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## Catholic school enrollment is up again growth to our marketing efforts and to the strong support from the archdiocese and

Increase of 2.3 percent would be higher if some schools had not reached capacity in some grades

For the seventh consecutive year, enrollment is up in the schools of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.

The archdiocese's Office of Catholic

Education reported Sept. 17 that more than 500 new students in grades kingergarten through 12 are enrolled for the 1996-97 school year, an increase of 2.3

percent over the previous school year.
The enrollment figure jumps to almost 600 new pupils when preschool and daycare programs operated by Catholic schools are included.

Enrollment in preschool through grade

## **Father Lampert** welcomes vote in U.S. House

By John F. Fink

Father Vincent Lampert, director of the archdiocesan Office for Pro-Life Activities, welcomed last Thursday's vote in the U.S. House of Representatives overriding President Clinton's veto of the ban on partial kink abortions

tial-birth abortions.

He said, "We still need to hear the decision of our senators in regards to this issue, but I hope the statement of our representatives will cause all people of good will to recommit themselves or to finally become involved in promoting the cause of life. There is still much to

The vote in the Senate was expected to take place this week, perhaps before this newspaper is received by subscribers.

All Indiana members of the House of

Representatives voted to override the pres-

Father Lampert said, "At a time when the human race is enmeshed in a 'culture of death,' Pope John Paul II has called us to face the challenge of the new millennium with hope and joy. With all of Indiana's representatives joining together in calling for an override of President Clinton's veto of the ban on partial-birth abortions, it would seem that we have seen

and a glimmer of hope."

He acknowledged that "this is only a small step in ridding our society of the scandal of abortion, but it is a step in the right direction. And for that reason, we should have renewed hope that society will as yet realize that the path we are following is not the way of Christ."

12 has grown from 19,834 in 1992 to

25,022 this year.
The 1996 increase follows continued gains last year at all levels. When official figures were tallied last September, some 595 new students were enrolled. This year's gain reflects the fact that many Catholic elementary schools have reached capacity in kindergarten and first grade

Although kindergarten enrollments are up by .36 percent and first-grade figures are up 4.1 percent this year, waiting lists exist at some schools. Waiting lists tend to be conservative estimates of demand. Ninety pupils remain on waiting lists for kindergarten and 49 for first grade.

According to Daniel Elsener, executive director of Catholic education for the archdiocese, a number of Catholic schools throughout the 39-county archdiocese have started or have recently finished building-expansion projects. Elsener also said that the archdiocese is continuing to investigate the possibilities of opening

new schools or expanding existing schools. Parishes in the archdiocese currently support 62 elementary schools and six high schools.

"In 1994 the growth we experienced was far ahead of overall demographic growth," Elsener said. "We attributed that

Fr. Crawford earns Respect Life Award

By Mary Ann Wyand

In February of 1982, the late Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara asked Father Larry Crawford to found and direct an Office of Pro-Life Activities for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis,

During archdiocesan Respect Life Sunday observances on Oct. 6, Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein will honor Father Crawford for 14 years of more than 3,200 when preschool and day-See SCHOOLS, page 3

its parishes. Over the past five years, more

than 2,500 new students have entered our Catholic schools. This number grows to

**Father Larry Crawford** 

dedicated pro-life ministry as director of

that office.

Archbishop Buechlein will present the Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara Respect Life Award to Father Crawford during the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Vesper Service at 4 p.m. on Oct. 6 at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis.

Cathedral in Indianapolis. Cathedral in Indianapolis.

The ecumenical prayer service follows the Central Indiana Life Chain vigil scheduled in Indianapolis from 2:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. on Respect Life Sunday.

The human cross will extend north on Meridian St. from Ninth St. on the south to Kessler Rlyd, on the north, as well as east

Kessler Blvd. on the north, as well as east and west at the 38th St. intersection. About 10,000 pro-life supporters representing a number of faith traditions are expected to stand in silent prayer and hold anti-abortion signs during the one-hour Life Chain vigil.

This year, instead of helping the arch-bishop with Respect Life Sunday events, Father Crawford will be the honoree.

Father Crawford will be the holded:
Father Vince Lampert, the new director of the archdiocesan pro-life office, and St. Matthew parishioner Robert Alerding of Indianapolis, chairperson of the archdio-

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CNS photo from Reuters

ench President Jacques Chirac greets Pope John Paul II Sept. 18 in Tours at the start of the ppo's four-day trip to France. The pope urged the French people to continue the practice of atholic traditions and stressed compassion for the marginalized.

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## Seeking the Face of the Lord

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

## **Youth need** good example

s you read this, we pilgrims are at Our Lady's shrine in Einsiedeln, Switzerland and on our way to northern Italy. At Einsiedeln we pilgrims pray for an increase of vocations for religious communities in the archdiocese. In Como, northern Italy, we will pray for our youth. On Thursday, Oct. 3, at St. Mary Major, we pray for God's blessing on parents and families. That same day I have been invited to concelebrate at St. Peter's Basilica because Joe Villa, a seminarian of the archdiocese who is at the North American College, is being ordained a deacon.

The previous Thursday, at Ars in southern France, we pilgrims prayed for our diocesan priests, our seminarians and also for a generous response to God's call to priesthood. St. John Vianney, known as the Cure d'Ars, is the patron saint of diocesan priests. He was a simple priest who became famous for his deep pastoral who became famous for his deep pastoral love expressed especially in the hours he gave to the healing power of the sacrament of penance and reconciliation.

Not too long before I left on the pilgrimage an article appeared in The Indianapolis Star under the headline (Ppil shows weak support for Catholic)

"Poll shows weak support for Catholic vocations." The story was noteworthy. In case you missed the report on the survey, here are some of the findings. The survey contacted some 6,000 teens who are in parish youth programs. Ninety-four per-cent of the youth said they are proud to be Catholic. Ninety percent said they feel welcome at church. Eighty-five percent said they admire the pope. Seventy-two percent attend Mass at least weekly. Fifty-one percent said they consider service to the church (without becoming priest, brother, sister). Thirty-six percent of males, 24 percent of females said they have given thought to a religious vocation. I don't know about you, but I think

those statistics are pretty positive, especially in today's climate.

As was already reported two weeks ago, on Sept. 12th I celebrated Mass with about 7,200 of our junior and senior high school age students. They came from our Catholic schools and many came with excused absences from other schools. I believe every adult present was highly impressed by the deportment and the participation of our youth. The quality of their presence and attitude speaks well of our parish religious education programs and our Catholic schools. Students and teachers have a right to be proud of each

other. We are proud of all of them. I

other. We are proud of all of them. I
think they are also proud of our church.
So why did *The Star* headline speak
of weak support for Catholic vocations?
The weak support which the headline
heralds is the weak support of parents.
The study found that while 3 in every
10 adolescent males surveyed had 10 adolescent males surveyed had thought about a vocation to the priest-hood or religious life, only 26 percent of parents had encouraged their sons to think of becoming a priest; only 15 per-cent encouraged daughters to consider becoming a religious sister. There is an even more telling statistic, the most interesting I believe. In the survey the youth reported that they attend Mass more often than their parents. If true, that explains a lot!

Our archdiocese is blessed. We have eight new seminarians as of this school year, bringing our total to 33. The num-bers would be higher still, but two of our seminarians, appropriately, have decided to study for their native dioceses and another is affiliating with a monastic community (something I could hardly object to!). There is an indication that the number of postulants and novices entering religious communities is increasing, at least slightly.
Yet our archdiocese would be more

blessed if there were greater support for vocations among parents, beginning with the needed example of going to Mass on Sunday. How do we expect our youth to hear the plan God has for them if they do not pray? How are they motivated to pray if they do not have the example and guidance of faithful

At the conclusion of the "state of the archdiocese" address on Sept. 11, I archdiocese address on Sept. 11, 1 named specific and measurable goals for our *Journey of Hope 2001*. Some of those goals apply to the vocation apostolate. It is my hope that spiritual renewal will lead us to more personal present in our hopes. It leaves attend. prayer in our homes, to larger attendprayer in our ionless, to more frequent confession, to larger participation in our religious education programs and to more folks returning home to our church. If we work toward these goals on our Journey of Hope 2001 the increase in vocations will be amazing.

If we don't live the basics of our

faith, neither will our youth. And of course the number of vocations will be less. Yet God continues to call folks to serve as priests and religious. We share a serious responsibility.

Editorial Commentary/John F. Fink, Editor

## U.S. lags way behind in amount of foreign aid

We Americans tend to think of our-selves as generous, as well we should be since our country is by far the wealthi-est in the world in natural resources. We think that we're giving away a lot of money to help underdeveloped nations. Many people, in fact, believe that we're giving away too much money. Every now and then you hear someone say that we could balance our budget if we'd just stop giving away so much money.
It would be wonderful if that were

true. It's far from true. Far from being the leader when it comes to foreign aid (as we were at one time), we are now fourth. Japan, France and Germany all donated more than we did last year. And that's actual dollars, not per capita.

The United States contributed \$7.3 bil-

lion in humanitarian and economic assistance to developing countries last year.

Japan gave twice as much—\$14.5 billion—while France gave \$8.4 billion and
Germany gave \$7.5 billion.

Where comparisons should be made is in the percentage of gross national product. Although the United States has by far the largest GNP, we're dead last among 21 industrial countries in our economic expirators to poor countries. We nomic assistance to poor countries. We gave only 0.1 percent of GNP, Japan's percentage is 0.28 percent—nearly three times the U.S. share of GNP. Germany's contribution was 0.31 percent and France's 0.55 percent.

There's still another way to look at these contributions—per capita. That \$7.3 billion is \$27 per person for the United

States, and that puts us in 18th place States, and that puts us in 18th place among donor countries. At the top of the list are Denmark (\$272 per person) and Norway (\$253 per person). France comes in fifth place (tied with Switzerland) at \$128 per person, Japan seventh at \$106 per person, and Germany 10th at \$79 per person. Sweden and the Netherlands are third and fourth.

That was last year. All indications are that foreign aid will be cut even more in the future. Yet polls indicate that Americans do realize their obligation to help poorer nations. Eighty percent of those polled express their willingness to

But those same polls also show that most people think that the United States is already giving away a substantial part of our budget, with estimates as high as 10 or 15 percent. The actual figure is less than one-half of 1 percent.

The other thing that most Americans

The other thing that most Americans don't seem to realize is that most of that economic assistance goes, not to the countries that need it the most, but to countries that also receive a great deal of military assistance. Israel and Egypt top the list. We have, by the way, increased our military and security aid while cutting back on humanitarian

Americans are not stingy. It's just that most of us are not aware of how little our wealthy country is doing to help the nations that haven't been as blessed. We have to get the word out that we are not doing our share. not doing our share.

## Carmelite Sisters to celebrate centenary year of St. Therese's death

By John F. Fink

Both of the two Carmelite monasteries in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis will have special observances of the centenary of the death of St. Therese of Lisieux, a Carmelite nun popularly known as the Little Flower.

Little Flower.

St. Therese died Sept. 30, 1897 when she was only 24. Sept. 30, 1996 will mark the opening of the centenary year celebration. Her regular feast day is Oct. 1.

Mother Joseph McKenzie, prioress of the Carmelite Monastery of St. Joseph in

Terre Haute, said that her carmel will be releasing a new spiral flip stand with inspirational quotations from St. Therese in observance of the centenary year. There will also be a special Mass on St.

Therese's feast day.
However, she said, their main celebration will be next year because the 100th anniversary of St. Therese's death will coincide with the 50th anniversary of the

coincide with the 50th anniversary of the monastery in Terre Haute.

Sister Jean Alice McGoff, prioress of the Carmelite Monastery of the Resurrection in Indianapolis, said that Carmelite Sister Selena Kilmoyer has produced a special book to honor St. Therese. Titled "God's Love Collapses the Centuries All," it contains Sister Selena's original poetry and artwork derived from her hours of and artwork derived from her hours of reflection on the some of the writings of

Sister Jean Alice also told The Criterion that JoAnn Strumski will become Carmelite Sister JoAnn on Oct. 1. Also, on Carmelite Sister JoAnn on Oct. 1. Also, on Oct. 15, the feast of St. Teresa of Avila, another Carmelite saint, Sister Martha-Marie Campbell will make her first commitment to the Indianapolis Carmelite community. Sister Martha-Marie is in the process of transferring from the Sisters of St. Joseph of Cleveland.

The Indianapolis Carmelite sisters have also produced a special brochure about St. Therese for the centenary year.

St. Therese became one of the most



St. Therese

popular saints in the Catholic Church shortly after her death, when her autobio-graphy "Story of a Soul" was published. She had been ordered to write her memories by her natural sister Pauline, who was prioress of the Lisieux, France, carmel that both sisters belonged to. Numerous mira-cles were attributed to the intercession of St. Therese after her death and Pope Pius X in 1914 called her the greatest saint of modern times. She was beatified in 1923 and canonized in 1925, only 28 years after

Shortly before her death, St. Therese told her sisters, "I feel that my mission is about to begin, my mission of making others love God as I have loved him.

Yes, I want to spend my heaven doing good upon earth."

St. Therese was born Therese Martin on Jan. 2, 1873. She entered the Carmelite monastery at Lisieux when she was 15 and lived a quiet life until her death from tubulived a quiet life until her death from tubu-culosis nine years later. She dedicated her life to "saving souls" and she developed her "little way," offering to God every-thing she was called upon to do for the sal-

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#### Corrections

In last week's article about the United Catholic Appeal, the goals for this year's and next year's campaigns were incorrectly stated. The goal for 1996 was \$3.6 million and the goal for 1997 will be \$3.7 million.

In the Sept. 13 issue an article about the Golden Wedding Mass noted that five couples reached 60 years of marriage in 1996. Among them were Daniel and Sheila Olohan of St. Philip Neri, Indianapolis. Our article had the wrong first name for Daniel.

The Official Appointment of Father Paul Richart, in the Sept. 13 issue, stated that he had recently retired as a colonel in the U.S. Army. He was in the Air Force.

## RESPECT LIFE

cesan Pro-Life Activities Advisory Committee, will assist Archbishop Buechlein with arrangements for the vesper service and the commissioning of diocesan and parish pro-life committee members.

The public is invited to attend the prayer service honoring the sanctity and dignity of all human life.

"The pro-life message is rooted in the Gospel," Father Crawford said. "The teaching of the church has always been that all life is sacred."

For that reason, he said, pro-life edu-

For that reason, he said, pro-life education and advocacy work must focus on affirmation and positive reinforcement.

"From the very beginning, the (archdiocesan pro-life) office was organized as a service to parishes," Father Crawford explained. "We modeled the office on the U.S. bishops' pastoral letters 'A Plan for Pro-Life Activities,' and 'A Plan for Pro-Life Activities: A Reaffirmation' issued 20 years later. The bishops have consistently named aborbishops have consistently named abortion as their number one priority, but have always said pro-life ministry should cover a broad range of issues." When Cardinal Joseph Bernardin of

Chicago served as chairperson of the bishops' Pro-Life Committee, he emphasized a broader pro-life perspective now known as "the seamless garment," Father Crawford said. And in their second pastoral letter, the bishops used the term "Consistent Ethic of Life" to define the diversity of pro-life work.

