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# Pope voices concern for Central America

Appeals to Nicaraguan bishops to be patient but firm...

VATICAN CITY—Pope John Paul II has told the bishops of Nicaragua to oppose with "patience and firmness popular churches" which reject hierarchical authority.

In a letter dated June 29 and made public at the Vatican Aug. 6, the pope also said priests aid their people "Not through a political role but through the priestly ministry."

Several priests who have suspended their priestly ministry hold government jobs, including cabinet posts.

The bulk of the six-page papal message dealt with the "popular church," which Pope John Paul defined as "a church which arises much more from the presumed values of a portion of the population than from the free and gratuitous initiative of God."

"A 'popular church' opposed to the church presided over by legitimate pastors is ... a grave deviation from the will and the plan of salvation of Jesus Christ," he added.

The pope said that although the term "popular church" can have "an acceptable significance," it is more often used to mean "a church which enjoys the autonomy of the so-called 'bases,' without reference to their legitimate pastors and teachers."

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By use of the word "bases" Pope John Paul
was alluding to some of the basic Christian
communities, grassroots Catholic
organizations which form around Bible
readings and discussions of concrete socioeconomic and political problems facing them.

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During the Nicaraguan civil war which led to the overthrow in July 1979 of the regime of Anastasio Somoza, many basic Christian communities and their members were active in opposing Somoza. The revolution brought to power the Sandinista National Liberation Front, composed of people inspired by socialist, Christian and Marxist ideals. The

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Sandinistas led the guerrilla war which toppled Somoza.

Many of the basic Christian communities and their members still actively cooperate with the Sandinistas in implementing programs and some have become integrated into Sandinista organizations.

"It is easy to see ... that the concept of 'popular church' scarcely escapes the infiltration of strongly ideological connotations, along the lines of a certain political radicalization, of the class struggle, of the acceptance of violence for the carrying out of determined ends," the pope's letter said.

Pope John Paul warned the bishops of possible dangers by quoting from Pope Paul VI: "The most insidious dangers and the most mortifying attacks for the church are not those that come from without . . . but those that come from within."

Pope John Paul said the letter was dated June 29 to coincide with the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul because he wanted to recall the (See APPEALS TO BISHOPS page 2)





THE PRIDE AND THE ??????—Jackie Garvey (above) and Fran Quigley (top left) owe their expressions to Barb Gaffney (left). What is she doing to them? Ruth Ann Hanley has the answer in her feature on page 14. (Photos by Ruth Ann Hanley)

## ... and to the bishops of El Salvador to oppose violence

VATICAN CITY—Pope John Paul II condemned military and guerrilla violence in El Salvador, saying both are without rational and Christian justification.

In a letter to the bishops of El Salvador, issued Aug. 6 to coincide with national celebrations honoring Christ, the patron of the Central American nation, the pope made one of his strongest appeals for an end to the country's prolonged civil war.

Salvadoran church agencies estimate that at least 32,000 people have died in the three years of fighting that has pitted the military and paramilitary groups supporting it against guerrillas.

"The methodology of violence which has led to a fratricidal war—placing on the one side those who consider armed battle a necessary instrument for obtaining a new social order, and on the other side those resorting to the principles of 'national security' to legitimize brutal repression—has no rational, and much less Christian, justification," the letter said.

Salvadoran guerrilla movements justify their struggle by saying it is the only way to obtain a new society based on social justice. The government and the military justify the use of violence and the suspension of basic civil rights as necessary to defend national security.

"The discords and divisions that still disturb your country and cause new conflicts and violence have their true and deep root in situations of social injustice: a problem that has erupted with force at the political level," Pope John Paul said.

But he told the bishops to offer the

predominantly Catholic population "the methods of peace in the ministry of reconciliation through the word of the Gospel and the action that it inspires."

The pope said both sides in El Salvador's civil war are "motivated by contrary interests and guided by ideologies that sacrifice the fundamental aspirations of the human person."

"For one and for the other, an indispensable condition for reconciliation is the cessation of all hostilities and the renunciation of the use of arms, with the sure guarantee that no one will be the object of reprisals or vengeance after having given his or her own adherence to the noble aim of joining efforts and initiatives that may assure the nation a renewed vitality and an ordered progress," he said.

Pope John Paul said reconciliation "is not a sign of weakeness or disgrace" but "an encounter between brothers willing to overcome the temptation of egotism and to renounce the goals of pseudo-justice."

He said the gospel call to charity was the only way to "resolve the contradictions inherent in the social phenomenology of disunion, discord, injustice and armed conflict."

The pope described the people of El Salvador as "thirsty for truth and justice" and told the bishops to "continue to offer them with all fervor and enthusiasm the proper teachings of the social doctrine of the church, motivated by a deep concern for the sufferings of the

He asked the bishops to be "in agreement in proposing an adequate response to the demands of the current moment, united by a renewed impuise in your pastoral activity."

The pope's letter was similar to a statement issued July 17 by the bishops of El Salvador, which called on all sides to open talks leading to

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# Railroad buff in Salem known for his trains

by JIM JACHIMIAK

While other railroads are suffering, the Cayuga Valley Railroad is constantly rebuilding. The railroad, established in 1971, "is never finished," according to Cecil Smith of Salern, its owner.

The Cayuga Valley Railroad is a family operation which also involves Smith's wife, Martha, and their children. Smith, a member of St. Patrick parish in Salem, is also editor of the Salem Leader, a weekly newspaper.

With tracks passing through three towns and handling up to five trains at a time, the railroad is small—so small, in fact, that it is contained on the second floor of an old carriage house behind Smith's home.

The HO scale Cayuga Valley Railroad is one of two model railroads Smith has built since 1971. It has grown to include 600 feet of track, 4,800 feet of single strand electric wire, three control panels and 400 pounds of plaster land-scape. "There's constant rebuilding of the landscape," Smith says.

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REV. DAVID HUTT, O.F.M. CONV., re-appointed pastor of St. Anthony Parish, Clarksville.

REV. LOUIS MANNA, O.F.M. CONV., appointed associate pastor of St. Anthony Parish, Clarksville.

REV. CYPRIAN ULINE, O.F.M. CONV., appointed associate pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Terre Haute.

REV. DISMAS VEENEMAN, O.F.M. CONV., re-appointed pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Terre Haute.

From the office of the Archbishop, Rev. Gerald A. Gettelfinger, Chancellor

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In 1970, he says, "I set up my first train on the kitchen table and left it there for days until my wife convinced me that we really should use the kitchen table for eating." Eventually the model railroad was moved to the carriage house and named the Cayuga Valley Railroad.

Then "people heard that I was working on

it," and "it became a pretty big project,"
Smith says. An open house was held for Model
Railroad Month in November one year. Interest was so great that "we realized we were
into something that was going to take place
every year."

PUBLICITY HAS COME from the National Model Railroad Association (NMRA) Bulletin, television and newspapers—but "not my own," Smith says. However, a competing Salem newspaper, no longer in existence, did a page one feature about Smith and his hobby.

Now the Smiths welcome visitors to the exhibit year-round, and hold an annual open house. Although some have suggested charging admission, "that would take some of the fun out of it."

Individuals and local school groups often visit. "Surprisingly, it's the adults who stay the longest," Smith notes. They are particularly interested in a collection of railroad memorabilia including files of paper items from various railroads, photographs, post cards, dining car china and menus, railroad tools, lanterns, signals and a Monon motor car.

Smith is "partial" to the Monon, as his collection indicates, because its lines once passed through Salem. Many of the pieces in his collection have been purchased directly from railroads, while others have come from dealers, flea markets and yard sales.

Despite a "never-ending storage problem," Smith thinks it is "senseless to have something just to say you have it, and keep it boxed away somewhere." So part of the 1,500 square feet of floor space includes "rotating displays" which are changed periodically.

WHAT BEGAN AS A small extension on one end of the building became "a major addition," and now houses a second model railroad, an S gauge American Flyer. Johnnie Reid, a model railroader from Louisville, is landscaping the pike. While Smith landscaped the Cayuga Valley Railroad, he admits, "I haven't got the patience—or the artistic ability—to pull off what he does."



MODEL RAILROADER—Cecil Smith, in uniform, mans a control panel on the Cayuga Valley Railroad. Smith built the HO scale layout and has a large collection of railroad memorabilia in a building behind his home in Salem. (Photo by Jim Jachimiak)

Much of the original Cayuga Valley pike has been rebuilt. "When I built it I had never seen a model railroad, so later I had a lot of new ideas," Smith notes. "Once I tore up the first section of track, I wasn't afraid to do it anymore." Many of those ideas came from NMRA conventions and people Smith has met as a result of his hobby.

Smith also handles all electrical work and maintenance. He points out that two people familiar with the control panels, working together, can operate as many as five trains at once on the Cayuga Valley pike. He informs his brother, a priest in California, about each wiring change so he can help operate the railroad when he visits.

"You build a model pike with the idea that." Smith says. "You're not supposed to touch things. The more you can get done right here at the control panel, the more satisfying it is." He notes that his oldest son, John, may spend several hours at the controls, switching cars and putting them in order.

Maintenance involves cleaning track regularly, "the most time-consuming thing," and lubricating engines once a year. "The more you use them, the better they run," says Smith, who has restored a number of old toy trains to working condition. "It's a lot of fun,"

he says, "to take a piece of junk and turn it into an electric train."

"The mistake a lot of people make in a hobby," Smith says, is that it should be "fun time. There's something relaxing about a hobby, whatever it is." Thus his attitude is, "I can't wait to get home to fix that train," not "I've got to fix that train tonight."

Smith became involved in model railroading "so I wouldn't always be thinking about the job. That's not easy to do in the newspaper business."

But as he recalls his first train ride, a round trip from St. Louis to Los Angeles, it seems there might be another reason. "It was the greatest transportation experience I ever had," he says. "It's a shame the railroads have dropped off."

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## Appeals to bishops (from 1)

"special link" between bishops and the Holy See and among the bishops themselves.

"May God grant that, united by the same taith and rejecting all that is contrary to or destroys this unity, your Christians may join together in the evangelical ideals of justice, peace, solidarity, communion and participation, without contingent options arising from systems, currents of thought, parties or organizations which are able to divide them irremediably." he said.

The pope said Nicaraguans want their

priests to be involved in spiritual ministry and not politics.

"They (priests) know that if they want to truly serve the people, these people hungry set thirsty for God and filled with love for the church, what is expected of them is the announcement of the Gospel, the proclamation of the fatherhood of God, the dispensation of the sacramental mysteries of salvation," he said.

"It is not through a political role but through the priestly ministry that the people want to remain close to them," he said.

## Rites held for Louis Krieg, store manager

The Mass of the Resurrection was offered today for Louis W. Krieg, Jr., 70, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

Krieg, lifelong Indianapolis resident and president and manager of Krieg Brothers Catholic Supply House, died Tuesday in Winona Memorial Hospital here.

A graduate of the University of Detroit, Krieg was a member of Bishop Chatard Assembly and St. Pius X Council of the Knights of Columbus. He was also a member of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, the National Church Goods Association and Serra Club International.

Krieg Brothers Catholic Supply House has served central Indiana as a religious goods store since 1892. Krieg himself was associated with the family business for 42 years.

He is survived by his wife Anne, a son, Gregory, and a daughter Louanne.

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## USCC officer calls for reform of U.S. economic system

WASHINGTON-The teaching of Pope John Paul II calls for "fundamental reforms in our (U.S.) economy," said Ronald Krietemeyer, director of the U.S. Catholic Conference's Office of Domestic Social Development, in his office's 1982 Labor Day Statement.

A "free market economic system" that assumes "a permanent pool of unemployed workers" is "totally unacceptable from the perspective of the church's teaching on economic justice," Krietemeyer said.

He focused his 3,000-word 1982 Labor Day Statement on the "profound challenge" of Pope John Paul's encyclical, "On Human Work," to the U.S. economic system and its reliance on unemployment as a factor built into the

The annual Labor Day Statement is published by the USCC office headed by Krietemeyer, but is a personal statement by the author, not a formal statement of the U.S. bishops or the USCC. For many years, Msgr. George Higgins, USCC labor specialist, wrote the statement.

While unemployment is at its worst point since the Great Depression, many people seem to be accepting high unemployment as a necessary means of wringing inflation out of the economy," wrote Krietemeyer. "It is considered by some to be a normal feature of

unacceptable from the perspective of the church's teaching on economic justice. Work is a basic human right."

THE BISHOPS' DOMESTIC social development director deplored "a growing antigovernment sentiment and a move toward weakening the public role in managing the economy" in the United States.

"As church encyclicals have suggested and as history has indicated, a free market economic system will not, on its own, produce a just result," he said. "It will not provide jobs for all our workers, basic necessities for all our families, or an equitable distribution of wealth for our society.

"These goals can only be achieved by a conscious intervention in the normal workings

Against the resurgence of free market economic ideology Krietemeyer posed the principles developed by Pope John Paul in "On Human Work."

"It will be a loss of immense proportions," he said, "if American Catholics fail to read and understand" that encyclical.

He noted that the pope's analysis of labor

and economic systems in the encyclical begins with the dignity of the worker and the priority of the worker over capital or production.

"If, as the encyclical argues, work is an ennobling experience that is essential to the fulfillment and the very existence of the human person, if it is basic to human dignity and to God's own creative plan, then an economic policy which tolerates massive unemployment is clearly unacceptable. It violates the most basic principle of the dignity and priority of human labor," said Krietemeyer.

HE ADDED, "IF, as the pope argues, the priority of labor is to be preserved, then systematic planning must be initiated to insure that the changes (in industry, trade and technology) which confront us will produce job security rather than unemployment, steady growth rather than stagflation, and social solidarity rather than national upheaval.

"The unencumbered workings of the market will not suffice. We need instead a new commitment to use the government as a tool for promoting the common good. We must forge a new and positive role for the public planning as a vehicle for a just and equitable economy."

