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Youth pledge to 'be a light for others'

By Mary Ann Wyand

More than 450 teen-agers from central and southern Indiana pledged to "be a light for others" during the Archdiocesan Youth Conference on Feb. 3-4 in Indianapolis.

"Carry Your Candle—Go Light the World" was the conference theme. Youth from all 11 deaneries in the archdiocese and also from the Lafayette Diocese were entertained and challenged by keynote speaker Mike Patin of New Orleans, a nationally known youth minister and comedian.

They also had an opportunity to talk with Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein during his annual Youth Forum, and to

participate in a Mass celebrated by Jesuit Father Joseph Folzenlogen, evangelization coordinator for the archdiocese.

Workshops included "Daily Doses of Prayer," "Listen to Your Heart," "Carrying a Catholic Candle" and "Let Your Light Shine for All."

For Archdiocesan Youth Council chairperson Petula Fernandez of St. Joseph Parish in Universal, the conference was a culmination of months of planning and preparation by youth council members, other teen-agers, youth ministry coordinators and the staff of the archdiocesan Office for Youth and Family Ministries.

"The keynote by Mike [Patin] was not only inspirational, it also challenged us to

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Photo by Mary Ann Wyand

Archdiocesan Youth Council chairperson Petula Fernandez, a member of St. Joseph Parish in Universal, leads 475 teen-agers and adults in a prayer before lunch on Feb. 3. It is called the "Superman Prayer" because the words are sung to the music from the "Superman" theme song.

The Church in Cuba Archdiocese begins partnership with Cuba

Editor's note: This is the start of an occasional series called "Stewards Abroad" that will look at the missionary efforts of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis throughout the world.

By Mary Ann Wyand

First of two parts

Sometimes the call to Christian stewardship has far-reaching implications.

For a group of St. Barnabas parishioners in Indianapolis, the call to be stewards abroad and help the people of Cuba resulted in a pilot program with Catholic Relief Services to establish a partnership between the Archdiocese of Indianapolis and the Archdiocese of Camagüey.

Plans for C.U.B.A. 2000, which stands for "Community Understanding by Action," date back to July 1999 at the southside parish.

After visiting Cuba, St. Barnabas parishioner Kathy Cook shared stories about the medical and nutritional needs of the Cuban people, who have lived in a communist country for 40 years. Father J. Joseph McNally, pastor, encouraged a group of interested parishioners to pursue this mission effort.

Pope John Paul II's pastoral visit to Cuba in 1998 helped smooth Church relations with the Cuban government so that a humanitarian project like C.U.B.A. 2000 could become a reality.

The mission effort officially got under way late last year when a five-member delegation from the archdio-



Photos by Michele Wessler

At left, a Cuban boy holds a picture of Pope John Paul II while awaiting the start of class outside the diocesan house in La Merced, Camagüey.

Below, during the revolution, these human relics were disturbed in their tombs in the catacombs below the Church of La Merced in Camagüey.

cese and two Catholic Relief Services staff members from Baltimore traveled to Camagüey and Havana to complete preliminary arrangements for the diocesan twinning program.

Representing the archdiocese on the Dec. 7-14 trip were Thomas Gaybrick, archdiocesan secretary for Catholic Charities and Family Ministries; Sister Demetria Smith, a Missionary Sister of Our Lady of Africa and mission educator

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2000 Called to Serve appeal close to goal

By Greg Otolski

As the 2000 Called to Serve: Parish Stewardship and United Catholic Appeal enters its final phase, 95 percent of the \$4.8 million goal, or nearly \$4.6 million, has been raised.

Joseph S. Therber, secretary for stewardship and development for the archdiocese, said he's confident that the goal will be reached and likely surpassed as the final phase of the appeal is completed over the next eight weeks.

Therber said even more people are taking part in this campaign than the 1999 appeal, which raised a record \$4.78 million. As of Feb. 2, 40 percent of the 75,000 pledge cards sent to parishioners had been returned, compared with 37 percent a year ago.

"This increase in participation is the primary goal of stewardship renewal—bringing more Catholics to a deeper awareness and sharing of their God-given blessings," Therber said. "We are confident that many more parishioners will be generous to their parishes and to the shared ministries and home missions of our archdiocese in the coming weeks."

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Religious of the archdiocese honored for their service

By Jennifer Del Vecchio

One nun with a jubilant smile, another with tears of joy, said giving their life to the Lord is about gratitude.

"This is a time of being very grateful for 50 years of good health and working with other people and serving other people," said Franciscan Sister Ruth Mary Forthofer, who stood holding the certificate given to her by Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein during the World Day for Consecrated Life on Feb. 4 at SS. Peter

and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis.

St. Joseph Sister Victoria Therese had tears in her eyes when she told the story of how she was called to be a nun and then how it became a reality.

Her father was ill and she had been taking care of him when her sister told her she would "care for dad," and then "I could enter," said Sister Victoria, who teaches at Roncalli High School in Indianapolis.

Having a day set aside to acknowledge their vows and service to the Church is important, the sisters said.

"This is a day of renewal and you get to see so many friends," said Sister Victoria.

The day, initiated by Pope John Paul II five years ago, is meant to honor all those who have taken vows to the consecrated life.

While many said they were thankful for their role, Archbishop Buechlein said the Church was also grateful to them.

"You are God's gift to us, our Church and to you," he said.

The archbishop said consecrated reli-

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for the archdiocesan Mission Office; and C.U.B.A. 2000 volunteers Michele Wessler of St. Barnabas Parish in Indianapolis, Pete Cava of St. Luke Parish in Indianapolis and Nick Runnebohm of St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Shelbyville.

Thomas Garofalo, the Cuba program director for CRS, and Christopher Arthen, who helps coordinate the international relief agency's Global Solidarity Partnership, are facilitating the pilot program and traveled with the delegation to Cuba.