Father Crawford was serving Holy Trinity Parish in Indianapolis as pastor when Archbishop O'Meara asked him to

direct the pro-life agency.

The appointment was unexpected,
Father Crawford said, because he knew little about pro-life work at the time. He decided to embark on a fact-finding tour to Washington, D.C. and three dioceses

already active in pro-life work.

For several months during 1982,

Father Crawford coordinated this new

diocesan ministry from his parish office. Later he moved the pro-life agency to office space in the new Catholic Center

During his 14 years of service as the pro-life director, Father Crawford recalled, the U.S. bishops continually challenged diocesan pro-life agencies to expand their pastoral, educational, and advocacy ministries to include a growing number of diverse life issues.

From the early emphasis on working to end abortion and cuthanasia, he said, the office broadened its focus to encompass poverty, advocacy for the handicapped, post-abortion reconciliation, education about the bishops' just war theory, opposition to capital punishment, ministry to persons living with HIV and AIDS, environmental matters, and other Consistent Ethic of Life issues.

"During those first years (as director), we began building a network of parish pro-life activities committees," Father Crawford said. "We knew it was important to get the people in the pews involved in pro-life work, so we spent a lot of time on the road visiting parishes." As new life issues developed, he said,

the office responded by supplying educational and advocacy materials to a growing number of people over the

years.
"We also targeted capital punishment and concern for the handicapped and the mentally disabled," he said. "And when it became apparent there would be a war in the Persian Gulf, we mobilized a committee and distributed educational material about the bishops' just war the-ory to parishes and schools."

The archdiocesan pro-life office further expanded its ministry to include education about the HIV virus and AIDS, he said, as well as advocacy for the rights of persons living with the disease and pastoral care for their spiritual needs.

When I was named director of the prolife office, the word 'AIDS' didn't even exist," Father Crawford said. "Our pro-life ministry to persons with the disease grew out of an AIDS policy developed by for-

mer Vicar General (now Bishop of Evansville) Gerald Gettelfinger in the late '80s. We quickly pulled together a task force to address ministry needs for the AIDS epidemic,"

As the need for AIDS pastoral care continued to grow, the archbishop appointed Father Carlton Beever as archdiocesan coordinator of HIV/AIDS Ministry.

The urgent need for post-abortion rec-onciliation prompted the pro-life agency to develop a new ministry for women and

men affected by that tragedy.
"I always tried to address all life issues," Father Crawford said. "I strongly believe in positive affirmation of the teaching of Jesus and what the Gospel preaches about the value of all life. I think we accomplish far more by preaching and teaching the positive."

## SCHOOLS

care programs operated by the schools are taken into account.

Catholic schools in the archdiocese grew at a rate eight times faster than public schools in Indiana. This is further evidence of Catholic schools growth exceeding demo-

graphic growth, Elsener said.
Percentage gains in Catholic high school enrollments are ahead of elementary gains for the third year in a row. This fact can be attributed to the growth in Catholic elementary enrollment over the past several years

and to better retention of students in grades seven and eight, which feed into the high schools. After experiencing major gains a few years ago, the middle grades are slightly

larger again this year.

Total enrollment in the nine Catholic high schools in the archdiocese is up 100 students, a 2 percent increase over last year. This increase comes on top of a 3.7 percent increase last year over 1994. At the six parish-supported high schools (Bishop Chatard, Cardinal Ritter, Roncalli and Scecina in Indianapolis; Shawe Memorial in Madison; and Our Lady of Providence in Clarksville), enrollment increased by just over 2.4 percent.

Besides the parish-supported high schools, three private Catholic high schools (Brebeuf, Cathedral and Oldenburg Academy) operate in the archdiocese. Eleven schools in the archdiocese expe-

Eleven schools in the archdiocese experienced 10 percent or more growth this year. They are: Sacred Heart, Clinton, 24 percent growth; St. Joan of Arc, Indianapolis, 20.4 percent; St. Joseph, Shelbyville, 19.4 percent; St. Matthew, Indianapolis, 17 percent; Holy Angels, Indianapolis, 16.5 percent; St. Nicholas, Sunman, 14.4 percent; Our Lady of Lourdes, Indianapolis, 13 percent; St. Mary, Rushyille, 12.7 percent; St. Mary, Rushville, 12.7 percent; St. Ambrose, Seymour, 11.5 percent; St. Paul, Sellersburg, 11.1 percent; and St. Mary, North Vernon, 10.4 percent. Also, St. Charles of Borromeo in Bloomington was close to 10 percent, registering 9.6 percent

## Fall Catechetical Day is Oct. 19

Dr. Gloria Durka of Fordham University will speak on "Keeping Heart, Keeping Faith," at the Fall Catechetical Day at Marian College on Oct. 19. It is sponsored by the archdiocesan Office of Catholic Education and the Indianapolis. Catholic Education and the Indianapolis

Pastors, parish life coordinators, associate pastors, pastoral associates, catechetical leaders, principals and youth ministers will meet to learn more about "the chal-

lenges and joys of being a catechist."

Durka is professor of religious edu-

cation and theology in the graduate school of religion and religious education at Fordham.

The workshops fall into the general, youth, and adult "tracks." Sessions cover everything from pre-school to teaching leaders to developing adult spiritual discipline.

Those wishing a brochure or other details about the event may call the OCE at 317-236-1400. The registration fee is \$10 per person until Oct. 7, when it increases. Parish group rates are available.

## Nuns' group calls for St. Meinrad boycott, support for Sister Carmel

#### By Cathelic News Service

RACINE, Wis.—The National Coalition of American Nuns has called for moral and financial support for the nun fired from St. Meinrad School of Theology and for a boycott of the St. Meinrad-owned Abbey Press and other St. Meinrad programs.

The organization of nuns issued its call on behalf of Irish Mercy Sister Carmel McEnroy in an open letter to all U.S. women released at the group's annual meeting, held Sept. 13-15 in Racine.

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A member of the Indiana seminary's theology faculty for 14 years, Sister Carmel was fired from her post in April 1995.

At the time of the firing, St. Meinrad officials said Sister Carmel was dis-

missed for signing an open letter to Pope John Paul II and the U.S. Bishops—appearing as an advertisement in the National Catholic Reporter—that chal-lenged the pope's declaration that women cannot be priests and called for an end to the church's part in gender discrimination.

Sister Carmel recounted for the 50 nuns attending the meeting her perspective on the circumstances surrounding her firing and subsequent events.

The 60-year-old nun has denied the charge of public dissent, and maintains that St. Meinrad denied her due process. Last May, Sister Carmel filed a federal lawsuit accusing the Benedictine-run seminary of sexual discrimination. She is seeking reinstatement with back pay, along with compensatory and punitive

St. Meinrad Archabbey, which has ecclesiastical responsibility for the seminary, has said it is confident that the nary, has said it is comment that the court "will agree that the action taken against Dr. Carmel for public dissent falls within the jurisdiction of the church." The lawsuit has not yet reached

Barbara Crawford, director of communications for St. Meinrad Archabbey told Catholic News Service Sept. 20 that "we don't feel we did anything wrong in handling the public dissent of a faculty

'We don't believe that if people knew the whole story they would be as quick to judge," she added, saying that the archabbey "will present its case in court."

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#### From the Editor/John F. Fink

## St. Alphonsus Liguori is **300 years old today**

The date of this issue, Sept. 27, is the 300th anniversary of the birth of the great St. Alphonsus Liguori. He was a man you should

Liguori. He was a man you should get to know because he excelled in so many things.

He is known primarily as the founder of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, commonly known as the Redemptrists; as probably the best moral theologian in the history of the church; and as a doctor of the church. Of the 32 doctors of the church, he lived most closely to the present time.

But Alphonso Maria de Liguori was much more. He was all of these:

 A lawyer. This eldest of eight children received a double doctorate in both civil and church law from the double doctorate in both civil and church law from the University of Naples and he practiced law before the courts of Naples for several years. He gave up the law after he lost a case. He turned his back on his secular lifestyle and took a personal vow of celibacy.

• A minister to the sick at the Hospital for Incurables in Naples. He also visited local prisons.

• A priest who introduced an innovative apostolic technique called the Evening Chapels. He trained lay catechists who would then work in the slums.

• A friend of the poor, He himself went into the

catechists who would then work in the slums.

A friend of the poor. He himself went into the slums to do something about the spiritual abandonment that he found there. He engaged in street preaching and conducted missions and "revivals."

Spiritual director to many and chaplain to those condemned to death on their last journey.

Artist Many of Alphoneus, paintings still exist.

Artist. Many of Alphonsus' paintings still exist today, including "The Madonna" and "Christ on the Cross," His paintings have been described as powerful.

He was also an expert engrave Musician and composer. Music was an important art of his life. He was an accomplished player of the

part of his life. He was an accomplished player of the harpsichord and he composed many hymns which he taught to those who attended his missions.

• Poet. His poetry was often set to music.

• Author. Alphonsus wrote more than 100 books, many of them still available today in 70 languages. They were written in simple language so they could be understood by all who read them, but they dealt with such subjects as salvation, redemption, grace, prayer and, of course, moral theology.

and, of course, moral theology.

Theologian. Alphonsus is known mainly for his battles against the rigorism of Jansenism and against

legalism, and this is why he was named a doctor of the church. He was a tenacious champion in favor of conscience, stressing the redeeming love of God. science, stressing the redeeming love of God.

Redemporist Father Bernard Haring wrote that "his unique and lasting contribution is the role he gives to conscience and the care with which he describes the dynamics of a sound conscience." He is the patron saint of moral theologians and of confessors.

• Founder of the Redemptorists and the order's superior general

\* Founds to the recommendation of the Goths, a diocese near Naples. Alphonsus was unhappy with this appointment and viewed it as punishment for his sins. But he threw himself into his duties, saw to the formation and education of his priests, organized missions and established in wafers programs for the poor.

tion of his priests, organized missions and established social welfare programs for the poor.

• Master of prayer. Many of Alphonsus' books were on prayer. He taught that prayer is necessary for salvation and that salvation is available to all who pray. He himself was influenced by St. Teresa of Avila, whom he called his "second mother." He particularly emphasized mental prayer and meditation.

he called his "second mother." He particularly emphasized mental prayer and meditation.

Lover of Mary, the Mother of God. Although Jesus Christ was the center of his spirituality, Alphonsus had a great devotion to Mary. His book "The Glories of Mary" defends and promotes Marian devotion. His own devotion included the daily rosary, recitation of the Little Office of Our Lady in addition to the breviary, reciting the Angelus three times a day, fasting on Saturdays, visits to Marian shrines, and trying to say a Hail Mary every quarter-hour.

Hail Mary every quarter-hour.

Teacher of virtue. Alphonsus recommended the practice of the "virtue of the month," giving special attention to a particular virtue each month in one's

attention to a particular virtue each month in one's reading, reflection and prayer.

• Sufferer. During his last four years, Alphonsus suffered physically and spiritually. His physical ailments left him almost completely disabled, his curvature of the spine so bad that his chin rubbed a permanent sore on his chest. Spiritually, he suffered intense scruples.

St. Alphonsus died Aug. 1, 1787 at age 90.

Liguori Publications has published five books by and about St. Alphonsus as its Alphonsian 300th Anniversary Collection. You can order them, or request a catalogue with their description, by writing to Liguori Publications, One Liguori Dr., Liguori, MO 63057, or by calling 314-464-2500. Needless to say, I recommend the books highly.

Matters Liturgical/Fr. Rick Ginther

## Life/death/resurrection is proclaimed in four rituals in our funerals

One of the great benefits of Christianity, and one of the great beauties of Catholicism, is our resurrection/eternal life orientation. We are a people of

faith, of hope rooted in God's own love through the life/death/resurrection of Jesus Christ.

I know of no other ritual moments—other than the Triduummore cumulative and reflective of our reality in Christ than the Order of Christian Funerals. In four "ritual movements" or "settings," life/death/resurrection is proclaimed

amidst the sorrow of death and the hope of our faith.

These four movements ideally are the Reception of the Body, Vigil Service, Mass of Christian Burial (Funeral), and the Commital Rite. In their ideal form,

(Funeral), and the Commital Rite. In their ideal form, they are one liturgy, spanning a number of hours (even days, depending on circumstances). They are a prayerful journeying with and for those who mourn, those who face the terrible human reality of death yet wish to proclaim (and be reassured) of the joyful reality of their faith.

Most of us know the Reception of the Body as the beginning of the visitation period. However, there is a specific ritual provided for the receiving of a body to be visited in the church building, vestibule, or some other room set aside for this purpose. Often, though, our funeral home tradition truncates this part of the rite. Hopefully, then, we at least have present one of the parish ministers to lead us

tradition truncates this part of the rite. Hopefully, then, we at least have present one of the parish ministers to lead us in prayer prior to the visitation period.

The Vigil Service is a prayerful waiting of communal prayer. Often in the evening, it is a time in which we pray with and through the Scripture and song, and take time to remember the one who has died in eulogy. The Order of Christian Funerals does provide a service which includes the rosary (a local custom for many parishes).

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The Mass of Christian Burial is the "funeral" itself. For most Catholics, this is the Mass. It begins with a sprinkling of the casket (body) and draping of a large white cloth (pall) over the casket to remind those present of the deceased's baptismal birth and promise of eternal life. The ending of the liturgy is known as the "Final Commendation and Farewell," in which the casket (body) is incensed, an honoring of the God-created vessel which

Commendation and Farewell," in which the casket (body) is incensed, an honoring of the God-created vessel which carried in life the spirit of the one who died.

The Commital Service ideally takes place at graveside (except for reasons of inclement weather, cremation immediately after the funeral Mass, etc.). This part of the fourfold ritual is the actual closing of the period of prayerful journey. Only at this point is there a "final blessing" (reminiscent of the Triduum, where the great liturgy which began on Holy Thursday night is concluded on Easter Sunday with the final blessing of the Easter Eucharistic Liturgy we attend). blessing of the Easter Eucharistic Liturgy we attend).

leans left or right should not obscure its ability to present

church teaching in balanced and objective ways.

The way we communicate the truth in the Catholic press requires a careful balance. On the one hand, we Catholic journalists must see ourselves as bound by the principles and the ethics of our profession. On the other hand, we must reconsize that we are also catachists, even hand, we must recognize that we are also catechists, evangelists and even apologists who are not afraid to use the language of faith as we strive to speak the truth to the modern world. I think Lafayette's Tom Russell said it best when he described his paper's unofficial creed this way: "We do our best, striving always to do better, failing sometimes to succeed, occasionally actually prompting a liberal or a conservative to consider improving their relationship with God and with their neighbor." hand, we must recognize that we are also catechists, evan-

## A View from the Center/Dan Conway

## Accepting the challenges of Catholic journalism

All of my columns this month have been about Catholic journalism. On Sept. 6, I reprinted an editorial by Tom Russell, editor of *The Catholic Moment*.



