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Indianapolis hosting Knights of Columbus Supreme convention * Resolutions

The 95th annual convention of the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus will be held in Indianapolis Aug. 16, 17 and 18. This marks the first time since 1940 that the Hoosier capital will be hosting the prestigious

capital will be hosting the prestigious parley.

Some 398 official delegates will represent councils not only in every state in the union, but also in Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Guam, Guatemala, the Philippines and the Virgin Islands—giving the assembly an authentic international flavor. The addition of other officers and family members is expected to boost the total attendance to more than 1,600.

CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS

CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS will be the downtown Hilton Hotel, though the other major hostelries will share in providing lodging facilities. Though the conclave will not officially open until Tuesday morning, many of the delegates are expected to arrive this week-end, and advance registration will open at 1 p.m. on Sunday in the lower lobby of the Hilton. On the same afternoon Mater Del Council 437, the mother council of the 1.25 million-member fraternal society in Indiana, will host a get-acquainted party for early arrivals.

Registration will resume at 8 a.m.

Registration will resume at 8 a.m. on Monday and will continue throughout the day as well as on Tuesday, the opening day of the convention.

First formal event on the agenda will be the Convention Mass, which is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. in the Royal Ballroom of the Hilton.

, Archbishop George J. Biskup, the host Ordinary, will be joined by some 20 other members of the hierarchy in the concelebrated liturgy. Retired Bishop Leo A. Pursiey of Ft. Waynesouth Bend will deliver the homily.

ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS of the convention will be the traditional States Dinner, which will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Convention-Exposition Center, across the street from St. John's Church.

Principal speaker for the dinner will be Archbishop Joseph L. Bernardin of Cincinnati, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops. Also scheduled to address the gathering will be Archbishop Biskup and Supreme Knight Virgil C. Dechant.

Retired Bishop Charles Greco of Alexandria-Shreveport, La., supreme chaplain of the Order, will be the principal concelebrant of the annual



HOMILIST—Retired Bishop Leo A. Pursley will preach the homily at the Convention Mass.



SPEAKER—Supreme Knight Virgil C. Dechant will be one of several speakers at the States Dinner.

on Thursday, Aug. 18. The Mass will be offered at 8 a.m., also in the Hilton.

In addition to Council 437, the other metropolitan Indianapolis councils-St. Plus X, Our Lady of Fatima, Monsignor Downey and Holy Family will be serving as co-hosts to the visiting delegates and their families.

SOCIAL HIGHLIGHT of the conclave will be the Supreme Ball, which will be held in the Egyptian Room of the Murat Temple on Wednesday evening

Murat temple on Wednesday evening at 9 p.m. with the Woody Herman Orchestra providing the music.

Earlier that same day, a Ladles' Luncheon has been scheduled at 11:30 a.m. at the Columbia Club. The Internationally famous "Ink Spots"

will provide the entertainment at the

Council will be host to the children of the delegates at a special outing, which will include flahing and swimming, closing with a Guitar Mass and cook-out.

Fatima Council 3228 is serving as general chairman for the convention. Co-chairmen are Eugene Adams, St. Plus X Council 3433, and Richard Keenan, Monsignor Sheridan Council Kelah, Monighor Saridan Council
6138, Greenwood, All are Past Grand
Knights. Top Indiana officer is State
Deputy Francis Gallagher, a Past
Grand Knight of Fatima Council.

Welcome, Knights

The Archdiocese of Indianapolis joins the state of Indiana and its capital city in extending a cordial welcome to the hundreds of Knights of Columbus who will be visiting us during the coming week for the International meeting of the Supreme Council. We are signally honored.

Exactly 37 years ago this month Indianapolis played host to the same conclave.

In the almost four decades that have intervened, our city has grown to metropolitan proportions in both population and prestige. However, we hasten to assure this new generation of Knights that one thing has not changed: our world-famous Hoosier hospitality.

We trust that our visitors will find their stay with us enjoyable, and at the same time, we pray that God will bless their deliberations and make them fruitful. We salute the Knights of Columbus on their notable con-

tributions to Church and country and predict an ever-widening

Was it really a miracle

on L.A.'s skidrow?



OFFICIAL HEADQUARTERS—The Hilton Hotel in downtown Indianapolis will serve as official headquarters for the International meeting of the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus, which convenes in the Hoosler capital

August 16, 17 and 18. Delegates are expected from every state in the Union as well as a number of foreign countries. wholesome impact on today's society.-F.W.F.

CIRCUIT COURT RULING

NLRB does not apply to Catholic schools

decision on the issue to date, the U.S. Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled that the National Labor Relations Act does not apply to

The three-judge federal court agreed

LOS ANGELES-The men and

women of the Catholic Worker community consider the survival of

their hospitality kitchen and clinic on

miracle. They attribute it to St. Joseph

and Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

After the kitchen had been operating

for seven years, the rent was raised

Alumni to meet

at St. Meinrad

ST. MEINRAD, Ind.—Tire St. Meinrad Alumni Association will hold

its annual reunion here on Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 16 and 17. Some 200 alumni—priests and

laymen—are expected to attend.
The featured speaker at the closing banquet on Wednesday will be Msgr.

For related item, see Tacker, Page 3

Alfred Horrigan, chairman of the Commission on Peace and Justice for the Louisville Archdiocese, and a St. Meinrad alumnus.

Meinrad alumnus.
Father Robert Borchertmeyer,
pastor of St. Charles parish,
Bloomington, will be the homilist at
the reunion Mass on Wednesday.
Other highlights of the reunion
include a seminar on "New Ministry
Developments in the Church," under
the direction of Father William
Deering of St. Boniface parish,
Evansville; a golf tournament at
Christmas Lake Village; and an
organizational meeting at which
Father Robert Buitman, newly elected
Alumni Association president, will
preside.

that by assuming jurisdiction over Catholic schools, the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB), which ad-ministers the act, violates the con-stitutional principle of Church-state

As one judge put it, "The National

from \$475 to \$1,700 a month. The

Workers pondered whether to get out or to try to raise the \$64,000 needed to

AN EVICTION NOTICE prompted

action. The Workers contacted the 4,000 friends on their mailing list, as well as Los Angeles secular and Catholic newspapers.

In the midst of this worry, Mother Teresa of Calcutta visited the kitchen. She told the com-munity to petition St. Joseph.

"She told us to write the petition on a paper and tie it to his statue," said Jeff Dietrich, a community member. "This definitely did not seem like Vatican ii theology, but we did it."

The Workers felt a little strange going to nearby St. Joseph's Church to ask the pastor for permission to tie a note to the finger of the statue of St. Joseph there, Dietrich said, but they did it and they prayed.

WITHIN TWO WEEKS, they had received \$55,000, with the largest gift of \$5,000 coming from someone they didn't even know in Alaska. Their real estate broker, Dietrich said, called it "the craziest deal I ever heard of."

Today, the Catholic Worker ommunity owns the house.

At a Mass of thanksgiving on July 29 Servant of Mary Father Dan Brown told the group:

"This is the house of God's people. This is the home of the poor. Here they are served and healed. This building houses the servanthood of the workers. God is asking us to use material things in a way that shows we understand who He is."

buy the building.

Amendment) has collided with one and faller into the other." THE CASE INVOLVED appeals of NLRB orders by the Chicago arch-diocese and Fort Wayne-South Bend, Ind., diocese, both of which refused to bargain with unions elected by lay teachers in order to challenge the

Labor Relations Board, in attempting

to steer a course between the Scylla

and Charybdis of the Establishment

and Free Exercise Clauses (of the First

constitutionality of NLRB jurisdiction Although the decision does not apply beyond the seventh circuit, it could influence other courfs con-sidering the issue and may, if the NLRB files an appeal, set the stage for landmark U.S. Supreme Court

e thre judge panel compared Supreme Court decisions denying some forms of state aid to parochial schools with the NLRB's rule that the schools are subject to its authority because they are religiously associated not

This, the court said, "makes more understandable the complaint of the employers that the board is cruelly -sawing their schools by holding institutions too religious to

Reminder . . .

Entries are now being accepted for the monthly amateur photo contest being sponsored by

the Criterion.
The July-August
competition has
been combined into a single contest, with the winner scheduled to award—twice the regular monthly prize. To be eligible for

consideration in the current contest, August 26. The topic is "Patriotism

Potential entrants are reminded that photos must be black and white glossies in either 8x10 or 5x7 size. Photos should be mailed to: The Criterion, P.O. Box 174, Indianapolis, IN 46206.

receive governmental assistance are not religious enough to be excluded from its regulation."

"An evenhanded approach to justice," the judges said at another point, "might seem to suggest that the Religion Clauses, serving as they do as a buckler to stop financial aid to these schools, should not now be any less effective to ward off the inhibiting effect of the governmental regulation here involved."

THE COURT SAID THAT the schools involved in the suit—two high school seminaries in Chicago and five high schools in the Fort Wayne-South Bend diocese-are indistinguishable from those described in Supreme Borrowing language from the high court, the judges concluded: "The purpose of the schools is to carry out the teaching mission of the Catholic

By certifying a union, the court said, the board "alters and impinges upon the religious character of all parochial schools."

More abortions than live births

NEW YORK—There were more abortions performed in New York City during 1975 than there were live births,

during 1975 than there were live births, according to statistics of the state's Health Department.

Forty-six percent of all women who became pregnant in New York City during 1975 had abortions, the state's flgures showed. There were 106,317 abortions performed on both resident and non-resident women in the city that year, while there were 105,249 live births. Statewide, 35 percent of all pregnancies ended in abortions.

The flgures cover a period two years

The figures cover a period two years after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that states must allow hospitals to perform abortions. For two years before that ruling, New York was where most women from around the country came to undergo legal. country came to undergo legal

abortions. In 1971 and 1972, half of all abor-In 1971 and 1972, half of all abortions in New York City were on out-of-state women. After the court ruling, the percentage of women coming to the city for abortions dropped significantly. During 1975, a total of 15,688—or almost 15 percent—of all abortions were performed on women who were not city residents.

will cover wide area

The Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus will consider a variety of resolutions during their Indianapolis convention Aug. 16-18. The topics will include the human life amendment, homosexual "marriages," vocations, and the playing of the national anthem

The 398 delegates will study at least 20 resolutions dealing with abortion, respect for life and support for passage of a human life amendm the U.S. Constitution. Some of the resolutions promote cooperation with the Catholic Women's League in Canada and with the Canadian bishops on pro-life issues; the "Lapel Red Rose" as a pro-life symbol; and a national TV information program on abortion program on abortion.

Another proposal asks that Internal Revenue Service regulations be changed so that taxpayers who op-pose abortion will receive a tax deduction proportionate to all tax monies spent in the U.S. on abortion.

AMONG THE OTHER resolutions

-Establish a nationwide Knights of Columbus program to aid mentally

-Have the Supreme Council press for public assistance to children at-tending nonpublic schools;

-Call for the removal of television programming marked by "undue physical and psychological violence;"

opposition to pornography to city councils, legislators and other government officials;

"Introduction, -Oppose the sponsorship or adoption or any legislation which would equate a homosexual relationship with marriage and would attempt to give it legal status on the local, state and

-"Reaffirm the loyalty" of each Knight to the national anthem "by resisting any efforts to reduce or eliminate" its playing or singing at public or sports events.

