

SITE OF ANNUAL NOVENA—Above is the architecturally impressive cloister of the Carmelite Monastery on Allendale Place in Terre Haute, where the Sisters are currently hosting the annual Novena in honor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. The closing ceremonies will be held on Friday evening, July 16.

CYO plans unique seminar for adults

CYO Executive Director Bill Kuntz has announced plans for a unique Adult Seminar to be held Sunday, August 15, at 4 p.m. at Marian College.

"You Are CYO—A Seminar for Adult Leaders" will deal with the active participation of adults working with young people in the Archdiocese.

Archbishop George J. Blaskup will welcome and address the expected 200 participants in the session. The keynote speakers are Father Lawrence Moran, pastor of St. Joseph parish, Rockville, and Steven Dietzel.

Dietzel is the son of Indiana University Athletic Director, Paul

Dietzel, and an active leader in the National Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Father Moran is a long-time CYO Moderator and Youth Leader. Father Moran will speak on the CYO as a complete four-fold program of complementary activities.

THE PARTICIPANTS will be addressed by two panel groups. The panels are chaired by David J. Oberling and Jerry Cosby. Oberling is the athletic director of Butler University and a part-time CYO worker. Cosby serves on the CYO Public Relations Board and has been a CYO Cadet League baseball coach. Oberling's panel is entitled "You, Youth, and CYO." They will discuss motivation of adults and young people. The second panel, chaired by Cosby, is entitled, "Winning Is Everything... Isn't It?" and will deal with the end result of the program, the CYO graduate.

A question-and-answer period will follow the two panel sessions. To close the day, the participants in the workshop will celebrate Mass in the Marian College Chapel.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Bill Kuntz commented, "We are excited by the possibilities offered in this session. Our speakers and panelists are all top-notch individuals in their field."

He added, "We hope to convey to the people in the session that our program consists of more than one or two activities. Also, that the attitude an adult conveys to the young person in one activity will certainly affect that same young person many times over in his other activities."

The CYO Public Relations Advisory Committee is sponsoring the seminar. The chairman is Mike Layden of St. Luke parish.

Church is wounded through dissension,

Pope Paul declares

VATICAN CITY—Pope Paul VI told an overflow general audience crowd here that dissenting Catholics have caused the Church to smart from "self-inflicted wounds."

The Pope asserted that, instead of wounding the Church, all Catholics should be Church "construction workers, laboring under the direction of the architect who is Jesus Christ."

Catholics who work to build up the Church, said the Pope, "rid the Church of the weariness, laziness, distrust and the self-inflicted wounds manifested by organized dissent."

Dissenting Catholics—both ultraconservatives and ultraliberals—have come under constant fire from the Pope in recent months.

The Pope told about 8,000 audiencegoers that Catholics should be "thunderstruck" by Jesus' prayer, "may they all be one."

"May these words of the Lord's last testament resound always. May they become blaring trumpets for all people and a vocation call for him who has an attentive ear to the Spirit's call," the Pope said.

Builders of the Church, explained the Pope, must be more than mere "conservers of a passive traditionalism" and should not "hostilely reject the constant innovation in human life."

APPOINTMENT

The Chancery has announced the appointment of Rev. Henry Brown, pastor of St. Mary Church, North Vernon, as Archdiocesan Director of the Legion of Mary.

Annual Carmel Novena opens in Terre Haute

TERRE HAUTE, Ind.—The annual Novena in honor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is now in progress at the Carmelite Monastery here. Services begin each evening at 7:50 p.m. The Novena, which began on July 8, will continue through July 16.

Father William Healy, a Discalced Carmelite from Milwaukee, has returned again this year to deliver the series of homilies.

A Mass in honor of the Bicentennial opened the Novena Thursday evening. The principal celebrant was Father Edward Gayso.

Celebrants of the remaining evening Masses include: July 9, Father Michael Woznick, O.F.M. Conv.; July 10, Father Ralph Fisher, C.S.C.; July 11, Father Philip Schneider, O.F.M. Conv., and Father Bernard Beck, O.S.B., concelebrants; and Father Healy, the novena speaker; July 12, Father Donald Meehling; July 13, Father James Shanahan; July 14, Father Donald Rahl; July 15, Father Hubert Kobumski, O.F.M. Conv., Father Kevin Cole, O.F.M. Conv., and Father Schneider, O.F.M. Conv., concelebrants.

On July 16, the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, the principal celebrant will be Father Healy. Concelebrants will be Monsignor James Galvin, Father Nicholas Rolling, O.F.M. Conv., and Father Lawrence Moran.

Pope Paul accepts bishop's resignation; new assignments made

WASHINGTON—Pope Paul VI has appointed a coadjutor archbishop, a bishop and an auxiliary bishop to U.S. dioceses and has accepted the resignation of Bishop Abel Callicott, 76, as auxiliary bishop of New Orleans.

Bishop Edward McCarthy of Phoenix has been named coadjutor archbishop of Miami with the right of succession to Archbishop Coleman Carroll.

Msgr. Victor Balke, rector of Immaculate Conception Seminary, Springfield, Ill., has been appointed bishop of Crookston, Minn.

Father Joseph H. Hart, pastor of the Church of St. John Francis Regis, Kansas City, Mo., has been named auxiliary bishop of Cheyenne.

The appointments and the resignation of Bishop Callicott were announced here July 7 by Archbishop Jean Jadot, apostolic delegate in the United States.

Catholic Charities receives Lilly grant

WASHINGTON—The National Conference of Catholic Charities (NCCC) here has received a \$300,000 grant from Lilly Endowment, Inc. of Indianapolis to help Catholic parishes "engage more fully in the social ministry through the recruitment, training and use of volunteers for the local community."

Announcing the grant, Msgr. Lawrence Corcoran, NCCC executive director, said the program it develops will become a permanent part of the conference's activities and that many of the nation's 18,000 Catholic parishes will form an information-referral network.

Under the terms of the grant, NCCC will receive \$150,000 outright and the rest will be provided as matching funds for money the NCCC will seek elsewhere.

Supreme Court ruling denies spouse, parents any voice in abortions

BY JIM CASTELL

WASHINGTON—In the most detailed abortion decision in three-and-a-half years, the U.S. Supreme Court has clarified its Jan. 28, 1973 decisions which struck down most state restrictions on abortions.

Major elements in the court's new decisions include rulings that state

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requirements that a woman's husband or a minor's parents consent to an abortion are unconstitutional.

The court did indicate, however, that parental consent requirements might be acceptable in some instances in which minors were unable to give informed consent and that laws requiring parental consultation on a decision to have an abortion might be constitutional.

THE COURT ACTED on three major cases: *Danforth v. Planned Parenthood*, a case involving a major Missouri law placing a number of restrictions on abortion; *Wulff v. Singleton*, a case involving the question of whether doctors have legal standing to bring a suit concerning Medicaid payments for abortions; and *Baird v. Bellotti*, a Massachusetts case involving a parental consent law.

The court's major opinion involved the *Danforth* case. The court upheld some provisions of the bill while declaring others unconstitutional. The majority decision was written by Justice Harry Blackmun, who wrote the court's 1973 abortion decisions.

Blackmun was joined in the majority by Justices Thurgood Marshall, William Brennan, Potter Stewart and Lewis Powell.

Justice John Paul Stevens joined the majority on most aspects of the decision, but dissented by voting to uphold the Missouri parental consent requirement.

Chief Justice Warren Burger joined Justices Byron White and William Rehnquist—the only two justices dissenting from the 1973 abortion decisions—in voting to uphold the entire Missouri law.

The court ruled unanimously in sending the *Baird v. Bellotti* case back for further action and suggesting that it would approve a law requiring parental consultation, but not parental consent.

FOLLOWING IS A summary of the court's rulings:

—The court upheld a provision of the law requiring that the consent given by a woman for an abortion be "informed and freely given and is not the result of coercion."

The court noted that although only a few other Missouri laws require informed consent for surgery, such a requirement, even during the first 12 weeks of a pregnancy, "is not in itself an unconstitutional requirement."

"The decision to abort, indeed, is an important and often a stressful one, and it is desirable and imperative that it be made with full knowledge of its nature and consequences."