Arthen said their visit with Archbishop Adolfo C. Rodríguez Herrera and Caritas Camagüey director Tito Mario Gonzalez resulted in a proposal to develop a sports program and a job-skills training program for youth "within the activities of the Caritas *Infancia* project as a way to promote the social agenda of the local Church."

Caritas' *Infancia* project is "a diverse program that supports children with Down syndrome and diabetes, sports activities, the development of job skills, and arts, music and theater activities," Arthen said. "Caritas' added value lies in institutional integrity. Communities know their assistance will be delivered honestly if they work with Caritas."

Arthen said Gonzalez "made it clear that when the idea of a partnership was first broached, he did not want a one-sided transfer of material resources. He said he would like for the people of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis to have an understanding of Caritas and its work in Cuba. He said that, while not development experts, Caritas staff members have learned by serving those most at risk."

Gonzalez also discussed "the extremely challenging circumstances confronted by Caritas," Arthen said, "particularly due to the country's plummeting economic prospects brought on by the cessation of Soviet support in the early 1990s."

The Cuban people are very proud, and Gonzalez told the delegation that the only way to truly understand the Cuban reality is to live in the country. He said he hopes the diocesan partnership will involve conveying this reality to Catholics in central and southern Indiana.

"Members of the Indianapolis delegation responded by emphasizing the two-way nature of a true partnership," Arthen said, "and said that already they had gained some ideas about the delivery of social services strongly linked to spiritual growth and formation. They also spoke of their increased appreciation for the deep faith that informs Caritas' work and how that example can be an inspiration."

As secretary for Catholic Charities in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, Thomas Gaybrick said that he saw education—helping Catholics in Indianapolis understand their obligations as Catholics and understand the Church in Cuba—as one of the primary goals of the partnership.

After plans for C.U.B.A. 2000 are final-



Above, residents play dominoes at the newly refurbished Padre Olallo Home for the Elderly at the Plaza of San Juan de Dios.



At right, restoration work at the Cathedral of Santa Ana in Camagüey is being completed by volunteer laborers. After Pope John Paul II's visit to Cuba in 1998, the Church received permission from the government to restore some damaged churches.

ized, Gaybrick said, Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein and Archbishop Rodríguez Herrera are expected to maintain ongoing communications between the two archdioceses.

Archbishop Rodríguez told delegation members that, after 40 years of communism, the Church in Cuba faces three major challenges—inability to adequately address the pastoral needs of the faithful, widespread ignorance of the faithful about basic tenets of the Church, and deterioration or destruction of church buildings.

The archbishop said 36 churches have been lost or rendered unusable since the revolution and for many years, because of fear of persecution, Cuban Catholics had to practice their faith privately in homes.

Archbishop Rodríguez said the Cuban government persecuted the Church in the years immediately following the revolu-

tion by nationalizing 50 Catholic schools and six Catholic homes for the elderly, closing churches and chapels, and expelling priests and religious.

With only one priest for every 50,000 Catholics, limited religious education is provided by seminarians and lay catechists.

Since the pope's visit three years ago, the Cuban government has relaxed some restrictions on practicing the faith, and more Cuban Catholics now attend Mass, participate in the sacraments and study Church teachings.

Archbishop Rodríguez said the papal visit brought hope to the people and bolstered the morale of the clergy.

As mission educator for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, Sister Demetria Smith said she was encouraged by the deep faith evident in the Cuban people, even after so many years of living in a communist country.

"The people of Cuba overwhelmed me



This statue of the Blessed Mother in the Cathedral of Nuestra Señora del Carmel in Camagüey, Cuba, was destroyed during the communist revolution.

with their deep, sincere faith in the midst of religious oppression," she said. "Individuals or families open their homes, allowing seminarians to gather the children for religious instructions. These same persons receive the people of the village into their homes for the celebration of the Mass.

"This is a people who truly live out the Gospel mandate to share what you have with those who have need," Sister Demetria said. "This is demonstrated in many ways, such as washing laundry for the elderly, and feeding the elderly and the homeless every Sunday morning in the parish dining room in which the priests take their meal. The poor are the first to be served."

St. Vincent de Paul parishioner Nick Runnebohm, who visited Guatemala on a Catholic Relief Services mission trip last year, said he is meeting with Father Paul Landwerlen, the pastor, and the pastoral council members at the Shelbyville parish to determine the extent of their future involvement in the C.U.B.A. 2000 project.

"I was impressed by the caring nature of the Cuban people and how they manage to maintain their faith after 40 years of communism," Runnebohm said. "They have a great sense of community and a lot of caring among themselves. I appreciated the opportunity to see how the people in Cuba live, and to try to see what we can share with them and what we can learn from them.

"We got to see several programs that Caritas administers in Havana," he said. "At the day care center, the kids were clean, well taken care of and happy even though the surroundings were very austere. They didn't have much of anything, but that

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Indianapolis man honored for 42 years of service to parish

By Jennifer Del Vecchio

At the request of a nun, Bob Alerding wrote out his job description years ago. "I wrote, 'Robert J. Alerding, Job Description: to do those things that are passed over by others.'

"Later, I told a Benedictine priest my job description and he said, 'with that job description you'll never run out of work.'"

Indeed, when you mention Alerding, a member of St. Matthew Parish in Indianapolis, everyone knows him from some work he's done. The parish honored his 42 years of service and dedication on Feb. 3 with a celebration dinner.

"I think the real importance is to find opportunities to deepen one's faith by finding appropriate ways to express it," said Father Donald Schmidlin, pastor of St. Matthew Parish. "That involves not just believing, not just praying and study, but it always involves Christian service and Bob Alerding has been a real example of Christian service."

Father Schmidlin mentioned how Alerding was at the church for all wedding rehearsals and ceremonies and all funerals.

Others mention his involvement in the Knights of Columbus, Secular Franciscans and Serra International. Then there's his work with various St. Vincent Hospital committees and boards, helping the Little Sisters of the Poor raise funds for the relocation of St. Augustine Home for the Aged to West 86th Street or co-

founding Talbot House, a residential ministry for men trying to overcome alcoholism.