Other resolutions call on Knights of Columbus to support the Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights; a U.S. postage stamp commemorating the 100th anniversary of the order in 1982; the distribution in hospitals of a Catholic edition of the Bible; and the continuation of a religious Christmas stamp by the U.S.



ABCC SPEAKER—Bishop Joseph L. Howze of Biloxi, Miss., first black Ordinary of a U.S. diocese, will be the guest speaker at the Fifth Anniversary Dinner of Archdiocesan Black Catholics Concerned. A 6 p.m. social hour will precede the dinner at the indianapolis Hilton on Thursday, Aug. 18. Proceeds from the affair will be used to aid the vocations program sponsored by the ABCC, as well as its youth and senior citizens' projects. Those who cannot attend the dinner may send donations to ABCC, P.O. Box 88015, indianapolis, Ind., 46208. Further details can be obtained by cailing 926-3324.

week's news in brief

by no news service



HELPING OUT—Sixteen-month-old Tiffany Frericks is more than willing to lend a hand to Bishop Gerald O'Keefe of Davenport, lows, as she adds a shovelful of dirt to his larger shovel. The occasion was a groundbreaking ceremony for St. Andrew church in a corn field in Blue Grass, lows, and Tiffany got the honor because she is the daughter of the parish council president, Don Frericks. [NC photo by Jim Lackey]

names

Cardinal Dino Staffa. prefect of the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signature, the Church's supreme court, died early on August 7 in Rome, Vatican in Rome officials announced. He was Bishop

The Church can spark a revolution, according to California's Gov. Jerry Brown, by inspiring more men and women to help solve the problems of their neighborhoods instead leaving them to to the

has been elected superior general of the Brothers of St. Francis Xavier (Xaverian Brothers) during the 21st general chapter of the order

Bishop Joseph Cheng of Kaohsiung City, Taiwan, said President Jimmy Carter should apply his human rights standards to mainland China. "There is no com-parison between the op-pression of human rights in mainland China and Russia today," said the 56-year-old bishop who left mainland China shortly before the

Brother James Clifton, 46,

Communist takeover in 1949.



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WASHINGTON—An official of the U.S. State Department told the House of Representatives that the military government in El Salvador has given protection to Jesuits under death threat there, but that U.S. official concern continues on the question of human rights in that country. Richard Areliano, assistant undersecretary for inter-American affairs, was testifying before the House sub-committee on human rights.

'Concerned' about El Salvador

Pope convers with UN head

VATICAN CITY—Pope Paul VI told visiting United Nations secretary general Kurt Waldheim that the UN should be spokesman for and protector of the human rights of the poor and oppressed. "We hope especially that the UN will become spokesman par excellence for human rights and the protector of those rights which she so solemnly proclaimed 30 years ago," said Pope Paul in a speech to Waldhelm.

Cites peer group pressures

BOYS TOWN, Neb.—Peer group pressure is the most important factor shaping junior and senior high school students' attitudes toward alcohol and drugs, according to a study by Ronald Akers, a sociologist at the Boys Town Center for the Study of Youth Development.

Changes likely in Israel

JERUSALEM—Israel's new rightist government headed by Menahem Begin could bring changes to the country not only in the political and economic spheres, but also in the area of religion as well. While Prime Minister Begin's Likud party officially backs a continuance of the status quo on religious matters, the party must nurture the good will of several small religious parties which seek to have Orthodox Jewish belief and practice more prominently reflected in

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The time of vacation gives family members "whom the obligations of modern life make almost strangers to one another" an opportunity to enjoy family life once again, Pope Paul VI told those listening to his Sunday Angelus talk August 7. . Pope Paul VI has expressed condolences to the Greek (Orthodox) Cypriot Church on the death of Archbishop Makarlos of Cyprus. Archbishop Makarlos, who was president of Cyprus since it gained its independence from Britain in 1980, was 63 when he died of a heart attack on Aug. 3. . Cardinal Glovanni Benelli, former papal undersecretary of state who has just taken office as archbishop of Florence, Italy, has encountered one of the relatively frequent Italian Catholic uprisings in resistance to the transfer of a priest. When the cardinal asked Father Ermindo Corsinovi, assistant pastor at resistance to the transfer of a priest, when the cardinal asked Father Ermindo Corsinovi, assistant pastor at Vicchio di Mugello, to become pastor of the parish of Novoli, there was an uproar among parishioners at Vicchio di Mugello. . . Class struggle and other "forced and artificial" attempts at unifying mankind will never lead to universal brotherhood, Pope Paul VI warned August 3.

Charities Bureau razed by fire

CHICAGO-The Catholic Charities Bureau in Chicago was ruined by a fire which struck July 29, which required 45 pieces of equipment and some 190 men to extinguish. Damage has been estimated at \$75,000.

Permanent deacons/meet

NOTRE DAME, Ind.—Permanent deacons of the United NOTRE DAME, Ind.—Permanent deacons of the United States were told to seek out the "gutsy" ministries "of the street" and were warned against the danger of becoming liturgical functionaries during the first national Diaconate institute for Continuing Education, held at Notre Dame

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formal, only relatively minor Church-city spats have broken out during 12 months of Communist rule. University Aug. 4-7.





Pickets hit abortion action

U.S. admits more refugees

No major flare-ups in Rome

ROME—One year after a Communist mayor took over Rome's City Hall, the Eternal City has not become a "Little World of Don Camillo"—as Mayor Giulio Carlo Argan said it would not. Yet, while relations between the Communist

Campidoglio (City Hall) and the anti-Communist office of the Rome diocesan vicariate have remained chilly and

basin in Southeast Asia.

SILVER SPRING, Md.-Pro-life pickets at Acting Gov.

Blair Lee's private residence said they hoped to publicize Lee's decision to use state funds to pay for abortions performed on welfare mothers. Lee's decision to have the state take up the recently ended federal payments means that in Maryland, welfare abortions will continue unaf-

WASHINGTON—Heads of eight voluntary agencies—including the U.S. Catholic Conference—who resettled most of the Indochinese refugees in the United States following the Vietnam war say "we are ready to do our part" for 15,000 new refugees likely to enter the country soon, including some 6,000 "boat cases," refugees who left Vietnam in small boats and are sailing around the Pacific basis in Southeast Allo.

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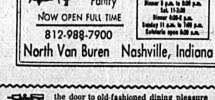
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Cradle 'winner'

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By a remarkable coincidence, the "symbolic cradle" auctioned off by BIRTH-LINE was "won" by an indianapolis physician who delivered literally thousands of babies during his years as a practicing

or bables during its years as obstatrician.

The winner was Dr. Paul F. Muller, Medical Director of St. Vincent Hospital, who is a charter member of the Committee

Related photo, Page 9

for the Preservation of Life and also a member of the Board of Directors of the American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

His was among 12 bids submitted on the handmade cradle, which was offered as a symbolic response to the infamous "abortion auction" conducted last June In New Orleans by the American Civil Liberties New Orleans by the American Civil Libertles

DR. MULLER'S TOP BID of \$100 was actually matched by two other bids which were submitted by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gettelfinger of Corydon and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mimatel of Indianapolis. Dr. Muller was declared the winner on the basis of earliest postmark.

was deciared the winner on the basis of earliest postmark.

BIRTHLINE coordinator Mary Nagy informed this columnist, who had the honor of opening the sealed bids at a special Open House in the new Indianapolis office of Indiana Right to Life on Aug. 8, that the winning auction bid and supplementary donations would make it possible to buy materials for another set of baby beds matching those produced last spring in the Roncalli High School shop class.

Incidentally, the photo of the original set of beds by free lancer Ruth Ann Hanley, which appeared on the front page of the April 15 issue of the Criterion, was picked up by Catholic papers throughout the country, through NC News Service, and most recently appeared in the diocesan paper in Capetown, South Africa.

MICHELE McRAE. president of Indiana

HEADS ST. MEINRAD ALUMNI—Father Robert Bultman, a priest of the Evansville Diocese, is the new president of the St. Meinrad Alumni Association. He succeeds Father Harold Knueven, pastor of St. Gabriel parish, Connersville. Other members of the Board of Directors, in addition to Father Bultman, include A. David Stippler of Indianapolis, vice-president; and Father Joseph Clauss, Evansville, secretary. Other alumni on the Board, either newly elected or continuing in office, include: Father Robert Borchertmeyer, pastor of St. Charles parish, Bloomington; Father Edwin Sahm, retired priest of the Archdiocese and former pastor of immaculate Heart parish, indianapolis; Father Garald Gettelfinger, Archdiocesan Superintendent of Education; Father Wilfred Day, Providence High School, Clarksville; Father Donald Evrard, pastor of St. Lawrence parish, Lawrenceburg; Father John Ryan, pastor of St. Anthony parish, Indianapolis; and Father Richard Terrili, pastor of St. Philip Neri parish, Indianapolis, Also Father William Deerion and HEADS ST. MEINRAD ALUMNI-Father pastor of St. Philip Neri parish, In-dianapolis. Also Father William Deering and Charles Reising, both of Evansville, and Patrick Mullen and James O'Donnell, both of Indianapolis.

FINAL LIQUIDATION SALE-An "Odds and Ends Final Liquidation Sale" will be held at St. Mary Academy, 429 E. Vermont St., Indianapolis, on Saturday, Aug. 20, from 9:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. Sundry items to be offered for sale include such things as beds and bedding, mattresses, window curtains and blinds, pots and pans, mason jars and metal lockers. The sale will be conducted in the auditorium, which is accessible from the Cleveland St. entrance. The sale is being handled by the old Parents Club of the Franciscan-operated school, which closed its doors last June because of dwindling enrollment.

TOUCHING THE BASES—Sister Kristine Ann Harpenau of St. Paul parish, Tell City, is among six Benedictines who pronounced perpetual vows on August 6 at Immaculate Conception Convent, Ferdinand. . . Carol Lyone, a senior at Chatard High School, and Martha Kunz, Cathedral senior, recently participated in a Young Artists Workshop at Ball State University. . . Faye Amrhein won the Outstanding Catholic Youth Award presented annually by Brookville Council #1010, Knights of Columbus.

AUGUST 12

The Roncalli Stadium dedication bash will be held at Roncalli High School, Indianapolis, beginning at 7 p.m. Jugʻs famous chicken dinner will be served. There will be dancing in the school's air-conditioned cafeteria and games of all kinds in the gym. The event, for adults only, is \$5 per person.

AUGUST 13

A rummage sale at St. James parish hall, indianapolis, will be sponsored by our Lady of Every Day Circle, Daughters of Isabella. The sale begins at 8 a.m.

WHO? WHAT? WHERE? WHEN? WHO? WHAT

The Criterion welcomes announcements of parish activities. Keep them brief listing event, sponsor, date, time and location. Announcements must be in our office on Monday of the week of publication.

AUGUST 14

celebration



SAVING CHURCH ART—Religious statues and paintings, a common sight at Rome's flea markets, are sold alongside old tablecloths, junk jeweiry and secondhand furniture. The religious items, many of which originally were in churches, are the target of a new group called the Committee for Rescuing Sacred Furnishings which hopes to find the Items and restore them for church use. [NC photo]

To observe the seventh anniversary of the founding of St. John the Apostle patch at Bloomington, a opening with

Mass at 10 a.m. A coffee-and-doughnut get together will follow at the parish center. A 4 p.m. pitch-in dinner will be held on the church grounds. The day will conclude with an outdoor Feast of the Assumption at 7

The Women's Club of St. Patrick parish, Indianapolis, will have the regular monthly card party in the parish hall, 936 Prospect St., at 2 p.m. Admission is \$1 with refreshments included.

