



REFUGEE PRIESTS PREPARE FOR ASSIGNMENTS—
Msgr. Vincent L. Burns (fourth from left), rector of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, and Father Michael Burke, vice rector, concelebrate Mass with five Vietnamese priests who are currently studying English and reviewing theology at the Philadelphia archdiocesan seminary in preparation

for receiving assignments in the archdiocese. The priests, who came to the seminary from the Indiantown Gap, Pa., refugee center, are from left: Fathers Joseph Vu Thanh, Peter Tran Van Tien, Joseph Nguyen Van Vinh, John Hoang Minh Toan and Joseph Vu Van Quy. (RNS photo)

CYO to host Band Festival

Thirty-two high school bands from throughout Indiana and Kentucky will compete Saturday, Sept. 27, in the Catholic Youth Organization's Central Indiana Marching Band Festival at the CYO Field, 16th and Harding Sts., Indianapolis.

In what is hoped to be the first in a series of annual festivals, the bands will compete for trophies in five classes.

WILLIAM F. KUNTZ, Executive Director of the Archdiocesan CYO, said the festival was organized to fill a void in the state's marching band competitive area. The entrants, for the

most part, are not large enough or experienced enough to compete in such contests as that held annually at the Indiana State Fair, Kuntz explained.

In addition, the contest is open to any entrants from other Midwestern or near Southern states that wish to compete, in addition to Indiana and Kentucky, the two represented in Saturday's inaugural event.

Indianapolis schools entered include Arsenal Technical, Lawrence Central, Chatham and Roncalli. Competition is not limited to Catholic schools.

The bands will be judged on appearance, marching and maneuvering abilities, showmanship, musical abilities and the performance of auxiliary units.

THE COMPETITION will start at 9:15 a.m. with Class CC, which includes bands with up to 64 instruments, including percussion. Class BB will include bands with as many as 96 instruments, while Class AA, with no entries at Criterion press time, would include 97 or more instruments. Eligible bands are confined to those inexperienced in band

competition or without high state rating.

Classes A, B and C are open classes according to size, A with 97 or more instruments, B with up to 96 and C with up to 64.

Joseph Haboush of Lebanon is the contest manager. Judges have been selected from throughout the state.

BANDS COMPETING in Saturday's competition (in alphabetical order) are as follows:

Class A—Chesterton, Franklin, Harrison and Lawrence Central.

Class B—Angola, Brazil, Brownsburg, Center Grove, Jesamine County, Ky., Princeton and West Vigo.

Class C—Charlestown, Danville, Ky.; Monrovia, Mooresville, Roncalli, Tri-County of Wolcott, Ind., and Whiteland.

Class BB—Munster.

Class CC—Adams Central, Arsenal Technical, Benton Central, Chatham, Clay City, Daleville, Greencastle, Hamilton Southeastern, Indian Creek of Trafalgar, North Knox, Rossville, West-Del of Gaston and West Washington of Campbellsburg.

Msgr. Albert Busald dies at the age of 91

BY FRED W. FRIES

The Funeral Liturgy was offered Tuesday morning for Msgr. Albert Busald in his beloved St. Philip Neri Church, where he served as pastor for 36 years. Concelebrating the Mass with Archbishop George J. Blakup were more than 60 of his fellow priests—many of them former assistants—from all parts of the Archdiocese. Some 400 laypersons and Sisters were also in attendance.

Msgr. Busald, who was 91 and the oldest priest in the Archdiocese, died in St. Paul Hermitage last Saturday morning. He suffered a stroke a few days before his death. He lived in retirement at the Hermitage for the past four years.

FATHER LAWRENCE FREY, a former associate pastor at St. Philip's under Msgr. Busald, preached the funeral homily. In his sermon Father Frey sketched the Monsignor's 66 years as a priest, calling him "a man of faith, a man of hope and a man of prayer."

He referred to his deep respect for the priesthood. "Monsignor Busald treated even the youngest priests who came to serve as his associates as equals," he said, "recognizing in them the profound dignity of the priesthood."

Father Frey also referred to the Monsignor's interest in youth and his contributions to the work of the CYO. "He made it a Friday morning practice



MSGR. ALBERT BUSALD

for many years," Father Frey recalled, "to greet the children of St. Philip's School over the public address system and often joined them during recess on the playground."

The homilist called Monsignor Busald a "noble soul who touched hundreds of thousands of lives in the long years of his priesthood."

The Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus provided a special guard of honor during the Funeral Mass. Burial was in the family plot in St. Joseph Cemetery.

Monsignor Busald is survived by a sister, Sister Albert Marie, O.S.F., and two priest cousins, Father Carl Busald and Father Omer Eisenman.

A NATIVE OF ST. PETER, Franklin County, Monsignor Busald took his seminary studies at St. Meinrad and was ordained on June 5, 1909 by Bishop Silas Chatard.

His first assignment was as associate pastor of St. Boniface parish, Evansville, where he served until his appointment as pastor of St. Joseph parish, Rockville, and adjoining missions in 1913.

The rest of his priestly career was spent in Indianapolis beginning in (Continued on Page 3)

Pontiff to conduct Anointing of the Sick

WASHINGTON—Pope Paul VI will preside at a solemn Holy Year observance for the sick to be held in St. Peter's Basilica on Sunday, Oct. 5. He will administer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at the ceremony, which will begin at 4:30 p.m., Rome time.

The sick of the entire world have been invited to join spiritually with Pope Paul and those assembled in Rome on that day in offering their sufferings to the Lord. Vatican Radio will broadcast the rite in various languages.

The Vatican has encouraged bishops throughout the world to promote the participation of the sick of their dioceses in the celebration and to seek the involvement of hospitals, health care centers and associations in this observance.



FATHER McNAMARA

Fr. McNamara visits diocese to promote poverty campaign

FATHER LAWRENCE McNAMARA, Executive Director of the Campaign for Human Development, the anti-poverty program of the U.S. Bishops, will be in Indianapolis for a three-day visit beginning Sunday, Sept. 28.

Father McNamara is on a two-month good will tour of the United States involving more than 50 cities. One of the primary purposes of his trip is to explain and promote the Campaign for Human Development, the annual fund drive through which the American Bishops hope to break what Pope Paul once called "the hellish cycle of poverty."

On his whirlwind tour the CHD director hopes to visit the sites of major grants made during campaigns of the past.

Highlights of Father McNamara's Indianapolis agenda on Monday include a 9 a.m. television appearance, a 11 a.m. news conference in the Catholic Communications Center, a 5:30 meeting with local Campaign committee members and a 7 p.m. reception and dinner at St. Rita parish.



FATHER McNAMARA

American Bishops pledge to intensify anti-abortion fight

BY JIM CASTELLI

WASHINGTON—Spokesmen for the National Conference of Catholic Bishops regard the defeat of proposed anti-abortion amendments by a Senate subcommittee as only a temporary setback.

"The subcommittee's action is disappointing, but it is not the final word," according to Cardinal Cooke of New York, chairman of the Bishops' Committee for Pro-Life Activities.

ACTING IN closed session, the subcommittee voted down every amendment presented.

"The millions of Americans, Catholics and non-Catholics alike, who oppose abortion will continue their efforts to secure full legal protection for the unborn," Cardinal Cooke said.

"The bishops of the United States have already determined to intensify efforts to educate and mobilize people in support of a system of law which respects human life and underscores the tragedy of permissive abortion."

THE ISSUE IS "far from dead politically," Cardinal Cooke said. He cited reports that one state's rights amendment was defeated in a tie vote, 4-4.

The tie vote came on an amendment offered by Sen. Quentin Burdick (D-N.D.). It would have empowered the states to "protect life, including the unborn, at every state of biological development irrespective of age, health or condition of physical dependency."

Supporting the amendment in addition to Burdick were Senators William Scott (R-Va.), Strom Thurmond (R-S.C.) and, by proxy, James Eastland (D-Miss.).

OPPOSING WERE subcommittee chairman Birch Bayh (D-Ind.), Hiram Fong (R-Hawaii), James Abourezk (D-S.D.) and Charles Mathias (R-Md.). Bayh, Abourezk and Mathias voted against all amendments; Thurmond voted for all amendments. The breakdown:

—On the Buckley amendment, which would define legal personhood from the moment of conception, the vote was 5-2, with Thurmond and Fong supporting the amendment. Fong announced in a statement released before the subcommittee meeting that he would support some amendments in committee in order to bring it to the full Senate, but would oppose the amendment there.

—The Helms amendment, which would have used "fertilization" instead of "conception," was defeated by the same 5-2 vote and the same line-up.

—A Scott amendment which would have simply turned decisions on abortion over to the states was defeated 5-3, with Scott, Thurmond and Eastland (by proxy) in support.

—A Thurmond amendment which was essentially the Buckley amendment including an exception for abortion in the case of rape and incest was defeated 6-1.