The list is even more extensive with his numerous awards, including the 1998 Archbishop Edward T. O'Meara Respect Life Award, and other posts as a board member for various Catholic agencies and charities.

But ask Alerding about it all and he'll say, "remember I'm just passing through." Alerding is also passing into a new phase of his life.

His vision is deteriorating and he could go blind. Already, he's had to resign certain duties on certain boards and his volunteer work at St. Matthew's, where he is a charter member, has ceased.

No longer does he open the church for daily Mass, set up for the weekend Masses or help with weddings and funerals.

The change also means moving to Marquette Manor in Indianapolis, where he is a member of the board of directors.

Alerding knows exactly what to do about the changes.

"My first act every morning is to thank God I had 80 years of good vision," he said. "I'm offering it up."

For a man whose last name in German supposedly means, "all good things," Alerding always tries to find the good things, even in tragedy.

In 1963, his wife, Margaret "Margie" Hicks, died from complications from surgery. They had seven children; the youngest was 2 years old.

Throughout his home are pictures of them on their wedding day. He's dressed in his military uniform and they are smiling and laughing.

The two met in Virginia when he was stationed in the Army as a first lieutenant. In those days, the military would bring women into the camp for dances, but officers weren't allowed to mingle.

"The girls came in and I saw the most beautiful girl I'd ever seen in my life, she was just that lovely," Alerding said.

From there he walked past her and asked for her phone number since he wasn't supposed to stop and talk.

Two months later, he called her and after a year they were married.

His only regret is that "sometimes when I look at my children and grandchildren now, I wish Margie could have seen them," Alerding said.

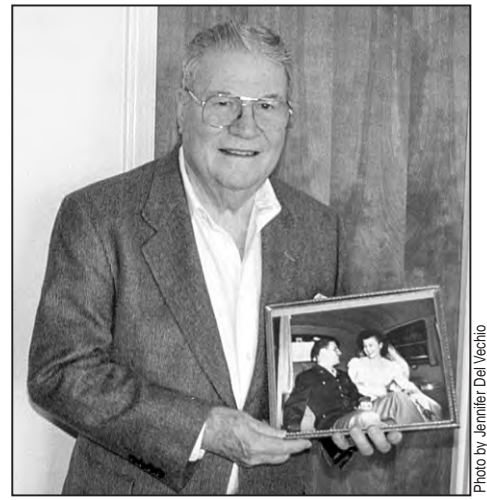
When asked how he got through those years of raising the children by himself, Alerding said he based his life on faith.

The first thing he did was forgive the doctors.

"That was something I had to do," he said. "I never had any anger. I always thank God for helping us."

Alerding grew up in St. Philip Neri Parish and in 1990 the parish school recognized him as a distinguished alumnus and honored him for service on the school foundation board of directors.

He said his parents were "very prayerful," and he had aunts and uncles who were either nuns or priests. His great



Robert Alerding, posing with a picture of their wedding day, lost his wife after 18 years of marriage and raised their seven children alone.

uncle, Herman Joseph Alerding, was the bishop of Fort Wayne.

After the Army, he began a career as an accountant for Inslay Manufacturing Corp. in Indianapolis, retiring in 1985 as vice president of finance.

But Alerding never retired from having a job, and began to increase his volunteer activities. His failing eyesight hasn't slowed him down too much.

As he looks back over his life and all that's happened, Alerding said he knows one thing for certain.

"Prayer is very powerful and I can prove it with my own life," he said. "Prayer gets you through what you need to do." †

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didn't keep them from enjoying life and being close to each other. I noticed the same sort of attitude at the Down syndrome program. The staff seemed to be extremely caring of the kids and their parents. A lot of what they were doing was making the parents feel better about their children and about themselves."

At St. Luke Parish, Pete Cava has assisted Father Daniel J. Mahan, the pastor, and other parishioners with assistance to Caritas Cuba in Havana since the mid-1990s and has visited the Caribbean country several times.

"The Cuban people are oppressed for their beliefs, yet their faith is so strong," Cava said.

"There isn't a day that goes by that I don't think about the Cuban people."

St. Barnabas parishioner Michele Wessler has been involved in plans for

C.U.B.A. 2000 since 1999, and said the Holy Spirit has moved this project forward in unexpected ways, transforming it from simply a parish twinning relationship to a partnership between archdioceses facilitated by Catholic Relief Services.

"When we visited one of the small church communities in Camaguey, the seminarian was there teaching the children, and several of the children had already received rosaries that we brought with us," Wessler said. "The Cuban people are very proud, and it's within their culture to give the best that they have to you. It was very humbling."

"On Saturday morning [Dec. 9] in Camaguey, we were warned that it was a National Day of Defense," she said. "The air raid siren went off at 6 a.m.

and lasted for 10 minutes, then went off again in a half hour. An announcement was broadcast that repeated the words, 'The Americans are coming!'



Members of the C.U.B.A. 2000 delegation pose for a photograph after meeting with the papal nuncio, Bishop Luis Robles, in Havana. They are (from left) Sister Demetria Smith, mission educator for the archdiocese; Thomas Gaybrick, archdiocesan secretary for Catholic Charities and Family Ministries; Bishop Robles; Thomas Garofalo, the Cuba program director for Catholic Relief Services; St. Barnabas parishioner Michele Wessler of Indianapolis; Christopher Arthen, who helps coordinate the international relief agency's Global Solidarity Partnership; and St. Vincent de Paul parishioner Nick Runnebohm of Shelbyville.

The Americans are coming!' The words were translated for us as we sat and ate breakfast with the people. They looked at us and smiled and opened their hands and said, 'The Americans are here.' It

was beautiful."