Members of Our Lady of Every Day Circle, Daughters of Isabella, Indianapolis, will hold their annual family picnic at 1 p.m. at Trafalgar Ind. For directions to the 888-1788 call evenings) or 878-4447 (day

AUGUST 14-21

The Archdiocesan Office of Social Ministries is sponsoring a number of events throughout the Archdiocese during the coming

The activities include: —August 14: Special liturgy for Vietnamese families at St. Mary Church, Greensburg. The Mass will begin at 2 p.m. and will be followed by a piculo. followed by a picnic.

—August 16: Teen marriage convening meeting at 7:30 p.m., St. Gabriel parish, Connersville. Teen -August 17:

marriage training program,

Part II, at the Religious Education Center, St. John Education Center, St. John the Apostle parish, Bloomington, at 7:30 p.m. —August 18: Teen marriage training program, Part II, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish, New Albany, at 7:30 p.m. —August 19: Annual benefit dance at KC hall in Terre Haute from 9 p.m. to

Terre Haute from 9 p.m. to midnight, The charge is \$25

-August 21: A Simeon Project training session at St. Patrick parish in Terre Haute after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. This will be Part II of the training program.

AUGUST 18 & 19

A rummage sale will be held at St. Jude parish in Spencer from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on both dates.

AUGUST 19-21

"Focus on Families" will be the theme of a family retreat at Alverna Retreat House, Indianapolis.

AUGUST 20

The Fifth Wheel Club. of the Indianapolis area will have a pitch-in dinner and picnic at the cottage of Frank Konermann on Sweet Water Lake, beginning at noon. For further information, call John Dugan,

AUGUST 24-& 25

A garage sale sponsored by the Chatard High School Athletic Club, Indianapolis, will be held at the Chatard block house. Donations for the sale can be made on Saturday, Aug. 20, from 1 to 3 p.m. and on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 22 and 23 from 5 to 8 p.m. For further information, call Mel Yelinek, 545-9607.

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MICHELE McRAE, president of Indiana Right to Life, BIRTHLINE's sister organization, presided at Saturday's meeting and explained briefly the purposes and function of IRL. Father Robert Sims, a member of Archdiocesan Pro-Life Committee, gave the closing benediction.

When notified by telephone that he had submitted the winning bid on the cradle, Dr. Paul Muller stated that it would be put to good use. He has a new grandchild on the way.

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editorials

A matter of 'policy'

National policy, be it domestic or foreign, is usually regarded by many of us as some level of rhetoric that is about as effective as a glass of water spread across the desert floor.

The statements are made, the smiles are properly assembled, and when the conference is over and the cameras are packed away, the world remains untouched and unaffected. Not only do the national policy statements affect us as being empty and barren, but most of us are cynical enough to assume that political, national and international decisions are totally grounded in expediency, compromise, and economic barters.

We manage to live with the situation by concluding that it is all beyond us or by arguing that there is nothing that we can do that would in any way improve our lot or that of our neighbor. Hence, we can settle back to our acceptable niche, one that is possible through our expediency and compromise. And the cycle continues, as it was in the beginning, is now,

and ever We read now of national policy statements that speak of human rights, and our initial reaction is mixed. There is something about human rights that has a universal ring and speaks to all of us. Yet we have to be careful!

After all, these are policy statements, and what do such statements have to do with reality or with human con-ditions? Still, we cannot rid ourselves of the haunting fascination: What if someone got serious and started making decisions at the national and international level as If human rights were significant. What if nations and states and cities directed their decisions and plans as if the quality of human life were a primary concern.

The "what if" line of thought can really get out of hand, and visions begin to multiplyvisions of peace among men and throughout the nations. But we know that cannot be. Only angels sing about peace among men. So we can again settle back comfortably in our accustomed niche of ease and complacency, recognizing that any reference to human rights is just so much rhetoric and showmanship.

But what if it were not just rhetoric, what if it were not just verblage, what if it were for real? Then we could not take so much comfort in our own cynicism, in our own compromise.

In fact, we might even be called upon to live as if human rights were more than rhetoric. What if all of us began to live in that fashion?

It could be-revolutionary and, strangely enough, it sounds Christian.

-By William Brown



POWERFUL PRELATE—Cardinal Humberto Medeiros of Boston shows good form as he swings a hammer on a strength test machine at Paragon Park, Nantasket Beach. He jokingly looks skyward after driving the indicator one-third of the way up the column. The cardinal was entertaining child



living the questions

Interior renewal charismatic key

by fr. thomas widner

Personal commitment in the charismatic movement takes place through participation in a Life in the course which stresses the deeper

prays for release of the Spirit and moves toward a baptism of the Spirit.

"I'm a Catholic, and I've been baptized once," Nita Reuter stated. "But baptism of understand that more

It is a greater sense of appreciation of the Holy Spirit in their lives which imbues charismatics. Most Catholics grew up knowing there were three Persons in God, and yet few of us ever believed we experienced the third Person in our lives. God the Father was usually portrayed as a bearded old man. Jesus was usually pictured as an effeminate long-haired man. But the Spirit was always a bird. Our lack of understanding of what it means for there to be three Persons made us

GOD THE FATHER dealt directly do something special for us, to reconcile us with Him. But we forget very often that when Jesus left the earth He left the Spirit with us. And the Spirit is as real and as forceful as the Father or Jesus Himself. In fact, anyone who would read Scripture would soon know that the Spirit has vays been at work even though we Scripture is full of references to the Spirit of God at work in men.

frene Kearney knows that charismatics have been accused of turning inward and being closed to

others.
"By turning inward, though, we have become outward," she said. "I have looked inside of myself, and I allow myself to be seen by others. Through the prayer group, I have become more open to others seeing me. I'm not afraid of what they will think of me."

Her husband, John, said that he was put off by an income level obcame from a middle income background. But the charismatic ement calls all kinds of people, not just rich or poor. There's a very

THE CHARISMATIC RENEWAL certainly stresses personal holiness. There are those who do criticize it for this, however, because charismatics are not always so socially conscious.

The truth, however, is that we are just beginning to realize that the real secret of the Second Vatican Council was a call to interior renewal. The exterior renewal would occur as we would change our own hearts. Unfortunately, that did not happen. Actually, the external changes that have occurred have in many instances turned people off. Much of the blame can be attributed to the lack of renewal of the interior life. And this is certainly the thing which is uppermost now in the minds of clergy and Religious across the country.

"We do feel a call to personal holiness," stated Bill Reuter. "We are not do-gooders who don't know what to do. Our associations are not with the world at large."

Next week I'll address the relationship charismatics believe they have with the world around them.

No room for singles?

The following editorial appeared in the July 29 issue of the Idaho Register, newspaper of the Boise diocese. It was written by Bishop Sylvester Treinen of Bolse.

The Church doesn't want us! A woman told me that recently. She was not bitter about it. She knew it was not totally true. But that was the way she felt. "There is room in the Church for everyone else," she said, "but not for adult singles."

It set me back for a bit. I had heard it before and had taken a defensive attitude. With more thought, however, I can see how the conclusion is easily drawn. A week or so later I ran across

an article on singles in the St. Anthony Messenger. That article maintains that 30 percent of our adult population is single-50 million people. This includes the widowed and divorced.

That is a lot of people. Many of these, of course, will eventually marry. There is a trend toward later marriages-a good trend, too. The number of people who never marry is increasing. Divorce is becoming more and more common, and many divorced do not marry

As I ponder this, it becomes clear to me that there is great need for the Church (you and me) to study our attitudes toward adult singles and what kind of ministry we hold out to them.

The woman who complained to me is a former Sister. She continues to love the Church and works in and for the Church. She feels unwanted. Millions of others may feel the same way-those who are "not married, those who honestly feel God calls them to a vocation to the single life, those whose spouse has died and who just want to remain alone, those whose marriage ended in divorce and do not want to "try it again." While selfish motives could lead to these decisions, we must assume unselfishness unless the opposite is evident.

What then is our attitude toward these people? Do we "feel sorry" for them as misfits, as odd ones? Are we a part of the social pressures they feel to get with it and shape up? If that is the way we project ourselves, we betray a mistaken notion that God only has a place for the married, for Religious and for

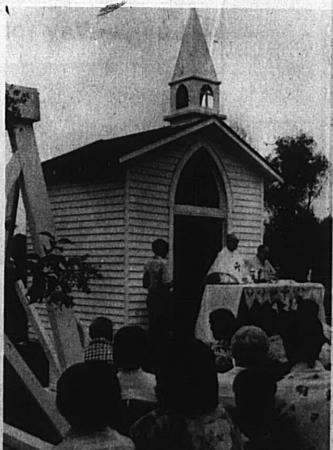
Another important question that parishes must answer concerns the kind of ministry the Church has available for adult singles. A few weeks ago the Idaho Register told of a number of programs just beginning or well started in our diocese that minister to this deserving group. I was pleased with this information, and encourage even greater progress.

The surest way for adult singles to have parish programs available for them is to pitch in and participate in programs that exist and create programs where there are none.

The heart of Jesus embraces all, excludes none. My heart and yours must do no less. Cultural patterns, of which we are a part, have a long time inclined us otherwise. The task, the ideal, is before us. Let us be about a business that must

unaware or unable to comprehend the importance of that third Person.

with the Jews in the Old Testament. But He promised to send His Son to



WORLD'S SMALLEST CHURCH?—Father Lester Schexnayder of White Castle, La., celebrates a once-a-year Mass at Madonna Chapel in Bayou Goula, La. The nine-by-nine foot chapel, once called the world's smallest church in Ripley's Believe it or Not," was built in 1902 by a poor sugarcane farmer in response to the Madonna's Intercession in healing his gravely lift son. [NC photo by Kenny

dale francis says

Pro-lifers have come a long way

by dale francis

The Supreme Court decisions that established that states do not have to pay for elective abortions and public hospitals do not have to perform abortions offered a substantial victory for the pro-life cause.

Justice Lewis Powell, in writing the majority opinion, said that the new decisions do not signal a retreat from the decisions of January, 1973. Since he says this, we can believe him. But the decisions did move

substantially away from how some had understood the 1973 decisions.

Justice Powell, speaking of the 1973 decisions, said they "did not declare an unqualified 'constitutional right to abortion'." Perhaps that was clear to the justices when they provided for legalization of abortion in 1973. It was abortion advocates. As a matter of fact, one of the railying cries of the pro-abortion lobby has been that there was established a constitutional right

JUSTICE POWELL, saying that the original ruling had only protected the woman from interference with her freedom to decide whether to terminate her pregnancy, went on to say that this "implies no limitation on the authority of a state to make a value judgment favoring childbirth over abortion and to implement that judgment by the allocation of public funds."

This clarification is again counter to the trend that had developed since the 1973 decision. The terrible truth is that in the last four years the trend had been towards destruction of life in the womb rather than toward its protection.

The latest decisions do not, of course, respond to the whole of what we who are committed to the right to life believe must be done. The Supreme Court still can talk of the right of a woman to end her pregnancy without any recognition of the right of the unborn infant to life. Yet those decisions do move in a direction away. decisions do move in a direction away from a rampant and callous movement towards easy abortion.