—The court ruled that a spousal consent requirement was unconstitutional. "The State," the court said, "cannot delegate to a spouse a veto power which the state itself is absolutely and totally prohibited from exercising during the first trimester of pregnancy."

The court acknowledged that the state has a legitimate interest in preserving the integrity of the family. But, it said, "it is difficult to believe that the goal of fostering mutuality and trust in a marriage, and of strengthening the marital relationship and the marriage institution, will be achieved by giving the husband a veto power exercisable for any reason whatsoever or for no reason at all."

—The court ruled that parents may not exercise "veto power" over a minor's decision to have an abortion. But, it said, "We emphasize that our holding... does not suggest that every minor, regardless of age or maturity, may give effective consent for termination of her pregnancy."

The "fault" with the Missouri law, the court said, is that it "imposes a special consent provision, exercisable by a person other than the woman and her physician, as a prerequisite to a minor's termination of her pregnancy and does so without a sufficient justification for the restriction."

In the Massachusetts case, which the court returned to a lower court for further action, justices indicated they might support a law which required parental consultation but which allowed the minor an opportunity to have an abortion over her parents' objections.

Under the Massachusetts law, a minor may ask a Superior Court judge (Continued on Page 6)



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Reaction statement of ICC

The issue in this Supreme Court Decision is not abortion—it is the right of parents and husbands. The Supreme Court has decided that the state does not have an interest in protecting minors from their own improvidence. It does not have an interest in protecting the family.

The decision is about a Missouri law which had attempted to require parental consent for abortions performed on minors and the consent of husbands. The argument of the Missouri Attorney General was that the state has an interest in protecting minors from their own improvidence and in protecting the integrity of the family.

The Supreme Court has now decreed that abortion is such an absolute right that the state may not exercise any interest in protecting unborn life, in protecting the rights of parents, in protecting minors from their own improvidence or in protecting the family.

In an exercise of pure judicial power the Court has taken the abortion debate away from the democratic and legislative processes and has struck down the rights of parents and the rights of husbands.

We hope that this decision will convince people of the dangers of the Supreme Court's present course and the need for a constitutional amendment to restore protection to the unborn, of the rights of parents and families... and to restore the right of the American people to decide such matters through the democratic process.

A constitutional amendment is the only way to guarantee these fundamental rights in a way that reflects the will of the majority of the American people.

Raymond R. Rufo
Executive Director

Indiana Catholic Conference

Death penalty upheld; not 'cruel and unusual'

WASHINGTON—The death penalty does not constitute "cruel and unusual" punishment forbidden by the Eighth Amendment to the Constitution, according to a U.S. Supreme Court.

The Court spoke in a ruling upholding death statutes enacted in three states—but the mandatory death penalties provided for in two other states have been struck down in a series of complex, wide-ranging decisions on the subject.

The rulings came July 2 in challenges mounted to capital punishment laws enacted by Georgia, Florida, Texas, Louisiana and North Carolina. The court upheld those of the first three, while striking down the Louisiana and North Carolina statutes.

MANDATORY DEATH penalties for certain crimes had been enacted by 18 states following a 1972 Supreme Court verdict which had the effect of halting executions in the U.S.

The mandatory penalties were supposed to satisfy the terms of that 1972 verdict in the case of *Furman vs. Georgia*, which held that the death penalty was being imposed "discriminatorily, wantonly and freakishly."

In 14 other states, new laws which require judges and juries to examine aggravating and mitigating circumstances have been passed. These laws appear to have survived by the court's reaction to the Florida, Georgia and Texas laws.

In upholding a death sentence passed by a Florida jury, the court pointed out that the statute under which the defendant, Charles W. Proffitt, was convicted, required the judge to focus on the circumstances of the crime and the character of the defendant. Eight statutory aggravating factors and seven mitigating factors are delineated to guide the trial judge to his sentence in a capital crime conviction.

On the other hand, the North Carolina law which was struck down allowed no latitude whatever once a defendant stood convicted in a capital case.

THE DECISION throwing out the North Carolina law was written by Justice Potter Stewart, who noted that, unlike Florida, Georgia and Texas, North Carolina "responded to the *Furman* decision by making death the mandatory sentence for all persons convicted of first-degree murder."

A history of such statutes "reveals that the practice of sentencing to death all persons convicted of a particular offense has been rejected as unduly harsh and unworkably rigid," Stewart wrote.

Courts are frequently reluctant to convict, no matter how strong the evidence of guilt, where they know a conviction automatically will be followed by the death penalty, he continued.

The North Carolina law—and other similar laws—are fatally deficient in that they treat "all persons convicted of a designated offense not as uniquely individual human beings, but as members of a faceless, undifferentiated mass to be subjected to the blind infliction of the death penalty."

Stewart was joined in the majority opinion by Justices William J. Brennan Jr., Thurgood Marshall, Lewis Powell and John P. Stevens, while Chief Justice Warren Burger, Justices Byron White, Harry Blackmun and William Rehnquist dissented.

The decisions upholding properly drawn capital punishment laws means that the nation may soon see its first executions since 1967 when doubts about the constitutionality of the death penalty effectively ended the practice.

Four Canadians given Synod nod

OTTAWA, Canada—Pope Paul VI has named four Canadian bishops as delegates to the 1977 International Synod of Bishops in Rome.

They are Bishop G. Emmett Carter of London, president of the Canadian Catholic Conference (CCC); Archbishop Gilles Ouellet of Rimouski, CCC vice president; Bishop Gerard M. Coderre of St. Jean-de-Quebec, and Bishop Wilfrid Emmett Doyle of Nelson. Archbishop Joseph M. MacNeil of Edmonton and Bishop Bernard Hubert of Saint-Jerome were named as alternates.

The four delegates and two alternates were elected during the CCC general meeting in April, but the conference's choices needed papal approval before they could become official members of the synod.

The Canadian delegates will join with bishops from around the world to discuss modern religious education for children and young people. Their discussions will center on working papers to be drafted from the results of a survey on the topic that was sent earlier this year to the world's bishops.

Synods of bishops were established by Pope Paul as an outgrowth of Vatican Council II. A synod brings together representative bishops from around the world to advise the Pope on specific topics.

Public invited

The Discalced Carmelites of the Monastery of the Resurrection on Cold Spring Road, Indianapolis, will celebrate a Mass in honor of the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel at 8 a.m. Friday, July 16, in the monastery chapel. The public is cordially invited to participate.

WEEK'S NEWS IN BRIEF

BY NC NEWS SERVICE

Swiss prelate penalized

VATICAN CITY—Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre, head of the controversial traditionalist seminary at Ecône, Switzerland, incurred ecclesiastical penalties by the unauthorized ordination of a group of 13 priests there June 29, said the Vatican's press spokesman, Father Romeo Panciroli. In addition, the priest said, the illegally ordained priests cannot legally exercise their priesthood.

Committee supports services

NEW YORK—The American Jewish Committee (AJC) has announced its support for publicly financed guidance and testing services for all school children, including those in parochial schools, provided the services are administered by public agencies in public facilities.

Elected to head Alliance

NEW YORK—A recently retired assistant attorney general of Alaska, Dorothy Awea Haaland, was elected president of St. Joan's International Alliance, U.S. Section. It was announced here. In her acceptance speech, she reaffirmed the group's objectives "to secure legal and de facto equality between women and men in all fields: state, Church, and society."

In capsule form . . .

The National Right to Life Committee (NRLC) has passed a resolution opposing the policies of the National Foundation-March of Dimes and pledging noncooperation with the anti-birth defects organization . . . U.S. Capuchin missionaries working in Nicaragua have documented five killings of campesinos by Nicaraguan soldiers, including the hanging of an eight-year-old boy who was also decapitated . . . The progressive elimination of all religion continues in Laos under the Pathet Lao regime, according to a Vatican Radio report . . . The Christian-led Confederation of Latin American Workers (CLAT) and the U.S. National Council of Churches (NCC) have protested the arrest and detention of union officials and religious workers in Paraguay.



