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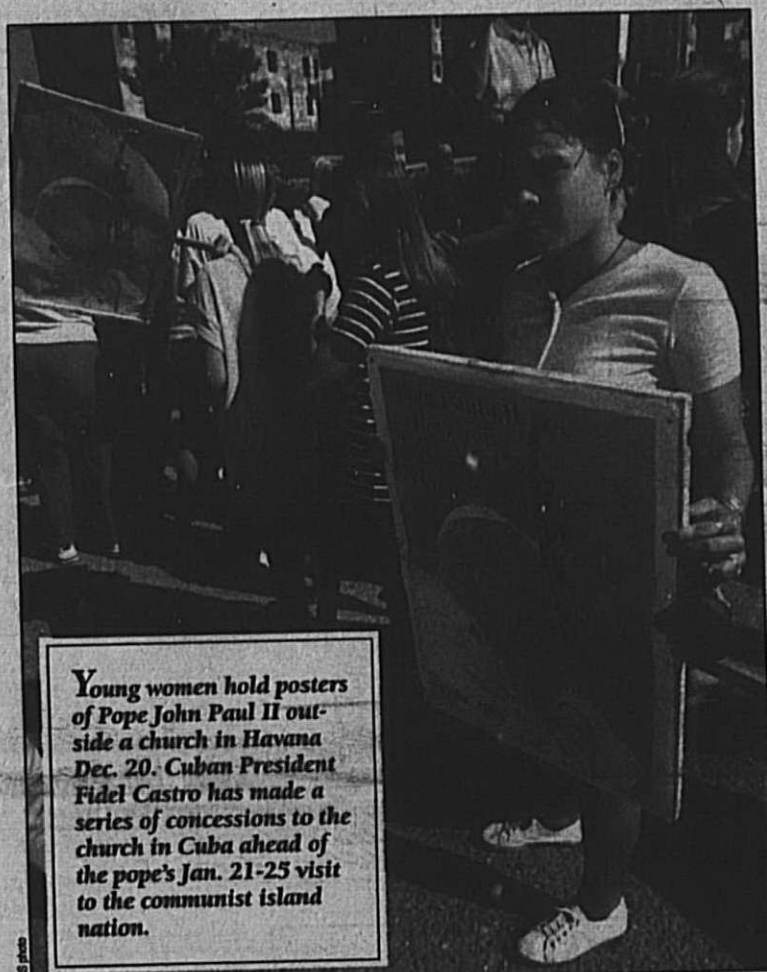
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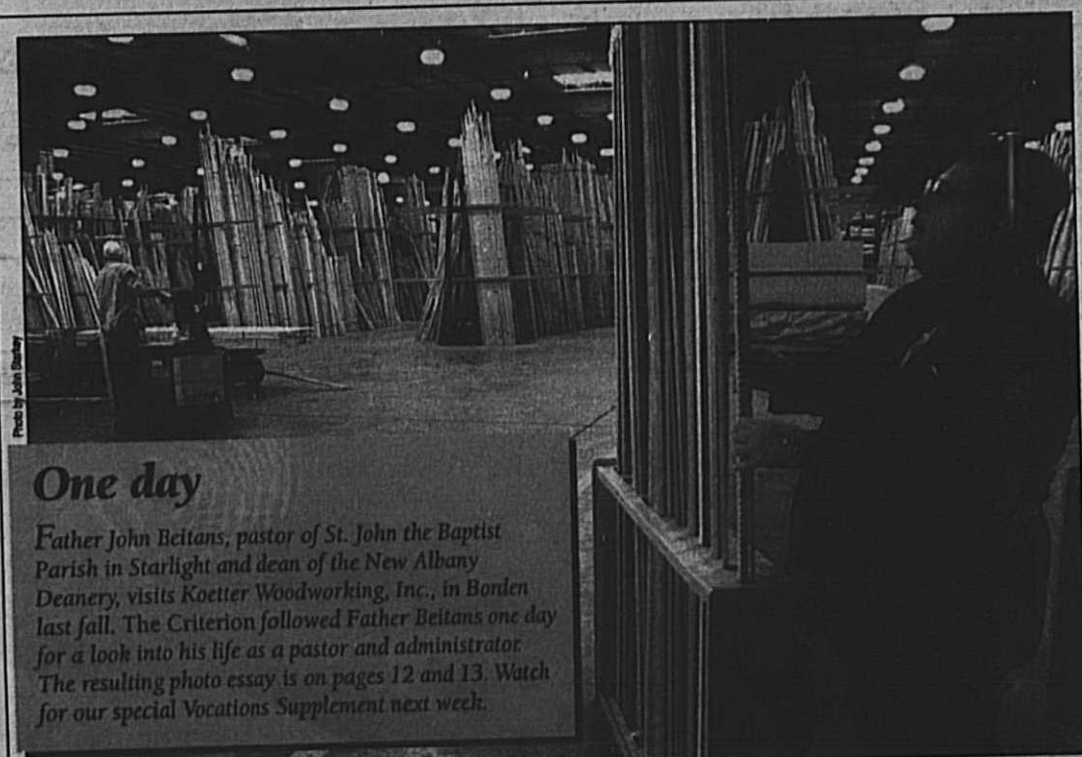
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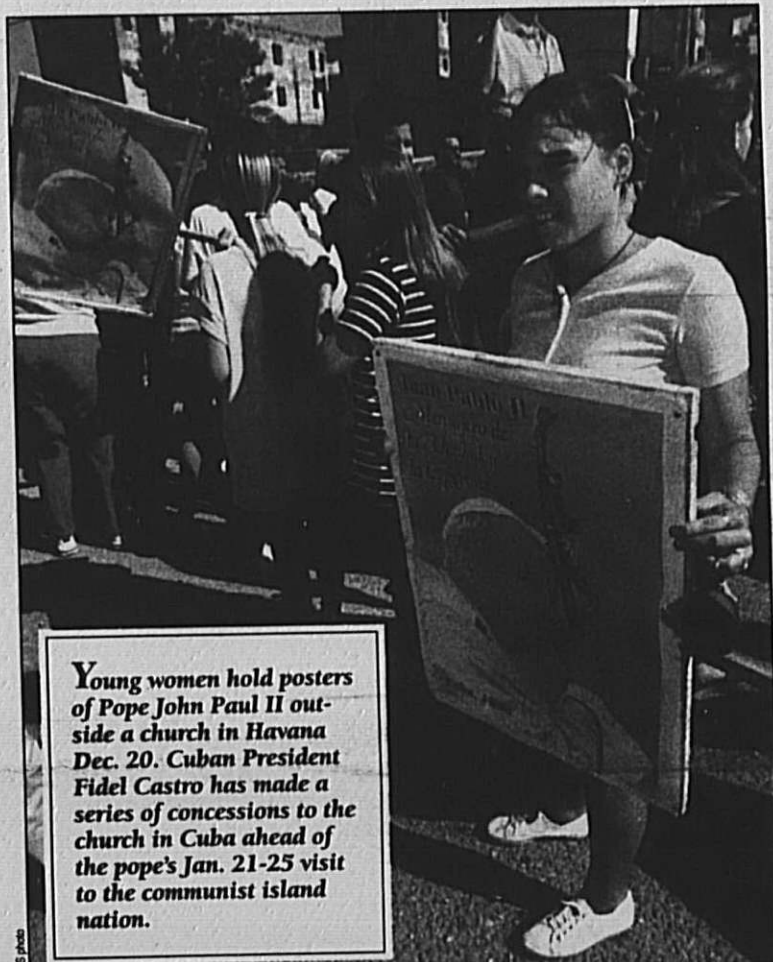
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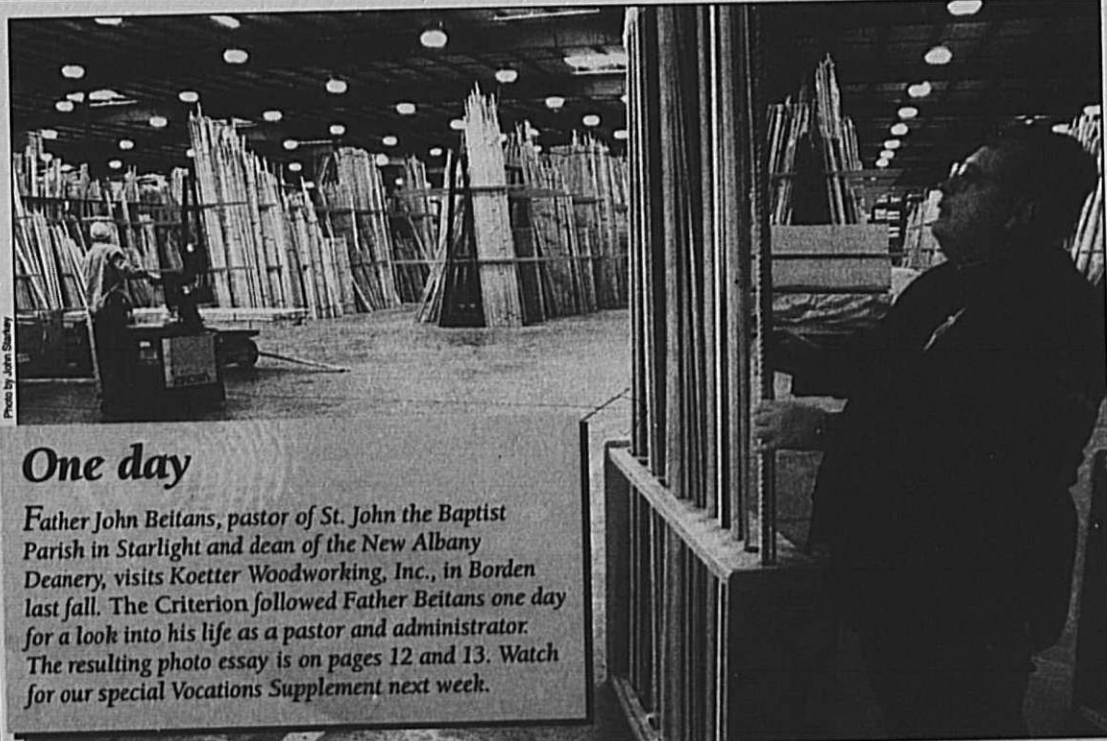
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Since 1993 CRS has been the courier for millions of dollars of food, clothing, medicine and other humanitarian aid to Caritas Cuba, the Catholic Church's charitable agency in the country, which has offices in each of Cuba's 10 dioceses and a national office in Havana.

Cardinal Keeler said he celebrated two Masses for the feast of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, during his visit, one the night of Dec. 30 in the western province of Pinar del Rio and another Jan. 1 with Cardinal Ortega in Havana's cathedral.

"Every possible space in both those churches was filled," he said. "They have an enormous capacity for entering into the spirit of their worship, and it was enormously touching to me."

Asked if he offered any advice since he had hosted the pope in Baltimore in 1995, Cardinal Keeler said, "They didn't really ask for any advice. They really are very far advanced in their preparations. . . I just said, 'You're doing a good job and don't worry. The Lord will take care of you.'"

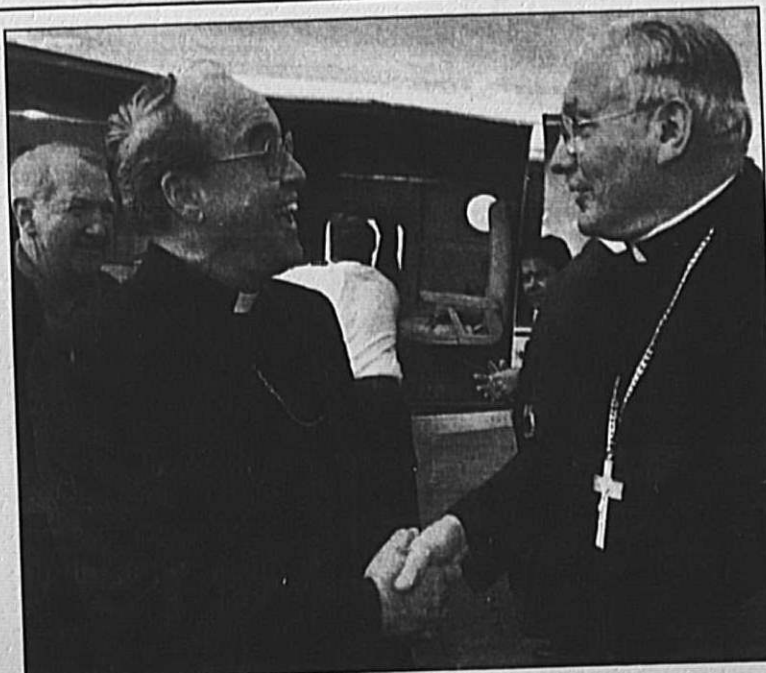
On Jan. 3, the official Communist Party newspaper, *Granma*, published a message from Pope John Paul II to Cuban President Fidel Castro marking the Jan. 1 Cuban national holiday. The pope offered his "deferential greeting" to the Cuban president and wished him "a happy new year, with the best hopes for peace and social progress in your country," Vatican Radio reported.

Pope John Paul's message said he was praying for Cuba and looked forward to his imminent visit.

Vatican Radio reported that at the Jan. 1 Mass in Havana, Cardinal Ortega said, "The church in Cuba is experiencing a revitalization, in the greater number of faithful who participate in liturgical and sacramental life, in the growing number of vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and in the apostolic commitment of the laity."

"We begin the new year not only with wishes for peace for all, but also heeding the pope's request to work for justice," Cardinal Ortega said. He referred several times to the pope's peace day message, in particular the pope's words noting the 50th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Cardinal Ortega also spoke of the foreign debt that burdens many poor countries and said that entire nations and regions risk being excluded by an increasingly globalized economy. †



Cuban Cardinal Jaime Ortega Alamino greets Baltimore Cardinal William Keeler (right) on his arrival in Havana Dec. 30 as part of preparations for the Jan. 21-25 visit by Pope John Paul II to the island nation. Catholic Relief Services Executive Director Ken Hackett is to the left of Cardinal Ortega.

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columns, "Matters Liturgical," from the Office of Worship, and Jesuit Father Joe Folzenlogen's evangelization column, "Stories, Good News, Fire," will also appear on that page, as will occasional columns, such as "Be Our Guest," and various national columnists.

The letters-to-the-editor column will continue to be printed on page 5. If letters are lacking for a particular issue of the newspaper, the space will be filled by national columnists.

The film review page has been dropped. Readers who want to receive reviews and film ratings from the United States Catholic Conference may call a toll-free telephone

number (1-800-311-4222) to hear recorded reviews and ratings. We will do our best to publish this number in each issue of the newspaper. Look for the ad on page 6.

To help address our weekly dilemma concerning the lack of editorial space for news, "Youth News/Views" and "Campus/Young Adult News" will cease to be locked into just two pages near the back of the paper. News and feature stories concerning our young Church will be placed on open pages throughout the paper. This will give more flexibility in the paper's layout and will also give the editors the opportunity to feature important youth, young adult and campus news more prominently.

We hope you like these changes. †

William R. Bruns, Executive Editor
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Official Appointments and Announcements

Effective December 10, 1997

Rev. Glenn O'Connor, appointed pastor of St. Ann, Indianapolis, while retaining his appointment as pastor of St. Joseph, Indianapolis.

Effective January 9, 1998

Rev. Ken Clano, associate pastor of Our Lady of the Greenwood and on medical leave, appointed associate pastor of St. Lawrence, Indianapolis.

Rev. Severin Messik, O.S.B., administrator of St. Therese of the Child Jesus (Little Flower), Indianapolis, appointed pastor of St. Michael, Greenfield.

Rev. Thomas Stepanski, S.T., associate pastor of St. Lawrence, Indianapolis, appointed administrator of Mary, Queen of Peace, Danville.

The above appointments are from the office of the Most Reverend Daniel M. Buechlein, O.S.B., archbishop of Indianapolis.