Since now it will be possible on all levels of government to end sub-sidization of abortion by use of the taxpayers' money, the pro-abortionists have made the emotional charge that the poor will be deprived

of their right to abortion. It was also noted that an end of government financing of abortions would raise the price of all abortions—an admission that the government has really been subsidizing all abortions.

IT SEEMS TO ME, from my pro-life viewpoint, that it is surely unjust to use the funds provided by all tax-payers to carry on a procedure a great many believe to be an unmitigated evil. But I am also suspicious of those who lament that abortion will be denied to the poor.

There is implicit in the attitude of pro-abortionists that the poorespecially the Black poor—shouldn't be having bables. They do not say so explicitly, but their attitude is one that views childbirth among the poor as an impertinence. Nothing indicates this more than the supporting argumentation that compares the cost of an abortion with the larger costs of supporting an infant on welfare.

House there are many who are committed to the pro-life cause.

Some are committed on the same philosophical basis as those of us who believe abortion is wrong because it is a destruction of human life. Others are committed because they at least sense that something dfully wrong in the pro-abortion attitude.

William Rasberry, a columnist for the Washington Post who ordinarily supports liberal causes, announced that he has sympathy for the pro-life cause. In an explanation he said, "I suppose what bothers me is not the fact that some people decide for abortion, but that they make the decision seem easy, almost off-hand."

There's a long way to go, but we've come a long way already.



OF THE APOCALYPSE!"

PHILLIES' GARRY MADDOX A CONVERT

From ghetto, via Vietnam to baseball immortality

PHILADELPHIA—Phillies' centerfielder Garry Maddox sits by his locker before every game and prays. He says he's thankful to God for his accomplishments, both on and off the field. But life wasn't always pleasant the fleet-footed, hard-hitting

His life changed eight years ago on a battlefield in Southeast Asia, he

saw a lot that really changed my life. I was baptized in Vietnam. I became a Catholic. I began to get right with

GARRY MADDOX is a quiet young man at peace with himself after years of struggling. Growing up in a California ghetto was a struggle, as was surviving in Vietnam. He is happy today, but not only because he is a high-salaried major league baseball "Were it not for God's will," Maddox said, "I don't believe I would be where I am today. Maybe that sounds corny, but I don't know a more direct way of expressing my feelings."

The second oldest in a family of nine, Garry Lee Maddox knew poverty growing up in Los Angeles County. He knew despate when his parents became per-manently disabled and his family

"Things were tough growing up," he recalled. "I can remember Christ-mases when eight of us got one volleyball to play with. One volleyball."

Sports were for Maddox a way out of the ghetto. He was signed by the San Francisco Giants after his graduation from high school and assigned to the But minor league baseball was a disappointment, and Maddox left his team in the middle of his first season and entered the military. It was in Vietnam that his life changed

"As a kid I never had any real contact with religion," Garry ex-plained. "I sold newspapers on street corners to make money and my buddles and I would sneak into the neighborhood Catholic church to keep out of the rain. That was my only contact with religion.
"I wasn't a member, but I always

had a special feeling for the Catholic Church. I used to go to Mass sometimes—just sit in the back and enjoy the ritual and the beauty. "The Mass is a beautiful ceremony,

even for someone like me, who didn't really understand what was going on,"

WAR AFFECTS different people differently. Maddox, who spent 22 months in Vietnam, turned to religion.

change you one way or another. Some guys became drug addicts; others ran

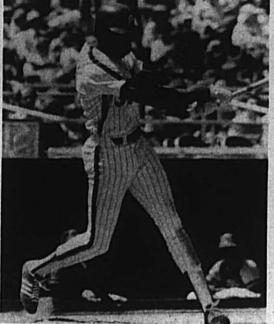
around with women. A friend of mine blew himself up with a hand grenade."
Those were difficult days for
Maddox. "One night," he said, "some
guys in my company were going to

Mass. I went along, too.
"Later, everyone stood in line for confession. I did too, but I didn't know

After talking to the priest, Maddox decided he wanted to become a Catholic. After six months of instruction, he was

He decided to return to baseball. "I think if I hadn't gone into the service there wouldn't have been any more baseball for me," he said.

But there has been more baseball for Garry Maddox. Last year with the Phillies, Maddox hit .330 and won his second straight Golden Glove for fleiding excellence. He has been compared to the great Willie Mays as a



FROM GHETTO TO GREATNESS—Centerfielder Garry Maddox of the Philadelphia Phillies feels he might not be a baseball player now had he not served in Vietnam. In his first season with the San Francisco Glants farm team at Salt Lake City, he quit to join the Army. In Vietnam he became a Catholic and after two years of service he



returned home and the Glants organization after learning his father had suffered three heart attacks. Now with the Phillies, he has earned two Golden Glove awards for his fielding and had a .330 batting average last season. [NC

When Cubs win, so do nuns

CHICAGO—Among all the baseball fans in Chicago, perhaps none are as happy with the performance of the Chicago Cubs this year as the nuns at the House of Good Shepherd.

That's because the Good Shepherd Sisters have what Cubs fans want nearly

Years ago the police department asked the nuns to help relieve the congestion around Wrigley Field at game time by opening up their grounds to motorists looking for a place to park, sald Sister Jerome, a resident of the Good Shepherd

"They are so grateful to have a place to turn into" that many of them make donations, she said, adding that the nuns receive between 25 cents and \$5.00 for each space:

While Sister Jerome would not say how much the nuns take in, another nun was quoted as saying, "Last year we were happy to get \$15,000. We've made more than \$15,000 already this year."

According to Sister Jerome, the parking receipts are being put into a building fund for the 69-year-old school for troubled girls. Under construction is a residence hall, classrooms and an administration and social

With the Cubs in or near the top of the National League East all season long, business is booming for the Sisters. Said Sister Jerome: "This is definitely one of our better years."

And that goes for the Cubs, too.

DIVORCE IN PASTORAL PERSPECTIVE

There can be no easy solutions

CORNELIUS J. van der POEL, C.S.Sp.

People who have a problem frequently want to find someone who can listen, give a fast recipe for the cure and guarantee success in the future. This is also the implicit (or sometimes explicit) hope of divorced persons when they approach their pastor for understanding and assistance. When things don't work

out this way, they are disappointed.

Many people think that divorce has excluded them from the sacraments and from the membership of the Church. They are angry with the Church for what they feel is an injustice, and this anger is often noticeable when they approach a priest. A conversation fruitful. The information of these persons has been inaccurate.

the word this sunday

By Father Donn Raabe

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jeremiah 38:4-10 Psalm 40:2-4, 18 Hebrews 12:1-4

We seek peace. We know too much division, jealousy, pettiness and dissension. When Jesus tells us He's bringing more of the same, it's too hard to bear. We want peace! If He's bringing division does it mean rejecting Him, rejecting God's word (as in the 1st reading) in order to get peace? Hebrews tells us that, like Christ, we must believe in the end result so firmly that we will be willing to endure the cross—the lack of peace, the ambivalence, uneasiness and angst. Peace does not come easily. Though Jesus came to save us, and angst. Peace dues not conseasily. Though Jesus came to save us, the final peace of taking up that salvation comes at the price of separating ourselves from the "world" and its false values. Ultimately, Jesus came to bring us the only lasting peace possible, but to get it is not easy.

Divorce does not exclude a person from membership in the Church, nor does it exclude a person from the reception of the sacraments. Reasons exist why a divorced person cannot receive the sacraments, but it is not because of his/her divorce.

Once the question of the up more personal discussions may be started. There is no easy solution for the problems that result from a divorce. The breakdown of the marriage has cut very deeply into the lives of the couple. A truly pastoral concern does not simply pat the people on the back and say something like: "You did the right thing," or "You did the best you could, don't feel bad," or "You are just as valuable as always." The counselee may like to hear these things, but they are of little

Divorce occurred because the couple could not communicate sufficiently or constructively. This lack of communication was not only the fault of the other partner. The personal attitude of each individual played a role in this failure. It becomes very important to understand why it was so difficult for each person to communicate with the other.

PEOPLE ENTER Into marriage because they love each other, but love is a strange thing. Love is different for different people. Some people hope to find happiness by making the other person happy, at least by doing for the person happy, at least by doing for the other what they think will make him/her happy. Perhaps they were listening more to their own desires than to the desires of their partner. Other people feel that it is the partner's task to make them happy. They are waiting until their expectations are fulfilled. I could go on and give many more examples or present many more

The real question is: What were the The real question is: What were the expectations of each of the partners, and how realistic were these expectations? When each individual can look honestly at his/her own expectations of marriage and at the way each one tried to materialize them, then they may come to the conclusion that there was little III will in the process that led to divorce. They will also see their own share in the process.

This perception should not mean an accusation or an in-



crease of guilt feelings. Rather it should be an insight into the degree of immaturity with which they started their marriage; but not a source for self-rejection.

to see one's personal value and to understand the ways in which one can express oneself most effectively and constructively.

When persons begin to see that they were partners in the process of divorce as well as in the marriage, they begin to see that they themselves were not totally right, nor was the partner nor the community nor the Church totally wrong. The former anger can make room for inner tranquility, bitterness.

Next: "Reconciliation and Peace of Mind"

Rather it should be an opportunity

room for inner tranquility, bitterness, can change to acceptance, and former defensiveness can become cooperation with others for the benefit of themselves and their families. The love for the former spouse will most likely never return, but the feelings of dislike can turn into an acceptance of the other as a person. When the individual begins to discover him/herself as a person who is good and acceptable, the road is cleared to face life honestly and with confidence.

Hansen answers 'K.C.' letter on role of parish schools

letters

(Re: letter by "K. C." of Indianapolis 7/8/77 and Hansen article 6/24/77) How happy I am that "K. C." cared enough to share her viewpoint of her parish, parish school and my article on Catholic education.

Her letter brought out some in-teresting and vital points regarding the issues of parish and parish schools.

I am involved in parish and parish

school activities and consider myself fortunate to be a part of a hard-working, innovative and growing parish. K. C.'s letter has strengthened my faith in "Thinking Catholic" in reference to continuing Catholic Education in both elementary and

secondary schools.

If parents choose public schooling for their children, I feel it is imperative that the parish provide non-school religious education programs. There is

room in our parishes for both.
I would clarify one point before going any further. Tradition has very little to do with my views. I am a Catholic by choice. I became a convert at the age of 19 by choice. My children's attendance in Catholic elementary and secondary schools is by choice with my encouragement, of

In my earlier article, I advocated a 100% level of participation in parish schools by Catholic parents. I can see how much can be done when the participation is below that level. Growth in any area has a better chance of taking place when it draws maximum support.

I have heard and read nothing but negative reports regarding Catholic schools and parishes.

Therefore, I would like to share with your readers some of the positive things happening in my own parish school and parish. The following is based on the school year of 1976-77.

WE HAVE A Home-School Organization in our parish school. It was formed two years ago. The membership consists of Catholic parents. The Home-School Board members are elected from among

these Catholic parents.
Fund-raising activities promoted by this organization include Carnivals Pancake Breakfasts, Roller Skating Parties, Citrus Fruit Sales, etc. Tireless, volunteer parents chair and co-chair these events with other parents, students, and teachers participating. (incidentally, no beer is

The events are financially supported by parishioners and parents of children in school.