This passionate editorial asked whether it's possible for a Catholic newspaper to avoid the labels "liberal" or "conserva-tive" in an attempt to be truly Catholic (which means embracing all). My next two columns (Sept. 13 and 20) contained some repartee between this writer and Tom Roberts, the senior news editor of the National Catholic

news editor of the National Catholic Reporter over questions of bias and objectivity in diocesan newspapers and "independents." Mr. Roberts thinks that NCR is more objective in its reporting of church controversies because it is independent of ecclesiastical control. I argued that every newspaper has its biases, but the true test of professional journalism is the ability to set aside these biases in the interests of balanced and accurate

aside these biases in the interests of balances and the reporting.

The Criterion's publisher, Archbishop Daniel M.

Buechlein, O.S.B., recently offered some of his reflections on this topic. The occasion was the newspaper's annual meeting, Aug. 16. In his remarks, the archbishop said, "One way or another, every newspaper reflects the values and the point of view of its publisher. This is as true of The New York Times and The Indianapolis Star as it is of the National Catholic Reporter and The Criterion. It should be no secret that I want our archdiocesan newspaper to speak for me as the chief our archdiocesan newspaper to speak for me as the chief teacher and pastor of this archdiocesan church. But in speaking for me, *The Criterion* should exercise the kind of responsible, objective journalism that is not afraid to speak the -always in a pastorally sensitive and doctrinally sound

What does it mean to speak the truth in ways that are pastorally sensitive and doctrinally sound? Does this mean that the plain truth must not be spoken or that we should put some kind of Catholic "spin" on everything we report? No. Pastoral sensitivity means that in the Catholic press, as in every other aspect of life, the right to the communication of the truth is not unconditional. (See "The Catechism of the Catholic Church," Nos. 2488-2492 on "Respect for the Truth.") And because Catholic journalists are not simply passive observers (or even uninvolved, "objective" reporters) but are, in truth, teachers and witnesses to the faith, the dictates of sound doctrine require us to communicate the truth in the language and from the perspective of our Catholic beliefs, traditions and values.

As the catechism says, "Charity and respect for truth should dictate the response to every request for information or communication. The good and safety of others, respect for privacy, and the common good are sufficient reasons for being silent about what ought not to be known or for making use of a discreet language. The duty to avoid scandal often commands strict discretion" (Cf. No. 2489). Thus, the Catholic press should not print whatever the tabloids, or even the mainstream media, do—even if

2489). Thus, the Catholic press should not print whatever the tabloids, or even the mainstream media, do—even if what they report happens to be factually true. Pastoral sensitivity requires that we respect the truth by handling some things with discretion.

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And when something appears in the Catholic press, readers have the right to expect that it will be presented in the context of the authentic teaching and practice of the Catholic Church. Thus, reporting about individuals or groups who dissent from church teaching or practice should not cause confusion or misunderstanding about what the official Catholic teaching is. Although every newspaper has its biases, the fact that a Catholic paper

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### To the Editor

### The Criterion's alleged partisanship

I agree with Diane M. Carver who, in a letter-to-the-editor (Aug. 23), wrote: "The Criterion has a grave responsibility to avoid any hint of partisanship in reporting political matters."

She was, as I am, reacting to *The*Criterion's Aug. 9 banner headline and
article: "Republican Convention to Have a

In your editorial commentary of Aug. 23, you disclaimed being partisan.

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The "Republican Convention to Have a
Catholic Flavor" article named 13
Republicans as being Catholic and among
those named are Rep. Susan Molinari and
Gov. Ridge of Pennsylvania.

Gov. Ridge of Pennsylvania.

It you were, as you said, being objective in informing your readers, you would not only have mentioned that Rep. Susan Molinari of New York (who delivered the Republican convention's keynote address) was a Catholic but she also has a pro-abortion voting record. Gov. Thomas Ridge is mentioned as being Catholic but the article does not mention that he favors legalized abortion. mention that he favors legalized abortion

If the "Republican Convention to Have a Catholic Flavor" article was not overt persuasion, it certainly illustrates subliminal persuasion.

Robert J. Brokamp

(We also didn't state how Molinari voted on a myriad of other issues besides abortion, or what Ridge's positions might be on other issues that the U.S. bishops have included in their "political respon-sibility" statement. Or, for that matter, we didn't state the positions of the other 11 Catholics mentioned in the article. Sadly, there are Catholics in both parties who favor abortion but that particular article wasn't about abortion. It was reporting the fact that many Catholics now have leadership positions in the Republican Party and that's all it was doing.—Editor)

### Decision on political ads is disappointing

I was greatly disappointed that your board of directors decided against taking political ads.

To me, being active politically, it seemed like a shirking of responsibility on your part.

Perhaps you forget the importance of Catholic voters being informed as to the background and positions of the candidates on issues that affect Catholics. Political ads are the best messengers of truth and information.

Today there are dozens of issues that affect Catholics and it is important that the voters know the positions of the candidates on these issues. The next state legislature will address welfare reform, parental rights, educational vouchers, and property tax reform. Too often special interest groups develop one-sided ques-tionnaires and brochures that nacurately Pour board's decision now makes it more

difficult for the truth to be known.

Targeting of ads and directing the message to Catholics is very important. This is especially true for local candidates. Several of the Marion County judicial candidates attended high school in the very rooms

where your offices are now located.

It may seem that the message to Catholic voters is getting through so there is no need to be just another vehicle for ads. Perhaps your memories are faded or you choose to ignore history. Next year will be the 70th anniversary of a hate crime—the burning of St. Patrick's Church on the south side of Indianapolis. Do you think such crimes and feelings will never reoccur?

I hope you will reconsider your posi-tion. The Criterion needs to be nonpartisan and not endorse candidates, but it also needs to be a messenger of information

that affects Indiana Catholics. Political ads allow us to make more informed decisions. John J. Sullivan Indianapolis

(The Criterion joins the majority of Catholic newspapers that have elected not to accept political advertising because the IRS requires all tax-exempt publications that accept such ads to accept them from all sources. The Criterion would not be able to reject ads from those who disagree with Catholic teachings. Before adopting the new policy, The Criterion was forced to accept advertising it preferred to refuse.—Editor)

### Partial-birth abortion is never necessary

Last spring, Congress brought up a ban on a specific later-term abortion procedure known as partial-birth abortion. This horrible procedure involves delivering the entire baby, except for the head, jamming surgical scissors into the baby's skull and sucking out the brains of the child.

Despite the fact that, according to two separate polls, more than 70 percent of Americans oppose partial-birth abortion, President Clinton still vetoed the ban on this horrific procedure.

But this procedure is never needed, not even for the health of the mother. Dr. Martin Haskell, who has performed more than 1,000 partial-birth abortions, admits that "80 percent are for purely elective reasons." Dr. Pamela Smith, director of medical education in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Mt. Sinai Hospital in Chicago, said, "There are absolutely no obstetrical situations encountered in this country which require a partially delivered [child] to be destroyed to preserve the health of the mother."

This month, Congress will be voting to overturn Clinton's veto. Indiana Citizens for Life has prepared a special free packet of information available to any Indiana citizen. To obtain a copy, call Indiana Citizens for Life at (317) 574-1896.

Steven A. Ertelt

### The soul is a direct gift from God

When Hitler began his assault on human life, he did not begin with the Jews. It was his belief that mankind was on the threshold of a quantum leap in evolution and he was the catalyst. He had those killed who would slow the process down: the mental-ly retarded, mentally ill, the handicapped, the drug addicts and alcoholics, etc. He appealed to people's sense of misguided compassion to gain their cooperation. They were society's living dead and it was

They were society's living dead and it was our duty to release them from their misery. I personally don't believe in the theory of evolution. Most people don't even realize that it is just a theory that hasn't been proven because it is so widely taught as fact. I believe people physically adapt to their environment, changing into various races, and I believe society is evolving, not people. I don't believe God ever has nor ever will create one human being or race ever will create one human being or race

of human beings superior to another.

It isn't our wealth, our intelligence, our It isn't our wealth, our intelligence, our social standing, our athletic ability or anything else society uses to judge the measure of a person that gives us our value. Our true value is in our ability to share in the life of God. All people are called to that lofty state by his grace regardless of how they appear to us.

We have no way of knowing the glory God has prepared for even a person who is born and living out its life in a vegetative state, or those who have a death-bed conversion. Our church's history is full of saints called from every walk of life, from

saints called from every walk of life, from poverty and palaces. On judgment day we will be shocked to see the saints we have rubbed shoulders with in this life as well

It is our church's teaching that sex is so sacred an act because when a child is conceived it isn't just the parents who are involved in the conception. God is there breathing into that person his or her immortal soul. It doesn't receive its soul in parts like it does its body from its parents; it is a direct gift from God at conception.

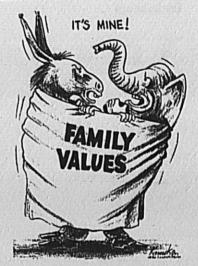
Since its soul is immortal it is given a free will to choose to share in God's own being. Life is the opportunity to interact with God, to choose or reject him. Who are we to interfere in that interchange between a person and God and take it upon ourselves to decide when a person should die either by abortion or by euthan-asia? From conception on, regardless of their productivity or quality of life, I believe God is better judge of that than I.

Sandra Dudley

### Give me that old time religion

What a joy it is to read "The Catholic World of Yesterday" series of articles by Winifred Pushor. Her first one, in the Sept. 6 issue, was titled "Vatican Council II Began the 'Great Transformation'." Instead of the 'Great Transformation'." Instead of 
"great transformation," I would call it "reinventing the Gospel." Politicians are good at 
reinventing government, they think. Our 
heavenly Father gave us 10 simple rules to 
live by and uphold. You may recall they 
were called the Ten Commandments. I weep 
for the days when our Catholic Church stood were called the 1en Commanditations. A week for the days when our Catholic Church stood up FOR God instead of TO him. Catholicism is not a pick-and-choose reli-gious cafeteria. There are laws laid down by

God to guide us. If you don't like his laws, quit the church and form another religion. When you corrupt it, it is no longer the When you corrupt it, it is no longer the Catholic Church which was entrusted to St. Peter by Jesus Christ and handed down through the ages to our present great Pope John Paul II. History shows us that we have had some bad and/or misguided pontiffs. I believe Pope John XXIII was misguided.



Funny how they wrap themselves in it every four years

Communists said they would destroy the church from within. They made a good start as we can see from today's dissidents. Much liberal theology can be laid at the feet of Vatican II. But God shall prevail.

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The clerics have been at the vanguard of these movements. We do not recognize priests and nuns in public and most of the

time around the parish.

We need not reinvent Christianity, just return to it. Yes, society changes, but God's word does not and will not. We need another St. Francis of Assisi to rebuild the church. Not stone by stone, but preaching the true Gospel. How many of us are tired of hearing priests sermonize on their personal lives instead of the Gospel?

May the Holy Ghost rekindle the dom he gave to us at confirmation. God shall prevail, but we must continue to

fight for our faith.

We shall now turn to page 2000 and sing "Give Me That Old Time Religion."

Lawrence O. Gray Jr. Bloomington

### Light One Candle Fr. Thomas J. McSweeney

## St. Therese: making sanctity real

Sept. 30 marks the start of a year-long centennial celebration



of St. Therese de Lisieux. It's a good reason to rediscover the reason for Therese's meteoric rise to fame which Pius XI called a "hurricane of glory.

What is there about this Carmelite nun whose short life con-

tinues to fascinate?

tinues to fascinate?

The larger world was introduced to her through her own words. I encourage you to read her autobiography, "The Story of a Soul," published just one year after her death at the age of 24.

Benedict XV found in her writings "the secret of sanctity for the entire world." Her style is sentimental by today's standards. But her intimate candor in articulating her "I ittle Way" of approaching God through But her intimate candor in articulating her 
"Little Way" of approaching God through 
life's most ordinary moments makes the 
memoirs compelling. Therese was a woman 
in search of authenticity. And in the realm 
of the everyday she triumphed. 
Her revelations even caught the cinematic 
eye of French director Alan Cavalier. His 
controversial film "Therese" captured several international film awards as well as Time

al international film awards as well as *Time* magazine's list of top 10 films of 1986. What attracted Cavalier and so many others to this young French nun's life over the last century was her realness, her enthusiastic belief in the love of Jesus as the centerpiece

"My vocation is love," she wrote. Per-haps this is what makes her so lovable. Sister Therese of the Child Jesus could

also improvise on the spirit of the Holy Rule of the Carmelites in deliberate acts of individuality that still engage us. She embroidered a cattail in scarlet in the cen ter of her white pinafore. It was a symbol of ointment made from the marsh plant

that was used to dress soldiers' wounds She wrote a drama about Joan of Arc for her community, then covered her brown habit with full costume complete with wig and played the lead.

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Therese's tuberculosis in the last years of her life caused physical suffering even as she wrestled to preserve faith in the face of doubt. Both were excruciating. The bouquet of roses plously associated with her may seem almost thornless. Not when you read Therese's last letter to her sister, Marie Martin:

"Did not lesus ery out 'Father, remove

"Did not Jesus cry out, 'Father, remove this chalice from me'? Are you not ready to suffer all that God wills? Assuredly! And so, if you want to know joy and to love suffering, you are really seeking your own consolation, because once we love, all suffering disappears!"

It has been rumored among ecclesiasti-cal circles that Pope John Paul II will name Therese a "doctor of the church," a name Therese a "doctor of the church," a title given to certain writers on account of the great advantage the church has gained from their teaching. Only two other women, St. Teresa of Avila and St. Catherine of Siena, have been named doctors because of the influence of their spiritual teachings. Yet the rumor is tantalizing. If Therese were to join them, the writings of other great women of the

tantalizing. If therese were to join them, the writings of other great women of the church might conceivably receive the careful examination they richly deserve.

With or without the title, what could be more learned or more real than a life so consumed with loving God that she embraced his children—not only her beloved family and sisters and those of her lifetime, but of time to come? With total trust in God, she could proclaim, "I will spend my heaven in doing good on earth."

(For a free copy of the Christopher News Note "The Simple Life," write to The Christophers, 12 E. 48th St., New York, NY 10017.)

### Cornucopla / Cynthia Dewes

# A new way to 'find ourselves'

It's amazing that no one has yet written a self-analysis book about shopping behavior. Going to the



store is not a job, it's an adventure, and it's an adventure we all experience at some

time or other. We don't have to wear a "Shop Till You Drop" tattoo in order to qualify as a high adventurer, either.

After all, we need to eat and wear clothes and sit in chairs, so shopping of any kind makes us eligible.