(Catholic Relief Services staff member Christopher Arthen assisted with this story.) †

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Editorial

President's plan for faith-based aid programs

We applaud—but cautiously—President Bush's plans to direct more federal money to religious groups that provide social services to the needy. We also approve—with less caution—his proposal to give a tax credit for charitable donations to the 70 percent of Americans who currently can't deduct their contributions because they don't itemize their tax returns.

To take the latter proposal first, it seems obvious that people would contribute more to charities, including their church, if they would get a credit or a deduction for their contribution when filing their tax returns. But besides that, it would allow all taxpayers to get the benefit that the 30 percent who itemize already receive.

The more controversial proposal concerns the granting of federal money to religious organizations. It was, naturally, immediately opposed by those who fear (or proclaim that they fear) a breach in the separation of church and state.

President Bush had an immediate answer for that. The government, he said, "cannot fund and will not fund religious activities. But when people of religious faith provide social services, we will not discriminate against them."

No religious organization provides more social services than the Catholic Church. It has always followed Jesus' words, "What you do to the least of my brethren you do unto me." Catholic Charities in every diocese in this country serves the poor, and a primary mission of Catholic Relief Services is to care for the poorest of the poor throughout the world.

It's also true that no religious organization knows better than the Catholic Church how to separate its work for the poor from proselytizing. Catholic organizations do not serve only Catholics. The religious affiliation of those served is never a factor in whether, or how, the Catholic Church will serve them. Its objective in helping those who need

help is not to make converts to Catholicism but solely to provide the human services required.

An objection has been raised that, although more federal funds would not go directly to religious activities, they would make it possible for religious organizations to modify their budgets. They could decrease the money in the budget now going toward social services, thus increasing the money available for religious activities. That objection, however, assumes that the amount of social services to be provided would remain the same. Surely the regulations that would come down with the money would prevent that from happening.

Why are we cautious regarding the president's proposal? It's those unknown regulations that would come down with the money. Would federal money come with strings attached that would make it more difficult for Catholic organizations to perform their work the way they know from experience that it should be done? There's no indication now that that would happen, but that's the point. We don't know what restrictions or requirements might be added by the time the proposals get through Congress.

There should be no onerous regulations. The Catholic Church has a long history of responsibly using federal funds for humanitarian purposes, from Catholic Charities to Catholic Relief Services to Catholic hospitals and universities, to housing and feeding the poor, to helping students with special needs. The government recognizes that the Church can often do a better job of accomplishing human services objectives than its secular counterparts can do.

Certainly there is much more that the Church could be doing in the way of social services if it had more resources that could be devoted to that purpose. President Bush is right in saying that religious organizations should not be discriminated against when it comes to receiving and using federal funds that have been appropriated for social services.

— John F. Fink

Seeking the Face of the Lord

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



Ritter students find *Lectio* helpful prayer form

As Wednesday arrives at the end of this month, and it's not too early to start planning how to make Lent 2001 a truly spiritual experience. One of the best Lenten resolutions is to dedicate ourselves to extra prayer. The following excerpts from letters I received from seniors at Cardinal Ritter High School in Indianapolis suggest one way to do so.

"I am a senior at Cardinal Ritter High School. ... [M]y wonderful theology teacher is Sister Nicolette Etienne, O.S.B. We have been studying about creating a Christian lifestyle. The most appealing chapter to me is the ordained ministry. In all forms of Christian lifestyle, prayer formation has been the foundation. Sister Nicolette has encouraged our class in prayer. She introduced us to an old Benedictine form of prayer. I am sure a Benedictine like yourself is not unfamiliar with *Lectio Divina*. We were taught of the techniques of *lectio, meditatio, oratio, and contemplatio*."

The young man is right, *Lectio* is quite familiar to me. Translated literally from the Latin, *Lectio Divina* means *Divine Reading*. *Lectio* (reading), *meditatio* (meditation or reflection), *oratio* (prayer) and *contemplatio* (contemplation) describe the way one prays with the Word of God.

Another student tells how they do it: "Every Friday we are given the upcoming Sunday Gospel. Sister Nicolette reads the Gospel to us three times during a 20-minute period. During the time of silence we are asked to write various words and phrases from the reading that speak to us. After we have written the words or phrases down, we reflect on the words. We then write what we feel God is saying to us through the Scriptures. Sister Nicolette made *Lectio Divina* journals for us. We keep our reflections in our journals. For me *Lectio* is a time to sit and meditate on God's Word. It is the most peaceful time of the week."

A young woman writes: "After two or three weeks of doing *Lectio Divina* every Friday, I began to see what sort of impact it can have on your prayer life and especially on your relationship with God and the Church. Through *Lectio Divina* I have learned how the Gospels pertain to me and my life. After becoming experienced with *Lectio*, it gets easier and easier to see how Jesus wants me to live my life and how God wants me to build his kingdom. I have surprisingly found countless connections between the teachings of Jesus and my life.

Through *Lectio* I have been able to make sense of some of the things that are uncertain in my life, and it has helped me to make difficult decisions through God's will."

A young man writes: "I am an 18-year-old senior, and unfortunately my hectic schedule can easily wear me down. Praying is sometimes the only way I can relieve myself of some of the stress that I face as a normal teenager growing up. Most of my prayers consisted of simply speaking to God or attending Mass on Sunday. Then Sister Nicolette approached our class regarding a form of prayer known as *Lectio Divina*. It seemed appealing from the start. I took the opportunity to try and relate Scripture to my own life. Not only that, but it was a refreshing break in the middle of my crazy day."

Not all Ritter seniors are Catholic. "Although I am not Catholic, *Lectio Divina* has still helped me become a better Christian ... I can say that at least 85 percent of us have taken a lot away from doing this. I believe that having this special prayer time could help others increase their faith, while becoming better acquainted with the Bible. I just wanted to inform you of this wonderful experience that I have been lucky enough to be part of."