The Home-School Newsletter was initiated this year to provide better communication among parents, students, and teachers. The news in students, and teachers. The news in this Newsletter is provided by parents, students and teachers. The publication promotes a sharing of ideas. In addition to the Home-School

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Newsletter, our principal sent out a monthly newsletter for parents Our eighth graders also publish a newspaper of their own.

Some of the Home-School fundraising activities include paper drives, and label and box-top drives. All used to purchase equipment and needed items for our children at-tending our school. This year the Home-School Organization purchased a Reading Lab for our children's use

In our library we have volunteer mothers who assist the librarian in reading programs.

Moreover, there are volunteer mothers serving in the cafeteria lines, on calling committees, typing at home, assisting in the office at school and other areas.

Fathers are also involved in many activities, which are school-oriented. We have mini-courses for students conducted by teachers and parents. In other words, we have active volunteer

Our children participate in such things as Science Fairs, Parish Hobby Shows, the Symphony Art Contest and Spelling Bees. In addition to music classes, guitar lessons are available. This year we had a variety show and a gym show, and the parents were able to see what our children are accomplishing in these areas. We also have field trips, chaperoned by parents and teachers.

Our part-time Director of Religious Education this year implemented a program for mentally handicapped children to prepare for receiving the Sacraments. This coming year as of July 15th, we will have a full time DRE.

WE' HAVE CCD programs, and parents of children in this program are sued a Guidebook published by the Benzinger Company.

We have a textbook committee consisting of two elected parents and five teachers who are working together choose teythook materials for adoption for the coming school year.

in our athletic programs, children attending both parish and public schools participate. Our coaches are concerned, capable parents. We have a operative Board of Education, which sanctions our endeavors.

In reference to our teachers. I feel that they go beyond the call of duty in assisting our children to grow spiritually, intellectually, emotionally and physically. As has so often been pointed out, our teachers do not receive salaries commensurate with those received by salaried public school teachers. Dedication has to be a primary prerequisite.

Refuting the theory that our youth is abandoned after leaving the eighth grade, there are two established programs in our parish. One is a Youth Group, designed to meet the needs of teens. There is also a Young Adults Bible Study Group to administer to the college age level. These programs are open to students attending both parish and public schools.

After leaving the eighth grade, there are secondary schools to attend where religion is a requirement. Throughout this article, one thing is predominant. Involved, active, Catholic parents.

I REFUSE TO separate the word Catholic from Christian. I believe that they are one and the same. Christian beliefs do not always depend on just a matter of attending parish schools. It is a part of giving and sharing and working out solutions. There are many ways of living religion as adults, also without programs set up, per se. Many agencies need volunteers of teen and adult ages to work in their programs—simply giving of their time. I choose to help out in any way I can.

I wonder how many parents are aware of what their particular parishes and parish schools have to offer? Admittedly, our parish does not have all the answers or programs we need, but it is growing more every day.

If this letter achieves nothing else, perhaps it will stimulate parents to ask questions and receive answers and then ask, "How can I help?"

A final word: I will never consider it a duty or a sacrifice to send my children to Catholic schools. I will always consider it a privilege.

Bobby Jean Hansen St. Pius X Parish

Hails comment about 'Star Wars'

To the Editor:

have been very interested in what different theologians and ministers have had to say about the George Lucas film "Star Wars." Arnold's review about a month ago disliked the film because it didn't have a "heavy moral message" or "make you think."

On the other hand. Father Charles Irvin has written that not only is the religious implication a valid one ("the force" as God), but that romantic idealism should be what films are all

Obviously. Father Irvin has had a background in folklore. He mentions that science and technology alone are not sufficient to comprehend the power of the One from whom fairy tales, myths and legends come. Lord Darth Varder makes a quite similar remark in the film.

I only wish that more priests w intelligent and well informed as Father Irvin. Those who say that the force must be some kind of magical practice, rather than haying anything to do with God, simply because Lord Varder has a grasp of it, not only do not know their folkloric backgrounds, but do not know their own religion I beg to differ with Fr. Irvin on one

point, however. Neither in the film nor in the book does Obi-wan, or Ben Kenobi, say "The suffering of one man the suffering of all."

But he might as well have.

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Only 'one true church'?

BY MSGR. R. T. BOSLER

Q. According to the latest edition of la Britannica," "the abandoned Its 'one-true-church position." It was pounded into my head as a child that the Catholic Church was the only true church of Christ. Two years ago I had a personal en-counter with Jesus that makes me feel that the Catholic Church cannot be the only true

church because Christianity is not religion—Christian is Jesus. Has the Catholic Church given up its one-true-

A. Christianity is Christ, it is true, but a Christ who lives on in his followers, who sent His Spirit to unite them into one people in a unity that would be so evident and unique that it would be proof of His claims; a Christ who through the Spirit organized His first followers into communities, in which each had his or her own ministry or service, some apostles, some prophets, some teachers, some deacons, etc., as we learn in Paul's letters and Acts, part of the New Testament Scriptures which the early church composed.

Christ and His Church are in-separable, for the Church is the means through which all nations will eventually be brought together into

one people in Christ.

The Catholic Church in Vatican Council II reaffirmed this faith: "He (God) made human nature one in the beginning and has decreed that all His

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finally gathered together as one (John 11:52). It is for this purpose that God sent His Son . . This, too, is why God sent the Spirit of His Son, the Lord and Giver of Life. The Spirit is, for the church and for each and every believer, the principle of their union." Then: "All men are called to this catholic unity which prefigures and promotes universal peace. And in different ways to it belong or are related: the Catholic faithful, others who believe in Christ and finally all mankind, called by God's grace to salvation" (Constitution on the Church par. 13).

The Catholic Church has not, therefore, given up the one-true-church position but has extended the understanding of It.

The church of Christ, the council aches, "subsists in the Catholic Church, which is governed by the successor of Peter and by the bishops in communion with him

"Subsists" was a word deliberately chosen instead of "is" to accept the fact that other Christian communities and churches help make up the church and that even non-Christian religions contribute in their own way to the development of the one true Church of

"Many elements of sanctification and of truth," the Constitution on the Church adds, "are found outside its (the Catholic Church's) confines. Since these are gifts belonging to the Church of Christ, they are forces impelling toward Catholic unity."

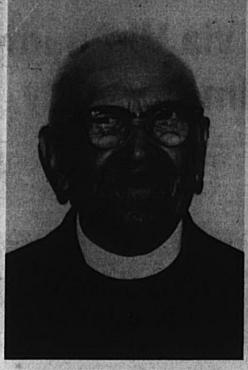
THE COUNCIL, in the Declaration on Ecumenism, elaborates: "Some, even very many, of the most significant elements and endowments

which together go to build up and give life to the Church itself, can exist outside the visible boundaries of the outside the visible boundaries of the Catholic Church: the written Word of God; the life of grace; faith, hope and charity, with the other interior gifts of the Holy Spirit, as well as visible elements. All of these, which come from Christ and lead back to him, belong by right to the one church of Christ." And further: "Nor should we forget that anything wrought by the grace of the Spirit in the hearts of our separated brethren can contribute to our own edification. Whatever is truly our own edification. Whatever is truly Christian is never contrary to what genuinely belongs to the faith; it can always bring a more perfect realization of the very mystery of Christ and the Church."

What this is saying, it seems to me, is that the Catholic Church, though claiming to embody best Christ's plan for a church that will unite the world, nevertheless, admits that the Spirit has been working through other religious bodies and that before the Church of Christ reaches its perfection it will be necessary to combine the good elements developed by each group. Catholics can and must learn from Protestants and the Orthodox, and vice versa. Christians can and must learn from Jews, Mohammedans and Oriental religions and even atheists, and vice versa.

From all groups, including the atheists, the Catholic Church can, to conclude with one example, learn how to improve church structures and discipline that now work against unity, and this would include purifying concept of the papacy itself.

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Chauve, who recently turned 98, served his native France during World War I. He was awarded the Croix de Guerre for



heroism for dragging a wounded soldier to safety. He now lives in retirement at Convent, Ls. [NC photos]

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Women Religious parley seeks moratorium on nuclear build-up

NEW ORLEANS—The 500 delegates at the convention of the National Assembly of Women Religious (NAWR), meeting in New Orleans Aug. 4-7, called for a moratorium on nuclear build-up and agreed not to meet in states where the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) has not yet been ratified.

Those resolutions were among seven approved by the NAWR House of Delegates during the final session of the convention.

In other resolutions, the group

objected to the process by which the Vatican's draft of canon law for Religious was formulated and the lack of grassroots . Involvement by American Sisters in developing the document; backed an investigation document; backed an investigation into the condition of sugar cane workers; agreed to promote the establishment of shelters and self-help programs for battered women; urged religious congregations to consider investing in the Westside Planning Groups, inc.; and supported the Sisters of the Precious Blood in their suit against Bristol-Myers for its alleged misrepresentation of Third alleged misrepresentation of Third World sales practices for its infant

ON NUCLEAR ARMS, the NAWR urged an immediate moratorium on the building of nuclear generators and an end to all exports of nuclear technology to foreign nations, until the problems of negative health ef-fects and successful handling of waste materials threatening the environment are resolved.

The ERA was another major topic at the convention, with at least one speaker emphasizing that pro-ERA and pro-life positions are not inconsistent. The only way the abortion issue will be resolved, said Sister Jane Marie Luecke, chairperson of NAWR's Women in Church and Society Committee, is by bringing women to a sense of their value and dignity as citizens and persons.

"if we have adult responsible women who feel in control of their lives, especially physically and economically, then we will have women who will not find themselves in the situation of facing an unwanted pregnancy," Sister Luecke said.

"It should be widely recognized,"

she added, "that bishops who have taken a national stand against abortion have not done so about the Equal Rights Amendment. The issues are not tied to each other, because if they were, the bishops would also have taken a national stand against the Equal Rights Amendment."

SISTER MARGARET Cafferty, director of the Catholic Committee on director of the Catholic Committee on Urban Ministry, urged NAWR members to act as a bridge between Catholic lay women and the women's movement during the forthcoming international Women's Year conference because, she said, if they do not, "we may well end up with an international Women's Year conference in Houston that seat acres ference in Houston that cannot agree that women are equal."

A resolution calling on the NAWR to cooperate with the National Council of Catholic Women in areas of joint concern was defeated. Delegates argued that two organizations with ideological differences cannot bond effectively, and said that the NAWR might risk diluting its commitment to working with the poor by spreading its



AT CRADLE AUCTION—Mary Nagy, coordinator of BIRTHLINE, left, and Michele McRea, president of Indiana Right to Life, are shown above at the Cradle Auction held on Saturday, Aug. 6, at the new Indianapolis headquarters of IRL. Announcing the sealed bids is Criterion Managing Editor Fred W. Fries. The winning bid was submitted by Dr. Paul Muller, Medical Director of St. Vincent's Hospital. For detailed story, see Tacker, Page 3.

Providence nun dies at Woods

ST. MARY-OF-THE-WOODS, Ind. — The Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated for Sister Magdalen Cecile Carey in the Church of the Immaculate Conception on Monday, Aug. 8. Sister Magdalen Cecile died on Aug. 4.