Noting the papal encyclical's emphasis on the role of the "indirect employer"—the social institutions and structures that affect the employer's relationship with his workers-Krietemeyer said that, according to the pope, ultimately it is the government which is responsible for seeing to it that the common good is served by economic planning.

He also pointed out that in the pope's view such planning can be effective without being overly centralized, depersonalized. bureaucratic or undemocratic.

Krietemeyer emphasized that the principles for economic justice in the encyclical are as critical of centralized state socialism as they are of free market capitalism. "His words may well produce a healthy dose of uneasiness on both ends of the political and economic spec-

Describing at another point the pope's calls for worker participation in decision-making and worker ownership of the means of production, he commented, "These ideas do not fit neatly into the traditional ideological categories. Pope John Paul II goes beyond both capitalism and the extreme centralization of state socialism . . . What the pope argues for is a pluralistic economic democracy."

### AAA'82 surpasses minimum goal

Minimum goal has been reached in the Archbishop's Annual Appeal, so the emphasis is now shifting to next year's campaign.

Providence Sister Loretta Schafer, assistant chancellor of the archdiocese, said a report made last month on AAA '82 shows total pledges of \$1,980,761. That represents 100.14 percent of the minimum goal of \$1,978,000.

She also noted that three additional parishes have now reached 100 percent of their goals in the appeal. They are St. Rita parish, 108 percent; St. Joseph parish, Jennings County, 105 percent; and Holy Family parish, New Albany, 101 percent. That brings to 75 the number of parishes which have raised at least 100 percent of goal in AAA '82. With the same assessments in AAA '81, the first such appeal, 121 parishes met goal and a total of \$2.5 million was pledged.

We are now beginning to look forward to AAA '83," Sister Schafer said. That includes planning assessments for next year's campaign, and she pointed out that the AAA office is seeking input from parishes on establishing

#### St. Monica's marks 25th anniversary

Two events this month will mark the celebration of St. Monica's silver jubilee year.

A special Homecoming Mass will be held Sunday Aug. 22 at 4 p.m. Father Paul Utz, founding pastor, will attend the Mass. Former associate pastors have been invited to attend Past and present parishioners and friends of St. Monica are also welcomed.

After the liturgy there will be a festive gathering in the parish hall with refres

On the following Sunday, Aug. 29, the parish will celebrate the Feast of St. Monica. The annual parish picnic will begin at 2 p.m. There will be softball and entertainment for adults and activities for children.

A catered meal will be served from 2 to 4 p.m. advance tickets may be purchased for the meal or individuals may bring their own food.

For more information call the parish office

## Knights look back on anniversary festivities

The Knights of Columbus, met in Hartford, Conn., Aug. 3-6 to celebrate their 100th anniversary. Highlights of the festivities were messages from President Reagan, congratulations from various prelates, and resolutions which mirrored Reagan's support for tuition tax credits and school prayer and opposition to abortion.

They also remembered their founder and conducted other K. of C. business during the meeting, which drew more than 7,000 Knights and family members from the United States, Canada, the Philippines and Mexico.

Reagan's speech to the Knights on the opening day of their convention drew rousing applause when he backed tuition tax credits, school prayer and pro-life legislation.

"This administration wants this bill passed, the Knights of Columbus want this bill passed and I believe the voters next November will demonstrate that they want this bill passed," the president said about pending tuition tax credit legislation.

Discussing abortion, he said "that the protection of innocent life is and has always been a legitimate and indeed the first duty of government" and that he favors human life legislation. "If we do not know when the unborn becomes a human life then we have to opt in favor that it is a human life until someone proves it isn't." he said.

HIS COMMENT ON A proposed constitutional amendment to allow prayers in public schools, "we need an amendment and we need it badly," also got a warm reception.

A resolution later passed by the Knights endorsed the idea that education is primarily the right and responsibility of parents, not the government. Another backed the Hatch amendment, a proposed constitutional amendment which states that nothing in the Constitution guarantees the right to an abortion and allows states to pass their own laws against abortion. "The traditional power of the state to proscribe abortion and protect the innocent and defenseless life of the unborn child has suffered irreparable injury" following the 1973 Supreme Court ruling on abortion, the Knights said. In a third resolution the Knights backed an amendment to allow prayer in public schools, so, as they put it, "the concept of God may become part of the daily lives of the children of this great country."

Other resolutions reaffirmed the Knights'

commitment to raising the standards of primetime TV, urged stricter enforcement of antiobscenity laws, supported establishment of a scholarship fund for the North American College in Rome, and called for efforts to attain the beatification of the Knights' founder, Father Michael McGivney.

The Knights' convention drew some 150 archbishops and cardinals, some of whom, in official speeches or homilies, praised the Knights for their 100 years of activities.

CARDINAL AGOSTINO Casaroli, papal secretary of state, Pope John Paul II's official representative at the Knights' meeting, said the pope holds the organization in high regard. Cardinal Casaroli was the keynote speaker at a dinner Aug. 3 where he accepted the first payment of \$1.25 million from a fund set up by the Knights for the pope's personal charities.

He said the pope "is grateful to you for the aid of every sort which you give not only to your local churches and to the whole Catholic church, to your homeland, to those who are in need, and to youth, but also directly to the Apostolic See.

During an Aug. 4 Mass at which Archbishop Henri Legare of Grouard-McLennan, Alberta, president of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, was the main celebrant, Cardinal Jaime Sin of Manila, Philippines, delivered the homily and noted three undercurrents significantly affect Christianity today. He described the undercurrents as the mystical movement, including the charismatic movement, and the "great reawakening of prayer"; the political movement, which is the struggle for justice, social development and the liberation of the poor and oppressed; and the movement of interreligious dialogue.



ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION—Sandinista supporters ridicule religion, Ziouism and the United States during a parade in Managua celebrating the third anniversary of dictator Anastasio Somoza's flight from Nicaragua. The Sandinistas have governed the country since then. (NC photo from UPI)

## EDITORIALS

#### Where does our strength lie?

On Thursday of last week the United States detonated an atomic bomb below the Nevada desert said to be seven times more powerful than those which devastated Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945. On Friday the world memorialized those bombings on the 37th anniversary of the Hiroshima tragedy.

Energy secretary James Edwards said of the Thursday experiment "War is hell and I hope we never have a nuclear war but if we do I want to come out of it number one." Edwards encouraged peace through strength. He means the kind of strength in

which our nation relies on military stockpiles.

The prophets of the Old Testament constantly warned the Hebrews of God's disfavor with them because of their reliance on foreign powers and foreign gods. Instead of relying on the strength of Yahweh, they turned elsewhere. For this reason the Hebrews met disaster after disaster as God punished them again and again.

Their punishment was not God-induced, however. Their punishment was a result

Peace through strength is most certainly to be striven for. But the strength to which Christians must aspire is not that of weaponry, for weapons do not make a nation strong, they only destroy it. The strength on which Christians must depend is the strength of their faith, their God.

In February of 1981 Pope John Paul visited the memorial built at Hiroshima. "War is the work of man," he said, "War is destruction of human life. War is death." The pope repeated words he stated at the United Nations, "The continual preparations for war demonstrated by the production of ever more numerous, powerful and sophisticated weapons in various countries show that there is a desire to be ready for war, and being ready means being able to start it."

Of the 1945 holocaust at Hiroshima, the pontiff said, "To remember Hiroshima is to abhor nuclear war. To remember Hiroshima is to commit oneself to peace." To the heads of state gathered there the pope said, "Let us promise our fellow human beings that we will work untiringly for disarmament and the banishing of all nuclear

weapons, let us replace violence and hate with confidence and caring.

Of strength the pope said, "Let us be strong in God's strength that infinitely surpasses our own; let us be united in the knowledge that he calls us to unity; let us be aware that love and sharing are not faraway ideals but the road to enduring peace.'

Fear seems to be motivating governments of our world today. This fear says we must not trust one another. Pope John Paul clearly stated that such trust must win out over the fear and hatred human beings attempt to instill over one another. "Those who cherish life on earth," he said, "must encourage governments and decision makers . . . to act in harmony with the demands of peace rather than out of narrow self-interest. Peace must always be the aim; peace pursued and protected in all

And again "In the face of the man-made calamity that every war is, one must affirm and reaffirm, again and again, that the waging of war is not inevitable or

unchangeable. Humanity is not destined to self-destruction."

It is the narrow self-interest of every nation which prevents such Christianity from taking effect. It is such self-interest which makes us see enemies everywhere we turn. When we do not see beyond ourselves, we isolate ourselves rather than welcome others. Isolation inevitably leads to an eruption. To prepare for war is to

#### Dignity sacrificed for victory

Violence in Central America continues unabated. A rightist government in El Salvador and a leftist one in Nicaragua continue their repression of their own people.

A letter from Pope John Paul this week to the bishops of El Salvador voiced the pontiff's oneness with the desire of that nation's people "to make a reality of genuine concepts of liberty, the dignity of the human person, and social justice, which are founded on the twofold aspects of love: love for God the provident giver of all good things, and for one's brothers and sisters."

Another letter to the bishops of Nicaragua voiced the pope's appeal that those church leaders hear the cries of their countrymen who expect "an announcement of the Gospel from them, the proclamation of the fatherhood of God, the dispensing to

them of the sacramental mysteries of salvation.'

Michael Novak recently noted the pope's clarity about the role of the church in ending oppression and injustice throughout the world. But, Novak added, he does not condone involvement of the church in political action which may be partisan or supportive of change through violence.

The church's role is not to accept or reject any one political system as its own. Its role is to uphold the dignity of all humans as the object of God's love in this world.

Humankind, unfortunately, seems bent on sacrificing its dignity for the sake of short-lived political and military victories.—TCW

#### Incorrectly stated

In last week's editorial "To deacon or not to deacon," it was incorrectly stated deacons have the power to anoint the sick. Anointing of the sick is reserved to an ordained priest as that sacrament includes the healing of sacramental forgiveness. A deacon may officiate at a funeral, however.-TCW

### WAShington Newsletter

## Reagan speech gets mixed reaction

by JIM LACKEY

WASHINGTON-President speech Aug. 3 to one of the largest Catholic organizations in the nation-the 1.4 millionmember Knights of Columbus-was given a variety of interpretations in post-speech analysis.

To some the speech at the Knights' centennial convention in Hartford, Conn., was an effort to shore up Reagan's urban ethnic support, a traditionally Democratic constituency which many Republicans see as key to the continued fortunes of their party.

Another analysis of the speech focused on its

anti-communism and on the praise Reagan heaped on Lech Walesa, the leader of Poland's suspended trade union, Solidarity. Walesa, said Reagan, is a symbol of "the importance of family, community and religion," three ideals which Reagan said he has tried to stress in his first 18 months in office.

The speech also was viewed as an effort by Reagan to blunt Catholic criticism of his nuclear weapons positions. While as many as 140 Catholic bishops have endorsed the bilateral freeze movement, Reagan called such proposals "obsolete" and repeated his position that a freeze can only take place after the Soviet Union dismantles some of its most threatening missiles.

Judging from the response of the Knights, though, the key issues in the Reagan speech were abortion, tuition tax credits and school prayer, three issues on which the Knights traditionally have taken strong positions.

REAGAN'S 30-MINUTE speech ranged across a variety of issues and broke very little new ground. On federal spending, for instance, Reagan repeated his theme that government has taxed too much, spent too much and become too big.

"No one can quarrel with the motive behind all this," Reagan quickly added for his Catholic audience. "It was well intentioned and done in the name of humanity."

Through it all Reagan drew periodic applause when he recounted his administration's progress so far. Paperwork burdens have been reduced, he said, inflation is down and the cause of freedom has been advanced around

But in the excitement that ran through the convention hall before the president's arrival the Knights seemed most to expect Reagan to reaffirm his support for their views on abortion and tax credits.

Just past the halfway point in the speech they got the first half of what they wanted when the president said the need for "diversity and excellence" was the reason for his administration's support of tuition tax credits. On that subject alone Reagan drew five rounds of applause in about three minutes.

Then it was abortion. Warming to his audience Reagan drew three more rounds of applause-including one standing ovationwhen he said he supported human life.

THE NEXT TOPIC, school prayer, was equally well received. There Reagan was applauded five more times when he said an



amendment was needed badly and that the courts had gone too far in restricting school

The remainder of the speech, devoted primarily to foreign policy issues such as nuclear weapons and Poland, again drew periodic applause but nothing like that given by the Knights to the three social issues.

On the nuclear freeze issue Reagan maintained again that his administration 'takes second place to none in the quest for peace through arms control and agreements.' The only applause came when he said an editorial in the Knights' monthly magazine on the morality of maintaining nuclear weapons as a deterrent had been "a great asset to our efforts for peace."

He got no response from the Catholic audience when, moments later, he talked about "the rightness of our support" for El Salvador's effort to stop revolutionaries "who want to plunge the Salvadoran people into the darkness of godless communist rule.

But while the Knights were warmly receptive to the president's message, his ap-pearance in Hartford also highlighted the vastly different ways Catholics view the Reagan presidency. As the Knights cheered Reagan other groups of Catholics were outside the arena protesting the president's budget cuts and his military build-up.

The Connecticut branch of Pax Christi, the Catholic peace organization, said Reagan opposes church positions on justice and peace issues. But inside the Knights were telling Reagan that as Catholics they generally like what he is doing.

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ANNIVERSARY SERVICE-Holy Cross parish pastor Father James Byrne was one of several religious leaders addressing a lunch hour crowd last Friday at a prayer service on Monument Circle. Speakers at the service, commemorating the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, called for peace and an end to the nuclear arms race. (Photo by Jim

## Future of ecumenism is discussed

by GINA JUNG

Marilyn Swango was one of only two Catholics at a workshop near Geneva, Switzerland. Yet she did not feel left out among the many Protestants.

To Mrs. Swango, who was attending a workshop on ecumenism, brotherly unity was more important than denominational divisions.