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Clarksville students serve steady shifts at shelter

By Roy J. Horner

Special to The Criterion

LOUISVILLE, KY—As he worked the serving counter at the Franciscan Shelter House, volunteer Matt Wohlleb's line of sight included icons and other religious artwork that inspire thoughts of Christian service.

A large, wooden rosary with beads the size of jelly beans hung on the wall behind Wohlleb, an eighth-grader at St. Anthony of Padua School in Clarksville. Pictures of Mary and Jesus, a painting of St. Maximilian Kolbe and a statue of St. Francis of Assisi looked down upon the small, crowded area that is both dining hall and serving line for the poor, homeless and hungry.

It was just another busy shift for Wohlleb and the other volunteers at the Franciscan Shelter House, a downtown Louisville mission that serves about 300 meals a day and tries to lift the spirits of those in need.

On this particular shift, Wohlleb was working the serving line with a group of volunteers that included three of his fellow students from St. Anthony School. For the second year in a row, a contingent of students from St. Anthony have gone once each week to work at the Franciscan Shelter House.

Franciscan Brother Jim Field opened the house in 1980 in a depressed area of down-

town Louisville to fulfill a mission of feeding the hungry in the spirit of St. Francis.

Wohlleb ladled hot, homemade bean soup into bowl after bowl. Next to him, seventh-grader Stacy Barczak filled plates with the day's entree of frankfurters and au gratin potatoes.

Seventh-grader Lindsey Brown and eighth-grader Lindsey Bingham were stationed at opposite ends of the counter. Bingham was at the entrance, pouring cups of milk. At the end of the line, Brown capped each plate with a doughnut and offered each diner a smile and greeting.

The students were working in tandem with Patti Thompson, the youth ministry director at St. Anthony who has been bringing the parish's youth each week to the Franciscan Shelter House; and Franciscan Brother Raymond Ramos, one of the shelter house directors.

During a break, Thompson said that the idea of service has been attracting the St. Anthony School students and other youth from the parish to the Franciscan Shelter House.

Thompson accompanies two seventh-graders and two eighth-graders on the volunteer shift every Thursday. The streak has remained alive during the summer vacation and other school breaks.

Thompson decided on the project after hearing Brother Raymond say that the Franciscan Shelter House's corps of volunteers from 18 years ago was thinning out due to age. An infusion of young blood was needed to keep the tradition alive.

"We're not only Catholic but we're Christian," Thompson said. "And the Bible is full of stories where Jesus is calling us to be of service to our fellow man. What we're trying to teach these kids is that they are called to service, as well as the adults are called, and that they are capable and they can do it."

"This is my way and Brother Ray's way and St. Anthony's way of helping the kids understand that service is what we're all called to do in our daily lives, to be of service to our...brother," Thompson added.

The lessons the students learn are widespread, according to Wohlleb and Bingham, who have made repeat trips to the shelter. The youth have gained confidence, chalked up experience in helping others and witnessed Christian service in action. They have also learned about com-



Hungry Louisville-area residents visit the Franciscan Shelter House in downtown Louisville for a meal. The shelter house is directed by Franciscan friars and benefits from the contributions of volunteers.

mitment and recognized Christ in the faces of strangers.

They learned that Christian service doesn't necessarily entail a profound act, but that the seemingly small step can be a saving grace or have lasting impact.

The project has also sparked discussions on poverty, homelessness, unemployment and other societal ills among the students, Thompson said.

"This has helped the kids understand they are very capable of taking on responsible volunteer positions," she said.

Brother Raymond said the St. Anthony youth have contributed to the Franciscan Shelter House's mission. Service is provided by an all-volunteer force. All funds are donated.

Through her service at the Franciscan Shelter House, Bingham said she has become more sensitive to the needs of people who, for whatever reasons, have no

home, no job, or no one to turn to. All in all, the service project has carried her to new levels of appreciation for all the blessings God has placed in her life.

"It's made me really thankful for having a home and going to a good school and having people who care for you," she said.

Barczak said she learned about the teamwork and other behind-the-scenes tasks it takes to operate a mission.

"It's nice that there is a place people can come for help," she said.

Brown observed that the people who came into the shelter while the St. Anthony students were on their shift seemed to respond warmly to her cheerfulness.

"It was fun, and it's nice to make people feel good," she said. "Just smiling at them, they liked that. They just need someone to talk to." †

(Roy J. Horner is a member of St. Joseph Parish in Sellersburg.)



St. Anthony students serving at Franciscan Shelter House include (from left) Ryan Kane, Alex Kenney, Alyson Green and Elsie LaGrange.

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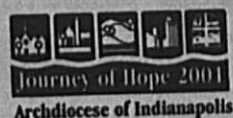
Stan Pondo spent nineteen years feeling like St. Peter aboard the boat in Galilee. He knew God had plans for his life, but didn't know if that meant he was to start a family, or if the call he'd been hearing since childhood was real. Finally, he left what he thought was the safety of the boat, and found a deeper security than he'd ever known.

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Editorial

The pope asks forgiveness

No pope in the history of the Catholic Church has said "I'm sorry" or "I ask forgiveness" as much as Pope John Paul II has. Luigi Accattoli, the author of a new book titled *When a Pope Asks Forgiveness*, has counted 94 separate times when John Paul II has acknowledged that humans in an official capacity in the church have done something that was wrong. In 25 of those cases, he has asked for forgiveness, Accattoli says.

At the beginning of the year 1998, as we get ever closer to the beginning of the third millennium for which the pope has been trying to prepare us, we might look at some of the wrongs for which the pope has asked forgiveness.

We should make it clear, however, that he has not said that the church has committed wrongs for which it needs forgiveness. The church, as the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says, "is held, as a matter of faith, to be unfailingly holy" (#823). The catechism also says, quoting Pope Paul VI, "The church is holy, though having sinners in her midst, because she herself has no other life but the life of grace" (#827).

However, in that same paragraph, the catechism says, "All members of the church, including her ministers, must acknowledge that they are sinners." These are the ones who have committed the wrongs for which the pope has been asking forgiveness.

The sins the pope seems most concerned about are those "which have been detrimental to the unity willed by God and his people," as he said in his 1994 encyclical *Tertio Millennio Adveniente* ("The Third Millennium Draws Near"). In the same document, he also asks forgiveness for "intolerance and even the use of violence in the service of the truth."

Unfortunately, history is full of examples of the church's leaders advocating, and carrying out, such violence in the service of the truth. The crusades of the 11th to 13th centuries are one example. Although some of the popes or the saints who preached them

might have had the exalted purpose of liberating the sacred places of the Holy Land from the hands of "infidels," the fact is that the crusaders massacred innocent men, women and children. Books on the history of Jerusalem chronicle the fact that blood ran thick when that city was conquered in 1099.

The blood of that First Crusade was Muslim. The Fourth Crusade attacked and conquered Constantinople in 1204 and Catholics murdered the Orthodox residents.

This past October, the church asked forgiveness for the way Catholics have treated the Jews. This includes the Jewish ghettos of Rome and Warsaw, the expulsion of Jews from Spain by Ferdinand and Isabella in 1492, and the involvement of some Catholics in the horrors of the Holocaust. Anti-Semitism and anti-Judaism have been an undeniable part of Catholic history.

Persecution of Protestants in the name of truth has also been part of our history. The Inquisition, complete with inhuman torture and executions, included the burning of "heretics" at the stake. Nobody knows how many people have been killed as part of Catholics' intolerance of those thought to be in error.

The pope hopes that his acknowledgment of past sins will spur better relations with Jews, Muslims, Protestants, Orthodox and all other religions with which the church has had contacts in history and wishes to live with peacefully today. He said in *Tertio Millennio Adveniente*, "It is appropriate that, as the second millennium of Christianity comes to a close, the church should become more fully conscious of the sinfulness of her children, recalling all those times in history when they departed from the Spirit of Christ and his Gospel.... Acknowledging the weaknesses of the past is an act of honesty and courage that helps us strengthen our faith, that alerts us to face today's temptations and that challenges and prepares us to meet them." †

—John F. Fink

Seeking the Face of the Lord

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



Let's focus on families on journey in 1998

A blessed New Year to one and all! Our journey of hope is another year closer to the new millennium, and I suggest that we give special focus to the family's journey in 1998.

As the Holy Father proposes, in 1998 we focus on the role of the Holy Spirit in our spiritual renewal, new evangelization and generous stewardship as we journey to the year 2001. No matter how poor or how rich, no matter how pained or how carefree, whether broken or united, the Holy Spirit empowers all of our families to journey with peace and happiness in our hearts.

The city of Indianapolis ended 1997 with a record number of homicides. Indianapolis, the "Crossroads of America," has become a main street for drug traffic from Detroit to the South. The promise of quick money and addiction imports violence. Indianapolis Mayor Stephen Goldsmith asked community leaders to consider what might be done to curtail violence. Some people suggest throwing more money after the problem, some suggest more police protection. A variety of approaches are needed, but I am skeptical when more money is "the answer." The root of the problem is the dissolution of family life, which leads to the loss of respect for human life itself.

The collapse of family life is central to the problem. Wealth is not the key to family happiness. Love is. Family love, not family wealth is the key! Poverty may put a strain on family love, but so does wealth. If our youth do not find love in the home, they will look elsewhere. If husband and wife do not find love in their marriage, they will look elsewhere. If we do not find hope in our families, we look elsewhere, and, more often than not, we head down dead-end money (or quick pleasure) streets and hit the wall of angry despair—where nothing matters anymore. Human life itself seems to lose value. Human life that is no longer valued is a setup for violence.

It is not very complicated. Children do not hang around gloomy people. Neither do any others, unless they are sick. Selfish people who do not love others are gloomy. Suffering and joy are not contradictory; egoism and joy are. Pain hurts and easily causes us to turn in on ourselves, but if we are at peace in our hearts, if we are close to God, we are not without hope.

The Holy Spirit is the source of our joy, because, by the power of the Spirit, the Lord is truly present in our lives. Where the Lord is present there

is every possibility for joy. Egoism puts us on a path that leads away from God, and thus we are doomed to sorrow and misery. This fundamental truth puts a lot of responsibility on you parents, whether you're single parents or not. Neither poverty nor wealth, neither sickness nor health need cause us to separate ourselves from God because his love, ignited by the Holy Spirit, is free and available to every person.

You parents become the first instruments of sharing God's closeness to your children. You either do that or you don't. What a responsibility! Your children's potential for happiness lies first and foremost at your doorstep. First and foremost, love and closeness to God and happiness are about presence. At this doorstep lies one of the greatest challenges in our present culture and our present economy. Because of financial constraints, a large majority of parents feel obligated to work. (For some, is the chase for wealth the real issue?) Absence and, then fatigue, place great strains on nurturing and maintaining family love and closeness to God. School activities and working youth further lessen the chances of family gatherings even for meals, not to mention prayer and family fun. Even when everybody is at home, the TV or the Internet can prevent real human communication. Nothing can dull the human spirit more than channel surfing with the remote control!

Our families face a great challenge, and simplistic solutions don't work. We must be practical, and beginning is everything! If presence is key, is it possible for families to find at least one night a week when everyone can be home for a meal, some family prayer and time together? Could the TV and the computer (where applicable) be "unplugged" at least for awhile? Could our parishes choose one night a week when meetings or other parish activities are not scheduled? Could our parish councils and other leadership groups find ways to help parents address these family challenges? Some parents may need practical ideas for family prayer (or ways to have fun without the TV). All I know is that without presence, family love doesn't have a chance. Nor does society. Beginning is everything! †

Archbishop Buechlein's intention for vocations for January

Parents: that they may remain faithful to their vocations and encourage their children to consider God's call to service in the church, especially as priests and religious.



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Enfoquemos en familias en el viaje en 1998

¡Muchas bendiciones en este Nuevo Año para todos! Nuestro viaje de esperanza está otro año más cercano al milenio nuevo, y sugiero que demos un enfoque especial en este año 1998 al papel que juega la familia.

Como el Santo Padre propone, en 1998 nos enfocaremos en el papel que juega el Espíritu Santo en nuestra renovación espiritual, nueva evangelización y mayordomía generosa mientras nosotros viajamos al año 2001. No importa cuán pobre o rico eres, no importa dolido o despreocupado, si estás separado o unido, el Espíritu Santo da el poder a todas nuestras familias de viajar con paz y felicidad en nuestros corazones.

En 1997 la ciudad de Indianapolis terminó con un récord en el número de homicidios. Indianapolis, "la Encrucijada de América," se ha convertido en un camino principal para el tráfico de las drogas desde Detroit hasta el sur. La promesa de dinero fácil y la aflicción a las drogas trae violencia. Stephen Goldsmith, alcalde de Indianapolis, pidió a líderes de la comunidad a que considerara qué se podría hacer para reducir la violencia. Algunas personas sugieren que se debe gastar más dinero para resolver este problema, otros sugieren más protección policial. Se necesita una variedad de puntos de vista, pero yo estoy dudoso en que "la respuesta" sea más dinero. La disolución de la vida familiar es la raíz del problema, lo cual nos conduce a perder el respeto a la vida humana.

El rompimiento de la familia es el problema central. La riqueza no es la llave a la felicidad familiar, sino el amor. ¡La pobreza podría poner un poco de tensión en el amor familiar, pero también la riqueza! Si nuestra juventud no encuentra el amor en el hogar, ellos lo buscarán en otra parte. Si los esposos no encuentran el amor en su matrimonio, ellos lo buscarán en otro lugar. Si nosotros no encontramos la esperanza en nuestras familias, la buscaremos en otra parte y muchas veces, nos dirigiremos a lugares desconocidos (plaserteros) llegando a la desesperación—donde no importa nada. Parece que la vida ha perdido su valor. La vida cuando ya no tiene valor, se hace pasar por violencia.

No es muy complicado. Los niños no frecuentan personas pesimistas. Al igual que nadie a menos que esté enfermo. Las personas egoístas que no aman a los demás son pesimistas. El sufrimiento y la alegría no son palabras contradictorias, el egoísmo y la alegría lo son. El dolor nos hiere y fácilmente nos causa un cambio en nosotros mismos, pero si tenemos paz en los corazones y estamos cerca de Dios, nosotros no estamos sin esperanza.

El Espíritu Santo es la fuente de

nuestra alegría, porque, por el poder del Espíritu, el Señor está presente en nuestras vidas. Donde el Señor está presente hay alegría. El egoísmo nos pone en un camino lejano a Dios, y por eso nosotros estamos sentenciados a la pena y la miseria. Esta verdad fundamental pone mucha responsabilidad en ustedes, los padres, no importa si usted sea una madre o padre, solo o no. Ni la pobreza ni la riqueza, ni la enfermedad ni la salud nos separan de Dios, porque su amor, encendido por el Espíritu Santo, es gratis y disponible a cada persona.

Ustedes padres son los primeros instrumentos de compartir la cercanía de Dios a sus hijos. Usted lo puede hacer o no. ¡Qué responsabilidad! La potencialidad de sus hijos para la felicidad está antes que nada en su umbral. Antes que nada, el amor y la cercanía a Dios y la felicidad tienen que ver con presencia. En este umbral está uno de los desafíos más grandes de nuestra cultura actual y nuestra economía actual. A causa de obligaciones financieras, una mayoría grande de padres se siente obligado a trabajar. (Para algunos, ¿es la búsqueda de la riqueza el problema?) La ausencia y, entonces el cansancio, ponen los esfuerzos grandes en nutrir y mantener el amor de la familia y la cercanía a Dios. Las actividades de la escuela y la juventud que trabaja disminuyen las oportunidades de reuniones de familia aún para comer, orar y divertirse en familia. Aún cuando todos están en casa, la televisión o la Red Internet pueden interferir en la comunicación humana. ¡Nada puede entorpecer el espíritu humano más que el cambio de canales con el control remoto!