Survivors include two nephews, Francis T. Long of Manhattan, III., and Edward J. Long of Wilmington, III., and a niece, Mrs. John T. Murphy, also of Wilmington.

During her years of active service, Sister Magdalen Cecile taught in Malden and Chelsea, Mass., in Chicago, Joliet and Lockport, III., as well as in Indianapolis and New Albany.

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Junior Boys' Touch Football entry blanks have been mailed this week. Entry deadline is Monday, Sept. 5. Play will begin on Sept. 18th or 25th.

Reminder to all Junior CYO Youth Groups: Get your One-Act Play entry into the office by Aug. 22. Competition will begin the

Flight or bus reservations to Niagara Falls, N.Y., for the 1977 CYO National Convention are due by Monday, Aug. 15.

CYO Youth Council Meeting will be Monday, Aug. 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the CYO Office meeting room.

Archdiocesan Youth Council Officers are plan-ning the fall meeting of CYO Youth to be hosted by St. Gabriel of Connersville the week-end of Sept. 24 and 25.

Letters have been mailed to all 1977 CYO Football Coaches reminding them of the annual fall meeting to be held this Thursday, Aug. 18, at Chatard High School, 8 p.m. Each team must be

Nineteen acts will compete in Talent Show

Nineteen acts will compete in four divisions at the 24th Annual Junior CYO Talent Contest, to be held in the Garfield Park Am-phitheatre at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 14.

The contest will include 17 indianapolis acts and one each from St. Mary's, Greensburg, and Our Lady of Perpetual Help, New Albany.

Top prize for "the best act of the show" will be \$15 in cash plus a trophy. The best act in each of the respective divisions (vocal, variety, dance and instrumental) will receive \$5 and a trophy. A \$5 cash prize will also be awarded the runner-up acts in each division.

Contestants are expected to arrive no later than 6:30

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Running helps priest keep fit

BY MARY ANN WYAND

Coming across the finish line, the tall mustached runner looks no dif-ferent than the other sweaty marathoners who had just completed the grueling 26-mile race on a hot summer day. But his cheering section of CYO kids spot him right away. "Father Kimi it's Father Kimi" they

cry, elated at his arrival. Only his T-shirt hints at his vocation. It says "Godspeed" on the front and "Father

Father Kim Wolf, associate pastor of Holy Spirit parish on Indianapolis eastside, has successfully completed the lengthy endurance test. No award was earned, but it is a personal victory for the 29-year-old priest.
"There's definitely a spirituality

Cemetery Mass

The monthly Mass for the Falthful Departed will be offered in the Mausoleum Chapel in Calvary Cemetery at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17. Father Joseph Rautenberg, associate paster of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, will be the celebrant. The public is invited to participate.

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discussing his athletic hobby with a Criterion reporter last week. "I just like to run. It's always a different ex-perience. It almost becomes a chant. I've said the Rosary while running, and also think about prayers and sermons . . It's a form of solitude."

HOLY SPIRIT parishioners support Father Kim in his dedication to running. The parish senior citizens club presented a jogging outfit to the young priest, and the CYO group purchased the special T-shirt. Father Bill Munshower, pastor at Holy Spirit, even adjusts the weekly Mass schedule so that Father Kim can participate in an occasional Sunday

Father Kim's best time in the 26mile, 385-yard, event was three hours and twenty minutes, which he posted during the Fort Wayne-Three Rivers Festival marathon earlier this summer. He hopes to achieve a three-hour marathon, and would like to run in the internationally famous Boston Marathon in two years

"Having the experience of growing up with athletics, I have a very idealistic approach to

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running—a healthy mind, a healthy body," Father Kim ex-plained. "I just feel better physically, and I like the challenge."

Viewing running as a "a way of praying, of praising God, of expressing myself non-verbally," the athletic priest said he believes that, "I person owe it to myself to be an individual . . needing and wanting to run. I would run every day if my schedule would permit it. I most often run in the morning."
"I don't miss (running) too many

days, and I average 40 to 45 miles a week," he added. "I usually run about eight miles around here, and I don't like to stop once I start my course."

FATHER KIM, a self-proclaimed fair weather runner, said he starts running on Ash Wednesday every year. "I think the parishioners appreciate my dedication to running and that it (running) says something. The kids carr relate to an athletic priest."

Kim Wolf grew up on the northeast

side of the city, was graduated from the Latin School of Indianapolis, then completed four years of un-dergraduate work and four years of theology at St. Meinrad.

After earning his Master of Divinity degree, he was ordained in SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in 1974, and has served as associate pastor at Holy Spirit since his ordination.

IN ADDITION TO HIS involvement Father Kim participates in the Church's Marriage Encounter program and serves on the Priests' Advisory Board of the CYO for the Archdiocese. Other special interests include camping, hiking, traveling and out-

"I love outdoor work," he ex-plained. "I do a lot of outdoor work around here [the rectory] and enjoy painting."

His interest in running developed at t. Meinrad, and he started running St. Meinrad, and he started running again after coming to Holy Spirit. "I don't compete much with other runners," he admitted, but finishing each race gives him a sense of satisfaction. In the marathon of life, he added, some drop out along the way, and others are blessed with the ability to finish.



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Another Disney classic

BY JAMES W. ARNOLD

"The Rescuers" brings the Disney company back into its mainstream specialty, the feature-length animated cartoon (this is the 22nd in the studio's history, the first since "Robin Hood" in 1973).

While there are few surprises, that may be an asset in this kind of movie, as it is in the motel business. One critic you can't argue with: my seven-year-old daughter, who can't make comparisons with "Snow White," "Dumbo," or "Sleeping Beauty." She was charmed out of her blue canvas tennies.

"The Rescuers" is based on contemporary stories by Margery Sharp rather than fairy tales, but the difference is superficial. Essentially we have a little kidnaped princess rescued from the castle of the Wicked Queen. Not by a handsome prince (this is a story apparently aimed at an even younger set of primary graders than usual) but by a team of special agents from Disney's bottomless repertoire of lovable mice, the silken Bianca and the anxietyridden Bernard, modeled after the respective mouthpieces, Eva Gabor and Bob

THE HEROINE Penny is challenged." not actually a princess but a poor orphan who longs to be department's office of film

adopted (a maudlin and oddly dated touch). She is whisked away by a greedy lady pawnbroker (Madam Medusa) to exploit her frail size in the search for a glant diamond in a lost pirate treasure cave deep in the spooky Louisiana, bayous.

As in classic Disney, It's the dazzling array of characters we remember, starting here with archvillainess Medusa, who is a marvelous caricature of all the seedy parts played by her voice-actress Geraldine

Catholic Conference (USCC)
Department of Communication has issued a

strong statement against "SOAP," ABC-TV's proposed

fall series, and has urged advertisers, local ABC af-

fillate stations, and the public to call for its removal.

In an eight-page statement, the USCC

department charged that "SOAP" is in direct con-

tradiction with the code of

the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) and with

"television's traditional status as a family medium."

Because of that, the statement said, the series

publicly

Page—orange hair, blue eyeshadow, over-dramatic voice, sudden fits of temper, naked greed, Dianey with a touch of Tennessee Williams decadence. She's not personally as sealer personally as scary as earlier terrible Bad Mother figures in Disney—the depth of her meanness is stealing Penny's beloved teddy bear. lumbering alligators (Brutus and Nero) and a bumbling fireworks expert stooge named Snopes (shades of

'SOAP' draws USCC fire

unsuccessful in attempts to

preview the series. Father Patrick Sullivan, head of the

June to permit his office and

the National Council of Churches' Communication

Commission to see segments of "SOAP," but

never received a reply from

released in New York by Robert B. Beusse, USCC

religious organizations, parent-teacher associations,

advertising agencies and

already had some success in

"Today, similar action is needed to prevent this new debasement of the

medium through a contempt for human

beings," the USCC said.

religious groups and even more ABC affiliate station

Noting that ABC has with-

sanitize" them, the statement said, "ABC seems

to be running a shell game. Now you see it, now you don't Criticism based on the

original 'SOAP' episodes, which a number of Catholic

program schedule that truly

The statement included a

relationship" with the series.

originally linked to "SOAP" by a reference in Newsweek magazine, which had been

picked up by ser Catholic organizations.

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Faulkneri), some an character defects (she's a terrible driver, both of cars and a swampmobile).

The two good guys who steal the show are a wacky steal the show are a wacky albatross named Orville (voice by Jim Jordan, radio's Fibber McGee) and a hard-buzzing dragon fly named Evinrude. Orville serves as his own somewhat sloppily improvised airline, allowing a lot of gags to be worked of

million children are in the television audience at 9:30 p.m. local time, all of them potential viewers of

the management of every ABC affiliate must squarely face in deciding whether to air 'SOAP,' " the statement said. "In the opinion of the

United States Catholic Conference, 'SOAP' should be removed from family television entertainment."

this week's tv films

Bernard-Newhart's famous fear of flying. The aptly named Evinrude serves as motor for a bayou leaf-raft, sputters and wheezes like a real outboard, and makes as stone an impression as any strong an impression as any Disney insect since Jiminy

SEVERAL ELEMENTS clearly make this a 1970's cartoon. A point is made about the female agent Blanca being in charge of the search, although later she is played mostly as ultrafeminine cuddly, with everything but batting eyelashes. Most of the terrors are spectacular (like the fireworks) but hamiless the fireworks) but harmless (when Orville gets sucked into the jet engine of Medusa's swampmobile, he comes out mostly with ruffled feathers). Younger children are likely to be disturbed only by some vampirish bats and the scene where Penny and friends are almost drowned in the deep underground hole where they're trying to pry the diamond out of a human

The quality of the art, while it has the familiar studio look, is infinitely

better than kids are used to on dreadful Saturday morning TV shows, and reflects the \$7.5 million budget and four years of effort by 250 craftsmen organized by producer and co-director Wolfgang Reitherman. Some stuff may be too pretty or cardboard flat, but there are moments of zany creativity (the of zany creativity (the alligators flercely trying to blast the heroic mice out of a pipe organ, or Medusa using the gators as waterakis in the final chase). The soul of the effective Disney style is the maciel lifelike characters.

The seven-year-olds are Orville, Evinrude and company long after the tummyache is gone.



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ness has also become endemic to the recent Disney style, and "The Rescuers" has more sugar than even Mary Poppins could tolerate. The songs are sweet as a lot of contemporary kids breakfast cereal, Penny and her teddy bear are now and then too much Shirley Temple, and the message about the necessity of belief and faith, was when those look even when things look darkest (a good message, after all) comes on with the subtlety of Western Union.

to young to mind; they'd still eat all the candy you could give them. Still, the young folks haven't had much of anything good cooked up for them lately. They may swallow the sweets in "Rescuers," but they'll remember Medusa.