GOLDEN JUBILARIANS—Mr. and Mrs. Homer McKinley will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a Mass of Thanksgiving at 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 17, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, New Albany. Immediately following the Mass, a reception hosted by their children will be held in the church basement. Relatives and friends are invited to the Mass and the reception. The couple request that gifts be omitted. Mrs. McKinley is the former Olivia Ems of Bradford, Ind. The couple have three sons, Fred, Tom, and George, all of New Albany.

Rabbis support UFWA

SAN FRANCISCO—The Central Conference of American Rabbis unanimously approved a resolution supporting the United Farm Workers of America (UFWA) and the UFWA-sponsored California farm labor initiative, at its annual convention here. The vote came after a personal appearance by Cesar Chavez, president of the UFWA, who expressed gratitude to the Jewish community for the support it gave him and the union in the early organizing effort.

Abortion plank protested

WASHINGTON—A letter-writing campaign, demonstrations, a television commercial, delegate-hunting and just plain politics are being focused on removing the abortion plank from the platform at the Democratic party's national convention in New York on July 12-15. But opponents of the plank are not optimistic about their chances.

Priests condemn South Africa

ROME—A group of 18 Oblate priests in riot-torn Soweto and other black townships around Johannesburg had condemned the South African government's handling of recent black protest demonstrations there in which 140 were killed and more than 1,000 injured. The priests' statement also urged self-determination for blacks in South Africa and the establishment of a commission of inquiry to resolve their grievances.

Names . .

Sen. James L. Buckley (R-Con.-N.Y.) plans to propose a tax deduction for tuition paid to nonpublic schools as an amendment to the tax reform bill now being considered by the Senate, a spokesman for Buckley said.

Archbishop Hilarion Capucci, serving a 12-year prison sentence in Israel for gun-running, is among those whose release had been demanded by the Palestinians who hijacked an Air France jetliner June 27

and had it flown to Kampala, Uganda.
Bishop Juan Jesus Posadas de Tijuana, Mexico, has called for a concerted effort by authorities and civic groups to discourage Mexicans from moving there and to other Mexican border towns.

Pope Paul VI definitely will not attend the 41st International Eucharistic Congress in Philadelphia in August, said Father Romeo Panciroli, Vatican press spokesman, on July 1.

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Survey 'mushrooms'

BY FRED W. FRIES

The response to the Reader Survey launched by The Criterion on June 4 has been heartening, to put it mildly.

When the project was undertaken, we were told by "experts" in the sampling field that we could expect to receive perhaps 100 to 150 replies in our first attempt at such a survey. As of press time Wednesday, the total replies had reached 374. About one fourth of the respondents took the time to include letters and notes about the paper and its contents. We hope to use some of the material in the weeks ahead.

THE FOURTH AND FINAL Survey blank appeared in our issue of June 25. Although replies have been coming in with each mail delivery, it was decided that the cut-off date would be this Friday, to allow ample time for final computation.

When the Reader Survey idea was suggested by Associate Editor Father Thomas Widner several months ago Dennis R. Jones, head of the composition department, volunteered to handle the computation work connected with the project. That was, as they say, his "first mistake." It has proved to be a colossal undertaking.

At the end of each week, Jones has issued an updated report on the readership of the various features and columns covered in the Survey. He burned a lot of the proverbial "midnight oil" to keep the figures up to date.

MEMBERS OF THE STAFF have followed the charting with the same degree of interest they would display at the fifth race at Aqueduct.

Within the next couple of weeks, we hope to be in position to give readers a complete run-down on the results and to publish some of the letters and comments. We think you will find them both interesting and revealing.

SCECINA CLASS REUNION—The Scenic Memorial High School Class of 1971 is planning to hold its five-year reunion at the Beacon Restaurant, 350 S. Franklin Road, on Saturday evening, July 17. The price of dinner tickets is \$6.00 per person. Further information may be obtained from Kevin or Barbara Murray, 352-1331.

AROUND AND ABOUT—Sister Julia Hunhoff, O.S.B. was reelected president of the Benedictine Federation of St. Gertrude in a General Chapter held at the Convent of the Immaculate Conception in Ferdinand. Represented was Our Lady of Grace Convent, Beech Grove, a member of the 15-community Federation. Kenneth E. Timmerstein, executive director of the St. Vincent Hospital Foundation, will deliver a major address at the annual conference of the National Association for Hospital Development to be held in Houston, Tex., in October.

NCCW SOUNDS ABORTION ALERT—Members of the executive committee of the National Council of Catholic Women were sent the following message this week by Kay Horrell, NCCW president. "Alert! Alert! Alert! Re: Democratic Platform. May I urge each of you to contact immediately Governor Carter, P.O. Box 1978, Atlanta, Ga., 30301, indicating your dissatisfaction with the Democratic Platform, specifically the plank upholding the Supreme Court decision on abortion, negating the Human Life Amendment. Time is short! Act now! God bless you!"

SOUND ADVICE—The following is reprinted from a parish bulletin which crossed our desk: "If you picked up this bulletin on the way back from Communion or grabbed it from a server and are reading it during Mass, you really should be praying. Bulletins are to be read after Mass."

THAT SETTLES IT—A mother and father were worried about what profession their son would choose. A friend told them to place on the dining room table a \$20 bill, a Bible and a fifth of bourbon, then hide behind the draperies and observe their son's actions. If he took the \$20 bill, the friend reasoned, he would become a banker. If he chose the Bible, he would become a priest or minister. If he picked the liquor, he would become an alcoholic. The son entered the room, promptly put the \$20 bill in his pocket, the Bible under one arm and the fifth under the other and stroled out of the room. "Good Lord," exclaimed his father, "he's going to be a politician!"

Festival opens
Friday, July 9,
at Holy Spirit

INDIANAPOLIS — The annual three-day Holy Spirit Festival will be held on the parish grounds at 7200 E. 10th St. on July 9, 10, and 11.

Activities on the Midway will include thrill rides and a Kiddieland. Refreshments of sandwiches and pizza will be available at all times.

Dinner menus include fish on Friday, spaghetti on Saturday, and chicken on Sunday. Serving will begin at 1 p.m. on Sunday, and at 5:30 p.m. on both Friday and Saturday.

Prizes to be given away include \$500 on Friday, \$1,000 on Saturday, and \$4,000 on Sunday. A bicycle will also be awarded on Sunday to a youth 14 or under.

FESTIVAL
GUIDE

For the convenience of Criterion readers, we are again printing a handy listing of Summer Festival and Picnic dates. Parishes are invited to submit dates of other picnics and festivals outside the Indianapolis area which they would like to see included in the weekly calendar. Affairs in the Indianapolis area will be carried in brief story form or as a part of the regular Social Calendar elsewhere in the paper.

St. Anne, New Castle (Authentic Mexican Dinner)—July 10.

St. Maurice, Decatur County (Picnic and Chicken and Roast Beef Dinner)—July 11.

St. Joseph, Corydon (Fairgrounds (Picnic and Chicken Dinner)—July 11.

St. John, Osgood (Annual Chicken Dinner)—July 18.

St. Mary, Navilleton (Ham and Chicken Dinner)—July 18.

Sacred Heart, Jeffersonville (Festival and Sunday Chicken and Noodles Dinner)—July 17-18.

CARD PARTY SET

INDIANAPOLIS — St. Patrick's Women's Club has scheduled the monthly card party, Sunday, July 11, starting at 2 p.m. in the school hall. Door prizes and free refreshments.

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"Today the Catholic newspaper is not a superficial luxury or an optional devotion. It is an instrument necessary for those ideas which feed our Faith and which in turn render a service to the profession of our Faith."

—Pope Paul VI

Power of the State

What the Supreme Court had to say about abortion this time around had nothing to do with the value of human life, the medical issue, the psychological issue, the moral issue. It had nothing to do with anything but the Supreme Court itself. For the Supreme Court has decided that the issue it wants to deal with most of all is the power of the State.

In its decision concerning the right of parents and spouse to consent to a woman's right to abortion, the Court stated "the state cannot delegate . . . a veto power which the state itself is absolutely and totally prohibited from exercising." The court has obviously found its place in front of the horses.