Shoppers range from the "catch me before I shop again" type on the one hand, to almost any man on the other. Not to be sexist or anything, but the men most of us know give shopping a bad name. And they don't even care.

Men identify a need, i.e. a certain size socket wrench or a pair of underwear. So they get in the car, go to the hardware store or the clothing store, walk directly to the article they need, march it up to the cash register, and drive home. End of shopping trip. End of adventure.

Most women, on the other hand, look upon shopping as a creative opportunity.
They prepare for it carefully, plan how and where it will take place, and pin hopes upon it. They spruce it up with side events like lunch or going to the movies, and scour advertisements for bargains they can brag about afterward.

If it's high heels and jewelry, the venue must be Nordstrom's or Saks. Not to mention having a glass of wine with lunch.

But if it's stuffing our hair into one of the kids' baseball caps and throwing a jacket over a dirty sweatshirt, it's probably a quick trip to Kroger for the can of toma-

to sauce we forgot we needed.

The selection of shopping companions is also crucial and revealing. Sometimes we like to accompany the friend who used to be a model and who wears actual designer clothes, even though we feel like Ma Kettle in her presence

At other times we like to cruise Wal-Mart with our less stylish pals. Like us, they still have a few polyester items hiding in their closets, and some favorite shoes whose heels list to starboard.

Most of all, to women, shopping does not necessarily mean buying. Shopping is looking, discussing with friends, estimating costs and usefulness, reading the future, and even doing a certain amount of drooling. All of this sometimes, but not

always, leads to a purchase.
Shopping is also hope and despair, especially for ladies who experience the yoyo syndrome in their weight. There are two schools of these: the Depression-minded ones who keep buying clothes in larger or smaller sizes and creating a huge glut in their closets; and those darlings of church rummage sales who discard every item

they outgrow as they go up and down.

Taking kids shopping is certainly an adventure, though it may or may not be fun. Especially if they're rearranging price tags on the shelves behind your back.

Some passive-aggressives will drag

along sullenly with their adult, brightening only at the sight of the brass-stud-ded, imitation leather, grossly undersized or oversized garments they come across. Others are passive-obedi-ent, bravely trying on whatever nerdy outfit mom admires.

Shopping has become a way of life in this country. And for reading character and personality, it sure beats tea leaves.



New efficers of the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary of the Woods were installed during a Eucharist Liturgy Sept. 7 in the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Saint Mary of the Woods. The new leaders in the front row, from left are: Sisters Joan Slobly, and Margaret Ann McNamara, councilors, Sister Diane Ris, general superior, and Sister Rose Ann Eaton, councilor. In back, from left are: Sisters Ann Margaret O'Hara, councilor-vicar, and Jenny Howard, councilor. Sister Jenny, a native of Indianapolis recently ministered as a teacher at Cathedral High School in Indianapolis. Sister Ann Margaret grew up in Clarksville.

#### VIPs ...

St. Pius X parishioner Anne Ryder, news anchor of Indianapolis Channel 13, WIHR, was one of the speakers at the national convention of the Catholic Campaign for America (CCA) in Philadelphia Sept. 20-21. The CCA is a lay Catholic movement to energize and mobilize Catholics to renew their faith and, through that renewal, to help transform American public policy, culture

Maurice and Dorothy Ley of Indianapolis will celebrate their 50th anniversary Sept. 28. They were married at St. Philip Neri Church in Indianapolis Sept. 28, 1956. The couple has two children: Jack and Patricia Ley. They are parishioners at St. Roch in Indianapolis.

Little Sisters of the Poor elected Sister Celine de la Visitation Superior General of their congregation. She succeeds Mother Marie-Antoinette de la Trinite, who died at the motherhouse earlier this year. A native of San Francisco, Calif., she has been a member of the General Council since 1976, and has served as Vicar General since 1990.

Before joining the General Council, she had served as a local superior in Baltimore, St. Louis, and Denver.



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We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker.

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(Archbishop Oscar Romen

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The Society for the Propagation of the Faith 1400 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46206 Sister Marian T. Kinney, S.P., Director

### Check It Out . . .

Volunteers are needed for the 4th annual "Star of Hope: A Festival of Trees." The overall event is scheduled Nov. 21 through 25 at the Indianapolis Convention Center, Sagamore Ballroom. Event proceeds benefit Catholic Social Services, Holy Family Shelter, The Ryan White Foundation, and St. Elizabeth's. Those interested in volunteering should call 317-783-8679.

The community is invited to participate in the 2nd annual "Hope for the 'Hood" revival, Sept. 28 and 29 at St. Philip Neri Parish in Indianapolis. Activities begin with Mass at 5:30 p.m. Sept. 28, followed by a light dinner before "Prayin", Preachin, Teachin' and Music Makin". Activities will resume at 10 a.m. Mass, and an evening service and refreshments at 4 p.m. Sept. 29.

In honor of St. Francis feast day, Sacred Heart Church, 1530 Union St., in Indianapolis will host a special blessing of animals at 5 p.m., Sept. 29. All are invited to bring their pet animals to the courtyard located south of the church building. For additional information contact the church office at 317-638-5551.

"Celebration of Life" concert will be held at 5 p.m. Sept. 28 at the Harrison County Council, No. 1808 Knights of Columbus grounds in Lanesville. The event will feature music by "Jake and Ben," "Joyful Noise," "The Bauserman's" and "The Country Christian Band." The K of C grounds are located 1 1/2 miles west of Lanesville on Hwy. 62. of Lanesville on Hwy. 62.

The Saint Mary of the Woods College Art Gallery will display its unique collection of Sister Dolls from Oct. 2 through 23. One-hundred-thirty-eight dolls which are dressed in authentic religious habits, represent nuns of orders and congregations throughout the United States gregations throughout the United States and Canada, orders which originated in France, Ireland, Poland, Switzerland,

Holland, and the United States. An opening reception will be from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Oct. 2 in the art gallery located in Hulman Hall room 132. Gallery hours are Tues.-Fri., noon to 4 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. For more information contact Catherine Knight at 812-535-5137 or the Public Relations Office at 812-535-5212.

Saint Meinrad Archabbey Library will feature an exhibit of handwoven baskets by the Woven Together in Western, Ky., Basketweaving Guild, Oct. 2 through 30. The display will feature a variety of baskets in different shapes, sizes styles and kets in different shapes, sizes, styles, and colors. Library hours are: Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., and 7:30 to 9 p.m.; and Sat. and Sun. from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information call 812-357-6501.

"Life is a Banquet: Most of Us are Starving," a weekend retreat for men and women will be offered Oct. 11-13 at the Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., in Indianapolis. Father John Maung, pastor of St. Joseph Church in Shelbyville, is the presenter. The cost is \$105 for individuals presenter. The cost is \$105 for individuals and \$175 for couples. For more information call 317-545-7681.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society's 15th annual Blanket Sunday Collection weekends will be held Sept. 28 and 29 and Oct. 19 and 20th. The society needs volunteers to help collect and deliver the softwards items to the distribution center. goods items to the distribution center, 1201 E. Maryland St., in Indianapolis after Mass on each Sunday on both weekends. For more information call 317-687-1006.

Jon Stemkoski's Celebrant Singers and Orchestra, an internationally-known Christian singing group, will present a community-wide service of contemporary music at 7 p.m. Oct. 10 at St. Simon Church, 8400 Roy Rd. in Indianapolis. Sign language for the hearing impaired. All seats are free.

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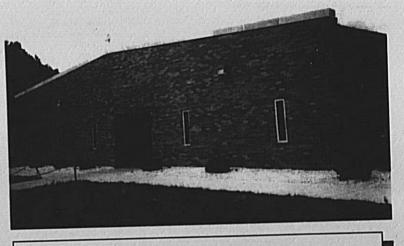
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# Terre Haute parishioners help out in Honduras

#### By David Delaney

Mission Honduras is a Catholic lay mission in the Central American country. It's waiting for people willing to share their lives, talents and concerns.

The mission was started by Franciscan
Father Emil Cook, so that poor youth could help themselves through education. The for-mer Milwaukee resident has been living with the poor in Honduras for 25 years.

Eight people, mostly from central Indiana, spent 10 days there recently helping to build a medical center. Four of them have connections with St. Benedict Parish in Terre Haute. The trip was organized by their former pastor, Franciscan Father

"I have never seen such widespread and complete poverty," said Mark Johnson, St. Benedict member who is the local United Way planning and allocation director.

"It was a very moving experience," he said. "Your heart just went out to the children."

Johnson said that the group saw living Johnson said that the group saw NYMS conditions that most Americans have not witnessed. "Our poor would seem almost rich in comparison. They have never known anything else."

To help, they didn't need to be skillful at anything special, he said. A willingness to help was enough. "It makes you realize that the whole world is one community," Johnson said. "It certainly opened my

eyes. I won't waste like I did before."
"We helped pour a cement floor for a
woman there," said Janet Roth, coordinator for youth ministry for the Terre Haute parishes. She said that they did not have the luxury of electricity or running water. And had to cook their food on wood stoves.

"They sleep in hammocks attached to the beams of their ceilings," said Roth. "The children don't have games or toys."



Back from 10 days of helping at a lay Catholic mission in Honduras are (from lett) Sylvia Nieto, Linda Harmon, Gregg Ulm, Janet Roth, Franciscan Father Kent Biergens, Meriam Huxenbough, Josh Trotta and Mark Johnson.

The group had daily classes to learn Spanish and the history of Honduras. The country has a shortage of priests. One they met had 145,000 people in his parish.

Greg Ulm, another St. Benedict

parishioner who went on the trip said, "I was impressed with Father Emil's vision for the students to stay in school. He gives them lots of support."

He said some of the former students

returned to help after going to college.
"These people are poor by circumstance," Ulm said. "It's not their fault."

Linda Harmon of Terre Haute has

stayed in Honduras as a volunteer-to teach English in the village of Flores.

The new medical center is staffed by volunteer American doctors and nurses. "Otherwise, they have no medical care,"

She added that people eat what they grow on their land. "About 90 percent of them quit school by the sixth grade."

Sylvia Nieto is director of the

Sylvia Nieto is director of the Covered Bridge Council Girl Scouts in Terre Haute. "The country of Honduras is incredibly beautiful, contrasted with all the poverty," she said. "It made a lasting impression on us."

Nieto said that, as Christians, all are saided to be missionaries.

called to be missionaries.

"We are all children of God," said Nieto, who traces her heritage to nearby

(Those interested in volunteering at the mission may contact Mission Honduras; P.O. Box (715; Milwaukee, WI 53201.)



Photo by Margaret Nelson

Father Tobb Riebe, paster for the Richmond Catholic Community, tells mission moderators and religious educators from around the archdiocese about the seven years he worked as a Comboni missionary in Sudan. The meeting was sponsored by the Mission Office.

## 'Requiem for the Unborn' concert Oct. 5 to benefit pro-life ministries

A symphonic concert featuring the critically acclaimed "Requiem for the Unborn" on Oct. 5 in Indianapolis will benefit a variety of pro-life ministries.

The benefit concert of music by three American composers begins at 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 5 at the East 91st Street Christian Church in Indianapolis.

The symphonic and choral concert is sponsored by

Christian Church in Indianapolis.

The symphonic and choral concert is sponsored by Media Associates Resource Coalition (MARC), a non-profit organization located in Zionsville that is dedicated to protecting the lives of unborn children and their mothers by utilizing the skills of media experts throughout the country.

Performances of the featured work, "Requiem for the Unborn" by American composer John Boyle, have received critical acclaim for musical artistry, beautiful orchestration, and an emotional text expressing the

sanctity of life.

Tickets are \$25 for reserved seating and \$15 for general seating. For ticket information, contact the East 91st Street Christian Church at 317-849-1261, Krieg Bros. at 317-638-3416, Romar Bookstore at 317-842-5115, Berean Christian Bookstore at 317-888-0682, or Light & Life Bookstore at 317-293-9922.

"By sponsoring this concert, we effectively spread the

message of life in a highly artistic and beautiful fashion,"
MARC executive director Jean Elmore of Indianapolis said.
"Attendance by the general public will help us with necessary resources to continue achieving our objectives and

sary resources to continue achieving our objectives and give back to the public an unforgettable musical experience expressing the beauty and sanctity of God's gift of life."

Elmore said the primary mission of MARC is to provide a free personnel referral service to help community pro-life organizations locate media professionals and volunteers to help them develop communications and media relations skills. A secondary mission is to create a professionally-based association to encourage individuals working in communication arts and technoloiduals working in communication arts and technologies to become more actively involved in the grassroots

pro-life movement.

In addition to "Requiem," the concert will feature a prelude for string orchestra by William Thomas McKinley and a piece for orchestra and chorus titled "Scene from the Crucifixion" by Donald O. Johnston. The conductor is Dr. Kurt Sprenger of Fort Worth, Texas.

## Special new Francis of Assisi Mass set for Oct. 3 in Bloomington

A special "Francis of Assisi" Mass, with music composed by Dr. James Underwood, will be celebrated at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Bloomington at 8 p.m.

St. Charles Borromeo Church in Bloomington at 8 p.m.
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Gerald Source conductor. Gerald Sousa conductor.

The Mass will be offered for the souls of Steward and

The Mass will be offered for the souls of Steward and Ben and for their friends of the People's Park community. The music will be played for the first time at this Mass. Its composer received his doctoral in music composition from the Indiana University School of Music in 1982. He has composed 15 orchestral works, several choral-orchestral works, numerous works for voice and chamber ensemble, and many string, brass and solo compositions.

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# Baltimore priest challenges Holy Angels flock But he said, "the mistake most of us

#### By Margaret Nelson

Father Donald Sterling of All Saints Catholic Church in Baltimore led a threeday revival at Holy Angels Church last week. The theme was "Order My Steps."

Drawing the assembly into the song
"Take Me To the River," he asked,
"Brothers and sisters, how deep is your
religion?" Then he described the kind of
faith people can have.

"Some of us have ankle-deep religion," said Father Sterling. "Generally, there are no problems. It requires a minimum of adjustments. The water is so shallow, you can easily run through it. A short time later, other people can't even tell you've been in the water.

"An ankle-deep religion doesn't inconvenience us," Father Sterling said.
"We walk with Satan while we pretned

"An ankle-deep religion doesn't inconvenience us," Father Sterling said. "We walk with Satan while we pretned to walk with God." Those who are ankle-deep only go to church when they're "hatched, matched and dispatched," he said. "We give a lot more to partying than we do to God.

or partying than we do to dod.

"Those who are knee-deep in religion will find that their faith in God is not quite as convenient," he said. "It slows us down more than ankle-deep, but we can still run through the water. . . . We don't mind being inconvenienced a little bit, but not too much—not so much that we might have to change our way of living or sneaking.

ing or speaking.