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PLAY MISTY FOR ME (1971) (ABC, Friday, Aug. 12): An adult horror flick of the knife-wielding madwoman genre, with Jessica Walters as the crazy lady and Clint Eastwood and Donna Mills as the Intended vic The statement accused tims. Moderately slick but unsubtle; there is nice photography of California's Big Sur country. Not recommended. ABC of "making every effort to ensure that "SOAP" should be allowed to get into the fall starting gate," despite criticism from several

PAPER LION (1968) (NBC, Saturday, Aug. 13): The very slick and nifty film version about writer George Pilmpton's Walter Mittylsh caper of trying out as a quarterback for the Detroit Lions. drawn two episodes which had been screened for af-filiates and is "attempting to Essentially a fine documentary on a football summer camp, spiced by the wit and humanity of the real athletes, some of whom have gone on, like Alex Karras, to broader careers. Satisfactory family en-

officials have viewed, is now conventiently made to seem LITTLE FAUSS AND BIG HALSY (1970) (ABC, Sunday, Aug. 14): The dirty, THE USCC statement said erable truth of what life the advertiser, the local station licensee and the is like on the motorbike public "each has the right to refuse the program." It Redford cast against heroencouraged Catholics under image as an unscrupulous, ambitious racer and Michael the leadership of their bishops and pastors to take J. Pollard as his eventually an active and affirmative role in joining with fellow citizens on an interfaith in total theme, but grubby in detail. Not recommended. basis in working with station management "to achieve a

.THE WILBY CONSPIRACY (1975) (CBS, Sunday, Aug. 14): Michael Caine and serves the community's Sidney Poitler are strangers ironically forced together as they are pursued across South Africa by a malevolent intelligence officer (Nicol comment from a representative of Compton Advertising Inc. that the agency has "absolutely no involvement, association or Williamson) who is the defender of White Christian Supremacy. The suspense of the chase unwinds too soon, and there are moral difcope with. Not recom-

picked up by several Catholic organizations.
"SOAP" is scheduled for CAMPBELL (1969) (NBC, broadcast at 9:30 p.m. EST, and the USCC statement Frank's comedy about three

ex-Gi's who bring their wives to Italy for a reunion 20 years after the war. Each man is the father of a child born to a local beauty (Gina Lollobrigida), and the potentially heavy situation is deftly worked for sentiment and laughs. Satisfactory for adults and mature youth.

WHAT'S UP, DOC? (1972) (ABC, Tuesday, Aug. 16): Peter Bogdanovich's splendid tribute to the visual 1930's, with aggressive Barbra Streisand trying to save dumb Ryan O'Neal from hilarious fuddy-duddy Madeline Kahn. The slapstick is thick, and about a quarter of it doesn't work, but the rest is more than enough to brighten your day. Recommended for all ages.

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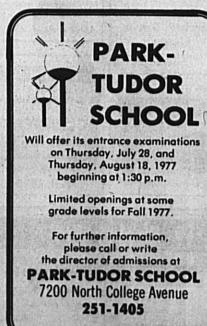
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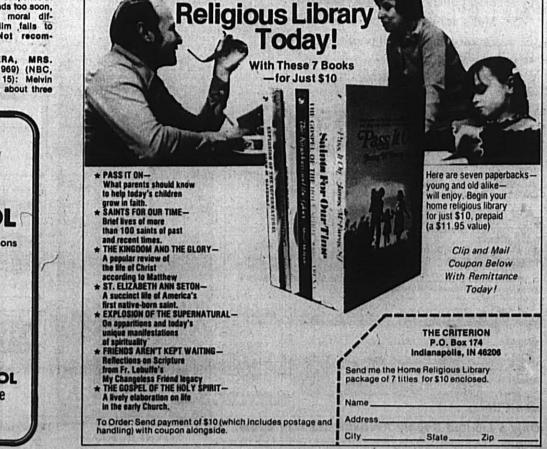
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Faith and justice: every Christian's business

By Joseph Holland

Ten years ago Father Yost and Mrs. Santos did not get along too well because Mrs. Santos felt that her peace was dis-turbed at Mass by Father Yost's constant

preaching on social justice.

"After all," she kept telling him, "this is a nice middle-class parish. We do give money to special causes. Why do you keep going on and on about something that virtually does not exist in our com-munity? Why don't you just do your thing with all the poor people you talk about and use the funds the way you see fit without bothering us with the awful details? St. Joseph's Church can't cure the world's ills. Frankly, you disturb my

peaceful meditation."

WHENEVER THIS conversation or a similar one took place, Father Yost felt an instant resentment which he tried to dispel. He explained, "There is more need right in this parish than you realize. Injustice has to be your business. It's every Christians' business. You are com-fortable and I am glad. But this just isn't everybody's situation." And he continued, week after week, to talk about his favorite subject. And Mrs. Santos continued to complain.

One Sunday after Mass, Father Yost suddenly had an inspiration. He invited Mrs. Yost to accompany him the next day on his visits to some parishioners. She said at first that she didn't have time. He said, "Well, I guess you simply don't care to see what I have to show you." Then he wished her a pleasant Sunday and turned to greet another parishioner.

Mrs. Santos was annoyed. She waited until everyone had left. Then she said, "Father, I've changed my mind. I'll join you tomorrow." THE NEXT day, Father Yost greeted her cheerfully. He told her that they would visit some friends of his. During the ride, he didn't say a word about social justice. He stopped the car in front of a small house on a pleasant street. He rang the doorbell and a tiny, old lady, neatly dressed answered the door. She invited them in. Father Yost introduced Mrs. Santos to Mrs. Burns.

"How is your husband today?" Father

continued their morning with other visits. Mrs. Santos saw some faces that were familiar ones. But they were people she had never known. Each had a story.

She was quiet on the way home. Her mind was too filled for conversation. The next day, she went to the rectory and asked Father, "What kind of organizations are there in the parish to help these people? Surely you don't do it all alone."

He smiled and answered, "Of course not. We have the Justice and Peace

vergence which the Spirit of God is bringing to the modern church — the convergence between faith and justice.

It is typified by two great networks or movements in the Church — the prayer movement and the social concerns movement. While the Church has always dealt with both prayer and justice throughout its history, each age has its special social concerns and the Church shifts under the guidance of the Spirit and the needs of the time.

In the modern world, the Church is more and more concerned with structural changes in society — with planning a new society in which the relations among social classes, races and ethnic groups, men and women, nations and regions, and various interest groups, would be more just.

IN THIS PROCESS, the justice theme has emerged as a central theme. This is a change from what we knew before, but it is a change the Spirit shows us. The redefinition took its first steps with the great social encyclical of Pope Leo XIII in the last century, "On the Condition of the Working Classes." Subsequent popes — Pius IX, Pius XII, John XXIII and Paul VI — and Vatican II, bishops' synods and bishops' pastorals have elaborated and refined this teaching to respond to the dynamic, complex problems of developing society.

Altogether this helps shape the social teaching of the Church today. This social teaching keeps alive Jesus' words, "The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to the captives, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favor" (Lk. 4, 18-19).

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...each age has its special social concerns'

"About the same as usual. But he'll be so glad to see you.

Mrs. Burns led them to the bedroom where her husband lay. How thin and weak he looks, Mrs. Santos thought. She left the priest and the old man alone and went into the front room with Mrs.

"You know, I don't know what Henry and I would do without Father. Our Social Security checks aren't sufficient for our needs. Without Father and the parish, we would both be in a state-run institution. We only had one son, and we lost him when he was in his early 20s."

GRADUALLY SHE unfolded her story to the other woman. When Father Yost emerged from the old man's room, Mrs. Santos saw his gentleness. They Committee. It's composed of parishioners from their teens through those in their 60s and 70s."
"Well, Father, what do you have to do

to be part of that committee?"
"You're on it right now," he replied.

TODAY FATHER Yost and Mrs. Santos are close friends. Their Justice and Peace Committee helps the parish wrestle with social problems all the way from the neighborhood up to the United Nations. And they meet weekly in a small prayer group for mutual support

and spiritual growth.

Of course, the story about Father Yost and Mrs. Santos is fictional. But similar scenes are actually being enacted in parishes all over the United States. It's the beautiful story of the great con-

Called

greatness

By Father Joseph M. Champlin

A feeling of smallness. Like a person feels when, having complained about a minor ache, meets a patient individual with a painful cancer; or like a Christian feels when, having bragged about some small Lenten Sacrifice, discovers another who quietly has given up much more; or like a shopper feels who, roughly rejecting a street beggar's plea, then watches a more caring soul bend down and treat the same indigent with great love and generosity.

I experienced that feeling of smallness several times in a 10-day period while offering Masses at Assisi, here in Rome at St. Peter's Basilica over the remains of postle, and within the North American Martyrs chapel of our college.

SEVERAL COUPLES from the United States had come to Italy for presentations with me on the sacraments of Matrimony and Holy Orders. We joined together for the Eucharist each day at these different spots.

As I observed their deep love for the Church, their strong faith in the Lord, and their intense devotion at the liturgy, I felt rather small. Their love and faith seemed so much deeper and stronger than mine, their devotion so much more

intense. I was humbled by them, called to be greater because of their example and the way they were living out their sacrament.

At the same moment, however, they no doubt experienced a similar summoning to be more because of my priesthood. My very presence at the altar surely motivated them as I offered, in the place of Christ, His sacrifice, and through it linked them with the past believers who for centuries have gathered around the Lord's table.

BISHOPS AT the Second Vatican Council supported that mutual calling of priests and married couples to greatness. The "Pasto al Constitution on the Church in the Modern World" urges priests "to nurture the vocation of married people . . . by different pastoral means . . . They should strengthen them sympathetically and patiently in their difficulties and comfort them in charity with a view to the formation of truly radiant families."

The bishops also encouraged married people "to be united together in equal affection, agreement of mind and mutual holiness. Thus...they will bear witness by their faithful love in the joys and sacrifices of their calling, to that mystery of love which the Lord revealed to the world by his death and resurrection." (Article 52).

St. Paul in his fifth chapter to the Ephesians teaches that the two made into one union of husband and wife "is a great foreshadowing; I mean that it refers to Christ and the Church."

HUSBANDS AND wives, he insists, should love one another. "Observe that no one ever hates his own flesh; no, he nourishes and takes care of it as Christ cares for the Church - for we are members of his body.'

This indeed is a great foreshadowing, a great mystery.

How should I as a priest live in today's world? I look to the example of a married couple: their love for one another and for Christ speaks to me in a very human, visible, practical way about the love I should have for the Lord and for the people I serve.

SIMILARLY, a husband and wife, mother and father, viewing the love a priest has for God and the flock he shepherds, can draw inspiration for their own lives, for their own relationships to one another, to their children, to the world surrounding them, and to Jesus, the giver of both sacraments.
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Social gospel: Converted individuals convert society

By Father Alfred McBride, O.Praem

After years of hearing about morality in personal terms, parish audiences of recent vintage have been listening to The so-called social gospel seems to have replaced the previous assaults on personal conscience. Stop worrying so much about yourself and start thinking of your responsibility to heal the ills of society. Don't dwell on personal virtue

and the thoughts of salvation in the next life, but concentrate on civic responsibility and salvation for the poor in this

Cease and desist from purifying one's soul of personal vices for it is more important to cleanse the society of structural evils that keep the poor in thrall. Slow down a moral introspection that is only likely to depress you and give you a

Speed up your energetic involvement in causes that will lighten the load of the dispossessed and assure them of a future in this world. Forget personal moral needs because the social needs of others are more critical.

THE PROPONENTS of this way of teaching and preaching morality cite the sermons of the prophets and the story of Christ's cleansing of the temple as case studies to back up their intentions. After all, if Isaiah and Jermiah and Amos could castigate the temple congregations of the Hebrew convenant about their moral responsibility of social evils, why isn't this approach just as valid today?

