood June 6 at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral.

in Jeffersonville. He lived at the Newman Center while he took his clinical pastoral educational program (CPE) at the Indiana University Medical Center.

"All the parishes were very welcoming and hospitable," Beidelman said. "They affirmed the gifts I brought and also challenged me to be a better Christian and better minister of God's word."

He calls Father William Munshower, who started his pastorate at Holy Spirit the year Beidelman was born, "a constant source of encouragement, love and learning. I bring a lot of him to my priesthood." He explained that, since Father Munshower was a classmate of Father Jim Sweeney, he was like a member of the family, too.

Father Joseph Riedman, Holy Spirit's pastor since 1993, "has taught me the meaning of the priestly fraternity," said Beidelman.

"I have been blessed with strong role models of exciting, funny, happy people," he said of the priests.

Patrick Beidelman and his twin brother, Michael, were the last children to be born to Robert and Patricia Beidelman. Both parents came from large families. The ordinand has two older brothers, Steve and Kerry.

Family history intrigues him. "I learned about folks who lived long ago and lived right, like people should," he said. "We are a family of stories, a family of faith, and a strong family of fidelity."

"If anything, faithfulness to commitment is something I learned from my family," said Beidelman.

Stanley Pondo

Stan Pondo, now 38, thought about becoming a priest "back when I was a kid, even before kindergarten. I really thought I wanted to be a priest through grade school."

He started out his high school years at the Society of the Divine Word minor seminary at East Troy, Wis. But he soon transferred to Bishop Noll Institute in Hammond, near his East Chicago home.

After graduation, he went to DePaul University in Greencastle to pursue a

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 REV. JACK W. PORTER

Retired factory worker 'so happy to finally be Catholic'

Christ Renews His Parish retreat prompts Indianapolis man to join Church after attending weekly Mass for more than four decades

By Mary Ann Wyand

For more than four decades, Daniel Goodrich has attended Mass weekly with his wife, Mary, at four Indianapolis parishes.

It has been so long, in fact, that he remembers not being able to understand the Latin Masses before the Second Vatican Council's liturgy changes.

This year, inspired by a Christ Renews His Parish retreat at St. Andrew the Apostle Parish, Goodrich decided to join the Catholic Church.

"I had thought about joining the Church for years," Goodrich said, "but I didn't know how to go about it. I chickened out every time I would make my mind up. I guess everybody thought I was already Catholic because I was at Mass every week."

Goodrich said friends from his Christ Renews His Parish retreat group were surprised when they found out he wasn't Catholic, and they offered to help him complete the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults process. "That really got me going," he said. "All the guys in my retreat group helped me out. They were just wonderful."

Providence Sister Marilyn Herber, parish life coordinator of St. Andrew, and Father Patrick Kelly, priest minister, modified his instruction and formation because he had attended Mass weekly since his marriage 43 years ago.

"My wife and I went to church at St. Rita and Holy Angels and at the cathedral before we came to St. Andrew," Goodrich said. "This is the parish I like the most. We've been here about 25 years. From time to time, Mary would talk to me about joining the Church, but she



St. Andrew the Apostle parishioner Daniel Goodrich of Indianapolis reads Scripture passages with Providence Sister Marilyn Herber, parish life coordinator, during her recent visit to his home. A retired factory worker, Goodrich now operates his own pallet-repair business. After attending Mass with his wife for 43 years, he joined the Catholic Church at Easter.

let me make my mind up about it."

Goodrich frequently served as an usher for the 9 a.m. Mass on Sundays, Sister Marilyn said, so she also assumed he was Catholic.

"After the retreat in February, Daniel said, 'I think I'd like to become Catholic,'" Sister Marilyn said. "I talked with Father Kelly about how to prepare him to join the Church. He has lived in a Catholic home, raised his children Catholic, and attended Mass for so long that we thought it was appropriate to bring him into the Church at Easter in an abbreviated time."

"I believe with the RCIA process you have to fit the program to the individual," she said. "He made a profession of faith, was confirmed by Father Kelly and received Holy Communion during the Easter Vigil."

Since joining the Church, Goodrich said, "I feel closer to God. It's a feeling I hadn't had before. I'm just so happy to finally be Catholic. I'm a little late, but I finally made it." †

Official Appointments

Effective May 7, 1998

Rev. Charles Chesebrough, pastor of St. Charles Borromeo, Bloomington, reappointed dean of the Bloomington Deanery for a second three-year term.

Rev. Joseph G. Riedman, pastor of Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, reappointed dean of the Indianapolis East Deanery for a second three-year term.

Rev. David Coons, currently full-time chaplain at Bishop Chatard High School, Indianapolis, appointed part-time associate pastor of St. Pius X, Indianapolis, while continuing at Chatard on a part-time basis.

These appointments are from the office of the Most Rev. Daniel M. Buechlein, O.S.B., Archbishop of Indianapolis.

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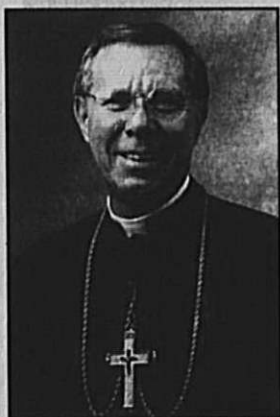
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Building Habitat homes is custom for craftsman

Indianapolis builder Mike Gorman has earned Spirit of Indy honor for contributions to Habitat for Humanity

By Mary Jungemann
Special to The Criterion

Builder Mike Gorman has two problems this morning. First, someone broke into his \$150,000 model home in a new subdivision on Indianapolis's far south side. Whoever it was stole the range and disposal and left muddy footprints on the new beige carpet. Worse, in attempting to steal the kitchen sink—and failing—the culprit kicked in the water lines underneath and flooded the kitchen as well as the dining and living rooms.

Gorman is frustrated and disappointed, but anger is a waste of time, he says. He's already been on his cellular phone calling the sheriff and making arrangements to get the carpet cleaned and dried as soon as possible.

The second problem isn't really a big problem, but it makes the modest 47-year-old squirm.

A reporter asks Gorman to talk about himself—about his faith, his family, building houses and his commitment to helping Habitat for Humanity of Greater Indianapolis complete its 100th house—in less than 100 hours, a goal set by Gorman.

"Actually finished it in 76 hours," said Gorman, trying hard not to show his pride.

This is the sixth house for Habitat that Gorman and his partner Jeff Cardwell have sponsored. This house, built in Habitat's new nine-acre Barrington Gardens community on the city's southside, was the first full handicapped-accessible home built by Habitat, according to Kevin O'Brien, executive director. And O'Brien was thrilled to have Mike Gorman in charge again.

"Mike is truly an honorable man and a craftsman, one of a dying breed, I'm afraid," said O'Brien. "When he and Jeff build a house, there's no 'punch list,' no last minute details to complete. It's ready to move into. And Mike himself comes and works side by side with the volunteers to make sure everything is completed and done well."

Flo Whitaker, 61, was one of the 35 volunteers from St. Barnabas Parish who braved snow and sleet to work on the subfloor one cold Saturday morning in March.

"It was so cold and muddy, but we had fun and got our part done in less than three hours. And there was Mike, driving nails with his bare hands, no gloves. He probably worked as hard or harder than anyone else," said Whitaker.

Gorman, a third-generation carpenter in the business for almost 30 years, builds custom homes on the south side of Indianapolis and in Johnson County. Some of his homes cost up to a half-million dollars, with whirlpool tubs, master bedroom suites and luxury kitchens. But it's his work with Habitat that gives Gorman the most self-satisfaction.

"It's not what you put into Habitat, it's what you get out of it," Gorman said. "I do put in a lot of time and effort for all my clients. But I love putting together my loyal subcontractors, arranging for donated materials, lining up volunteers to do the actual work, seeing people really come together for a project for others and then meeting and seeing the new homeowner move in, which makes it all worthwhile."

"To be able to help provide the American dream of owning your own home for someone who truly appreciates it is a wonderful feeling."

Gorman became involved with Habitat after hearing about the organization's work on the radio one day.

"I thought, hmm, maybe this is something I could help with, so I drove by the site where they were working, and I wondered if our guys could do something like putting a house together that quickly," he said.

He contacted O'Brien and offered to help.

"I didn't know Mike at all, but when I explained what Habitat does, he called back in a week and said he'd lined up materials and labor to complete 90 percent of a house," recalled O'Brien.

In the summer of 1999, Gorman will be helping his parish, St. Barnabas, be both the corporate and church sponsor of a Habitat house.

Father Joseph McNally pastor of St. Barnabas, has known Mike and his wife, Connie, for eight years and is impressed with Gorman's quiet strength and humility.

"Mike is so completely unpretentious," Father McNally said. "He is very faithful, loves his family, is an avid churchgoer, and is very generous in helping people. I picked up his name from his time and talent information sheet when they joined the parish and then was impressed when I heard him give a presentation about Habitat."

"I asked him to help with our building project, and when you have a \$2 million-plus project, you need expertise. Mike went through all the blueprints, spent lots of time away from his family meeting weekly with contractors and architects. His presence really lends credibility to a meeting."

It was Father McNally who nominated Gorman for the Spirit of Indy award in 1996. Established by Catholic Social Services, this award honors the spirit of community volunteerism and recognizes those individuals who demonstrate noteworthy achievements to those in need.



St. Barnabas parishioners work on a Habitat for Humanity home in March. The effort was part of a parish project to help the Habitat for Humanity of Greater Indianapolis.

Gorman is proud of receiving the unexpected award and speaks equally highly of Father McNally.

Raised in a single-parent home on the west side of Indianapolis with an older and a younger sister, Gorman played basketball and baseball at Ben Davis and Northwest high schools. At a young age, he worked at the west side Boys' Club to be able to play ball.

"I did learn a strong work ethic and family values from my aunt who helped raise us while my mom worked as a secretary. Too many people overlook those qualities these days," said Gorman.

One change he's noticed in his business over the years is the willingness for some to finish a job completely.

His wife of 14 years, Connie, said Gorman gives 110 percent with everything he sets his mind to do.

"He's happiest when he's busy, and he does go that extra mile for people. He tries to teach our 10-year-old daughter Tiffany that, if you want something badly enough, you can get it if you work hard," said Connie Gorman. "And he cares so much for people and feels he's really giving back what he's received in life."

St. Barnabas Social Action Committee Chair Connie Merkel has worked with both Mike and Connie Gorman in numerous social action projects.

"You'd never know Mike's the person in charge at a project because he pitches right in. He doesn't just talk about doing something, he quietly goes about getting things done. He never seeks the limelight; if nobody ever noticed him, that would be fine with Mike," said Merkel.

Merkel wishes she "had 10 Mike and Connie Gormans" as volunteers.

"Mike's really living his faith. Lots of people go to church and do Bible study, which is certainly needed and serves to feed our faith, but Mike puts his faith into action for others and really understands what living life means," said Merkel. †

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Editorial

When will we 'choose life'?

It's happened again.

On May 21, 15-year-old Kipland Kinkel, a high school student in Springfield, Ore., took three guns to school—a semiautomatic .22-caliber rifle, a .22 handgun and a Glock pistol—and opened fire in a crowded cafeteria, killing two students and wounding 26 others. Later, police discovered the bodies of Kinkel's parents who had been shot to death in their home. Kinkel had been suspended from school the day before for bringing a gun into the school building.

The incident is merely the latest in a series of similar instances occurring around the country. The trend is shocking; it is chilling. Why is it happening?

Searching for answers, some individuals are trying to place the blame at the doors of our schools. Of this latest incident, Oregon state school superintendent Norma Paulus claimed that "this is not a school problem. This is a societal problem."

We think it is both. But there is no single or simple cause for this trend—in schools or in society.

Many experts are convinced that the students are acting out scenarios learned from violence-saturated video games, television shows and movies—"entertainment" media that depict violent behavior as normative and as an effective way to solve problems. The amount of violence in the entertainment media, the experts say, also has a numbing effect on young minds, making them indifferent to the horror caused by violent behavior.

Other experts place some of the blame on the lack of adult supervision of children, leaving adolescents to take their behavioral cues from their peers rather than from adults.

And what about the availability of guns in our country? What is it in the American psyche that places such a high value on the easy access to weapons? In the late 18th century when a new nation was being forged in the wilderness, the right of every citizen to bear arms was written into the U.S. Constitution. But surely our nation's founders never envisioned the kind of situation we are facing today.

In addition, those who enjoy hunting—if they are true sports enthusiasts—surely don't use semiautomatic assault weapons and handguns to bag their prey. Isn't it time that we, as a nation, reevaluate our attitudes about guns and work to pass legislation severely restricting the availability of weapons?

Pope John Paul II continues to sound the alarm about the culture of death, whose lengthening shadow increasingly darkens our world. When are we going to open our ears and hear the warning cry that this pope is sounding?

In a nation that calls itself Christian and that takes such pride in its life-affirming Judeo-Christian roots, when are we going to take to heart the imperative in the book of Deuteronomy to "choose life"?

Time, it seems, is running out. †

— William R. Bruns

Seeking the Face of the Lord

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



Pentecost prompts reflection on role of Holy Spirit

Next Sunday, the Church celebrates the feast of Pentecost. The Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples as Jesus had promised them before his ascension into heaven. The advent of the Spirit on Pentecost marks the official birthday of the Church. It also marks the particular way in which we can come to enjoy the fruit of salvation that Christ won for us by his passion, death and resurrection.

The Holy Father has dedicated 1998 to the Holy Spirit as part of the spiritual preparation for the Great Jubilee of Christ's incarnation as one of us. It occurs to me that little is said and taught about the third person of the Blessed Trinity. Perhaps a reflection here on the Holy Spirit might be helpful.

In the Nicene Creed we proclaim the Holy Spirit as the "Lord and Giver of Life." This pretty well describes the role that the Spirit plays in the events of human life, particularly in accompanying the Church as a body and each of us individually on the way to the kingdom.

In his 1998 Holy Thursday letter to priests, Pope John Paul II reflected on the role of the Holy Spirit in our spiritual life. The Holy Father writes: "One in substance with the Father and the Son, in the absolute mystery of the triune God, he is the Person-love, the uncreated gift, who is the eternal source of every gift that comes from God in the order of creation..."

I believe it was St. Augustine who first tried to describe the Holy Spirit as the perfect love between the Father and the Son, so perfect that it is a third equal personification, thus three persons in one God. Of course, no human words or concepts capture the trinitarian mystery.

"God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying 'Abba! Father!'" (Gal 4:6) "All who are led by the Spirit are children of God. ... It is by that very Spirit bearing witness to our spirit that we are children of God." (Rom 8:14, 16) The pope writes: "The words of the Apostle Paul remind us that the fundamental gift of the Spirit is sanctifying grace ... with which we receive the theological virtues — faith, hope and charity — and all the infused virtues ... which enable us to act under the influence of the Holy Spirit. Unlike the charisms, which are bestowed for the service of others, these gifts are offered to all,

because they are intended to lead the person to sanctity and perfection."

By the anointing of the Holy Spirit at baptism and then the completion of that anointing in the sacrament of confirmation, we are given the help we need to be people who believe, people who hope and people who love. We are given the fundamental help (grace) to be a holy people. Only the Holy Spirit can enable us to become holy.

The Holy Father also spoke of the "infused virtues." What are they? In the tradition of the Church, following biblical and patristic sources, we speak of the gifts of the Holy Spirit as "the sevenfold gift." The names of the seven gifts may be familiar: wisdom and understanding, counsel and fortitude, knowledge, fear of the Lord and piety (or awe).

One time in a homily, Saint Gregory the Great described the way the Holy Spirit leads us to holiness. "Through the fear of the Lord we rise to piety, from piety then to knowledge, from knowledge we derive strength, from strength counsel, with counsel we move towards understanding and with intelligence towards wisdom and thus, by the sevenfold grace of the Spirit, there opens to us at the end of the ascent the entrance to life in heaven" (Hom. In Hezech., II, 7, 7).

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* describes the gifts of the Holy Spirit as a special awakening of the human spirit and its powers to the action of the Spirit, and as such "they complete and perfect the virtues of those who receive them. They make the faithful docile in readily obeying divine inspirations." (#1831). The Holy Father explains "This means that the moral life of Christians is sustained by these 'permanent dispositions which make man docile in following the promptings of the Holy Spirit' (CCC #1830). These bring to maturity the supernatural life which grace works in every human being." The Holy Spirit opens our minds and hearts to respond to God's love.

We don't even have to become holy on our own! In fact, we can't. All we have to do is say "yes" to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. The promptings are there if we pay attention. Remember, a gift is not fully a gift until it has been accepted. That's our part in the wonder of salvation. †

Archbishop Buechlein's intention for vocations for June

Religious Women: that their love of God and the religious charism may be widely appreciated and encouraged

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Buscando la Cara del Señor

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El pentecostés provoca meditación en el papel del Espíritu Santo

El próximo domingo, la Iglesia celebrará la fiesta del Pentecostés. El Espíritu Santo se descendió a los discípulos como Jesús les había prometido antes de su ascensión al cielo. El advenimiento del Espíritu en el Pentecostés señala el cumpleaños oficial de la Iglesia. También señala la manera particular en la que podemos disfrutar de la fruta de salvación que Cristo nos ganó a través de su pasión, muerte y resurrección.

El Santo Padre ha dedicado el año 1998 al Espíritu Santo como parte de la preparación espiritual para el Gran Jubilo de la encarnación de Cristo en hombre como nosotros. Se me ocurrió que se dice y se enseña poco sobre la tercera persona de la Santísima Trinidad. Quizás sería útil de reflejar aquí en el Espíritu Santo.

En el Credo de Nicea-Constantinopla proclamamos el Espíritu Santo como el "Señor y Dador de Vida". Esto describe bien el papel que juega el Espíritu en los eventos de la vida humana, particularmente acompañando la Iglesia como un cuerpo y cada uno de nosotros individualmente en el camino al reino.

En su carta de 1998 a los sacerdotes sobre el Jueves Santo, el Papa Juan Pablo II reflejó en el papel del Espíritu Santo en nuestra vida espiritual. El Santo Padre escribió: "Uno en substancia con Padre y Hijo, en el absoluto misterio del Dios Triuno, Él es Persona-Amor, el regalo no creado que es la fuente eterna de cada regalo que viene de Dios en el orden de creación. ..."

Yo creo que fue San Agustino quien primero intentó describir el Espíritu Santo como el amor perfecto entre Padre y Hijo, tan perfecto que es una tercera personificación igual, así tres personas en un sólo Dios. Por supuesto, no existen palabras o conceptos humanos que capturen el misterio de la Trinidad.