—A Scott amendment allowing abortion except where elsewhere (Continued on Page 7)

Schedule in-service evening sessions for education officials

The first of two semi-annual in-service programs for officers of parish and district boards of education will be held during the month of October at six different sites in the Archdiocese.

Father Gerald Gettelfinger, Archdiocesan Superintendent of Education, and Sister Judith Shanahan, Director of Planning, will present the two-and-one-half hour evening sessions.

The presentation will focus on procedures for implementing the approved recommendations of the Board Evaluation Commission, especially the model constitutions for parish and district boards of education which were ratified by Archbishop George J. Blakup on Sept. 12.

Copies of the constitutions will be distributed at the meetings.

The schedule for the workshops is: Bedford and North Vernon Districts: Wednesday, Oct. 1, 7-9:30 p.m., at St. Vincent School, Bedford. Indianapolis North and East Districts: Wednesday, Oct. 15, 7-9:30 p.m., at Ladywood-St. Agnes School, Indianapolis.

Indianapolis South, West and Central Districts: Tuesday, Oct. 14, 7-9:30 p.m., at Roncalli High School, Indianapolis.

New Albany District: Tuesday, Sept. 30, 7-9:30 p.m., at Providence High School, Clarksville.

Richmond and Lawrenceburg Districts: Thursday, Oct. 2, 7-9:30 p.m., at St. Gabriel School, Connersville.

Terre Haute District: Thursday, Oct. 16, 7-9:30 p.m., at Schulte High School, Terre Haute.



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Statement of ICC

In response to the Senate subcommittee's rejection of proposed anti-abortion constitutional amendments, Ray Ruffo, executive director of the Indiana Catholic Conference, representing the Bishops of Indiana, issued the following statement:

"The action of the Senate subcommittee is most regrettable. It is significant that the subcommittee took this action following the failure of many members to attend hearings where expert witnesses were on hand to respond to questions on medical, ethical, legal and philosophical aspects of the issue.

"By no means does the subcommittee's decision signal the end of collective efforts to overturn the

Supreme Court abortion decision. Those concerned with the sanctity of life and of the individual lives of unborn children will continue to seek all available means, including a constitutional amendment, to restore legal protection for all human beings.

"The decision underscores the continuing importance of education at all levels—the young, the public at large and, certainly, lawmakers. The Indiana Catholic Conference has already initiated such efforts including the 'Choose Life' curriculum in parish schools and in diocesan adult education programs in the state. Also in our diocese efforts are being made and, we are sure, will be intensified to offer alternatives other than abortion to women and their families who are experiencing difficulty in pregnancy."

Right-to-Life reaction

Mary R. Hunt, of South Bend, Ind., president of Indiana Right-To-Life, issued a statement this week calling for political action against "anti-life politicians who cloak their true feelings in rhetoric until they are safely re-elected." Ms. Hunt's statement came as a result of the explanations given by Senator Birch Bayh of the defeat of the constitutional amendments on human life.

Ms. Hunt said that the vote in subcommittee would result in greatly increased pressure on members of the House of Representatives, where hearings on the Human Life Amendments have not yet started. Cong. Don Edwards (D, Calif.), has promised

hearings for "sometime this fall," but no date has been set as yet. Ms. Hunt said that the pro-life movement would work actively against any Congressman who will not take a definite position on this issue. "We have now learned the hard way that rhetoric means nothing."

At the same time, Mildred Jefferson, M.D., president of the National Right-To-Life Committee, said that Bayh's comments made "a mockery of the democratic process and a shambles of Congressional procedures." She urged all pro-life people to "exercise their right at the ballot box" to defeat politicians who will "thwart the will of the people in order to further a political career."

Sen. Bayh 'explains' abortion about-face

BY JIM CASTELLI

WASHINGTON—Adoption of constitutional amendments restricting abortion would be "far more in line with the unfortunate experience of the 18th amendment (Prohibition) than with the rest of the Constitution," according to Sen. Birch Bayh (D-Ind.), chairman of the Senate subcommittee which killed six separate abortion amendment proposals.

Bayh, who opposed all proposed amendments, made his comments in a 17-page statement issued after the subcommittee vote.

With the exception of the Prohibition amendment, Bayh said, constitutional amendments have not been designed to respond to "compelling moral or political issues," but "to establish underlying principles on which our government can operate."

THE 18TH AMENDMENT, he said, "was adopted for the incongruous purpose of establishing as a matter of fundamental law hotly debated moral principles" and "sought to impose these principles on the behavior of individuals."

"It is highly illustrative of the unique, and unsatisfactory, nature of this amendment that it was widely flouted by the American people."

Vatican delegation to attend WCC meet

VATICAN CITY—A 16-member Vatican delegation will attend the fifth assembly of the World Council of Churches (WCC) in Nairobi, Kenya.

The Vatican delegates will act as observers with the right to speak but not to vote at the assembly, which meets from Nov. 23 to Dec. 10.

The international delegation includes several Americans and will be headed by Father Pierre Duprey, undersecretary of the Vatican's Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity.



SEN. BIRCH BAYH

WEEK'S NEWS IN BRIEF

BY NC NEWS SERVICE

Backs Health Security Act

WASHINGTON—The Health Security Act—a major national health insurance policy now before the Congress—represents "the best basis for a socially just system of national health insurance for our country," according to Bishop Walter Sullivan of Richmond. "No other bill," he said, "provides as much coverage for as many people in as equitable a fashion."

Approves Orthodox diocese

JERUSALEM—King Khaled of Saudi Arabia, the successor to King Faisal, has authorized the establishment of an Orthodox diocese in the province of Al-Hasa. This announcement was made after a meeting between the Greek Orthodox Patriarch Elias of Antioch with the king in Jidda, Saudi Arabia.

In capsule form . . .

Liturgical leaders and specialists from across the country will meet at the Parker House here Oct. 13-16 to discuss "Parish Liturgy—American Style." . . . St. Barbara's parish in Santa Ana, Calif. has resettled 30 Vietnamese refugee families from Camp Pendleton, Calif. . . . Four centers for training in Gregorian chant will be opened in the Los Angeles area by Magr. Robert E. Brennan, former Los Angeles archdiocesan director of music. . . . A national memorial Mass at Arlington National Cemetery has been scheduled on May 31, 1976, for all the men and women who have given their lives in the service of the United States. . . . Some 500 delegates representing the 74,000-member Catholic Aid Association unanimously approved a resolution calling for passage of a pro-life amendment to the U.S. Constitution at their recent convention in St. Paul, Minn.

Our Sunday Visitor publishing company, Huntington, Ind., has published a new catechetical series for elementary grades, "Living Faith." . . . A Church agency that coordinates priestly aid to Latin America has reported that 476 diocesan priests from Spain are working in Latin America. . . . U.S. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) plans to step up its food shipments to the poor in Honduras, the Dominican Republic and Haiti, three countries that have been hard hit by prolonged drought. . . . A group of Iowans associated with Americans United for Separation of Church and State (AUSC) have filed suit in U.S. district court here challenging the state law permitting busing of nonpublic school students at taxpayers' expense.

Foreign aid bill passes House

WASHINGTON—The House has passed by a 244-155 vote a historic foreign aid bill which for the first time separates foreign economic aid from military and political assistance. The bill authorizes \$1.35 billion for the 1976 fiscal year and \$1.52 billion for the 1977 fiscal year. It emphasizes aid for the poorest nations; with particular emphasis on food and agricultural development. A major feature of the bill is authorization for the use of repayments of U.S. aid loans for new development programs. An amendment prohibits aid under the bill from going to countries guilty of "gross violations of international human rights."

Note decline in missionaries

WASHINGTON—For the seventh consecutive year the number of U.S. Catholic missionaries serving abroad has declined, according to statistics released here by the U.S. Catholic Mission Council (USCMC). The total number of missionaries in 1975 is 7,148, which is down 2,507, or 26%, from a 1968 peak of 9,655. The decline over the past year has been nearly 4%, from 7,418 in 1974.

CLU challenges textbook law

BOSTON—The Massachusetts Civil Liberties Union has filed a taxpayers suit in Suffolk County Superior Court here challenging the constitutionality of a two-year-old state law which permits public schools to lend textbooks to parochial and private school students.

Rhodesia bishops file protest

SALISBURY, Rhodesia—The Rhodesia Catholic Bishops' Conference has denounced legislation that would empower the government to halt criminal proceedings against a government minister for actions "in connection with the suppression of terrorism." The bishops called the bill "a denial of justice," and said it "endangers the future of this country."

Seeks Nutrition Act approval

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Catholic Conference (USCC) has called on President Gerald R. Ford to approve the National School Lunch and Child Nutrition Act amendments recently passed by Congress. In a letter to the President, Magr. Francis J. Lally, USCC Secretary for Social Development and World Peace, said: "The programs authorized by this legislation provide essential nutritional assistance to poor families, as well as those who endure temporary economic hardships."