"We tip the Lord on Sunday, but still steal from the Lord," said Father Sterling. He asked if anyone in the assembly steals. Then he asked if Holy Angels is a tithing church. "If you're not tithing, you're a thief," he said. "We must give back to God the first fruits that God has blessed us with."



Photo by Margaret Nelson

Father Donald Sterling leads a revival at Holy Angels Church in Indianapolis. Seated behind him are Father Clarence Waldon, Holy Angels pastor, and Jesuit Father Joseph Folzenlegen, coordinator of evangelization for the archdiocese.

He said that he was not just talking about pocketbooks. "How much time do we spend praising and witnessing with what we have been given by God? Isn't that more than anybody else we know in the world would give us?" He added that God promised that those who tithe would have what they need.

would have what they need.

"We don't trust God enough to do
it!" said Father Sterling. "Look who
we're stealing from. I'm going to leave
the rest to you. I hope I've troubled
your spirit."

your spirit."

He went on to say that many "have had water poured on us, but we have yet to be born in Christ."

Those "waist-deep in religion have had sufficient experience in Christ and in the

make is not striving for something deeper.
We can still fall and lose our balance....
A deeper life in the Lord is a blessing and a new source of energy and life."
He explained that those who give themselves completely to the Lord, "knowing

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He explained that those who give themselves completely to the Lord, "knowing God is always present to us, trust God enough to say, 'Thy Will Be Done,' he said. "We know we are able (to get through the water) because God makes it possible. Religion that's deep enough to swim in is frightening."

swim in is frightening."

Father Sterling said that giving one's whole life to Jesus does not result in earthly fame or wealth. But he said that each person has been chosen by God. "Without you, there is a void in creation."

He said that peace of mind and spiritual joy "can be ours only on God's terms. The purchase price is loving obedience to God's will.

"Is your religion deep enough to help you pick up the pieces of your life?" Father Sterling asked. "When you come to the end of your journey, will your relationship be deep enough? Only one person can answer this. What is the condition of your heart? What is the condition of your soul?"

# not easy to pull somebody out of the water when they're in waist deep." dition of your heart? What is the condition of your soul?" St. Francis Hospital changes disclosed

A restructuring of the corporate offices of Sisters of St. Francis Health Services, Inc. (SSFHS), the parent company of St. Francis Hospital and Health Centers in Beech Grove, was announced Sept. 17.

Holy Spirit to have had changes in their hearts," he said. And though they need to build themselves as people of God, "it's

As part of the restructuring, Kevin D. Leahy, president and chief executive officer of St. Francis Hospital and Health Centers, will assume the same position with SSFHS, effective Nov. 1. At that time, Robert J. Brody, executive vice president and chief operating officer of St. Francis Hospital and Health Services, will succeed Leahy as president and CEO.

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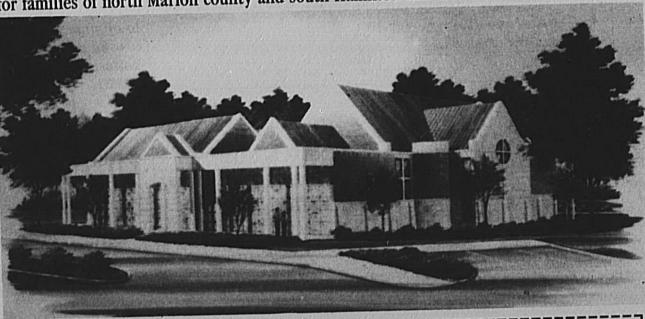
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## The Gospel messages echo through cultures and time

By Fr. Robert Kinast

Given their cultural heritage, the Greeks in Athens just couldn't make sense of the message when St. Paul attempted to preach the Gospel to them.

Realizing this, Paul observed their culture more closely. What he discovered is that these Greeks paid honor to an unknown god—their way of acknow-ledging that God is beyond human com-prehension (Acts 17:16-34).

So Paul utilized this element from their culture to help make his God known to them. In modern terminology, he was "inculturating" the Gospel

"Inculturation" is a recent term that refers to the creative process by which the Christian faith comes to be expressed

in a variety of cultures.

People are often unaware of the ways their understanding and experience of faith is shaped by their own cultural environment. This is perhaps most evident in religious art.

I, for example, grew up taking it for granted that Jesus must have had fair skin, light hair and blue eyes. Only later did I realize how Jesus would look to an Oriental, African, or Indian Christian.

People often assume also that their cultural expressions of faith should be the norm for everyone else. Take kneeling, for example. It may be a sign of humility for people accustomed to exercising power. But does it have the same significance for people accustomed to oppression? oppression?

Inculturation requires respect for a different culture, the humility to learn from it, and the confidence that God is working through it.

Before I was ordained, I worked for a summer in Appalachia. There I discov-ered that clogging to a fiddle and banjo can seem just as suitable for an entrance at Mass as a stately procession with organ music.
Vatican Council II encouraged the path

of inculturation in its Decree on the Missionary Activity of the Church (Ch. 2).

Pope Paul VI advocated it in his apos-

tolic exhortation on evangelization (1975). And Pope John Paul II has rein-

forced it in his encyclical on "The Mission of the Redeemer" (1991) and his apostolic exhortation titled "The

Church in Africa" (1995).

The actual work of inculturation, led by modern missionaries, covers a wide range of activities. They may be grouped under at least three headings.

This refers to all the ways people from a visiting culture may convert their expressions of faith into the language of a host culture. Did you know that instead of reciting the word "amen," some tribes in Africa would express the meaning of the word more naturally by stomping the ground, and some Indonesian groups

The most obvious example here involves the translation of the Bible, hymns or catechism into the language of the local people. More is involved than just a word-for-word translation. The idioms and customs of the host culture also play a part.

• Adaptation.

A second aspect of inculturation is adaptation. In this case, people modify their own preferred forms of expression. Instead of traditional European hymns, for example, African or Indian chants may be used during liturgies.

And, in terms of education, adaptation might mean that catechists replace a straightforward, logical presentation of Christian beliefs to Japanese students with a series of paradoxical statements similar to a Buddhist "koan."

I faced the challenge of cultural adaptation a few years ago when I was teaching a course on ministry. The usual practice was for students to present incidents from their ministry to a group of other students and their supervisor for

However, one student, a Filipino, was having a difficult time in the course because in his culture people did not share their feelings as readily as we

expected, and no one ever criticized another person in public.

As a group, we had to adapt our methodology so this student could participate in the group without violating his cultural values.



CNS illustration by Robert F. McGovern

CNS illustration by Robert F. McGovern topic often assume that their cultural expressions of faith should be the norm. But inculturation quires respect for a different culture, the humility to learn from it, and the confidence that God is pricing through it.

The third form of inculturation is the most demanding. Unlike translation and adaptation, where one's own cultural expression remains the norm, construc-tion means letting a host culture—in a foreign nation, perhaps-be the norm.

For missionaries this can mean discovering how the host culture car help to express what we believe. This requires greater openness, while trusting that each culture has its own unique,

God-given power of expression.

Among the Masai people in Tanzania, grass is a sign of peace. When a certain missionary came to a Masai village for Mass, he would offer some grass to the elders, and it would be passed among the

villagers. If anyone refused it, it meant that reconciliation was needed first.
Only then could Mass be celebrated.
This liturgy reflected the custom of

the people.

Similarly, the village life of many people in Latin and South America has launched the movement of small Christian communities that is energizing the church throughout the world.

No matter what form it takes, inculturation No matter what form it takes, includants is a way of respecting the richness of human diversity and acknowledging that God uses all human expressions to share divine life with us because the whole world is God's.

(Father Robert Kinast is the director of the Center for Theological Reflection at Indian Rocks Beach, Fla.)

### Discussion Point

## Multiculturalism enriches parish life

This Week's Question

How do you benefit from the presence in your parish of people of other cultural backgrounds?

We have an international festival here at the parish in the beginning of summer that celebrates each cultural group. There are Hispanics, Filipinos and Vietnamese. We share different foods, and the Filipino/Hawaiian group has dances, as do the Hispanics. Too often, ignorance of another's cultural background leads to an atmosphere of fear, but here, the festival promotes a family atmosphere." (Gina Steele, Sacramento, Calif.)

"I feel my horizons are widened. I become more aware that the world is a global village and that there are other people in the world who are unlike me but still part of my society. That realization enhances my vision of the world." (Jose A. Colon-Berdecia, Boston, Mass.)

"It gives me a chance to understand how people of different cultures worship God. In Columbus here, there are a lot of Mexican-American people, and seeing how dedicated they are to the faith and their affinity to the Virgin Mary has enhanced my own appreciation for devotion to the mother of God." (Gordon Green, Columbus, Neb.)

"My parish is primarily Hispanic, and recently we've attracted more Anglos, and we unite with each other in the Eucharist. Anglos aren't shy; they're always willing to work with us, to pray with us. They don't have to be asked; they volunteer. So the example of the Anglos is something we are able to learn from." (Bercy Espinoza, Mora, N.M.)

"The differences between cultures and the ways different people worship God can really enliven our faith if each person is comfortable with his or her own culture and spiritual background, so you feel you're contributing to the mix and not being overtaken by it." (Brother Tyrone Davis, CFC, Harlem, N.Y.)

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### Entertainment

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## 'Bogus' explores charm of child's imaginary pal

"Bogus" is a charming little movie about the need for magic and imagination in life, another late-



career gift from the superb veteran director Norman Jewison, who has just turned 70. Its little boy hero, 7-year-old Albert, suf-

fers the worst trauma possible in his life

when his young single mom, a Las Vegas dancer, is killed in an auto crash. Albert is sent clear across the country to Newark to live with a guardian he's never seen, his white mother's black foster sister, Harriet. That's Whoopi Goldberg, playing a smart small business entrepreneur with lots of

small business entrepreneur with lots of good will but no time.

She takes on the job out of respect for her dead friend, who was kind to her as a child. Also, Albert's father is a long-departed absentee, and the child's only other option is "the state system." But it's not easy. As Harriet puts it, struggling to communicate with Albert, "I haven't had a conversation with a child since I was a child."

While bright and likable, Albert views

While bright and likable, Albert views his new mom with much doubt. He puts his trust in a new best friend, a raffish imaginary Frenchman named Bogus (played with marvelous gruff whimsy by Gerard Depardicu). Bogus, a happy-face drawing who inexplicably pops to life out of Albert's notebook, serves as playmate, refuge and father-figure during this time

of frightening change.

There's lots of talent on both sides of the camera here. Production designer Ken

Maximum Risk .........O

A-1 — general patronage; A-11 — adults and adolescents; A-III — adults, A-IV — adults, with reservation O — morally offensive

**Film Classifications** 

Recently reviewed by the USCC

Adam is a legend, and ace cameraman David Witkin collaborated with Jewison on the memorable "Moonstruck." ("Jesus Christ, Superstar" and "Fiddler on the Roof'), a Toronto native and resident, is the founder of the Canadian Center for Advanced Film Studies.

In this script by Alvin Sargent ("Dominick and Eugene" and "Hero"), Bogus stands for many things. First, he springs from Albert's own mind and can be seen as the gift of fun and play left Albert by his theatrical mother and her kind showbiz and magician friends. He's also a sign of some benign power beyond the ordi-nary—a guardian angel, if you like. But chiefly Bogus is the imaginary

laymate most of us create as lonely kids when we need him, and the film is . a tribute to him, whoever he is and wherever he comes from

As the Frenchman himself explains, when Albert and Harriet have finally bonded and it's time for him to leave, in a lovely farewell speech to the audience, "They (the children) never see us go. . Sometimes they remember us. . . . I can't

Sometimes they remember us.... Can't complain, that's my job."

The reason Albert (played by newcomer Haley Joel Osment) and Harriet don't immediately connect has nothing to do with race. This is a color-than the state of the proper Goldberg. blind film, and (as in many Goldberg blind film, and (as in many Goldberg roles), wisecracking, middle-class Harriet could as easily be white. But she's realistic and cynical; experience has taught her to believe only in what she can see and touch. The difference in race emphasizes the difference between Vegas and Newark—play and imagination. Vegas and Newark—play and imagi-nation vs. practicality and reality. Mom and child will bond, in Sargent's

script, when Harriet is able to recover her schild—in short, when she also "sees" Bogus.
"Where were you when I was a child?"

she asks him, in a revealing and under-standable question. "Believe, and you shall see me," he says to her, and the movie is about how that happens. This has little explicit to do with religion,

but the notion that the ultimate truth of the world is something that cannot be measured or weighed certainly does. That "belief" in magic and the unseen is central to human

life and happiness is an important, anti-materialist statement in materialist times

Thus, "Bogus" belongs with the tradi-tion of whimsy in popular entertain-ment. In fact, "Peter Pan" and "Harvey" (Jimmy Stewart and his imaginary six-foot rabbit pal) get specific references. Harriet says she did not clap when asked if she believed in fairies, because she knew Tinker Bell would appear whether she did or not.

The movie may be too sweet and push its case too hard, but it should be fun for kids and touching for parents. "Bogus" is short of perfect, but its good moments are creative and universal and among the most affecting you're likely to see

this year.

Some examples include:

• A delightful Depardieu-Goldberg fan
• and to the music of "Dancing "in the "include". tasy dance, set to the music of "Dancing in the Dark" and "The Continental," in the mood of Astaire and Rogers.

 A dream sequence in a restaurant supply warehouse, where Albert sees an old soda fountain and imagines Bogus serving up the world's whip-creamiest banana split.

· A memorable fadeout, as the departing Bogus, reaching the top of a hill in sil-houette, spots a small, dejected child sitting by the side of the road, bows and offers him a flower as he says, "If you need me, I'm available."



CNS photo from Regency Entertain

French actor Gerard Depardieu and Haloy Joel Osment star in "Bogus," a tilm that the U.S. Catholic Conference describes as "a gentie, well-meaning fantasy that just doesn't fly." The USCC classifies the movie A-II for adults and adolescents.

(Imperfect but creative, well-mounted fastasy; satisfactory for family view-

ing.)
USCC classification: A-II, adults and

## Unda-USA honors 'In the Arms of Mother Teresa'

WTHR Channel 13 news anchor and reporter Anne Ryder from St. Pius X
Parish in Indianapolis journeyed to
Calcutta, India last April with a camera
crew to report on Mother Teresa's
Christ-centered ministries to the poor

Christ-centered ministries to the poor and dying.
Ryder's documentary, "In the Arms of Mother Teresa," profiled the founder of the international Missionary Sisters of Charity.
In November, Unda-USA will honor Ryder's report with a national Gabriel Award for excellence in communications. The 1996 Gabriel Awards will be presented on Nov. 8 at the Wyndham Northwest Chicago Hotel in Itasca, Ill.
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vision that the modest 86-year-old nun

has granted in 12 years.

The Indianapolis broadcaster spent nine days in Calcutta, where she pronine days in Calcutta, where she pro-duced a series of reports which aired on Channel 13's 6 p.m. and 11 p.m. news-casts. The reports later were edited into a half-hour documentary.