Nuestras familias enfrentan un desafío magnífico, y las soluciones sencillas no tienen éxito. ¡Debemos ser prácticos, y comenzar es todo! Si la presencia es la clave, ¿es posible que las familias encuentren una noche durante la semana cuando todos pueden estar en casa para cenar, orar como familia y pasar tiempo juntos? ¿Pueden la televisión y la computadora (donde se aplique) ser "apagadas" por lo menos un rato? ¿Podrían nuestras parroquias escoger una noche a la semana en la cual no haya reuniones u otras actividades de la parroquia planificadas? ¿Podrían nuestros concilios de la parroquia y otros grupos de liderazgo encontrar maneras para ayudar a los padres a tratar con estos desafíos familiares? Algunos padres podrían necesitar ideas prácticas para orar en familia (o cómo divertirse sin televisión). Yo sé que sin la presencia de Dios, el amor de la familia no tendría éxito. Ni tampoco la sociedad. ¡Comenzar es todo! †

Traducción: Language Training Center, Indianapolis

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Letters to the Editor

You can make a difference

Over a year ago, my husband and I saw an ad in *The Criterion* promoting the sponsorship of a child through The Christian Foundation for Children and Aging. CFCA is an international Catholic mission organization serving the needs of the poor in missions in 23 developing countries. We learned that for \$20 a month we could sponsor a child of our choice. We chose a teen-aged girl named Paloma. She is 15. We received her picture, her family history, and a handwritten letter from her. We have gotten to know Paloma as we have written back and forth. The letters are translated from English to Spanish and vice-versa by a social worker in her school.

Paloma lives with her grandmother and attends school in Santa Catherina, a section of Monterrey. She is 14 hours by bus from her family and has not been home for four years, so important to her and her family is her pursuit of an education to break the cycle of poverty.

This fall, through CFCA, we were able to participate in a Mission Awareness Retreat in Monterrey. There we met Paloma and had the opportunity to tour several of the mission project sites in the area. We attended sessions on Mexican culture and spirituality. To our delight, we spent many hours visiting with Paloma.

The sights and sounds of our experience will never be forgotten. We were there as the people began their preparations for the feast of Our Lady of

Guadalupe with daily processions, music, and traditional dancing.

Of Mexico's 90 million people, 40 million are poor and half of these, 20 million, live in dire poverty, several families sharing a two-room house. The CFCA projects are in the poorest areas, but as we visited the people had so much to give. Their hospitality, joy, and warmth in receiving us was very humbling.

For just \$20 a month, we are making a significant difference in Paloma's life. Without a sponsor, she could not stay in school. Sponsorship by readers of *The Criterion* can also help feed, clothe, and educate or bring medical care to our Catholic sisters and brothers in a developing country. There will be 10 Mission Awareness Retreats in 1998 in Mexico, Guatemala and El Salvador. To sponsor a child or to make a retreat, you should contact CFCA Headquarters in Kansas City, at 800-875-6564. You will be greatly enriched as we have been. You can make a difference in someone's life.

Mary and Tom Weber
Troy

Columnists move to page 16

Because of several changes in the contents and arrangement of *The Criterion*, John F. Fink's regular column, "From the Editor Emeritus," and Dan Conway's column, "The Good Steward" may now be found on page 16. (See article on page 1.)

—Editor

Be Our Guest/Shirley Vogler Meister

Catholic book gives new dimension to the Internet

Prayerful poetry lines by Gerard Manley Hopkins, S.J., and the book that quotes them have eased my mixed and often angry feelings toward the technology I face daily in my work as a write—the computer and the Internet in all their forms:

*Glory be to God for dappled things
All things counter, original, spare,
strange;
With swift, slow; sweet, sour; adazzle,
dim;
He fathers-forth whose beauty is past
change:
Praise him.*

The quotation comes from *The Catholic Internet* by Tim DeRyan, who spent two years compiling the material for his book, published by The Fabian Corporation. Just before publication, however, DeRyan died late last summer when caught in an undertow while swimming off the coast of Washington state.

The Fabian Corporation President-CEO Scott Fabian says that DeRyan "dedicated his life to providing quality space on the Internet for the Church." Proceeds from the directory will go to the author's family. DeRyan was a designer of numerous diocesan Web sites, and the Fabian Corporation is one of the pioneers of Catholic information on the Web.

The Catholic Internet declares the Catholic Church is "the largest single institution on the planet while at the same time the most ancient" and "limitations of time and distance" formerly kept individual faith communities insulated from the worldwide church. With this book, I now see a spiritual communica-

tions purpose for the very technology that boggles my mind, tests my patience, and often reveals a secular ugliness I abhor.

DeRyan's directory was "created as an aid to interdiocesan and general Church communications." It includes "how to" information, a history of the Catholic Internet, and chapters covering just about everything Catholic: conferences, diocesan Web sites, publications, organizations, service and volunteer resources, religious orders, deacons, a vocations directory, educational facilities, campus ministries, ecumenical resources, communications services, newsgroups, a Knights of Columbus directory, shrines, information on the Eastern Rites as well as non-English-speaking and African-American resources, chat boards, youth and adult ministry, and much, much more.

More than 3,000 Web sites and more than 4,000 e-mail addresses are furnished. The 152-page book is, as appropriately stated on its back cover, "a must for every parish, priest, religious, or lay person who is on the Internet" and "great for teenagers to get them looking at some of the marvelous Catholic material available to them."

When technology enhances spiritual lives and religion, then indeed, as Manley wrote, "Glory be to God for...all things counter, original, spare, strange...swift, slow; sweet, sour; adazzle, dim..."

The book can be ordered online for \$14.95 plus \$2.50 shipping at www.catholicinternet.com or by writing The Fabian Corporation, 444 Shook Avenue, Stroudsburg, PA 18260 or by calling 888-507-5556. †

(Shirley Vogler Meister a member of Christ the King Parish in Indianapolis, is an Indianapolis freelance writer and poet whose diverse markets include many Catholic publications.)

Check It Out . . .

The members of the faculty at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, will display their works Jan. 14 through Jan. 30 during the **1998 Faculty Art Exhibition**. The opening reception is scheduled at 7 p.m. Jan. 14 in the Art Gallery located in room 132 of Hulman Hall. The gallery is open Monday through Thursday and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. Information: Call Catherine Knight, at 812-535-5137.

The **11th annual Jump the Gun**, sponsored by St. Francis Hospital and Health Centers, will be held from 10:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Jan. 30 in the main lobby of the St. Francis South Campus, 8111 S. Emerson Ave., Indianapolis. The event provides registration and information for the Indianapolis Life 500 Festival Mini-Marathon. Information: 317-782-7992.

St. Francis Hospitals and Health Centers is offering the **Learn Weight Management Program**, an eight-week class designed to teach long-term weight management through behavior modification. The classes begin Jan. 29 and are held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The program

will be held in the Food and Nutrition Conference room at the St. Francis Beech Grove Campus, 1600 Albany St. The program costs \$170, which includes all materials. Discounts are available. Registration is required and class size is limited. Information: Call Brenda Danner at 317-783-8961.

The Indianapolis Bar Foundation, the fund-raising arm of the Indianapolis Bar Association has awarded the **Damien Center in Indianapolis**, \$2,000 to produce a brochure to market the center's in-house legal services to people infected with and affected by HIV/AIDS. The brochure will also be used as a recruiting tool to encourage attorneys to assist clients free of charge or at reduced rates.

The **Family Negotiation Center of the Catholic Social Services of Central Indiana** was awarded \$1,000 from the Indianapolis Bar Association to offset the cost of services provided to clients. The center provides custodial and visitation assessments requested by the courts on behalf of divorcing couples. It also provides supervised visitation, resolution of

parenting conflicts and the teaching of positive parenting skills.

Cardinal Ritter High School in Indianapolis will host a **West Deanery Recognition Awards dinner** Jan. 29. Special honorees will be the new Westside Monsignors: Father Joseph Schaedel, Father Frederick Easton, and Father John Ryan. St. Francis Sister Rita Vukovic and Patricia DeVault, recipients of the *Pro-Ecclesia et Pontifice* award, will also be honored. The dinner will be held annually to recognize teachers of the West Deanery who have contributed

20 years or more of service. The evening will begin with a reception at 6:30 p.m. Dinner will follow at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person. Gifts in tribute to the honorees will also be accepted. Information: 317-927-7825.

A **Koinonia Retreat weekend retreat for men and women over the age of 19**, will be held Jan. 23 through Jan. 25 at Fatima Retreat House in Indianapolis. *Koinonia*, the Greek word for community, is a retreat that concentrates on the life, death and resurrection of Jesus—the Paschal Mystery. Information: 317-545-7681.

VIPs . . .

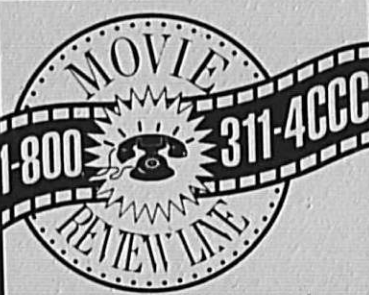
St. Francis Sister Anne Frederick, a second-year novice, pronounced her first vows on Dec. 27 at the motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Francis in Oldenburg. Sister Anne, who now lives in Indianapolis at Marian College West Convent, teaches math at Roncalli High School in Indianapolis.

Dennis Moorman, a native of Batesville, will be ordained to the diaconate at 2 p.m. Feb. 7 in St. Maurice Church, Decatur County by Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein. Moorman graduated from Purdue University in 1985 with a bachelor's degree in soil and crop science. After graduation he immediately joined the U.S. Peace Corps, where he worked as an agricultural consultant in Burkina Faso, West Africa, for two years. After obtaining a master's degree in plant physiology from North Carolina State University in 1990, he studied philosophy at Saint Meinrad School of Theology. In August 1991, he entered Maryknoll, and Dec. 20, 1997, he took

his perpetual oath as a permanent member of Maryknoll at Mary, Queen of Apostles Chapel, Maryknoll headquarters in Ossining, N.Y.

Daniel J. Elsener, secretary of education and the executive director of the archdiocesan Office of Catholic Education, has been elected to the Board of Trustees at Saint Joseph's College in Rensselaer. Elsener, an Indianapolis resident, holds a bachelor's degree from Nebraska Wesleyan University and a master's degree from the University of Nebraska.

Toby McClamroch, Indianapolis City-County Council majority leader, and State Representative **Mike Murphy** recently conducted a charity event that raised more than \$1,500 to benefit the Holy Family Shelter in Indianapolis. Sponsored by the archdiocesan Catholic Social Services, Holy Family Shelter was established in 1984 to help homeless families in need.



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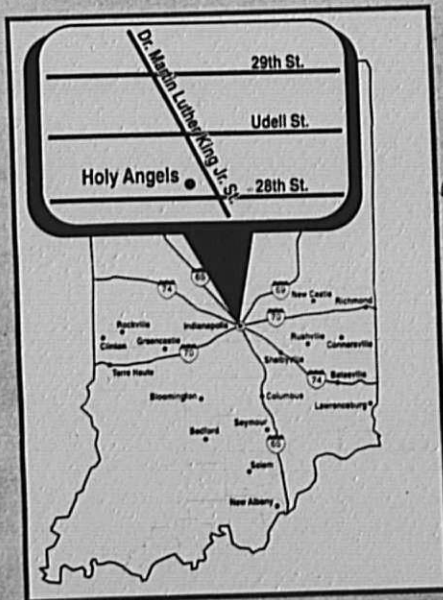
Indianapolis West Deanery

Holy Angels Indianapolis

Photos and story by Margaret Nelson

Fast Fact:

Holy Angels School can say it is top-ranked. In a 1995 analysis by the Indiana Policy Review Foundation, Holy Angels was among 134 public and inner-city Catholic elementary schools studied that used the 1994 Indiana Statewide Testing for Educational Progress exam, given to grades 2, 3, 6, 8 and 9. The researchers weighed the test scores against three factors they believe affect student performance—the percentage of children whose families are poor enough to qualify them for federally-subsidized meals, class sizes and attendance rates. Holy Angels came out at the top in the ranking because nearly 45 percent of Holy Angels students were expected to test below the essential skills standard on ISTEP and only 8.8 percent actually did.



Journey of Hope 2001

Spirituality spurs parish building at Holy Angels

At Holy Angels Parish in Indianapolis, the focus is on spiritual growth. Even the new parish building effort has blossomed from the growing faith of its members.

The parish is raising \$1 million toward the building of a new \$3 million school and parish center that is scheduled to open in September 1999. Parish commitments to date are \$753,351.



Father Clarence Waldon

"By doing that, we have to lend ourselves to Mass in a more spiritual way," said Treadwell. He said that the pastor, Father Clarence Waldon, gave sessions on the meaning of the Mass on Dec. 7 and 14.

"It's not that we were not doing good," he said, "but we can do better."

"We deal with things that are happening in our community and neighborhood association—we want to contribute to that," said Treadwell.

"I do outreach with the neighborhood association, and I bring it back to the pastoral council," he said. "I want everyone to see how we fit within that."

A Lifestyle Stewardship Campaign was launched last Easter. As the parish prepared for the campaign, it experienced a spiritual renewal.

Bob Treadwell, a regular volunteer on the office staff, said the parish is building for the future. "Our Vision 2000 states that we are to grow in spirituality and in service."

"I think our focus is going this way," he said, "and our vision fits in with the vision of the archdiocese" in the Journey of Hope 2001.



Bob Treadwell

Treadwell pointed to one advantage at Holy Angels: "We are here all the time." He said that many area pastors are gone during the week.

Holy Angels and other churches "need to help get rid of the bad things, like crime and drugs, and put good things in their places," said Treadwell. He talked about the city's Front Porch Alliance, which Indianapolis Mayor Stephen Goldsmith introduced to the city with a fall news conference from Holy Angels School.

"We're beginning to do things with that in the school, like using Watkins Park. By doing that, we are learning about our neighbors. We are visiting homes and talking about what is going on within the neighborhood," Treadwell said.

This Christmas, the parish provided Christmas baskets to the needy and sick people in the neighborhood who were recommended through the Flanner House program.

When the new building is completed, the parish will have room to reinstitute more extensive clothing and food outreach programs, he said.

Vince Harrington, president of the parish's pastoral council, sees a lot of growth. "What I've been experiencing in the parish is spiritual growth."

"We have done many projects—and are about to begin a couple more—that have a very spiritual base to them," said Harrington. "It has made a marked difference in the congregation."

"We are thinking of adding more of a spiritual component to what we have been doing for years," he said. "One of the best examples is the annual



Vince Harrington

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summer Soul Food Festival. It's been going on for decades. It takes about two dozen managers and about 250 volunteers."

Harrington chaired the event three times. "It's a pretty big, complex undertaking. It requires a lot of effort from a lot of people. There are a number of difficulties in putting on a program of that magnitude."

For the last two years, he said, "There has been a substantial increase in our camaraderie. People are dedicated to their tasks and the overall smoothness of events." The difference was mentioned by the pastor and some of the visitors, he said.

"I think that kind of thing is the result of more emphasis on prayer and rededication to our Catholic faith," said Harrington. "It's always been good, but we sought to make it better. It continues to improve."

"My stated goal for being a member of the pastoral council was to contribute to faith development of the parish," he said.

"I am involved in a lot of different things—president of the parish council, chairman of the festival, on the building campaign follow through," he said. He is a eucharistic minister, a lector and a member of the men's ministry group.

"I'm doing all of this standing on the shoulders of many devoted, dedicated, spiritually-strong members who have gone before me," said Harrington. "Watching them work and watching their spirituality has encouraged me to take my place in doing these things."

"As far as spirituality," said Harrington, "as I mature, I've seen my church family really becoming a family. They not only tithing their money, they are also tithing their time."

"It is my conviction," said Rebecca Gibson, "that nothing happens without faith and the spiritual dimension of life in the parish. So the more faith we have, the more good things are going to happen."



Rebecca Gibson

Gibson, who has been parish education resource person for three years said,

"That's how I feel the parish council should approach things, although some might consider it more as the body that oversees parish operations. Gibson said the Bible study group at the parish fills "a spiritual growth need."