Another non-Catholic student said he was glad they have the weekly prayer because he doesn't attend any church. Only one student said: "I must regretfully say, that *Lectio Divina* doesn't really affect me in a spiritual way. I was open to doing it, and I tried it, but I just don't like it as much as my more simple way of prayer, but 'to each his own,' right?"

Right. There are many methods of personal prayer, and no one method suits everyone. Just keep on praying!

The Catholic students remarked that the Friday *Lectio* helped them participate better at Sunday Mass, especially paying attention to the Gospel. More than one student commented that he or she would continue this form of prayer after graduation. Several said they hope *Lectio Divina* will continue to be part of the theology class in the future.

"I consider myself fortunate to attend a Catholic school where Catholic values are held to the most importance. Thanks for all you do for us," one student wrote.

I was pleased to read many kind words of appreciation for our mission of Catholic education. I was moved by the spiritual depth that I found in many of the letters.

Congratulations, seniors! †

Archbishop Buechlein's intention for vocations for February

Young Adults: That they may realize the importance of their presence in our parishes and have the generosity and courage to consider service in the Church, especially as priests and religious.



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Los estudiantes de Ritter encuentran como una forma útil de oración la *Lectio*

El miércoles de ceniza llega finales de este mes, y no es demasiado temprano para planificar cómo hacer de la Cuaresma 2001 una experiencia realmente espiritual. Una de las mejores resoluciones cuaresmales es dedicarnos a la oración adicional. Los siguientes extractos de las cartas que recibí de los estudiantes en el último año en Cardinal Ritter High School en Indianápolis sugieren una manera de hacerla.

"Estoy en el último año en Cardinal Ritter High School. ... Mi maravillosa maestra de teología es la Hermana Nicolette Etienne, O.S.B. Hemos estado estudiando cómo crear un estilo de vida cristiano. Para mí el capítulo más atrayente es el ministerio ordenado. En todas las formas del estilo de vida cristiano, la base ha sido la formación de la oración. La Hermana Nicolette ha animado a nuestra clase por medio de la oración. Ella nos presentó una vieja forma de oración Benedictina. Estoy seguro que un Benedictino como usted es familiar con la *Lectio Divina*. Se nos enseñó las técnicas de la *lectio, meditatio, oratio y contemplatio*".

El joven tiene razón. Para mí, la *Lectio* es bastante familiar. La traducción literal del Latín de *Lectio Divina* es *Lectura Divina*. *Lectio* (lectura), *meditatio* (meditación o reflexión), *oratio* (oración) y *contemplatio* (contemplación) describen el modo por que uno reza con la Palabra de Dios.

Otro estudiante explica cómo lo hacen: "Los viernes se nos da el Evangelio para el domingo venidero. La Hermana Nicolette nos lee el Evangelio tres veces durante un plazo de 20 minutos. Durante el tiempo de silencio, se nos pide escribir varias palabras y frases de la lectura que nos conmueve. Tras haber escrito las palabras o frases, reflexionamos sobre las palabras. Luego escribimos lo que Dios está diciendo por medio de las Escrituras. La Hermana Nicolette nos hizo diarios de *Lectio Divina*. Guardamos nuestras reflexiones en nuestros diarios. Para mí la *Lectio* es una oportunidad para sentarme y meditar la palabra de Dios. Es el momento más tranquilo de la semana".

Una jovencita escribe: "Tras dos o tres semanas de hacer la *Lectio Divina* los viernes, pude ver que tipo de impacto puede tener en la vida de oración y en especial en la relación con Dios y la Iglesia. Por medio de la *Lectio Divina* he aprendido lo que los Evangelios tienen que ver conmigo y con mi vida. Después de tener más experiencia con la *Lectio*, se hace cada vez más fácil ver cómo Jesús quiere que yo viva mi vida y cómo Dios quiere que yo construya su reino. Asombrosamente he encontrado incontables conexiones entre las enseñanzas de Jesús y mi vida. A través de la *Lectio* he

podido encontrar sentido en algunas cosas inciertas en mi vida, y me ha ayudado a tomar decisiones muy difíciles siguiendo la voluntad de Dios".

Un joven escribe "Estoy en el último año y tengo 18 años, y desafortunadamente mi loco horario me puede agotar. Algunas veces rezar es la única manera de aliviarme de un poco del estrés que encaro como cualquier adolescente en crecimiento. La mayoría de mis oraciones simplemente consisten en hablar con Dios o ir a la Misa los Domingos. Después, la Hermana Nicolette planteó a la clase una forma de oración conocida como la *Lectio Divina*. Me pareció atractiva desde el comienzo. Tuve la oportunidad de tratar de relacionar la Escritura a mi propia vida. No sólo eso, pero fue un descanso refrescante en el medio de mi loco día".

No todos los estudiantes del último año en Ritter son Católicos. "Aunque no soy Católico, la *Lectio Divina* me ha ayudado a convertirme en un mejor cristiano... Sólo puedo decir que por lo menor un 85 por ciento de nosotros hemos tomado mucho al realizar esto. Creo que tener este momento especial de oración puede ayudar a otros a aumentar su fe, mientras conocen mejor la Biblia. Sólo quería informarle de esta maravillosa experiencia de la cual afortunadamente he tomado parte".

Otro estudiante no católico dijo que estaba contento de tener una oración semanal ya que el no va a ninguna iglesia. Sólo un estudiante dijo "Lamento decir que la *Lectio Divina* no me afecta de manera espiritual. Estuve abierto a hacerla, traté, pero simplemente no me gusta más que mi manera simple de oración, pero 'a cada uno lo suyo' ¿verdad?"

Verdad. Existen muchos métodos de oración personal, y un método no le sirve a todos. ¡Sólo sigue orando!

Los estudiantes católicos mencionaron que la *Lectio* los viernes les ayudaban a participar mejor en la Misa Dominical, especialmente prestar atención al Evangelio. Más de un estudiante comentó que él / ella continuaría con esta forma de oración después de graduarse. Varios estudiantes dijeron que esperan que la *Lectio Divina* continúe siendo parte de la clase de teología en el futuro.