The chairperson of the Evangelical Growth and Ecumenism Committee at St. Thomas More parish in Mooresville, she recently returned from a workshop on Education for Effective Ecumenism held at the Ecumenical Institute at the Chateau de Bossey near

"There was no tension because I was Catholic. I was welcomed because it was unusual to have a Catholic," she said.

The Ecumenical Institute is run by the World Council of Churches (WCC) to promote ecumenism among churches. The Catholic church is not a member of the WCC though Catholics have attended meetings in an unofficial capacity.

The only other Catholic attending the workshop was Father Kevin O'Reilly, Vatican secretary of Christian Unity, who has been a tutor at the institute.

Mrs. Swango was asked to participate in the workshop because of her dissertation, a content analysis of textbooks on ecumenism. She is currently on staff at Indiana University School

MRS. SWANGO ADMITS that there have been some definite problems in ecumenismone of them being well-meaning missionaries from North America and Europe who seek to save the lost in Africa and Asia

"Evangelists from the north come and they have no idea of the culture," she said. "The idea of faith is indigenous to all cultures."

She also noted that people are not being educated about ecumenism. "Very little is being done in training persons in ecumenism.

People who do learn about it "have no support when they return to the parishes," she said. "Each parish should have an ecumenical commission and chairmen of those commissions should get together to discuss ecumenism."

An educational push in the archdiocese should be started to help people understand what ecumenism is about, she urged.

Mrs. Swango said that one of the goals of the workshop was to come up with a workable

technical matters while the elderly in southern

Africa, Lebanon and the neediest regions of the

when Israel spoke. The assembly adopted a

resolution condemning the Israeli invasion of

said that the Palestinian people "have a right

to exist." It also said that the Vatican "abhors

the war in Lebanon." Nevertheless the Vatican

delegation argued that the assembly was not

the appropriate place for "that kind of

European countries took a similar position on

Lebanon. Israel said it would not be drawn into

politics during the conference. It said that the

assembly "cannot afford to turn itself into another United Nations body where futile

On Aug. 4, the Vatican daily, L'Osservatore

The amendments described human

Romano, said three amendments proposed by

the Vatican delegation were approved by the

solidarity as the "fundamental and indivisible

element of authentic development"; con-

demned discrimination based on race, sex or

religion as an "obstacle to the solution of the

problems of the elderly"; and called for the

resolutions are the order of the day."

assembly.

The United States, Canada and most West

The Arabs and their supporters walked out

In this connection, the Vatican delegation

world had not been taken into consideration.

definition for ecumenism. The idea should be looked at from a global perspective, she explained. "If I realize my starving brothers and sisters in Africa, I realize an ecumenical act."

Unlike the WCC, the Catholic church separates ecumenism and social justice into two commissions, she said. The two should be combined, she added.

"You can't have visible unity unless you have concern for humankind . . . You cannot divorce the needs of humankind with unity of

IN SOME predominantly non-Christian countries where there is no separation between religion and state, governments have asked for one Christian curriculum for schools, according to Mrs. Swango. Ulrich Becker, a professor of religion who is on staff with the WCC, is attempting to put together a combined curriculum for these countries.

Though there is some dialog going between Protestants and Catholics there are still big issues "that will take years to allay," she admitted. She cited issues of authority, celibacy, and infallibility.

"The Eucharist is not the blocking point . . . On issues such as the Eucharist and baptism significant gains have been made in these areas. Protestants and Catholics are significantly closer on these issues and significant dialog has transpired," she said.

"It's an evolutionary process," she explained. "We are closer to Catholic unity with the Anglicans and the orthodox religions," she said, citing the pope's overtures to that unity.

"The perversion of political institutions is what keeps us apart," she said.

But according to Msgr. Raymond Bosler, director of the Office of Ecumenism in the archdiocese, the initial enthusiasm for ecumenism has died out since Vatican II. "Right now ecumenism is in the doldrums," he

Despite this trend, he added, Catholics in the archdiocese are planning to have a dialog with Lutherans in October.

After a few years of inactivity, Msgr. Bosler said, the Archdiocesan Commission for Ecumenism will be reactivated again in the next few weeks. An office has been set up for the Office of Ecumenism at SS. Peter and Paul

Stressing that ecumenism has not totally died out in the archdiocese, he said, "We take part in ecumenical meetings and we try to encourage people to come to meetings. There's a lot going on that doesn't make the newspapers."

He admits, however, that there is more to do. There's an enormous amount that can be done in parochial schools," he said. "Ecumenism should be featured in Office of Education workshops for religious education

"It'll take a long time for things to really

## Assembly addresses plight of aged

by JEFF ENDRST

VIENNA, Austria-The first World Assembly on Aging concluded its two-week session in Vienna Aug. 6 by adopting a plan of action calling for policies to enhance the lives of the elderly and to allow them to enjoy "in mind and in body, fully and freely, their advancing years in peace, health and security.'

Delegates from 120 countries and representatives of 143 non-governmental organizations agreed that quality of life "is no less important than longevity," and that the elderly should therefore be able to enjoy in their own families and communities "a life of fulfillment, health, security and contentment, apppreciated as an integral part of society."

The Vatican delegation made an informal proposal for a study on "making the family the subject of a United Nations conference in the

The idea was broached by Bishop Francisco Jose Cox Huneeus, secretary of the Vatican's Pontifical Council for the Family and head of the Vatican delegation.

He told the assembly that religion has particular significance in the later stages of

"It is necessary to remind old people to contribute their spiritual riches to other people, in particular, the young," he added. He said that respect for the elderly is a

'manifestation of respect for life at a par-

"MAN HAS NO RIGHT to dispose of any stage of life, from conception to death," said Bishop Cox.

He said that the elderly have an important role to play in the implementation of the plan of action issued by the assemply.

"They have the time and wisdom to give to

#### Loan denial 'unworkable'

WASHINGTON-Legislation prohibiting non-registrants for the draft from receivi federal student loans is "patently unworkable and a denial of due process, according to the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities. In a letter sent to members of Congress shortly before the House approved the new restriction, the association said loan benefits should not be denied until non-registrants are judged guilty of a crime by a court of law.

society. The church expresses its gratitude to those institutions that have contributed to the cause of the elderly," he told the assembly.

Richard Schweiker, U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Service, told the assembly that the issues of aging have an enormous impact on the social, economic and political characteristics of developed and developing

He said the challenge of the assembly is in finding personal fulfillment for the elderly through new activities and roles that were not widely available to older generations.

Schweiker listed key questions which he said are still to be answered in the United States: How will aging affect job opportunities and consumer marketing systems, education, politics, government and the response of health care institutions to demands for services? How can the very definition of "elderly" be changed as the entire population grows older? How can the extra decades of American life be enhanced? How can the skills and experience of older citizens be tapped so that these people will be a more productive force in society?

THE ASSEMBLY NOTED that only in the past few decades has the attention of national societies and the world community been drawn to the social, economic, political and scientific questions raised by the phenomenon of aging on a massive scale as the 20th century has witnessed greater control of infant mortality, a decline in birth rates, improvements in nutrition, basic health care and the control of many infectious diseases.

This combination of factors has resulted in an increasing number and proportion of elderly

The assembly was told that in 1950 there were about 200 million people 60 and older in the world. By 1975 that figure had increased to 350 million. U.N. projections for the year 2000 say this will jump to 590 million and there should be about 1.1 billion people over 60 by

The assembly session was affected by extraneous political matters relating to current international conflicts.

The Soviet Union restated its recent pledge not to be the first to use nuclear weapons. It also argued that disarmament could result in savings which could improve the well-being of

#### inclusion of "religious and spiritual factors" in any social policy relating to the elderly. move," he said. "But they are moving." Franciscans back nuclear freeze

MOUNT ST. FRANCIS-Conventual Franciscan Friars of the Province of Our Lady of Consolation have begun official notification of national and international leaders of their endorsement of a resolution calling for a freeze on nuclear armaments. This action implements a decision made during the second session of their provincial chapter held here

Unanimously approved, the resolution specifically calls for the adoption by the United States and the Soviet Union of " . . . a mutual freeze on the testing, production and deployment of nuclear weapons and of missiles and new aircraft designed primarily to deliver nuclear weapons. This is an essential,

verifiable first step toward lessening the risk of nuclear war and reducing the nuclear arsenals.

Letters seeking support for the freeze will be sent to influential leaders in the Soviet Union as well as the United States. Individual friars within the province are also being encouraged to " . . . work toward a greater awareness of the inherent danger of the nuclear race and the need to reduce the nuclear arsenal of the

A provincial chapter is a meeting held every three years by the Franciscans wherein decisions of internal matters of government and resolutions are made

## Evangelization conference set for Midwest region

by JIM JACHIMIAK

"It's almost like the fire of Pentecost."

That is how Sister of St. Joseph Julia Wagner, administrative assistant in the Office of Evangelization, sees the fourth annual National Catholic Lay Celebrations of Evangelization.

More than 5,000 are expected to attend three regional celebrations, the Midwest Edition at Minneapolis, the West Coast Edition at Los Angeles and the East Coast Edition at Miami Beach

Sister Wagner and Father Clarence Waldon. director of the Office of Evangelization, will attend the Midwest Edition, to be held Aug. 20-22 at Minneapolis Auditorium and Convention

The benefit for participants, Sister Wagner believes, is that "it will really bring the Holy Spirit into their lives." When a group assembles for such a purpose, "they come away on fire and really want to do something. That's what I picked up from people who attended last year." says Sister Wagner, who began working full-time in the Office of Evangelization last

The first result, she says, should be the development of "very active evangelization committees in parishes that don't have them already." And in the 47 parishes in the archdiocese with evangelization committees, "this will spur them on and continue the flame that's been sparked.'

Whether or not their parishes have evangelization committees, participants "bring back what they have learned and share it." One way of doing that is to present the information to parish organizations. "It's something that they shouldn't come back with and keep to themselves."

Sister Wagner also sees the conference as "very helpful in pointing out to the laity their importance in the church. Evangelization is a lay ministry."

In addition, it is one way to "bring in the alienated in the Catholic Church." In fact, she notes, the thrust of evangelization should be toward alienated and inactive Catholics and those with no church affiliation, not to members of other churches

The celebrations are sponsored by the Paulist Catholic Evangelization Center, Washington, D.C. Because participants from the archdiocese are registering directly with the center this year, rather than through the Office of Evangelization, Sister Wagner does not know how many will attend from the area.

"I do feel that we will have a pretty good representation," she says, despite the distance involved. She and Father Waldon plan to gather with participants from the archdiocese during the conference.

Each of the three regional celebrations includes various programs. General sessions will provide theological and Scriptural background for evangelization efforts. Workshops will include practical models for programs. Seminars will explain specialized approaches. In addition there will be exhibits of books, films, tapes and printed material by organizations and religious communities. Liturgies will open and close each regional

At the Midwest Edition, Paulist Father Alvin Illig, executive director of the National Council of Catholic Bishops (NCCB) Committee on Evangelization, will present a general session, "Evangelization: Is it Anti-Ecumenical?"

Norbertine Father Alfred McBride, author of "Share the Word Catechism," will lead a general session on "Evangelization: Saying Yes to the Lord." Dolores Leckey, executive director of the NCCB committee on the laity,

will present "Families: the Beginning and Nurturing of the Call to Evangelization.

Other general sessions will include. "The World's Hunger for Meaning," "What is the Young Adults," "Global View of Evangelization," "The Shape of the Future" and "Conversion, Not Only for Converts."

Among the workshops to be presented at the Midwest Edition are, "Unified Diocesan Efforts in Evangelization," "Preparing Laity for Ministry" and "One-on-One Faith Sharing." Seminars include "Spiritual Formation for Evangelization," "Role of Women" and "Who Am I As Evangelizer?"

Preaching workshops, designed especially for deacons and priests, are scheduled for the day before each regional conference. Presentations and workshops are geared toward more effective preparation and delivery of homilies and other forms of preaching.



SUMMERTIME AND THE LIVIN' IS EASY-Not everyone lives by a pier on the ocean. Not everyone can find relief from the weather in this the hottest season. Youngsters from city neighborhoods are silhouetted against a hot, humid, hazy sunlit sky as they cool off from temperatures in the upper 90s by jumping off a pier at Malibu Beach in the Dorchester section of Boston. But will they appreciate this opportunity when snow and ice are once again the order of the day in a few months? Our memories are often short, but the memories of warm weather often linger. (NC photo from UPI)

## to the editor

### Disagrees with editorial on diaconate

While I laud your surfacing of the question for us, as a priest senator I must say that I do not believe you have captured the real question in your editorial Aug. 6 "To deacon or not to deacon." A discussion of the permanent diaconate must be placed within a broader context of the needs of the church.

While it is true Vatican II restored the permanent diaconate, it also opened up and legitimized the priesthood of all the baptized.
Giving due attention to the ordained ministry, the Council went on to emphasize the laity's assumption of their rightful call to minister.

I am not certain about your assertion that in modern times "the diaconate has blossomed forth." I have talked to too many persons from other dioceses across the country who do not give such rosy pictures of their experiences. Perhaps the most significant problem I have heard is that too many "men" enjoy the authority of an ordained "office" while oftentimes being short on "service." Someone told me the permanent diaconate has only served to further entrench a caste system widening the rift between clergy and laity. It would be with much trepidation that I could ever encourage a whole new level of clericalism in a church that I experience to be already too top heavy and too male.

I do not agree with your assessment of the situation that because we have too few priests, there is need for more ordained clergy. The Dutch theologian, Father Edward Schillebeeckx, has said the only crisis seems to be whether the church will legitimize the authentic call of lay persons to assume genuine spiritual and pastoral leadership.

I as a priest have often felt overwhelmed and overworked. Your editorial, however, assumes that the problem can be rectified through more "sacramental" Frankly, my workload problem does not revolve around celebrating the sacraments or preaching. Rather, I see people with marriage problems needing counseling; I see many single adults yearning for someone to help them dig deep in their hearts for meaning in life; I see young people needing to be singled out and affirmed how special each is; I see aged parishioners who need to know they are useful and important to the life of our community; I see young marrieds who could use pastoral visits after a year or two of marriage when the excitement wears off so they know the church is a place where they can find support and nourishment; I see people who have lost someone they love and who desperately need to know that people still care.