"One fund-raiser said we couldn't do it. But we even



Mary Ash

went over our initial goal," she said. "And he went back to Chicago."

Mary Ash is chair of the parish council, the building committee, was co-chair of the stewardship program and is on the building follow-through committee. "That's one thing we really want to try to keep in front of the parish. Having faith is a challenge for a lot of people."

"We need to keep witnessing to the parishioners. We talk about obstacles—what we have

given up—but let them know it can still be done. When we do, the others realize, 'I'm not the only one having trouble,'" Ash said.

Ted Gary, chairman of the parish finance committee, said, "We have a small parish. There is not a lot of wealth, but we keep trying. As we come closer to the ground-breaking, I believe that enthusiasm will grow. We will see contributions increase. Some people just need a little push. They need to see something happening."

He remembers the book his girls read as children, *The Little Engine That Could*.

Gibson said, "They've got to see the miracle."

"Right now we're talking about stewardship of time, talent, treasure," said Ash. "One of the challenges we have is to try to get people to understand the spiritual side of giving money. If we get people to give their time and talent, the money will come."

"A lot of us see a difference in ourselves through the Renew program," Ash said. "It started there for me. People at work see a change in me. I say, 'I pray first.' I'm really comfortable with my spirituality."

"When I see a way to use my spirituality, I do," said Gibson. "People are surprised. But it is not there to impress people; it's a real thing."

"Some people say we focus on money a lot," said Ash. But she noted, "The Bible study is helping people understand that connection. Being on the building committee helps tie that together."

"If we were being selfish, we'd just build a church. Most of the kids who go to Holy Angels School don't go to church here," said Ash. "The building is not for us as much as it is for community—for the future of some of these kids."

"People want their children to be able to pray," she said. "And our social programs need space to do them. It is a very service-oriented project."

Gibson said, "The new parish school center will help the community. People want to keep off welfare. There is strong leadership here. We can influence the whole city and state. The people we are educating today will be our leaders tomorrow."

Ash said, "We hear so much about violence. People feel when they bring their children to the school here, they're safe. They are not only safe but have the spiritual influence. And they are learning the values of life."

"I see the new school parish center as a pivotal start to building a new community," said Ash.

Gary said, "In essence there's new money coming into the community. One of the key things that brought it about was respect for our school."

"Before a child is enrolled, parents must make a commitment to attend meetings, to help with fund raising, and to encourage and help their children," he said.

"Public schools don't require parental responsibility," said Gary. "The parental involvement makes a tremendous difference in the outcome."

"We require parents to show some church affiliation and attend some Catholic Church classes to learn about the faith their children are exposed to," said Ash. "This is not just a private school; it's a Catholic school."

Gary said initial fund raising has been accomplished. "We must realize we have limited resources and develop other ways of raising funds outside the parish."

He said, "(The school is our first thrust.) We can always find a place in a school to do parish activities. But the school is the most important thing we can do."

"It is a fact that kids in the inner city have a tougher time getting into college or trade school," said Gary. "Education—whether college or trade school—is our way out. The key is to break down some of those barriers. I think education is the main one."

Gary said, "A lot of what we do starts out like an idea of something nice to do. But when we believe, we can accomplish it. All those beliefs are based on faith." †



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Administrator tries to see the lighter side

Annette 'Mickey' Lentz finds spiritual foundation in stewardship, education

By Margaret Nelson

Annette "Mickey" Lentz has an archdiocesan job with a big title. But she's a woman who cuts through the nonessential details. And she does it in good humor.

Lentz is associate director of administrative personnel and staff development for the Office of Catholic Education (OCE).

"I've come through the ranks," she said. "I've been ministering in the archdiocese as an educator for 35 years."

Lentz was a teacher and principal before she took the OCE position

nine years ago. She worked on curriculum issues before her recent switch to personnel work.

"I see myself as an instructive leader," she said. "I appreciate the opportunity to move into personnel work. People are our greatest assets."

"It is a pleasure for me to work with them. I hope I have the positive effect on them that they have on me."

Lentz's educational background started at Marian College. At the end of her second year, her dad told her to find out if she liked teaching before he spent more

money on her education.

She knew her friend's fifth-grade teaching job would be vacant—she was leaving to become an Oldenburg Franciscan. So she asked the pastor if she could have the job.

When the pastor asked why she wanted the job, Lentz gave him two reasons. One was her father's ultimatum. The second was that she loved kids. She had helped her sister, who had eight children, before and after she was widowed at an early age.

"I still tease that my major family will always be my school children," she said. Now that her two children are grown, she has the responsibility for the children in 70 schools.

She completed her bachelor's degree work at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College. Then she earned her master's degree at Butler University.

Personal inspiration

Lentz and her husband, Jim, were married 31 years before he died in 1995. "We had a blessed marriage. He allowed me my independence as I did for him," she said. "He was my silent support in all I tried to do for education. He never questioned the time I spent in service to the church or parish."

"He worked very hard for Chevrolet Truck and Bus for years. If I am successful, he is part of my success story," said Lentz.

"Because of him, it was easy for me to chair the family (employee) division of the United Catholic Appeal for a couple of years," she said. "Jim taught me



In one of her lighter moments, Catholic Education Associate Director for Administrative Personnel and Professional Development Annette "Mickey" Lentz (from left) chats with Associate Executive Director of Catholic Education G. Joseph Peters and Executive Director of Catholic Education Daniel J. Elsener in the Office of Catholic Education. Administrative assistant Lori Greeley looks on from the background. Lentz said she finds support for her work from the OCE staff.

to be a good steward. He was really more giving than I am.

"I thought, 'I work for the church. That's how I give,'" said Lentz. She has also served as a lector and eucharistic minister at her parish, St. Mark in Indianapolis.

"He said, 'You have to share your treasure as well.' He taught me that the first two Ts [time and talent] are not enough."

Lentz has been actively involved in other educational organizations. She is the Midwest advisor of the national Supervision Personnel and Curriculum Committee of the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA).

"There are a lot of organizations where I feel I not only give, but receive so much to give back to the people here in the archdiocese," she said.

She is the liaison from OCE to the Archdiocesan Principals' Association.

For years, Lentz planned and organized the program of Catholic education conferences for all Indiana nonpublic schools as well as INPEC. And she has worked closely with the Ohio Catholic Education Association.

Lentz has presented many workshops on team building and spiritual formation, curriculum planning, middle school programs, and board/commission planning to teachers and principals.

"What you see is what you get," she said. "I am not into theory as much as practice. I think that's what a lot of people want and need today."

Service

Lentz is on the advisory board of the Indiana Catholic Principals' Institute. She started out as part of the board for Marian College's Mentoring in the City program. Now she's a resource. She's on the state advisory board for drug education as well as on The Children's Museum Advisory Board.

The board she most recently has helped is that of the Gibault School for Boys in Terre Haute. She likes the challenge and opportunity, not only of working with the school but also working with the Knights of Columbus and seeing their ownership of the school.

When her husband became very sick in 1992, she began to question her priorities. She had always given time to the church, knowing that she had the family's support. "I had to take a hard look at where I needed to be present at that time. I began to spend a lot more evenings and weekends at home."

Her life focused on being the caregiver, she said. "I have no regrets at all for doing that." She didn't "miss a beat at the office, but didn't do anything over and above."

"I have always clearly said to the principals, 'Take care of yourself and your family first. That must be your primary mission, and then comes the school,'" said Lentz. In turn, the principals respected what she was going through and the time she needed.

Lentz said, "I have three wonderful grandchildren. They are my [rest] and

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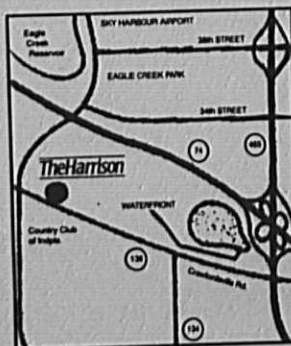
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Michigan priest discusses free enterprise system

By John F. Fink

"The human person must be the center of economic plans," Father Robert A. Sirico, co-founder and president of the Acton Institute, told members of the Economics Club of Indianapolis last month at the Indiana Convention Center.

Father Sirico believes strongly in the free enterprise system. In his talk he lamented the fact that there is what he called "a profound misunderstanding" of this system in many religious communities, including seminaries. He said a survey of faculty members in various seminaries, Catholic and non-Catholic, showed that 37 percent believed that Marxism was more compatible with Christianity than capitalism, and another 37 percent thought that redistribution of wealth is the best way to solve economic problems.

Father Sirico and Kris A. Mauren founded the Acton Institute in 1990 in Grand Rapids, Mich., to teach the religious leadership in the United States the principles and processes of free enterprise. The institute also "attempts to forge bonds between clergy and entrepreneurs" and "to help maximize personal liberty by advancing ideas that strengthen individuals and communities, rather than

increase the intrusive powers of government."

The institute is named for Lord Acton, a history professor at Cambridge University in England during the 19th and early 20th centuries. He is best remembered for saying, "Power tends to corrupt, and absolute power corrupts absolutely."

In an interview prior to his talk, Father Sirico told *The Criterion* that one of the Acton Institute's main efforts is to reach seminarians. Toward that end, it conducts seminars for seminarians in various parts of the country. The institute also sponsors lecture series and conferences for business executives, publishes the journal *Religion and Liberty* and distributes audio-visual materials, books and monographs.

Father Sirico writes articles about religion and the free enterprise system for numerous periodicals. He is in great demand as a speaker including, he told *The Criterion*, at the Legatus Society in Indianapolis.

In his talk, Father Sirico gave two reasons for the negative view that many people in religious communities have toward free enterprise: "First," he said, "is the academic answer: no seminary teaches a course on economics. The second concerns the practical way religious leaders come

into touch with money: we pass baskets."

He said parishes pay their expenses from what is given to them by others and, when more is required, religious leaders lay guilt on parishioners to get more money. "I call it Robin Hood Theology," he said.

Father Sirico thinks there is an essential place for sharing, but the well being of the poor cannot be met just with the sharing of wealth. The free enterprise, he said, is about the creation of new wealth.

"Business leaders talk about making money, not redistributing it," he said. "This does not require impoverishing one group for the sake of others."

During his interview with *The Criterion*, Father Sirico said an impetus for doing what he is doing was the spread of liberation theology. He said that he knew that the principles of liberation theology violated the teachings of the church's social doctrines taught by the popes since the time of Pope Leo XIII.

In closing, he reminded his audience of Christ's parable of the talents. Jesus did not preach that all people should have the same talents, he said, but he did expect, and continues to expect, all of us to develop and use the talents we have been given. †

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(relaxation). They're a pleasant reminder to me of the importance of family."

Another part of her "family" grew from her husband's illness. She felt the need to minister at hospitals after his death and recently began assisting at Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis.

Leadership by example

"I see a truly effective leader as one who knows, not only who she's leading but how to meet their needs," said Lentz. "It goes back to service, being there for them, asking how you can make their ministry right for them."

"I try to set a good example. I hope I

never ask anyone to do what I haven't done or tried to do."

"I believe in the team concept—working together for the common goal," she said. "I work hard not to be seen as a boss. I am the supervisor, but it's more like we're in this together. And because we are, good things will come. You can't always have it that way."

Lentz thinks her biggest leadership accomplishment has been training teachers to become principals. "That's been a real success story. We have 30 wonderful teachers who are preparing to become principals."

"We get them from the beginning and apply leadership concepts—show them what the principal's role will be and how they will manage the role. The program gets them truly prepared," said Lentz.

Lentz knows what a good principal is.

The National Catholic Education Association named her 1985-86 Distinguished Diocesan Leader. That same year, St. Mark was named a Blue Ribbon School.

She believes she leads more naturally because God "blessed me with those gifts. He's allowed me to be what I am today."

"I enjoy the working relationships I have been able to build over the years with parish priests and PLCs [parish life coordinators]."

"I try to keep a sense of humor," said Lentz. "I'd rather laugh about something instead of crying. If you look to the brighter side, things are not always as bad as they seem," she said. "I try to instill that in folks—deal with what is. I try hard to find balance in my life."

"I work very hard at play. I believe in it. I think everyone needs to do more of it. I love walking, shopping and good movies. I like losing myself in novels. I need to do that on a regular basis or I can't lead or help others."

Going full circle

Lentz said her dream is to complete 40 years in education. "Then I might work in the mall, serving people in that way. Or I might end where I began—in higher education, teaching and forming good teachers, adding courses to continuing education for principals."

"Then I would have gone full circle," she said. "In a small way, I feel I would have done my fair share for the archdiocese."

"I'd like to enjoy some retirement years Jim didn't get." Then she added, "It's all God's plan." †

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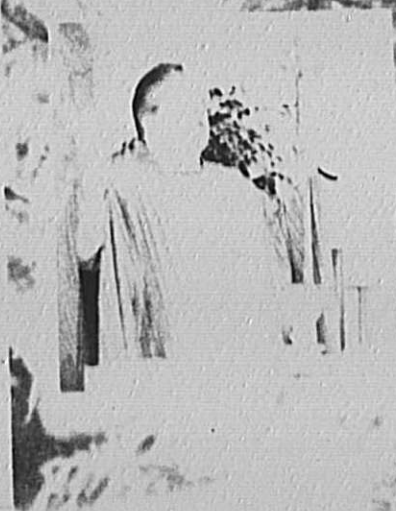
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Below, Father Beitans, dean of the New Albany Deanery, reviews the upcoming deanery calendar with Phyllis Burkholder, deanery secretary. At right, he shoots baskets in the parish gymnasium as part of his regular morning exercise.



Above, Father Beitans looks over fall crops with Ted Huber of Huber's Orchard and Winery in Starlight. At right, St. John's parish life benefits from up-to-date technology, as witnessed by Benedictine Sister Mary Carol Messmer's computer work. Sister Mary Carol is St. John's pastoral associate.



Above, Father Beitans distributes Communion during a weekday Mass. At right, he prepares his vestments in St. John's sacristy before the Mass.



St. Jude parishioners 'at home for Christmas'

Indianapolis parish offers thanks, celebrates dedication of new church with Dec. 21 Mass

By Mary Ann Wyand

"These walls are a witness to the dedication and vitality of 38 years of your community coming together in faith," Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein told an overflow crowd gathered for the Dec. 21 rite of dedication of the new St. Jude the Apostle Church at 5353 McFarland Road in Indianapolis.

"You have built a special dwelling place of God," the archbishop said. "The beauty of this church is truly complete when it is filled with people of faith and love. We are the dwelling place of God."

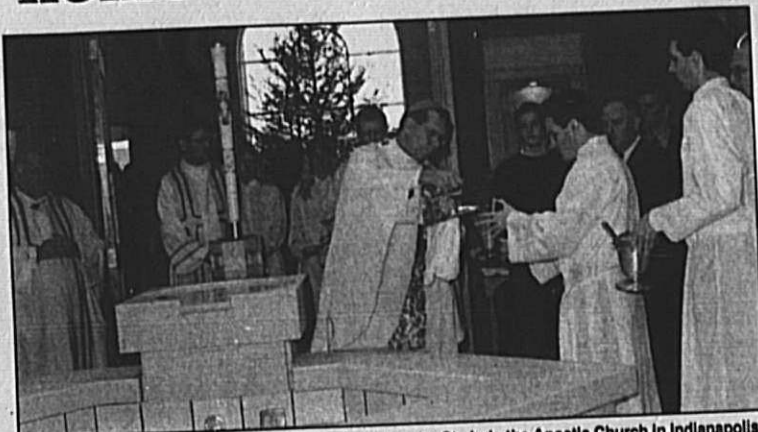
St. Jude parishioners have done much to meet the challenges of the pilgrimage of this parish during the past four decades, Archbishop Buechlein said. "We stand on

the shoulders of those who have gone before us, and this afternoon we remember that ours are the shoulders of the generations to come after us. And always, always, we remember our foundation stone is Jesus Christ."