Respect Life Sunday scheduled

WASHINGTON—Special observances will mark "Respect Life Sunday," in all Catholic parishes in the country Oct. 5. This year's program is built around the theme of the family, and although individual pastors are given flexibility concerning the details of its implementation, all have been asked to give special emphasis to the right to life of the unborn.

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Pope Paul appeals for clemency

VATICAN CITY—Pope Paul VI has appealed for clemency on behalf of 11 terrorists under sentence of death in Spain. His appeal came Sept. 21 from his balcony overlooking St. Peter's Square to crowds waiting to recite the Sunday Angelus with him. Speaking of "the death sentences of the terrorists in Spain," the Pope said, "We deplore their criminal acts, but we would like them to be spared by a justice which can prove itself magnanimous through clemency."

Spanish bishops score violence

MADRID—The steering commission of the Spanish Bishops' Conference has condemned the use of terrorism as a political weapon, but also condemned excess in repressing it. "Once more we vigorously condemn assassination and other acts of violence against the fundamental rights of the human person," the commission said at the end of a three-day meeting here. "We especially condemn all forms of terrorism being used as a political weapon, even when it claims to defend just rights or seeks to avoid bloodshed," it added. The commission also made an appeal to Gen. Francisco Franco, Spain's head of state, to commute the death sentences of a number of terrorists.

Names . . .

Father William Keane, a former pastor in the Orlando, Fla. diocese, has been named national priest advisor to the Curial Movement in the United States headquartered in Dallas.

The condition of Bishop Francis J. Dunn, 53, auxiliary of Dubuque, is listed as serious but stable at Saratori Memorial Hospital here after he suffered a heart attack on Sept. 15 at the American Martyrs Retreat House.

Trappist Father Andrew Jackson, 46, prior of St. Benedict's Trappist Monastery in Snowmass, Colo., was killed in an auto accident Sept. 15, a

monastery spokesman said.

Mother Teresa, foundress of the Missionaries of Charity of India, is among the recipients of the first Albert Schweitzer International Prizes, to be awarded Oct. 23 at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington.

Cardinal Luis Concha Cordoba, 84, who retired nine years ago as archbishop of Bogota, died in Bogota, Colombia, Sept. 18. Death was attributed to heart failure and complications of a stomach ailment.

George Gallup Jr., president of the Gallup Poll, American Institute of Public Opinion, will be a featured speaker at the Exploratory Consultation on Evangelizing 80,000,000 Unchurched Americans to be held at Marriottsville, Md., Nov. 11-14.

Father Patrick Sullivan, S.J., associate secretary for communication at the U.S. Catholic Conference (USCC) and head of the USCC film and broadcasting office, was elected chairman of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting's Advisory Council of National Organizations.

Marian offers training program for personnel

A comprehensive program designed to meet the professional requirements of in-service personnel engaged in pre-school, child care, and parent-child centers has been announced by Marian College.

Courses for college credit and non-credit, workshops and summer institutes in specific areas of child development are included. The college has initiated a new associate degree program in early childhood education, with courses to be offered both on campus and at various center sites.

First of the credit courses will be given at the Metro Children's Center, 1505 N. Delaware St., on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 2:30 p.m. The course—Child, Family and Community—will be repeated from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Marian if there is sufficient registration.

Course registration will be held open until October 2 at the registrar's office at Marian located at 3200 Cold Spring Rd.

Marian College presently provides management services for two Indianapolis parent-child centers, with funds provided by Lilly Endowment, Inc.

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St. Meinrad scores

BY FRED W. FRIES

Despite an enrollment of fewer than 250 students and no athletic scholarships, the St. Meinrad College Ravens are acquiring a national reputation in the soccer world.

The 1975 Official Soccer Guide lists the Ravens' 7-1 record this past season as the third best won-and-lost mark among colleges and universities in the entire country.

COACH RON ALSTADT opens his fifth season tomorrow, Sept. 27, in a home game against traditional rival Vincennes University. In his first four years as mentor, his teams have posted an impressive aggregate record of 30 wins and 11 losses. In 1973 the Ravens won eight games and lost only once to give them a gaudy 15 wins and only two defeats in the last two seasons.

Last year's only setback came at the hands of Louisville's Bellarmine College in a 1-0 squeaker.

Other opponents this season, in addition to Vincennes, include: Indiana University Southeast, Evansville College, I.U.P.U.I. (new on the Ravens' schedule this season) and St. Mary's College, Kentucky. Opponents scheduled twice on a home and away basis include Vincennes and Indiana University Southeast.

COACH ALSTADT has 11 lettermen returning from last year's squad. Unfortunately they do not include Stan Werne, offensive standout from Jasper, Ind., who was graduated this past June. He was St. Meinrad's leading scorer in 1974 with seven goals and played in the Indiana All-Star Soccer Game.

Players on the current roster from the Archdiocese include Rich Rush of Mt. Vernon and Chuck Giesing of Indianapolis.

MELKITE MASS DISCONTINUED—The Mass in the Melkite Rite which has been offered by Father Albert Ajamie on the fourth Sunday of the month for the past several years is being discontinued on a regular basis because of poor attendance. In making the announcement, Father Ajamie said, however, that he would be happy to offer the Mass by request of a given parish or organization. He can be contacted at St. Monica Rectory, 6131 N. Michigan Rd., Indianapolis, 46208. The telephone number is 253-2193.

The following is from the pen of J. EARL OWENS, long-time educator and youth worker, who recently returned from a trip to the Holy Land. The octogenarian is a convert to the Catholic Faith as is FATHER RICHARD TERRILL, pastor of ST. PHILIP NERI PARISH, INDIANAPOLIS, who served as tour leader. We trust that readers will find the sensitively written article—as we did—a source of prayerful inspiration.

INTO GREEN PASTURES

From my bed I looked out upon the dark pre-dawn sky over Jerusalem. Sleep had left me, and I went to my window overlooking

the hills that gave depth to the Valley of Kidron. In the southeast sky, faint light foretold the dawning of a new day, and for the twelve of us in this entourage, subsequent events presaged a new life.

Near the top of the hill I made out the shadows of a shepherd leading his flock at this early hour to where they could nibble at the sparse growth during the cool of the morning. I thrilled at this idyllic vista.

Early in the morning our guide and his driver came with his bus to take us to the place where our own shepherd, Father Richard Terrill, was to offer Mass. Six miles south to the little town of Bethlehem we traveled, and there we were led into the tiny Grotto—the dimly lit cave where Jesus was born.

As I looked about the bareness of the place, except for the altar and its painting, I thought Holy, Holy, Holy! The Christmas Mass was offered, and the homily was as tender as the tiny form that came into being at this spot, centuries before. As I knelt on the hard stone floor my breast filled with emotion, tears streamed down my face, but as I glanced about, each of my fellow travelers were as I.

EACH DAY AFTER this in our sojourn, scenes as sacred as this were repeated, time after time. Wherever our shepherd took us over paths and into places where Jesus had sanctified by His living presence, our Love overflowed. The Garden of Gethsemane, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Mount Tabor and the site of the Transfiguration, Cana of Galilee, the Mount of the Beatitudes, Mount Carmel, the Tomb of Lazarus, and the home of Mary and Martha, the deep, windowless, dark prison where Our Lord was imprisoned the night before His Crucifixion, and where He was dropped down with a rope about His arms. All these and a hundred more places told to us in Holy Scripture were brought to life for us.

We lived again those hours we had read about as told by the writers of our New Testament. For each of us the crib at Christmas, the Passion of Easter, and all the others will take on a more sacred meaning, but none of them can be materialized as that Upper Room where He gave us the Holy Eucharist.

We prayed there, and our shepherd showed so well how each day for the rest of our lives we could come again to the Table in this Upper Room, and truly our memory of Him would live with us until we met Him in Heaven.

As the shepherd of the hills led his flock on that early morn to green pastures, our shepherd led us into pastures green with the lush Love of Jesus. A New Day, and a New Life, for none will ever be the same again, for the richness of it all, out of the common place of life, into the sublime.

ERRATA—In last week's listing of the Merit Scholarship Semifinalists in the Archdiocese, we inadvertently omitted the names of the two nominees from Shaw Memorial High School, Madison. We apologize for the oversight and hasten to extend our congratulations to Sally F. Harnden and Donald J. Ringwald.

Fatima announces slate for October

INDIANAPOLIS — "An Evening with Mary, the Mother of God" heads the list of October programs at Fatima Retreat House. Scheduled for 7:15 p.m. on October 1, the program will feature Father Edwin Sahm as speaker and includes a conference, the Scriptural Rosary, Liturgy and will conclude with refreshments.