Our parish has 2,600 registered members, many who come from outside the parish, and 400 to 500 students from Butler during the academic year. Almost every Sunday all I can do is look at their faces, offer them to God in the bread and wine, and hope that their needs for counseling and/or spiritual direction are

To rely on all volunteers to fill these needs is not facing reality. Yet it is not necessary that but I have trouble supporting it if the archdiocese does not commit itself, its resources, its money, its person-power, etc. to a serious effort at the development of lay pastoral/spiritual ministry.

these needs be met by a person wearing a

collar. Perhaps if priests were freed to be sacramental ministers and preachers of the Word instead of the man "with five jobs"

(proudly displayed by a recent vocation

poster), often doing things he has no business

trying to do, then perhaps our celebrants would

be more life-giving in their liturgical

celebrations and the Catholic church would no

seriously the permanent diaconate. Yes, there

is need-for ministry, not necessarily more

clergy. I do not think your contention that "the

reality of the diaconate throughout the rest of

the world" is here adequately describes Latin

America or Africa. In those places, the church

has developed a large network of basic

Christian communities that rely heavily on

trained lay pastoral leadership. If the per-

manent diaconate is thriving in these parts of

the world (and I am not certain it is), it is only

because they have also taken seriously the

priesthood of the laity which Vatican II

I am not against the permanent diaconate,

Yes, it is time for the Senate to take

longer be known for its poor preaching.

Father Cosmas L. Raimondi Associate Pastor St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

Indianapolis

#### Appreciates article

The Cathedral High School class of 1932 wishes to express its appreciation for the article that appeared in the Criterion June 4.

From it we found some of our missing classmates. Also some of our classmates received a copy of the article in Illinois, Michigan, Alabama, Florida, Colorado, Nevada, and California. We had many fine comments from our friends on the story and Jim Jachimiak did a fine job.

We still meet the last Wednesday of the month at noon at the K of C at 13th and Delaware. Every month we try to set up an activity to have with our ladies. You know in 1932 Cathedral was an all boys school only. Every quarter we take our wives or lady friends out to dinner and get together and enjoy

On Friday, Aug. 13 our golden anniversary class of '32 will be recognized at the Cathedral

S.C. Litzelman

High School all alumni reunions.

### Thanks personnel board upon retirement

As I leave the Office of Personnel Director for Priests, I would feel remiss if I did not publicly thank the archbishop and the members of the Personnel Board for a job well done. Both Archbishop Biskup and Archbishop O'Meara have made assignments a top priority. Either the archbishop or his delegate has always been present for the meeting of the Personnel Board. These meetings are often

The priests elected by the age groups of priests and those elected as territorial representatives have always taken their position seriously. They have been very faithful at attendance at meetings and open and frank in their discussions. I feel that the priests of the

archdiocese are happier as a result of the function of the Personnel Board and the parishes are better served.

The priests and parishioners of the archdiocese should be very grateful to them. Their work is rewarding in many ways but also frustrating in many ways. Because they deal with a limited number of priests and a given number of parishes and ministries. The appointments suggested to the archbishop are not always ideal.

In closing, I ask God to bless my successor in his new task and the board members in their

Rev. Msgr. Joseph D. Brokhage Former Personnel Director for Priests Indianapolis

Indianapolis

#### CORNUCOPIA

## Another list of best, worst

by GINA JUNG

Last summer our faithful provider of news, National Catholic News Service, made known in an article the 10 worst villains in history in the eyes of a group of college professors.

Among the list were such amiable characters as Hitler,

Attila the Hun and Nero.

A few weeks after the article was published, a diocesan newspaper ran a poll of its readers—this time asking people to nominate their 10 favorite heroes or heroines in history.

That list read like a popular who's who among Catholics. High on the list were Pope John Paul II, Mother Teresa, John Kennedy, Joan of Arc, Dorothy Day and a host of past popes.

But why should only heroes and villains occupy popular lists? Readers may like to know who would be nominated for other categories.

How about a list of the most outstanding smiles in recent years?

Of course, Jimmy Carter with his ear to ear grin would make the top. And there is the angel who turned poster girl and popular hairdo model, Farrah Fawcett-Majors. Robert Redford may have made the list a decade or so ago, but he seems to have been outdone by another wave of good-looking men.

I would nominate Ronald Reagan for the best politician's smile during a presidential debate. While Carter continuously addressed him as "Governor Reagan" in the meetings of the political boredom, Reagan calmly struck back with an untiring grin: "Well, there you go again."

If a list of best and worst losers were compiled, New York Yankee owner George Steinbrenner would certainly make the list of worst losers.

For the non-sports minded, the impatient Steinbrenner recently fired his second manager this season. Bob Lemon said so long only a few weeks into the season and last week Gene Michael found himself no longer with the Yankees. Who knows how long Clyde King, the new manager, will last?

(Sports reporters are saying that King is taking the job reluctantly.)

With nine managerial changes in 10 seasons, Steinbrenner isn't paying much attention to the law of averages. Even the best teams lose 40 percent of their games.

But that attitude is why he would make the sorest losers list.

And the best loser? I would nominate Ted Kennedy at the 1980 Democratic Convention. For a politician who is not used to losing, he

#### Archbishop O'Meara's Schedule Week of August 15

SUNDAY, Aug. 15—Blessing of shrine and Activity/Education Center, St. Agnes parish, Nashville; Mass at 4 p.m., followed by reception.

THURSDAY, Aug. 19—Installation of new Archdiocesan Board of Education officers, Our Lady of Lourdes church, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, Aug. 20—Priesthood ordination, Province of Our Lady of Consolation, Mount St. Francis, 6 p.m. (E.D.T.)

SATURDAY, Aug. 21—Youth Ministry Task Force meeting, Catholic Center, 11 a.m. did well in acting like a winner. Who could forget the defiant fist of triumph in the face of defeat as he walked down from the platform after delivering an arousing speech?

I suspect he is a fan of Douglas MacArthur movies. Kennedy seems pretty confident about returning for victory the next time around.

Being in the business of giving the news the public, I would like to set up a category for the most trivial and overblown news event.

The fairybook wedding last summer of Prince Charles and Ladv Diana, may not have been trivial but the attention paid to the peripheral details was burdensome.

Yes, such weddings may only take place once in a generation, but must we be told about every exacting detail of the royal courtship? Must we know that Princess Diana's older sister had once dated the bonnie prince? Must we know Princess Diana's pedigree is more English than her husband's?

Nay, I say. But of course, the British press has much more to say about its royal celebrities.

Actually the whole subject of making lists of heroes, villains and trivial news events can be pretty trivial in itself—which makes for a good reason for ending the matter altogether.

#### check it out...

The Maternal and Infant Care Project of the Marion County Health Department has moved its clinic at 2422 Central Ave. to the Citizens Ambulatory Health Care Center, 601 E. 17th St. The project, fanded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, aids high-risk mothers and infants in Marion County who meet certain economic or physical high-risk criteria.

The Rev. Anthony Kelley, Marion County jail chaplain, has initiated a Community-Pastors Inreach program to provide a challenge to inmates. It will include services with local pastors and choirs each Sunday night at 8 p.m. in the jail chapel. The first service, Sept. 5, will include dedication of the renovated chanel

A free workshop, Typical Mistakes Most Job Seekers/Career Changers Make, will be presented by Mike Kenney and Associates on Aug. 17. The seminar will be held from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at 107 N. Pennsylvania, Suite 404. For reservations or further information call 634-8611.

✓ The Sacrament of the Sick will be administered during Mass at St. Luke's Church, 7600 N. Illinois, at 11 a.m. on Aug. 21. Anyone with illnesses, heart trouble, diabetes, high blood pressure, broken bones, emotional disorders, epilepsy or recent surgery is invited to receive the sacrament. For transportation or more information call Doris Dimond, 846-9049, or Jean Wawrzyniak, 844-1073.

Challenges of Communism to Faith, Family and Country, sponsored by the Cardinal Mindszenty Foundation of St. Louis, will be held at the Sheraton Inn, U.S. 52 at Cumberland, in West Lafayette. Eleanor Schlafly, executive director of the Mindszenty Foundation, will speak on "The Communist Challenge to God." Others addressing the conference and their topics include include Father Enrique Rueda, "Communism's Threat to America," Indiana State Sen. Dan Manion, "In Defense of Freedom," and Bernard Yoh, "The Media and Your Future." Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and Mass will be concelebrated at 11:30 a.m. followed by a luncheon. Registration, including the luncheon, is \$15 before Aug. 18, \$17 after. Without the luncheon, registration in \$7. Clergy and religious are admitted free to all sessions. For more information contact Vivian Voglund, conference chairman, (317) 447-6206, or Olive Murphy, (317) 474-9761.

Benedictine Sister Mary Charlotte Kavanaugh, a member of Convent Immaculate Conception at Ferdinand, was presented with the Cardinal Cooke Award and Medal at Fort Rucker, Ala., last month. The award, the highest honor in the military ordinariate, is given annually to five people who have demonstrated outstanding work in Catholic programs in the military. Sister Kavanaugh has been director of religious education at Fort Rucker since 1972 and engineered a religious

✓ Two Oldenburg Franciscans professed final vows and another was received into the community as a novice on Aug. 7 at the motherhouse chapel. Franciscan Sisters Mary Moster and Joan Raver made final vows. Sister Moster, a native of Connersville, entered the community in 1972. She has taught at St. Lawrence School in Indianapolis, as well as the Cincinnati area. She is the daughter of Albert and Margaret Moster of Liberty. Sister Raver, a native of Oldenburg, entered the Franciscan a native of Oldenburg. She is the daughter of Norman Raver of Oldenburg. Slster Elizabeth Wathen, received as a novice, is an In-

dianapolis native and entered the community

last year. She is the daughter of Cameron and

Mary Alice Wathen of St. Roch parish.

education program for 500 youth and 155 faculty and staff members from the military

and civilian communities.



Among the new St. Vincent Hospital Guild officers elected to its board of directors are (left to right) Mrs. Michael H. Hutchings, projects chairman; Teresa Fanning, assistant treasurer; Mrs. Charles Quinn, president, and Mrs. Robert J. Lewis, Jr., treasurer. The guild engages in charitable, religious, educational and scientific work for St. Vincent Hospital and Health Care Center.

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### the question box

## What are we like in heaven?

by Msgr. R. T. BOSLER

Q We are the parents of a severely retarded child. Doctors tell us she will probably not live to be more than 12 years old. She has evoked lots of love from the rest of the members of the family, and our other children

talk a lot about how hard it will be for all of us when she is taken away. We assure them she will be happier in heaven than struggling against great odds here on earth, but they want to know whether she will be different in heaven. Does the church teach anything about whether infants or the retarded will be complete adults in



A Your words should bring great comfort to all those who are frightened by the possibility of having a retarded child.

The Catholic church takes an uncompromising stand on the dignity of all human life, however underdeveloped or deformed, precisely because of the fundamental belief that all humans are destined to share in the glorious life of the resurrected

The scriptural words that should convince you that your little one will not be handicapped in heaven are these of St. Paul:

"He (Christ) will give a new form to this lowly body of ours and remake it according to the pattern of his glorified body." (Philippians

Early church writers and theologians down through the centuries have speculated on this and similar questions

Will there be a difference between a person who dies in infancy and one who lives to be feeble and decrepit? Will there be sexual dif-

The church has no official answer to these questions. It seems reasonable to hold that with the resurrection a human would enjoy the fulfillment of his or her humanity that comes with adulthood.

And since the church teaches that the same human being who dies rises with the resurrection, it seems logical to conclude that sexual identity remains. But reason and logic can be very imperfect instruments for peering into the mysteries of the hereafter.

On the subject of sexual identity we have some guidance in the words: "When people rise from the dead, they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but live like the angels in heaven." (Mark 12:25)

I suppose the best answer to all the questions about what life in eternity will be is that given in the First Letter of John 3:2: " We are God's children now; what we shall later be has not yet come to light. We know that when it comes to light we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is."

(Msgr. Bosler welcomes questions from readers. Those of general interest will be answered here. Write to him at 600 North Alabama, Indianapolis, IN

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## Surviving trials in marriage requires flexibility

by Dr. JAMES and MARY KENNY

Dear Mary: Our discussion club members were talking about the increasing divorce rate. Several members admitted that there were many times in their own marriages when they were tense and unhappy, but they had never thought of divorce. They also agreed that these periods pass and they are happy again to be married. Don't people today realize that marriages can go through really bad periods and still come out better and stronger?

Answer: I agree that most marriages that last go through some very difficult periods. And most divorced persons learn that divorce has its own set of problems and stresses. As one divorced person quipped, "If you think marriage is difficult, try divorce!"

Successful married readers have shared some very difficult experiences in their lives. Some of the themes which emerge over and over are: 1) in stressful times I did not feel loving; 2) loving became a matter of living out my commitment to spouse and family; 3) over and over I asked God to love through me because I could not love on my own.

Here are some suggestions for staying positive and flexible during marital storms:

1. Focus on your spouse's virtues. Write them down. Re-read the list. Keep them firmly in mind.

Being positive is both difficult and im-

#### Administration files brief on abortion regulation

WASHINGTON-The Reagan administration urged the Supreme Court July 29 to grant state and local governments leeway in regulating abortions. The comments of the administration came in a friend-of-the-court brief which the Justice Department filed in connection with the high court's consideration of abortion cases from Missouri, Ohio and Virginia. The brief took no position on the cases but merely urged proper deference to state and local abortion statutes.

portant. In troubled times people tend to focus only on the negative, to dwell on it, even to exaggerate it. The ordinary virtues-being a good provider, holding a job, attending school functions because the children want their parents there-are totally ignored. You cannot afford to overlook virtues, small or large.