"Dios envió el Espíritu de su Hijo a nuestros corazones, ¡Abba. Padre!" (Gal 4:6) "Todos los que son guiados por el Espíritu de Dios son hijos de Dios... El mismo Espíritu da testimonio a nuestro espíritu que somos hijos de Dios". (Rm 8:14, 16) El Papa escribe: "Las palabras del Apóstol Pablo nos recuerdan que el regalo fundamental del Espíritu es la gracia de santificación... con que recibimos las virtudes teológicas—la fe, esperanza y caridad—y todas las virtudes... las cuales nos permiten actuar bajo la influencia del Espíritu Santo. Al contrario de la carisma que se da para el servicio de otras personas, estos regalos se ofrecen a todos, porque se piensa que ellos llevan a la persona a la

santidad y perfección".

Por unción del Espíritu Santo al bautismo y entonces la realización del mismo en el sacramento de confirmación, se nos da la ayuda que necesitamos para ser personas que creen, personas que esperan y personas que aman. Se nos da la ayuda fundamental (gracia) para ser personas santas. Sólo el Espíritu Santo puede permitirnos a ser santos.

El Santo Padre también habló de "las virtudes infusas". ¿Cuáles son? En la tradición de la Iglesia, según las fuentes bíblicas y patrísticas, hablamos de los dones del Espíritu Santo como "los siete dones". Quizá los nombres de los siete dones sean conocidos: la sabiduría y el entendimiento, el consejo y la fortaleza, el conocimiento, el miedo del Señor y piedad (o temor reverencial).

Una vez durante la homilía, el San Gregorio el Grande describió la manera en que el Espíritu Santo nos lleva a la santidad. "A través del miedo del Señor subimos a la piedad, de la piedad entonces al conocimiento, del conocimiento derivamos la fuerza, de la fuerza al consejo, con consejo movemos hacia el entendimiento y con inteligencia hacia la sabiduría y así, por la gracia séptupla del Espíritu, allí abre a nosotros al final de la ascensión la entrada a la vida en enciello" (Hom. en Hezech., II,7,7).

El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica describe los dones del Espíritu Santo como el despertar especial del espíritu humano y sus poderes a la acción del Espíritu, y por lo tanto "completan y llevan las virtudes de quienes los reciben. Hacen a los fieles dóciles para obedecer con prontitud a las inspiraciones divinas". (#1831). El Santo Padre explica "Esto significa que la vida moral de los Cristianos está sostenida por estas 'disposiciones permanentes que hacen al hombre dócil para seguir los impulsos del Espíritu Santo' (CCC #1830). Éstos traen a madurez la vida sobrenatural en que sirve la gracia en cada ser humano." El Espíritu Santo abre nuestras mentes y corazón para responder al amor de Dios.

¡No tenemos que volvernos santos solos! De hecho no podemos. La única cosa que tenemos que hacer es decir que "sí" al los impulsos del Espíritu Santo. Los impulsos están allí, solamente necesitamos prestar atención. Recuerde, que un don no es totalmente un don hasta que se lo haya aceptado. Eso es la parte que jugamos en la maravilla de salvación. †

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La intención de vocaciones del Arzobispo Buechlein para mayo

Seminaristas: ¡Que ellos sean fieles a la oración y estudien, y continúen en su deseo de servir a Dios y la Iglesia como sacerdotes!

Letters to the Editor

Collars and habits

Referencing Father Hemrick's column on the "collar." (*The Criterion*, May 15) I always feel so glad to be Catholic and to associate myself and beliefs with the "collar" when I see one. It brings happy memories to me. I'm certain I speak for a lot of us when I say I wish our nuns would wear the old recognizable habits—they make me feel so safe and remember some lovely sisters in my past. It's great to be Catholic. Those habits were part of our heritage too—you knew, on seeing one that you could connect with that person. A special bond between Catholics.

Barbara A. Temple
Plainfield

Questions public protests, quality of religious instruction

In the May 8 edition, I noticed that Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein's name was mentioned in letters from Stephanie Bower, and from Father Rawley Myers. I agree with the archbishop in his distaste for public protest of Church leaders' decisions. However, Scripture tells that in the years to come, many will be led astray, even the elect. Based on some of the homilies I've heard in the last 30 years, and based upon statements from some bishops, I think some of our elect have already been led astray. I do not believe the Church grows by members openly sharing ideas. I believe it grows, when the members accept the teachings of Jesus, instead of trying to reach selfish interpretations of them.

I believe in the power of prayer to overcome some of our problems. My belief was reinforced, when our parish fervently prayed the archbishop would send us a truly holy priest as a new pastor. I now

pray the Lord will bless and keep this "holy priest" sent to us by the archbishop, as a result of our prayers. He is truly a godsend—not one sent as part of a "democracy in action."

Regarding the letter, "Children last in a shuffle," Father Myers quoted a report I had not seen, about the archbishop's committee report to the bishops in Kansas City. His comments about our catechetical textbooks having "doctrinal deficiencies," is certainly right on target. For too many years, our religious education has consisted of talking to death "community, and social rights" and not enough about the divinity of Christ, the church he founded, grace, sacraments, commandments, etc.

I recently asked one of my students what she felt she had learned this year. The reply was, I learned the sacraments and the commandments. I can't put them all in the proper order, but I know them. "Do you know," she asked, "my Daddy didn't know about them?" I can believe it, the daddy attended CCD classes with some of my children, and I found out too late, they weren't taught the basics. We only have religion class once per week, for 45 to 75 minutes maximum, and we better spend this time teaching about Church doctrine, the divinity of Christ, the Trinity, sacraments, commandments, the works of mercy, beatitudes, the precepts of the Church, original, venial, mortal sins, and prayer, because the average middle-aged parent doesn't know enough about the Church to pass it along to the children.

If we teach our children properly, they will grow up with a better knowledge of the Catholic Church and be better able to pass along their beliefs and faith to their children in the years to come.

May the Holy Spirit fill our minds and hearts, and guide us daily as we labor for a better understanding of our faith.

George Feastes
Bloomington

The Human Side/Fr. Eugene Hemrick

Priests should consider retiring into emeritus roles

Within the next few years, one-third of today's priests will retire. With fewer



priests available to replace them, will this mean a significant loss of priests, who are responsible for an important part of the Church's spiritual strength? Or is it just possible that our retired priests will become a unique, new

spiritual force?

A meeting on priests' retirement, hosted by Thomas Merluzzi of the University of Notre Dame psychology department, convinces me that retired priests have the potential to become a new and welcome spiritual force in the Church—if they address the question of retirement before it happens.

Stepping down is never easy, no matter how many years of wear and tear you have endured.

After those at our meeting discussed retirement's negative aspects, we turned to its positive side.

Most of their active lives involve priests in life's spiritual meaning. As perpetual students of life's mysteries, joys and sorrows, and its stages from birth to death, priests tend to develop a profound understanding of life's meaning.

Now, finding significance in life is life-giving, for purpose ranks among our strongest driving forces. So priests generally can expect to live a long time in retirement.

This consideration led one participant in our meeting to suggest that priests should not be considered retired or called "senior priests," but rather given the title "emeritus."

"Too often," he said, "we think of priests as elderly instead of as elders; as over the hill, rather than as having climbed a holy mountain. They are wisdom figures whose lives have been dedicated to linking our lives with God's wisdom."

The idea of priests emeritus started me thinking. Professors who bear the title "emeritus" are masters of a particular discipline. Perhaps priests, too, should come to regard themselves as masters of a particular aspect of ministry before they retire. If a priest has a specialty during his active ministry, retirement will be seen as a time to focus more fully on that mastery.

As with a professor emeritus, the priest emeritus would be free to spend as much time as he needs in his library, or out in the field with people, without worrying about paper work, appointments and administration.

Furthermore, if a priest loves Scripture, liturgy or theology, now would be the time to collect books and firm up the study habits needed to master those areas more fully. If he loves giving homilies, providing spiritual direction or doing works of justice, now would be the time to take note of the additional skills needed to perfect these works. If he loves writing or teaching, now would be the time to take note of his teaching or writing style and ways to improve it.

If priests approach retirement with the attitude that they are becoming priests emeritus, I believe that they will feel that exciting lives await them—maybe more exciting than the ones they led before retirement.

Without a doubt, we would benefit from having true elders. †

(Father Eugene Hemrick is a regular columnist for Catholic News Service.)

New Albany Deanery honors youth for service, faith

CLARKSVILLE—More than 40 teen-agers and five adults were recognized for their Church and community involvement May 14 during the New Albany Deanery's annual awards celebration at Our Lady of Providence High School.

More than 270 youth and adults came to celebrate another year of Catholic youth ministry in southern Indiana and to affirm the efforts of outstanding youth and adult volunteers who give their time in service and leadership.

"Young people have a difficult time finding heroes they can look up to and use as role models in today's world," said Ray Lucas, deanery director of youth ministry. "But the young people honored need only look around the room at each other to find incredible examples of leadership, community service and faith. They are positive examples of teen-agers putting their beliefs into action and mak-

ing a real difference in our community. They are real heroes that our community should be proud of."

During the event, representatives from the Archdiocese of Indianapolis were on hand to present awards to youth and adult volunteers from the Catholic parishes of Harrison, Clark and Floyd counties.

Representing the archdiocese were David Bethuram, executive director of the Office for Youth and Family Ministries; Marlene Stammerman, associate director of youth ministry for the same office; and Edward Tinder, executive director of the Catholic Youth Organization.

"The awards celebration was a powerful event that affirmed both young people and adults for their dedication and service to youth ministry activities in their parishes and deanery," Bethuram said after the event. "The people in attendance were called forth to continue to give of



St. Mary parishioners Beth Naville (left) and Lisa Naville of Navilleton light candles during the New Albany Deanery Catholic Youth Ministries commissioning ceremony for new youth leaders on May 14 at Our Lady of Providence High School in Clarksville.

themselves . . . their gifts, talents and abilities, so that other youth may be encouraged to become involved and participate as leaders."

This year, 10 New Albany teen-agers were honored for leadership and Christian life. Receiving Outstanding Service Awards, the deanery's top youth honor, were Joshua Graf of Sacred Heart Parish in Jeffersonville; Jessica Fisher and Ryan Harrington of St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Clarksville; Jonathan Graf of St. Joseph Parish in Sellersburg; and Janelle Loi of St. Mary Parish in Navilleton.

Other recipients of this youth service award were Lisa Schellenberger and Leigh Ann Sizemore of St. Mary Parish in Lanesville; Heather Fink of St. Mary-of-the-Knobs Parish in Floyds Knobs; Sarah Logsdon of St. Michael Parish in Bradford; and Mandy Cullen of St. Paul Parish in Sellersburg.

Three teen-agers received scholarships for outstanding service to their Church and community during their high school years. Jessica Fisher received the New Albany Deanery's Dean Kramer Memorial Scholarship, while Janelle Loi and Lisa Schellenberger earned the Father Tom Stumph Memorial Scholarship for their continuing education.

In addition to these awards, 10 young people from various parishes in Harrison,

Clark and Floyd counties were recognized for their leadership and faithful involvement to the deanery.

Earning certificates for leadership, service and faithful involvement were Luke Andres, Steven Bierly, Nicholas Book, Kenneth Boone, Michael Caldwell, Eli Day, Justin Depaquier, Kenneth Eichenberger, Roger Fenwick, Leah Freiburger and Melissa George.

Also recognized with this certificate of service were Chris Geswein, Kristin Gettelfinger, Pam Gilkey, Christine Gronotte, Debbie Jacobi, Sarah Kohler, Dough Krue, Carissa Lenfert, Gary Lewis, Tracy Libs, Josh McKinley, Erin Mulloy, Eric Rowan, Patrick Schmelz, Maria Seehuusen, Jessica Sims, Dustin Wilcox and Shannon Wilson.

The evening also offered an opportunity to honor six dedicated adults—involved in youth ministry for many years—with the Catholic Youth Organization's St. John Bosco Award.

Recipients of St. John Bosco Medals were Karen Harbeson and Donna Newton of St. Michael Parish in Bradford, James LeMaster from St. Paul Parish in Sellersburg, Vic Beeler from St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Clarksville, Scott Meyer from Sacred Heart Parish in Jeffersonville, and Walter Colin of Holy Family Parish in New Albany.†

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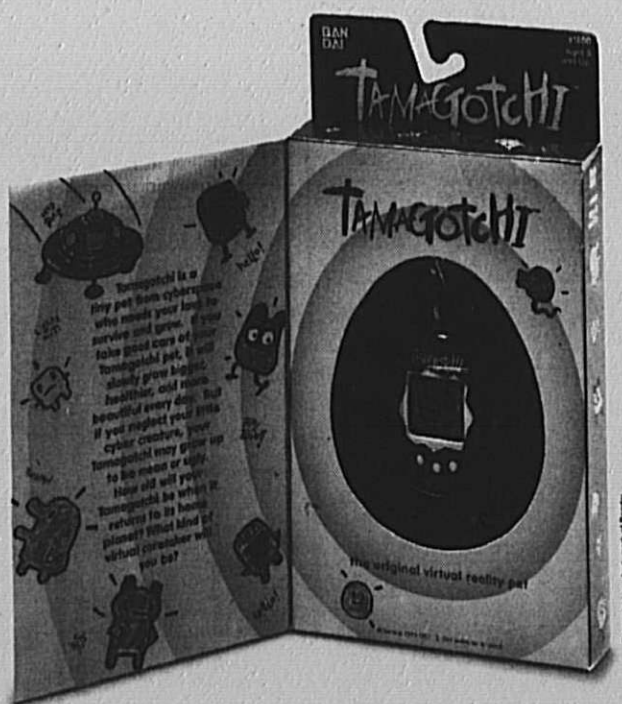
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Terre Haute Deanery

St. Ann Terre Haute

Story by Susan Etter

Fast Fact:

Five generations of families can be seen in the pews at Mass on Sunday morning at St. Ann Parish in Terre Haute.



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St. Ann Parish has a strong sense of social mission

TERRE HAUTE—The 154-household St. Ann Parish in Terre Haute has been described as "a small parish that is doing a great deal of social ministry."

Providence Sister Connie Kramer, who has been at the parish for seven years and parish life coordinator for five years, said a man recently joined the parish because he recognized the strong social mission.

"I think we are in the front lines of establishing the identity of the mission parish in the archdiocese," Sister Connie said.

It was the parish's strong social ministry that brought Sister Connie to the parish.

"I wanted to see it keep going," she said.

She and the parish might be considered a part of the archdiocesan social mission. Terre Haute Catholic Charities, a member agency of archdiocesan Catholic Charities, operates from several buildings that sit on St. Ann Parish grounds.

The large building on the corner is Bethany House, a homeless shelter for men, women and children sponsored by Terre Haute Catholic Charities. Bethany House contains a soup kitchen that has fed meals to many hungry people daily for 13 years. Across the street is Ryves Hall, a center for at-risk youth.

Also, a food bank offers additional support. Across the street, Terre Haute Catholic Charities operates a ware-

house that houses home furnishings for the needy.

"I call this place the caring corner, and I believe it is," Sister Connie said.

She also believes the buildings on this location have not been vandalized "because real needs get met on this corner."



St. Ann Church in Terre Haute



St. Ann parishioner Rita Dehler uses watercolor as she paints with her pre-school and kindergarten class during religious education classes at St. Ann Parish in Terre Haute.

St. Ann Clinic

On Sept. 9, 1997, another ministry opened on the grounds at St. Ann Parish. The St. Ann Clinic, housed in the former parish school building, opened its doors to serve poverty-level, uninsured people in need of medical services.

The clinic was a vision of Sister Connie's that became a reality.

"God gave me a dream for this clinic and God gave me the ability to raise funds for it, and I am grateful for that," Sister Connie said.

The clinic is a collaborative effort among three groups: the parish community of St. Ann; the Sisters of Providence; and the medical community of Terre Haute—particularly Family Practice of Union Hospital, and the nursing programs of Indiana State University.

Sister Connie said she is impressed by the number of diverse volunteers who keep the clinic going. St. Ann parishioner Dr. Randy Stevens is a regular volunteer at the clinic. Volunteers are used in every capacity at the clinic. Because the clinic is a Sister of Providence ministry,

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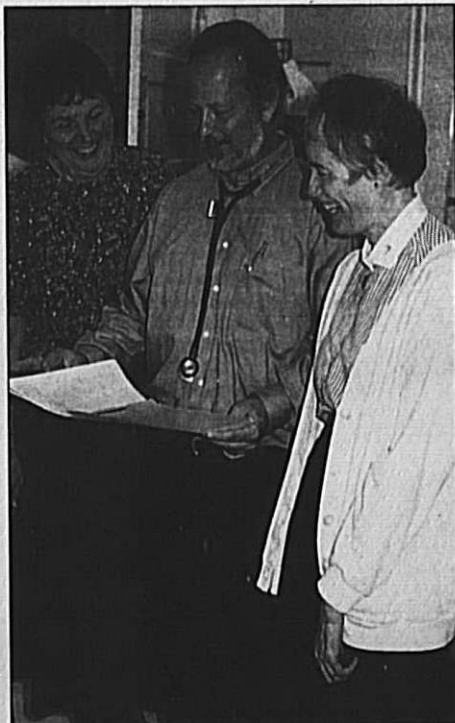
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From left, Providence Sister Pat Linehan, coordinator of St. Ann Clinic in Terre Haute, and Dr. Randy Stevens, a St. Ann parishioner and physician at the clinic, chat with Providence Sister Connie Kramer, parish life coordinator at St. Ann.

several Sisters of Providence also volunteer regularly. Volunteers from neighboring parishes also help out, including two nurses who just entered the Church last Easter. Union Hospital in Terre Haute also offers a residence rotation through their medical school.

Providence Sister Pat Linehan, who served 25 years as a registered nurse in the U.S. Navy, is the coordinator of St. Ann Clinic. She said the clinic houses five exam rooms, including a pediatric room. From 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesdays the clinic serves walk-in patients, meeting the needs of between 25 to 50 patients every week. A clinical

psychologist comes to the clinic every Wednesday. Indiana State University in Terre Haute sends nursing students to offer immunizations one Wednesday a month. And other volunteer physicians are specialists who see patients in their private offices on a referral basis from the clinic.

Sister Connie said the majority of the patients who visit the clinic are usually people between the ages of 20 and 50.

"They end up being people who have worked all their lives and have lost their jobs and have nothing," she said.

The clinic serves those in the Terre Haute community and elsewhere who are uninsured who fall under the government-rated poverty level. The clinic does not serve those on Medicaid or Medicare.

Religious Education

Just as it's important to reach the community through social service ministry, it's equally important for St. Ann parishioners to nurture themselves through spiritual ministry.

Sister Connie said she believes it's the people of the parish who raise the children.

"They know everybody's children and they raise them," she said.

Brenda Maus, the administrator of religious education, has developed a model for young children—a pre-school children's liturgy held every Sunday during the 11 a.m. liturgy at St. Ann. Every Sunday a different facilitator, who is a parent or high school youth, runs the program. Between eight and 15 children meet in a room in the back of the church. The room has a large window so the children can see what is going on during the liturgy.

The children go through the readings, the rites, the Gospel, and the homily. There is also an activity that is based on the readings or the Gospel. The group joins hands for the Our Father and extends the sign of peace to one another as well.