"In the Arms of Mother Teresa" has been broadcast in five other television

been broadcast in five other television markets, and WTHR Channel 13 has

sold more than a thousand copies.

"We didn't go all the way to Calcutta
to win awards," Ryder said, "but this is a
great award because it honors stories of hope and faith, and that is certainly what this documentary is all about."

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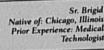
For information about purchasing a copy of the documentary, telephone the Indianapolis NBC affiliate station at 317-636-1313. "In the Arms of Mother Teresa" sells for \$10. All proceeds go to the Missionary Sisters of Charity to benefit their ministries.

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### Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time/Msgr. Owen F. Campion

## The Sunday Readings

Sunday, Sept. 29, 1996

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

Ezekiel's prophecy provides this week-end's liturgy with its first reading.



The verses for this reading capture well the passion which drove all that Ezekiel wrote and said. This passion for loyalty to God caused the prophet to be outraged at the sinfulness he saw all around him. It

was a sinfulness he observed not just in individuals, but widespread throughout the society so that, in his view, society as a whole was at fault. Nevertheless, while abundant with

warnings, the prophecies of Ezekiel are not totally of gloom and punishment. Rather, as in this reading, he calls people to repent by reminding them that repentance re-establishes their unity with God. Whatever may have been their trans-

gressions, their decision to turn once more to God will place them again in the divine

Ezekiel uses an imagery in this read-ing greatly favored by Christians since it prefigures the resurrection of Jesus and the Christian belief that eternal life is in the Risen Lord. The prophet says
that if a sinner repents, then that sinner
secures again life itself. The repenting
sinner will not die.
St. Paul's Epistle to the Philippians is

the source of the second reading.

Some Scripture scholars believe that this magnificent testimony to the Lord was liturated. gical in origin. It was a hymn sung by early Christians in their worship, a hymn either authored by Paul, or of another's composi-

tion but adopted by Paul.

In any event, the majesty and depth of the statements in these verses are typical of the faith of Paul.

This section also is a biography of the This section also is a biography of the Son of God. In 10 verses, the reading reminds us of Christ's great holiness, and of the redemption effected by the Lord's sacrifice at Calvary.

St. Matthew's Gospel gives us this weekend's Gospel proclamation.

It is quite straightforward, but undertones reveal not only a link with the ancient concepts of religion in which Jesus worked, lived, and taught, but also ethnic concepts important at the time.

The Jews of the Lord's time, and of other times as well, regarded as their

other times as well, regarded as their greatest gift the revelation of God freely

given them by divine mercy. It was their boast, but also their responsibility. In this reading, Jesus subtly brings gen-

tiles into the picture. Gentiles were the lost, the enemies of God, the perpetrators of sin. In the images of this reading, they were the children of God, for God created all, but they did not possess the birthright of the eldest son.

Nevertheless, represented by the second son, they too heard the word preached by Jesus. Turning away from sin, they accepted God's law, and they obeyed it.

While the Gospel is woven about the ancient Jewish concept of the Chosen People, the message of this Liturgy of the Word never should be twisted so that any purely ethnic lesson is offered as central to the story.

Rather, the meaning of the Gospel is that God's revelation is destined for all. Regardless of gender or nationality, some who have heard this Gospel accept it. Others do not.

Ezekiel would be swift to remind us that of those who initially ignore the Gospel, or indeed who turn against God, all is not lost if by repentance they return. Indeed this is the message of the Gospel this weekend. The sinner who rejects sin can be assured of every blessing, as Ezekiel would insist, of life itself.

In this process, the church issues us an invitation. It is in the thrilling words of Paul: "JESUS CHRIST IS LORD!" The Lord Jesus saves us from the terrifying effects of our sins. All life, all peace, all hope is in Jesus. Repent. Turn to the Lord. He is everything!

### Mary accepted her role in God's divine plan

## By Pope John Paul II

In our catechesis today, we consider the Blessed Virgin Mary as the new Eve. In her response to the angel at the Annunciation, Mary was free in accepting her role in the divine plan of salvation. Before the great mystery of the Incar-

nation took place, she pronounced her "yes" and expressed her complete accept-ance of God's will.

Mary is a model for us all. We, too, must accept the role which is ours in the divine plan of salvation. This means "hearing the word of God and keeping it" (cf. Luke 11:28), which, as Jesus explained, was the source of Mary's blessedness. Mary's example invites all Christians to respond generously to the Lord's grace.

## **Daily Readings**

Monday, Sept. 30 Jerome, presbyter and doctor of the church Job 1:6-22 Psalm 17:1-3, 6-7 Luke 9:46-50

Tuesday, Oct. 1 Therese of the Child Jesus, virgin and religious Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23 Psalm 88:2-8 Luke 9:51-56

Wednesday, Oct. 2 The Guardian Angels Job 9:1-12, 14-16 Psalm 88:10-15 Matthew 18:1-5, 10

Thursday, Oct. 3 Job 19:21-27 Psalm 27:7-9, 13-14 Luke 10:1-12

Friday, Oct. 4 Francis of Assisi, religious founder Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5 Psalm 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14 Luke 10:13-16

Saturday, Oct. 5 Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-16 Psalm 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130 Luke 10:17-24

### The Catholic World of Yesterday

## Processions, Benediction were frequent devotionals

### By Winifred Pushor

Processions played a major role in the liturgy of my home parish, St. Boniface Church in Fulda, which was predominant-

Immigrants brought their lifestyles and religious customs with them to America, and these faith traditions included the processions one still can see being prac-ticed in European countries.

Processions were held on Holy Thursday, on special feast days, and for 40 Hours Devotion, when the Blessed Sacrament was publicly displayed for 40 hours of adoration.

The processions involved school children, especially little girls in white dresses, acolytes, servers and heads of sodalities and religious societies such as the Knights of Columbus, who added a special splash of color and a hint of the days of chivalry with their swords and plumed hats.

The elders of the parish carried an elaborately embroidered canopy that was supported by four poles, which wheld over the priest who carried the Blessed Sacrament in a monstrance hich was raised high to bless the worshipers.

My most fervent desire when I was in grade school was to be selected as one of the little girls to march in the procession, but I was never chosen because I was too tall. The parts in the procession had to be played by eight of the shortest

girls in the class.

These little girls in white dresses had

### Readers may submit prose or poetry for consideration

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on this page.

Readers should submit seasonal material related to holy days or holidays at least two weeks in advance.

The Criterion appreciates submissions with fall, Advent or Christmas themes this time of the year.
Please include name, address, parish,

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the honor of carrying baskets of flower petals and of walking in front of the priest carrying the Blessed Sacrament. They all chanted "Praise, benediction, adoration and love be to our Lord Jesus Christ in the most Holy Sacrament of

Halfway through the prayer, the girls turned, kissed some of the flower petals, genuflected, and dropped the petals before the priest while continuing on with the chant. They managed to accomplish all of this, in unison, without causing a lull in the procession, a tribute to the skill, determination, and discipline of the nun who coached them.

As a child, all I ever wanted in life could have bene fulfilled at such a moment, but my height proved an unsurmountable obstacle.

The feast of Corpus Christi called for an outdoor procession when the Blessed Sacrament was carried to the cemetery, with stops at small chapels along the

Chosen families in the parish had charge of these chapels, for which they prepared an altar and decorated as lavishly as they could so that Benediction could take place at each chapel.

The ritual of Benediction has largely

disappeared from the liturgy today, but it played a role in the worship of my younger days when it frequently followed the celebration of Mass and was a part of all those extra devotions that dotted the liturgical calendar.

The thought of Benediction recalls those Latin hymns, "O Salutaris Hostia" ("Oh Saving Victim opening wide the gates of heaven to man below") and "Tantum Ergo" ("Down in adoration falling, Lo the Sacred Host we hall?") which were sung precisely in hail!") which were sung precisely in that order while the Sacred Host in the monstrance was placed high above the altar and the servers prepared the incense holder for the priest to incense the Sacred Host which later blessed the congregation.
The devotion concluded with "The

Divine Praises" ("Blessed be God. Blessed be his holy name.") One can wonder how today's congre-

gation, who haven't experienced the dramatic liturgies of the past, would react to Benediction. Would they consider it much ado about nothing, or would they find it a true blessing, as we did in the days of yore?

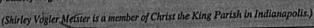
## My Journey to God

## Autumn Ballet

Like leaves floating and twirling and drifting to the music of the autumn winds, I dance—tumbled by time, wrapped in the crispy colors of change, knowing the earth will soon slow the rhytlim of my movements.

Nearly breathless, I ready my soul for the final dance, knowing grace will ease the cold or fear that might come before the warmth and peace promised to the faithful who follow the eternal light of Christ.

By Shirley Vogler Meister



### The Active List

The Criterion welcomes announcements for The Active List The Criterion welcomes announcements for The Active Lis of parish and church-related activities open to the public. Please keep them brief, listing event, sponsor, date, time and location. No announcements will be taken by telephone. No pictures, please. Notices must be in our offices by 10 a.m. Monday the week of publication. Hand deliver or mail to: The Criterion, The Active List, 1400 N. Meridian St., P.O. Box 1717, Indianapolis, Ind., 46206. Andrew J. Brown Ave., Indiana-polis, will hold a seminar titled "A Call to Our Children" to

address the spiritual and educa-tional needs of children from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Child care will be

St. Christopher Parish, Indianapolis, Singles and Friends will volunteer at St.

Vincent de Paul warehouse with the St. Gabriel friends. They will meet at 8 a.m. in the church

parking lot. For more informa-tion, call Mike at 317-879-8018.

A "Celebration of Life" concert will be held from 5-8:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus in Cory-

Holy Cross Parish, Indianapolis, will hold its Harvest Festival

starting at 11 a.m. Music, food, craft booths, and games will

featured, Everyone is welcome For more information, call John Bahret at 317-687-8941.

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A pro-life rosary will be prayed every Friday morning at 10 a.m. in front of Affiliated Women's Services, Inc., 2215 Distributors Dr. Everyone is welcome.

St. Lawrence Church, Indianapolis, will have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel every Friday from 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mass. Benediction will be before Mass. Everyone is welcome.

St. Susanna Church, Main St., Plainfield, will hold adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 8 a.m.-7 p.m. every Friday. All are welcome.

The Knights of Columbus #437, 1305 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis, will hold an Octoberfest from 5-11 p.m.

The Ave Maria Guild will hold rummage sale from 8:30 a.m.-:30 p.m. at St. Paul Hermitage, 2:30 p.m. at St. Paul Hermitage, 501 N. 17th Ave., Beech Grove.

#### September 28

St. Rita Parish, 1733 Dr.

The Catholic Widowed Organization will attend Beef and Board's dinner-theater production of "Crazy for You." To reserve tickets and for more information, call Mary Miller at 317-786-2021.

#### September 28 and 29

St. Philip Neri Church, Indianapolis, will celebrate
"Hope for the 'Hood Revival" "Hope for the "Hood revival" starting with 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday followed by dinner, ser-vice and music. The revival will be from 4-6 p.m. on Sunday folwed by refreshments. Divine Word Father Chester Smith will be the celebrant.

#### September 29

St. Anthony Parish, Clarksville, and St. John Parish, Starlight, will hold the "Be Not Afraid Family Holy Hour" each Sunday at 6 p.m.

St. Lawrence Church, 4650 N. Shadeland Ave., Indianapolis, will have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel every Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

St. Patrick Church, Indianapolis, will have two Masses in Spanish at 11 a.m. and 6:15 p.m.

St. Gabriel Church, Indianapolis, will have a Mass with a sign language interpreter at 11 a.m.

St. Mary Church, 317 N. New Jersey, St., Indianapolis, will have a Mass in Spanish at 1:15 p.m.

St. Mary's Rexville Schoenstatt Center, Madison, will hold a Schoenstatt Holy Hour includ-ing Mass at 2:30 p.m. The cen-ter is located .8 mi. east of U.S. 421 south of Versailles. For ore information, call Fr. Berwinkle at 812-689-3551.

St. Augustine Home and the Little Sisters of the Poor, 2345 W. 86th St., Indianapolis, will hold a video discussion on the topics of euthanasia, assisted suide, and living wills at 2:30 p.m. All are welcome.

Faye E. Williams will present her musical stage production,
"Rhythms In The Key of Ebony"
at 6 p.m. at the Mme. C. J. Walker Theater. Tickets are \$15

and can be obtained by calling 317-236-2099 or 317-239-5151.

St. Lawrence Auxiliary and Knights of St. John will hold their Annual Festival from 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. at 312 S. Water St., Greensburg. Dinners, games, raffles and country store will be featured.

Sacred Heart Parish, Indianapolis, will have a special bless-ing of pets in honor of the feast of St. Francis starting at 5 p.m. Pets are to be brought to the parish courtyard

#### September 29-October 1

St. Anne Parish, 102 N. 19th St., New Castle, will sponsor a retreat titled "The Way the Four Gospels Speak to Our Lives" starting at 7 p.m. each evening. The retreat directors are Sister Maureen Mangen and Father Keith Hosey. All are welcome. For more information, call 317-529-0933.

#### October 1

Marian College, Indianapolis, will hold a Mature Living Seminar titled "Emotions: Energizers vs. Inhibitors" with Franciscan Sister Olga Wittekind from 10 a.m.-noon in Room 251 of Marian Hall. For more informa-tion, call 317-929-0123. Fee is \$3 per session or \$20 for the series.

Our Lady of the Greenwood Marian Prayer Group will meet in the chapel at 7 p.m. to pray the rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. All are welcome

The "Be Not Afraid Holy Hour' will be held at the Waizes' home in Jeffersonville at 7 p.m.

Catholic Social Services will hold a respite care program for the elderly from 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at the Gethsemani Lutheran Church, 6810 E. 10th St., Indianapolis.

#### October 2

Sacred Heart Parish, Indianapolis, will have expostion of the Blessed Sacrament after the 8

5:15 p.m. All are welcome.

"Can you say try the patience of a saint

in a note from a public school."

At Immaculate Heart of Mary Church a Marian cenacle will Church a Marian cenacte will meet to pray the rosary every Wednesday from 1-2:15 p.m. The church is located at 57th and Central Ave., Indianapolis. All

The "Be Not Afraid Family Holy Hour" will be held at 7 p.m. at Holy Family Church, New Albany. All are welcome.

Little Flower Parish, Indiana-polis, will hold a Marsh dinner given by the Ladies Club at 6 p.m. in the social hall. Dinner is \$6. For more information, call Sandy Luckett at 317-359-4069.

#### October 3

The Benedict Inn and Conference The Benedici Inn and Conterence Center, 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove, will hold its second session in the fall program series "God as Jesus the Christ" present-ed by Sister Patricia Benson from 7-9 p.m. For registration informa-tion, please call 317-788-7581.

a.m. Mass in the chapel and will conclude with Benediction at 5:15 p.m. All are welcome.