2. Recognize the paradox of human relationships. Some of your spouse's traits which annoy you now are probably the very ones which attracted you and led you into

A man may have fallen in love with his wife because she was quiet and steady. Later he thinks she is boring. A woman may have chosen a man because he was fun loving and enjoyed a good time. Now she finds him loud and boisterous. In this imperfect world no personality trait pleases others perfectly

3. Dwelling on traits which you cannot change only leads to frustration. Much frustration can be avoided by finding ways to adapt to such situations.

If a spouse's job demands traveling, un-predictable hours and missed family meals, do not gripe, adapt. Keep quick-to-fix snacks available for both of you to enjoy at any hour. Adjust family celebrations to times when all members can be present.

Adapting to what you cannot change has many applications. If dad does not spend much time with his children and never has, recognize his virtues, accept and adapt to this part of his personality. If spouse always tells old jokes at parties, don't spoil every party by criticizing or nagging. Adapt.

Even after many years of marriage, ises are challenged to stay positive and flexible. Each of us would rather change the other. Flexibility, however, may well be the single most important quality in a long-lasting marriage which survives many changes over the years.

(Reader questions on family living and child care to be answered in print are invited. Address questions: The Kennys: Box 761; St. Joseph's College; Rensselaer, Ind. 47978.)

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# LIVING YOUR FAITH

## The Way and other cults attract large number of dissatisfied Catholics

by JOHN ROSALES **NC News Service** (First of a two-part series)

Amid miles of cornfields that cover the flat Ohio landscape, not far from Dayton, stands the complex of modern office buildings, student dormitories and white marble fountains of The Way International.

On Aug. 15, the placid farmfields will welcome 15,000 devotees to a religious rally and rock music festival called the Rock of Ages. Although its headquarters rest among peaceful surroundings, The Way, a fundamentalist Christian sect, stirs a reaction among its critics that is anything but placid. They call it a cult. In its 40th year, the organization's following

is estimated in public accounts at between 60,000 and 100,000 in the United States and dozens of foreign countries. A more precise figure is not known, since The Way keeps no official membership records.

Outside observers who have studied the group say that whatever the roll count, The Way includes a sizeable percentage of

"Based on the work of researchers and clinicians studying cult organizations, the number of former Catholics in The Way is pretty close to 40 percent," said Father Lawrence Gesey, associate pastor at St. Anthony of Padua in Baltimore and a coordinate of the counseling service, Ministry of Cult Awareness. "Many Catholic youths are seeking love, friendship and spiritual improvement. And The Way, like most cults, provides an answer for everything from peer group acceptance and career choices to solving all the

FOUNDED IN 1942, by Victor Paul Wierwille, now 65, The Way has been called a cult because, those who study it say, it fits the definition set by youth counselors, clergymen and pychologists:

-Doctrine is set forth by a founder-prophet usually living) upon whom members are highly dependent.

-Members use recruitment techniques frequently based on deception and coercion.

-A central Christian doctrine is denied or

#### Vatican establishes diplomatic relations

VATICAN CITY-The Holy See has established diplomatic relations with Denmark, Norway and Sweden, the Vatican announced Aug. 2. Each of the Scandinavian countries will send an ambassador to the Holy See and Pope John Paul II will send a Vatican diplomat to each country. Since 1960, the Vatican has had one apostolic delegate, living in Copenhagen, Denmark, for the three countries. An apostolic delegate has no diplomatic status. The three countries, with a combined population of 17.5 million, have about 125,000 Catholics.

-Followers believe they are the exclusive holders of God's truth and have been chosen to represent God on earth.

-Members are preoccupied with worshiping, fund-raising and recruiting for the

-Communication with family and friends is restricted or cut off altogether.

-Members are encouraged to give at least part of their earnings and possessions to the

-Followers allow organization leaders to make important decisions concerning career and marriage.

Father Gesey said many adolescents are idealistic, naive and all too willing to experiment with different lifestyles and value

"Many young adults who are disenchanted with society and the church are looking for something to believe in," said Father Gesey. "Once they come into contact with a cult family they get 'love bombed' with instant affirmation and are sucked into hearing what the cult has to say.'

CATHOLIC YOUTHS, some theologians say, are attracted at the outset by The Way's intense devotion to the study of the Bible and to its fundamental Christian beliefs. Its practices, including faith healing, spiritual rebirth and firearms training, were developed by Wierwille who says he has rediscovered the message of Christianity after years of in-dependent Bible study. He says he founded The Way when God "spoke to me audibly." Wierwille said, "He

would teach me the word as it had not been known since the first century, provided that I would teach what he taught me to others."

Wierwille's formal education includes a bachelor of divinity degree, a master of theology degree from Princeton Theological Seminary and a doctorate from Pikes Peak Theological Seminary, a mail order degree

In the mid 1940s Wierwille began his own independent system of biblical research, which he later developed into a formal course called "Power for Abundant Living." In 1955 he incorporated the organization he had founded in his congregation as The Way International.

For the ensuing 10 to 15 years he continued preaching to small groups in Ohio. The organization's real growth came in the late 1960s among hippies and anti-establishment

Wierwille's following began to grow even more when he videotaped his 33-hour Bible teaching class and began showing it on college campuses and at community religious meetings as "Power for Abundant Living." The course costs a non-refundable \$200 for registration and \$40 for class materials.

STRUCTURED TO RESEMBLE a tree, The Way organization has five ministry properties in the United States called "root" one of them being near their New Knoxville, Ohio, headquarters. Countries are "trunk" areas; states, "limbs;" counties, large cities



or parts of states, "branches;" and smaller areas, "twigs." Followers are known as "leaves."

Members meet at least once a week at a "twig" home for prayer and Bible study.

The three-and-a-half-week PFAL class is an intensive course of in the teachings of Way doctrine and philosophy.

As listed on the back of the registration card, PFAL "increases prosperity," "develops more harmony in the home," "overcomes worry and fear," and "maintains health."

Such promises, critics contend, are typical of cults that want to attract new followers

"Cultists initially don't fully identify themselves or explain their faiths," says James McCarthy, director of Sanctuary, Inc., a counseling center on new religious movements. "You may be invited to a community house for dinner by someone who seems very warm and friendly, and who is very knowledgeable about the Bible, but it's not an honest feeling-it's staged."
McCarthy said that youths need an outlet for

their idealism and altruistic drives. "Cults provide that outlet, fill that need, but ultimately it's just an illusion."

"The Way most effectively is teaching the word of God," said The Way spokesman, Cathy Crawley. "As Christians, it is our intent to help

The biblical interpretation by Wierwille and that which his followers teach is contrary to some basic Christian doctrine.

For instance, Wierwille says he believes Jesus is only the Son of God and not God. He dismisses the Trinity as being a pagan belief, and the Holy Spirit as only a gift to man.

But despite the controversial teachings and lifestyle of The Way, followers are dedicated to spreading the good word as taught by Wier-

"He is a great man in the field of the Bible," Ms. Crawley said. And "there is nothing any more ominous with The Way than with any other organization."

Next: More basics needed to counter cult, experts say.

# Bishops have right to speak on political issues

by Fr. RICHARD P. McBRIEN

A new assault is being launched against the U.S. Catholic bishops and it is coming this time from the right, not the left.

The charge against the bishops is threefold, and it is sometimes put in the form of

questions. First, what right do the bishops have to speak on issues which are political in character, e.g., U.S. foreign policy on El Salvador, nuclear disarmament, Reaganomics?

Secondly, what right do the bishops have to speak on such issues in the name of the rest of the church?

Thirdly, in speaking out on such issues, do not the bishops compromise their pastoral roles as unifiers of the church at both sacramental and doctrinal levels?

When Quentin Quade (pronounced "Quad"), the executive vice president of Marquette University, made precisely this kind of case against the bishops in a recent issue of the Catholic Herald (the archdiocesan weekly paper in Milwaukee), he was rebutted in the letters-to-the-editor column by no less than the Archbishop of Milwaukee himself.

"What frightens me most about Dr. Quade's article," Archbishop Rembert Weakland wrote, "is its 'deja vu' nature. I heard these same theses personally from very high government officials in Poland and Hungary just a few years back.

"IT WAS EXPRESSED 'usque ad nauseam' during the Hitler and Mussolini period. In fact, during every fascist and totalitarian regime it seems to reappear in South America to stifle the voice of the church or make its statements so vague and dis-incarnated that it becomes pointless. 'The church should stay out of politics,' they keep crying.

"I would rather applaud a hierarchy that struggles with the moral issues in our political life and tries to reflect with all the faithful on them in concrete situations in the light of the Gospel and Christian teaching and tradition," the Archbishop concluded.

Two weeks later Dr. Quade responded to the Archbishop's letter in a manner that reflects the changing mood and temper of the Catholic right. It was tough and hard-hitting: the kind of combative, non-conciliatory style that one would have expected from the anti-"Humane Vitae" left, not the pro-"Humanae Vitae" right.

If Archbishop Weakland failed, as Dr. Quade charged, to answer point-by-point the questions he (Quade) had raised about the U.S. hierarchy's pronouncements on political issues, Father Lamb succeeded in doing so.

Regarding question #1: Father Lamb called attention to specific teachings in Vatican II's Decree on the Bishops' Pastoral Office in the Church (n. 13) and throughout the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern



LIFE RETURNS—Children pull sieds up a slope near the Goose Green camp on the Falkland Islands as life returns to normal. Goose Green was the site of some of the bloodiest fighting between Argentina and Britain over control of the Islands. (NC photo from UPI)

World, which itself speaks authoritatively not only on marriage, the family, and sexuality, but also on culture, education, socio-economic life, politics and issues of war and peace.

MORE TO THE point, the Pastoral Constitution declares that the church and its bishops have "the right to pass moral judgments, even on matters touching the political order, whenever basic personal rights or the salvation of souls make such judgments necessary" (n. 76).

Regarding question #2: Sometimes bishops do indeed speak only for themselves; at other times they speak as pastoral leaders of their own dioceses; and at other times they speak as a body in the name of the whole nation (as in statements of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops) or of the whole church (as at Vatican II). One has to take each pronouncement as it comes. (To be sure, Dr. Quade is not suggesting that the bishops' teachings are no more authoritative than those of any other member of the church.)

Regarding question #3: Bishops who speak out on politically divisive issues, which nonetheless have a clear moral dimension, preserve sacramental and doctrinal unity 'by aiding the whole church to discern how their political stands are informed by the moral and religious meanings and values informing the church's sacramental and doctrinal life."

Father Lamb continued: "If their stands are not so informed they will not stand up to the test of the Spirit and the Lord of history who guide the church—as the documents of Vatican II make clear . . ."

Spokespersons of the new Catholic right sometimes appeal to Pope John Paul II to support their case. The Pope, they assert, insists that the church must never intervene in the political order.

Although there are many papal statements to the contrary on the public record, his physical embrace of Bishop Helder Camara of Brazil in the summer of 1980 spoke louder than all of his formal pronouncements. No Catholic bishop has been more "politically divisive" than Camara, and yet the Pope embraced him, knowing full well the symbolic effect of his gesture.

One final comment: The Catholic right has every "right" to criticize the hierarchy and to demand sound arguments from the hierarchy in support of its teachings. Such freedom must characterize the people of God.

But the Catholic right should at least have the decency now to stop effecting a more-Catholic-than-thou pose when instructing their benighted liberal brethren on the virtues of loyalty to the magisterium.

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AUGUST 15, 1982 Feast of the Assumption Revelation 11:19—12:1-6, 10 I Corinthians 15:20-26 Luke 1:39-56

by PAUL KARNOWSKI

One tells us we're OK, another points out our errocous zones. While revealing some starting effects of stress, still another encourages us to relax. They all ask us to think positive, assuring us that, if we do, we will become winners. What are they? They're the "self-help" books and they are sold (selflessly, I presume) at our local bookstores.

Although each book has a different title, a different approach, and a different level of insight, all of them share a common theme. "It is essential," they tell us, "that we develop a good self-image."

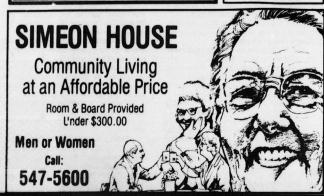
Whether we choose to read the self-helps or not, most of us would agree with their basic premise. We know that, to a large extent, we become who we think we are. We all try to live up to an image of one form or another.

On the feast of the Assumption the liturgy of the word presents two different images of the Virgin Mary, both of them good. In the first reading, taken from the pages of the book of Revelation, we hear about a cosmic woman. She is 'clothed with the sun, the moon is under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve

Before we have time to be impressed with her attire we hear her cries of labor. She is about to give birth to a child, and a dragon—flaming red, with seven heads and ten horns—waits for her delivery so that he might devour the child. Although it is doubtful that the sacred author intended the cosmic woman as a portrait of Mary, the church has traditionally used her as an image of the Virgin.

It is an image that clashes with the picture of Mary in today's gospel. Here a country girl sings a song to the Lord as she goes about an ordinary life; she holds within her womb the promised Messiah, and yet, she finds time to help her kinswoman, who is also with child.

A cosmic lady and a country girl. Both are images worthy of imitation; both are necessary elements in a good Christian self-image. Like the cosmic woman, we should see ourselves engaged in a struggle that transcends our day to day activity, a struggle between good and evil, between life and death. And like the country girl, we should envision ourselves as simple servants of the Lord and of one another.



### Living the questions

## Conference will take us beyond Indianapolis

by Fr. THOMAS C. WIDNER

"It's the classiest program I've seen coming to Indianapolis in years."

The speaker is Father Jeff Godecker. The program is "Twenty Years After Vatican II," the grandiloquent and ambitious four week series planned by the Christian Leadership Center at Marian College.

"There's been nothing like it that I know of in recent years to bring mainline folks into the city and into the diocese. And it includes an ecumenical dimension as well as one directed to our own educational leadership," Father Godecker added.

"Twenty Years After Vatican II" is indeed a top flight venture. In terms of lecture programs, it's traveling first class. The four speakers are among the most prominent and most outstanding in their fields in the American Catholic and Protestant churches. The programs will be presented on each

of the four Sundays of October.