During Communion, the preschoolers go to the altar to receive a blessing. A closing prayer ends the liturgy.

"We do the whole liturgy so they can feel like they understand what's going on out there [in the pews]—it is brought down to their level," Maus said.

The children in first through eighth grades meet twice a month on Monday evenings. Currently there are 32 enrolled in the program. The classes are made up of two grade levels.

Youth ministry is shared with two other Terre Haute

parishes—Sacred Heart of Jesus and St. Benedict—under the leadership of Janet Roth, youth ministry coordinator.

"Our tri-parish youth ministry program gives our people a chance to be with people they go to school with and be in a much larger group," Sister Connie said.

On the adult religious education level, a group of five lay leaders are studying and exploring the small Christian community concept.

Sister Connie said St. Ann currently is in the middle of a successful Legacy of Hope from Generation to Generation capital and endowment campaign, which "will help fulfill some other dreams of this small-in-size and big-in-spirit Terre Haute parish community." †



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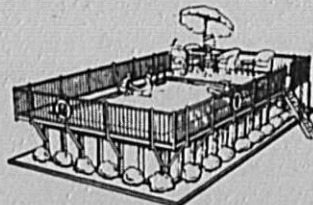
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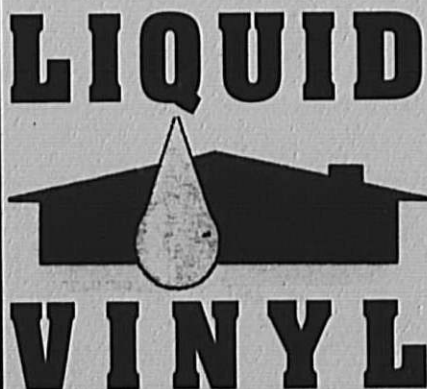
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Barnes — McGonigle
Elizabeth Anne Barnes and Thomas George McGonigle will be married August 16 at St. James Church in Ellettsburg, Ky. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert James Barnes. The groom is the son of Mr. Richard Forrest of Ellettsburg and Mr. Richard Hunter of Keokuk, Iowa.



McIntosh — Standford
Joan Michelle McIntosh and Steven James Standford will be married August 16 at St. James the Apostles Church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Standford. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Standford.

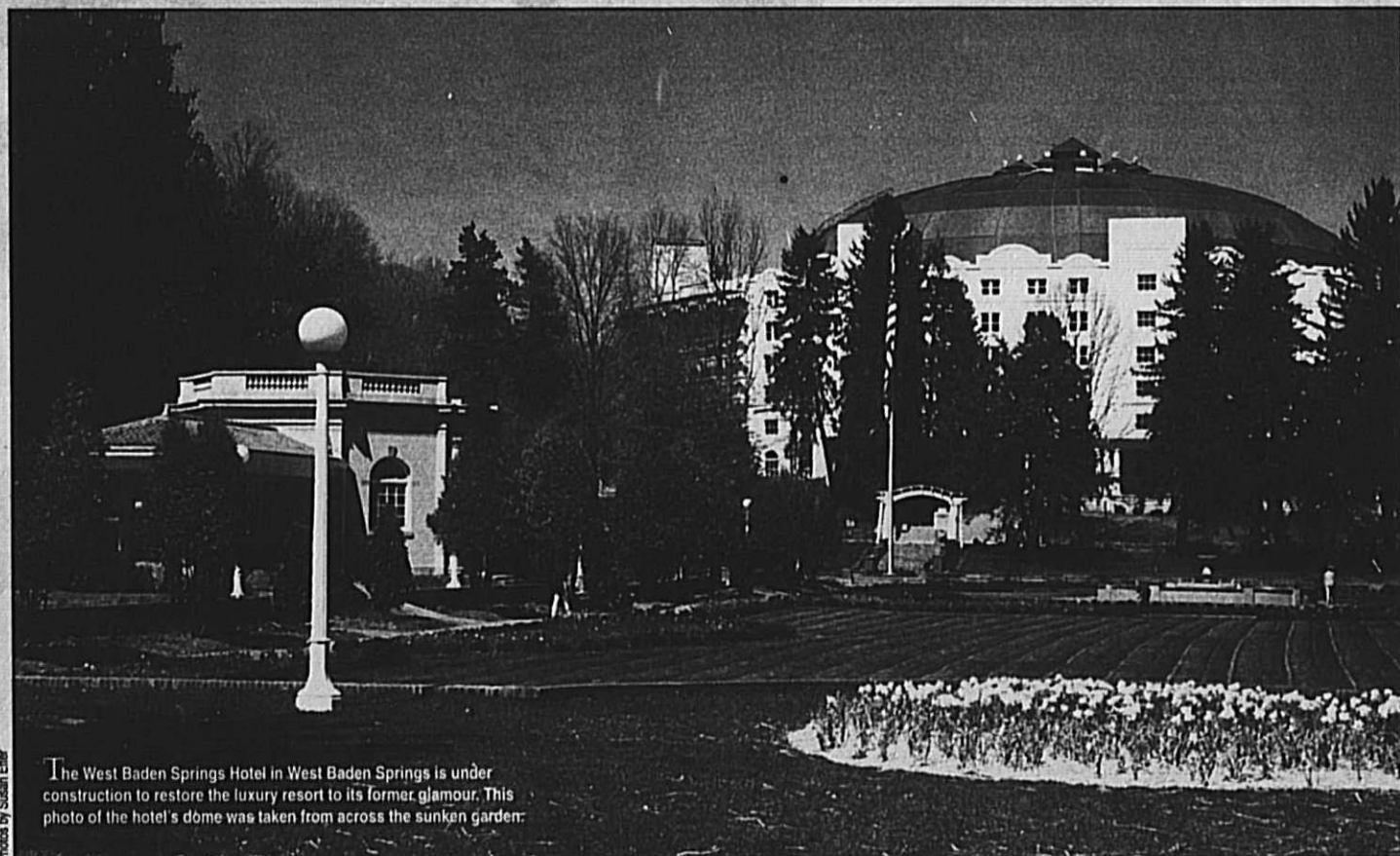


Johnson — Barnett
Margaret Noel Johnson and Robert Thomas Barnett will be married October 18 at St. Louis Episcopal Church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn W. Baker Jr. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Barnett.



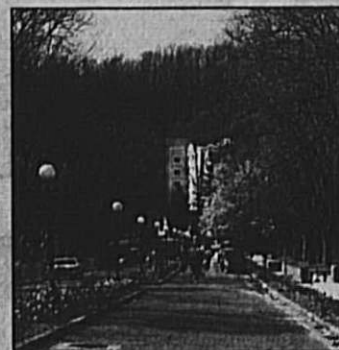
Black — Howe
Jennifer Marie Black and Joseph W. Howe will be married October 18 at St. Mary's Family Church. The bride is the daughter of Kenneth and Virginia Black of Crestwood, Ky. The groom is the son of William and Joan Howe.

VACATION TRAVEL SUPPLEMENT



Photos by Susan Ester

The West Baden Springs Hotel in West Baden Springs is under construction to restore the luxury resort to its former glamour. This photo of the hotel's dome was taken from across the sunken garden.



See the magic come to life as restoration continues at the West Baden Springs Hotel

By Tina Connor
Special to *The Criterion*

Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana will host public tours, a black-tie gala and a Towering Finale celebration as part of its continued restoration efforts of the former West Baden Springs Hotel with Bloomington-based Cook Group Incorporated.

Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana, a private non-profit organization, is the largest statewide preservation group in the U.S. The foundation saves and protects buildings and places of architectural and historical significance.

Daily tours of the landmark are now being offered to allow visitors to witness the display of more than 55,000 spring flowers. Some 25,000 people visited the former hotel last year after daily tours became available. Funds raised from the tours have accounted for more than \$216,000 in gross revenue toward Historic Landmarks Foundation's \$1.5 million commitment to the project.

The daily tours take 50 minutes and will be offered through Oct. 31, including holidays. Tours are available Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the hour, and Sundays noon to 4 p.m. on the hour. The fee for the tour is \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 13-18, \$2 for ages 6-12, and free for children under 5.

Group tours are also available by appointment with two-week advance notice. The minimum charge is \$100 per group. For more information on group tours, call Jeff Bennett at 800-450-4534 for reservations.

Hikers' tours are offered the fourth Saturday of each month at 1 p.m. The 90-minute tour includes a large brick reservoir and the ruins of a church on a steep hillside. The fee for these tours is \$15 for adults, \$7 for ages

13-18, \$4 for ages 6-12. Children under age 6 are not allowed on the hikers' tour.

All tours meet at the main entrance gate on Indiana 56 in West Baden Springs.

Those who visit the restoration in progress will see numerous structural and cosmetic improvements both inside the hotel and on the 250 acres of land surrounding it. Some of the most noteworthy progress includes a massive transformation of the garden, complete restoration of the outbuildings, reinstallation of the four original stained-glass windows, and decorative interior painting. A collapsed section of the exterior wall is completely rebuilt, and the lobby and famed atrium also are in the final stages of restoration.

In addition to the daily tours, a black-tie benefit is planned for Oct. 10. The West Baden Springs Nocturne will include cocktails in the garden and veranda, a silent auction of sculpture by Indiana artists, a live auction with unique items and experiences, dinner and dancing in the dome and theatrical surprises. The cost for this event is \$150 per person, and tickets will be available for purchase in August. Before August, call 800-450-4534 to be added to the invitation list.

On Oct. 24, at the Towering Finale celebration, the landmark's missing towers will be reinstated. The day-long event will offer guests food and music as a helicopter hoists each of the four five-story towers into place. A \$10 admission fee will be charged.

(Tina Connor is the director of marketing for Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana.)

Monon Rail-Trail is a great place to exercise

National Park Service describes Indianapolis greenways as 'among the best in the nation'

By Mary Ann Wyand

Where trains passed by in years gone by, people now walk, jog, run or roll along the Monon Rail-Trail in Indianapolis.

Some exercise enthusiasts ride bicycles, unicycles or tandem bicycles on the scenic pathway. Others lace up roller blades and skate along the paved trail.

Individuals enjoy the solitude of a nature hike. Couples hold hands as they stroll over rail-trail bridges and admire views of the White River and wooded areas. Parents push infants and toddlers in strollers. Children pedal dirt bikes. Teenagers exercise with friends or pets.

Whether for an hour or an afternoon, people can discover—or return again and again—to the old Monon line which runs parallel to North College Avenue from Fall Creek to 96th Street in Marion County. City residents and visitors alike can enjoy this public linear corridor advertised by the city as "Linking Nature to Neighborhoods." The 7.6 mile trail is bordered by residential and retail areas.

One of about 6,000 rail-trails adapted for recreational use in the United States, the former Monon train track on the Indianapolis north side has become a popular pathway since the Indianapolis Parks Department's Greenways Division staff finished resurfacing it two years ago.

The rail-trail is fun, free, easily accessible to people of all ages, and offers multiple recreational and health benefits to

users, according to Ray R. Irvin, manager of the Indianapolis Greenways.

"It's not a new idea," Irvin said of the rail-trail and other capital city greenways. "We can trace the Indianapolis Greenways Project as it exists today to George Kessler in 1905."

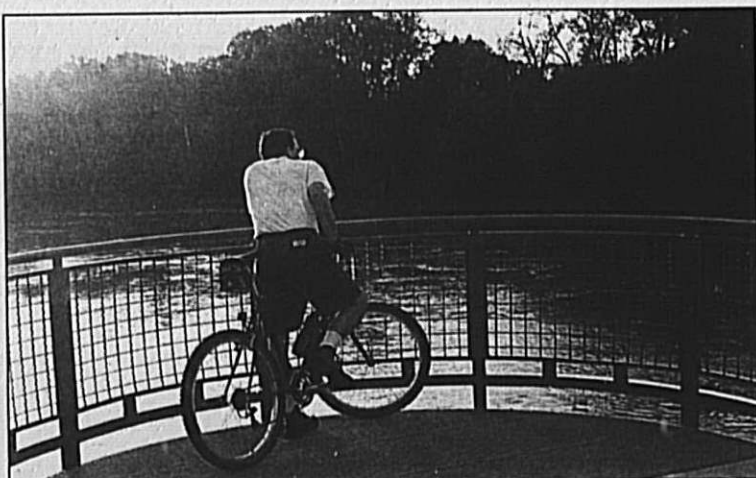
While working for the city just after the turn of the century, Kessler supported a national urban beautification movement and proposed a parkway system in Indianapolis that has preserved distinctive waterways and wooded areas for decades.

Kessler was influenced by the landscape designs of Frederick Law Olmstead, who created Central Park in New York City, and his stepson, John C. Olmstead, who helped Indianapolis civic leaders develop green space for future generations.

Today Indianapolis has 57 parks along 14 greenway corridors described by the National Park Service "as among the best in the nation."

Covering 175 miles of linear greenways and 4,700 acres of conservation green-space, Irvin said, the parks and corridors on public land boast 750 species of native plants, 346 species of birds and 60 species of native trees.

These areas provide homes for a variety of wildlife, he said, and there is even a deer herd at Marott Park, a state nature preserve adjacent to the White River, Monon Rail-Trail and North College Avenue not far from Broad Ripple Village. †



Photos by Mary Ann Wyand

Scenic spots surround the Monon Rail-Trail, which winds through the north side of Indianapolis. It is geared for people in motion, but a variety of restaurants are adjacent to the Monon line for easy access to meals or snacks. Last year, more than 600,000 people enjoyed the rail-trail, which serves multiple uses as a recreational opportunity and public service corridor. There are fiber optic-cables and city sewers buried under the paved pathway. Volunteer trail monitors and trained emergency medical technicians on bicycles help people in need of assistance. To request a free Monon Rail-Trail guide, call the Indianapolis Parks Department's Greenways Division at 317-327-7431.



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State forests, recreation areas offer outdoor activities

Some of the most attractive overlooks in Indiana are located in the state forests

By Mary Ann Wyand

Visit a state forest this year! Better yet, pack camping gear and vacation at one of Indiana's 10 state forests or three state recreation areas!

That's the message Indiana State Forester Burnell C. Fischer wants Hoosiers to remember when planning recreational outings this summer.

There are a variety of fun activities



Picnicking is always a popular activity at Indiana state forests, especially when lakeside picnic areas like this one at Starve Hollow State Recreation Area provide such a beautiful view.

available for individuals and families to enjoy in state forests, Fischer said, so people who appreciate the natural beauties of Hoosier state parks will like discovering the more rustic charms of state forests.

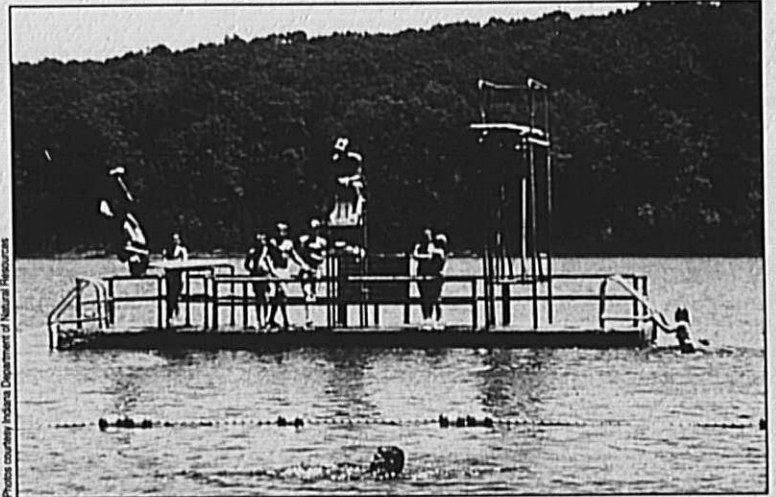
"If you're seeking a quieter, more return-to-nature experience, state forests are the place to go," he explained. "We have some of the best horseback riding in the state, and we cater to recreationists who like to hike, fish and hunt."

The state-regulated archery, shotgun and muzzle-loading hunting seasons begin in mid-October and continue through December, so summer visitors don't have to worry about encountering hunters.

"The roads aren't paved like they are in state parks," Fischer said, "and camping is more rustic and primitive. Trails tend to be single-use or small-group hiking paths. The two longest hiking trails in Indiana are in state forests. We do have three nature centers, but basically you're on your own."

Indiana's 10 state forests cover a total of 150,000 acres in many counties, he said, and individual land holdings encompass as much as 25,000 acres. That's a lot of trees, especially compared to an average size of 2,000 acres in individual state parks.

"There is a feeling of vastness in state forests, so you can really feel like you're getting away from civilization," Fischer said. "Some of the most attractive overlooks in the state are relatively unknown because they are in state forests. One overlook at Harrison-Crawford State Forest is 100 feet above the Ohio River and offers a spectacular view. Jackson-Washington and



Swimming beaches with lifeguards at Ferdinand State Forest, Deam Lake State Recreation Area and Starve Hollow State Recreation Area offer visitors a fun way to cool off in the heat of summer.

Clark state forests have knobs, and in places you can almost see 20 miles."

Established in 1903, Clark State Forest is the oldest forested state land holding, he said. "State forests have been around for a long time, but lots of people still don't know much about them."

Julie Charles, information specialist for the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of Forestry, encourages people to call 317-232-4105 for free brochures about Harrison-Crawford, Morgan-Monroe, Yellowwood, Ferdinand, Owen-Putnam, Jackson-Washington, Clark, Martin, Greene-Sullivan and Selmier state forests as well as Starve Hollow, Deam Lake, Wyandotte Woods and Wyandotte Caves state recreation areas.

"State forests focus on the natural rather than the built environment," Charles said. "A healthy forest provides a number of recreation opportunities. You can mushroom hunt, pick berries, bird watch, enjoy the scenery, take pictures, hike, fish, hunt, boat, canoe, even climb a fire tower and enjoy the view."

Most state forests do not have control gates or gate fees so visitors can come and go easily, she said. "On the flip side, state forests don't have as many developed recreation opportunities or amenities such as Class A campgrounds and flush toilets. They are definitely more primitive [than state parks], but experienced hikers and campers appreciate the peace and solitude that comes from rustic settings." †

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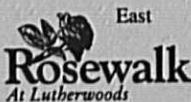
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SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 10:30 a.m.

Christ the King
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m.,
noon

Good Shepherd
Saturday Anticipation — 4:30 p.m.
Sunday — 9, 11 a.m.

Holy Angels
Saturday Anticipation — 6 p.m.
Sunday — 9, 11 a.m.

Holy Cross
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 10:15 a.m.

Holy Name
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7:30, 9, 11:30 a.m.

Holy Rosary (May - Oct. 31)
Saturday Anticipation — 4:30 p.m.
Sunday — 12:15 p.m.

Holy Spirit
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m.,
noon

Holy Trinity
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 9 a.m.

Immaculate Heart of Mary
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

Little Flower (St. Therese)
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 8:30, 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.