The Senior Citizen Day for October will be held Monday, Oct. 13, beginning at 10 a.m. and concluding with the Liturgy at 2 p.m. Speaker for the day will be Father Thomas Carey. Luncheon will be served at noon.

Father James Farrell will give the Day of Recollection to be held Wednesday, Oct. 15. The program will begin at 8:45 a.m. and conclude at 2 p.m. "Acceptance of Self; Acceptance of Christ" is the theme for the day, which will include luncheon.

The Women's Week-end Retreat in October will be from 7:30 p.m. on Friday, the 17th until 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19. Father John Ryan will conduct the retreat under the Fatima theme for the year: "Our Christian Heritage, A Living Faith."

An October Leisure Day for mothers of pre-school children will feature Dr. John Numberger on Oct. 22 from 8:45 a.m. until 2 p.m. Fatima provides baby-sitting for the pre-school children at the retreat house. "Dare to Discipline" will be Dr. Numberger's theme for the program which will include

luncheon and Liturgy. Please call in reservations early for this program.

A first for Fatima this year in which the Retreat House is observing the 25th anniversary of the Women's Retreat Movement in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, will be an Oct. 31-Nov. 2 Retreat for men. Father Louis Range, O.S.B., will conduct the retreat beginning on Friday evening and concluding on Sunday afternoon.

For reservations or further information about any of Fatima's programs, please call the Retreat House, 545-7681.

INDIANAPOLIS
Calendar
of Events

SOCIALS

MONDAY: St. Ann, 6:30 p.m.; Our Lady of Lourdes, 6:30 p.m. TUESDAY: St. Bernadette, 6:30 p.m.; Assumption, 6:30 p.m.; K of C, Plus X Council #3433, 7 p.m. WEDNESDAY: St. Francis de Sales, 1:30 to 11 p.m.; St. Roch, 7 to 11 p.m.; St. Anthony, 6:30 p.m. THURSDAY: St. Catherine's parish hall at 6:30 p.m.; Scenic High School Cafeteria, 6 p.m. FRIDAY: St. Bernadette school auditorium, 6:30 p.m.; St. Rita's parish hall at 6:30 p.m.; St. Christopher parish hall, Speedway, 7 p.m. SATURDAY: K of C Council #437, 6 p.m.; St. Francis de Sales, 6 p.m. SUNDAY: Cardinal Ritter High School at 6 p.m.; St. Philip Neri parish hall at 5 p.m.

BAND CONCERT SET

INDIANAPOLIS — Baron John Vonohlen and his Big Band will be heard in concert in the Chatham High School gym at 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2. The band will present a workshop and mini-concert for Chatham students earlier in the day. Tickets for the evening concert can be ordered by calling 255-5209 or may be purchased at the door.

Guardian Angel
Guild announces
luncheon meeting

INDIANAPOLIS — The Guardian Angel Guild will hold its semi-annual luncheon meeting at Marian College on Wednesday, Oct. 8. Luncheon will be served in the Allison Mansion following Mass at 10:30 a.m. in the chapel.

Mrs. Eugene Fornfeld, new Guild president, will preside at the business portion of the luncheon.

Other officers include: Mrs. Charles Madden, president-elect; Mrs. Albert Bloemer, 1st vice-president; Mrs. Joseph VanCamp, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. Alfred Hoffman, 3rd vice-president; Mrs. Paul Pitz, recording secretary; Mrs. Matthew Dennin, treasurer; Mrs. Kenneth Underhill, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Daniel Sweeney, auditor.

Guild officials are completing plans for a Card Party to be held at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 14, at Our Lady of Fatima Knights of Columbus, 1313 S. Post Rd.

RUMMAGE SALE

INDIANAPOLIS — St. Mary's parish is sponsoring a rummage sale to be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Sept. 26 and 27, in the church yard, 317 North New Jersey St. Proceeds will be used to help renovate the church building.

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Msgr. Busald

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1917 as administrator of St. Francis de Sales parish.

The following year he was assigned to the post of administrator of St. Mary's Church. Two years later he became pastor of St. Anthony Church, where he served until his appointment to St. Philip Neri in 1934.

During his long career Monsignor Busald served as Archdiocesan junior clergy examiner, member of the building commission, Rural Life board, CYO board and Catholic Charities board and as a parish priest consultant, a post he held for three decades.

In 1970 the Catholic Youth Organization established the Msgr. Albert Busald Award as a permanent tribute to his contributions to youth. The award is presented annually for adult service to the CYO.

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AMENDMENT VOTE

one view . . .

Defeat of the proposed constitutional amendments on human life should not surprise us. It is but one more example of the exercise of a free but secular society. That society emphasizes material comfort and amoral living. We think Catholics especially should consider this as we regroup in pursuing a course of action.

Hopefully the defeat will unify right-to-life groups. Hopefully it will help Catholics unify themselves on the issue. It will not help to be divided on which amendment to support. A realistic appraisal of what is possible must be made. It seems clear that a strong states' rights proposal emphasizing the preservation of human life at all stages is in order and has the best chance of passage.

Getting on the anti-abortion band wagon is not enough. In the annual Respect Life program conducted in our Catholic parishes, the value of human life as a principle is stressed. It is not enough to be concerned about abortion if we are not equally enraged about poverty, war, euthanasia, genetic manipulation, etc. All of these things are an attack on the principle. To be against

abortion but to be in favor of euthanasia is hypocrisy. Moreover, to be against abortion or euthanasia or whatever is not enough. One must know what one is for. It is important for anyone defending human life to know and understand the principle involved.

Many times in the past we took for granted that the behavior of most of the people in our country was Christian. No more. The scandal of government has convinced us otherwise. Society does not automatically heed the spiritual and moral concerns of its members. St. Paul told the Christians of his time that they must wake up to an awareness of the time in which they were living. So must we. Catholics have fought to get into the mainstream of American life. Now we increasingly find ourselves faced with the choice of being Christian or being American. Is American life a threat to our Catholic and Christian values? Or is it possible to alter the value system which seems to negatively be guiding the country? We believe it is possible to create an American way of life based on Christian values. —T.W.

. . . another view

We are distressed by the Senate subcommittee's across the board rejection of the pro-life amendment proposals. We are almost as distressed by the convoluted rationalizations offered by chairman Birch Bayh.

Senator Bayh took 17 pages to explain his vote and about all he made clear was the fact that he is confused. He consistently confuses the life process itself with the quality of life.

This lack of distinction persists in the grab bag of proposals he has offered as "alternatives to abortion." Coming as it does hot on the heels of the subcommittee action, Bayh's legislative package has all the earmarks of a political sop for the right-to-life forces.

Immediate concern, however, must be with the subcommittee vote, which effectively shelves Congressional action not just for this session but very likely the next as well.

Should this defeat end efforts to get a human life amendment? We certainly hope not. And we hope that Bayh's appraisal of the prospects are not accepted as definitive. Nor should Bayh's own reservations about morally-oriented legislation slow efforts of right-to-life groups.

In his 17-page statement, Bayh implies that a human life amendment would suffer the same fate as the 18th amendment. Like prohibition, he contends, "it would be widely flouted by the people" and would be so unpopular that

repeal would be all but inevitable.

This is the same kind of argument that pro-abortionists have been using all these years. Laws against abortion were so widely flouted that public welfare demanded their repeal, they said. And they kept saying it all the way to the Supreme Court.

In fact, Senator Bayh believes that the anticipated clamor for repeal is reason enough for not considering an amendment. Is he telling us that only non-sensitive, non-controversial legislation should be approved by Congress?

It may be necessary to regroup right-to-life forces, to plan new strategies, to be more pointed in argument and more specific in proposals. However, the effort to achieve a human life amendment must not be abandoned.

Senator Bayh's semantic gymnastics to the contrary, the issue is not sectarian belief, cultural mores, or social pressure. At stake is the oldest, most basic and most imperative Western ethic—the intrinsic and equal value of every human life regardless of its state, condition, or status. —B.H.A.

LETTER TO EDITOR

Scott family opposes Conference stand

To the Editor:

As to the "social justice arm" of the U.S. Catholic Conference for the "effective and courageous action to control handguns, leading to their eventual elimination (how naive) from our society"—this is to advise that our family is one group of Catholics for whom this organization did not speak. We lay Catholics should let them know they do not speak for us all, but for themselves only.

It is surprising how little informed many of the clergy are when it comes to knowledge of the whole picture on serious legislation. For example, it is surprising the number of them who think E.R.A. would be "a good thing," but when asked if they have made a thorough study of both sides of the issue, you will get a "No, I haven't—but it sounds good!" Imagine!

We would like to ask these "pushers for gun-control" (and ALL guns will end up being "dangers" to the law-makers) if they haven't the slightest idea who will always have guns—law or no law. We would also like to ask

Among the many diverse structures in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis is the office of district director of Religious Education. This is a new, little known job which does not exist in all areas of the diocese. Perhaps the best functioning one at the present is the Aquinas Center in New Albany under the direction of Father Wilfred Day. The newest priest RE director, however, is Father Jeff Godecker, who was appointed to the Terre Haute area one year ago.