The Court displayed its own narrow vision. Because it attempts to stick to legal issues, it finds some cases insoluble. Some cases would have the Court settle issues foreign to its jurisdiction. Rather than define its own limitations, it seeks now to strike out on its own by making decisions for the family. Such striking out is not new, for the Court has revealed itself willing to accept jurisdiction even to the point of deciding what constitutes areas of responsibility for religion.

No American can deny the right of the Court to be the last word concerning legal questions of national significance. But Catholic Americans, and indeed all Christians, are more and more faced with the challenge of a Court which serves to define matters not of law but of moral and social policy. It is quite clear from the direction of the Court itself that no Catholic can support such decisions. It is a matter of debate whether any American can.—T.W.

Shortage

Last Friday, Father Francis Tuohy, Vicar-General of the Archdiocese, announced the sad news that the Indianapolis Police Department will be given no Catholic chaplain "for at least another year." Why? Because there is a clergy shortage in the Archdiocese, and no qualified priest volunteered to assume the onerous additional duty of the chaplaincy.

Among the duties of a police chaplain are notifying the kin of automobile accidents, drowning, and murder fatalities, and counseling policemen and their families.

The day-to-day strains faced by police officers are incredible. They constitute the "thin blue line" between average Americans and the "asphalt jungle" of drugs and violence. More than any other group they need a Catholic priest who cares about what happens to them—not a lay volunteer, but a priest who possesses a special call and a wisdom to share with them.

No amount of money can buy such a chaplain for the policemen of Indianapolis. Only priestly vocations can fill this vacancy, and a host of others throughout the Archdiocese.

Any parent who thinks that his son (or daughter) will be wasting his talents as a priest or Religious, or would be giving up more than he will be receiving, should become less blind to the various duties that priests and nuns perform. The life of a priest or Religious is probably the most challenging and humanizing way of life in the world, and will be adopted only by Catholic men and women who have been taught to shoulder responsibility, to give and take freely in love, and to deal respectfully with all sorts of people.

Young people acquire these virtues from their parents, and thus parents work hand-in-hand with God to promote vocations.

Are you a parent shaping your children into such special persons? Could your son hope to measure up to the heroism required of the police chaplain whom Indianapolis is begging for?—T.O.

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LIVING THE QUESTIONS

Women in ACCW assist adult education

BY FR. THOMAS WIDNER

How does the Church reach adult Catholics who have had no formal religious education since elementary school or high school? One suggestion is to use the strength of already existing organizations within the Church. One such group is the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW).

Serving "to unite all women in religious, educational and social action to meet the needs of the times," the ACCW strives to bring together Catholic women that they may act as a unit in matters of public interest. The ACCW seeks to create the interest of women in present day problems and to aid in finding solutions for them. Such an endeavor truly attempts to continue the work of religious education long after formal education has been completed.

In the Archdiocese of Indianapolis,

the ACCW is headed by Mrs. Leo B. Kesterman of St. Peter parish in Brookville.

"We need to reach beyond home, parish, and community," she says. "Through the ACCW we become aware of problems facing us throughout our Archdiocese, our state, our nation, and the world. As an individual, one can only accomplish so much. By banding together, we make our voices strong and powerful and reach out further into the world to influence people."

The ACCW is affiliated with the National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW), which publishes *Catholic Woman*. Valuable information and educational material is made available through this publication as well as other materials provided through the NCCW. They can be helpful to local units in carrying out the NCCW programs.

And ambitious these programs are! The ACCW currently encourages members to become more knowledgeable in their faith through Bible study, discussions, and prayer. Women in the ACCW provide com-

munity assistance through blood programs, safety programs, programs for the elderly, promotion of rural life, day care, shut-in, and retarded children programs. In addition, the ACCW remains particularly strong in its education programs concerning pro-life, natural family planning, and the ERA.

Not all Catholic women's groups affiliate with the ACCW. For example, there is no contact with the Bedford Deanery at the present time.

"We would like to erase all the weak links of the chain," Mrs. Kesterman pleads. "The future hope of the ACCW is for unity for all women so the diocesan council can enable them to have a Christian impact in their community and outside it."

A goal of the ACCW is complete affiliation of all parishes in the Archdiocese.

How does she feel concerning the role of women in society? Mrs. Kesterman regards the role of women as a changing one "due to the high rate of family disintegration. In many cases mothers are rearing their children alone. They cannot give the

time and attention to their children that father and mother can provide together."

Because some women are employed full-time, they can take only a limited part in the activities of the ACCW. Attendance at meetings and volunteer work are thus severely limited.

"Communications and financial problems face us constantly," Mrs. Kesterman says. "Postage and travel are costly. Getting to a meeting in a diocese so large is often difficult."

Nevertheless, the ACCW continues to function. It works hard to promote programs of Bible study encouraged through the address of Father John Burke, O.P., at the national convention this past year. Women in the ACCW can contribute greatly by encouraging parish members to become a part of this study. In this way they aid the work of adult education.

Like many Catholic organizations, the ACCW depends on the interest and willingness of women to take time to remain informed members of the Church. It appears to provide excellent opportunities for women to carry out the Church's work.

DALE FRANCIS SAYS

Constitutional amendment only guarantee

BY DALE FRANCIS

There is a new reality that must be understood. There is no hope that the lives of unborn children will be saved unless there is a constitutional amendment that guarantees protection of human life from conception.

Since that tragic Supreme Court decision of 1973 that legalized abortion on demand there have been millions of unborn children destroyed. This slaughter of innocents will continue and accelerate unless

action is taken to guarantee protection of unborn infants. The only action that can be taken is a constitutional amendment that will guarantee the legal protection of human life from conception.

That's what we must understand. That's the new reality we must accept. That's the new reality that must guide our actions.

WHEN THE SUPREME COURT issued its decision in 1973, there was a certain haziness that suggested the majority of the justices didn't really understand the moral issues, didn't really understand that the euphemistic "termination of pregnancy" meant the deliberate destruction of human life.

There were many who hoped that in some later decision the Supreme Court majority would recognize what it had done and make some revisions in its decision. After all, Justice Byron White had, in his dissenting decision in 1973, shown a recognition of the moral issues, and Justice William Rehnquist had joined him. It may have always been a doomed hope, but there were many who did think it possible that the Supreme Court majority might reverse itself.

Now it is clear that there is no hope for this. In the latest decision, Justice White, again writing a dissenting opinion, was joined again by Justice Rehnquist. This time Chief Justice Warren Burger joined the dissent. But by a 6-3 majority, the Supreme Court

made its position absolutely clear. The majority of justices are committed absolutely to guaranteeing the right of a mother to destroy her unborn child. The court majority insists on allowing nothing to interfere with a mother's right to destroy her own child. Parents have no rights, husbands have no rights. The majority of Supreme Court justices offer no protection of the rights of unborn children. That majority is committed absolutely to abortion on demand.

In a way, the latest decisions of the Supreme Court should help. The situation is clarified. We know now there is no way to go except the way of a constitutional amendment. There is no use working for protection of rights of the unborn through the states. What state legislatures may do is thrown out by the Supreme Court. There is no way to work through the courts because the majority of Supreme Court justices are committed to abortion.

Fortunately, we are in an election year. If the rights of the unborn are to be protected, then it must be through the legislative process. The way in which the legislative process is carried on is through the elective process.

There are those in the House of Representatives and those in the Senate who have supported the right-to-life movement. Those who believe that this is a vital issue must vote for these men

and women, support them in their campaigns.

There are those who have supported legalized abortion, who refuse any support for the right-to-life movement. They must be opposed, not just by refusing them your votes but by active campaigning against them.

Some have said that, since a constitutional amendment must come first through the Congress, the President is not really important to the issue. Don't believe it. The man who is President can through his very position of leadership play a critical role in determining whether or not there will be a constitutional amendment to protect unborn life.

OPPOSE THAT CANDIDATE and that party that does not take a clear stand against abortion. If a party and a candidate have already taken a stand, do all in your power to get that stand reversed. If reversal is impossible, then turn your support away.

The accusation has already been made that making a constitutional amendment to protect human life from conception the deciding issue is one-issue voting. All right, so be it. When the one issue concerns the lives of millions of unborn infants, when it concerns something so vital it is tearing to shreds the very fabric of our society, then that one issue cannot help but be decisive.