Father Eugene LaVerdiere will begin the program on Oct.

A noted Scripture scholar, he will speak on "Imperiorities".

3. A noted Scripture scholar, he will speak on "Imagination, Culture and Ministry: New Emphases in Biblical Interpretation."

Sound esoteric? It probably is to most of us. But "Twenty Years After Vatican II" is designed to capture the interests of church leaders. Hopefully, they will be stimulated enough to be able to return to their local communities and feel more confident about their own work.

Father Richard McBrien, head of the theology department at the University of Notre Dame, will speak on "The Mystery and Mission of the Church: A Look Back at Vatican II" on Oct. 10.

Martin Marty, noted church historian from the University of Chicago, will speak on "Your Part in the Second Ecumenical Generation" on Oct. 17.

And on Oct. 24, Sister Agnes Cunningham will speak on "Towards Vatican III: Issues and Challenges."

What excites Father Godecker about the program is that it's the kind of thing that will "enable the intellectual juices to run more freely." The program will take the local church leadership away from its "daily nitty gritty problems" and allow it to dream. That's good, he says, because it challenges and stimulates the mind.

"People who deal with day to day reality in the church need this occasionally," he believes, "because they become more alive after receiving this kind of stimulation."

Such stimulation, he contends, enables church leaders to better meet the day to day demands. It is also apt to bring a wide segment of local church leadership together in one place—educators, ministers, etc. And that's always good for exchanging ideas.

"The speakers we're presenting," Father Godecker asserts, "have a broad exposure to the larger church and they will expose us to the larger issues the church is concerned with. They will be able to take us beyond the church of Indianapolis" and remind us there's a whole other world out there.

ALL THIS IS BEING DONE by a relatively new kid on the block, the Christian Leadership Center. In particular, the

program is the brainchild of its director Sister of St. Joseph Mary Cove. Formerly director of religious education for the diocese of Worcester, Massachusetts, Sister Cove has headed the CLC since 1980. Msgr. Raymond Bosler headed the Center as it was getting off its feet. Fifty per cent funded by the Sisters of St. Francis of Oldenburg, the Center also enjoys the support of Lilly Endowment and the facilities of Marian College.

"The Center," Godecker says, "is the answer to a need in the diocese—to provide a continuing education venture for church leadership across the board, to those who provide leadership on the local parish level."

FATHER GODECKER has only this summer began as an associate director. He along with Franciscan Sister Mary O'Brien have joined Sister Cove this summer. Father Godecker just completed a year at the Institute of Spirituality and Worship in Berkeley, Calif., while Sister O'Brien just finished a year at the Institute of Creation-Centered Spirituality at Mundelein College, Chicago. Both have broad and long experience in religious education, Father Godecker in the Indianapolis archdiocese and Sister O'Brien in the Cincinnati archdiocese.

The CLC staff has its work cut out for it. The cry from the local church is for help in training and preparing the laity for leadership in church ministry. "Twenty Years After Vatican II" won't create instant parish leadership. But it will provide the intellectual stimulus for those who take on some of these roles. What many would like to see from the CLC, however, is more practical—training of iectors, lay ministers and the like. Hopefully, that will come in time.

# Mothers who become sisters have interesting stories

by DOLORES CURRAN

"People react in stunned disbelief when I tell them what my mother 'does' for a living. 'She's a nun,' I say. 'Yea, very funny. Now what does she really do?' they ask with laughter. When I finally convince them of the

truth, they're not sure how to take it. In fact, they're not sure how I take it! Just how does one react when one is told by a hard-to-hold-down, always-on-the-go, leader-of-everything mother, 'I'm entering the convent. Is that okay with you?''

Speaking is Kate, daughter of one of the two nun-mothers, I want to share with you in this

column. Every so often we read about a grandfather becoming ordained but rarely do we read the same thing about widowed women becoming nuns. Yet, in the past year alone, I've met two such women and I think their stories might interest you.

The first is a widowed grandmother of three who studied family ministry with me last summer. She endeared herself to my 13 year-old son by taking him fishing, a hobby she enjoyed with her son many years ago and now with every fishing-addicted child she can horrow.

Her name is Franciscan Sister Claire Marie and her apostolate is in prison ministry, specifically with an organization called Triniteam. She works closely with youth who end up in prison and/or on parole, supplying both a motherly and a spiritual presence. Many keep in touch with her years later because she is often the only caring mother they have

The second nun is Kate's mother, Sister

Lucille. A 1936 graduate of Rosary College in Chicago, Sister Lucille chose a late vocation as one option for women whose life patterns have changed. Seven years a widow and mother of 26-year-old Kate, Sister Lucille read an ad in the diocesan paper for women over 40 called to a second career as Religious. On an impulse she called and God took it from there. She was professed an Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM) in Los Angeles in 1979 and now works in a retreat center, specifically interested in developing spiritual programs for families.

Her daughter wrote an article on having a nun for a mother and they granted me permission to quote from it:

"Let me admit," she wrote, "that I had a sneaking suspicion that Morn was headed in this direction. Never did I dream, though, that she'd actually manage to find an order predisposed to taking in 'late vocations' as hers was truly as late as you can get. After the initial shock wore off, I was ecstatic because I felt that this was the perfect third career (following wifemother and social group work professional) for the energetic woman I've called 'Mom' over 26 years.

"Appropriately, this third career made itself available in her third major homesite—California ... In fact, Mom's life had had a hird 'three'—our small family; of Mom, Dad, and me! So now, in the supposed twilight years of her life, the years when she is to take it easy and just enjoy life, she is devoting that life to the ultimate three—the Triumvirate of God Incarnate, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

"I'm pleased that she did, indeed, listen to her angel' and make her brave decision to continue her commitment to service and her love for God and man in this special way. Let's hear it for her and for those who will follow her. Three cheers for Sister Lucille!!!"

And there we have it from the daughter of a relatively newly-professed nun, who is proud to introduce friends to "My mother, the nun."

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#### St. Patrick's **Parish**

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#### by JIM JACHIMIAK

Although located in the Fountain Square area on the southside of Indianapolis, an area seeking to preserve its history, St. Patrick parish has felt the effects of progress

In the 1960s, construction of the Interstate system caused "a great reduction of people in the parish," says Father Michael Bradley, pastor. Membership stands at 1,000, with 800 families, he

But a number of converts to the faith have kept the parish 'pretty much even in terms of numbers,' Father Bradley adds. 'I've noted a marked increase in converts, but I don't think that is unique to our parish.'

The neighborhood has also changed, according to George Crumbo. "Irish Hill," he explains, was the name given to one area included in the parish. "But you would have to look far and wide to find an Irishman on Irish Hill now," he says

The parish name did not always reflect its Irish heritage. It was organized as St. Peter's, the city's third parish. A new church completed in 1871 under Father Peter Fitzpatrick was consecrated as St. Patrick's

In 1927 an arsonist set fire to the church. All that remains are photos, the cornerstone and other items in the parish's "archives room." The present building was blessed in 1929. "This was the first church in the city built in Spanish style," rather than Gothic. Crumbo notes.

A HISTORICAL SKETCH written for St. Patrick's centennial reports that "spirits of the parishioners soared upon completion of their church, which gave them strength to withstand the trials of the Great Depression.

Even today, "We're very proud of our beautiful church," according to Bill Booher, parish council president.

A school and rectory were built just before the fire, so all three buildings were constructed during the 36-year pastorate (1913-1949) of Msgr. John O'Connell. St. Patrick's parish history calls him a "living legend" and notes that he was born on March 17, 1865—the feast of St. Patrick in the year the parish was founded.

Frances Lipps recalls that Msgr. O'Connell "had a very good relationship with the community, and let's face it, we were not very evangelical at that time." He was "a wonderful theologian,"

but he was also "able to get down to the children's level" when he taught religion in the school.

In 1977 St. Patrick's School became part of the consolidated Catholic Central School, which also includes Sacred Heart, St. Catherine and Holy Rosary parishes. Before St. Patrick's School there was an academy staffed by the Sisters of Providence and a boys' school staffed by the Brothers of the Sacred Heart. The academy was replaced by the present convent, while the boys' school was replaced by a parking lot.

THE CONVENT ALSO houses the offices of the St. Gabriel Province of the Sisters of Providence. The school building, vacated when consolidation took place, has been rented to the United Southside Community Organization (USCO). "We don't leave anything vacant if we can help it," Crumbo points out.

Ronald Nevitt calls it "amazing that we keep going with the expenses that we have." Nevitt, an assistant vice president at American Fletcher National Bank, was the first parish council president and is now parish financial manager. He explains, "I was elected to the council and they gave me the president's job at the first meeting, and I've been involved with the parish ever

The council has several active committees. The liturgy committee, Father Bradley notes, does "a superb job of bringing in new ideas and getting new people involved." Liturgy committee members also coordinate scheduling of commentators and lay ministers of the Eucharist.

An evangelization committee has been formed from what was known as a welcome committee

Marilyn Rhinaman chairs the festival committee, and Booher notes that this year's festival was one of the most successful for

Another valuable organization is the women's club. "We do an awful lot," Mrs. Lipps says. Major projects have included purchasing carpet for the rectory and altar, but the group also has a '50-50 Club," card parties and serves coffee and doughnuts after Mass each month.

Recent additions to the parish include a Bible study group and

The youth group sponsors car washes, spaghetti dinners and a Halloween "haunted dungeon" in the church basement. The group also participates in the liturgy, sends Easter baskets and birthday cards to a local nursing home and helps "set up and tear down" for parish activities, Mrs. Rhinaman points out.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society in the parish helps "Catholic, non-Catholic, white, black, blue, green or yellow," Crumbo says. That includes needy within parish boundaries and in parishes which have no St. Vincent de Paul Societies.

The number of people helped by the society fluctuates in the transient neighborhood. Activities include collecting food and money for the needy at Thanksgiving and distributing toys to needy children at Christmas. "The more affluent parishes



Crumbo says

Through St. Vincent de Paul and work with USCO, Crumbo says, "we don't just sit here. We are part of the outside com-

Father Bradley notes that one strength of the parish is cooperation. "We don't have any full-time employees," he says. But Mrs. Rhinaman says the pastor is "the best thing that's ever happened to St. Pat's."

Crumbo adds that sentiment for the parish is strong. Many former parishioners returned for the 1965 centennial and contributed to a recent fund drive which raised \$19,000 for painting the church's interior

"There are a lot of people whose hearts are still with the parish," Crumbo says.



THE PROUD AND THE DEDICATED—Before the altar in their church stand St. Patrick leaders, from left, George W. Crumbo, Marilyn Rhinaman, Bill Booher, Frances Lipps, Ronald R. Nevitt and Father Michael T. Bradley. Below, the rain may have slowed business but it didn't dampen spirits at a recent car wash sponsored by the parish's youth. (Photos by Jim Jachimiak)



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#### August 13, 14

The annual festival at Assumption parish, 1115 S. Blaine Ave., Indianapolis, will be held on the parish grounds.

#### August 14

Holy Angels parish, 28th and Northwestern, Indianapolis, will have a city-wide rummage sale, flea market and fish fry from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The Catholic Alumni Club invites all single Catholic adults to a party at the Woods Apartments Party House, 59th and Georgetown Road, Indianapolis, at 8:30 p.m. For information call Mary at 255-3841, or Marsha, 251-1607

St. Christopher Singles are hosting a singles' dance in the school cafeteria, Speedway, from 8 p.m. until midnight. All singles invited. Admission free. For further information contact

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St. Jude's Legion of Mary will sponsor a Day of

Recollection at the Beech Grove Benedictine Center from 9 a.m.

The Catholic Widowed Organization (CWO) will have a barbecue dinner at Marcy Village Clubhouse, 4450 Marcy Lane, Indianapolis. For more information contact Neatha Diehl, 236-1565; Dolores Conner, 784-4207; Bert Abell, 783-0381; or Ann Wadelton, 253-7628.

#### August 15

Precious Blood parish, Jasper, will hold its annual icnic on the parish grounds at Highway 56/Ireland Road. Serving will be from 11 a.m. to 6

The Women's Club of St. Patrick parish, 936 Prospect St., Indianapolis, will have its monthly card party at 2 p.m. Admission: \$1

#### August 16

St. Vincent Wellness Center will begin the following classes on Monday: Basic Stress Management Techniques, between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m., three Mondays, Zionsville Center; Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation, two sessions between 6:30 and 9:30 p.m., Carmel Center; Preparation for Childbirth. Call 317-846-7037 or 317-873-2799 for further information

Aug. 16, 19

Area groups of SDRC will meet at St. Mary parish, Greensburg, on Aug. 16 and at St. Gabriel School, Indianapolis, on Aug. 19. Both meetings will begin at 7:30 p.m.

#### August 18

The regular meeting of the Catholic Widowed Organization (CWO) will be held at 7:30 p.m. at The Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian, Indianapolis.

> The monthly cemetery Mass (Continued on next page)

## Weight loss group combines Scripture, diet

by RUTH ANN HANLEY

Although the world thinks thin, it spares no sympathy for the overweight. The cure is simple: eat less.

Were it only so easy, so many Americans would not be classed as overweight. Diet booklets would not be sparring with Hollywood break-ups for the number one space on magazine racks.

The fact is that eating is not measured merely in calories.
Throughout history it has signified sharing, companionship, celebration. Jesus fed the multitudes and ate with Mary, Martha and Lazarus. His

#### -DRUGS:-

It takes guts to say No! from the dead was "give her something to eat," and He

remains with us in the form of bread and wine. Is it any wonder then that

eating means sustenance not only for the body, but the spirit

Nevertheless, "The world has a slim image," as Barb Gaffney, leader of a weight control group at Christ the King relates. "Overweight makes us lose our self confidence. It

makes it harder to share what's inside." In other words it strikes at the very core of the community that meals together

And because overweight can put up barriers, and can be a symptom of stress, it seemed appropriate to begin a scripturally-based diet group for

those seeking to control it. At Christ the King last year three groups formed, each with its own thrust. They share the common name HUGS (Help Us to Grow Spiritually: Help Us to Grow Slim).