Father Godecker's job, in his own words, is "to develop religious education in the Terre Haute area." Since his responsibility lies in the entire Terre Haute district which encompasses six counties, this is a large assignment. Indeed, in fact, Father Godecker's work actually deals only with those parts of the district which have schools. Thus, the towns of Greencastle, Clinton, and Rockville have not yet been affected. But Father Godecker's area of responsibility is both in and out of schools.

Hired by the Terre Haute district



board of education in response to a need identified by an ad hoc committee. Father Godecker serves as chairman of the religion department of Schulte High School and now spends about 60% of his time there. The other 40% is spent in the district at large. For example, last year Father Godecker organized a liturgy workshop for the parishes of Terre Haute. This workshop, held in December of 1974, was one attempt by Father Godecker to "get the Terre Haute parishes to do things together." He says, "there is too much parochialism, too much separation here."

ANOTHER PROJECT was a Lenten program entitled "The Church: A Place to Grow." Pastors exchanged pulpits for six weeks. A family application of this project was suggested, and a city-wide penance service was held. The six week program culminated in a Eucharistic celebration on Wednesday of Holy Week at St. Ann's Church. More than 300 people attended.

Father Godecker's thoughts on the future of religious education for Terre Haute are varied. One problem he has is high school CCD. He feels it is "an isolated attempt" and needs rather to be an overall ministry to youth. "There

is a need to hire a single individual who would do nothing but be anywhere kids are," he contends. A model for this kind of approach is the Newman apostolate, in Father Godecker's view.

How about adult education? As in most other places, Father Godecker feels Terre Haute gives only lip service to it. "It is the thing," he says "that we give the least time and the least money to." He feels it needs to be a grass roots program and that the best adult education takes place when a priest or a Sister makes a personal contact with an individual adult in his or her own environment.

Father Godecker is experimenting with something growing out of Denver, Colo., called the "Little Parish" concept in which small groups commit themselves for one year in terms of prayer, education, and service. In addition, Father Godecker anticipates relying heavily on proven programs like retreats and marriage encounters.

IN SCHULTE HIGH School itself Father Godecker has developed a strong program of individualizing and small group learning on the freshman-sophomore level. Juniors and seniors are directed toward service-oriented projects one hour each week in their

parishes or in the civic community. He believes that the high school is continuing to develop a "super fine religion program."

He has especially good feelings about Terre Haute in terms of the future. "There are an untapped and unusually large number of professional people in the area," he says. "Terre Haute is blessed with many institutions of higher education and in terms of potential has a greater advantage than even New Albany." Despite some pressing problems, he says, "I feel extreme optimism in what we can do." Among those problems, of course, is the financial one which has hit every parish in the diocese.

Father Godecker is especially eager to develop religious education where the community leadership sees a need. That is why a pre-Cana program was launched at the request of priests in the area. Father Godecker feels "the key to doing something is the priest, especially the pastor. The parishes cannot be bypassed." He feels particularly good about his own work because he has been able to work more successfully with and through the clergy of Terre Haute. Father Godecker is not so far as he would like to be in developing religious education, but he feels he is as far as he is because of the cooperation of the clergy.

LIVING THE QUESTIONS

New Church ministry in Terre Haute

BY FR. THOMAS WIDNER

DALE FRANCIS SAYS

First Confession controversy confused

BY DALE FRANCIS

The Vatican has once again spoken on the question of whether or not first Confession should precede first Communion. Without ambiguity, without qualification, it has been made clear the Pope insists that first Confession must come before first Communion.

Not that this will settle the matter. It is a fact of modern day Catholic life that questions in the Church are not automatically settled when Rome speaks. So, although the position of the Vatican was made clear beyond doubt on this issue, it was in no way surprising to find those in this country who questioned its finality and its application to this country.

One editorial writer suggested that while the Pope and his Vatican friends may understand the Italian mentality, they don't really understand the mentality of Americans. Another suggested that it was best to wait for the possibility that Vatican officials might come to a realization of the value of the American experiment in allowing first Communion to come two or three years before first Confession.

IT IS NOT MY intention here to go into the question of the obedience Catholics owe to the directions of the Holy See. It is disturbing to discover the tendency to withhold support for what the Pope says if what he says happens to disagree with personal viewpoints. But what I'd like to discuss is not this but rather the experiment tried in many U.S. dioceses in which first Confession was postponed a year, two years or even three and four years after first Communion.

Quite aside from Vatican directives, it has seemed to me that the experimental delay of first Confession was ill-informed, ill-advised and the result of a strangely legalistic view of the Sacrament of Penance that was at variance with the real meaning of that Sacrament.

My youngest daughter came to the time of her first Communion during

this controversy. A girl who has always been thoughtful beyond her years, she heard the discussions and made the decision herself. She said she wanted to receive her first Confession before her first Communion. Because in the parish in which she was to receive her first Communion the children were given the option, she was told this was not required. "I think I should. All right?" she said.

I AM QUITE AWARE of the influence that secular psychology has had, recently in the Catholic Church. Piaget is quoted almost as if he were a writer of Scripture. I have listened to arguments ad infinitum concerning the stages of awareness of children. It is apparently of no concern to those who follow secular psychologists that those psychologists not only think children incapable of sin but that they are likely not even to accept a Catholic concept of sin at all.

I have read the writings of Catholic catechetical experts who say that a child is incapable of serious sin until he is thirteen or fourteen—if even then, one writer adds.

I find two things wrong with this. First of all, I submit it is poor memory that allows adults to think that a child does not have a real sense of right or wrong at an early age. This sense of recognition of right and wrong is not, despite what developmental psychologists might tell you, related only to actions that might invoke praise or punishment from their parents. There is an innate sense of rightness and wrongness that is to be found in even the very young. If you can remember to your own childhood you will know this is true.

BUT QUITE ASIDE from this, the whole thrust of the move to delay Confession is based on a legalistic

concept of the Sacrament of Reconciliation that views it as being intended only for the dire circumstance of mortal sin.

As the Pope has reminded us again, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is intended to bring us closer to God. We come to Him in Confession not as to a stern judge but a loving Father. We seek not only forgiveness for our sins but a closer relationship to Him.

Those who would delay the first Confession are in a very real sense distorting the Sacrament. They are leading youths unfortunate enough to come under their restrictions to look upon the Sacrament of Reconciliation as some sort of last resort when there is already separation from God. The truth they should be conveying—and can convey only by letting Confession come first—is the Sacrament is the means for growing ever closer to God in love.

Where Church is privileged

BY AGOSTINO BONO

BUENOS AIRES—Catholic bishops throughout Argentina recently gave pointed homilies criticizing the political violence and economic problems adversely affecting the life of the nation.

The following day, the homilies were page one news in most of the major papers, and given prominent interior display in the remainder.

In Argentina, as in the rest of Latin America, when the Catholic bishops speak on national issues they become a key force in shaping public opinion. Governments, even when they do not follow Church advice, try to formulate policy so that it does not seem to openly contradict ecclesiastical positions.

THE REASON for this strong influence is the privileged position the Catholic Church has in Latin America. Unlike anywhere else in the world, the Catholic Church in this region is the overwhelmingly dominant religion.

At least 90% of the region's population professes Catholicism. About half of the world's Catholics live in Latin America, which contains the world's most populous Catholic country—Brazil.

Historically, the Catholic Church in Latin America is as old as the Spanish conquest of the 16th century. Priests accompanied the conquerors, spreading religion to the Indians as they became subjected by the soldiers. Catholicism was more than a political force. It was an integral part of the political, social and cultural life brought by the Spanish.

The political, social and cultural influence still exists. Except for Cuba, in countries where Catholicism is not the state religion, it is de facto the favored one.

The situation is entirely different from that in the United States, which has developed under religious pluralism and with a strict constitutional separation of Church and state.

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schools is a politically controversial and constitutionally complex issue in the United States. In Peru, as a matter of routine, qualified teachers in Catholic schools have their salaries paid by the government.

Throughout Latin America it is common and often necessary for officials to take part in religious ceremonies as part of their public office.

Last May, Argentine President Maria Estela Martinez de Peron kissed the ring of Cardinal Antonio Caggiano in public ceremonies honoring the churchman upon his retirement as archbishop of Buenos Aires, the most important Church post in the country.

IN PERU, the entire cabinet of the military government assists at Holy Week and Christmas services and receives Communion during those occasions from Cardinal Juan Landazuri Ricketts of Lima.

In Chile, it is a strict matter of

protocol that one of the first persons to pay respects to a newly elected president is the cardinal of Santiago.

In many countries, strictly religious feasts such as the Assumption, Sts. Peter and Paul and St. Rose of Lima, patroness of the Americas, are also national holidays.