Nativity
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8:30, 11 a.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 9 a.m.

Sacred Heart
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 10 a.m.

St. Andrew
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 9, 11:30 a.m.

St. Ann
Saturday Anticipation — 4:30 p.m.
Sunday — 9:30, 11 a.m.

St. Anthony
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 11 a.m.

St. Barnabas
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7, 8:45, 10:30 a.m.,
noon

St. Bernadette
Saturday Anticipation — 6 p.m.
Sunday — 10 a.m.

St. Christopher
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m.,
noon, 5 p.m.

St. Gabriel
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 11 a.m., 5 p.m.

St. Joan of Arc
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8:30, 10:30 a.m.,
5:30 p.m.

St. John
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 11 a.m.

St. Joseph
Saturday Anticipation — 6 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 11:30 a.m.

**Indianapolis International
Airport**
Sunday — 10:45 a.m.

St. Jude
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 7, 8:30, 10 a.m.,
noon

St. Lawrence
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m.,
noon

St. Luke
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7:30, 9, 11 a.m.,
12:30 p.m.

St. Mark
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7:30, 9:15, 11:45 a.m.

St. Mary
Saturday Anticipation — 5:20 p.m.
Sunday — 10 a.m., noon,
1:15 p.m. C

St. Matthew
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7:30, 9, 11:30 a.m.

St. Michael
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 10 a.m., noon

St. Monica
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7:30, 9, 11:30 a.m.,
6 p.m.

St. Patrick
Sunday — 10:30 a.m.

St. Philip Neri
Saturday Anticipation — 4:30,
6:15 p.m.
Sunday — 10 a.m.

St. Pius X
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7:45, 9, 10:30 a.m.,
noon

St. Rita
Saturday Anticipation — 6 p.m.
Sunday — 10 a.m.

St. Roch
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 10:30 a.m.

St. Simon
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7:30, 9, 11 a.m.

St. Thomas Aquinas
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 10:30 a.m.

Aurora, St. Mary
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 8:30, 11 a.m.

Batesville, St. Louis
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30,
7:30 p.m.
Sunday — 6:30, 8, 9:30,
11 a.m., 6 p.m.

Bedford, St. Vincent de Paul
Saturday Anticipation — 6:30 p.m.
Sunday — 10:30 a.m.

**Bloomington, St. Charles
Borromeo**
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 10 a.m., noon

Bloomington, St. John
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 10 a.m.

**Bloomington, St. Paul Catholic
Center**
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 10:30 a.m.,
5:30 p.m.

Bradford, St. Michael
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 10:15 a.m.

Brazil, Annunciation
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 9, 11 a.m.

Brookville, St. Michael
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7, 11 a.m.

**Brownstown, Our Lady of
Providence**
Sunday — noon

Cambridge City, St. Elizabeth
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7:30, 10 a.m.

Cannelton, St. Michael
Sunday — 7:30 a.m.

**Cedar Grove, Holy Guardian
Angels**
Saturday Anticipation — 7:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8:30 a.m.

Charlestown, St. Michael
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 11 a.m.

Clarksville, St. Anthony
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

Clinton, Sacred Heart
Saturday Anticipation — 4:30 p.m.
Sunday — 11 a.m.

**Columbus, St. Bartholomew
Oratory**
Sunday — 9, 11:30 a.m. M

Columbus, St. Columba Oratory
Saturday Anticipation — 4 p.m.,
5:30 p.m. M
Sunday — 7:45, 10:15 a.m. M

Connersville, St. Gabriel
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 10:30 a.m.

Corydon, St. Joseph
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 10 a.m.

Crawford County, St. Joseph
Sunday — 9 a.m.

Danville, Mary, Queen of Peace
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 10:30 a.m.

Dover, St. John
Saturday Anticipation — 6:30 p.m.
Sunday — 10 a.m.

Edinburgh, Holy Trinity
Saturday Anticipation — 6:30 p.m.
Sunday — 9:30 a.m.

Enochsburg, St. John
Saturday Anticipation — 7:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8 a.m. (May - Oct.)

**Floyds Knobs, St. Mary-of-the-
Knobs**
Saturday Anticipation — 4:30,
6:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 10:45 a.m.

Fortville, St. Thomas
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 10:30 a.m., 5 p.m.

Franklin, St. Rose of Lima
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
(beginning 7/4)
Sunday — 8, 11 a.m. (eff. 7/5)

Franklin County, St. Peter
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 8 a.m.

**French Lick, Our Lady of the
Springs**
Saturday Anticipation — 6 p.m.
Sunday — 7, 11 a.m.

Frenchtown, St. Bernard
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7:45, 10:15 a.m. (1st, picnic day)

Fulda, St. Boniface
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 8 a.m.

Greencastle, St. Paul
Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m.
Sunday — 8:30, 11 a.m.

Greenfield, St. Michael - P
Saturday Anticipation — 6 p.m.
Sunday — 8, 10:45 a.m.

Greensburg, St. Mary
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30,
7 p.m.
Sunday — 7, 9, 11 a.m.

**Greenwood, Our Lady of the
Greenwood**
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m.,
noon

**Greenwood, SS. Francis and
Clare**
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 9 a.m.

Hamburg, St. Ann
Sunday — 6 p.m.

Harrison County, St. Peter
Sunday — 10 a.m.

Henryville, St. Francis Xavier
Sunday — 9 a.m.

Jeffersonville, Sacred Heart
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 9:30, 11 a.m.

Jeffersonville, St. Augustine
Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m.
Sunday — 8:30, 11 a.m.,
5:30 p.m.

Jennings County, St. Anne
Sunday — 10 a.m.

Jennings County, St. Denis
Saturday Anticipation — 4 p.m.

St. Joseph
Saturday Anticipation — 7:15 p.m.
Sunday — 8 a.m.

Knightstown, St. Rose (5/2 - 9/5)
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Lawrenceburg, St. Lawrence Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m. Sunday — 7:30, 9, 11 a.m. (DST)	Morris, St. Anthony Saturday Anticipation — 5:30 p.m. Sunday — 8:30 a.m.	New Middletown, Most Precious Blood Sunday — 8 a.m.	Richmond, St. Andrew Sunday — 9:30 a.m., 5 p.m.	St. Meinrad, St. Meinrad Saturday Anticipation — 6 p.m. Sunday — 9 a.m.	Terre Haute, Sacred Heart Saturday Anticipation — 5 p.m. Sunday — 9 a.m.
Leopold, St. Augustine Saturday Anticipation — 4 p.m. Sunday — 10 a.m.	Napoleon, St. Maurice Saturday Anticipation — 6 p.m. E Sunday — 7 R, 8:30 a.m.	North Vernon, St. Mary Saturday Anticipation — 6 p.m. Sunday — 8, 10:30 a.m.	Richmond, St. Mary Saturday Anticipation — 4 p.m. Sunday — 11 a.m.	Salem, St. Patrick Sunday — 10:30 a.m.	Terre Haute, St. Ann Sunday — 11 a.m.
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Fireworks on the Prairie

Fourth of July activities at the Conner Prairie pioneer settlement in Noblesville include fireworks and an outdoor concert by the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra. Throughout the year, the Earham living history museum recreates daily life in "Praietown," a fictional village, as it was in 1836. Conner Prairie is located at 13400 Allisonville Road. For museum information, call 317-776-6000 or 800-966-1836.



Photo courtesy Conner Prairie

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

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| <p>A — Tridentine Latin Masses: 1st Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. beginning June 2</p> <p>B — Mass in Spanish</p> <p>C — Special Mass in Spanish at 1:15 p.m.</p> <p>D — 6 p.m. Mass on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Saturdays of the month</p> <p>E — 6 p.m. Mass on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month</p> <p>F — 6:30 p.m. Mass at Brown County State Park</p> <p>G — 7 p.m. Mass on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Saturdays of the month</p> <p>H — 10 a.m. Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month</p> <p>I — 7 p.m. Mass on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month</p> <p>J — 10 a.m. Mass on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month</p> | <p>K — 8 a.m. Mass on the 2nd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of the month;</p> <p>L — 8 a.m. Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month; 10 a.m. Mass on the 2nd, 4th, and 5th</p> <p>M — May 23 - Sept. 6</p> <p>N — At Holy Rosary</p> <p>O — Latin second Sunday</p> <p>P — August 15: 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. Eucharist (Assumption), September 1: 9 a.m. Labor Day Eucharist</p> <p>Q — St. Mark Church (St. Jude June 7 - August 24)</p> <p>R — 7 a.m. Mass on 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of the month</p> <p>S — At Roncalli High School cafeteria June 7 - August 24</p> <p>T — Mass at St. Mary-of-the-Woods Village</p> |
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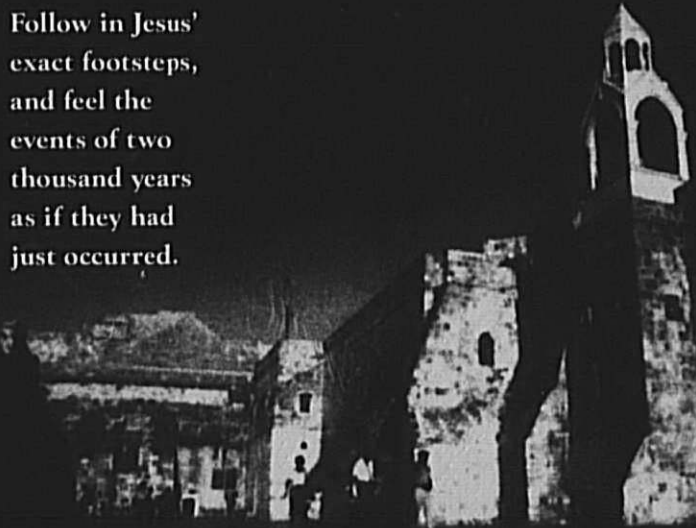


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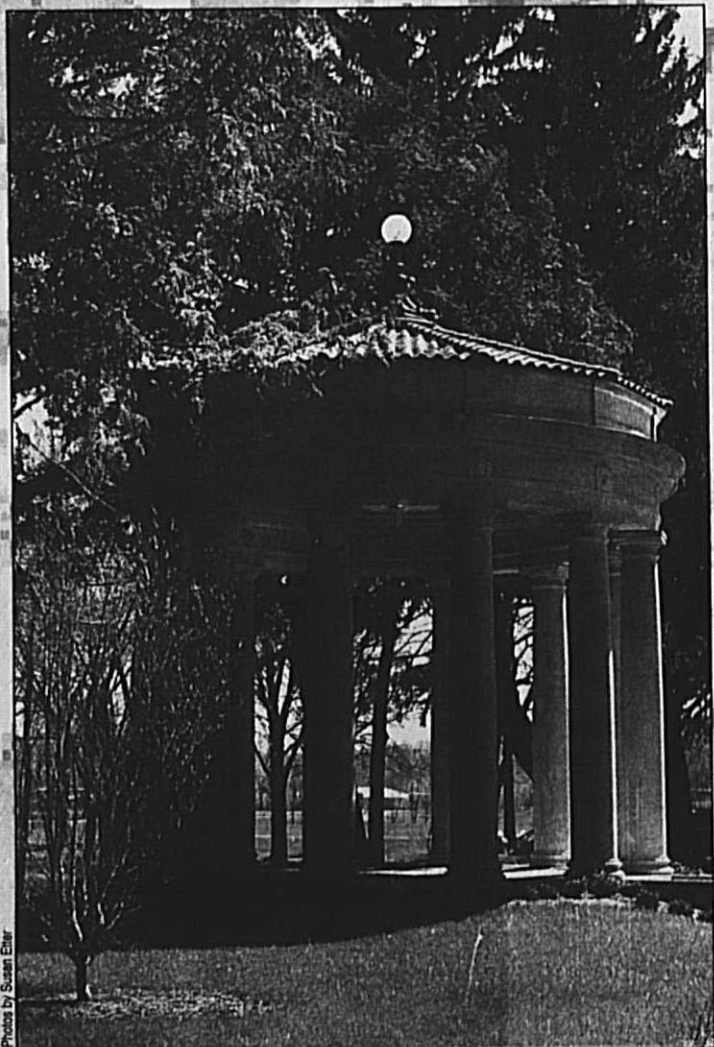


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Neo-classical style Apollo Spring Pavilion, where guests would descend a flight of steps in order to partake of the resort's allegedly curative mineral water.

West Baden Springs Hotel

was once called
'the eighth wonder of the world'

By Tina Connor
Special to *The Critic*

Formerly the West Baden Springs Hotel, the six-story dome remained the world's largest for more than a century. It had been vacant and crumbling since 1983 until Historic Landmarks Foundation purchased it in mid-1996.

The foundation teamed with Cook Group Incorporated to perform a multi-million dollar partial restoration. Historic Landmarks Foundation, a private, non-profit organization, and the largest statewide preservation group in the U.S., is currently seeking a new user for the property.

Called the Eighth Wonder of the World when it opened in 1902, the alleged curative powers of the resort's mineral baths and drinking water attracted such distinguished guests as Al Capone, "Diamond Jim" Brady, presidential candidate Alfred E. Smith, and Major League baseball teams—the Cincinnati Reds and the Chicago White Sox and Cubs.

The ninety-five year old building located in the hills of southern Indiana at West Baden Springs, approximately two miles from French Lick Springs Resort, was ranked among the country's most endangered National Historic Landmarks before restoration began.

The following is a list of West Baden Springs Hotel Historic Milestones:

Early resort developments

- 1778** George Rogers Clark discovers the area's mineral springs and salt licks.
- 1832** Dr. William Bowles bought the salty lands from the State of Indiana and built the French Lick Springs Hotel, providing the basis for the region's reputation as a mineral springs resort area.
- 1855** Dr. John Lane, who had opened a hotel in the nearby town of Mile Lick, changed the name of the town and his establishment to West Baden Springs after the famous springs in Weisbaden, Germany.

After the Monon Railroad extended its route to reach the Springs Valley, both resorts attracted guests from all over the Midwest.

- 1888** Lee W. Sinclair, an Indiana banker and frequent West Baden guest, acquired controlling interest in the hotel. Eventually, Sinclair was its sole owner and he transformed it into a sophisticated resort, adding an opera house, a casino, a two-deck pony and bicycle track and a full-size baseball field.
- 1901** A fire destroyed the entire hotel in less than two hours. All the guests escaped unharmed. Sinclair used the tragedy as his opportunity to build the hotel of his dreams—a circular building, topped by the world's largest dome, built as much as possible of non-flammable materials and decorated like the grandest spas of Europe.

The Eighth Wonder of the World

- 1902** Eleven months after construction began, the wondrous new hotel opened for business. Prominent Hoosiers officiated at the grand re-opening, the first of a long line of celebrities, sports figures, heads of state, artists and dignitaries who would flock to what was called the Eighth Wonder of the World.

Advertisements claimed the resort's mineral baths and drinking waters could cure more than 50 illnesses including cancer, sterility, sprains and alcoholism.

In addition to the waters and world-class accommodations, there was golf, horseback riding, billiards, bowling, baseball, swimming, hiking on scenic trails, bicycling, and nightly theater, shops, a bank, barbers and a stock brokerage firm.

- 1916** Sinclair died and his daughter and her husband took over the hotel's operation. The hotel served as an Army hospital after the outbreak of World War I. The hotel was sold to Ed Ballard.

Gambling couldn't defeat the depression

- 1923** Ed Ballard purchased the hotel for \$1 million.

Well-known journalists and physicians began to question the healing power of the mineral springs. Gambling becomes the main attraction in the Springs Valley.

Ballard gave local residents priority for resort jobs and created jobs when the Depression hit. The loyalty this created among townspeople may be the reason why no one criticized Ballard's gambling operations.

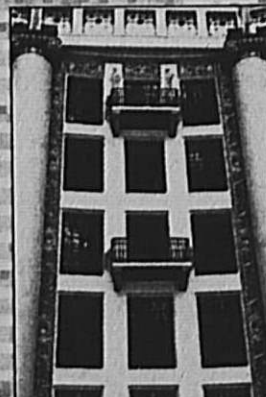
- 1929** The stock market crash. Within four days, the Springs Valley establishments were virtually empty. Jobs vanished overnight. Although Ballard kept the West Baden Springs Hotel open through 1932, few guests visited.

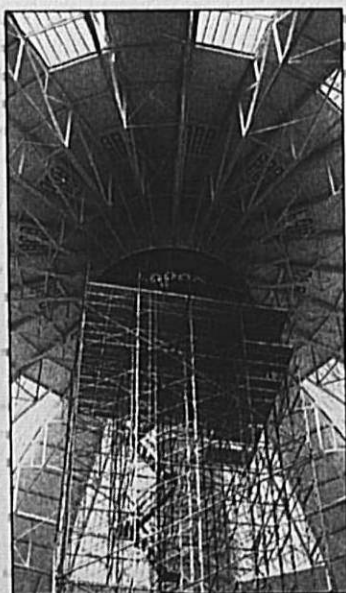
Educational Uses

- 1934** Ballard sold the hotel to Jesuits for one dollar. After stripping the building of its elegant appointments, the Jesuits operated a seminary there for 30 years. They continue to maintain a cemetery on the property.
- 1966** The Jesuits sold the property to a Michigan couple who donated it to Northwood Institute, a private college offering a variety of bachelor's and associates' degrees.
- 1980s** Larry Bird held overnight basketball camps—with games inside the domed atrium at the facility.
- 1983** Northwood closes the campus.
- 1985** The hotel was purchased by Marlin Properties, a Los Angeles-based real estate development firm. Marlin subsequently declared bankruptcy, and the hotel property was tangled in years of litigation before a Los Angeles federal bankruptcy court judge resolved an issue of contested ownership and appointed a bankruptcy receiver to sell the hotel.

Stabilization Work

- 1987** The property was designated a National Historic Landmark. The hotel was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1974 and is included in the Historic American Engineering Record.
- 1991** A build-up of ice and water in a section of the roof's drainpipes caused the collapse of a small portion of the exterior wall.





Scaffolding in the center of the world-famous atrium, where decorative painters are restoring the medallion that hides the dome's "hub."



1992 Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana used an emergency appropriation of nearly \$140,000 to repair the wall. Until then, Historic Landmarks had never invested money in a property it didn't own—apart from the grants and loans it makes to nonprofit local preservation groups. Volunteers from the local Lions Club boarded the ground floor of the hotel with materials donated by Orange County 2000, a civic organization.

The "Boat on the Moat" proposal

1994 Minnesota Investment Partners (MIP) bought the hotel from the Los Angeles bankruptcy court receiver for \$500,000. Grand Casinos Inc., one of the nation's largest developers of gaming sites, provided the acquisition money and then optioned the hotel from MIP.

1995 During the legislative session, Grand Casinos lobbied to amend to Indiana law to allow riverboat gaming on a body of water they proposed to build on the property. After its legislative defeat (a proposal passed the Indiana House but failed in the Senate), Grand Casinos decided not to pursue development of the hotel property.