Trumpets heralded the start of the joyous dedication Mass concelebrated by Archbishop Buechlein, Father Gerald Kirkhoff, pastor, and more than 20 diocesan priests.

Music chosen reflected the celebratory nature of the Mass and paid tribute to God and St. Jude for blessings granted to parishioners.

"Growing Together, Sharing Our Blessings" was the title of St. Jude's Capital Stewardship Campaign, which enabled the parish to build a new church



Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein prepares to bless the new St. Jude the Apostle Church in Indianapolis with assistance from acolyte Steven Dabrowski, a St. Jude parishioner who is a first-year theology student at Theological College in Washington, D.C. Father Gerald Kirkhoff, pastor, stands at the far left side of the baptismal font.



St. Jude parishioner Donna Myers (above) of Indianapolis assists with the incensing of the new church during the dedication Mass. Archbishop Buechlein (right) blesses the congregation during the rite of dedication of the new church.



and expand the school.

The Indianapolis South Deanery parish, founded in 1959, has grown to 1,560 households and 5,000 parishioners. Parishioners celebrated liturgies in the small "temporary" church in the school building while awaiting completion of the new church.

"At Home for Christmas" was the theme for the Dec. 21 liturgy, which included the sprinkling of holy water to bless the new church, the anointing of the altar and walls of the church, the burning of incense, the covering of the altar, the lighting of the altar and the church, the celebration of the Eucharist, and the inauguration of the Place of Reservation for the Blessed Sacrament.

"The history of this parish clearly lays testament to the firm hope and love that has flourished here," Father Kirkhoff said

in his remarks at the close of the liturgy.

"The love of Christ pushes us on" is inscribed in Latin on the cornerstone of the school building, he said. "The love of Christ and the hope of many have led us to this day, this 21st day of December, the shortest day of the year, when darkness stays late and daylight leaves early. On this day we have dedicated a light to stand against the darkness."

The new St. Jude Church is "a light, a beacon of hope and love, and a testament of faith for all of us in this neighborhood, for this part of the archdiocese, for the whole world," the pastor said.

"For this we are grateful, and for this we say, 'Thank you, Lord. Thanks for giving us the light of faith in our lives. Thanks for giving us the ability, determination and wherewithal to achieve our dream.' " †



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Holy Spirit is 'breath of God in all creation'

By Fr. Richard Rice, S.J.

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me." So Jesus dramatically begins his inaugural address in the synagogue of Nazareth. He unrolls the scroll of the prophet Isaiah until he comes to these consoling yet challenging words of Chapter 61.

The people initially are pleased at the eloquence of their native son, but quickly they begin to realize some of the implications of his choice of texts.

How is he going to bring good news to the poor, and how is he intending to free prisoners? Who does he think he is to claim he can heal the blind and call us to forgive all debts?

Soon they are rising up against him, but he walks right through the cowardly crowd and departs.

It is only Luke who is inspired to present this scene, a Gospel that we will hear proclaimed on the third Sunday of this year of Luke's Gospel.

Jesuit Father Joseph Fitzmyer, a noted authority on the writings of Luke, calls Luke the "evangelist of the Spirit."

In Luke's Gospel and in the Acts of the Apostles, the Spirit is always the initiative by which God is actively present in a creative and prophetic way.

It is so appropriate that Luke's Gospel accompany the church in this year of the Spirit.

In his apostolic letter on preparing for the year 2000, Pope John Paul II calls us to dedicate the year 1998 to the Holy Spirit and to the Spirit's presence, which is sanctifying, "within the community of Christ's disciples."

The Spirit is the breath of God that joins Father and Son, the breath that overflows in the giftedness of all creation, the breath that makes present in the church the "revelation brought by Christ to humanity."

The pope then outlines our tasks for this year of the Spirit, quoting Paul's words to the community of Corinth: "There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:4).

Our first task is to pray for the courage to claim our giftedness. Hope might be the theological virtue for this year, but fortitude is the moral virtue.

It takes great courage to walk between shame and low self-esteem on the one hand and pride on the other hand, and to acknowledge with Mary the truth: "God has done great things in my life."

Our second task is to name the specific gifts that God has given us and to confirm one another's gifts:

- Is wisdom my gift or is it understanding?
- Am I one who knows what is important, and do people come to me for counsel?
- Am I reverent toward all creation?
- Am I courageous in what I say and do?
- Do I have a solitary fear of giving God less than God deserves?

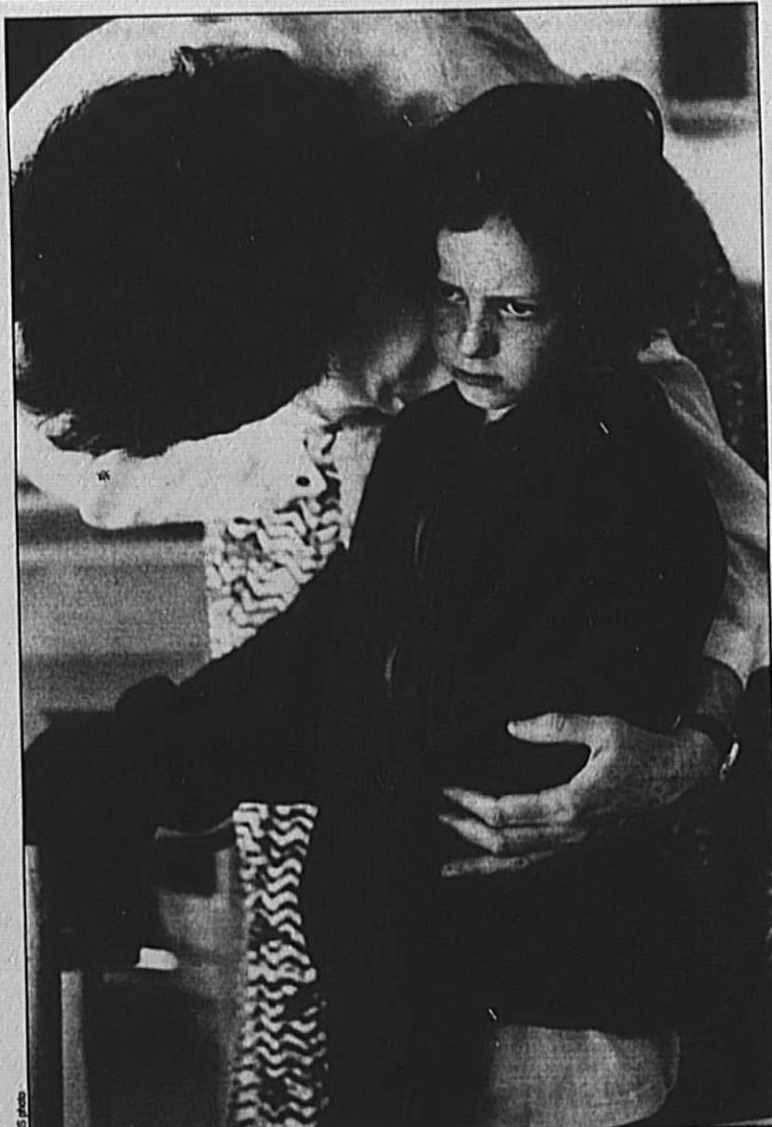
This inventory from Isaiah 11 is a beginning to our task of naming our gifts.

Our third task is to enlist our gifts in the mission of the Spirit. Again, the pope writes, "It is the Spirit who builds the kingdom of God within the course of history and prepares its full manifestation in Jesus Christ."

Our task is to discern where the Spirit is calling us to serve for the glory of God and the betterment of our sisters and brothers. We sift through the various movements within ourselves to learn where the Spirit is directing us.

The important questions in discernment are: What is the more loving choice? What will produce the deeper peace and harmony? What brings greater joy?

Noted author Frederick Buechner puts



Our spiritual tasks are to name the specific gifts that God has given us and to try to live out those gifts in daily life. It is important to practice wisdom, understanding and reverence toward all creation.

succinctly the graced location of the union between the Spirit and us in discernment: "The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet."

Few words are as popular today as "spirituality." But often the word comes to mean the self-centered search for whatever we deeply value in life or our quest to find meaning and purpose.

For Catholics, spirituality is our full response as persons to the person of the Holy Spirit, who so wants to be in communion with us. It is a union experienced in

the challenge of everyday life, from brushing one's teeth to welcoming one's children off the bus, to learning when to turn off the computer.

It is the union Jesus anticipated when he said, "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, that the Father will send in my name will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you" (John 15:26).

It is this union with the living God that we pray for in this year of the Spirit.

(Jesuit Father Richard Rice is a spiritual director with Loyola, a spiritual renewal resource in St. Paul, Minn.) †



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Discussion Point

When is the Spirit present?

This Week's Question

What question do you have about the Holy Spirit in Christian life?

"How do we know that the Spirit is present in our daily life when we see others suffering or having a difficult time? How does the Spirit influence us to be more Christlike in facing the decisions we see need to be made?" (Molly Doyle, Phoenix, Ariz.)

"The only question I have is that I don't completely understand the Spirit, and I wonder if there might be a better way to explain the movement of the Spirit in our lives. However, I feel the Holy Spirit is present." (Maxine Cooke, Pittsburgh, Pa.)

"Why isn't there more awareness among Christians

of—not just the gifts of the Holy Spirit, but the goods. By goods I mean compassion toward each other, acceptance, understanding, tolerance and mutual respect." (Janet Kistler, Phoenix, Ariz.)

"People of faith see the action of the Holy Spirit in their lives every day. Is there some way we can help others recognize the action of the Holy Spirit in their lives?" (Mary Kay Oberst, Rochester, N.Y.)

Lend Us Your Voice

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Perspectives

From the Editor Emeritus/John F. Fink

The world in Jesus' time

A The Christmas season is almost over, but as we were observing the birth of Jesus, it struck me that we don't often reflect on what the world was like when God decided to send his Son into the world to redeem us.



The Books of Maccabees, the last historical books in the Old Testament, end about the year 134 B.C. The First Book of Maccabees ends with the reign of John Hyrcanus, as both governor and high priest of the Jews. He was a member of the Maccabean family, the Hasmonians. He ruled until his death in 104 B.C. To maintain a semblance of independence for the Jewish state and to keep neighboring Syria in check, the Hasmonians made treaties with Rome, the world's superpower at the time.

The independent Judean state reached its greatest extent under John Hyrcanus's successor, Alexander Jannaeus. Alexander, though, was ruthless, much hated by his subjects, the Jews. About 90 B.C., the Pharisees tried to revolt, but Alexander put down the revolution with great savagery. He executed 800 of his opponents, crucifying them in Jerusalem. Crucifixion was a common form of execution at the time, not done solely by the Romans.

Alexander died in 76 B.C. He was succeeded by his wife Salome who, in turn, was succeeded by her son Hyrcanus in 67 B.C. At this point, Rome decided it was time to crush the independent states. The great general Pompey laid siege to Jerusalem for three months. It fell in 63 B.C. The Hasmonian empire was broken

up and Judea became a puppet of Rome. Hyrcanus remained in power but ruled only in name. The real ruler was his chief minister, Antipater—the father of Herod the Great.

At this point both Roman and Judean history get awfully messy. We're at the time of Julius Caesar, Antony and Cleopatra, Brutus and Cassius. Herod's father, Antipater, supported Julius Caesar and was rewarded for that support by being named procurator of Judea. Antipater, in turn, named his son Phasael governor of Jerusalem and Herod governor of Galilee. Then, Julius Caesar was murdered by Brutus and Cassius. In Judea, Antipater was murdered by his rivals. Then Brutus and Cassius were defeated by Mark Antony and Octavian. Herod supported Antony and his paramour Cleopatra. In return for that support, he was given the title *tetrarch*.

With civil wars raging within the Roman Empire, the Parthians invaded Judea. Herod fled south with his family. First he put his family and about 800 troops in the fortress of Masada, on a high hill near the Dead Sea, and continued on to Egypt. There he was welcomed by Queen Cleopatra, who made arrangements for him to go to Rome. There, with Antony on one side and Octavian on the other, Herod was named King of Judea. His first act was to offer sacrifice to Jupiter, something his Jewish subjects never forgot.

Herod then led an army to recapture Jerusalem. The Parthians were soon defeated, but Herod's Jewish rivals, the Hasmonians, now controlled Jerusalem. After a long siege and with the help of Roman soldiers, Herod took Jerusalem in the year 38 B.C.

Next week: Herod the Great. †

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The both/and approach

Evangelization ministry operates with a both/and, not an either/or approach.



About a month ago I participated in the Youth Certificate Program weekend on evangelization and catechesis. John Roberto, the leader for the session, noted that we already do much evangelization ministry instinctively,

but our challenge is to expand the intentional elements of our efforts.

As I listened to that observation, it struck me that there is something very Catholic about holding onto and developing both sides of a tension rather than just opting for one or the other. All we have to do is remember the early years in the life of the church when the battles raged between those who wanted to make Jesus either entirely human or entirely divine. Instead the consistent teaching of the church, which we affirm when we say the Creed each Sunday, is that Jesus is both God and man.

More recently a modern Protestant theologian warned his confreres to "beware the Catholic and." After all, the classic stance of the Reformation was faith alone, Scripture alone, grace alone. In contrast, we Catholics held out for faith and good works, Scripture and tradition, grace and nature.

So it is not surprising that we encounter something similar when we come to evangelization. I reviewed some of the documents like *Evangelization in the Modern World*, *Go and Make Disciples*, and *The Challenge of Catholic Youth Evangelization*. I also recalled workshops like John Roberto's and other talks and presentations I had heard. Here is a list I compiled from those sources:

Instinctive/Intentional
Witness/Proclamation
Implicit/Explicit
Personal/Public
Informal/Formal
Initial/Ongoing
Part of all Church Life/Specialized
Everyone Called/Trained Few
Evangelized/Re-evangelized
Hospitality/Outreach
Receiving/Giving
Waiting/Acting

Even though our Catholic tradition calls us to hold on to both sides of the tension, our human nature finds it difficult to maintain the balance. We may verbally affirm both, but in practice we often tend to favor one or the other.

The same kind of leaning to one side rather than the other has also been true of evangelization. If you look at the pairings above, we have tended to be stronger in the things listed on the left side of the slash rather than those listed on the right.

What the Second Vatican Council, Popes Paul VI and John Paul II, our American bishops and our own Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein have done is call us to a deeper realization that the issues on the right are a part of our Catholic identity, baptismal call and mission. And their call is not only to become aware, but also to act.

I have started making the rounds of deanery meetings. While there, I have been asking pastoral leaders to fill out a brief survey indicating what is happening with evangelization ministry in their parishes. Then during the rest of the Journey of Hope 2001, we will identify and put into practice several concrete ways of living the full range of our evangelizing mission. †

(Father Folzenlogen is coordinator of evangelization for the archdiocese.)

The Good Steward/Dan Conway

Stewardship and the new year

Every new year represents an opportunity to begin again. That's why we make new year's resolutions—in the hope that things will somehow be different during this new time.



Unfortunately, our new year's resolutions are rarely fulfilled automatically (or without effort). God gives us the grace to change, but we are responsible for accepting God's help and "letting go" of our old habits and ideas.

One of my new year's resolutions is to be a better steward. During 1998, I am resolved to be more grateful, more generous, more accountable and more successful at "giving back to God with increase." As a better steward, I hope that I will be more conscious of the ways I have been blessed, and, therefore, more willing to share my gifts and talents with others.

I want to be a more grateful person in the new year. No more self-pity (whatever the reasons) or giving in to doubt or despair. Saying "thank you" is the best way to restore (and maintain) my perspective. When I can count my blessings, and be truly thankful, I have absolutely no excuse for feeling sorry for myself.

During 1998, I want to do a better job of sharing my time, talent and treasure with others—especially my family, friends and co-workers. I honestly believe that generous people are the happiest people on earth.