Church leaders readily admit that this de facto Church-state closeness is a double-edged sword. Although it brings privileges, it also carries a responsibility that the Church maintain its independence and use its influence to improve national life in keeping with Christian social teachings.

SOMETIMES THIS means supporting a government, while other times it means adopting a critical posture. Both positions bring charges

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Misunderstanding and distortion of their chosenness by the Israelites will bring them to tragedy and destruction and be the subject of God's solemn warnings to them through the prophets.

Like God's covenant with Abraham, His covenant with Israel is marked by a ritual described in Exodus 24. An altar is built by Moses at the foot of Sinai, the same mountain where God

THE WORD THIS SUNDAY

By Indianapolis area priests

**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY
OF THE YEAR**

"In name only"

Ezekiel 18:25-38
Philippians 2:1-11
Matthew 21:28-32

Many live their faith in name only. But my attitude ought to conform to that of Christ. The truth of the faith I profess must find its rightful expression in the pattern and style of my living. Am I just an armchair Christian or do I really care for and contribute to the well being of others?

Denis McCarthy, S.J., goes to the heart of the matter when he perceptively notes that the Sinai covenant is "more than a matter of agreement, it is a question of kinship." Commenting on the ritual meal and the ritual sacrifice of Exodus 24 and Deuteronomy 27, the author explains the symbolism of both rites:

The covenant meal means admission into the family circle of another, but the blood rite is especially vivid. Jahweh and the people are considered to be related by blood for they have somehow shared the same blood in the rite" (Treaty and Covenant, p. 173).

Irresistibly there comes to mind the words of Jesus at the Last Supper which are repeated in the ongoing Eucharistic sacrifice of Christians: "Take this, all of you, and drink from it. This is the cup of my blood of the new and everlasting covenant." We are not sprinkled with the blood of sacrifice. We are invited to drink of the blood to symbolize and to effect at the deepest of all levels our union with God in Christ and with one another.

GOD BEGAN MAKING covenants with man when He made the first man into His own image and likeness, introducing man into the family of the divine community or trinity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. And because of this initial covenant, God's way with man is different from his relationship to the rest of His visible creation. Man will always be the object of God's special love, of God's selective love, of God's covenant love, even when man "breaks" the covenant with God. Family ties can be disowned; the kinship relation can be rejected, but not really broken. We remain God's children, the object of His special

regard and the evidence to abandon that position.

Moses was the man raised up by the Lord to lead His people out of Egypt; he was the mediator of the Lord's revelation and covenant at Mt. Sinai, and he was Israel's first great lawgiver. His influence on the formation of the traditions found in the Pentateuch was

Privileged Church

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that the Church is engaged in partisan politics.

"If the Church is too aligned with the state, anti-government critics say it is engaged in partisan politics for its own benefit. If the Church takes an opposition stand, pro-government forces claim it is infiltrated with subversives. If the Church critics are leftists, they say the Church is fascist. If the critics are rightists, they claim the Church has become communist," said one well-informed source.

The situation is that of a ship sailing on a river, according to Archbishop Pio Laghi, apostolic nuncio to Argentina.

"The ship is the Church and the bishops are trying to steer it toward the goal of evangelization," he said. "But to reach the goal, the bishops have to know the river in which they are sailing and become involved with it while remembering that their primary responsibility is to the ship. If the waters are turbulent, the ship cannot avoid the turbulence."

PRACTICAL circumstances cause bishops to take different positions in different countries. In the late 1980s, Peruvian bishops were praising the

SOME OF THE TRADITIONS incorporated into the Pentateuch probably come from Mesopotamia and would be dated far earlier than the origins of Israel—traditions brought by Abraham and his clan. Others originated in the days of Abraham (somewhere between 2000 and 1500

military government's agrarian and industrial reform laws, saying they provided greater economic justice to the working classes. At the same time, many Brazilian bishops were bringing world attention to the systematic torturing of political prisoners by the military government of their country.

As political leaders of the world's largest Catholic country, the Brazilian military could not squish the Catholic Church as it had labor unions, political parties and opposition universal movements. The Catholic Church became the only institution with the social prestige and power to criticize the government publicly on such an important issue.

A SIMILAR situation is currently happening in Chile, where the bishops are trying to bring fraternal reconciliation to a politically and socially torn country while criticizing human rights violations by the military government.

"The Church takes on a substantive role within a political vacuum. No other institution can act publicly," explained one socially active Chilean layman.

Historically, this has been the rule and not the exception in Latin America.

then return to the Father and seek forgiveness from his never ending love.

To quote from the fourth eucharistic prayer: "Again and again you offered a covenant to man, and through the prophets taught him to hope for salvation."

During the past summer at Holy Family some 100 adults gave an evening over to the study of this wonderful covenant. Most of the participants probably would not now recall hearing this term "covenant" because the subject of these 8:00-9:30 sessions was the revised Rite of Penance or Reconciliation. However, they would, with but minimal explanation, quickly recognize that the invitation to anyone interested; simple refreshments were served, name tags prepared and photographs taken of those present.

THE DOZEN DISCUSSION groups ("Listening Sessions III") followed the pattern of similar evenings held in previous years. Host and hostess invited 10-15 adults to their home or the church basement for the meeting; bulletin announcements extended the invitation to anyone interested; simple refreshments were served, name tags prepared and photographs taken of those present.

The 1975 edition involved lecture and demonstration by the priest leader with comments and suggestions by the participants. "Together in Peace," this writer's book on the new Rite for Penance, was the basic text, with a copy for each home presented to the persons who took part in the evening.

We feel these sessions formed an excellent introduction to both the simple unity and complex diversity of this reformed ritual.

THE OBSERVATIONS which follow were made repeatedly by the lay

I confess now is not much different from the way I confessed in the eighth grade."

"I got a copy of 'Together in Peace' before tonight's session and have been reading it at home. I already have found some psalms, readings and comments I especially like and pick up the book when I feel the need to read them."

"Won't this take much longer? When there is a line of persons waiting to go in, I wouldn't feel comfortable spending a long time with the priest for my confession."

"I like the idea of kneeling down and having the priest place his hands on my head when he gives absolution. That makes it more personal."

"If you read over step one and two before you go into the confessional, it really shouldn't take much longer than the way we have always gone to confession."

"I like the idea of kneeling down and having the priest place his hands on my head when he gives absolution. That makes it more personal."

"I prefer the box where the priest can't see me and I can't see him."

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Grid race now in high gear

BY DENNY SOUTHERLAND

The number of undefeated CYO football teams is dwindling weekly as the Cadet and "56" football leagues move into high gear. Central Catholic, St. Matthew and Christ the King, all with 3-0 records, are pacing the Cadet category. Two teams, St. Roch and St. Malachy, lead Division Three, also with perfect 3-0 marks. They square off Sunday at 2:30 p.m. on CYO #1, highlighting the CYO Stadium scheduled games. Immaculate Heart and Nativity, both 3-0, lead Cadet Division Four. In the "56" League age group, St. Christopher and St. Gabriel account for perfect 2-0 Division One records. St. Pius X also 2-0, leads Division Two. St. Barnabas and St. Jude share the Division Three lead with undefeated 2-0 records. Three Division Four teams, Holy Name, St. Lawrence and Little Flower, also boast perfect 2-0 records.

CYO STANDINGS

FOOTBALL CADET LEAGUE
(As of September 22)

DIVISION I—CENTRAL Catholic 3-0; St. Jude 2-1; St. Philip Neri 2-1; Holy Spirit 1-2; St. Michael 1-2; St. Simon 1-2; Holy Name 0-3.

DIVISION II—Christ the King 3-0; St. Barnabas 2-1; St. Pius X 2-1; St. Matthew 2-1; St. Lawrence 1-2; St. Pius 0-3; Little Flower 0-3.

DIVISION III—St. Roch 3-0; St. Malachy 3-0; Our Lady of Lourdes 2-1; St. Rita 1-1; St. Gabriel 0-2; Mount Carmel 0-2; St. Monica 0-3.

DIVISION IV—Immaculate Heart 3-0; Nativity 3-0; St. Christopher 2-1; St. Luke 2-1; St. Bernadette 1-2; Our Lady of Greenwood 1-2; All Saints 0-3; St. Mark 0-3.

"56" LEAGUE
(As of September 22)

DIVISION I—St. Christopher 2-0; St. Gabriel 2-0; St. Michael 1-1; St. Malachy 1-1; All Saints 0-2; St. Monica 0-2.

DIVISION II—St. Pius X 2-0; Christ the King 1-1; Immaculate Heart 1-1; St. Pius 1-1; St. Matthew 1-1; St. Luke 0-1; Mount Carmel 0-2.