MAKE NO MISTAKE about it. Those who are committed to the protection of unborn life can be decisive in this election. How many are we? No one knows. There are Catholics, Protestants, Jews and people of no religion who recognize the evil of legalized abortion. If they are only five percent of the electorate they can change the outcome of the election—but they are far more than this. The power in determining how elections of congressmen, senators and the President turn out rests with the people who are determined to end the slaughter of innocent unborn children.

The Supreme Court has informed us with absolute clarity that there is no hope except in a constitutional amendment. We have the opportunity to turn the course of the nation around. We must seize that opportunity.

'Church must take up its cross and not turn spiritually inward' says Ron Bettag

To the Editor:

There is often a tendency to turn spiritually solely inward, to retreat to ourselves and our present views, fortifying ourselves and our beliefs from a world of growing chaos and spiritual decline. Often we then attempt to define and find our "role" from such defensive, "little-me" points of view, rather than looking to the needs of reality, having the needed role defined for us.

The "I found it" philosophy is incomplete unless the suffering struggle to reflect that relationship in society and its institutions becomes the plaguing responsibility it was for Jesus Christ. His life was the tangible, real actualization of his relationship to the Father and the world even through death. Christian love and relationship continue to grow and purify as we ever more intensely bring ourselves to take on that same task. The same is true of the body of believers, the spiritual development of the Church as a whole.

The world is presently at a threshold point. Strapped by debt, obligations presently totalling \$800 billion dollars, the world economic system continues to collapse at an increasing rate, creating an avalanche ecological breakdown. Pandemics of bubonic plague, cholera, hepatitis, and encephalitis are a few of the results of massive famine and global health-barrier breakdown due to budget and standard of living cuts. The situation is augmented by political and financial factions' use of terrorism and threats of nuclear annihilation of major sections of populations (if not the world itself) to maintain control of the crumbling empire.

The only solution to this Frankenstein insanity, the attempted global re-implementation of Schactian/Hitler austerity and labor intensive economics, is an immediate, orderly debt moratorium on the \$800 billion debt burden, and redevelopment of the world through a new global credit arrangement. The needed technologies are presently available; fusion energy sources are attainable in the near future. We, Christians and the Church, must join the moral struggle raging throughout the world.

Christians for centuries have lovingly given even their lives in

stays at the hospital.

I am not wanting sympathy, but only hoping that by making Catholics aware that there might be some lonely person who needs a good person to invite them to some function, and they might help that person to save their soul.

In giving up Mass, I have become a fallen away Catholic; my family is divided, my marriage is shaky. This might not have happened if just one Catholic would have made me see my religion as a joy. I have even been thinking of taking up a more friendly religion; however, the one thing I admire about our Catholic religion is that we are able to do more things in moderation than any other religion.

It may be too late for me, but I do hope if just one person is welcomed into some little group at any social function of the church or church school, this time is well spent.

I still thank God for all my other blessings and have never lost my faith in Him—only some of His followers who do not really live by God's rules.

"A Fallen Away Catholic"

Indianapolis

Beeson questions 'responsible parenthood'

To the Editor:

There is a phrase being used within the Catholic Church which I do not completely understand. That phrase is "responsible parenthood." This sounds as though the decision to have children and when to have them lies solely with the couple. This is confusing to people who believe that only God has the power to give life.

The phrase "responsible parenthood" is not compatible with "responsible faith." A couple who is genuinely trying to live a life of faith does not make this decision alone. After reading the teaching of the Church on this subject and much prayer, the Holy Spirit inspires us to

do His Will. For some this will mean a small family, but the Lord does call upon some families to have many children.

Have we forgotten the reason to have a child is the same reason God made Adam? To share with Him everlasting happiness in heaven. God wills that all men attain heaven. What part we and our children play in this is hidden to us. It is clear, though, that whatever talents are needed will be developed if we trust in Him.

One of the reasons cited most often for holding the line at two children is "we can't afford more." Those who say that are quite correct. They have put their faith in themselves alone, and, when that happens, as St. Teresa of Avila says, "Divine help is withdrawn." However, if you put God first and put all your faith and trust in Him, then Jesus promises to give you all that you need in the way of food, clothing and shelter. (Read Matthew 6:25-34.)

My husband and I are expecting our sixth child. To us this is a great blessing, but we have been greatly saddened by the reaction of some of our friends. The odd thing is that our non-Catholic friends accept it and wish us well. I think that they respect our religious feeling. But within the Catholic community the first comment is "Haven't you learned how to stop that yet?"

This reaction leads me to believe that the phrase "responsible parenthood" is doing more harm than good. It would be hard to believe that a couple trying to live a life of "responsible faith" would abuse their children physically or emotionally.

Patricia Gillen
Beech Grove, Ind.

'Hats off'

To the Editor:

My hat goes off to Clayton Marcum (letter to the editor of June 18) for putting into words what is felt by many.

I especially applaud his remarks on abortion. I have yet to even hear a sermon regarding the abortion issue. One gets the impression that our priests are staying out and not getting involved.

Regarding dress in church becoming more indecent each summer, I've often told myself "no matter what a person wears in church, at least they are there," but honestly I am wondering about our respect for God and His Holy home.

Marcum's letter is one that should be read by all, giving much food for thought.

Indianapolis



"WE FINALLY HIT ON A TERRIFIC WAY TO LET PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT THE PARISH SPAGHETTI DINNER!"

NEW TESTAMENT

PAUL

BY STEVE LANDREGAN

"As I was traveling along preaching Damascus around noon, a great light from the sky suddenly flashed all about me. I fell to the ground and heard a voice say to me, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' I answered, 'Who are you, sir?' He said to me, 'I am Jesus the Nazarene whom you are persecuting.'" (Acts 22:6-8).

Thus Luke, who tells us more about Paul than Paul tells us about himself, relates the incident that altered the course of Christianity by converting Saul the persecutor into Paul the Apostle.

The encounter between Saul and the glorified Christ is related three times by Luke (Acts 9:1-9, 22:5-16, 26:10-18) and is referred to directly once by Paul (Ga 1:12-17).

Unlike Peter, Saul's name was not changed to Paul by any mandate of Jesus. Two names, one Roman or Greek (Paul) and one Hebrew (Saul) were common among those Jews scattered throughout the Ancient Near East by exile, persecution or commerce.

SUCH JEWS WERE described as Hellenized, referring to their adoption of the Greek language and many of the cultural customs of the Greco-Roman world.

Paul indeed, was such a Jew. Born in Tarsus, in what is now southeastern Turkey, he held Roman citizenship, a privilege acquired only by family position and wealth. He was of the tribe of Benjamin, the same tribe as the great Israelite King whose name he bore. The orthodoxy of his family is attested to by his early training in the law as a student of the greatest rabbi of the time, Gamaliel the Elder (Acts 22:3).

It is not known when Saul came to Jerusalem, or whether or not he was there during the public ministry of Jesus. Scripture is silent on the point. He is first mentioned in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 7:58) as being present during the martyrdom of Stephen the Deacon.

As a rabbi, Saul apparently saw in the embryonic Nazarene sect the seeds of a heresy capable of shattering the Pharisaic teaching of the Law as the means of salvation. He became a zealous and feared persecutor of the infant Church. Not content to root out Christ's followers in Jerusalem, Saul went to the High Priest and obtained what amounted to a license to harass and persecute Nazarenes in Damascus.

Saul's conversion was complete and immediate on the road to Damascus. In Galatians Paul wrote: "But the time came when he who had set me apart before I was born and called me by his favor, chose to reveal his Son to me, that I might spread among the Gentiles the good tidings concerning him. Immediately, without seeking human advisers or even going to Jerusalem to see those who were apostles before me, I went off to Arabia; later I returned to Damascus" (Ga 1:15-17).

BUT THE NAZARENES were not too quick to clasp their new brother to their bosom. Even Ananias to whom the Lord appeared in a vision and ordered to minister to Paul, argues with the Lord pleading that "I have heard from many sources about this man and all the harm he has done to your holy people in Jerusalem." The

Nazarenes' intelligence system must have been effective because Ananias then added, "He is here now with authorization from the chief priests to arrest any who invoke your name," (Acts 9:13-14).