In the new year, I resolve to be more accountable for my use of the gifts and talents God has given me. (More frequent confession—one of Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein's goals for Journey of

Hope 2001—would be very helpful here.) Accountability requires rigorous honesty. It also means paying attention to the consequences of my actions, not just my good intentions. True accountability is liberating. When I honestly render an account of my stewardship to God and another human being, I share some of the burden. And, invariably, I discover that I haven't been such a lousy steward after all.

Finally, in the coming year, I resolve to be more successful at "giving back to God with increase." This is the most elusive part of my new year's resolution, but it is probably the most important. I want to be more successful—not just in my career, but in all aspects of my personal and professional life. But this kind of success is not the result of hard work and entrepreneurial skill. It takes patience and it requires an extraordinary willingness to let go of my own ideas and instincts and let God's will become my driving force.

This is my new year's resolution. Can I do it? Or will my resolve to be a better steward end up like so many other unfulfilled hopes for the new year? I believe that, with God's help, I can be more grateful, more generous, more accountable and more successful at giving back to God with increase. But it won't happen unless I start now—to say thank you more frequently, to give more than I hope to receive in return, to be honest with myself and others, and to let God set my life's agenda. †

(Conway, director of stewardship and development for the Archdiocese of Chicago, is a consultant to the Archdiocese of Indianapolis for the capital and endowment campaign.)

Cornucopia/Cynthia Dewes

Let's get it right in 1998

It's 1998. We're starting a new year. And this time, we're going to get it right. Right?



This year we'll be 10, 20 or X pounds thinner. We'll have more hair in some areas and less in others. We'll have supple skin with no extra folds anywhere, and we'll be able to rollerblade, windsurf and bungee-jump with the best of them.

We will find work that provides professional satisfaction, moral uplift and appropriate compensation. We'll be wealthy enough to provide a good living for ourselves and our families, but responsible enough to share much of our prosperity with the poor.

We'll study hard and be rewarded with the skills necessary for true success. We'll meet the right person to love who, in turn, will love us for our fine character instead of our superficial beauty. Although, come to think of it, we'll all be beautiful.

Our children will be born without colic but with brains and good looks. They will mind us and be sweet to their siblings, grandparents and neighbor children. They'll love school and beg to go to Mass and regularly ask to help around the house.

As a community we will make friends with Fidel Castro and Saddam Hussein, who will turn out to be nice guys who are good to their moms and who clean their plates at every meal. Every nation will blow up all its nasty weapons at one huge United Nations (er) blast, and hold another celebration to bury whatever other bad

juju they've been hiding.

China will make Hong Kong the showcase of its brave new world, where peace and prosperity and political freedom will reign. African nations will also set up democratic regimes whose citizens will generate worthy Serengeti products for international delight and consumption.

Even the wolves in Yellowstone National Park will stick to its borders and not prey upon sheep at nearby ranches. Furthermore, the buffalo will roam and the deer and the antelope will play only where they're supposed to. Chickens will not produce the flu, and whether they're mad or not, cows won't produce tainted beef.

Modern technology will invent a system that automatically changes to "G"-rated programs whenever anyone under the age of 17 turns on the TV. Burly, mean-looking attendants will surround the entrances to movies, liquor stores and cigarette displays to assure similarly wholesome living for kids. The Disney Corporation's "evil twin" will cease production.

In fact, all commercial enterprises will replace greed as the bottom line in their endeavors. Employees will be given fair wages and benefits, good working conditions and respect. Employers will receive similar consideration. Advertising will be honest and all products will be safe and useful.

The arts will delight, instruct and edify their patrons. Music will transport its listeners to a place where the Holy Spirit dwells, as will painting, sculpture, architecture, poetry and whatever else human imagination can produce.

Yup, 1998 will be the year when we finally get it all right. †

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord/Msgr. Owen F. Campion

The Sunday Readings

Sunday, Jan. 11, 1998

- Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7
- Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38
- Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

The first reading for this great feast is from the second part of the Book of Isaiah.



This particular book of Scripture on four occasions develops in poetic style the image of a figure whom readers and scholars have called the "Suffering Servant."

This servant is everlastingly loyal to God, but he does not meet

the acceptance or even good will of his contemporaries. He is scorned by the world, indeed abused by the world. Yet he is constant in his faithfulness to God.

The first reading for this feast is typical of these four poems or songs. In Isaiah 42:1b, God says, "I have filled him with my spirit." It is an important prelude to the reading from Luke's Gospel that soon will follow in this Liturgy of the Word.

Reading "spirit" in the Hebrew Scriptures can be somewhat misleading. Ancient Hebrew philosophy had no philosophical concept of "body" and "soul," ideas about reality that were to come from the great Greek thinkers.

Rather, for the ancient Hebrews, "spirit" meant life itself. To pass spirit to another usually was a biological act, the procreation of another being by a parent.

It is clear in this understanding how close was the bond between God and the Servant. This bond prefigured the unity between God the Father and God the Son which was to be realized in the Incarnation of Jesus.

The second reading is from the Acts of the Apostles. A fascinating religious chronicle of the Christian community in its earliest stages, Acts inevitably places Peter in the role of spokesman for the apostles. This is not accidental. Jesus had commissioned Peter as the chief of the Twelve, and he was so honored.

In this reading, Peter proclaims Jesus as the "Lord of all," and he says that God anointed Jesus with the Holy Spirit. Again, this use of "Spirit" should be read in the appropriate context. It is not that God simply gave Jesus energy, but that God vested in Jesus the fullness of divinity and therefore of divine authority.

St. Luke's Gospel provides this feast's

liturgy with its Gospel reading. The story of the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River is a Synoptic tradition, one traditionally beloved by the church since it expresses the mission and identity of the Lord.

Baptism, as it occurs here, was a ritual cleansing. Critical in the process was the individual person's admission of sinfulness. Abandoning sin, and scoring sins in the past, the person intended to restore the luster of holiness which shined from communion with God.

Jesus was sinless. The story has its powerful message in the fact that the Lord fully identified with humanity and willingly associated even with sin. This did not render Jesus sinful; it underscored the Lord's role as the Redeemer of all.

Reflection

This feast, while celebrating a long revered moment in the life of Christ, is the direct result of the liturgical reform of the Second Vatican Council. For centuries it was always observed on Jan. 13, which was inevitably within the octave of the feast of the Epiphany of Jan. 6. As a result, attention to the baptism of Jesus, at least in the liturgy, was eclipsed by notice given the great event of the Epiphany.

The Vatican Council reforms not only strengthened this feast by giving it appropriate readings, but situated it on a Sunday so the entire Catholic community worldwide could celebrate, and ponder upon, its message.

First, the message reveals Jesus as Son of God. Upon Jesus, God bestowed the Holy Spirit. Jesus was God. Then, by voluntarily partaking in John's ceremony of ritual cleansing, Jesus revealed the role of Redeemer. He rescues us from our sins. It is the power, and finality, of God which save us from eternal death.

Key to understanding this mystery, and to being a part of it individually, is in the willingness of each of us personally to forsake sin and to follow the Lord.

While evidence for the baptism of infants exists in the New Testament, many Christians at the time this Gospel was written were adult-converts. The imagery in baptism of personally turning away from sin was powerful indeed. Thrilling was the thought that in this renunciation of sin was identification with Jesus.

This splendid feast, restored to its majesty by the Second Vatican Council, impresses upon us the fact that in Jesus we are redeemed if we personally accept the Lord. †

Daily Readings

Sunday, Jan. 11
The Baptism of the Lord
Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7
Psalm 29:1-4, 9-10
Acts 10:34-38
Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday, Jan. 12
1 Samuel 1:1-8
Psalm 116:12-19
Mark 1:14-20

Tuesday, Jan. 13
Hilary, bishop and doctor of the church
1 Samuel 1:9-20
(Response) 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-8
Mark 1:21b-28

Wednesday, Jan. 14
1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20
Psalm 40:2-5, 7-10
Mark 1:29-39

Thursday, Jan. 15
1 Samuel 4:1-11
Psalm 44:10-11, 14-15, 25-26
Mark 1:40-45

Friday, Jan. 16
1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22a
Psalm 89:16-19
Mark 2:1-12

Saturday, Jan. 17
Anthony, abbot
1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a
Psalm 19:8-10, 15
Mark 2:13-17

Question Corner/Fr. John Dietzen

Mary may have died in Ephesus or Jerusalem

Q I am deeply interested in the life of Mary and realize not much information is available about her after the Pentecost.



I've been to the Holy Land twice. Most recently our tour guide told us Mary died in her deathbed, with family and friends around her, as she had requested. He told us she was buried

near Nazareth, but he was not at liberty to say where.

Later I watched the film *Mary of Nazareth* on television. We were told that when Mary was about 12 years old, a male suitor was sought for her. Out of 10 who answered the call, she chose Joseph after he offered her a precious stone.

I was also shocked to learn that Mary had two more sons and two daughters after Jesus. Can you clarify these points? (California)

to rely on television programs for accurate portrayals of religious matters. TV programs often present much that is interesting and helpful, but with few exceptions the people involved are not well-versed in Catholic or other Christian matters, so occasional big mistakes are not surprising.

Long-time Christian traditions, incidentally, place Mary's death either in Ephesus, which may have been the home of John the Evangelist in his later years, or in Jerusalem. I know of no tradition that indicates she died in Nazareth.

It is Catholic teaching that Mary had no other children than Jesus. The Gospels speak of his brothers and sisters, but those passages have other good meanings. I've explained that in previous columns.

Q During the Stations of the Cross and other prayers, we say, "We adore Thee, O Christ, and we bless Thee."

I can't understand what talent or ability I have to bless Christ. Isn't it wrong to say we bless Christ or God? (Illinois)

A In a way it is wrong. The Latin word *Abenedicere* usually means to bless, in the commonly understood sense, and to communicate life or some other good to another. It also, however, may mean to thank someone, or to acknowledge another's power and goodness.

The phrase "Blessed be God," for example, which we find often in the psalms and in the New Testament, is a prayer of praise and recognition of the goodness of God, and of the benefits he has bestowed on us. The phrase carries the same meaning in our prayers.

Q In your recent column about references to Jesus Christ in early nonbiblical literature, you do not name the Roman historian Tacitus, last heard of about 114 A.D. He speaks of the Christians, whose "founder, one Christus, was put to death by the procurator Pontius Pilate when Tiberius was emperor" (*Annals XV 44*). Tacitus was about one generation earlier than Suetonius, whom you do mention. (Illinois)

A I'm grateful to a priest, classmate and professor of Latin literature for this information.

(Send questions for this column to Father John Dietzen, Holy Trinity Church, 704 N. Main St., Bloomington, Ill. 61701.) †

My Journey to God

The Desert Exults

The desert exults
wide plains rejoice
trees of the forest sing
bright stars of night
bow in delight
the Glory of God seen

Come to the Child
bring pain and need
Come to the Child
where fear and sorrow flee
Come as a little child
join Perfect Joy and Peace

Small hands reach high
worn knees stand firm
captive hearts beat free
anxious minds know
hopes longer than long ago
at last new and evergreen

By Mike Russo



(Mike Russo is a member of St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Bloomington.)

The Active List

The Criterion welcomes announcements for "The Active List" of parish and church-related activities open to the public. Please keep them brief, listing event, sponsor, date, time and location. No announcements can be taken by telephone. No pictures, please. Notices must be in our offices by 10 a.m. on Monday of 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.

January 10

Terre Haute Deanery Pastoral Council will sponsor "We're Having a Party," noon-2:30 p.m. at the Sacred Heart, Terre Haute Holy Family Center. Join the group for an afternoon of prayer, eating and playing together. For information, call 812-232-8400.

January 11

St. Anthony Parish, 379 N. Warman Ave., Indianapolis, will hold a Euchre Party at 1 p.m. Door prizes and refreshments. Presented by the Altar Society.

January 13

St. Louis De Montfort Parish, 11441 Hague Rd., Fishers, will hold a Catholic Charismatic Mass, with Fr. Don Eder, 7 p.m. For information, call Michael Behan, 317-842-7151.

St. Augustine Chapel and Little Sisters of the Poor, Indianapolis, 2345 W. 86th St., will hold a prayer service, 7:30 p.m. All are welcome.

January 13-February 24

Terre Haute Deanery Pastoral

Center will present "Divorce and Beyond," a seven week program for men and women in the "mourning state" of divorce to be held at the pastoral center, 2931 Ohio Blvd., 7 p.m.-9 p.m. Cost: \$20.00. For information, call 812-232-8400.

January 14-30

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College faculty will display its works during the 1998 Faculty Art Exhibition in room 132 of Hulman Hall. Opening celebration will be on Jan. 14 at 7 p.m. The gallery will be open daily Mon.-Thurs. and from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Information: 812-535-5137.

January 16

Young Adults of the Terre Haute Deanery will get together for "Game Night," ages 21-35, married or single, 7:30 p.m. at St. Joseph University Parish, 5th & Ohio Sts. For information, call 812-232-8400.

January 16-18

Terre Haute Deanery will hold "I Want to Live" retreat for all high school youth. Cost:

\$55.00. For information, call Janet Roth, 812-535-3391.

January 16

Couple to Couple League will be teaching natural family planning, a series of four classes beginning 7:00 p.m. at Holy Name Parish, 89 N. 17th Ave., Beech Grove. For information, call David or Jan Caito, 317-862-3848.

Recurring

Daily

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College Art Gallery, Saint-Mary-of-the-Woods, will present an exhibition of Jan Tenenbaum's primitive printmaking techniques entitled "Sources." For information, call 812-535-5212.

St. Patrick Parish, Indianapolis, will hold a Tridentine Low Mass (Latin), 8:00 a.m.

Weekly

Sundays

St. Patrick Parish, Indianapolis, will hold a Tridentine High Mass (Latin), 1:30 p.m.

St. John the Apostle Parish, Bloomington, will host the series "St. John of the Cross: An Introduction to His Thoughts and Writings," presented by Father Dan Donohoo, 7-9 p.m. For information, call 812-339-6006.

Holy Rosary Parish,

Indianapolis, 520 Stevens St., will host the series "Rosary as a Walk with Jesus and Mary," presented by Providence Sr. Mary Slattery, 4 p.m.

Tuesdays

Our Lady of the Greenwood Marian Prayer group will meet, 7-8 p.m. in the chapel to pray the rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

St. Luke Parish, Indianapolis, Single Adults Group will meet in the parish reception room, 7:30-8:30 p.m. For information, call 317-299-9545

St. Joseph Parish, Sellersburg, 2605 St. Joe Rd. West, Shepherds of Christ Associates will pray for priests and religious, the rosary, the litanies to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and Chaplet of Divine Mercy following 7 p.m. Mass.

Wednesdays

"Wednesdays at the Woods" for prospective students at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods. For information, call 812-535-5106 or 800-926-SMWC.

St. Francis Hospital & Health Care Centers, Greenwood, 438 S. Emerson Ave., will offer a bereavement support group to meet every Wednesday beginning Jan. 14 through Feb. 18, afternoon and evening sessions available. Must register prior to meetings. For information, call 317-865-2092.

Thursdays

St. Lawrence Parish, Indianapolis, will have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel, 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mass.

St. Mary Parish, New Albany, Shepherds of Christ Associates will gather, 7 p.m. to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life and lives centered in consecration to Jesus and Mary.

St. Francis Hospital & Health Centers will offer Caterpillar Kids, a bereavement support group for children ages 5-12, to meet on Thursdays, Jan. 29-March 5, 4:00-5:30 p.m. at Christ United Methodist Church, 8540 U.S. 31 S. Cost: Free. Space is limited, so call early. For information, call 317-865-2092.

Fridays

St. Susanna Parish, Plainfield,

1210 E. Main, will hold adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

St. Lawrence Parish, Indianapolis, will have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel every Friday, 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mass. Benediction before Mass.

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

Saturdays

A pro-life rosary will be prayed every Saturday, 9:30 a.m. in front of the Clinic for Women, E. 38th St. and Parker Ave., Indianapolis.