DIVISION III—St. Barnabas 2-0; St. Jude 2-0; Central Catholic 1-1; St. Mark 1-1; Nativity 0-2; St. Ann 0-2; St. Roch 0-2.

DIVISION IV—Holy Name 2-0; St. Lawrence 2-0; Little Flower 2-0; Holy Spirit 1-1; Our Lady of Lourdes 1-1; St. Philip 0-2; St. Simon 0-2.

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CYO NOTES

The entry deadline for the Cadet Hobby Show was last Tuesday, September 23.

Cadet Girls' Basketball entries have been mailed and are due not later than Oct. 10.

Nomination forms for the St. John Bosco Medal have been mailed to Pastors and Priests' Moderators.

Junior Touch Football League play starts this Sunday at various locations. Coaches were given schedules at their pre-season meeting last Monday.

Plans are being finalized for the CYO National Convention, Oct. 30 through Nov. 2, in San Antonio, Tex.

PORNO TAX URGED

PARIS — French Economy and Finance Minister Jean-Pierre Fourcade said here he is considering a request for legislation taxing pornographic publications. Such a tax, he said, would provide "substantial" income and bring "more morality to the street scene."

Monte Cassino pilgrimage set at St. Meinrad

ST. MEINRAD, Ind. — The semi-annual pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Monte Cassino will again be held on the Sundays of October beginning Oct. 5. The 45-minute services begin at 2 p.m. E.S.T. Oct. 5, 1 Father Martin Dussseau, O.S.B., "Mary: Model of Our Personal Holiness"; Oct. 12, Father Killian Kerwin, O.S.B., "Mary: Woman of Faith"; Oct. 19, Father Matthias Neumann, O.S.B., "Mary: Model of Conversion"; Oct. 26, Father Christopher Shappard, O.S.B., "Mary: The Image of Self-Fulfillment."

Rummage Sale

INDIANAPOLIS — St. Andrew's parish will sponsor a three-day rummage sale on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 2, 3 and 4, on the church grounds at 4050 E. 38th St.

Thursday has been labeled "First Choice Day," Friday is "Discount Day," and Saturday "1.50 a Bag Day." The hours are 8 to 5 on Thursday and Friday and 8 to 1 on Saturday.

Remember them in your prayers

BRADFORD
† HERMIE J. HAAS, 60, St. Michael, Sept. 18. Husband of Verena; father of Frederick Haas of Stratford, Conn.; Mark and Alice Haas, both at home in Palmyra; and Rose Ann Haas of Jasper.

DOVER
† ALMA R. GAYNOR, 71, St. John, Sept. 19. Wife of Edwin; mother of Robert, Thomas, Father James Gaynor, Kathleen, Mother, Alice Klassner and Mary Ann Spialek.

INDIANAPOLIS
† JOSEPH E. PEARSON, 71, St. Catherine, Sept. 18. Father of John J., Paul E. and James F. Pearson; brother of Kenneth D. Pearson.

† JOHN GELLERT, 80, Little Flower, Sept. 18. Husband of Mary C.; father of Patricia Gellert, Margaret Unverzagt and Evelyn Edwards; brother of Mary Waltram.

† CLARA M. OBERGELL, 89, St. Paul Hermitage Chapel, Sept. 20. Mother of Robert, Norman and Alfred Obergeff and Virginia Summers; sister of Edmond Zeph and Irene Miller.

† MARY E. FLACK, 83, St. Philip Neri, Sept. 20. Mother of Herbert Flack, Mary Barrett and Lucile Horrocks.

† ANDREW L. SHEETS, 87, St. Michael, Greenfield, Sept. 20. Husband of Janet Sheets.

† JAMES W. BOLLS, 51, St. Michael, Sept. 20. Wife of Francis X.; mother of Ginger Gehrt; daughter of Irma Neich.

† FREDERICK W. POTHAIST, Sr., 58 Little Flower, Sept. 22. Husband of Irene; father of James

W., Robert E., Charles R. and Frederick W. Potthast, Jr. and Sarah J. Siler; brother of Donald and Kenneth Potthast.

† FRANK O. EYFFE, 75, St. James the Greater, Sept. 22. Husband of Sarah A.; father of Frank, James R., David L. and Sister Donna Elyffe, O.S.B.; Joann Hagan, Judith Crooke and Barbara Engelking; brother of Alice Leslie and Mary Myers.

† MARY C. SHIEL, 90, St. Peter and Paul Cathedral, Sept. 22. Mother of Mary L. Moynahan, Martha A. Carlon, Roger, Walter R., John J., William P. and Richard C. Shiel.

† JAMES F. WOODS, 66, St. Philip Neri, Sept. 22. Husband of Mary; father of Mary F. Woods and Margaret Winters; son of Mary Woods; brother of Charles R. Woods.

† Word has been received of the death of Sister Mary Teresia Finn, 82, in St. Louis. She served from 1911 until 1960 as a teacher and superior for the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. She entered the Order in Indianapolis in 1910. Surviving is a sister, Ethel Finn of Indianapolis.

LAWRENCEBURG
† EDWARD PAUL DROGGA, 77, St. Lawrence, Sept. 5. Husband of Arletta; brother of Ann McKain and Mary; Katherine and Matilda Drogga, all of Lawrenceburg.

NEW ALBANY
† JOHN L. SHEA, 66, Holy Trinity, Sept. 16. Husband of Violet; father of John M. Shea, Penny Haynes, Judy Jacob, and Jacqueline St. Clair, all of New Albany.

† MARY BIGGS GATTERER, 80, Holy Trinity, Sept. 19. Mother of George C. Gatterer, Jr., of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

† THERESA CRONE, 78, Holy Trinity, Sept. 17. Wife of George T. Crone, Sr.; mother of George T. Jr., Herbert G., Marion C., and Ralph J. Crone, all of New Albany; and Eugene Crone of Floyd Knobs.

† LILLIAN BEDENBAUGH, 54, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Sept. 19. Mother of Carla and Ronald Bedenbaugh, both of New Albany; sister of Joseph Wundrak and Rita Smalley, both of Jeffersonville; Emma Brady of Clarksville; Hedwig Pope of Bennettsville; Mary Gohmann of New Albany; Gertrude Meyers of Texas; and Sister Salome Wundrak, O.S.B., of Evansville.

† WILLIAM M. WRIGHT, 59, Holy Family, Sept. 20. Husband of Ida; father of James William Wright of New Albany.

ST. JOSEPH HILL
† ANNA WIESEKA, 79, graveside services, St. Joseph, Sept. 13. Sister of Mary Eberle of New Albany; and Catherine Schmidt of Floyd Knobs.

SEYMOUR
† CARL J. RICHART, 88, St. Ambrose, Sept. 17. Father of Sylvester Richard of North Vernon; Lucille Luak of Colorado Springs, Colo.; Dorothy King of Salina, Kans.; Irene Kercher of Elizabethtown; Helen Book of Jeffersonville; and Ann Zach and Marie Shade, both of Seymour.

SHELBYVILLE
† MAUDE L. HOUSTON, 86, St. Joseph, Sept. 19. Mother of Earl Walton and Paul Houston, both of Shelbyville and Maurice Houston of Fairland; sister of Ila Hoover of Napoleon.

STARLIGHT
† VIOLA ROSENBER FRITSCH, 70, St. John, Sept. 20. Mother of Nancy Coley of Jeffersonville.

TELL CITY
† ROBERT L. WEBB, 54, St. Paul, Sept. 13. Husband of Anna Jean; father of Charles Kessler of Evansville and Jane Arnold of Tell City; son of Lorene Webb of Tell City; brother of Evelyn Baalinger and Dorothy Simpson, both of Tell City.

† VIREL CHAPMAN BELL, 82, St. Paul, Sept. 13. Mother of L. R. Chapman of Tell City, Lewis Chapman of Lawport, Ky.; Floyd Chapman of Chrisey; Madeline Duncan, also of Chrisey; sister of Mae Hoch of Streator, Ill., and Elizabeth Yarbrough of Sikeston, Mo.

Bishops pledge to intensify anti-abortion fight

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protected by the Constitution was defeated by a voice vote.

THE SUBCOMMITTEE'S action "merely underscores the need to make pro-life commitment an aspect, if not a condition, for all other struggles to safeguard human rights and improve the quality of life for our society," according to Magr. James McHugh, executive director of the bishops' pro-life committee.

He was particularly critical of Bayh. "In a pre-announced decision," he said, "Bayh stated his intention to continue the present policy of permissive abortion in the United States, which now results in a million or more abortions per year."

"By killing off the proposed constitutional amendments, he has also killed off chances of survival for countless unborn children."

"Bayh agonized publicly during the subcommittee hearings over the two sets of rights involved in the abortion

issue. He resolved his problem of conscience by announcing publicly before hand that he would settle the dilemma at the expense of the unborn. He went on to force his opinion through the closed meetings of his

subcommittee. "It is my sincere hope that the senator will ultimately see his way clear to reconsider this issue and arrive at more equitable and rational solutions."