"Me considero afortunado de asistir a una colegio católicos en el cual los valores católicos son sostenidos con la mayor importancia. Gracias por todo lo que hacen por nosotros" escribió un estudiante.

Estoy muy complacido de leer tantas palabras amables de apreciación por nuestra misión en la educación católica. Fui conmovido por la profundidad espiritual que encontré en muchas de las cartas.

¡Felicidades estudiantes del último año! †

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Letters to the Editor

What pro-life really means

Re: "Pro-life curriculum is taught all year at St. Bartholomew" (*The Criterion*, Jan. 26)

The ambitious, commendable pro-life curriculum lacks balance. Capital punishment is no different from abortion or euthanasia. Many who put a great deal of energy into anti-abortion teaching need to assess what "pro-life" really means. There are no gradual degrees in being and in teaching a "pro-life" philosophy.

Putting an end to the death penalty in America should have as much focus as abortion has for individuals and groups who call themselves "pro-life." There are no conditions; all life is sacred.

Children need to know as much about the death penalty and its societal consequences as the curriculum designers have put into their "pro-life/anti-abortion" teaching.

And, with all due respect to Lourdes Padilla and Mary Parks, who ordained Our Lady of Guadalupe "the patroness of the unborn" and when?

Teachers must give attention to accurate historical and anthropological information. To call the ancient Aztec culture "a culture of death" is to twist and skew what is known about that culture to serve the storyteller's own purposes. Above all, we must be responsible educators, no matter what our own "cause" may be. Teaching must always have integrity.

Christine Lemley, Columbus

Response: It is certainly true that the Church has a "consistent ethic of life" that sees abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide, capital punishment and other life issues as all "of a piece." But it is not accurate to say that "capital punishment is no different from abortion or euthanasia."

Because of the Church's position on this topic, Catholics cannot simply pick and choose which life issue they want to support and which they wish to ignore. Catholics support *all* life issues.

The late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin spoke of this consistent ethic of life as a "seamless garment." However, the Church also acknowledges that abortion claims a priority among all life issues. Cardinal Bernardin himself acknowledged this priority before an annual meeting of the U.S. bishops' conference. Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein has also been very clear about this priority in both his preaching and his teaching (e.g., see "Seeking the Face of the Lord," *The Criterion*, Sept. 29, 2000, and Jan. 19, 2001).

— WRB

Aborted fetus is also murder victim

On ABC's "The Week" on Jan. 28, Cokie Roberts said that she does not understand why it is OK to use an organ donation from a murder victim and not OK to use the fetal tissue from an aborted fetus. Even in her confusion, she recognizes that an "aborted fetus" is a murder victim.

Jan Caito, Indianapolis

Research for the Church/James D. Davidson

The laity is distinguishing between core and periphery

Since Vatican II (1962-65), Catholics have lived through a period of rapid change. Many traditional Church teachings have remained largely unchanged, but some have changed quite dramatically. Many new ideas have been authorized by the Church; others have emerged that are not consistent with official Church teachings.



As Catholics try to make sense of this vast array of beliefs and practices, they are assigning more importance to some than others. They are deciding that some matters are central to the faith. They have differing opinions about other beliefs and practices. They also are deciding that some teachings are not essential to being a good Catholic. In short, they are differentiating between what they think is at the core of the Catholic faith and what they think is on the periphery.

Three recent studies indicate what Catholics consider to be the core and what they consider to be more peripheral. One is the 1995 national study that formed the basis of *The Search for Common Ground*, which I co-authored with several colleagues. Another is a national study of 20-39-year-old Catholics, which is the basis of a forthcoming book *Young Adult Catholics* by Dean Hoge, William Dinges, Mary Johnson and Juan Gonzales. The third is a 1999 national survey that is the basis of *American Catholics*, my forthcoming book with William D'Antonio, Dean Hoge and Katherine Meyer.

All three studies indicate that Catholics attach the greatest importance

to teachings that are grounded in the Nicene Creed and Church's social teachings. These include doctrines such as Incarnation; Resurrection; Mary as the Mother of God; Trinity; Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist; and the need to love one's neighbor, especially the poor.

All three studies indicate that over three-quarters of Catholics believe these are core Church teachings. These beliefs are at the top of Catholics' hierarchy of truth. There is another set of beliefs and practices that some Catholics consider important but others do not. This cluster includes the Church's opposition to abortion; the need for a pope; the need to donate time or money to help the parish; belief that Christ established the authority of the bishops by choosing Peter; and devotions to the saints. For every person who attaches importance to each of these ideas, there is another one who does not.

Toward the bottom of the laity's hierarchy of truth is another set of beliefs and practices that a majority of laypeople considers optional. This list includes the obligation to attend Mass weekly; private confession with a priest; the need to agree with the Church's opposition to the death penalty; celibacy among priests; the need to marry in the Church; belief that only men can be priests; and the need to support unions.

Whether we like the fact that laypeople are distinguishing between the core and the periphery, and whether we agree with what they consider core and peripheral, it is important to recognize that they are engaged in this process. It is a fact of life in today's Church.

(James D. Davidson is Distinguished Visiting Professor at the University of Dayton from January to May 2001.) †

La intención del Arzobispo Buechlein para vocaciones en febrero

Adultos jóvenes: que se den cuenta de la importancia de su presencia en nuestras parroquias y tengan la generosidad y el valor de considerar el servicio en la iglesia, especialmente como sacerdotes y religiosos.

Check It Out . . .

St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis is in need of **volunteers** in several different areas. Hours can be flexible to meet individual needs. People are needed as greeters and guides on weekdays and hosts and hostesses for the critical care lounge on weekdays, evenings and weekends. Hosts and hostesses help families get acclimated to the lounge. Clerical help is needed on weekdays, and outpatient surgery volunteers to transport patients, make beds and stock shelves are needed on weekdays. For more information, call Barbara Hittle at 317-338-2268.