But for Paul there was no turning back. The rest of his life was based upon his brief encounter with the Risen Christ. It provided the basis for his claim to be an Apostle (1 Cor 9:1) on equal footing with the Twelve, who were witnesses to the Resurrection (Acts 1:22). The only difference he saw in his witness of the Risen Christ was a chronological one. His alone was post-Pentecostal (1 Cor 15:5-10).

Ananias was not the only follower of Christ suspicious of Paul. After finding himself unwelcome among Christians and Jews, Paul returned to Tarsus and lived in semi-retirement until summoned by Barnabas.

The hatred of those Jews who considered him a renegade would pursue him the rest of his life, and his total acceptance by the Christians would only come from the Gentile converts.

Paul was not the founder of the Gentile Church, rather he was sought out by Barnabas (Acts 11:25-28) to serve as a teacher of the "great number" of believers won over to the Gospel by that first Gentile community at Antioch. It was while Paul was serving as teacher at Antioch that those previously called Nazarenes or followers of The Way were first called Christians.

WHILE EARLY SOURCES indicated that Paul was physically unattractive, nevertheless, his great scholarship, his fiery but persuasive personality and his compulsion to preach the Gospel (1 Cor 9:16) destined him for the role of missionary preacher.

Singled out by the Holy Spirit, Saul and Barnabas were commissioned missionaries by the Antioch community about 48 A.D. There emerged the pattern that was to mark Paul's missionary labors the rest of his life. He would preach first to the Jews in the Synagogue of a city, and when they rejected the Gospel, as they often did, Paul and his companions would turn to the Gentiles.

Following his first journey, the dispute arose over whether a Gentile must first become a Jew before being baptized. It was decided in Paul's favor, but never really died out and is thought by some scholars to be the "thorn in the flesh" given to him that he might not become conceited (2 Cor 12:7).

Paul and Barnabas had a dispute before the second missionary journey and Silas became his companion (Acts 15:36-39).

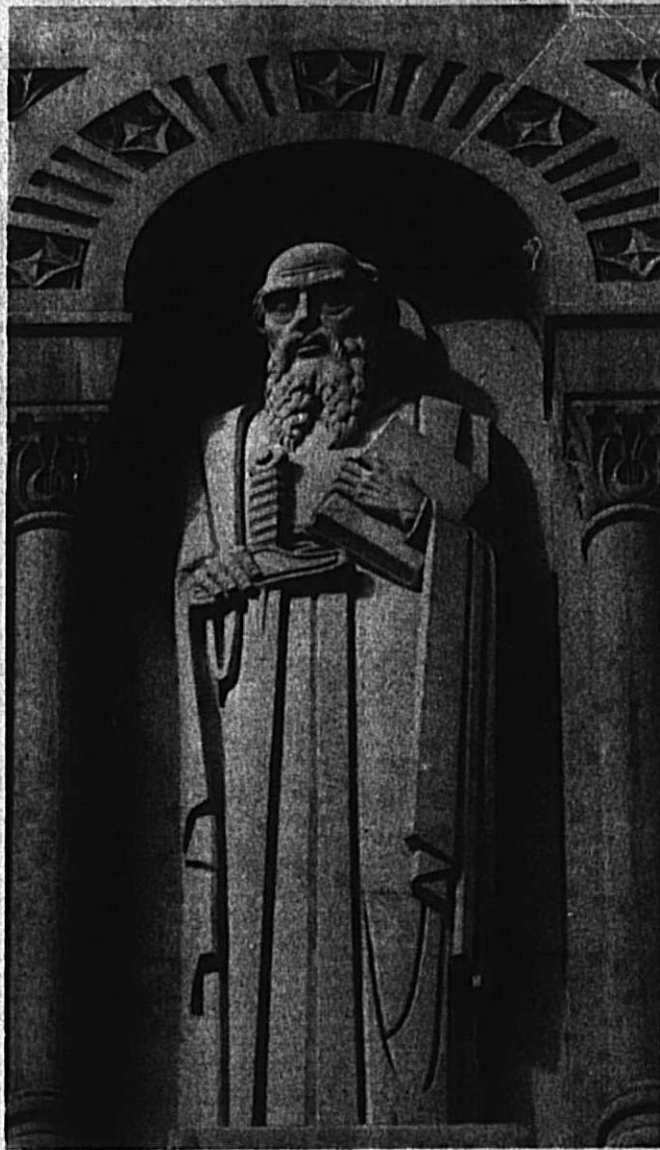
It was on the second journey that Paul carried the Gospel to Europe (Acts 16:9ff). This same journey produced Paul's most dismal failure. It occurred in Athens (Acts 17:16-34) where his only attempt to use a philosophical approach to preach the Gospel was met by ridicule and mockery.

But upon the heels of failure came success, and when Paul preached the simple Gospel of Jesus crucified to the Greeks of Corinth, the "sin city" of the Greco-Roman world responded, and he founded the most famous (and troublesome) of all his churches.

Paul's third journey took him to Ephesus, the center of worship of the Greek fertility goddess, Artemis, where the Gospel encountered the first pagan hostility (Acts 19:23-40). He returned to Corinth to settle some disputes and then went to Jerusalem where the imprisonment began that eventually took him to Rome.

IT WAS HIS ROMAN citizenship that enabled him to appeal his case to the emperor's tribunal when it became bogged down in Caesarea (Acts 25:1-12). And it was his Roman citizenship that earned him the privilege of being beheaded instead of crucified.

By the time Paul's martyrdom occurred in Rome in 67-68 AD, the fiery little preacher whose life had been turned around on a dusty road near Damascus, had become the chief instrument by which the obscure Jewish sect of Nazarenes had become a worldwide religious movement destined to change the course of history—a change brought by God through Paul's preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Crucified, "a stumbling block to Jews, and an absurdity to Gentiles" (1 Cor 1:23).



Like St. Paul, Russell Shaw writes, "Each of us is called not only to make his or her individual act of allegiance to Christ, but to work to bring others to the point at which, responding to God's grace, they will do the same." This impressive statue of St. Paul embellishes the facade of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington. (NC photo)

Change of heart—change of life

BY RUSSELL SHAW

Have you ever met a person who made such an impact on you that it changed the rest of your life?

Paul did—and it changed not only his life but the course of history. The person who had this profound impact on him was Jesus Christ.

The story of Paul's encounter with Christ on the road to Damascus is one of the most famous in Scripture. The experience radically changed his life. From militant persecutor of Christians he became an ardent follower of Christ.

This is one of the most clearly recorded incidents in history of an authentic conversion—a deep and lasting change of mind and heart by



which a person undergoes a radical reorientation of beliefs and values. From that point on, Paul never looked back. He had acquired a new way of seeing reality and the rest of his life was spent sharing it with others.

SO DEDICATED and successful was he in this enterprise that he, perhaps more than any single person, was responsible for launching the process—which continues today and will continue until the end of time—of proclaiming Christ's good news to all nations and peoples.

Paul never wrote a formal autobiography but we get a vivid picture of him from his letters. Humanly speaking, he must have been a rather "difficult" man—impetuous, uncompromising, impatient with apathy, complacency and backsliding. He was the sort of person who has little tolerance for human weakness—

Parish pace slows for fall planning

BY FR. JOSEPH M. CHAMPLIN

Parish life slows down in most churches during the summer months. This easier pace is welcomed and needed by the priests, teachers and other personnel, but it can provide an excellent period for short and long-range planning by the staff.

Dates for sacramental programs, curricula for religious instruction classes, themes for worship celebrations and texts for adult education are some of the areas suitable for discussion throughout vacation time.

However, the parish planners need also to look at the wider picture—both the past year's overall record and the future's long-range projection. How did we do? Where should we be going? What steps will take us there?

My columns in this unhurried reflective season will follow that pattern. I intend to sketch some general principles and specific procedures designed to build a collection of people into a believing, praying, caring Christian community. Guidelines tested by experience—my own and others, may prove helpful for a priest coming new to a post, for a council seeking to revitalize a sluggish parish, and for involved members wishing to promote inner growth in the Church.