New lease on life

1996 Through anonymous contributions, Historic Landmarks Foundation bought the West Baden Springs Hotel for \$250,000. The list price was \$800,000. Cook Group Inc., of Bloomington began emergency repairs and partial restoration work. Historic Landmarks began the hunt for a new user or a combination of users of the property.

More than 7,000 people tour the property between August and October, raising approximately \$67,000 toward the restoration.

1997 As many as 300 craftsmen and artists work on the restoration everyday.

Continual progress draws nearly 25,000 tourists to the site between April and October, raising over \$216,000 for the project.

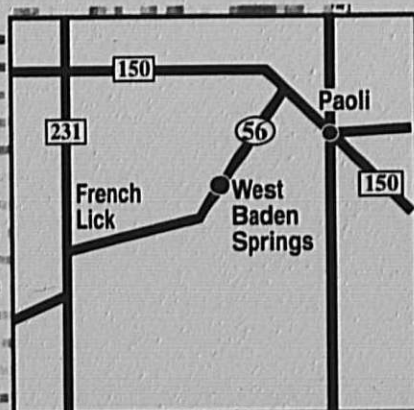
(Tina Connor is the director of marketing for the Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana.)



Top, billiard and bowling pavilion, located at the south end of the restored Italian garden. Prior to its restoration, this building was badly overgrown and the western annex had collapsed entirely.

Lower right, steps leading up to hillside cemetery for members of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits). The Jesuits converted the hotel and grounds into a theological seminary, which they operated from 1934 to 1964.

At left, a section of the six-story atrium, restoration work ongoing.



The former West Baden Springs Hotel on the west side of State Road 56 in West Baden Springs, Indiana.

New Albany parish festival and street dance will offer a tribute to the Beatles

By Roy J. Horner
Special to The Criterion

NEW ALBANY—Maybe it's a matter of personal taste in food, music and entertainment. Maybe it's a family tradition. Maybe it's a social and hospitality thing. Maybe it's a point of pride. Maybe it's nostalgia.

Whatever the reasons, it seems Dawn Brodfehrer's bonds to St. Mary School's annual festival and street dance run stronger and deeper than the Ohio River currents flowing past her hometown of New Albany.

Ever since St. Mary's first festival and street dance in 1984, Brodfehrer has yet to miss the annual event. Even when she was living out of state, she made whirlwind trips back home to attend.

"I moved to North Carolina and, during those two years, I would drive home to New Albany on Friday, stay for the festival on Saturday, and drive back Sunday," she recalled.

"Well, the music is great," Brodfehrer added, talking about the festival and street dance that will be on June 19-20 this year. "There's just a lot of people having a great time."

Brodfehrer's credentials give her an emotional stake in the festival and street dance, and motivation for her perfect attendance record.

She completed all eight years of her elementary education at St. Mary. Her daughter and two younger sisters are currently enrolled at the school.

When the first festival was held 14 years ago, Dawn and her husband, David, were grade school sweethearts at St. Mary. They were members of the eighth-grade class of 1985.

Dawn Brodfehrer's family ties to the festival include her father, Bob Byrne, who is this current chairman, and her husband's father, who is a past festival chairman.

"It's been part of our lives since both of our fathers have been involved," she said.

All of the proceeds from the festival benefit the school. Under the guidance of principal Joyce Schindler, St. Mary has 221 students in kindergarten through eighth grade served by 13 faculty members.

Byrne said he has enjoyed his 12 years as festival chairman. By the time his tenure ends, he'll have put six children through St. Mary School.

Principal Schindler noted that clean entertainment, a family atmosphere, great food and wonderful music—by some of the region's favorite bands—have been reasons for the growing popularity of St. Mary's festival and street dance.

The two-day event has become one of the premier events in the year-long lineup of 17 Catholic parish festivals in the New Albany Deanery.

It is also one of the largest community festivals in New Albany, second in size only to the city's Harvest Homecoming.

Schindler said people from Indianapolis or anywhere in the archdiocese will find the southern Indiana hospitality at the festival hard to match.

On the bill for Friday, June 19, is family night from 5:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. To preserve the family atmosphere, no alcohol will be served that night.

There will be a disc jockey, a barbecue chicken dinner, activities for children, arts and crafts, an outdoor deli, games for people of all ages and a silent auction. Each of St. Mary's grade school classes will have a



At the Eiteljorg

"Strikes with Thunder," a painted, cast-bronze sculpture of a Sioux warrior created by Dave McGary of Cody, Wyo., is among the artwork on display in the Eiteljorg Museum of American Indians and Western Art at 500 W. Washington St. in Indianapolis.

Photo by Mary Ann Wyand

booth.

For the first time in festival history, the street dance on Saturday, June 20, will be for adults only. Twenty-one is the minimum age for entrance. Eighth Street, between Elm and Spring streets in the vicinity of St. Mary, will be closed for the dance. Hours will be 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

New for this year is Yesterday, a music group that offers a tribute to the Beatles.

"So we're going back to the Beatles and '60s. I think that will be a big drawing card," Schindler said.

Admission to the street dance is \$7.50. There will also be a beer garden and a casino tent. †

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CineDome: Journey to 'top of the world'

By Sue Hetzler

All over Indiana, people have heard mountain climber David Carter retell his experience of conquering Mount Everest, the world's tallest mountain located on the border of Tibet and Nepal.

Reaching almost six miles skyward, Mount Everest is considered to be one of the most difficult expeditions to endure—many climbers never complete their dangerous journey to the "top of the world." The mountain's summit rests at 29,028 feet, where oxygen is thin but triumphant climbers have witnessed unparalleled tranquility and beauty.

Since most Hoosiers will never venture to the Himalayan Mountains or attempt scaling Everest, The Children's Museum of Indianapolis is bringing the majestic mountain and the danger of climbing to its summit here. *Everest*, a film telling the dramatic true story of an expedition to the summit of Mount Everest just days after the infamous 1996 tragedy that took the lives of eight climbers, is showing at the CineDome theater through September 10.

Indianapolis also has the IMAX 3D Theater at White River State Park located downtown at 650 W. Washington Street.

Showing this summer is *Super Speedway* (\$6.50 for adults, \$5.50 for senior citizens, and \$4 for children 3-12) and *Wings of Courage* (\$8 for adults, \$7 for senior citizens, and \$4.50 for children 3-12). For more ticket information, call 317-23D-IMAX. †

Everest takes audiences on an inspirational, spell-binding ascent to the mountain's summit with an international team of climbers. The film features the first large-format images ever brought back from Mount Everest.

Throughout the country and in Europe, theaters are reporting record attendance and sell-out crowds at the showing of *Everest*. The same is expected at the CineDome, where a 76-foot domed screen pulls viewers into the larger-than-life environment, making them feel they are literally a part of the expedition.

Everest gives a bird's-eye view of climbers scaling vertical walls of ice and snow, crossing waterfalls and standing on top of the summit. Viewers will be guided over dangerous towering cliffs, through a harrowing rescue of fellow mountaineers and into oxygen-thin altitudes.

The film is also filled with information about how the mountain was formed and continues to evolve and how high altitude challenges a climber's physical and mental capabilities.

The film is co-directed by David Breashears, an accomplished mountaineer and Emmy Award-winning filmmaker who climbed Everest himself to bring back the film footage. Breashears has participated in nine filming expeditions on three sides of the mountain and was the first American to reach the summit four times.

Tickets are \$4.50 for children aged 2-17, \$6.50 for adults, \$5.50 for members. For ticket information, call 317-921-4000 or 800-820-6214. †

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



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June 4-7

Our Lady of the Greenwood, 335 S. Meridian St., Greenwood, will hold its annual parish festival featuring food, amusement rides, monte carlo and raffle from 5-11 p.m., Thursday; 5 p.m.-midnight, Friday; 2 p.m.-midnight, Saturday; Noon-9 p.m., Sunday. Information: 317-888-2861.

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St. Matthew Parish, 4100 E. 56th St., Indianapolis, will present "A Crash Course in Catholicism," from 7-9 p.m. This is a seminar for Catholics, non-Catholics wanting clarity of church teachings, including religious education teachers, catechists and RCIA candidates. Information: 317-257-4297.

June 11-13

St. Anthony Parish, 379 N. Warman Ave., Indianapolis, will host a parish festival from 5-11 p.m. Information: 317-636-4828.

June 12-14

St. Simon Parish, 8155 Oaklondon Rd., Indianapolis, will host a parish festival, featuring food, games, rides and a raffle. 6-11 p.m., Friday; 6-11 p.m., Saturday; 6-10 p.m., Sunday. Information: 317-826-6000.

June 13

St. Paul, 814 Jefferson St., Tell City, will host a parish picnic featuring games, crafts, raffle, bake sale, food and entertainment from 3-10 p.m. Information: 812-547-7994.

June 14

Holy Cross Parish, 125 N. Oriental, Indianapolis, will hold a service auction, 1-3 p.m., brunch begins at noon, featuring food, live entertainment and an auction of services. Information: 317-787-2690.

June 15-19

Mary Queen of Peace Parish, 1005 W. Main St., Danville, will host vacation Bible school "Adventure in Prayer!" featuring crafts, music, games and fun, 9:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Cost: \$10 for 1; \$17 for 2; \$25 for three or more. Information:

317-745-4284.

St. Gabriel Parish, 6000 W. 34th St., Indianapolis, will host vacation Bible school, "Passport to the Holy Land," from 9:30 a.m.-noon. Cost: \$5 per child. Information: 317-299-9924.

June 18-20

Holy Name Parish, 89 N. 17th City, Beech Grove, will host a SummerFest featuring monte carlo, rides and games from 6-11 p.m., Thursday; 5-11 p.m., Friday; 5 p.m.-midnight, Saturday. Information: 317-784-5454.

St. Michael Parish, 3354 W. 30th St., Indianapolis, will host a parish festival from 5-11 p.m. Information: 317-924-0769.

June 19-20

Christ the King Parish, 5884 N. Crittenden Ave., Indianapolis, will host a summer celebration featuring food, games and live entertainment by Duke Turnage. Information: 317-251-2712.

St. Mary Parish, 415 E. 8th St., New Albany, will host a summer festival fund raiser event for the school from 5-10 p.m., Friday (family night); 6 p.m.-1 a.m. Saturday (adult night). Cost: \$7.50 per person. Information: 812-944-0888.

June 19-21

Holy Angels Parish, 28th and Dr. Martin Luther King St., Indianapolis, will host a soul food festival featuring soul food, a variety of other food and games from 6-11 p.m., Friday; noon-10 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. Information: 317-926-3324.

June 20

St. Paul Parish, 218 Schellers Ave., Sellersburg, will host a parish family picnic featuring an all-you-can-eat dinner, games and music from noon-7 p.m.. Information: 812-246-4749.

June 22-26

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, 1752 Scheller Lane, New Albany, will host vacation Bible school, "Marketplace 29 A.D.," featuring ecumenical group of six churches, from 6:30-9 p.m. Information: 812-948-0185.

St. Monica Parish, 6131 N. Michigan Rd., Indianapolis, will host vacation Bible school from 9-11:30 a.m. Information: 317-257-3043.

St. Matthew Parish, 4100 E. 56th St., Indianapolis, will host vacation Bible school, "Prayer from Around the World," from 9 a.m.-noon. Cost: \$15 registration fee. Information: 317-257-9733.

June 25-27

St. Jude Parish, 5353 McFarland Rd., Indianapolis, will host a summer festival. Information: 317-786-4371.

June 27-28

St. Michael Parish, 354 High St., Brookville, will host June

Fest '98 featuring a pork chop dinner on Saturday 4-8 p.m.; family-style chicken dinner on Sunday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; games, arts and crafts and a 50/50 drawing. Hours: Saturday, 4p.m.-midnight; Sunday, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Information: 765-647-4353 or 765-647-5600.

St. Mary Village Parish, North Arms Place, St. Mary-of-the-Woods, will host St. Mary's Village Parish Garden Tour featuring seven gardens including perennial, vegetable, herb, shade and butterfly from 1-5 p.m. Cost: \$5 per person. Information: 812-535-3048.

June 28

St. Nicholas Parish, 6461 E. St. Nicholas Dr., Sunman, will host a parish picnic featuring chicken dinners, turtle soup, games and handmade quilts from 10:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Information: 812-623-2894.

Sacred Heart Parish, Indianapolis, will host a parish picnic at German Park, 8602 S. Meridian St. featuring food, raffle dancing and socializing from noon-7 p.m. Information: 317-638-5551.

July 5

St. Maurice Parish, 1963 N. St. John St., Greensburg, will host a parish picnic featuring chicken and roast beef dinners from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Information: 812-663-4754.

July 9, 16, 23, 30

St. Matthew Parish, 4100 E. 56th St., Indianapolis, will present "A Crash Course in Catholicism," for Catholics, non-Catholics wanting clarity of

church teachings, including religious education teachers, catechists and RCIA candidates from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Information: 317-257-4297.

July 9-11

Holy Spirit Parish, 7243 E. 10th St., Indianapolis, will host a parish festival from 6-11 p.m. each day. Information: 317-353-0474.

July 10-11

St. Benedict Parish, 111 S. Ninth St., Terre Haute, will host St. Benedict Community Fun Fest featuring a casino, beer garden, food, games and a live 60s band from 4 p.m.-midnight both days. Information: 812-232-7279.

July 11-12

St. Lawrence Parish, 542 Walnut, Lawrenceburg, will host a parish festival.

July 12

St. Joseph Parish, 312 E. High St., Corydon, will host a parish picnic at the Harrison County Fairgrounds featuring a chicken dinner and homemade quilts from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Information: 812-968-3242.

July 13-17

Richmond Catholic Community will host vacation Bible school, "Blast Off with Jesus," from 9 a.m.-noon. Cost: \$10 per child ages 5 through grade 5. Information: 765-962-4587.

July 18

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St. Mary Parish, 7500 Navilleton Rd., Floyds Knobs, will host a parish picnic from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Cost: \$6 adults; \$3 children 6-12; \$5.50 senior citizens. Information: 812-923-9230.

St. John the Baptist Parish, 25743 State Route 1, Guilford, will host a parish festival featuring a chicken dinner, raffle and games from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Information: 812-576-4112.

July 24-25

St. Anthony of Padua Parish, 316 N. Sherwood Ave., Clarksville, will host a parish picnic/festival featuring a food

court, gambling, booths, kiddie land, quilts and a \$10,000 prize from 4 p.m.-midnight, Friday; 11 a.m.-11 p.m., Saturday. Information: 812-282-2290.

July 24-26

Holy Family Parish, 3027 Pearl St., Oldenburg, will hold a rummage sale at the school from 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Friday; 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday; 7:30 a.m.-Noon., Sunday. Information: 812-934-3013.

July 25-26

St. Martin Parish, 8044 Yorkridge Rd., Guilford, will host a prime rib dinner on Saturday and family style chicken dinner on Sunday. From 5-11:30 p.m. Saturday; 11 a.m. Sunday. Information: 812-623-2591.

August 1

St. Joseph Hill Parish, 2605 St. Joe Rd. West, Sellersburg, will hold a parish yard sale in the parish hall from 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Information: 812-945-3867.

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, 523 S. Merrill St., Fortville, will host a parish festival featuring games, food and an auction from 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Information: 317-326-3722.

August 2

St. Boniface Parish, Main and Jefferson, Fulda, will host a parish summer picnic featuring a raffle and homemade quilts from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Information: 812-357-2676 or 812-357-5533.

August 3-7

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Information: 317-257-4297.

August 9

St. Paul Parish, 9798 N. Dearborn Rd., Guilford, will host a parish picnic featuring a chicken dinner from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Information: 812-623-2198.

St. Mary Parish, 2500 St. Mary's Dr., Lanesville, will host a parish picnic featuring quilts from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Information: 812-952-2800.

August 16

St. Mary-of-the-Knobs Parish, 3033 Martin Rd., Floyds Knobs, will host a celebration in honor of its 175th anniversary as a parish. Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein will preside at the Mass. A catered meal will be served from 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Cost: \$6 adults; \$3 children 10 and under. Information: 812-923-3689 or 812-925-6110.

September 7

St. Peter Parish, 1207 East Rd., Brookville, will host its annual Labor Day festival featuring a

family-style chicken dinner and raffle from 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; dinner served from 10:15 a.m.-2:45 p.m. Carryout available all day. Information: 812-623-3670.

September 11-13

St. Mary Parish, 212 Washington St., North Vernon, will host a parish festival from 5 p.m.-11 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m.-11 p.m. Saturday; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday. Information: 812-346-8849.

September 12-13

St. Mary Parish, 203 Fourth St., Aurora, will host St. Mary's Riverfest at Lesko Park along the Ohio River, featuring food, drinks, entertainment, games, raffle and country store from 4-11 p.m. Saturday; 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday. Information: 812-926-0060.

September 13

St. Pius Parish, Hwy. 66, Troy, will host a parish festival featuring dinners, turtle soup, games, bingo and a yard sale from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Information: 812-547-4232.

St. Mary Parish, 302 E. McKee St., Greensburg, will host the St. Mary Homecoming featuring chicken and roast beef dinners, games, raffle, prizes and old friends from 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Information: 812-663-6118.

September 23

St. Mary Parish, 777 S. 11 St., Mitchell, will host a Persimmon Festival featuring an Italian dinner from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Cost: \$5 adults; \$2.50 children. Information: 812-849-3570.

September 27

St. Michael Parish, 11400 Farmers Lane, Bradford, will host a picnic and chicken dinner featuring a silent auction and quilts from 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Information: 812-364-6646.

November 22

St. Michael Parish, 8th St., Cannelton, will host a turkey bingo and raffle from 2-4 p.m. at the Cannelton Community Building. Information: 812-547-7994.

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By Cynthia Dewes
Special to The Criterion

Paris is romantic, Rome is grand, and Jerusalem is spiritually uplifting. But just in case you've been there and done that, take a trip to Barcelona to see beauty, history and something new under the sun.

The "something new" you'll see are the works of Antonio Gaudi, an artist and architect of the early 20th Century. Perhaps the most famous example of his design is the *Sagrada Familia*, the Temple of the Holy Family, of which Gaudi completed the crypt, the apse and the Nativity

facade before his death. The Passion facade is still under construction today by Gaudi's colleagues, with two others to follow.

The effect of Gaudi's work is startling, moving and sometimes amusing. His works are imaginative and colorful, and often include decorative tilework, Arabian and pagan motifs, ornamental ironwork and numerous ventilators disguised as chimneys. Be sure to visit Gaudi's Guell Park and his *Casa Mila* apartment house, too.

Barcelona was colonized at one time or another by Phoenicians, Greeks, Romans, Visigoths, Arabs and Franks and eventually became what it is today, the capital of the Spanish province of Catalonia. Perhaps because of all its early influences, the flavor of Barcelona is religious, yet somehow with pagan overtones.