Monthly

First Sundays

St. Paul Parish, Sellersburg, prayer group will meet in the church, 7-8:15 p.m. For information, call 812-246-4555 or 812-246-9735.

First Tuesdays

Divine Mercy Chapel, Indianapolis, next to Cardinal Ritter High School, will hold Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, 7:30 p.m. Confession is at 6:45 p.m.

First Fridays

Holy Guardian Angels Parish, Cedar Grove, 405 U. S. 52, will have eucharistic adoration after 8 a.m. Mass until 5 p.m.

St. Roch Parish, Indianapolis, 3600 S. Pennsylvania St., will hold First Friday vigil adoration, 7-8 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Indianapolis, 5333 E. Washington St., will hold a Sacred Heart devotion, 7-8 p.m.

St. Thomas Parish, Fortville,

will celebrate Mass and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 6:30 p.m., followed by discussion of the Eucharist.

SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral Council and Court #191 of the Knights and Ladies of Peter Claver will sponsor the First Friday rosary, 5:15 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, 1347 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis.

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

St. Joseph Parish, Sellersburg, 2605 St. Joe Rd. West, will hold First Friday eucharistic adoration following 8 a.m. Mass til noon.

Sacred Heart Parish, Indianapolis, 1530 Union St., will hold exposition of Blessed Sacrament following 8 a.m. Mass, closing with Benediction at 5:15 p.m.

First Saturdays

St. Nicholas Parish, Sunman, will have 8 a.m. Mass, praise and worship music followed by the Fatima Rosary. Monthly SACRED Gathering will follow in the parish school.

Apostolate of Fatima will hold holy hour, 2 p.m. in Little Flower Chapel, 13th & Bosart, Indianapolis.

Our Lady of the Greenwood Church, 335 S. Meridian St., will hold devotions starting with Mass at 8 a.m. followed by the rosary and the sacrament of reconciliation.

Second Wednesdays

The archdiocesan Family Life Office, Natural Family Planning Classes, will meet at the O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meri-

—See ACTIVE LIST, page 19

Yes! The Lord has been good to me, and I want to share with others.

I know my gift will help those in need even after I am gone.

It's easy to say

I bequeath to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, 1400 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, the sum of _____ for its work with the poor in our country and throughout the world.

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dian St., Indianapolis, 7:30 p.m.
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Second Thursdays

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Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. at the home
of Millie and Jim Komro. For

information, call 317-257-1073
or 317-845-8133.

Third Mondays

Young Widowed Group, spon-
sored by the archdiocesan Family
Life Office will meet at St.
Matthew Parish, 4100 E. 56th St.,

Indianapolis, 7:30 p.m. Child care
available. For information, call
317-236-1586.

Third Wednesdays

Catholic Widowed Organization
will meet, 7-9:30 p.m. at the
O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400
N. Meridian St., Indianapolis. For
information, call 317-887-9388.

Calvary Cemetery Chapel,
Indianapolis, 435 W. Troy Ave.,
Mass, 2 p.m.

Our Lady of Peace Cemetery
and Mausoleum, Indianapolis,
9001 N. Haverstick Rd., Mass,
2 p.m.

Third Thursdays

Sacred Heart Parish, Indianapolis,

1530 Union St., will hold Family
Rosary Night, 7 p.m.

Third Saturdays

The archdiocesan Pro-Life Office
and St. Andrew Parish,
Indianapolis, 3922 E. 38th St.,
will have a Mass for Life, 8:30
a.m., followed by a prayerful
walk to the abortion clinic at
2951 E. 38th St. to pray the

rosary, returning to St. Andrew
for the Benediction.

Bingos

MONDAY: Our Lady of Lourdes,
6:30 p.m.; TUESDAY: K of C
Council 437, 1305 N. Delaware,
11 a.m.; St. Michael, 6 p.m.; St.
Malachy, Brownsburg, 5:30 p.m.;
Msgr. Sheridan K of C Council
6138, Johnson Co., 6:15 p.m.; St.
Pius X K of C Council 3433, 6
p.m.; K of C, 1040 N. Post Rd., 9
a.m.-noon. WEDNESDAY: St.
Anthony, 6:30 p.m.; K of C
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5:45 p.m. THURSDAY: Msgr.
Downey K of C Council 3660,
5:30 p.m.; Holy Family K of C,
American Legion Post 500, 1926
Georgetown Rd., 6:30 p.m.; FRI-
DAY: St. Christopher, Indian-
apolis, 6:30 p.m.; Holy Name,
Beech Grove, 5:30 p.m. SATUR-
DAY: K of C Council 437, 1305
N. Delaware, 4:30 p.m. SUN-
DAY: St. Ambrose, Seymour, 4
p.m.; Ritter High School, 6 p.m.;
Msgr. Sheridan K of C Council
6138, Johnson Co., first Sunday of
each month, 1:15 p.m.

OBITS

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great-grandmother, and great-
great-grandmother.

SCHMIDT, Naomi C., 90, Our
Lady of Greenwood, Greenwood,
Dec. 21. Sister of Eunice Moxley.

SCHNEIDER, Eleanor, 92,
St. Mary, Rushville, Dec. 20.
Mother of Kenneth, Marvin,
William Schneider. Half-sister
of Harry, Arthur, Robert
Hilbert, Rosetta Weiler. Aunt
of three nephews.
Grandmother of 12. Great-
grandmother of 24.

SCHULTE, Clarence H., 76,
St. Mary, Greensburg, Dec.
30. Brother of Martha
Blankman. Uncle of several
nieces and nephews.

SELM, Lee Edward "Bus,"
74, St. Mary, Rushville, Jan.
2. Husband of Helenrose
(Hoelker) Selm. Father of
Frederick J., William L. Selm,

Mary Alice Kaiser, Joan
Bertermann, Rosemarie Rigos.
Brother of John A. Selm.
Grandfather of nine.

SHUGERT, Geneva May
(Taylor), 65, Our Lady of the
Greenwood, Greenwood, Dec.
16. Mother of William, James
Shugert. Sister of Jim, Art
Taylor, Mary Ann Lindamold,
Clara Waddock, Martha
Mathers. Grandmother of one.
Step-grandmother of three.
Step-great-grandmother of
three.

SIEFERT, John A., 64,
St. Louis, Batesville, Jan. 2.
Brother of Jerome Siefert,
Marcia Belter, Dorothy
Harmeyer, Joan Fritsch.

SPRIGLER, Gertrude, 81,
St. Mary-of-the-Knobs, Floyds
Knobs, Dec. 24. Mother of
Sylvia Krue, Joan Ruff,
Cecilia Schindler, Priscilla
Meek, Roy, August, Meinrad,
Daniel, Simon, Christopher
Sprigler. Sister of Margaret
Cissel, Catherine Didat.

Grandmother of 39. Great-
grandmother of 14.

SPRIGLER, Joseph L., 86,
St. John, Starlight, Dec. 26.
Husband of Marcella E.
Sprigler. Father of Robert J.
"Bob", David, Gene, David,
Sprigler, Betty Krue,
Carolyn Senn, Darlene
Stumler. Brother of Wolford
"Oscar", Robert "Pete"
Sprigler, Minnie Larson, Jane
Naville, Ann Eckert.
Grandfather of 19.

STEEB, Robert L., 64,
St. Patrick, Indianapolis, Dec.

5. Brother of Paul, Josephine
Steeb, Rosemary Thiel.

STEVENSON, Cecelia K.
(Parry), 98, Our Lady of the
Greenwood, Greenwood,
Dec. 2. Stepmother of
Richard L. Stevenson.
Grandmother of three.

STOWERS, Permelia Ann,
92, St. Bernadette,
Indianapolis, Dec. 4. Mother
of Sally White, Lydia Percy,
Marsha Dodds, Mary Essary,
James Bennett. Grandmother
of 12. Great-grandmother of
several. Great-great-grand-

mother of several.

SWEENEY, Vivian, 86,
St. Patrick, Indianapolis, Dec.
6. Mother of James Sweeney,
Shannon Kikendall, Kathleen
Murphy.

WIRTHWEIN, Stella, 98,
St. Boniface, Fulda, Dec. 11.
Aunt of several nieces and
nephews.

WOLFE, JoAnn (Suddeth), 64,
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News briefs

U.S.

March to feature three central to Roe, Doe decisions

WASHINGTON (CNS)—Three people who played key roles in lifting state restrictions on abortions in 1973 will speak at the 1998 March for Life on Jan. 22 about why they now support the pro-life cause. Dr. Bernard Nathanson, a founder of what is now the National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League, or NARAL, will be joined on the podium by Norma McCorvey, the "Roe" in *Roe v. Wade*, and Sandra Cano, who was "Jane Doe" in the *Doe v. Bolton* case. "It's interesting that they're all now on our side," said Nellie Gray, who has, for the past 24 years, organized the march from the Ellipse to the Capitol and the Supreme Court. The theme of the 25th anniversary march will be "His Truth Keeps Marching On."

Early abortion techniques said to minimize human life

WASHINGTON (CNS)—A new technique that makes abortions possible as early as eight days after conception was criticized as "Planned Parenthood's attempt to minimize the moral significance of abortion." Helen Alvaré, spokeswoman for the U.S. bishops' Secretariat for Pro-Life

Activities, said that by describing the new procedure as less noisy, less costly and quicker than the more common type of abortion, its advocates are trying to downplay that the technique still ends a human life. The technique was described in news stories just a few days before Christmas. Its inventor, Dr. Jerry Edwards, medical director at Planned Parenthood in Houston, said he has been using the procedure since about 1989 in his private practice. The procedure uses a hand-held syringe to remove the embryo, rather than the vacuum pump used in more typical abortions.

In first Denver pastoral, prelate urges new evangelization

DENVER (CNS)—As the Catholic Church prepares for the third Christian millennium, evangelization must be its primary mission, said Denver Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., in a Christmas Eve pastoral letter. And this evangelization must be animated by the "passionate missionary zeal" of Jesus' first disciples, he said. The archbishop, who was installed in Denver April 7, released his first pastoral letter to Denver Catholics—titled "Good News of Great Joy"—in the Dec. 24 issue of the *Denver Catholic Register*, the archdiocesan newspaper.

World

Priest urges prayer, dialogue following Northern Ireland murders

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (CNS)—At the funeral of a

Catholic man killed in Northern Ireland in retaliation for a loyalist paramilitary leader's murder, the priest urged mourners to pray and dialogue for peace. "The way forward for all of us is through prayer and dialogue. We gain nothing by opposing things, we gain nothing by condemning things. I am appealing for prayer and forgiveness," said Father Seamus Rice at the funeral of Seamus Dillon, former prisoner and member of the outlawed Irish Republican Army.

In New Year message, Israeli president optimistic about peace

JERUSALEM (CNS)—In his annual New Year greeting to Christian leaders, Israeli President Ezer Weizman once again expressed his optimism in the peace process despite the current stall in the talks. "Despite the fact that we are now in a bit of a crisis (with the Palestinians), I believe we shall overcome (this)," he said to Christian leaders at the annual presidential reception Dec. 30.

Vatican newspaper pays tribute to 66 slain missionaries

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—The Vatican newspaper paid tribute to 66 missionaries slain in 1997, saying their "heroic sacrifice" was a prophetic witness for our age. "As the second millennium approaches, the church has become increasingly a church of martyrs. This is a fact that shakes consciences," said the newspaper, *L'Osservatore Romano*, in its Dec. 31 edition. In a full-page feature, the paper ran brief biographies of those killed, including U.S. Jesuit Father Thomas Gafney, who was murdered Dec. 14 in

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Pope speaks to Assisi's homeless

ASSISI, Italy (CNS)—On a one-day visit to Assisi and other earthquake-damaged towns in central Italy, Pope John Paul II brought words of encouragement to the homeless and prodded the government to embark quickly on reconstruction.

Standing on a porch of the partly ruined Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi Jan. 3, the pope prayed for the four men killed when a section of the church's ceiling collapsed in a tremor last September. Then he urged people of the region to look ahead and work together on a rebuilding program.

"Now that the emergency phase is over, the reconstruction phase begins," he said to applause from thousands who packed a square in front of the Franciscan friary.

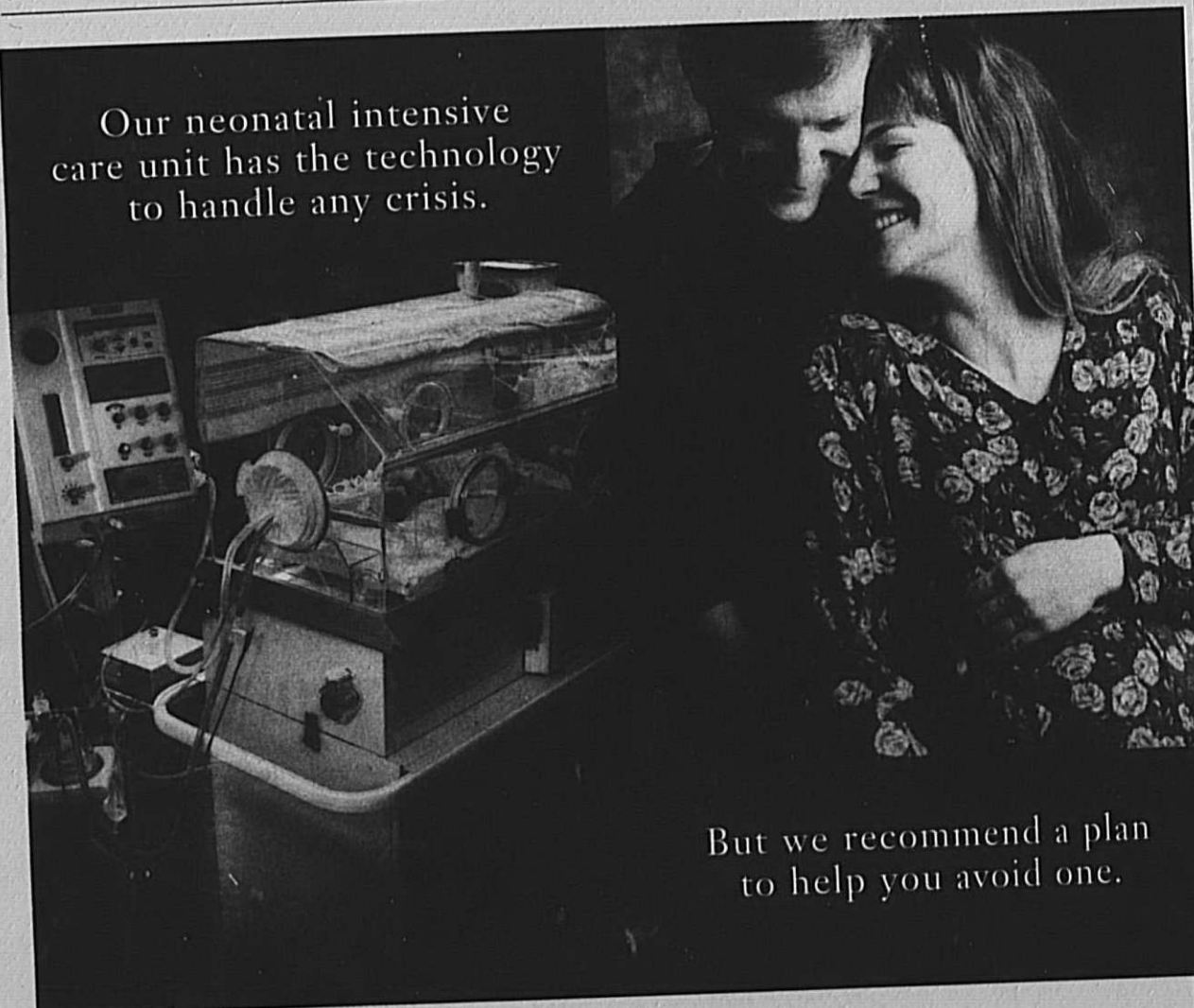
"I hope it can all be completed in a short time, so that this panorama of cities and towns which today is marked by rubble and ruined roads can return to its suggestive beauty," he said.