IF WE CAN MAINTAIN that St. Paul was the man most responsible, after Jesus, for the first century spread of Christianity, then we may similarly state that a priest still remains the person most responsible for the vitality of any parish. Show me the shepherd, and I will show you the sheep. He establishes a tone, gives inspiration and provides the direction.

Here are some hints for the recently appointed pastor or the just transferred associate.

START SLOWLY. While a friend of mine began his pastorate by an "Our world is moving too fast, we can't wait" approach and escaped without major hostility, I think he is an exception which proves the rule.

Normally, parishioners resist change and inwardly resent different approaches unless they clearly meet existing wants or obviously correct poor situations.

Consequently, I recommend initiating no major innovations for six months. Don't be so threatened by your predecessor and so unsure of yourself that you immediately cancel all his programs and begin your own projects.

Praise the man before you, yet make no apologies for yourself.

MEET YOUR PEOPLE. The shepherd needs to know his sheep, the teacher, his students, the priest, his parishioners.

Pausing in vestments at the main entrance after celebrating Mass and greeting parishioners is one way of meeting your people. Moving around the sparsely populated church before 7 a.m. Eucharist and saying "hello" to each of the 68 worshippers is another. Standing outside prior to and following the liturgy when not the celebrant, a third.

A name is the most important word in the human language. Learning it as fast and as best you can should be high on the priority list of things to do.

Flipping through the emptied, discarded mail-it-monthly offering envelopes will fix names and addresses in a marvelous living computer, your human memory. Those facts, lightly embedded into the mind by a cursory glance, will come back with remarkable frequency when, later, you talk in person to the individual who owns that name and dwells in that house.

A home visiting parish census, begun immediately and continued consistently, will bear rich spiritual results and obviously widen your knowledge of the people for whom you are responsible.

WIN THEM OVER. First impressions are important. Therefore, smile, be friendly, show your love. Talk about how glad you are to be here, not how sad you feel leaving there.

Praise them for the good you see; overlook for the present what eventually must be corrected.

Be swift to serve the sick and quick to befriend the young.

Having walked into their home and won over their hearts, then you can lead them along the pilgrim way to our Father.

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THE WORD THIS SUNDAY

By Father Donn Raabe

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

"Visionaries need not apply!"

Amos 7:12-15
Ephesians 1:3-14
Mark 6:7-13

Amos was told: "We don't want visionaries; they mess up our neat way of life!" Our neat way of life can get in the way of real life sometimes, and we need the visionary who's in tune with God and life to shake our complacency. Based on the second reading, Paul would probably say that complacency is a sin. That for a Christian it is diametrically opposed to how we should be living out all the "spiritual blessings" God has given us in Christ, for through Christ we have become God's chosen and beloved. Through his Spirit in us we have come to understand the sum total of his ways, his plan to bring all together in Christ. If we respond to it, it's because we are "of God" and search for Him and recognize Him in the daily life of our world—and that takes vision! To live vision isn't easy. If I am to call others to it, I have to put off the bad habits and ways that keep me complacent and non-visionary. It means trying to live as Jesus taught his Apostles: "take nothing for yourselves, but depend totally on the power of God at work in you—people will recognize Him in you and will take care of you." God has chosen us for actively making Him known, not for complacency. Am I a visionary running scared or living true?

BECAUSE HE WAS SUCH an exceptional individual, Paul may seem a rather unlikely model for most of us. If so, however, we are missing several key points about his life.

One is that we are all called to conversion. Not necessarily through visions or even a single dramatic event, perhaps, but by a constant reordering of priorities and a continual effort to bring our values more fully into line with those of Christ.

This is, of course, the slow and continuing work of a lifetime. But if we work at it, we can expect that there will come times in our lives when God will call us to move dramatically forward in our commitment to Christ and His teaching. If we respond positively to the call, this will be our experience of "conversion."

Also like Paul, each of us is called not only to make his or her individual act of allegiance to Christ, but to work to bring others to the point at which, responding to God's grace, they will do the same. This is what is meant by evangelization. As the Church is reminding us today, each of us is called to participate in the work of evangelizing.

HOW ARE WE TO DO THIS? The details will vary from individual to individual. What is central and essential in all cases is that, like Paul, we be so committed to Jesus Christ as to live the life of Christ in our own lives.

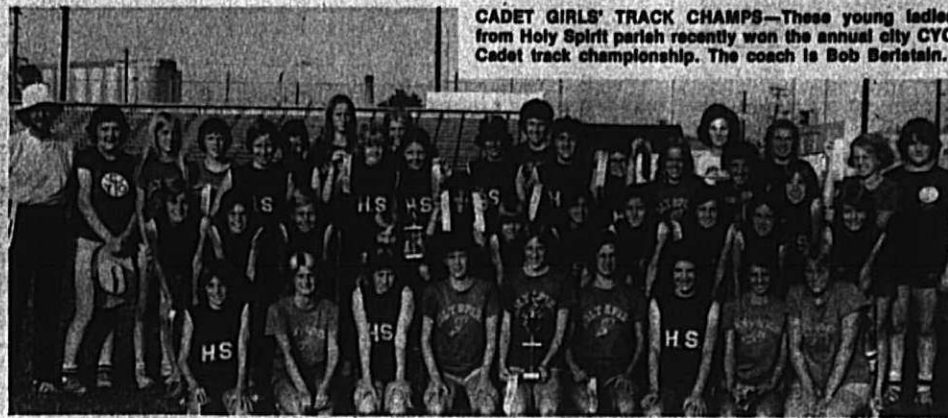
Of this we can be sure. Each of us is traveling his or her own road to Damascus. Somewhere on that journey Christ will confront us as He did Paul—perhaps in a private crisis, perhaps in the face and voice of another human being. And our response (or our failure to respond) will deeply and permanently alter our lives and the lives of others.

Our purpose, then, must be to accept Christ unconditionally. If we do, we will eventually be able to say with Paul: "I have been crucified with Christ, and the life I live now is not my own; Christ is living in me. I still live my human life, but it is a life of faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." (Gal. 2:19-20)

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CADET GIRLS' TRACK CHAMPS—These young ladies from Holy Spirit parish recently won the annual city CYO Cadet track championship. The coach is Bob Berstain.

St. Philip hosts Outdoor Dance

"The Third Generation" band performs tonight, Friday, July 9, at 8 p.m. at St. Philip Neri, for the annual Junior CYO Outdoor Dance.

Admission for the dance will be \$1.25 plus a CYO Card. Father Carlton Beever's St. Philip Neri CYO is hosting the annual summer social affair. Refreshments will be available. The dance will conclude at 10:30 p.m.

CARD PARTY SET

INDIANAPOLIS—The St. Philip Neri Altar Society will sponsor a card party on Wednesday, July 14, at 8 p.m. It will be held in the community room of the church, 550 N. Rural.

65 from Archdiocese on Marian List

Sixty-five Archdiocesan residents were among 132 students at Marian College to achieve Dean's List status for academic performance during the last semester of the 1977-78 scholastic year. Of the total, 21 received perfect 4.0 grades.

Indianapolis residents on the Dean's List include:

Tom Carson, Jack Werle, Vickie Hennessy, Phil Kern, Jackie Thiesing, Elaine Watson, Karen Osburn, Patricia Pekarek, Deborah Wertman, Cecilia Rikke, Joan Zappa, David Zapp, Sharon McCarthy, James Jackson, David Bethuram, Mary Jo Kuehr, Nancy Stark, Jane Gurnerson.

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Also, Robert Blankman, Sharon Horan, Dennis Horan, and Kathleen Redelman, Greensburg; Donna Bruns, Millhouse; Donn Todd, Sunman; James Fohl, Cedar Grove; Ken Meyer and Cynthia Hornback, Guilford; Jerome Disque, Brownstown; Marjorie Giesting, Joe Merkel, Sue Siefert, Donna Rahe, Ken Eckstein, Patrick Durkin and Mary Wessel, Batesville; and Mary Beth Simmermeyer, Oldenburg.