St. Lawrence Church, 4650 N. Shadeland Ave., will hold adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel every Thursday from 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mass. All are welcome.

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The Guardian Angel Guild, Indianapolis, will hold its annu-al luncheon fashion show to benefit Catholic special educa-tion at 11:30 a.m at the Crystal Yacht Club, 6729 Westfield Blvd. Fashions by Lilly's Boutique and Gallery of Zionsville will be featured. Tickets are \$20. For more infor-mation and reservations, call 317-842-4368.

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### The Active List, continued from page 14

St. Andrew Parish, 4050 E. 38th St., Indianapolis, will hold its fall rummage sale in the church basement from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday and from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday. Saturday is a \$1 a bag day.

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Central Indiana will hold a Mass, healing service, and teaching at St. Mark Church, 535 E. Edgewood Ave. Indianapolis, "The Power of Praise" by Len Bielski will begin at 7 p.m. For more infor-mation, call 317-927-6900.

St. Mary Parish, New Albany, will hold Eucharist adoration from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. in reparation and devotion to the hearts of Jesus and Mary. The ramp door of the church will be open.

Sacred Heart Parish, Indiana polis, will hold Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament starting with the 8 a.m. Mass and ending with Benediction at 5:15 p.m. All are welcome.

SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral's Council and Court #191 of the Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies' Auxiliary will sponsor the first Friday rosary at 5:15 p.m. in the chapel at 1347 N. Meridian St.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, New Albany, will hold its first annual golf le at Fuzzy Zoeller's covered bridge golf course starting at 1:30 p.m. with a cook-out and reception follo ing. Proceeds will benefit the school building fund. For more information, call 812-

#### October 4-6

CYO Camp Rancho Framasa will hold a family camping weekend starting with check-in on Friday at 5 p.m. and ending on Sunday before 4 p.m. A weekend of recreational activities, food, celebration of Mass, hiking and campfires will be featured. For more information and application, call 317-632-9311. Fee is \$50 per adult, \$40 per child, 5 and under free, or \$180 per family.

#### October 5

Holy Angels Parish, 740 W. 28th St., Indianapolis, will hold exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 11 a.m.-noon.

St. Philip Neri Parish, Indianapolis, will hold a card party from 7-10 p.m.

St. Anthony Parish, 379 N. Warman Ave., Indianapolis will hold its third annual Police and Firefighters Appreciation Day starting with 11 a.m. Mass followed by a brunch in Ryan Hall. Police and firefighters and their families in the area are

St. Patrick Parish, Terre Haute, will assemble for the

Life Chain at the Vigo County Courthouse starting at 2 p.m. and ending at 3:30 p.m. For more information, call Rick Mascari at 812-466-7594.

Holy Family Church, Olden-burg, will have a fall festival starting at 10 a.m. Dinners, crafts, and bakery items will be featured.

Holy Cross Parish, St. Croix, will hold a fall festival starting at 11 a.m. Food, games, country store, raffles and fun for the family will be featured.

The archdiocesan Senior Companion Program will hold its fourth annual "Archrivals" fund raiser from 3-6:30 p.m. at Archrival's Steaks and Spirits, 8916 S. Meridian St., Indianapolis. Dinner tickets are \$20 and may be obtained by call-ing 317-236-1565. Prizes of trips, sporting events, and

hotel packages will be raffled at \$3 per ticket or 2 tickets for \$5.

St. Ine Hill Parish, St. Joseph Hill, will hold a fall festival starting at 11 a.m. featuring turkey shoot, dinners, quilts, and bingo. For more informa tion, call 812-246-2512.

St. Mary Rexville Schoenstatt, will hold a Field Mass at 10 a.m. EST with Fathers Langsch, Schaedel, and Berwinkel as celebrants. A rosary procession with Sister
Anne Astel and a blessing of
the site for the daughter shrine will be celebrated. A picnic lunch will be provided. Please bring chairs. For more infor-mation, call 812-289-3551.

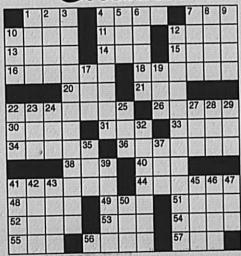
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Council 437, 1305 N. Delaware, 11 a.m.; St. Michael, 6 p.m.; St. Malachy, Browns-burg, 5:30 p.m.; Msgr. Sheridan K of C Council 6138, dan K of C Council 6136, Johnson Co., 6:15 p.m.; St. Pius X Knights of Columbus Council 3433, 6 p.m. WEDNESDAY: St. Anthony, 6:30 p.m.; K of C Council 437, 1305 N. Delaware, 5:45 p.m. THURSDAY: Msgr. Downey Knights of Columbus Council 3660, 5:30 p.m.; Holy Family K of C, American Le-gion Post 500, 1926 Georgetown Rd., 6:30 p.m.; FRIDAY: St. Christopher Speedway, 6:30 p.m.; Holy Name, Beech Grove, 5:30 p.m. SATURDAY: K of C Council 437, 1305 N. Delaware, 4:30 p.m. SUNDAY: St. Ambrose, Seymour, 4 p.m.; Ritter High School, 6 p.m.; Msgr. Sheridan K of C Council 6138, Johnson Co., first Sunday each of month, 1:15 p.m.

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Answers on page 18.

### Holy Family Church, Oldenburg, Indiana Fall Festiva

Sunday, October 6, 1996

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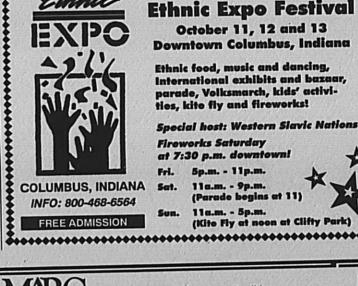
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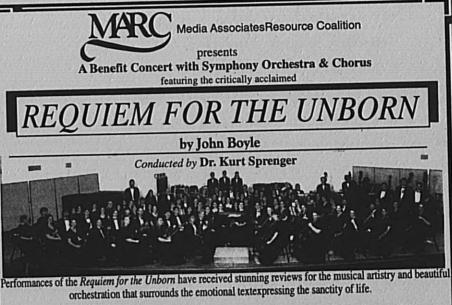
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### Youth News/Views

## YouthFest '96 attracts more than 6,000 teens

#### By Joy Jackson

More than 6,000 junior high and high school students reveled in the mud, the music, and the message of "pledging abstinence until marriage" during YouthFest '96 on Sept. 7 in Bloomington.

YouthFest's participants have tripled in number since the event was initiated three years ago at the Bloomington Speedway as a day to promote sexual purity and Christian community among youth, according to St. Paul Catholic Center parishioner Michael Hall, a Bloomington businessman who is one of

the event organizers.

"Pure for Sure," YouthFest's abstinence theme, was endorsed through lyrics and testimonies by Christian singing artists, nationally known keynote speaker and former Miss Alabama Amie Beth Dickison, and several teens in attendance.

"Instead of being timid about our stand for sexual purity at school, we need to be bold about it," one student in the crowd commented. "We need to speak out and be proud that we're doing the right thing!"

Participants were entertained through-

out the day by popular singing artists

Audio Adrenaline, Out of Eden, The Waiting, Agape, Tammy Trent, Jessica Simpson, and 7th Avenue.

Teams of teen-agers coated them-selves in mud during games in volleyball pit and fun on the mud slides. Other activities included ultimate Frisbee, slam dunk contests, soccer, and Capture the

Flag competitions. Gov. Evan Bayh proclaimed Sept. 7 as "YouthFest Day" in Indiana in honor of the event's "Pure for Sure" theme.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta, founder of the international Missionary Sisters of Charity, endorsed YouthFest with a 1995 letter encouraging teen-agers to save "the joy of a pure love" until marriage.

(Joy Jackson of Indianapolis is a sophomore at Anderson University.)



Sacred Heart Parish youth ministry coordinator Cindy Black of Jeffersonville (to, coor) has fun at YouthFest '96 on Sept. 7 at the Bloemington Speedway with New Albany Deanery teen-agers ((front row, from left) Heidi Naville, Joe Ehlers, Lisa Naville, and John Pierce and (back row, left to right) Jessica Fisher, Jeremy Murroll, Amanda Kincald, Magenn Wilcoxson, and Barbara Holikamp.

## Speaker urges youth to respect others

#### By Mary Ann Wyand Second of two parts

"We are all ordinary people doing extraordinary things," keynote speaker Robert Piercy told nearly 8,000 teenagers from central and southern Indiana

during a Sept. 12 motivational program that preceded the Archdiocesan Youth Mass at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis.

"We all have to face difficult things in life," he said. "Do we accept the Lord as our light and our salvation? Do we truly accept the fact that at this table Archbishop (Daniel M.) Buechlein will call us to know that 'Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again'?"

A native of Joliet, Ill., Piercy is a musi-

cian, performer, liturgist, inspirational speaker, world traveler, and behavioral scientist. He currently ministers to teenagers living with AIDS in Chicago.

agers living with AIDS in Chicago.

"I have met people throughout the years who perform on Broadway, or star in TV shows, or are Olympic athletes," Piercy said. "And you know what's exciting about all of them? They are all ordinary people. And you are too. Ordinary people. ordinary people. And you are too. Ordinary people do extraordinary things. All of you can do extraordinary things in this world. What does it mean to do extraordinary things? Today it means that when we come into this liturgy we bring ourselves. But it's not a time for private prayer. It's a time for each and every one of you to bring something to this table. And that something is the gift of who you are."

Teen-agers need to remember that they are special, he said, because they have been created by God and are loved

"There aren't enough people telling you this," Piercy said. "Your life is not based on SAT scores and ACT scores.
Your life is based on who you are. Colleges need to know that you come from the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, that you have learned dignity, and that you have learned that you are special. You are so special that your archbishop has chosen to celebrate a liturgy with you today. That's a big step. He is special. He believes in 'The Journey of Hope,' and you are hope. Don't ever loss your and you are hope. Don't ever lose your dignity. You are holy and special people. Do you remember to treat others

with dignity?"

Looking around the huge conference
hall, Piercy said that dignity is evident in
this gathering of youth.

"I look around this room and I see

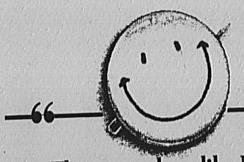
people of every race, nation and color," he said. "We are all welcome here. We

he said. "We are all welcome here. We are all special. And we are all going to pray together today."

In closing, Piercy asked the youth to always treat others with dignity and honor. "Each one of you can do it because the power of Christ Jesus is within you," he said. "May we always remember that we are a gift of God and a gift. ber that we are a gift of God and a gift

The Archdiocesan Youth Mass was "an opportunity for the youth of the church of central and southern Indiana to get together with their archbishop and see what the larger church is all about," explained Joseph Kappel, associate executive director of Catholic Education for religious education.

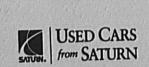
"Many students said it was a great experience to be with 8,000 teens from all different parts of the archdiocese," he said. "The Catholic and non-Catholic students attending the Mass spoke well for Catholic education by their exem-plary behavior during the liturgy."



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girls interested in journalism, creative writing, and publishing.

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Presenters are faculty and staff members

Presenters are faculty and staff members who advise students on production of the college's award-winning publications.

Workshop participants also may attend a student play called "Five Women Wearing the Same Dress" on Friday, Oct. 11.

To register, call St. Mary of the Woods College at 812-535-5105.

Cathedral High School's drama department will present the comedy "No Boys Allowed" at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Mon-

day, Oct. 14, in the school auditorium at 5225 E. 56th St. in Indianapolis.

The play is Cathedral's annual "Rookie now." Cast members are first-time actors.

Tickets are \$3 and are available at the door before each performance. For more information, call Cathedral drama instructor Terry Fox at 317-542-1481.

Cardinal Ritter High School will spon-sor a Grade School Night at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 27, when the Ritter Raiders play the Cathedral High School Irish at the Northwest High School football field in Indianapolis.

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## St. Paul parishioner will spend two years in Guatemala

#### By Susan Blerman

She left the decision up to God.

"I just gave it to God and said 'if this is meant to be, if this is what I am supposed to do, make it work,' "Tami Zeman, a parishioner at St. Paul Catholic Center in Bloomington, said.

It must have been meant to be. Zeman, 24, has now been in Guatemala with Volunteer Mission Movement (VMM) for a month doing mission work. The Bloomington resident left for Guatemala in August on a one-way ticket. In two years she will complete her mission quest and return to the United States. During the two years, Zeman will have two to three weeks vacation, however whether or not she will be able to leave Guatemala will depend on money.

## Young Adult Forum/Tom Ehart Abortion is a 'guy thing'

"I never thought I would be a part of such a thing," Jay said quietly. "But when Meg became pregnant, I didn't know what else to do when we weren't ready

for marriage, especially under those cir-cumstances. And we certainly weren't ready to raise a child.

I was never so scared in my life. I couldn't imagine having to face Meg's parents or mine. They all thought we

were the 'perfect Catholic couple.'
"I read about this place in Detroit that
would do the job, no questions asked. I
suggested it to Meg. At first, she was

horrified to even think about it. We both thought that abortion was one of the cruelest things our modern age has thought up. Of course, that was before we were faced with a pregnancy

"Think about it—I helped kill an unborn baby just to save our reputations. I'll never be able to forget that."

Abortion. It's not just a "girl thing," or a "woman's issue." The baby is always affected. And so is the father of the child, whether we as a society choose to believe

But for some reason, because it's a woman who physically carries the child, all of the responsibility seems to be placed on her. She's "the sinner." And most of the time the fathers have flown the coop long before the decision to abort is

What a tragedy. Not just the abortion itself, but the fact that we as a society and a church have allowed millions of men we as a society and a church have allowed millions of their (and boys) to sew their wild oats and get away without a hitch; no responsibility, no chastisement, no consequences for our actions. It's a "guy thing." Yeah, right!

It's a sickness! It's part of the warped view of masculinity we foster in this land. The "macho man" who plays the field,

conquers women, drinks with his buddies, celebrates his

conquers women, drinks with his buddles, celebrates his 
"conquests," and goes home to sleep it off.

These aren't real men. These are eick people; people afraid of responsibility, afraid of commitment, afraid of failure, afraid of their own masculinity. For a man who is secure in his masculinity sticks up for what is right. He looks out for the weak and defenseless (in this case the unborn baby, and perhaps the woman, too!), he takes responsibility for his actions he sacrifices and conquers for the good of others. actions, he sacrifices and conquers for the good of others. And above all, he is just.

There is no justice in abortion. There are no real men who participate in it. Abortion is the epitome of the American participate in it. Abortion is the epitome of the American male's way to avoid an unpleasant situation. And for years now we've been allowed to avoid every kind of "responsibility situation" imaginable. In fact, responsibility has become a dirty word for most guys. "Sensitivity" to our needs seems to be more the order of the day.