Senator Bayh 'explains'

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deeply divided, both morally and religiously, that private choice can be defended as our Constitution's way of reconciling the irreconcilable without dangerously embroiling Church and state in one another's affairs."

Bayh also argued that defining the fetus as a legal person would not necessarily overturn the Supreme Court decisions on abortion.

"According to testimony before our subcommittee," Bayh said, "the effect of the proposed amendments would be to create competing interests, but

would not really resolve the question as to whose interests had priority—that of the woman to control her own body, or that of the fetus to survive."

Shortly after the subcommittee vote, Bayh introduced an "alternatives to abortion" package of legislative proposals. These include a national network of "life support centers," legislation prohibiting discrimination by health-insurers based on sex or marital status, support for an expanded federal role in child care, support for flexible working hours, support and adequate funding for existing federal programs that meet the needs of teen-age mothers.

Women in Management session set at Woods

ST. MARY-OF-THE-WOODS, Ind. — A Women in Management workshop will be held on Oct. 4 at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College. Sharon Alger, Ph.D., and Noreen Hale are the coordinators. Sessions from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. will be held in the faculty lounge of the college library.

The Archdiocese of Indianapolis, the dioceses of Evansville and Lafayette, Ind., and of Springfield, Ill., will be represented.

Short instructive lectures will be followed by group action and experience. In early February the participants will be polled regarding the effectiveness of the workshop. On April 3 and 4 there will be a second workshop which will feature an in-depth evaluation of the October sessions.

Although the day is designed for general use, it is expected to be of particular advantage to any

SUPPER SLATED

INDIANAPOLIS — St. Gabriel CYO will sponsor a Spaghetti Supper from 5:30 to 8 p.m., Friday, Sept. 26, at St. Gabriel School, 6000 West 34th St. Tickets will be \$1.75 for adults, \$1.25 for children. The public is invited.

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'Welfare' a record of waiting

BY JAMES W. ARNOLD

American churches have been generally out of the business of taking care of the poor in the 20th century. The burden has been passed on to the Welfare State and the taxpayers, and the hapless bureaucrats who staff the welfare offices and actually carry out the ponderous day-by-day details of a system that seems to have been invented by Rube Goldberg, Kafka and Woody Allen.

Never has the human pathos and comedy at the heart of legally administered benevolence been so pitilessly described as in Frederick Wiseman's brilliant new movie,

"Welfare," shown this week on public television. Wiseman is the ex-lawyer who takes his cameras into familiar social institutions and records, completely without commentary, what happens there. "Welfare" is the fourth of five films he has contracted to do for New York's WNET. The earlier ones have all earned controversies and/or prizes: "Essene," on a midwestern monastery; "Juvenile Court"; and "Primate," on an Atlanta center of research (some of it diabolical) on man's closest animal relatives.

WATCHING "Welfare," which is three hours of mostly close-ups in black-

and-white, is almost as harrowing as being caught up in the system. It is a relentless picture of real people, of all ages, races, sexes and conditions, weighed down by a necessary but maddening institution. Yet the cast of characters beats anything Shakespeare or Fellini could invent. The mood ranges from farce through melodrama to poignance and tragedy. In these sequences, shot in various offices at a Manhattan welfare center, there are no villains, only victims—some of whom you like more than others.

If there is a moral theme, it is perhaps that Hell is a Welfare Waiting Room. Modern man, in his well-meaning efforts to feed the hungry, but to do it within a budget, has clearly created another monster. Says one glassy-eyed fellow, rummaging amid the papers in his pockets, "It's a catastrophe for any poor slob to seek assistance."

THE KEY PROBLEM is, as one staff worker puts it, "We just don't give money away. We want proof." This seems logical enough. To satisfy the demands of the work ethic, as well as the solvency of city and state, recipients have to be poor, sick, helpless. Their misery has to be certified. Working from this simple premise, and the need for records and order, the bureaucracy creates an Oz-like maze of forms, notarized letters, numbers, lines, interviews, rules, waiting periods that frustrate honest and dishonest alike, and turn the welfare workers, wardens of the system, into numbed manic-depressives.

Indeed, the film's dominant impression is the extraordinary zeal of the staff in protecting the public purse, as well as their patience in a job that is roughly equivalent to deciding who gets into a lifeboat and who doesn't. St. Vincent DePaul had it easier. He didn't have to check

credentials.

The numbers alone are mind-boggling. ("We send out 2½ million checks. If only a couple of thousand get lost, I've done a very good job.") Adding to the complexity is the Ping Pong Ball syndrome. Even if you qualify, to decide when, for what, and how much there is a bewildering array of widely scattered federal and local offices, sections and bureaus, each with its own

Farm leader to be speaker

INDIANAPOLIS — Chris Hartmire, executive director of the National Farm Worker Ministry, will address a meeting at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 2, in St. Mary's Child Center, 311 North New Jersey St.

His appearance is being co-sponsored by St. Mary parish and the Migrant Ministry of the Indiana Council of Churches.

Hartmire, who is headquartered in California, will report on the status of that state's new agricultural labor law.

set of forms, tests, appointments, lines, into these rigid pigeonholes must be sorted the people who are least mobile, least educated, most sick, confused, alienated and hostile.

IN GREAT CHUNKS of the film, Wiseman simply forces us to eavesdrop on disputed cases, as puzzled, frightened or angry petitioners try to figure out what they're supposed to do, or where they're supposed to go, and the social workers try to explain, or resolve their own bafflement. The complexities of most of them are brain-cracking. They would challenge Kissinger. Getting the facts of a case is like peeling a giant artichoke. The more you know, the fuzzier the

MARIAN PLAY

The Marian College Theatre Department will present the first production of the season, "See How They Run," Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 26, 27 and 28, in the Auditorium. Curtain time is 8 p.m. Reservations can be obtained by calling 924-3291.

The week's TV network films

THE MAN WHO LOVED CAT DANCING (1973) (NBC, Saturday, Sept. 27): An elegant woman, fleeing from her rich but weak husband, wanders into the middle of a train robbery and is kidnapped, then gradually falls in love with her captor. The premise is familiar (cf., "The Wind and the Lion") but the Eleanor Perry script never quite works on the serious level that is intended. With Burt Reynolds and Sarah Miles. Generally routine, occasionally preposterous dramatic western.

FOR PETE'S SAKE (1974) (ABC, Sunday, Sept. 28): A dishonest, tasteless, and generally unfunny Barbra Streisand film about a young wife who borrows money from the Mafia to finance her husband's education and finds herself forced into a life of crime and prostitution. Only somebody like Stanley Shapiro, who created the Doris Day-Rock Hudson comedies, could think of an idea this bad, much less actually film it.

Not recommended.

SLEEPER (1974) (ABC, Friday, Oct. 3): Woody Allen at his most visual and slapstick, in this broad and inventive satire about a timid soul who is accidentally frozen and then revived 200 years from now in a totalitarian futuristic society. Allen's style is to be irreverent, and you may like him least when he is being sophomoric about sex and religion. Otherwise, this is his funniest film. Satisfactory entertainment, chiefly for the sophisticated.

situation. Who lives where? Who is married to whom? Who owns the dog? Is the rent within limits? How do you get an apartment inspected? If I'm not eligible for money until next week, how do I eat in the meantime?

The illusion that one can devise a system of rules and justly process the ambiguities of human life quickly evaporates. What also goes is the confidence that you could easily separate the ignorant, haggard, multi-lingual poor from the con artists.

"WELFARE" is a document of human beings under pressure, crunched at the bottom of the pyramid where all the diseases, mistakes, misfortunes of a rapacious society eventually settle. In the welfare office, most people talk at, rather than to, each other. Nobody trusts anybody. But they all live on the hope that somewhere, somehow, someone will understand, and that their fellow humans will not abandon them. It's a risky hope.

"Whose fault is it?" one victim shouts. The film makes it clear that it's nobody's and everybody's. Blame a system that punishes losers: Blame racism or over-population. Blame the decline of the family, of the neighborhood, of personal charity. Blame the endless tangle of legalisms. Blame a society that deals with a problem half-heartedly, and then conveniently forgets about it, except at tax-time.

How provocative and relevant can a movie be? Wiseman, who rubs our noses in reality, is the most significant filmmaker of the 1970's. His new film is not only a challenge to the Christian conscience, but to human rationality itself. [Not rated]

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The Folk Mass will be offered by Father John Schoettelkotte at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 27 at the Greenbriar Apartments Guest House on Hanna Ave. A social for members and guests will follow the Liturgy.

Northeastway Park will be the site of the reunion picnic on Sunday, Sept. 28. Festivities will begin at 2 p.m. Food and drinks will be provided. Former members of the club are especially invited.

Details about both events can be obtained by calling 255-3841.

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