The Catalans are fiercely independent, some are indeed separatists, and the Catalan language is spoken everywhere. It's quite different from Spanish, but not to worry—someone is bound to speak English in almost any place frequented by tourists.

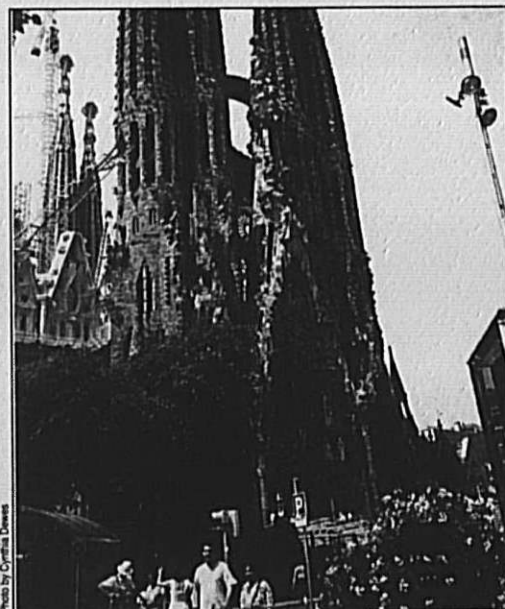
Because of its location on the western edge of the Mediterranean Sea, Barcelona is famous for its maritime history and its delicious seafood. In the worthwhile Maritime Museum you can see an early Spanish galley, a ship powered entirely by slave rowers.

A statue of Christopher Columbus, the ultimate sailor, stands in a plaza at the foot of *La Rambla*, a famous walking, shopping, restaurant and entertainment street always crowded with natives and tourists alike. Along *La Rambla* at any time of day or night you

may see street theater, food stalls, the city market, the opera house, and craft, animal, flower and vegetable stands.

The Cathedral of Barcelona stands magnificently in what is known as the Gothic Quarter of the city. The area dates back to the Romans and includes government buildings for Catalonia and the city, both built during the Middle Ages. The Picasso Museum is also located here.

In another quarter stand many buildings that were erected for the 1929 Universal Exhibition, something like a World's Fair. One of these, the recently reconstructed German Pavilion, was the work of Mies van der Rohe. According to the guidebook, it "is considered to be one of the milestones of 20th Century architectural art." The headquarters for the 1992 Olympics were



The Nativity Facade of Sagrada Familia

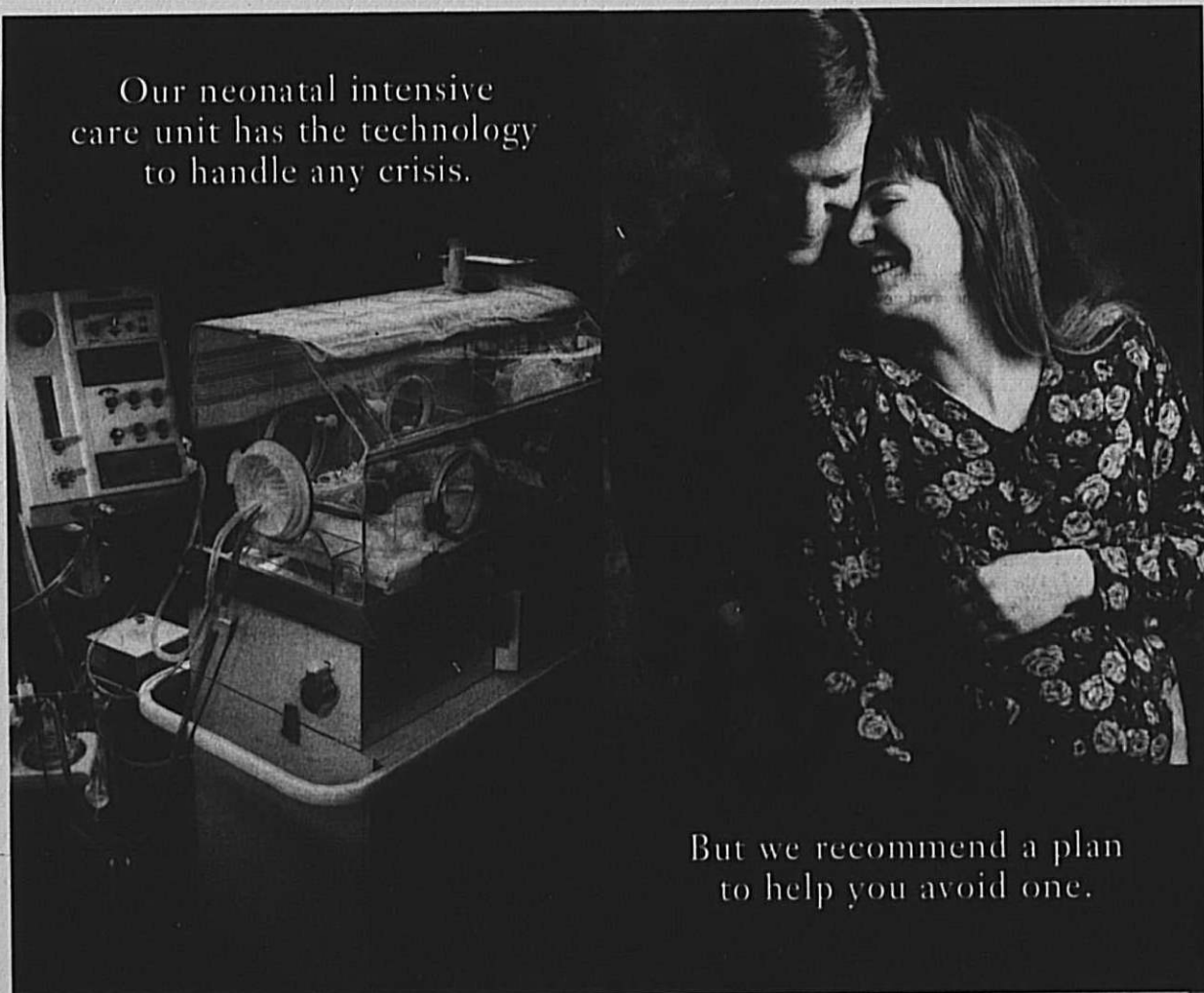
also located in this area. The National Palace

standing on the hill above the exhibition area contains the Catalan Museum of Art, a must-see for visitors. This museum contains Romanesque works including wall frescoes and a great selection of Gothic artifacts. Nearby is the Miro Museum for lovers of more modern art.

Barcelona has been described as a northern city of the south because it is "progressive, industrial, middle-class and European, while at the same time being traditionalist, popular, typically Mediterranean and having a pleasant climate." And it's true.

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Family activities strengthen faith formation

By Mary Miller Pedersen

On Pentecost Sunday, each of the Johnson children woke up to find a new kite at the foot of his or her bed.

Every year, on this important church feast celebrating the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Johnson family took time to fly their kites and enjoy the experience of the wind moving constantly around them.

On that day, they would open all the windows in the house, hang a windsock or mobile, and talk about the wind's power and presence.

Then, at dinner or bedtime, they gave thanks for the ordinary force of wind that is a symbol of the constant presence and movement of the Holy Spirit in their home and in their lives.

Then there is the Bradley family. Shortly after Christmas, on the feast of Epiphany, they each take a small branch from an evergreen tree and parade through their home, dipping the branch in holy water and blessing every room with a prayer and a petition; they ask God for some particular blessing in each room of the house.

After this procession, the Bradleys gather in the kitchen for a special Epiphany cake. And remembering the visit of the three kings, the smaller children dress up like kings wearing parents' bathrobes and cardboard crowns from a fast-food restaurant.

Simple, informal rituals and traditions are natural ways families celebrate the liturgical seasons at home. Mealtimes, bedtimes, even short trips from the grocery store or a fast-food stop to a soccer game can be opportunities for families to recall the themes of the Sunday liturgy with a short poem or prayer.

But who has time to look up the Sunday readings and figure out a way to make it meaningful for busy families?

Most parents feel overwhelmed; they barely have time to do the essentials in a given day, let alone create a spiritual experience for their families.

In addition to the time crunch, many families I have encountered feel that their family isn't the "holy" type. They pray at church, but are not so comfortable about praying and talking about religious things at home.

The good news is that they don't have to. Praying and celebrating our Catholic faith at home in the "domestic church" is meant to be different from praying and celebrating in the parish church.

The rituals, traditions and prayers that celebrate faith at home are less formal, messier, louder, and frequently interrupted by crying, laughing, and sponta-

neous comments. The sacred is experienced in the course of ordinary life at home, for children and parents alike.

So themes from the Sunday liturgies, like forgiveness, service of others, self-sacrifice and justice, can be translated to simple everyday events and situations quite easily with a little imagination and a few minutes of planning.

The Gospel stories contained in the Sunday liturgies are full of down-to-earth situations that families can easily relate to, such as not having enough food to serve a large crowd, celebrating weddings, grieving someone's death, hoping for a sick person's healing or awaiting the return of sons who leave home and cause their parents sorrow.

All these stories point to ways that God enters ordinary people's lives. And if you're short on religious imagination or planning time to celebrate these stories at home, then there are dozens of books, newsletters and resources already developed to help you.

Most of us parents shrink at the thought of adding one more responsibility to our already overloaded parenting duties. But of all the things we can offer our family, the most lasting and beneficial gift they get from us is a deep faith in God's love for them and a strong belief in the presence of Jesus with them in every circumstance of their lives.

Faith in God will outlast all the other gifts parents give their children.

Celebrating the Sunday liturgy and bringing home the good news of God's love and care for us is a lasting way to strengthen our own faith and that of our children.

In *Faith and Fest in Family*, a collection of prayer and celebration resources for families produced by the Family Life Office in Omaha, Neb., there are dozens of practical suggestions for meal and evening prayer, family fun activities, devotions and projects that bring the liturgy's message into everyday life.

For information about this resource, write to the Archdiocese of Omaha's Family Life Office at 3214 N. 60th St., Omaha, Neb. 68104 or call the office at 402-551-9003. The book costs \$29.95, and photocopying permission is included.

Home Word is a little newsletter that gives families creative ways to celebrate themes from the liturgy.

To inquire about *Home Word*, write to the publication at 1262 N.E. 63rd, Portland, Ore. 97213 or call 503-282-9223.

Another good user-friendly resource is a book titled *Family, Faith and Fun*, written by Gary Boelhower and published by

Hi Time Publishing, Milwaukee, Wis. 53222. The book costs \$18.95.

Such materials aim to help busy parents continue their parish's Sunday celebration of God's love all week long in the

domestic church of the home. †

(Mary Miller Pedersen is coordinator of the Leadership in Family Life Training Program for the Archdiocese of Omaha, Neb.)



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Connecting faith with daily life may often challenge Christians

By Dan Luby

Making the connection between faith and life is a perennial challenge.

Nowhere is the need to connect life and faith more important than in the case of Sunday Mass.

The Eucharist is called the source and summit of Christian life. How, then, can we strengthen the links between what we do around the Lord's table and what happens around the table of our family gatherings?

Eucharist is about reconciliation. The Sunday liturgy invites us to acknowledge our failings and be reconciled with each other and with God in daily life.

Eucharist is about telling our great story—the story of faith and its history. Mealtimes are prime times for storytelling, but the stories told then need to be heard carefully. We need to help each other practice the art of attentive listening.

Families that cultivate both a love for stories and the skills of attentive listening will have a richer experience of the Liturgy of the Word on Sunday and be better able to connect its stories of our faith tradition with their own stories.

Eucharist is about thanksgiving. A

strong sense of gratitude is fundamental for nourishing relationships with one another and with God. Families can build expressions of thanks into daily prayer at the table or before bed.

Eucharist is about service. Families also are a natural setting for developing hearts for serving others. Letting children help with chores at home and service projects in the parish and community nurtures a sense of responsibility early in life.

For all its intense activity, the Eucharist is also about silence and reflection, about awareness of God's presence. Families do well to take some quiet moments to remember the quiet miracle of God with us in every aspect of our lives.

If we have signs of reconciliation in our family circles; if we are attentive to one another's stories; if our common life encourages gratitude and service; if we give ourselves the gift of quiet time together—then we will be more open to the power of Christ, who is present in the Mass. And then the waters of grace will transform us day to day. †

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

Discussion Point

Children enjoy family prayer

This Week's Question

How does your family pray at mealtime?

"We hold hands, say grace, give thanks, and make the sign of the cross, and my 15-month-old, at the end, applauds." (Stefanie McAdoo, Chapel Hill, N.C.)

"When our grandchildren are here, we let them choose whatever prayer they wish. Sometimes they offer three or four prayers, and one time they sang a song. When my husband and I are here alone, we say the traditional blessing." (Marilyn Brey, Colby, Wis.)

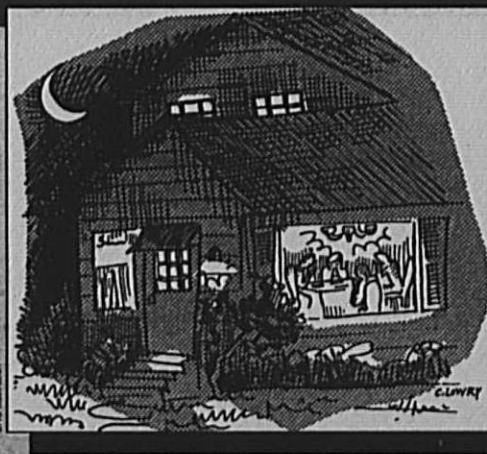
"At breakfast or dinner we take turns offering a sponta-

neous prayer, beginning with something we're thankful for that day. Then on Sunday we have a family tradition at whatever meal we share. Part of our prayer includes reciting part of a Bible verse in addition to the spontaneous prayer of thanks." (Annette Turner, Louisville, Ky.)

Lend Us Your Voice

An upcoming edition asks: What programs does your monastery conduct for lay people?

To respond for possible publication, write to *Faith Alive!* at 3211 Fourth St. N.E., Washington, D.C. 20017-1100. †



From the Editor Emeritus/John F. Fink

Why is Mary appearing?

his is the fifth in a series of columns about Marian apparitions. This week, I will examine why Mary has been appearing to so many people recently—if, indeed, she really is appearing. Catholics are free to believe that she has never appeared on earth since her death. Belief in private revelations is a matter of human faith only.



Most of those who do believe in Marian apparitions, though, believe that God has sent Mary to warn us that God is angry with the world and that we must do penance to atone for our sins. If we do not, God, in his justice, will punish us. This has been Mary's basic message at least since her appearances at Rue du Bac in Paris in 1830.

Mary's messages have also included secrets, some of which were predictions of wars, famines, persecutions and other "punishments" to be sent by God. Perhaps the most impressive predictions were those at Fatima that pertained to Russia. In 1917, when the apparitions took place, the peasant children in Portugal could hardly have known about the Russian Revolution, but predictions of the coming Russian persecution was part of what the children reported. They also said that, if the pope would consecrate Russia to her Immaculate Heart and Catholics would practice the Communion of Reparation on the first Saturdays of the month, Russia would be converted.

Mary's messages, at Fatima, Medjugorje and other places, have been that wars can be averted by fasting and prayer.

Of all the messages reported during the past 50 years, those purported to be given to Rosa Quattrini in San Damiano, Italy, from 1960 to 1981 show an offended God

most strikingly. In 1969, according to Rosa, Mary told her that God was "tired of my children down here" and wanted to show his power. She also warned that "the Eternal Father wants to do justice!"

As long as the messages encourage us to pray and do penance, things that we should be doing anyway, the Catholic Church has no problem with the messages of alleged apparitions. It does, though, when there are reports that Mary has said that it has only been her entreaties that have so far held back the chastisements that Jesus wants to inflict upon us because of our sins. This implies that Mary is more merciful than her Son, who is all-merciful. Indeed, it was Jesus who humbled himself to accept our humanity, including death on the cross, for our sins. Should we now believe that he wants to punish us, and it has only been his mother's pleas that have prevented him from doing so?

For some supporters of Marian apparitions, her appearances are connected with the "last days" that are supposed to immediately precede the Second Coming of Christ. The Church does not support those with this point of view.

I conclude this series with a quotation from Bishop Thomas O'Brien of Phoenix (a native of Indianapolis and alumnus of Saint Meinrad, by the way). In his official message in 1990 about the alleged appearances of Mary to nine residents of Scottsdale, he said that there could not be "any unequivocal claim of miraculous intervention." Then he said: "Rooted in the faith of Catholics, the role of Mary is a part of the mystery of faith. ... However, even authentic devotions do not add anything new to our faith, but only recall what we have always believed. They remind us of our failure to practice our faith as we should, they call us to repentance and to a deeper and fuller faith in Jesus Christ. In all time the Blessed Virgin Mary calls us to her Son who is Lord of all the ages." †

The Bottom Line/Antoinette Bosco

Memorial Day: Reading, writing and ... war

My guess is that most people these days think of Memorial Day as time off, a



weekend to celebrate the beginning of the coming warm season. But for me and people of my generation, which clearly recalls the days of World War II, this special day is one of memories. My father used to call this holiday Decoration Day. Once when I was very young I asked why. He said it was because this was the day people were supposed to remember the soldiers who had died in all the American wars ever fought, go to cemeteries and decorate their graves. We needed a holiday, he said, because the sacrifices of the soldiers would be forgotten without it.

I didn't know then that war was soon to become the dominant reality of my life, starting with the atrocity at Pearl Harbor as I became an adolescent.

At first the rallying cry of U.S. patriotism had a romanticism about it. Still young, we chanted hate-Germany, hate-Japan slogans, cheered the young men in their glamorous uniforms, crunched cans for recycling, counted ration stamps and bought war bonds.

It was later that the charm turned sour when we saw our high schools become nearly all-girl classes because the boys wanted to sign up for the war and we watched the first flag-draped coffin come into the church.

I can't remember the names of many of my high school classmates, but I remember, by name, the boys in the Cathedral Academy who went from basketball to Okinawa and elsewhere, and never again

walked the halls with classmates. Their pictures, for us never to forget, were in our yearbook.

We, the teen-agers of the 1940s, were old before our time. I would look at the grieving mothers and could see so clearly that they had expected to raise their sons for life, never dreaming they would meet death so young, drawn by force into chaos and destruction brought on by war.

For me, so young then, war itself became the enemy.

By the time Vietnam exploded, I was the mother of seven. I was in danger of facing the unthinkable—that my two oldest sons would have to go off to war if that confused conflict in Vietnam did not end. As a newspaper reporter at that time, I met the mothers of the dead, the missing in action, the prisoners of war and saw a destiny I could not face without protest.

As it turned out, my sons didn't have to go to Vietnam. They both got high numbers on the draft lottery. But I bled for others.

We saw Michael, our friend, beautiful and facing a brilliant future when he went to Vietnam, and childlike and broken when he came back. He had been hit in the head with a helicopter propeller after a mission. He survived, but with permanent brain damage.