ALL THREE groups read the Scripture and follow the diabetic diet. Barb's group of 10 women including grandmothers and one high-schooler, focus on prayer for each other. "That's not an option," says Barb.

One morning group is studying the Scriptural aspects of "being a woman." Another is strict on exercise. It all depends on the bent of the leader and where the group wants to go.

All the groups have weighins. Each member buys two books: "Eat and Stay Slim" and "Speak Lord, Your Servant Is Listening." Together with mimeographed sheets of material, the cost is a low \$12. In other words, it's a self-help group which doesn't charge.

"Put on the new nature, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness," was the message from Ephesians to the women at the beginning of their meeting in late July.

Barb reiterated the Scripture "do not stay angry . . . Use only helpful words . . . get rid of all bitterness."

"We just don't focus on food

first order after raising the girl at our meetings," she says. "I Tonight Barb has planned a can remember going to another project intended to fortify the diet group and talking about chocolate cake. I came out starving." BUT DURING this meeting, after weigh-in and opening

Scripture, they went into the living room "to loosen up with After a bit of rhythmic movement they returned to the kitchen table with their food charts, spoke briefly of

problems, of new jobs, job in-terviews, recent unemployment, visits from relatives. Throughout the 12 weeks all have lost. One is where she wants to be; one wants to gain. One happily announced her pregnancy and will have to allow some weight gain now. "It seems," she laughs, "that the

moment I'm pregnant, I know

it. My whole body says it. I feel

fat already."

group during the coming week. Each woman is to draw a shield with a coat of arms. The contents of the coat of arms are all the good things in her life, the things to be happy for. Among those drawn are:

family members, houses, the HUGS group, a chest that had waited 14 years to be refinished, and Barb Gaffney, the creative lady leader who is described as "an inveterate card sender" and booster of the whole group. Soon the 12-week com-

mitment of the group will end and they will be thinking about taking in new members. "We thought about that sooner, but it took a while to become confident with each other," says Barb, "to learn how to share. Now maybe we're too complacent. We might need new members to make it more challenging."



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Cemetery, Indianapolis, at 2 p.m. Fr. Joseph Schaedel will be the celebrant.

#### August 20-22

A healing and fellowship weekend for separated, divorced and remarried persons will be held at the Beech Grove Benedictine Center, 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove. Franciscan Father Anton Braun will direct the program. Call the Center, 317-788-7581, for details.

A summer retreat for men will be held at Mount Saint Francis Retreat Center located west of New Albany. Fee: \$50. for reservations call 812-923-

Engaged couples are invited to participate in a Tobit Weekend at Alverna Center, 8140 Spring Mill Road, Indianapolis. Franciscan Father Martin Wolter is program director. Call 317-257-7339 for information/reservations.

A MEMORIAL TO THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY WILL HELP IN THE CONQUEST OF CANCER. August 21, 22

St. Lawrence parish, 542 Walnut St., Lawrenceburg, will have its annual picnic beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday and 11:30 a.m. on Sunday.

#### August 22

St. Monica parish, 6131 N. Michigan Road, Indianapolis, will mark its 25th anniversary with a Mass and pitch-in supper. The event will be from 4 to

#### Socials

TUESDAY: K of C Pius X Council 3433, 7 p.m.; Roncalli High School, 6:30 p.m.; St. Peter Claver Center, 3110 Sutherland Ave., 5 p.m.; WEDNESDAY: St. Anthony, 6:30 p.m.; St. Bernadette school auditorium, 5:30 p.m.; St. Francis de Sales, 5:30-11 p.m.; St. Patrick, 11:30 a.m.; St. Roch, 7-11 p.m. THURSDAY: St. Catherine parish hall, 6:30 p.m.; Holy Family K of C, 6:36 p.m. Westside K of C. 220 N. Country Club Road; St. Peter Claver Center, 3110 Sutherland Ave., 5 p.m. FRIDAY: St. Andrew parish hall, 6:30 p.m.; St. Christopher parish hall, Speedway, 7 p.m.; St. Rita parish hall, 6:30 p.m.; Holy Name, Hartman Hall. 6:30 p.m. SATURDAY: Cathedral High School, 3 p.m.; St. Francis de Sales, 6 p.m.; K of C Council 437, 1305 N. Delaware, 4:30 p.m. SUN-DAY: Cardinal Ritter High School, 6 MONDAY: St. Ann, 6:30 p.m.; Our DAY: Cardinal Ritter High School Lady of Lourdes, 6:30 p.m.; St. Philip parish hall, 3 p.m.



AN INVITING SCENE—Winston Keffer of Circle City Printing looks over the first printed invitation for the third annual Pro-Life Dinner Dance, Oct. 18, with Ginannina Hofmeister, center, and Mary Don Vea. The women are co-chairpersons with Margaret Mooney for the event sponsored by Right to Life of Indianapolis, the St. Gerard Guild, Mother and Unborn Baby Care, and Indiana Right to Life. (Photo by Ruth Ann Hanley)

## **OBITUARIES**

Ruth; father of Mary Ellen Micekley Betty Ann and Allan Back. † BEVILACQUA, Oscar, 73, St. Joseph, Terre Haute, July 26. Husband of Maria Bevilacqua.

† BOWING, M. Evelyn, 66, St. Andrew, Richmond, July 30. Mother of James K. McCarty; sister of Nora

† DAWSON, Thomas B., 59, St Roch, Indianapolis, July 31 Roch, Indianapolis, July 31.
Husband of Betty; father of Susan
Kuntz, Nancy Johnson, Mary
Wegener, Lisa Knott, Patricis,
Thomas, David, Christopher and
Richard Dawson; brother of Marian
Cahill.

† DIAZ, Dorothy, American Martyrs, Scottsburg, July 29. Wife of Emilio; mother of Charlotte Engle, Joanne Andrews, Erwin, Charles and Frank Hosna.

Anthony, Clarksville, July 26.
Daughter of Charles and Mary
Helen Edelen; sister of William,
Thomas and Charles Edelen Jr.

† FENWICK, Earl, 66, St. Mary of the Knobs, Floyds Knobs, Aug. 2. Brother of Sophia Freeman, Louise McClain, Mildred Redford, Clarence and Stanley Fenwick.

† GALLAGHER, Jehn E., 79, St. Joseph, Shelbyville, July 24. Husband of Kathryn; father of Joan Milligan, Barbara Riley, Jeanne Degler and John F. step-father of E. Pierce and Michael Walsh; brother of Mildred Sherer.

† GREENE, Edward G., 86, Little Flower, Indianapolis, July 26. Husband of Mildred; father of Marti Hedges and Thomas J. Greene.

† GULDE, Anna, 80, St. Mary, Rushville, Aug. 2. Wife of Joseph; mother of Barbara Schmall, Marjorie McGrath, Joseph Jr. and William Gulde; sister of Marjorie

† HAAS, Joseph A., 60, St. Joseph, Shelbyville, July 17. Husband of Ileen; father of Judy Jones, Kathy Coffin, Bob and Rick Haas.

† HOLMES, Robert L., 65, St. Philip Neri, Indianapolis, July 31. Husband of Mary; father of Anne Groves, Kathleen, Steve and Dennis Holmes. en, Steve and Dennis Holm

† JOHNSON, Bettle C., 49, St. Michael, Brookville. Wife of Clyde; mother of Cynthia Sparks, Sandra

#### Funeral rites held for Benedictine

ST. MEINRAD-The funeral liturgy for Benedictine Father Raphael Hirsch, 81, was held in the Archabbey Church here on Tuesday, July 20. He died on July 17 after a long illness.

A native of Haubstadt, Father Hirsch professed his monastic vows as a monk on Aug. 6, 1927, and was ordained to the priesthood on May 17.

He served in a number of capacities in the monastery but most of his active years were spent in parochial work where he served as pastor at St.
Meinrad, St. Meinrad; St.
Joseph, Dale; St. Mary, Huntingburg; and St. Henry, in St. Henry

In May of this year he celebrated the golden jubilee of his priesthood.

Whitaker, Donald and Clyde Johnson Jr

KNECHT, Stella K. (Charlie), 96, St. Mary, Rushville, July 29. Nieces and nephews survive.

† KNIPPER, Joseph, 94, St. Andrew, Richmond, Aug. 4. Father of Rita Kanost, Doris Wilbur, Dorothy

KUCKENRIDER, Lucille M., 72, St. Lawrence, Lawrenceburg, July 27. Mother of Dan Kuckenrider.

† LASTER, Kay Elizabeth, 48, Holy Angels, Indianapolis, July 26. Wife of Sherman Sr.; mother of Theresa Montgomery, Angela, Diane, Sherman and Kevin Laster; daughter of John Sanders and Mrs. Leroy Watson; sister of Barbara Robinson, Jacqueline, Karen Watson, John, Joseph, Ronald and George Sanders, Leroy and James Watson.

LONGWELL, Adeline (Lee), 68 St. James, Indianapolis, July 26.
Wife of Edward; mother of John, Edward and Richard Longwell; sister of Rose DeLuca, Frank and Louis Andereutzi.

† MAIER, Louise H., 86, St. James, Indianapolis, July 27. Mother of Louise Shelby, Carl and Fred J.

† MICELI, Josephine (Babe), 85, Holy Rosary, Indianapolis, July 16. Mother of Providence Beckham and Anthony Miceli.

† MURPHY, Ralph M., 86, St. Philip Neri, Indianapolis, July 27. Father of Donald and Jack Murphy. † PORTER, Edna, 93, Our Lady of Lourdes, Indianapolis, July 27. Mother of Rosemary Mazelin.

r RICHART, Leo J., 92, St. Ambrose, Seymour, Aug. 2. Husband of Emma; father of Betty Lane, Bertha Elsner, Bernard and Paul

† RICHESON, Morris, 51, St.

Joseph, Shelbyville, July 14. Husband of Elsie; father of Steve, Harry and Belinda Richeson and † RODRIGUEZ, Marcelino, 53,

American Martyrs, Scottsburg, July 22. Husband of Julia; father of Marcellino Jr., David, Stephen, Alicia, Aurora and Maria Rodriguez: son of Inez and Conshi

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Sagmaster.

SCHNEBELT, Carl, 77, St.

Michael, Madison, Aug. 3. Husband
of Mary; father of Mary Coghill,
Carl, John and Fred Schnebelt; brother of Theresa Zarifis.

SHIEL, John F., 78, St. Ambrose ymour, Aug. 7.

VELVICK, Donald H., 50, Our Lady of Lourdes, Indianapolis, July 31. Son of Verna Velvick; brother of

† WELAGE, Edward G., 69, St. Mary, Greensburg, Aug. 5. Husband of Adelaide; father of Marie Oliger, Mildred Moeller, Marjorie Mahan, Edward, Robert, Leonard, Roger and Vincent Welage; brother Charles Welage.

† TULL, Florence M., 79. St. Joseph, Shelbyville, July 18. Mother of Virginia Adler, Mary Frances Cook, Claire Ann Fitzgerald and John F. Tull; sister of Ira Weintraut

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'I THINK THAT I SHALL NEVER SEE'-Debbie Sachs, right front, biology teacher at Roncalli High School, tells her students all about Indiana trees. Miss Sachs and Joe Holloway, right rear, a chemistry teacher, recently returned from a field trip to Rocky Mountain National Park. Accompanying them were students, left to right, Jane Gervasio, Patty Mayer, Jenny Richart, Mary Lou Fox and Bill Lux. (Photo by Gina Jung)

## youth corner

## Students find adventure in Rockies

A group of Roncalli students who recently returned from an adventure in Rocky Mountain National Park in Colorado found they had more to learn than results from field experiments.

Jenny Richart, a member of the group and May graduate of Roncalli, says the two-week trip allowed her to see another side of her teachers. "I saw them more as persons, rather than disciplinarians," she says.

After days of sharing chores of cooking and washing dishes, she admits the trip "also taught you about yourself."

"Everyone has to help out,"

The trip west was Roncalli's first attempt at the Advanced Field Studies led by chemistry teacher Joe Hollowell and biology teacher Debbie Sacks. Hollowell says the school plans to make the program an annual project. Next year teachers and students are going to Big Bend National Park on the Texas side of the Rio Grande River.

Hollowell thought of forming the Advanced Field Studies Program when he received a flyer from the University of Iowa. The flyer described a program for teachers to learn about national parks. The price for the program was \$1,000.

Hollowell thought about taking the course, but came up with better idea."I realized I could teach the course myself, instead of giving \$1,000 to take the course," he says.

"One minute I was thinking

about taking the course and the next minute I was thinking about teaching it," says Hollowell with a smile.

Miss Sachs and Hollowell designed the experiments and activities for the program. "Probably no other school has a similar program," Hollowell.

Mary Peone, girls' cross country track coach at Roncalli, and Scott Fangman, a teacher from Southport also

The teachers recruited five students for the Colorado trip. Last June Mary Lou Fox, Jenny Reichart, Jane Gervasio, Patty Mayer and Bill Lux piled into a van loaded with camping equipment

Impressed by the huge mountains in the Colorado park, Jenny says "it makes you feel small and insignificant.

She also adds that she was

fascinated by the animals. "I saw a lot of different animals I never saw before." Jenny will be headed to Marian College this fall as a biology major.

Bill, who also graduated from Roncalli last May, says he enjoyed the scenery. "I've wanted to go for years," he says. Bill is entering the army next month and plans to return to Colorado on his leave.

Mary Lou, who will be a senior this fall, has seen the Rocky Mountains on a trip to Utah. But there is a difference between the two states, she

But she also received an education about her friends on the trip. "You get to really know people," she says. You learn how to get along with them."

Jane, also a senior, agrees with Mary Lou. "You had to learn how to get along with people and how to compromise with jobs" such as cleaning and cooking, Jane says.