Standing at the pope's side was Italian Prime Minister Romano Prodi, whose government has promised that rebuilding will begin in spring throughout the region. Some \$30 million in government funds has been earmarked for the basilica, but Franciscan officials said the upper church, noted for its 13th- and 14th-century frescoes, was unlikely to reopen before the fall of 1999.

The pope began his visit in the hillside village of Annifo, which was leveled by the twin quakes last fall.

The 77-year-old pontiff, who looked and sounded good on a sunny day, spent more than half an hour moving slowly through the crowd of townspeople, shaking hands, offering a blessing and kissing the heads of children.†

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Pope visits quake victims

Pope John Paul II greets people in the town of Annifo, where just seven houses were left standing after strong earthquakes in October.

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Nepal. The list also included a group of 40 young Burundi seminarians slain in April by Hutu guerrillas, as well as eight priests and three nuns from Rwanda killed in ethnic violence in February in Zaire. One bishop was killed in 1997, Bishop Benjamin de Jésus, apostolic vicar of Jolo in the Philippines.

Catholic Council of India decries negative effects of globalization

BANGALORE, India (CNS)—The Catholic Council of India has decried the negative effects of globalization, saying that opening the country's economy to foreign investments and markets has further impoverished the poor. The Catholic council, a national body representing all sections of the church, says globalization has widened the gap between the rich and the poor, reported UCA News, an Asian church news agency based in Thailand. At its mid-December meeting in Bangalore, the council urged the church to go beyond material development, to help people "discover their own capacities for development and liberation," and to call people to greater responsibility in society.

People

Pope rings out 1997 with 'Te Deum' prayer service

ROME (CNS)—Pope John Paul II rang out 1997 with a "Te Deum," a song of thanksgiving to God, for what he termed a religious reawakening in the city of Rome. In a Dec. 31 prayer service at the Jesuit Church of St. Ignatius in downtown Rome, the pontiff said he thought recent efforts to carry the Gospel message door-to-door in the Eternal City were working. He particularly praised the actions of some 12,000 lay Catholics who distributed copies of St. Mark's Gospel to Roman families throughout the year.

Weather-wise monk turns his eyes to the skies

SUBIACO, Ark. (CNS)—"Listen!" Benedictine Brother Anselm Allen hears a flock of geese approaching overhead and looks skyward. He's also scanning the clouds for signs of further drenching. The Subiaco weather data statistician goes out every morning at 7 a.m., again at noon and at 7 p.m. when it rains to check the precipitation, caught in a cylindrical container on the Subiaco Abbey grounds. This information he turns in to the National Weather Service office in Little Rock. He's done this service as a volunteer weather observer faithfully for more than 35 years.

Jesuit honored as one of 1997's outstanding Filipinos

NAGA CITY, Philippines (CNS)—Jesuit Father Raul Bonoan has been honored as one of 1997's outstanding Filipinos for his work in education and community development in Bicol, one of the Philippine's poorer regions. "The education of the poor has remained close to [Father Bonoan's] heart, for which he tirelessly solicits support," read the citation of the Philippine Jaycees Senate, reported UCA News, an Asian church news agency based in Thailand. "His dynamic leadership in educational associations has challenged Bicol schools to achieve academic excellence," it also said. Father Bonoan, 62, was the only religious among six men and women honored in early December. †

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ANDERSON, Robert, 77, St. Andrew, Richmond, Dec. 10. Husband of Martha Anderson. Father of Michael, Mark, Cheryl, Kim Anderson, Denise Coning, Karen Arthur, Roberta Dixon, Jeanne Wright. Sister of Andy, John Anderson. Grandfather of 18. Great-grandfather of two.

BAXTER, Donald Ray, 39, St. John, Starlight, Dec. 21. Son of Virginia Lee Baxter. Brother of Richard L., David W. Baxter. Stepfather of Angela, Christina Sinex. Uncle of Michael Baxter.

BERTRAM, Charles, 86, St. Mary, North Vernon, Dec. 13. Husband of Mary Louise (Miller) Bertram. Father of Jeanine Berkshire, Marjorie Bott, Judy Powell, Sharie Euler, Rose Ann Smith. Grandfather of 13. Great-grandfather of 19.

BIEVER, Charles L., 74, St. Paul, Tell City, Nov. 30. Brother of Edward, Joseph, Alois, Sister Benita Biever.

BRIDGETTS, Robert F., 71, St. Bartholomew, Columbus, Dec. 10. Husband of Patricia Bridgetts. Father of Kevin, Christopher, Kathryn, Elizabeth, Eileen, Amy Bridgetts, Marissa Sindelar. Son of Harry Bridgetts and Lucy

Watson. Brother of Donald J., Sr. Mary Lucille Bridgetts.

BROOKS, Raymond N., 79, Christ the King, Indianapolis, Dec. 18. Father of Barbara Johnson, Linda Hendrix, Katherine Meyer, Brenda McCurdy, Sherry Sellmer. Grandfather of 13. Great-grandfather of five.

BULLEIT, Lorraine Albin, 93, St. Mary, New Albany, Dec. 12. Mother of Louis A. Bulleit, Patricia Madden. Grandmother of 18. Great-grandmother of five.

BURKE, Ellen A., 88, St. Mary, North Vernon, Dec. 12.

COOPER, Cleo E., 75, Our Lady of the Springs, French Lick, Dec. 28. Father of Gary Cooper, Peggy Gontar. Brother of Estel, Oliver Cooper, Elva Goller, Elsie Jones, Grace Stewart. Grandfather of four. Great-grandfather of seven. Friend of Emma Merchand.

CONROY, Patia, 81, St. Mary's, Rushville, Dec. 11. Mother of James Conroy, Kathleen Leahy. Grandmother of five.

CROSSEN, Dana Lee, 90, St. Monica, Indianapolis, Dec. 18. Mother of James, Denita, Barbara Crossen. Grandmother of 12. Great-grandmother of three.

DEMMER, Mable M., 85, Our Lady of the Greenwood, Dec. 3. Mother of Margaret Pirillo, Ann Stuart. Sister of Theodore Strange. Grandmother of three. Great-grandmother of two.

DIDELOT, Emma, 87, St. Mary-of-the-Knobs, Floyds Knobs, Dec. 13. Wife of Frank Didelot. Mother of James, Robert, Edward Didelot, Mary Ellen Koopman, Dorothy A.

Kruer. Sister of Marguerite Bezy. Grandmother of 16. Great-grandmother of 15.

DOLAN, Paul Joseph, 77, Holy Family, New Albany, Dec. 15. Husband of Florence Dolan. Father of Stephanie Knight. Stepfather of Robert, David, Gary Witten. Brother of William Thompson, Frank, Carl Dolan, Catherine Thompson. Grandfather of five. Great-grandfather of one.

DURBIN, Donald Leo, 70, St. Pius, Indianapolis, Dec. 19. Husband of Lois (Fischer) Durbin. Father of Steve, Greg Durbin, Maureen Strothmann. Grandfather of four.

DYKHUIZEN, Joseph M., 33, Immaculate Heart, Indianapolis, Dec. 19. Husband of Valerie Dykhuizen. Father of Connor Dykhuizen. Son of Donald R., Carolyn Dykhuizen. Brother of Amy S. Dykhuizen. Grandson of Ralph E. Dykhuizen, H. R. Surface, Dorothy Surface.

EDER, Charles D. "Chuck", 91, Annunciation, Brazil, Dec. 7. Father of Thomas J. Sr., Denny, Pat, Tim, Kevin, Rick, Brian Eder, Cathy Medley, Joanie Bryan, Bridget Pugh. Brother of Anna Harshbarger, Mary Thomas, Jim Eder. Grandfather of 47. Great-grandfather of 25.

FADDA, Carol, 61, St. Agnes, Nashville, Dec. 28. Wife of Tony Fadda. Mother of Betsy O'Neal, Cindy Misch.

FENWICK, Clarence, 76, St. Mary-of-the-Knobs, Floyds Knobs, Dec. 16. Brother of Louise McClain, Mildred Redford, Sophia Freeman.

FOROUD, Karim Dr., 82, Immaculate Heart of Mary, Indianapolis, Dec. 3. Husband of Marianne (Baumgart) Foroud. Father of Kristina, Tatiana Foroud. Grandfather of three.

FOSNOT, Jeffery Eugene, 29, St. Bernadette, Indianapolis, Nov. 18. Father of Chelsey R. Fosnot. Son of Ronald E. and Susan

(Davis) Fosnot. Brother of Amy Jo Baugh. Grandson of Ruth Davis and Elmer Fosnot.

FRIEDMAN, Cletus F., 80, St. Joseph Hill, Sellersburg, Dec. 28. Husband of Mary L. Friedman. Father of Jackie Baumann, Brenda Kruer, Becky Gettlefinger, Michelle Kirchgessner. Brother of Edwin, Raymond Friedman, Elvira Denu, Lorena Zehr, Martina Stricher. Grandfather of 10. Great-grandfather of four.

GILBERT, Allen, 52, St. Gabriel, Connersville, Dec. 28. Father of Jeff Gilbert, Melissa Purcell. Son of Bertha Gilbert. Brother of Beverly Housman. Grandfather of three.

GODSEY, Frances G., St. Vincent de Paul, Bedford, Dec. 19. Mother of Phillip Godsey, Camille Underwood. Grandmother of three. Great-grandmother of three.

GOEBEL, Walter, 64, Annunciation, Brazil, Dec. 12. Husband of Sandy (Saul) Goebel. Father of Walter M. Goebel, Greg, Mike Short, Rita Smith, Nancy Short, Barbara Trigg, Diana Moss, Theresa Sawyer. Grandfather of 10.

GOFFINET, Laura P., 89, St. Isidore, Bristow, Dec. 10. Mother of Mary Catherine Hagedorn, Ann Ford, Ferd, Leonard Goffinet. Grandmother of 29. Great-grandmother of 57. Great-grandmother of five.

HEID, Willma M., 94, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, Dec. 15. Grandfather of three. Great-grandfather of five. Great-grandmother of two.

HENSON, Helen (Bogges), 79, Prince of Peace, Madison, Dec. 13. Mother of Jeanette Hertz, Mary Carol Lorton, Sally McKenna, Susan Burke, Mike Scarff. Sister of Hugh Overton Bogges. Grandmother of 25. Great-grandmother of 28.

HOFFBAUER, John J., 85, St. Gabriel, Connersville, Dec. 31. Husband of Florence. Father of Robert, Ralph, Albert, Michael, William Hoffman. Grandfather of 10. Great-grandfather of several great-grandchildren.

HOWE, Brenda M., 52, St. Susanna, Plainfield, Nov. 29. Mother of Mark A. Howe, Lynn Stebbins. Sister of Amos Delaisse, Alma Lutgring. Grandmother of three.

HOWE, John W., 54, St. Susanna, Plainfield, Nov. 29. Father of Mark A. Howe, Lynn Stebbins. Brother of Bernard Lahee, Jim, Pat Howe, Shirley Stanley, Norma Young. Grandfather of three.

KONERDING, Barbara M., 93, St. Boniface, Fulda, Dec. 11. Mother of Rita Kunkler, Ralph L. Konering. Grandmother of 13. Great-grandmother of 21.

KRAMER, Christine M., 83, St. Mary, Rushville, Dec. 19. Mother of Ralph, Bob, Bill Kramer, Marilyn Huseland, JoAnn Fischer. Sister of Joseph Mauer, Hilda Grote, Pauline Muckerheide, Mildred Mauer. Grandmother of 12. Great-grandmother of nine.

KULWICKI, Ernest, 69, St. Mary-of-the-Knobs, Floyds Knobs, Dec. 13. Husband of Margie J. Stager. Father of Chris, Dale, Steve, Bruce Kulwicki. Brother of Frank, David Kulwicki. Grandfather of four.

LENZ, Paul J., 75, St. Joseph, Indianapolis, Dec. 26. Uncle of several nieces and nephews.

LIELAND, Betty E., 78, St. Mary, Rushville, Dec. 25. Mother of James Lieland, Joann Gorrell, Barbara VanHuss. Grandmother of five. Great-grandmother of three.

MANNA, Anna, 51, St. Joseph, St. Leon, Dec. 5. Daughter of Petronilla Manna. Sister of Rev. Louis Manna.

MASON, Eldean R., 96, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, Dec. 9. Father of Barbara Boucher. Grandfather of three. Great-grandfather of five.

McLAUGHLIN, Charles M. "Mugsy", 85, Prince of Peace, Madison, Dec. 14. Father of Sharon Groseclose. Brother of Emily Brooks. Grandfather of three. Great-grandfather of two.

METZ, Constance "Connie", 64, St. Gabriel, Connersville, Dec. 22. Wife of Thomas Metz. Mother of Terrance Metz. Sister of Jerome, Mark Prickel, Franciscan Sister Mary Luke Metz, Marcia Werner. Grandmother of two.

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Dianne (Theodore), 48, St. Rita, Indianapolis, Dec. 20. Wife of Robert Mitchell. Daughter of Mack Theodore. Sister of Mary George.

NEVILLE, Robert, 76, St. Matthew, Indianapolis, Dec. 8. Husband of Rebecca (Rasmussen) Neville. Father of Rebecca Lapp, Margaret Rude, Robert P., Paul J. Neville. Brother of Peggy Burkehead. Grandfather of seven.

NUNLIST, Bernadina Amelia, 72, Holy Family, Oldenburg, Dec. 23. Mother of Richard, Victor, Edward, Ella Nunlist, Edith Simmermeyer, Ethel White. Sister of Herman J. Suttman. Grandmother of 11. Great-grandmother of 11.

PACIS, Juan Vicente, 67, Our Lady of the Greenwood, Greenwood, Dec. 10. Husband of Fredsinda Pacis. Father of Petronilla Manuel, Ridynna, Mildred, Eligio Pacis, Mary Jane Yap. Brother of Frank, Maring, Susing Pacis, Baby Acebedo, Mely Domingo.

PEARL, Benet Charles, 58, St. Mary, North Vernon, Dec. 13. Husband of Bettie (Hurd) Pearl. Father of Benet R., Joseph C., Louis A. Pearl, Consuela D. Parrott. Brother of William, Thomas P., Charles Pearl, Alicia Dean, Maryann Wilder. Grandfather of six.

PHARIS, John Thomas, 25, Our Lady of the Greenwood, Greenwood, Dec. 4. Son of Roger and Jean Pharis. Brother of Theresa Bridgewater.

POPE, Elbert F., 87, Christ the King, Indianapolis, Dec. 12. Father of Beverly Sokolek, Suellen Leap. Brother of Mary Ryan. Grandfather of six. Great-grandfather of 11.

REAS, Clarolea "Barke", 72, St. Mary, New Albany, Dec. 24. Wife of Raymond "Bud" Reas. Mother of Theresa Scott Berger. Sister of Richard Barksdale. Grandmother of three. Great-grandmother of two.

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SAUER, Joseph F., 76, St. Joseph, Rockville, Dec. 22. Husband of Marie (Lintzenich) Sauer. Father of Robert, John, Steve Sauer, Kathleen Lemmons. Son of Joseph F., Ruth (Lodge) Sauer. Brother of Bill, Patrick Sauer. Grandfather of seven.

SCHAEFER, Marilyn, 71, St. Gabriel, Connersville, Dec. 9. Wife of Joe Schaeffer. Mother of Andrea Butler, Lisa Laravie, Suzanne Greenwood, Timothy Gurhan. Grandmother of 26. Great-grandmother of one.

SCHLATTERER, Frederick B., 89, St. Ambrose, Seymour, Dec. 19. Husband of Lorene Schlatterer. Father of Fred, Stephen Schlatterer. Brother of Karl, Rudolph, Jacob Schlatterer. Grandfather of seven. Great-grandfather of seven.

SCHMIDT, Bertha L., 84, St. Mary, New Albany, Dec. 19. Mother of Mary E. Kavathar, Betty Threlkel. Grandmother,

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