Now more than ever, I question what my father told me—that Memorial Day is a once-a-year prodding of our consciences to remember those who sacrificed their lives for our freedom. All of us who have ever known a classmate in a coffin, or a Michael, know we need to set aside Memorial Day for the opposite reason: not because we don't remember, but because we can't forget. †

(Antoinette Bosco is a regular columnist for Catholic News Service.)

Cornucopia/Cynthia Dewes

Remembering what we forget

Memorial Day is, by definition, a day for remembering. Not recovering memories,



whatever the goofy heck that is, but remembering actual experiences we've had as individuals, as families and as a nation. They may be good or bad, joyous or painful, physical, emotional, or spiritual. But whatever they are, it seems we need to remember them now and then in order to live satisfying and significant lives. The recovered memory guys may be partially correct in believing we need to deal with the past before we can live the present or have hope for the future.

Now we all play Cleopatra, the queen of denial, at one time or another. We must, in order to get past guilt, embarrassment, failure or grief, and sometimes we need to, just because we're overwhelmed by life in general. But we should understand the importance of remembering, just the same.

When Memorial Day was established, most Americans understood its significance. We gathered eagerly as patriots to celebrate the noble goals of a nation that fought for freedom, social justice and moral principle. We vowed publicly to end war and to honor forever those who died in service to their fellows and to our country.

Memorial Day was also called Decoration Day because it was the day on which we celebrated family, as well as national purpose, by decorating relatives' graves with flowers. We'd pray for our own, both living and dead, and then walk around the cemeteries admiring the affectionate tributes paid by other families. We felt linked to past generations of men and women who shared not only our genes but also our values.

Perhaps disillusionment set in on a national scale when we fought and lost an unjustifiable war in Vietnam. Or later, when we forced resignation upon a president who'd forgotten that the end never justified the means.

On a personal level, we seemed to lose our sense of connection with each other and our past when the family began to live away from its roots and to be torn apart by selfishness and greed. Divorce, self-fulfillment and material gain became necessities. Prayer, respect for legitimate authority and commitment to almost anyone or anything besides ourselves came to be routinely scorned.

Our primary nurturing institution was systematically attacked by ourselves and outside agents as the cause of all our problems. But unfortunately, no law or therapy or program, no matter how "expert," is competent to replace the family.

It seemed in earlier times that Memorial Day celebrations illustrated our most essential values. No matter what race, ethnicity, religion or whatever we were as individuals, we all felt unified and verified in our love for God, family and nation.

It's time we pulled ourselves together and remembered what we used to know. It's time we felt like Americans. †

Parish Diary/Fr. Peter Daly

Gambling for God and country

"The lotto," says Andy McFadden, one of our parish's brightest teen-agers, "is taxes for people who can't do math."

Smart kid. A lot smarter than many adults who plunk down the first fruits of their paychecks each week on lottery tickets. If a teen-ager can see through the lotto scam, why can't adults?

The answer is greed. Greed in the person playing the lotto. Even bigger greed in the state government that controls it. And the biggest greed of all in the people who lobby for gambling so they can spend the revenue.

In our state [Maryland], for instance, some lotto proceeds go to billionaires so they won't have to use their own money to build stadiums. That way they can pay millionaire athletes to play football and baseball. Good social policy? As Seinfeld used to say, "I don't think so!"

Right now, our state is debating the legalization of slot machines and casino gaming. The state has totally supplanted the old-time bookies and numbers runners they used to throw in jail for doing the same thing.

The people lobbying for the new forms of gambling tell us that gambling will be good for depressed areas. Baltimore, they say, will be a Garden of Eden: Everything paid for and nobody having to pay taxes.

Yeah, right. Gambling, they say, will be a source of tax revenue. Which really means they are willing to cut the government and the politicians in on the action.

Gambling, they tell us, will create new wealth. But all it does is shuffle around the

same old wealth, from us to them.

Is gambling something the government should be encouraging? No. It makes nothing. It holds out false hope. It robs the poor and weak.

It is the old shell game. A con for suckers. And there is one born every minute.

The Church should say so. We probably would say so more forcefully if we weren't so implicated in gambling ourselves.

Bingo!

Don't get me wrong. I'm not a Puritan.

A game of chance for entertainment is OK. I play a little penny-ante poker on vacations. I buy and sell the occasional raffle ticket. I wouldn't mind being on "Jeopardy" or even "Wheel of Fortune." I throw darts. I even own a mutual fund.

But I don't think that anything truly important should be left to games of chance. And I don't think the Church or the state should encourage the spirit of greed. As a pastor, I've seen one too many people gambling away their rent money.

True, the stakes are generally lower in charity-sponsored gaming. True, the proceeds go to charity.

But since when did the church accept an "end justifies the means" morality?

Shouldn't both the Church and the state be trying to teach people virtues?

Gambling in churches is charity on the cheap. It is bad example. It evades our responsibility. It erodes our moral authority and renders us silent when the real sharks get in the water to promote the big games.

If the lotto is taxes for people who can't do math, then bingo is tithing for people who don't have faith.

Neither the Church nor the state should sell its moral authority for a pot of gold. †

(Father Peter Daly is a regular columnist for Catholic News Service.)

Pentecost/Msgr. Owen F. Campion

The Sunday Readings

Sunday, May 31, 1998

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

Alternative readings are available for this important feast. These comments refer to the Scriptures given above.



The event recorded in the Acts of the Apostles occurred on Pentecost, the ancient Jewish feast. Originally this feast had strong agricultural overtones,

marking the 50th day after the consecration of the harvest. Its name is Greek, referring to 50 days.

For the early Christians actually present for the experience recalled in Acts, the feast celebrated a culmination of a process begun in God's plan and, since the growth in the fields took place in nature, under God's holy will.

Probably present, at least to some extent, among these Christians also was the thought that Pentecost commemorated the giving of the law by God to Moses on Sinai.

This was an interpretation of Pentecost in Judaism of the period.

These impressions formed an important backdrop for the first followers of Jesus, gathered in Jerusalem, who experienced the Holy Spirit in the occasion reported in this reading.

The salvation of Jesus was complete. The Lord had died, had risen, and had ascended. Now the Lord's mission summoned the disciples, and the Holy Spirit, the very life of God, came to them with life and strength.

St. Paul's First Epistle to the Corinthians supplies us with the second reading.

It is a splendid testimony of the Holy Spirit.

The concept of God's spirit was present, but vague, in the Jewish world in which Christ preached.

The expressions of matter and spirit, body and soul, essentially were not Hebrew. They represented a philosophical pattern that was Greek in its roots and development. Even so, after the con-

quests of Alexander the Great in the fourth century B.C., many Greek concepts crept into Jewish thought.

However, the Gospel—and Christian preachers such as Paul—extended and specified this idea of God's Spirit, seeing in it indeed not only a person, and a person divine in the Holy Trinity.

The epistle is clear. Only because of the Spirit, with the insight and fearlessness given by the Spirit, can Christians truly perceive reality.

The Gospel of John is the source for the third reading.

Once more, the Holy Spirit is mentioned in a critical sense.

To understand the meaning of this text, it must be recalled that forgiving sins was regarded among the contemporaries of Jesus as an act singularly, and necessarily, belonging to God. Why? Because God is offended by sin, therefore only God can forgive sin. Also, because it offends God, sin is the most grievously awful act a human can commit.

To vest the apostles with the power to forgive sins was to give them nothing less than the power of God. The Risen Lord, proven to be of God, conferred upon them this extraordinary and supernatural power.

Reflection

The Acts of the Apostles sets the stage for the Liturgy of the Word of this great feast. The Holy Spirit came visibly and truly into the persons, lives, and souls of the early disciples.

However, even as the Church in these readings proclaims the great event of Pentecost long ago, it brings the meaning and impact of this event to us, to our day, to our place.

The message is that salvation lives yet today—and it lives in the Church.

The Church is the new people of God, formed on Calvary as God once formed the people on Sinai. Christians now benefit from the culmination of redemption, achieved in the crucifixion and resurrection of the Lord.

Now, they live not simply themselves, as Paul was quick to say, but they live with the very life of Jesus bestowed in the Holy Spirit.

Thus they are called, and empowered, to continue the Lord's saving work. At

Daily Readings

Monday, June 1

Justin, martyr
2 Peter 1:2-7
Psalm 91:1-2, 14-16
Mark 12:1-12

Tuesday, June 2

Marcellinus, presbyter and martyr
Peter, exorcist and martyr
2 Peter 3:12-15a, 17-18
Psalm 90:2-4, 10
Mark 12:13-17

Wednesday, June 3

Charles Lwanga, catechist and martyr, and his companions, martyrs
2 Timothy 1:1-3, 6-12
Psalm 123:1-2
Mark 12:18-27

Thursday, June 4

2 Timothy 2:8-15
Psalm 25:4-5, 8-10, 14
Mark 12:28b-34

Friday, June 5

Boniface, bishop, religious, missionary and martyr
2 Timothy 3:10-17
Psalm 119:157, 160-161, 165-166, 168
Mark 12:35-37

Saturday, June 6

Norbert, bishop and religious founder
2 Timothy 4:1-8
Psalm 71:8-9, 14-17, 22
Mark 12:38-44

Sunday, June 7

The Holy Trinity
Proverbs 8:22-31
Psalm 8:4-9
Romans 5:1-5
John 16:12-15

their hand is the comfort, guidance, protection, and care of the Church, built

upon the apostles who were given the very power of God. †

Question Corner/Fr. John Dietzen

Questions about faith, sin confuse young adult

QA friend sent me your recent column about baby boomers and confession. I'm not a "boomer." I'm only 25, but I could relate to the person who wrote to you.

I grew up with a mother who was, and still is, angry at the Catholic Church. As a result, I was baptized and made first penance and Communion, but we had little involvement with the Church.

I now live in a different town and have established a relationship with God, which I would like to deepen by joining a parish, going to confession and becoming a practicing Catholic.

But where do I start? I am asking for your brochure on confession, but it's deeper than that.

Father, I was promiscuous during my early 20s. I also aborted a child at 20. Several years ago, I joined a 12-Step Program, found God and realized he was there for me all those years I rejected him.

I pray several times daily now. Each Sunday I walk the two blocks to church, only to walk back home. I feel I'm not a "real" Catholic because of the abortion and premarital sexual relationships.

I consider myself pro-life now, but I feel I can't really be that because I already committed the sin.

My family is all fragmented by alcoholism, drug abuse, anger at God and others, and so on.

In becoming a practicing Catholic I would be alone in it. I'm scared to be a young woman alone in pews full of whole families.

I guess I need advice, Father. What should be my first step? How can I, with all my sins, and not knowing how to do it, deepen my relationship with God and my Church? (Ohio)

AI was deeply moved by your letter, not only in compassion for you, but because so many other "baby boomers" or post-boomers responded to that column in ways similar to your own.

My only straight and honest answer for you is, God wants you back!

You have done some very wrong things. You obviously acknowledge that and are deeply repentant.

However, whatever you have done is past, and there's no possibility or need to unravel the degree of sinfulness. We just put that in God's hands in the sacrament of penance and rely with total trust on his forgiveness.

Please give yourself time to sit quietly and read slowly and reflectively the first part of the parable of the forgiving Father (Luke 15:11-24).

Do this two or three times. Realize this father Jesus is talking about is God. And the father's anxiety to be reconciled to his child is God's attitude toward you.

I hope others who think repentance, forgiveness and return are out of reach will do the same.

Finally, you can be sure you're not the only one in church with the same kind of story. There are many, and a number of them feel as alone as you do.

Do what you know is right, pick up your life as a Catholic and move on.

Many dioceses and parishes offer a variety of young adult programs and activities so young men and women can learn more about their faith and make new friends. You need not sit alone at Mass. †

(A free brochure answering questions Catholics ask about Mary, the mother of Jesus, is available by sending a stamped and self-addressed envelope to Father John Dietzen, Box 325, Peoria, Ill. 61651. Questions for this column should be sent to Father Dietzen at the same address.)

My Journey to God

A Doctor's Prayer

Dear Lord, I ask your blessings,
As I make my calls today
I'll need your hand to guide me
In all I do or say

Please let me ease the constant pain
Of patients in distress
And grant the power I will need
To put a small child's fear to rest

Though I am sometimes very tired
From many hours on call
Please see that I have extra strength
When I'm about to fall

I must not show my sentiments,
But should be diplomatic
For most, my patient's ills may be
Acute or quite traumatic

I hope my patients put their trust
In me and know we doctors care



But also know true healing comes
From the Greatest One Up There!

By Jean Cox

(Jean Cox is a member of St. Rose of Lima Parish in Franklin. She wrote this poem for her doctor and in recognition of the lifelong dedication of physicians to the healing ministry of medicine.)

The Active List

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May 30

Batesville "March for Jesus" committee will hold a "March for Jesus," 9:30 a.m. at the Batesville Memorial Pool, with march, prayer rally, and picnic. Information: 812-934-5808.

St. Mark's Youth Group will host a music festival benefiting the Muscular Dystrophy Family Foundation at Indianapolis Christian Fellowship on Madison Ave. and I-465, 2-9 p.m. Cost: \$6 in advance; \$8 at festival. Information: 317-784-1593.

Young local musicians from Bishop Chatard High School, St. Lawrence and St. Matthew parishes will host Indifest '98, Lawrence Park (5301 N. Franklin Rd.), 4 p.m. It will benefit Children's Guardian Home of Indianapolis. Cost: \$7. Information: 317-845-9000.

May 31

St. Barnabas PTO, Indianapolis,

8300 Rahke Road, will host the Fun Run 5K walk/run, 3 p.m. Cost: \$8 children 14 and under; \$12 adults; \$50 immediate family. All participants receive a commemorative T-shirt, ribbon and post-race snacks. Information: 317-882-3292.

Rexville Schoenstatt "Instrument Spirituality" at 2:30 p.m., Mass at 3:30 p.m. by Fr. Elmer Burwinkel. (.8 mile East of 421 South on 925 South, 12 miles south of Versailles on U.S. 50)

St. Meinrad Archabbey will hold a Monte Cassino Pilgrimage, "Mary, Woman of the Spirit," with Benedictine Father Cyprian Davis, beginning at 2 p.m., with hymn and short sermon, followed by rosary procession. The shrine is located one mile east of the archabbey on State Hwy. 62. Information: 812-357-6585. (Final service in a series of five)

June 6

The Secular Franciscan Order

will host "Preparation for the Great Jubilee of 2000 AD", at Alverna Center, Marian College. Father Al Lauer will preside at the SFO Recommitment Day with Mass beginning at 9:30 am in the Holy Mass Chapel, and closing with Benediction at 3:40 pm. Information: 317-573-0264.

June 7

St. Agnes Academy All School Reunion - Diamond Jubilee '38, Golden Jubilee '48 and Silver Jubilee '63 will begin with Mass at SS. Peter & Paul Cathedral (14th and Meridian St.), 10:30 am. Brunch will begin at noon at the Schnull-Rauch House (3050 N. Meridian St.). Cost: \$16. Information: 317-257-8886.

June 7 - 13

Benedict Inn will hold a week long, holistic directed retreat. Check in is 4 p.m. Sunday and conclusion is by 1 p.m. Saturday. (1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove, IN) Cost: \$400. Information: 317-788-7581.

Recurring

Daily

St. Patrick Parish, Indianapolis, holds a Tridentine (Latin) low Mass daily (except Sunday), 8 a.m.

Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish, Greenwood, 335 S. Meridian St., parish center building, hosts perpetual adoration 24 hours a day.

Weekly

Sundays

St. Patrick Parish, Indianapolis, holds a Tridentine (Latin) High Mass, 1:30 p.m.

St. Anthony Parish, Clarksville, holds "Be Not Afraid" holy hour from 6-7 p.m.

Mondays

Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish, Greenwood, 335 S. Meridian St., hosts a prayer group, 7:30 p.m. in the chapel.

Tuesdays

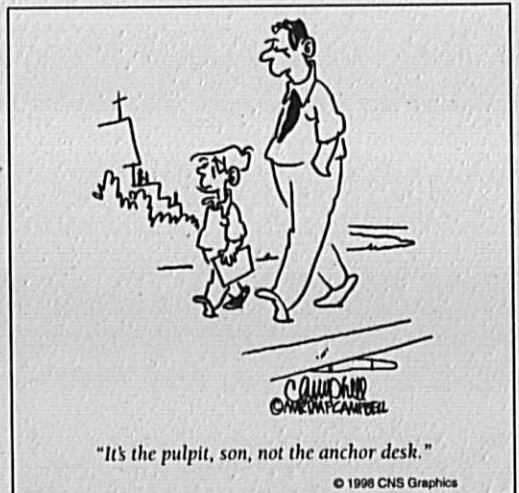
Our Lady of the Greenwood Marian Prayer group meets from 7-8 p.m. in the chapel to pray the rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

St. Joseph Parish, Sellersburg, 2605 St. Joe Rd. West, Shepherds of Christ Associates prays 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., holds prayer group from 2:30-3:30 p.m. This includes the rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet, pro-life prayers, prayers for vocations and special intentions.

Wednesdays

Marion Movement of Priests cenacle prayer group, rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet, conse-



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cration. 1-2:10 p.m. Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 57th and Central Ave.

Thursdays

St. Lawrence Parish, Indianapolis, hosts adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel from 7 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Mass.

St. Mary Parish, New Albany, Shepherds of Christ Associates gathers at 7 p.m. to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life and lives consecrated to Jesus and Mary.

St. Patrick Parish, Salem, Shelby St., holds a prayer service, 7 p.m.

Fridays

St. Susanna Parish, Plainfield, 1210 E. Main, holds adoration

of the Blessed Sacrament from 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

St. Lawrence Parish, Indianapolis, hosts adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel from 7 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Benediction and Mass.

A pro-life rosary is recited at 10 a.m. in front of Affiliated Women's Services, Inc., 2215 Distributors Dr., Indianapolis.

Saturdays

A pro-life rosary is recited at 9:30 a.m. in front of the Clinic for Women, E. 38th St. and Parker Ave., Indianapolis.

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First Mondays

The Guardian Angel Guild holds its board of directors meeting. Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, Benedictine Room, 9:30 a.m.

First Tuesdays

Divine Mercy Chapel, Indianapolis, between St. Michael Church and Cardinal Ritter High School, 3354 W. 30th St., will hold Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:30 p.m. Confession is at 6:45 p.m.

First Fridays

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

St. Roch Parish, Indianapolis, 3600 S. Pennsylvania St., holds rosary and Benediction, 7-8 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Indianapolis, 5333 E. Washington St., Indianapolis, holds the Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m.

St. Joseph Parish, St. Joseph Hill, Sellersburg, 2605 St. Joe Rd. West, holds eucharistic adoration following 8 a.m. Mass until noon.

Sacred Heart Parish, Indianapolis, 1530 Union St., holds exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following 8 a.m. Mass, closing with communion service at noon.

St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Bedford, celebrates exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following 8:30 a.m. Mass until 9 p.m. The sacrament of reconciliation is available from 4-6 p.m.