What's it going to take for us to get it through the thick skulls of American males that if a man is old enough to sew

skulls of American males that if a man is old enough to sew his oats, then he's old enough to see to it that they are nour-ished, sprouted, grown and harvested as well? What's it going to take to teach American men to be Godly men; men of faith, family, and fortitude?

family, and fortitude?

American men, we need to repent of our sins. We can no longer be a part of the culture of death that reigns in America. We need to ask forgiveness for allowing ourselves and our brothers to walk in sin. We need to call each other out of our sinful ways and teach each other how to be responsible, Godly men; men who won't accept abortion, promiscuity, adultery, or any other sin that's become trivialized in our macho world. We need to get over our superficial, self-centered image problem and start looking outside at all the good that needs to be done in our families and communities. We need to become champions for the weak and the discarded, warriors for those unable to speak or fight, and givers of love to those who have been broken and abandoned.

We need to wake up from our daze and see the signs of the

We need to wake up from our daze and see the signs of the times. God is calling American men to be champions of life. Are we ready to accept the challenge?

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"So maybe if I get a Christmas gift or something," she said laughing, during an interview in Bloomington, just weeks before her departure.

Zeman's decision to leave her job, family, and friends thind for two years did not come easy. "It took very

Zeman's decision to leave her job, family, and friends behind for two years did not come easy. "It took very much prayer. I mean how can you not pray about a decision like this? I still am praying," she said.

Support and prayers for Zeman came from surrounding Bloomington parishes as well as St. Paul Catholic Center. St. Paul organized a coffee house fundraiser in late May, which St. Charles Borromeo and St. John the Apostle parishioners steehed in to help. The event, which was attended by nearly pitched-in to help. The event, which was attended by nearly 200 people brought in about \$1,000. Local stores donated coffee and other items for the event, which offered food, wine, and entertainment to those who attended.

"There was so much support from people I didn't know, people that I did know, and some that I worked with. It was so wonderful," she said.

The money from the fundraiser went directly to VMM, an international organization founded and operated by laity. The organization was founded in 1969. Since 1990,

VMM's headquarters is in Greendale, Wis.

During Zeman's first two months in Guatemala, she will

learn the Spanish language.
"I have had no Spanish lessons at all," she said. "This is scary to be put someplace where people don't speak your

Another fear of Zeman's is that she will do justice to the

Another rear of Zeman's is that she will do justice to the people she is helping.

"I want to really give everything I can to let these people use me for whatever they want," she said.

Zeman is working as an educational specialist at an orphanage in Guatemala. Some of her duties at the orphanage include organizing after school extra curricular activity. age include organizing after school extra curricular activities and acting as a guardian for the children. There are about 100 children in the orphanage ranging in age 4

weeks to 18 years.

Zeman said the people of Guatemala are poor. She is living with a Guatemalan family "in the middle of almost nowhere." She said the orphanage has one telephone and running water

a parishioner at St. Paul Catholic Center in Bloomington.



that has to boiled before it is consumed. There is electricity, but it is turned off a lot of times. In some cases the black-outs last for a couple of hours. There is no air-conditioning in the warm temperatures, but in the highlands the temperature can

dip down to near freezing at night.

Zeman had been thinking about doing missionary work since she was in high school in her native hometown near the Cleveland area in Ohio. She recalled a friend of the family's daughter had participated in mission work in Africa.
"I always looked up to her," Zeman said.

She said her parents have also steered her in the direc-

tion of mission work.

"My parents are such honest, good people, they taught me that I am not living for just myself," she said.

Zeman expressed this interest in mission work to Providence Sister Mary Montgomery, who is the pastoral associate at St. Paul Catholic Center. Sister Mary told her about a Call to Action Conference in Chicago. Zeman attended the conference where she met Edwina Gateley, VMM's founder. Then after prayer, parish and community support, Zeman found herself in VMM's three-week training program.



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### Question Corner/Fr. John Dietzen

# Is his grandson really baptized?

One of our sons, when he was married to a non-Catholic, said in the papers he signed that he would continue his Catholic faith, and would do every-

thing he could to raise his children Catholic also.

A few years ago, however, he joined another church, the Methodists, with his wife. Recently their child, our grandson, was baptized in their church.

According to Catholic teaching, is our grandchild really baptized? Can you explain, and give us something we can

tell our son and our other children? (New Jersey)

Aln a word, the answer is yes. The Catholic Church clearly recognizes the validity of baptisms in many other Christian churches,

Thirty years ago, Vatican Council II referred to baptism as one of the sacramental bonds that link us with other Christian churches. About 20 years before that the church explicitly mentioned Lutherans, Presbyterians, Baptists, Methodists, Congregationalists and Disciples of Christ as among those who should not be baptized again if they convert to the Catholic faith.

The reason is that there is no reason to doubt the validity of the baptism they received in the church they belonged to

The promise or affirmation made when your son was

married added nothing to the responsibilities any believing and committed Catholic has as she or he enters marriage.

Those who take their religious commitments seriously (and for Catholics this would include their beliefs concerning the church, the Eucharist, the sacraments, etc.) have a serious responsibility to do everything they can for their own faith, and to provide their children an opportunity for that same relationship with God.

Sometimes, however, even the best efforts and intentions do not work out, and it's impossible for us to get into anyone else's conscience to know their relationship to God in

This is why the affirmation made by a Catholic before an interfaith marriage is worded as you stated: He or she will do everything within their power to share their Catholic faith with their children, and hold onto it

(Questions should be sent to Father John Dietzen, Holy themselves. Trinity Church, 704 N. Main St., Bloomington, Ill. 61701.) O 1996 by Catholic News Service

# Rest in peace

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

ARCHER, Rosemary (Riley), 67, St. Patrick, Indianapolis, Sept. 11. Mother of John, Richard Archer; sister of Mary Toler, Catherine Glover, Edith Lahey, Anna

Marie Cropper, Maxine Cammack.

AYERS, Emily Christine, 19, St. Malachy, Brownsburg, Sept. 15. Daughter of James R., Janet C. Ayres; sister of Andrew J. Ayres; granddaugh-ter of Jay and Lois Williams.

BECHT, Aloysius J., 80, St. Mary of the Knobs, Floyds Knobs, Sept. 19. Husband of Mary Helen Becht; father of Ruth, Charles, Paul, Michael, Thomas Becht, Phyllis Sarles, Mary Jane Adams, Elizabeth Buechlein, Laura Runyon; brother of Francis Becht, Olevia Atkins; grandfather of 20; great-grandfather of 12.

BEIER, Linus B., 65, St. Boniface, Fulda, Sept. 1. Husband of Lucy "Betty" Beier; father of Kimberly Katherine Beier; stepfather of Christine Rothgerber, James Boerste; son of Theresia Beier; brother of Carl, Richard Beier, Agnes Dilger, Eleanor Oser, Lorine Voegerl.

BEVAN, William E., 83, Little Flower, Indianapolis, Sept. 9. Husband of Elinor Bevan; father of William J. Steven F. Bevan, Judy Moran, Nancy Pullam; grandfather of nine; great-grandfather of five.

CLARK, John F., 73, St. Rambert, Skokie, IL, formerly of Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, Sept. 11. Brother of Margaret Icegerif, Thomas Clark.

CLARK, Olive A. (Sweet), 97, Christ the King, Indiana-polis, Sept. 13. Mother of Kathleen Doherty; grandmother of three; great-grandmother of two.

GRAHAM, Pauline J. (Zinser Kremer), 77, St. Joseph, Shelbyville, Sept. 15. Wife of Paul Graham; mother of Carl Tom" Kremer, Judy Boring; stepmother of Gary Graham, Sherry Hittle; sister of

Raymond Zinser; grandmother of six; great-grandmother of four; step grandmother of five; step-great-grandmother of

GUNN, Anna Marie, 76, Our Lady of Lourdes, Indianapolis, Lady of Lourdes, Indianapolis, Sept. 10. Mother of Patricia, Janie, Robert L. Gunn, Rose-anne Calzetta, Eileen Kocher, Carla Hendry, Kristi Schmidt, Mary Beth Schoon, Karen Thomas; grandmother of 21.

HICKEY, Irene L., 91, Our Lady of Lourdes, Indianapolis, Sept. 17. Mother of Mary Lou Beaupre, John W. Jr., William J. Hickey; grandmother of 18; great-grandmother of five.

LAKER, Jesse Lodge, 20, St. Philip Neri, Indianapolis, Sept. 2. Son of Jerome and Tina Laker; brother of Jackson, Jerome, Jill, Jodi Laker; grandson of Ray and Rosalie Laker, Robert and Peggy Snapp; great-grandson of Minnie Snapp.

LEFFLER, Lorraine Blanche, 80, Little Flower, Indianapolis, Sept. 8. Mother of Dick, Mike, Pat Leffler; sister of Lucille, Sister Assunta Dugan; grandmother of nine.

McGUIRE, Lola L. (Hinton), 82, St. Gabriel, Indianapolis, Sept. 16. Mother of Dorothy M. Lindsey, Effie R. Lovins, Anna M. Richmond, Roscoe Collins, Michael P. McGuire; grandmother of 21; great-grandmother of 53; greatgreat-grandmother of five.

McKENNA, Margaret R., Ro, Little Flower, Indianapolis, Sept. 10. Wife of Frank B. McKenna; mother of Michael, Patrick, James

McKenna, Catherine Sexton, Josephine McCully, Margaret Wittman, Betty Garrison; grandmother of 24; greatgrandmother of 20.

MERKEL, Fred H., 82, St. Anthony, Morris, Sept. 21. Husband of Clara Merkel; Husband of Clara Merker, father of Raphael "Ray," Wilfred, Clara Ann, Marilyn, Christine Merkel, Virginia Forthofer, Millie Moorman, Kathleen Bedel; brother of Martin, Edward, Urban Merkel, A. Anthony Etter, Loretta Bedel, Edna Retzner; grand-father of 20; great-grandfather

MONTAG, Robert J., 21, St. Peters, St. Peters, Indiana, Sept. 16. Son of Joseph A., Ann (Niese) Montag; brother of Joseph D., Joann Montag; grandson of E. Jean Montag,

MULLINS, Margaret, 91, St. Mary, Rushville, Sept. 13.

PETTY, John, 67, St. Agnes, Nashville, Sept. 12. Husband of Joan Petty; father of Joseph, Susan, David, Scott, Janet, Michael Petty; son of Charles Petty; brother of Charles, Jr., Marty, Virginia, Doris, Ann Petty; grandfather of seven; great-grandfather of four.

PFUND, Arlo R., 44, St. Mary, New Albany, Sept. 15. Husband of Sherry L. (Davis) Pfund; father of Shawn, Katie Pfund; son of Raymond, Gladys Pfund; brother of Ronald, Raymond, Elson, Loyal, Brenda Pfund, Louise Cooper

REED, Margaret E. "Peg," 76, St. Mary, New Albany, Sept. 18. Sister of Hazel Pearson, Shirley Gibson; sister-in-law of George, Catherine Tinius.

REYNOLDS, Marilyn R. 49, St. Mary of the Knobs, Floyds Knobs, Sept. 15. Wife of David W. Reynolds; mother of D. Joseph Reynolds, Denise A. Kuenzer, daughter of A. Kuenzer, daughter of Agnes "Daisy" Book; sister of Bernie, John, Wilma Book, Jane Wiseman, Patty Miller, Diana Thomas, Betty Hentrup; grandmother of one.

SLIWA, Anastasia B. (Berlozecki), 69, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, Sept. 14. Mother of Janine Schumm; grandother of two; great-grand-

SMITH, Agnes (Linnaman), 95, St. Gabriel, Connersville, Sept. 13. Mother of Betty Jean Goris, Richard W. Smith; grandmother of seven; great-grandmother of three.

STARR, Thomas J. Jr., 72, St. Vincent, Bedford, Sept. 15. Husband of Joy M. Starr; father of Jessie, Thomas J., Kenneth R. Starr, Elizabeth Miltenberger, Janice
Maciulski; brother of John
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"Betty," 84, Holy Name, Beech Grove, Sept. 13. Mother of Mary L. Parson, Steve Stzopek; sister of Margaret Bartowick; grandmother of five; great-grandmother of six.

UNDERSTELLER, Delwin, 78, Prince of Peace, Madison, Sept. 7.

WALTON, Velma M., 70, Little Flower, Indianapolis, Sept. 10. Mother of Lynda Branham, Mother of Lynda Branham, James S., Stephen M. Walton; sister of Joseph Jr., Henry Nixon, Sybil Myers, Clara Robinson, Effic Pipkin, Wilma Bottoms, Eula Miller, Alma Thamann; grandmother of five; great-grand-mother of three.

WECHSLER, Ethel E WECHSLER, Ethel E. (Meier), 91, St. Paul Hermit-age, Beech Grove, Sept. 19. Mother of Robert L., Dorothy M. Wechsler, Mary M. Roney; sister of Louis, Joseph Meier; grandmother of nine; great-grandmother of six.

WHEATLEY, Clarence Henry, WHEATLEY, Clarence Henry, 74, Holy Name, Beech Grove, Sept. 12. Husband of Lucille L. (Mueller) Wheatley; father of Joan, Stephen, Greg Wheatley, Joyce Brandenburg, Susan Weisgerber, Kathy Sauer, Mary Shearer; grandfather of 20; great-grandfather of one. grandfather of one.

ZWIESLER, Shirley E. ZWIESLER, Shirtey E. (Schler), 70, St. Jude, Indianapolis, Sept. 17. Wife of Maurice Zwiesler; mother of Steven R., David J., Kevin M. Zwiesler, Sharon A. Gearalds, Joan M. Johnson; grandmother

### Father Dunstan McAndrews dies at St. Meinrad

McAndrews, 89, died in the infirmary at Saint Meinrad Archabbey on Sent 18 Benedictine Father Dunstan Archabbey on Sept. 18. He was buried in the archabbey's ceme-tery on Sept. 21 tery on Sept. 21.

Father Dunstan was born in Indianapolis Nov. 8, 1906 to Jeremiah and Roseanne McAndrews. After attending elementary school in Indianapolis he entered Saint Meinrad Seminary in 1922, professed simple vous in 1922, professed simple vows in 1928 and was ordained to the priesthood on June 6, 1933.

He taught history and Latin at Saint Meinrad for 30 years. He also organized physical activi-ties for students. From 1965 to 1967 he taught in California, returning to the Midwest in 1967 as chaplain to the Precious Blood Sisters in New Riegel,

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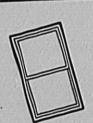
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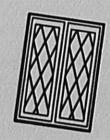
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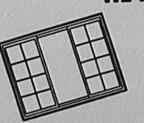


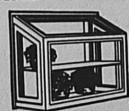
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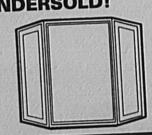


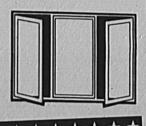


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