Just as Jesus purified the institutional church by his cleansing of the temple, so today we must purify the institutions of society in order that the deprived find hope in their lives. No other moral claim has a greater demand upon us than this, claim the apostles of the social gospel.

If we are not convinced by their bibli-cal defense, then they will bring out the justice and peace letters of John XXIII (Mater Et Magistra and Pacem In Terris) and Pope Paul's letter on the Development of Nations. Should we still remain adamant before these arguments, they can still drum up a theology of liberation from Latin American scholars and heart rending tracts from social critics on the

WHO CAN resist so much goodness? Who is so crass as to deafen one's ears to the cries of the poor? Who is so stiff necked and hard of heart that they cannot appreciate the pleas for unprejudiced and dignified treatment from the races and the ethnics? What good Catholic will

avert his or her eyes from clear and present cruelty?

Unfortunately, there are probably many who will. Hence all the more must the exhortations to social concern be raised. Yet, there is a problem. It is wrong to emphasize the social gospel at the expense of personal moral improve-ment. It is an exaggeration to push peo-ple to forget the ideals of self abnegation and sacrifice for personal improvement so that they will only ponder social evils. The fatal error here is that the preachers may be calling unrenewed individuals to undertake a moral cause for which they

are personally unprepared.

If a Catholic man or woman doesn't even know how to keep the command-ments or engage in a life of virtue, how can he or she be expected to man the battlements for great social causes. That would be the blind leading the blind. Without individuals of sound moral character, could anyone expect that the ideals of social concern be pursued?

It is tough enough to work for a just society when one does have a firm inner spiritual and moral life. Imagine what it is like for people whose inner life is a moral shambles.

THE MISTAKE being made by the advocates of the social gospel is that they do not have the patience to see and work on the whole picture. Without converted individuals there can be no conversion of

No decent Catholic will quarrel with the goals of the social gospel. Their rightful complaint is the ignoring of individual morality at the expense of social concern. Their experience tells them that there is little hope of curing society if the person is not healed in the first place.

All the truly great prophets of the social gospel are people of profound personal, individual moral strength. Think of Dorothy Day, Mother Teresa and Dom Helder Camara. By all means continue the social gospel crusade. But add to it the guidance toward a deep moral and spiritual life. Only the combination of the two is really workable.

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'All truly great prophets of the social gospel are people of profound personal individual moral strength..."

Dorothy Day is photographed in 1973 as she goes to jail after challenging court limitations on United Farm Workers Union picketing.



'Gonna Fly Now'



Gonna Fly Now Theme from "Rocky"

Trying hard now It's so hard now Trying hard now

Feeling strong now Won't be long now Feeling strong now

Gonna fly now Flying high now Gonna fly, fly, fly.

By B. Conti, C. Connors, A. Robbins (p) 1977 United Artists Music Co., Inc. ASCAP)

Rocky. What a phenomenon the movie has been! I came home from it and tried to do one of those one-hand pushups Rocky used during his training for the big boxing match. I did it! I was so proud that I decided, like Rocky, to try to alternate from left hand to right and back again without letting both hands touch the ground at the same time. I almost broke my nose.

The movie has done this kind of thing. It has captured people's imaginations. They don't want to forget the experience. Beyond pushups, the musical theme is the race of all the amateur piano players my community. And it seems these days that you can't get away from Rocky T-shirts.

THE STORY line of Rocky raises a theme that is in so many ways counterculture. But it is entirely wholesome. It's about someone who does not have the "stuff" to be a winner. He is poor, not too smart, and unskilled. But with all his limitations, he is the type of person who plans to live life the best he can and enjoy

There is the memorable scene when Rocky is discussing why he goes out with

his girlfriend. He points out that neither he nor she are the greatest, but they have each other and they are going make the best of it. They are going to make life good in spite of their limits.

The musical theme which is presently available in at least three settings conveys so much of this sense of Rocky. The music is, for the most part, an instru-mental brass fanfare. It is a straight-forward announcement that Rocky is a noble hero. And his greatness is the triumph that goes on within him. He knows he cannot win according to other people's standards, but he will win according to his own. He will set goals that allow him to feel he has made great use of his gifts. And regardless of other people's judgments, he will feel pride and peace.

THE FEW words of the song give a related idea that is valuable. Rocky, the movie and the music, cannot be separate from the discipline of the training. A sig-nificant part of the movie is about his training, pushups and diet, punching in the meat refrigerator and jogging. "Trying hard now, it's so hard now. Feeling strong now, won't be long now."

It is all heading towards the moment

when he can feel he is as good as he can be, when he can run up the steps at the end of the Ben Franklin Parkway and know that he is no longer winded. At that point in the movie, the music peaked with "Gonna Fly now, flying high now."

This is the force of Rocky. It is about a person who refuses to be crushed to the earth by his limits. He chooses the much more noble course of picking himself up to do the very best he can. And so he sacrifices and trains, willing to struggle for the sake of his inner freedom. It is then that his spirit takes flight.

THE REASON so many of us do not want to forget Rocky is that he is so

much like us in the beginning, and so much like us in the beginning, and so much like what we want to be in the end. Few of us can be great athletes or intellectual geniuses, beautiful physical specimens or great personalities. But we can be ourselves and life can be good. It only requires that we be noble of spirit enough to try.

Rocky is a fine hero who encourages

us to be realistic about ourselves. He calls out to us to accept our limits and also to believe in our possibilities. And then it is up to us to try. Rocky is about your inner

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Discussion questions

1. What is the social-gospel? Why do you think we are hearing so much about it? Do you see it being practiced? If so, where and how?

2. Do you feel that it is necessary to give thought to personal salvation?
3. Do you pray? How do you feel about prayer. Discuss what the place of prayer is in the modern world.

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4. Discuss this statement: "Cease and desist from purifying one's soul of per-sonal vices for it is more important to cleanse the society of structural evils that keep the poor in thrall."

5. Discuss this statement: It is a fatal error to call "unrenewed individuals to undertake a moral cause for which they are personally unprepared."

6. Who are the great prophets of the social gospel? Why are they great?
7. Have a roundtable discussion on the

question, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

8. Read the parable of the rich man in
The Gospel According to St. Luke,
Chapter 16, verses 19 through 31.

Read in The Gospel According to St. Luke, Chapter 10, verses 25 through

10. What have you learned from these two readings from Luke? Discuss.
11. Read Chapter 2 of The Epistle of

James.

12. Is there a Justice and Peace organization in your parish? If so, are you a part of it? Or, do you know what they are involved in doing?

13. If there is no formal Justice and Peace organization in your parish, what other kinds of charitable things are going

14. Pinpoint some of the things that have inspired you during your lifetime.

THE BIBLE

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Church and state in the Bible

By Father John J. Castelot

The question of the relations between Church and State has always been a vexing one, and has had a long and complex history. In our time the problem should perhaps be stated more accurately in terms of religion and politics. Should spokesmen for religious values and interests concern themselves with political effects and if so, to what extent?

cal affairs and, if so, to what extent?

The Bible, especially the Old Testament, gives no clear and detailed answer, but it does offer some thought-provoking

insights.

We live in a society which, for the principle of most part, operates on the principle of separation of Church and state, a basically sound and practical principle, even if it s sometimes rather strangely interpreted. The society reflected in the Old Testament was quite different. Ideally, it was a theocracy: government by

Yahweh was considered to be king of His people; their human rulers were simply His anointed representatives. Obviously this entailed an intimate tie-up between religion and politics, between "Church" and state.

THE LAW of the land was the Law of Moses, the Law of the Lord. The basic charter was the Covenant of Sinai, spe-cified further by the Davidic Covenant of 2 Sm. 7, where Yahweh is presented as saying of the occupant of the throne of David: "I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. And if he does wrong, I will correct him with the rod of men and with human chastisements" (2

One result of this was that the biblical historians evaluated the reigns of their kings, not on the basis of political shrewdness, military prowess, or administrative acumen, but on the basis of their fidelity to the Covenant and to the Lord.

As a sacred person, the king could perform religious acts otherwise reserved to priests. Apart from building the temple, supporting it, and regulating its opera-tion, kings actually offered sacrifice on occasion (1 Sm. 13, 9-10; 2 Sm. 6,13,



In this Paul Gustave Dore woodcut, Cyrus, king of Persia, proclaimed that God had commanded him to build a temple at Jerusalem. He did so and, further, restored all the vessels and treasurers that had been stolen by Nebuchadnezzar.

17-18; 24, 25; 1 Kgs. 8,5, 62-64; 9, 25; 2 Kgs. 16, 12-15).

Religious matters were, however, the concern of the priests, and the general situation often led to friction. The temple was within the palace precincts and the king controlled it closely. He thought of the head of the clergy as one of his offi-cials whom he could hire or fire at will. This friction could become really serious and lead to intrigue, violence, and bloodshed (2 Kgs. 11; 2 Chr. 24, 17. 26). It was not the happiest of situations by any means and, after the exile, the high priesthood became a political football (2 Mc. 3-4).

WE GAIN particularly valuable insights from the activity of the prophets.
Completely independent of the establishment, they spoke out fearlessly as champions of God's moral will. And they did not confine their activity to the not confine their activity to the "sacristy." They were deeply involved in affairs of state, on the national and international levels, and pulled no punches in their critique of political policies.

Two outstanding examples are Isaiah and Jeremiah. The former had a bitter and frustrating encounter with King Ahaz over his projected alliance with Assyria, a move which the prophet saw

as disastrous for both religion and national independence. He opposed the king boldly, but to no avial. The Assyrians came, defeated Ahaz' enemies, but made Judah a satellite of the empire. The results were disastrous

Some two centuries later Jeremiah courageously opposed both official and popular policy, which called for entering into an alliance against Babylon. He was a lone and lonely battler, and brought the state of the s upon himself mockery, accusations of unpatriotic pacifism, persecution and tor-ture. But God had given him a mission and, in spite of everything, he fulfilled it. Of course no one listened, and the result was the destruction of Jerusalem in 587 and the ensuing Babylonian Exile.

THE FACT is that there are many po-litical questions which have serious moral implications. Politicians as such are blithely unconcerned about such "impractical" implications, little realiz-ing that they are terribly practical, even from the viewpoint of national interests. from the viewpoint of national interests. In such cases religious leaders have a sacred responsibility to speak out, even at the cost of vast unpopularity and downright harassment.

The New Testament situation was

quite different from that of the Old. The early Christian communities were, like the prophets, completely independent. They were moreover, in no position to address poitical questions as such, apart from occasional, scathing denunciations of pagan culture in general (Rom. 1, 18-32). Their main concern was survival in a hostile world, to live at peace with all.

(The thinly — veiled attacks on Rome in Revelation are an exception.)

They advocated respect for and comp-liance with civil law. Paul spells out this attitude in Romans. 13, 1-7. It is a sort of commentary on the famous words of Jesus: "Then give to Caesar what is Caesar's, but give to God what is God's" (Mt. 22,21).

This saying has been variously interpreted, but in the words of John L. McKenzie, it "offers no basis for a theory of politics. Jesus certainly did not intend to divide the world into areas belonging to Caesar and God, each with his respective and exclusive jurisdiction. Nor did he solve the question of what belongs to Caesar and what belongs to God. This he left to the personal decision of each man, who must solve the probof each man, who must solve the prob-lem of the opposing claims of God and

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