St. Joseph University Parish, Terre Haute, holds eucharistic adoration after the 9 a.m. Mass until 5 p.m. with rosary at noon.

First Saturdays

St. Nicholas Parish, Sunman, has 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 holds holy hour, 2 p.m. in Little Flower Chapel, 13th and Bosart, Indianapolis.

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

Holy Angels Parish, Indianapolis, 28th and Martin Luther King Jr. St., holds exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 11 a.m.-noon.

Second Wednesdays

The archdiocesan Family Life Office, Natural Family Planning Classes, meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis. Cost: \$20. Information: 317-236-1596 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1596.

Second Thursdays

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

Third Mondays

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

Third Wednesdays

Catholic Widowed Organization meets from 7-9:30 p.m. at the Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis. Information: 317-887-9388.

Holy Family Parish in Oldenburg will hold a support group for widowed persons at 7 p.m. Information: 812-934-2524.

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

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

Third Thursdays

Sacred Heart Parish, Indianapolis, 1530 Union St., holds family rosary night at 7 p.m.

Third Fridays

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Central Indiana

gathers for Mass and healing service at the chapel in St. Francis Hall, Marian College, 3200 Cold Spring Rd., Indianapolis beginning at 7 p.m.

Third Saturdays

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

Bingos

TUESDAY: K of C Council 437, 1305 N. Delaware, 11 a.m.; St. Michael, 6 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: 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.

Parish youth group plans music benefit

By Brigid Curtis

Special to The Criterion

This Saturday, May 30, the St. Mark Parish youth group will host its first Son Fest, a Christian music festival to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Family Foundation. Son Fest begins at 2 p.m. and continues until 9 p.m. at the Indianapolis Christian Fellowship Church, 4540 Madison Ave., next to I-465 north of Thompson Road.

The event features continuous music and will be an inexpensive way for teen-agers to have fun, hear Christian music, meet young people, and share the Good News about Jesus, said Danette Alles, a St. Mark parishioner and local organizer for the music festival.

"We want to provide a fun-filled, safe activity for high school youth," Alles said. "We hope to raise money for a charitable cause [and] interact with Christian youth of other denominations in a setting where differences between the denominations are insignificant. Most important, we want to communicate the message of Christ in a form that teens relate to."

Proceeds will benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Family Foundation (MDFF). (The organization is not affiliated with the Muscular Dystrophy Association and receives no support from the Jerry Lewis MDA Labor Day telethon.)

Alles said MDFF fulfills a need for people with muscular dystrophy and their families by providing adaptive equipment and emotional support.

"We hope other youth will catch the spirit and joy that helping others can bring," she said.

Tickets for Son Fest are \$6 in advance and \$8 at the gate. To obtain tickets, or for more information about Son Fest, call Alles at 317-784-1593, or e-mail her at palles@indiana.edu.

This Train, a Christian rock band from Chicago, is featured with other Christian bands. Concert-goers can purchase a variety of refreshments at Son Fest and visit exhibits promoting private colleges. †

(Brigid Curtis is a correspondent for The Criterion.)

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U.S.

Bill would prevent taking minors across state lines for abortions

WASHINGTON (CNS)—A House panel is debating the merits of a bill that would make it a crime to take a minor girl out of state for an abortion if her home state has a parental consent law. Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, R-Fla., co-sponsor of the House version of the bill, said in her May 21 testimony: "Much of America (is) up in arms and outraged that cigarette ads are enticing youth to smoke. . . . Yet many of these same people who set out to rescue our children from the dangers of this world have remained silent on ads that entice young girls to violate the law and obtain a life-threatening procedure."

Catholic office for disabled against change in fair housing law

WASHINGTON (CNS)—The National Catholic Office for Persons With Disabilities has warned Congress that proposed changes in the Fair Housing Act would gut the law and help reinforce housing discrimination against people with disabilities instead of

preventing it. The office joined other civil rights, disability advocacy and service organizations, including Catholic Charities USA, in opposing H.R. 3206, a bill introduced in February to amend the 30-year-old Fair Housing Act. The National Catholic Office for Persons With Disabilities said it feared that provisions in the bill "allowing residential neighborhoods to restrict the development of group homes within certain boundaries" will set back longstanding efforts of Catholic and other service agencies to "bring people with disabilities into the most 'normalizing' environments and situations possible."

Detroit summit a 'fresh movement' in effort to end labor dispute

DETROIT (CNS)—One panelist at a summit conference on the ongoing Detroit newspaper labor dispute called the gathering "a fresh movement" in the effort to end the dispute. More than 300 people attended the Communities for a Settlement conference held at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit May 18. The labor dispute began in July 1995, when 2,500 workers from six unions struck the *Detroit Free Press* and the *Detroit News*. Detroit Newspapers, which manages business affairs for the two papers, began hiring permanent replacement workers by Labor Day and although the unions have called off the strike, many workers have not gotten their jobs back.

World

Pope: Legalizing abortion has not stopped secret procedures

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—The legalization of abortion in Italy has not stopped clandestine abortions, nor has it marked a greater respect for women, Pope John Paul II said. The pope met with some 10,000 members of Italian pro-life movements and volunteers at crisis pregnancy centers May 22, the 20th anniversary of legalized abortion in the predominantly Catholic country. Pope John Paul told the groups they should be heartened by the growing public awareness of "the failure of the pro-abortion laws, which not only have not done away with clandestine abortions," but have contributed to Italy's declining population and to "the degradation of public morality."

Colombians join in nationwide peace, reconciliation campaign

BOGOTA, Colombia (CNS)—As a response to an upsurge in violence, thousands of Colombians joined a nationwide peace and reconciliation campaign convoked by the Church and other nongovernmental organizations. Archbishop Pedro Rubiano Saenz of Bogota invited all Colombians to stop their activities at noon May 19 and publicly express their rejection of violence in the country. Most Catholic schools throughout Colombia joined the campaign with silent marches in the streets, while at noon, the bells of all Catholic churches and chapels tolled, marking a moment of silence and prayer for peace. As the bells tolled, thousands of people assembled in Simon Bolivar Square began waving white handkerchiefs, white paper or white balloons. They chanted: "Enough already, we ask for peace."

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Please submit in writing to our office by 10 a.m. Mon. the week of publication; be sure to state date of death. Obituaries of archdiocesan priests and religious sisters serving our archdiocese are listed elsewhere in *The Criterion*. Order priests and brothers are included here, unless they are natives of the archdiocese or have other connections to it.

ALDEA, Catherine Marie, 69, Little Flower, Indianapolis, May 10. Mother of Laura Cathy Shepperd. Grandmother of three.

ANDERSON, Arlene Joyce, 71, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, May 10. Sister of John Dallman and Evelyn Bradford. Aunt of five.

CAITO, Philip Jr., 81, St. Lawrence, Indianapolis, May 18. Husband of Ida Tantillo Caito. Father of Philip J. IV, Joseph A., Jo Ann M. and Frederick J. Caito. Brother of Salvatore, August A., Magdalene, Mary Jane and Angeline Milto. Grandfather of 10. Great-grandfather of six.

CRIDER, Jolie Beth, 14, St. Bartholomew, Columbus, May 7. Daughter of Robert A. Crider and Shayla Holtkamp. Stepdaughter of Elizabeth Crider and Paul Holtkamp. Sister of Bobby Crider.

Franciscan Sister Barbara Marie Warisse was teacher

Franciscan Sister Barbara Marie Warisse died on May 23 at the age of 92.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at the motherhouse chapel of the Sisters of St. Francis, Oldenburg.

Born in New Albany, Sister Barbara Marie entered the Oldenburg community in 1926 and professed final vows in 1931.

She taught at St. Mary, North Vernon; St. Michael, Brookville; St. Gabriel, Connorsville; St. Vincent de Paul, Bedford; St. Lawrence, Lawrenceburg; St. Michael, Charlestown and St. Mary, New Albany, as well as schools in Ohio.

Sister Barbara Marie is survived by two cousins, Father Emmanuel Bertrand and Bill Fenger.

Memorials may be made to Sisters of St. Francis, P.O. Box 100, Oldenburg, IN 47036.

Stepsister of Jason, Molly, Christy and Jamie Hodges. Granddaughter of Gary and Johnna Hughes, Jack and Karen Ibe, Pauline Holtkamp, Harry and Marian Crider, Cecil and Gwen Pruitt.

DOLAN, John F., 77, St. Anthony, Indianapolis, May 15. Father of Patricia, Michael and Thomas Dolan. Brother of Mary Anne Dolan.

EDER, Donald M., 77, St. Mary, North Vernon, May 17. Father of Pat, David and Paul Eder, Dona Thomas, Linda Hughes, Nancy Whitfield and Susie Miller. Grandfather of 19. Great-grandfather of two.

ESHELMAN, Mary Ellen, 65, St. Gabriel, Connorsville, May 12. Wife of Robert Eshelman. Mother of Lyn Marie Irving, Mark Eshelman, Jon R. Eshelman. Daughter of Caroline Brahaney. Sister of James Brahaney, Ann Hamilton, Carol Duffy. Grandmother of five.

FUCHS, Edgar M., 57, St. Paul, Tell City, May 10. Father of Michelle Lamb, Dale, Duane, Terry and Jeff Fuchs and Kevin Todd Fuchs. Brother of Richard and James Fuchs, Ruth and Dorothy Tanner, Helen Doogs and Betty Jennings.

GEIGER, William J., 66, St. Martin, Yorkville, April 21. Cousin of Florence Aust.

Providence Sister Eileen Eberhardt taught here

Providence Sister Eileen Eberhardt, 73, died on May 15.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods on May 19.

The former Mary Eileen Eberhardt was born in Chicago. She entered the congregation of the Sisters of Providence in 1944, professed first vows in 1946 and final vows in 1951.

Formerly known as Sister Eileen Francis, she taught in St. Philip, St. Agnes and Holy Cross schools in Indianapolis. She was director of a day nursery in the Chicago Diocese and later, assistant to the personnel director at Central Office of Catholic Charities in Chicago for 15 years.

Sister Eileen is survived by a brother, Fred Eberhardt, and a sister, Helen Marie Haddon.

HAHN, John C., 86, St. Anthony, Indianapolis, May 14. Father of Mary Ann Lang and John C. Hahn, Jr. Grandfather of five. Great-grandfather of two.

KAISER, Francis R., 73, St. Barnabas, Indianapolis, May 12. Husband of Dorothy Kaiser. Father of Karen Craggs and Kathy Schluge. Grandfather of five.

KRAMER, Cecelia Frances, 89, Little Flower, Indianapolis, May 10. Mother of Gerald F., Richard L., Ronald J., Thomas E. and William L. Kramer, Carol A. Taylor and Linda J.

Van Treese. Grandmother of 28. Great-grandmother of 35.

MILLER, Carrie F., 87, St. Boniface, Fulda, May 12. Wife of Hubert Miller. Mother of Raymond Miller.

Grandmother of one. Great-grandmother of eight. Great-grand-grandmother of six.

NANCE, Harry A. Jr., 44, St. Anne, Hamburg, May 10. Husband of Karen Nance. Father of Ann Sprandel, George and Robert Miller, Amy, Angie, Eric and Harry A. Nance. Son of Mary Marcello. Brother of Stephen Nance, Candy Gilardi, Cathy Bigony, Kelly Trauria.

Nicole Thurston, Peggy Walker. Grandfather of six.

PEAVLER, Chad David, 21, St. Monica, Indianapolis, May 16. Son of Larry and Jacquelyne Peavler. Grandson of Herchel D. Peavler, William O. and Evaline Cindle Cook. Great-grandson of Mumzie Cindle Morgan.

RUCH, John E., 57, St. Michael, Indianapolis, May 6. Husband of Joan E. Ruch. Father of John E. Ruch II, Tami Bursch and Angela O'Neal. Stepfather of Steve Stahl, Rhonda Treskot and Leah Johnstone. Son of Dorothy

French. Stepson of Richard French. Brother of Leticia Cranfill, Rosemary Kelley, Bonnie Gardener and Mary Ann Williams. Stepbrother of James French, Joe French and Roseann Silnes. Grandfather of four. Step-grandfather of three.

WEILHAMMER, Helen Agnes, 83, Nativity, Indianapolis, May 11. Wife of Paul H. Weilhammer. Mother of Lawrence Paul Weilhammer, Donna L. Woody, Deanna "Dede" Eaton and Kathryn M. Nesbit. Grandmother of 11. Great-grandmother of 14.



Elizabeth Burch, a senior elementary education major at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, sings the national anthem before the start of the 82nd Indianapolis 500 May 24. Burch performed at the request of the Hulman-George family after singing at the funeral of Mary Fendrich Hulman.

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degree in history. He went on to study for a law degree from Indiana University in Bloomington, which he achieved in 1985.

"All through this time, I wrestled with the idea of the priesthood," said Pondo.

While he was at IU, he taught in the school of law. After graduation, he worked for the late Judge Stanley Miller for two years. From 1988 to 1990, he was in a private practice in Merrillville.

At the end of 1990, he took a position on the Court of Appeals with Chief Justice John Sharpnack, where he stayed until August 1993.

Pondo had decided to go back to graduate school, starting the application process in 1992.

"Thinking this would be a major change in my life anyway, I thought I should at least look into the priesthood seriously," he said.

He contacted Father Paul Koetter, then-vocations director, and went through the application process for study for the priesthood. Later, he worked with Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel when he directed that office.

Pondo was accepted for the graduate program in history at IU. And he was accepted as a seminarian by the archdiocese.

"I hadn't really come to the conclusion

the priesthood wasn't for me," he said. "So I decided to go to Saint Meinrad to explore the possibility further.

"After a year, I was more sure that I did have a vocation than when I started," said Pondo. "That continued year to year—that I felt called to priesthood with my life."

This year, he completed his work for a Master of Divinity degree and a Master of Arts degree at Saint Meinrad School of Theology.

Of his law background, he said "I'm not sure it is directly applicable. They teach ways of thoroughly analyzing things that were helpful in studies. That should be helpful in my future, too."

He believes that his training in law showed him the importance of communication in the ability to think and write.

"I think that will help when I am called to teach and preach," said Pondo.

During his seminary studies, he served his first summer at St. Gabriel Parish in Connersville. The next year, he lived at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral rectory and worked at the Metropolitan Tribunal in the Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center.

Pondo spent one summer doing his clinical pastoral educational experience (CPE) at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis, while living at St. Luke Parish. And he spent his last year at St. Lawrence Parish.

Pondo is a member of St. Thomas

Aquinas Parish in Indianapolis, where he is a eucharistic minister and is involved in the Haiti outreach committee.

While studying at DePauw, he attended St. Paul Parish in Greencastle where he served as lector and eucharistic minister. He was active in the Newman Club at the college.

At IU, Pondo was active as a eucharistic minister at St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Bloomington and was involved in its peace and justice committee.

"Each helped in certain ways to focus me on the idea of serving the Church and what it means," he said.

The first priest who influenced Pondo was Father Joe Murphy of St. Stanislaus Parish in East Chicago, where he grew up. He was in charge of youth ministry during Pondo's high school days.

Another priest in whom he saw "positive things about the priesthood" was then-Father Ed Hildebrand, chaplain of the DePauw Newman Club.

"Father [William] Munshower has been an inspiration to me with his ministry," said Pondo. Among others he mentioned was Father Frank Eckstein, who was the pastor at Connersville when he took his first seminary assignment.

"All of them had a part in shaping my decision for the priesthood and what I see

the priesthood as being," said Pondo.

He praised Msgr. Fred Easton, and Fathers Richard Ginther and Daniel Mahan.

"All have different strengths that show how a priest's ministry can be different in the way each man lives that out," he said. "It's one priesthood, and each person lives it out differently."

"It tells me that God will make use of my life in whatever way he chooses with whatever strengths I

bring," said Pondo.

He thinks one of his strengths is communication skills. He thinks he'll be "a decent preacher."

Though he said he is not an extrovert, Pondo is able to relate to people. But he observed that he is able to spend time by himself—something most priests must do now.

Pondo does come from a large family—three married sisters and a brother. Stan was born the fifth of the six children. His father, Stanley, died when he was in eighth grade. Lillian, his mother, died just after he graduated from law school. One brother also died.

"Solitude will not be a problem," Pondo said. "It's a tradeoff. You look at who you are and how God is calling you to live that out." †

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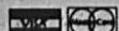
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Ideal candidate should be a person with a background in religious education, theology or spirituality and parish or diocesan experience. Bachelor's degree in related field is required. Individual must have three to five years related experience, management skills and administration experience with a team approach philosophy and strong interpersonal skills with excellent oral and written communication skills.

We offer competitive pay, great working conditions and an excellent fringe benefit package. If interested in the above opening, please send by June 15, 1998, your résumé, letter of application with salary requirements and references to:



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Principal

Thriving parish school with 200 students, preschool through grade 6, 30 miles northeast of Indianapolis seeks principal. Send résumé to: St. Ambrose Search Committee, 2801 Lincoln St., Anderson, IN 46016.

Principal

St. Mary's Catholic School, located in North Vernon, Indiana, is seeking applicants for the position of principal. The K-8th grade school has an approximate enrollment of 200 students. Responsibilities should begin July 1, 1998.

Interested persons should contact Mickey Lentz at the Office of Catholic Education in Indianapolis (800-382-9836) for more information.

Youth Ministry Coordinator

St. Louis Parish in Batesville, IN, is seeking a full-time youth ministry coordinator. Position available July 1, 1998.

Responsibilities: directing and coordinating comprehensive parish youth ministry efforts for grades 7 through 12, which includes coordinating "A Promise To Keep" program.

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Contact: Prudence McFarland, DRE, c/o St. Louis Parish, 13 St. Louis Place, Batesville, IN 47006. Phone: 812-934-3204. Fax: 812-933-0667. Deadline for application: June 5, 1998.

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Ideal candidate must have five years of progressively responsible experience in accounting, business management, computerized financial systems and supervisory positions. CPA and/or bachelor's degree in accounting, finance or a related field is required. Confidentiality, initiative, self-direction, attention to detail, accuracy and leadership qualities are essential.

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Part-Time Cafeteria Help

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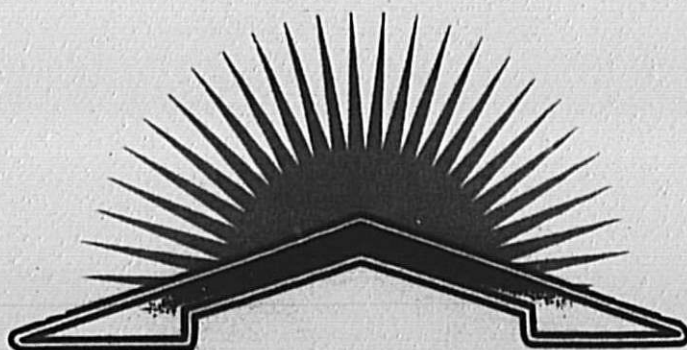
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