MAP OUTDOOR DANCE PLANS—The recently elected Indianapolis Deaneries Youth Council officers are shown above mapping final plans for the annual Junior CYO Summer Outdoor Dance to be held tonight (Friday) at St. Philip Neri parish, Indianapolis, beginning at 8 p.m. Seated is Maria Cantwell, St. Catherine parish, president. Standing, left to right, are: Jane McLaughlin, St. Andrew parish, vice-president; Ann Papesh, St. Catherine parish, secretary; and Mary Ellen Spanke, Holy Spirit parish, treasurer.



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Swim Meet slated Monday

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Participants will swim in one of two classes: Novice and Open.

Medals are awarded to the top three finishers in each event and ribbons to places four, five and six. In addition, team trophies will be awarded to the Championship and Runner-up teams in both the Novice and Open Divisions. Overall trophies will go to the top three teams.

Timers and Judges are needed to assist in the

administration of the meet. These volunteers should report to the Krannert Pool by 5:45 p.m.

CYO NOTES

Entries for Cadet and "58" Football have been mailed and are due in the CYO Office by July 30. The "58" "B" entries have also been mailed and are due September 2.

STUDENTS FROM Archdiocesan parishes outside Indianapolis include:

Lora Cody, Danville; Cecilia Deogracias, Edinburg; Cecilia Trueblood, Brownsburg; Cathy Mullis, Morgantown; William Rittenman, Franklin; Lynn Holzhausen, Greenfield; Sue Sommer, Madison; Donna Hubbard and Diane Stier, Columbus; Dorothy Fox, North Vernon; Brenda Walter Wilay, Shelbyville; Elaine Rohe, Centerville; Frank Pangallo, Greenwood.

Kickball League entry blanks have been mailed and are due in the CYO Office August 4 for the Cadet A, Cadet B and "58" Leagues. The Junior League entry blanks are due by August 9.

Junior Tennis entries are due July 15 for the annual event. Competition begins July 17 and July 18.

July 16 is the deadline date for the Junior Talent Contest. Entries must be in the CYO Office by that date.

Conference set for the engaged

LAWRENCESBURG, Ind.—The Lawrenceburg District Board of Religious Education is sponsoring a Pre-Cana Conference to be held at St. Louis School, Batesville, on Sunday, July 18. The Conference will begin with registration at 1 p.m. (E.S.T.). The cost of the conference is \$3 per couple, which includes the book "Beginning Your Marriage." All couples preparing for marriage are invited to attend.



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BY JAMES W. ARNOLD

If Hollywood is going to feed on its own past, better the real thing than some recent imitations and pseudo-histories ("Gable and Lombard," "Won Ton Ton").

Sr. Jane Louise, Franciscan, dies at the age of 89

OLDENBURG, Ind. — The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Sister Jane Louise Gabriel, O.S.F., 89, on July 3 at the Motherhouse Chapel of the Sisters of St. Francis here.

Sister Jane Louise was a native of Dayton, O. She entered the convent in 1915 and served the active apostolate 49 years, before being retired to the Motherhouse in 1966.

She taught art and did domestic work at Holy Trinity, Holy Rosary, and Little Flower parishes in Indianapolis, and also in schools and convents throughout Indiana, Ohio, and Missouri.

all it lacks is a story line, or indeed any thread of logic, which may make it harder to follow for 130 minutes than its illustrious predecessor.

Like the 1974 original, "Part 2" is mostly a compilation of bits and pieces from the truly fabulous MGM musicals of the 1930-50 golden age. About 75 films are excerpted, with heavy clipping as before from the solid classics: "Singin' in the Rain," "American in Paris," "Bandwagon," "Barkleys of Broadway," "Easter Parade," "Gigi." To say the selections are less marvelous than before would be nitpicking. Obviously, the first film had top choice. But there's more than enough material for a rich second round draft. Gene Kelly's roller-skating dance from "It's Always Fair Weather" may lack the legendary status of his wet-footed exuberance in "Singin' in the Rain," but it's great anyway.

THE MAJOR difference this time is that old folks Kelly and Fred Astaire serve as singing and dancing composites and commentators, reminiscing and joshing as they take us on a loosely organized tour that covers, in part, famous composers, (Porter, Kern, Berlin); line segments from the black-

and-white era (climaxing with Busby Berkeley's super-climactic ending for "Gigi Crazy"); memorable single performances, with a special tribute to Frank Sinatra; various numbers presumed to be set in Paris, of which the best is easily Lubitsch's spectacular ballroom sequence in the 1934 "Merry Widow"; and a non-musical collection of lighter moments from the films of Spencer Tracy and Katharine Hepburn.

Most of it is sheer delight, although the Kelly-Astaire narration format is often a touch forced and uninspired, leaning hard on endless changes in the title song. No one can expect these gentlemen to be as charming and light-footed as they once were, and many may prefer the semi-documentary style of "Part One," in which a more varied group of old-timers prowled around the ancient sets and poignantly recalled the triumphs of youth. But at least the new film avoids the earlier note of sadness and the sometimes

tasteless puffery for greedy old MGM.

ALSO AMONG the new wrinkles is greater attention given to straight comedians, especially the Marx Brothers, whose classic crowded stateroom scene from "Night at the Opera" is a highlight; some exposure to the still dazzling Garbo, doing a Spanish dance and saying "I want to be alone" in several contexts, and a clever sequence introduced by Sammy Cahn, showing the ludicrous way in which movies have shown famous composers writing their music. Taking the prize here, undoubtedly, is the scene from the 1938 "Great Waltz," in which Strauss puts together "Vienna Woods" from incidental noises and hoofbeats on a carriage ride with his girl friend through the park. Another montage milks some good-natured humor from the schmaltzy endings to the Fitzpatrick travelogues.

The most endearing moments, however, are definitely non-satirical: the

crazy "Triplets" number from "Bandwagon," with Astaire, Nanette Fabray and Jack Buchanan as stubby-legged infants in nursery clothes; Judy Garland singing "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" to teary Margaret O'Brien; Bobby Van hopping downtown in "Small Town Girl"; Lena Horne and the "real" Doris Day torching, respectively, "Lady Is a Tramp" and "Ten Cents a Dance"; Kelly and Leslie Caron dancing on the banks of the Seine, or Kelly and Cyd Charisse doing part of their "Gotta Dance" ballet from "Rain." One is also struck at the vitality of the "second string" hoofing in these old films by such then-unknown talents as Bob Fosse, Carol Haney and Gwen Verdon.

IT'S ODD THAT some of the old performances can be taken now only as camp (the still romantic of Nelson Eddy and Jeanette MacDonald, the mind-boggling water acrobatics of Esther Williams), while others retain their original effect as art, and still others are mostly touching memories (the puppet singing to Caron in "Lili").

In any case, "Part 2" reminds young and old alike of a significant and unfortunately departed slice of our cinema heritage. It is a classy memoir. (Rating: A-1—unobjectionable for all)

The week's TV network films

WATERLOO (1971) (ABC, Friday, July 9): A visually beautiful rendering of the famous battle, and explorations of the contrasting characters of Napoleon (Rod Taylor) and Wellington (Christopher Plummer), directed by the gifted Russian, Sergei Bondarchuk, in the grand style of his two-part "War and Peace." This will not be as impressive on the small home-screen, but it's the art of cinema at its most expensive and professional. Recommended for all who can tolerate the realism of war.

YOUNG WINSTON (1972) (ABC, Sunday, July 11): Richard Attenborough's intelligent and often gorgeous biopic of the sensitive, eloquent and above all active young Winston Churchill, "the Man of the hour of the 20th century." Simon Ward is perfect as Winston, and his

parents (Anne Bancroft, Robert Shaw) are so well-handled they almost steal the show. Recommended for adults and all but very young children.

THE PUBLIC EYE (1972) (ABC, Friday, July 16): Peter Shaffer's very offbeat and very lovely piece of whimsy about a strange private detective (Chaim Topol) who helps his client and his wife fall in love again. Incredibly pleasant, gentle and upbeat. If you can just get in the mood. Some great photography of the sights in London, and all directed by the late Sir Carol Reed. Recommended for adults and mature youth.

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