Patty, a senior, says she learned how to share time and material things with others.

While the students were learning about each other, Miss Sachs also saw to it that they learned about the park. She gave the students a choice of 10 experiments to conduct. One experiment tested the hardness and calcium content of water. Another experiment involved testing bacteria counts in different areas in the park.

Hollowell says he chose Rocky Mountain National Park because of its wide range of environments. "We even got snowed on three times," he

For next year Miss Sachs says, "We'd like to change the program a little bit. We've got an idea now of what we can accomplish when we go on a trip like this '

Hollowell adds, "Our expectations will be a little higher."

The 29th annual CYO Talent Contest will be held at Garfield Park amphitheater Sunday Aug. 15 at 7:30 p.m. Twenty-six acts are scheduled in the contest with participants from various parishes in Indianapolis. Winners will be announced at the end of the show. All are invited to attend. There is no admission charge.

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"Growing Up High," a documentary on drug abuse among youths, will be broadcast again Thursday Aug. 19 on channel 13, 8 to 9 p.m. The documentary examines why 11year-old children start experimenting with marijuana and other drugs. The program also looks at what parent groups and law enforcement officials are doing to fight the problem and introduces viewers to programs dealing with drug abuse.

## doris answers youth Teen offers advice on marriage

by DORIS R. PETERS

Dear Doris

This is a comment and I don't need an answer. I am 18

together he was talking marriage. I told him I didn't even want to think about, or years old and going to college. I consider, marriage until I was met a guy who was older than I out of college. Now, I merely

want to advise girls not to get married right out of high school; first go to college or get a job and make something out of yourselves. Thanks for passing this one.

Many thanks for your opinion. While I too do not advocate, on a general basis, 'early marriages" I feel that this is a very personal and individual choice. It is a matter of "readiness." One girl may not meet the right partner or be ready for marriage until 30. But another girl may be prepared at

Cuts in funding may rule out college as a viable choice for many. And even though more women than previously are opting to wait until their 30's to have children, the medical profession views this as a risk. These and other factors of today's society are influencing our life styles; and our choices.

I always fight with my brother and my parents don't like it. I would really like to please them by not fighting but he is always teasing me. Then I get mad. And also, I sometimes

fight in front of my friends. What can I do? Annoyed

Dear Annoyed:

Why do you fight? How old is your brother? How old are you? These three questions would receive three different answers. In any case it would be a good idea to eliminate the cause of the fights. He may be teasing you just to get a reaction so try not to get mad, or even show that it bothers you in the least bit. This will be hard at first, but try it. Just laugh off his teasing with something like "go ahead tease all you want; I'm too adult to let it get to me," then walk away. Or, better yet, walk away without saying anything.

When in front of friends double your effort to be calm, and for added protection, keep out of your brother's way.

Also ask your parents to help. Tell them you find it difficult to cope with constant teasing. A word from your father may do some good.

When your brother doesn't get a reaction he will stop. But it's going to take some effort on your part. So, remember to try to remain calm until that happens.



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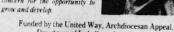
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#### IN THE MEDIA

## Networks have high hopes for fall

If I said, "Maggie, Lewis and Clark, and Jessica Novak," what

You would have to be a real TV bug to reply correctly: "Those are the names of TV series which premiered a year ago.

The last two television seasons have been real duds, thanks in

part to two strikes-by actors and then by writers-which delayed the usual fall onslaught of new programs. Instead of a coordinated appearance, the baby shows arrived in fits and starts, some debuting as late as November. (In fact, two of NBC's new series for 1981 have arrived so late that they are 1982 newcomers.)

This autumn, the networks have higher hopes as they ready their offerings. Gone are "Shannon" and "Mr. Merlin;" departed is the notion that resurrecting old-time stars (James Arness, James Garner, Mike Connors, Lorne Greene, Robert Stack) will ensure success. What will work, the TV magi have concluded (for a

few weeks anyway), is to steal plot-lines from successful movies

like "Star Wars" and "Raiders of the Lost Ark." For the next few weeks, let's

look at what we'll be viewing this fall when the kids go back to school and the baseball season winds down. This week. a glance at NBC's new series, which will all debut during the week of Sept. 27. Among the new entries from the peacock network are four comedy

-"FAMILY Ties" is not about the neckwear of Mafia members. Starring Meredith Baxter-Birney, seen of late only in hair care commercials, this show concerns a husband and wife from the 60s who are trying to raise kids in the

-"Cheers" takes place in a Boston bar where "colorful characters, lively discussions and comraderie dominate" (I take these quotations from the network press releases so swallow some salt crystals with them). From the forces behind "Taxi," this show should have some of the same feel. (By the way, "Taxi" is driving from ABC to NBC this season.)

-"Mama's Family" stars Vicki Lawrence as the southern belle (slightly cracked and aged) she made famous in the Eunice sketches on the Carol Burnett show.

-"Silver Spoons" gives

own show. In it, he portrays a 'lad more mature in years than his rich but irresponsible father." Sort of a "Father Knows Nothing."

To go with this quarter of yock-producers, NBC has lined up seven new drama series:

-"Gavilan," kids, is not about a boxer. It stars Robert Urich, previously a denizen of "Vega\$," as "a former CIA operative who can't get dangerous living out of his system." It comes from men formerly associated with James Bond movies and "Charlie's Angels," so you get

"ST. ELSEWHERE," NBC keeps saying, is not a hospitalized version of "Hill Street Blues." But it is. Set in a Boston hospital (near the bar in "Cheers?"), this series spotlights the lives and work of staff members, including David Birney, spouse of the star of "Family Ties." Isn't this cozy?

-"The Devlin Connection" stars Rock Hudson and should have been among last season's casualties. Instead, just Rock was. When he underwent heart surgery, this series was postponed. It involves "a former detective who is lured back to investigative work by his struggling son." Remember Barnaby Jones? Same idea, only not as senile.

-"The Powers of Matthew Star" is another NBC series left over from 1981. Again, health problems forced it to be shelved until now. The two stars were burned during early filming. Maybe they should all check into St. Elsewhere. Master Star is a teenager from outer space with amazing powers.

The Criterion, August 13, 1982

-"Knight Rider" is "a champion of the underdog who fights crime with the aid of a special, indestructible black car, the most incredible automobile ever invented." Probably not an Edsel. When the network's own releases highlight the mechanical features of a show, watch out. It's probably a stinker.

-Remington Steele"-what a name!-is a woman private eye who creates the fictional front of Mr. Steele in order to lure customers. Then, one day, guess who shows up? You got it-Remington Steele.

-"Voyagers" features two time-travelers named Jon-Erik Hexum and Meeno Peluce. Do you think those are the characters' names? Wrong. Those are the stars' names. Bring back Jim Brown, Jack Smith and even Lorne Greene.

In addition to those 11 series, NBC is cooking up a number of made-for TV movies such as "Little Gloria ... Happy at Last" about Gloria Vanderbilt's childhood; "The Executioner's Song" about Gary Gilmore; and "The Joan Kennedy Story.

"Jesus of Nazareth" will be repeated and "Little House on



EL GRECO ON TOUR—This painting, St. Peter in Tears, owned by the Bowes Museum in England, is one of 57 El Greco works on display at the National Gallery of Art in Washington through Sept. 6. Under the patronage of King Juan Carlos of Spain and President Reagan, the exhibit, El Greco of Toledo, opened in April at the Prado in Madrid, Spain, before moving to Washington in July. The paintings travel to the Toledo (Ohio) Museum of Art, which organized the exhibit, Sept. 26-Nov. 21, and will end up at the Dallas Museum of Fine Arts Dec. 12-Feb. 6. (NC photo)

the Prairie" will become Laura's family. Ma and Pa "Little House: A New Beginning" with a change in characters and its focus now on fall premieres.)

A Guide to

Ingalls will be gone.

(Next week: A look at ABC's

## Diocese rejects local TV sustem

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio-Bishop James Malone of Youngstown has shelved-at least for the present-plans for establishing a diocesan In-structional Television Fixed

ITFS is a local TV system which links specific points, such as buildings, in a certain area but does not reach the general public. Its material also can be beamed directly to cable companies or other centrally located receiver installations.

Writing to the diocesan Communications Advisory Council, Bishop Malone stated that "a majority of diocesan boards and committees, including the Senate of Priests. recommended against approval" of moving ahead with ITFS although the Diocesan Pastoral Council and CAC had recommended approval.
ITFS now is to be considered

an upcoming study of diocesan priorities.

Bishop Malone said that the consultations "indicated more

hesitation about ITFS than enthusiasm." In particular, he said:

-Required money to sup-

port the program is not available at this time. -Priority for ITFS is uncertain, because, at the

recommendations of the priests' senate, all diocesan priorities are to be studied; thus, to move ahead on ITFS

-Cable TV companies have not provided assurance they use diocese-produced

-The Catholic Telecommunications Network of America, an independent communications system initiated by the U.S. bishops to link American dioceses, is just beginning its service and there are questions on the part of some about the quality and usefulness of its material. (The diocese is one of about 20 CTNA arter members, of some 70 which have expressed interest in the network. CTNA material

could still be used by the diocese without ITFS.)

-Fundamental misgivings have been raised in "our ecclesial community" about the place of electronic ministry.

Although he is not authorizing any ITFS con-struction, Bishop Malone said he is "reluctant to shut the door completely to the prospect of ITFS as a future instrument of diocesan ministry."

Bishop Malone noted that a "significant minority" supported the ITFS proposal and the CAC's view that ITFS would be the most "effective and efficient" way for the diocese to participate in the CTNA, which, he said, "I continue to support."

He said that the diocese should explore the possibility of diocesan participation in an ecumenical ITFS, that negotiations should continue to determine if cable firms are interested in ITFS-delivered materials, and that the process of obtaining a license for the ITFS should continue.



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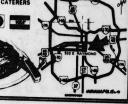
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## VIEWING WITH ARNOLD

## 'NIMH' is like a vintage Cadillac

by JAMES W. ARNOLD

If "Tron" represents the new in movie animation, then "The Secret of NIMH" represents the old, but without signs of senility. If "Tron" comes on like an Italian sportscar, then "NIMH" is comparable to a vintage Cadillac, the kind everybody says they

"NIMH" is of course the first feature to emerge from the shop of producer-director Don Bluth, the 44-year-old Mormon who quit Disney three years ago with a group of 16 like-minded artists during the production of "The Fox and the Hound." Bluth complained that Disney "seemed content" to let standards fall to the level of Saturday morning TV cartoons.

The hassle was not over themes or story content but quality control of the artwork. Indeed, "NIMH" is a dazzling example of the kind of full animation Hollywood cartoons provided in Disney's long-ago golden

age, before production costs and a little smugness led to cutting corners. Bluth's "NIMH" cost \$7 million to "Fox and Hound's" \$12 million. He claims his secret is to keep everybody on the line busy

Probably none of this is that noticeable to the average viewer, much less kids weaned on what passes for animation on TV. ("The Fox and the Hound" had the biggest gross of any Disney cartoon feature in history.) Bluth's film has the detailed, convincing look and feel of cartoon fantasies of a

generation ago, but that is not the only way to make good animated movies.

IN FACT, this year animation of all kinds is flooding the screen, thanks to the outrageous cost of liveaction. For the first time in decades, it's cheaper to draw movies than to shoot real actors

Among many recent or upcoming films involving animation are "The Works" and "Einstein" (computer and Emstern (computer animation), "Twice Upon a Time" (cutouts), "Fire and Ice" (rotoscoping live action),
"Lost Ark" and "Clash of the Titans" (animated special effects), "Empire Strikes Back" (animated models), Jim Henson's "The Dark Crystal" (live puppets) and "Great Muppet Caper" (puppets plus people). Experiments with animation have dominated film schools here and abroad for 20 years, and will pay off in films for both adults and children.

Bluth's 82-minute "NIMH" is mainly for kids, a traditional yarn about a lovable "mouse-indanger" with clever connections to the current obsession with sci-fi and sorcery, lots of slapstick humor, and several sets of moral messages about love, courage loyalty and self-reliance.

The heroine is a widowed young mother-mouse (Mrs. Grisby) whose family and sick child can't be moved from the nest during the traumatic annual plowing of Farmer Fitzpatrick's field. She seeks help from a series of in-creasingly bizarre animal wizards, ultimately Nicodemus, the ancient master of a kingdom of high-IQ rats who have escaped from the labs of

IN DISNEY'S TRADITION—Mrs. Grisby reads from the great magic book in the rat leader's chambers in this scene from "The Secret of NIMH." It is the first feature film from Don Bluth Deschartions a group of enimators which left the Disney Studios more than two years ago to begin champers in this scene from the secret of Martin. It is the this team of the productions, a group of animators which left the Disney Studios more than two years ago to begin

the National Institute for Mental Health. The rats have transformed their rosebush and subterranean headquarters into an electrical wonderland by stealing extension cords and hardware from the farmhouse.

Nicodemus wants the NIMH rats to move so they won't have to keep on stealing ("We can no longer live as rats . . . we know too much"), but the leader of the bad guys wants to keep things as cushy as they are. The fate of the Grisby mice and the rats' civil war is intertwined in climax that is scary and violent but also uplifting. The mother-mouse's self-sacrifice and bravery are rewarded with supernatural power that spectacularly turns tragedy into victory.

If the story, adapted from Robert C. O'Brien's book, seems a bit strained and contrived, the artwork is magically eye-filling, and there are wonderful passages drawn from the mouse's eye-view. The voice-characterizations are delightful-especially those by

Derek Jacobi as the noble Nicodemus, Elizabeth Hartman as the plucky heroine, John Carradine as the frightful, but good Great Owl, and Dom DeLuise as a goodhearted but clumsy crow who is more of a

burden than help to Grisby. "NIMH" should not be touted as an all-time master-

piece, but as a superior film of the sort that parents claim they would like to have their children

(Beautiful, fast-paced smallfry entertainment; satisfactory family viewing).

USCC rating: A-I, general patronage; G, general patronage.

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