There will be **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** from 12:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. every Friday during Lent at the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in SS. Peter & Paul Cathedral, 1347 N. Meridian St., in Indianapolis. Benediction and Stations of the Cross will follow the adoration time.

Cathedral High School in Indianapolis is hosting **2001 Space Odyssey** from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Feb. 23 at the high school. The event will allow patrons to view items that will be sold in the Shamrauction, which begins at 5 p.m. on Feb. 24 at the high school. The grand buffet is at 6 p.m. with the oral auction beginning at 8 p.m. The cost for the 2001 Shamrauction is \$125 per person. For more information, call 317-542-1481.

The New Albany Deanery will present **"Choosing Sexual Abstinence"** with Ellen Marie Fuchsel at 7 p.m. on Feb. 13 at the Our Lady of Providence High School Activities Center. Fuchsel, the founder of Youth Support, will speak to parents and teens for the first hour and then to parents for 30 minutes. The students will break into smaller groups separately. For more information, call 812-945-0354.

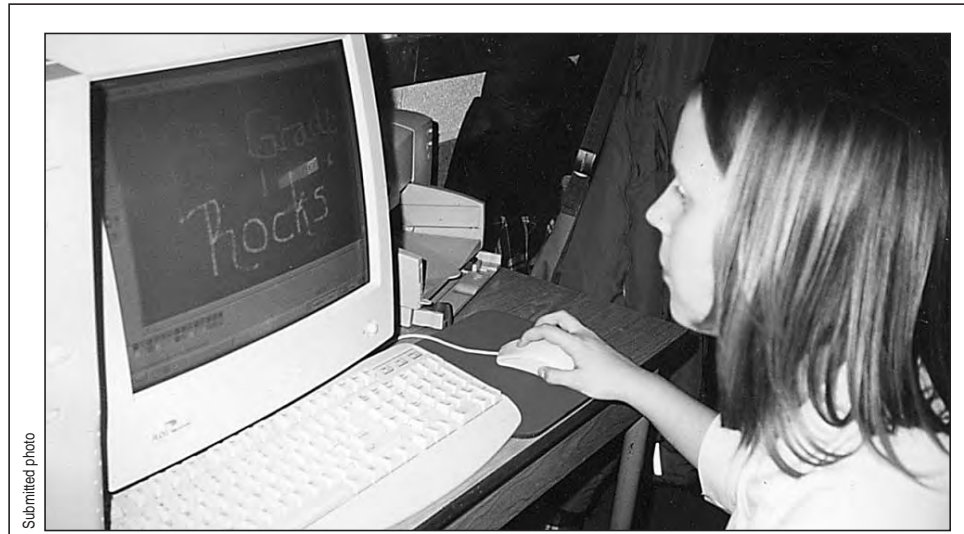
A reception to honor **Mary Jaffe** for her 25 years of teaching at St. Barnabas School in Indianapolis will be held from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Feb. 11 in the St. Barnabas School cafeteria. Everyone is invited.

An information session for people interested in a **nursing degree** will be held on Feb. 21 at 6 p.m. at the Ruth Lilly Student Center on the campus of Marian College in Indianapolis. For more information, call 317-955-6130.

Fatima Retreat House in Indianapolis is offering a **women's Lenten retreat**, "Seeking the Gift of Simplicity," from March 9-11 with Father Larry Voelker and Franciscan Sister Norma Rocklage. The retreat will focus on ways of integrating the gift of simplicity in our chaotic lives and of letting go of the "fake idols" which keep us from centering our lives on God. The cost is \$125 and includes meals, program and accommodations. For more information, call 317-545-7681.

A **men's Lenten retreat**, "Four Stops on the Journey to God," will be held from March 2-4 at Fatima Retreat House in Indianapolis. Father William Simmons will use stories and parables from Scripture to talk about the stops made on our spiritual journey that deepen our understanding and appreciation of our adult religious faith. The cost is \$125, which includes program, meals and accommodations. For more information, call 317-545-7681.

The Catholic Scouting Awards Ceremony will be held at 3 p.m. on Feb. 11 at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis. Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein will recognize about 450 Brownies, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts representing 40 parishes. A recep-



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Computing

Rachel Werner, an eighth-grader at St. Mary School in Aurora, uses one of the new computers purchased through a grant from the Rising Sun Regions Foundation. The grant paid for eight computers and printers for each classroom in the school.

tion will follow in the Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center Assembly Hall. For more information, call 317-826-6000, ext. 225.

The Benedict Inn Retreat and Conference Center in Beech Grove will host an **"Ash Wednesday Retreat"** with Benedictine Sisters Juliann Babcock and Carol Falkner on Feb. 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Another retreat on the same day and at the same times, **"Introduction to Centering Prayer,"** will also be offered. For information about either retreat, call 317-788-7581.

The Benedict Inn Retreat and Conference Center in Beech Grove will offer **yoga classes** beginning on Feb. 19 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. For registration information, call 317-788-7581.

A program highlighting an Indianapolis businessman's involvement in the **Civil War** will be held at 2 p.m. on Feb. 17 at the Indiana War Memorial Building, 431 N. Meridian St., in Indianapolis. The program is based on the recently published book *Soldiering with Sherman: The Civil War Letters of George F. Cram*.

A free information session on **parish nursing** will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Feb. 20 and from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Feb. 24 at Marian College in Indianapolis. For more information, call 317-955-6132.

A workshop on **"Making and Using Compost"** will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on March 3 at the White Violet Center for Eco-Justice at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College in Terre Haute. The cost is \$25. For more information, call 812-535-3791.

A charismatic retreat, **"Jesus: The Son of Man,"** will be offered on March 9-11 at the Mount St. Francis Retreat Center in Mount St. Francis. Franciscan Father Leo Kennedy will present the retreat, which will touch upon the meaning Jesus had when he used the term "Son of Man," and how to apply it to our daily lives. The cost is \$90 for individuals or \$160 for couples. For more information, call 812-923-8817.

The Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College Student **Art Exhibit** will be open for viewing until Feb. 16. It is open to the public. †

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Former math teacher at Brebeuf Jesuit is named school's principal

By Jennifer Del Vecchio

A former math teacher is the new principal at Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School in Indianapolis.



Linda Skafish was appointed as the school's new principal this year. She had been serving as interim principal since last July.

"I want to make sure we stay on track and maintain our excellence," said Skafish. "I want us to continue to do well what we are already doing and to identify

areas we need to work on."

Skafish joined the faculty at Brebeuf in 1990 as a math teacher, followed by six years in the guidance office and two years as academic assistant principal.

As the new principal, she said one goal is to "support quality teaching because that is what the heart of a school is all about."

Skafish earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in education from Purdue University. A resident of Zionsville, she is married to Dr. Peter Skafish. They have two children, Peter and Elizabeth.

She said she is enjoying her new job because "it's such a great school and it's hard not to like it." †

Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School honors distinguished alumni

Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School in Indianapolis hosted its first Alumni Awards Gala on Feb. 7.

Nearly 5,000 students have graduated from the private Catholic school since the first class graduation in 1966, but the school has never honored former graduates.

The gala, expected to be an annual event, was held at the River Walk, formerly The Crystal Yacht Club, in Broad Ripple.

Indiana Sen. J. Murray Clark, a 1975 graduate of Brebeuf, and recent Republican candidate for lieutenant governor, was honored as the inaugural recipient of the Fred McCashland Outstanding Alumnus Award.

The award is the highest honor that a

Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School graduate many receive. It is named after McCashland, a former president of Brebeuf who retired after serving 34 years on the faculty.

Five other students received the Father J. Paul O'Brien, S.J., (OBIE) Alumni Service Award. The award recognizes individuals for their long-term, unselfish service to the school.

OBIE Award recipients were Colleen Brown, a member of the Class of 1982; Stuart Countryman, Leo Stenz and William Wicher, all from the Class of 1966, and Rich DeCamp, a member of the Class of 1967.

The inaugural gala also featured dinner, music by the Carl Stories Band and dancing. †

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take what we received home with us and actually use it," Petula said. "I hope everyone at the conference is able to take that candle that is inside of them and reflect it in those dark, hard-to-see places that they may find. If all 475 Catholic youth [and adults at the conference] do that, can you imagine how bright Indiana will be?"

The conference began on an upbeat note with a humorous presentation of the popular CBS show "Late Night with David Letterman"—including a funny "Man on the Street" video filmed in Broad Ripple—by youth from the New Albany Deanery.

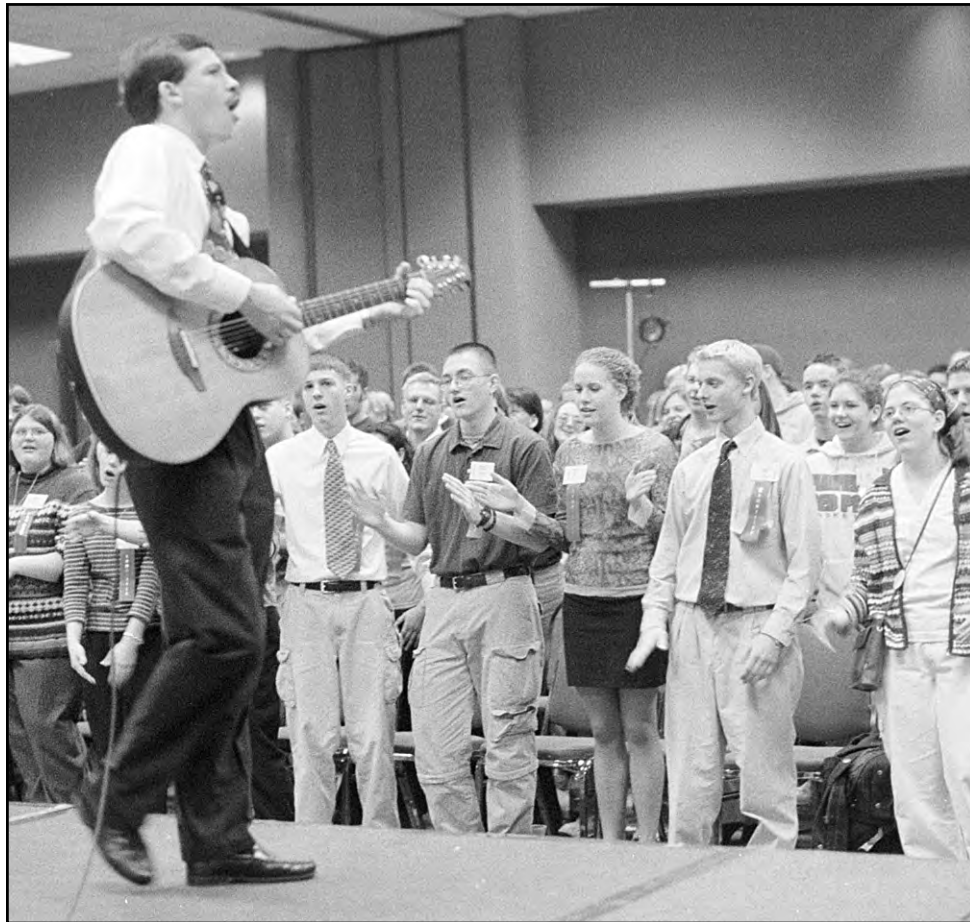
Our Lady of Perpetual Help parishioner A. J. Cronin of New Albany impersonated Indiana's own David Letterman, and St. Augustine parishioner Keith Harbeson of Jeffersonville was in costume at a keyboard as musician Paul Shaffer.

"Letterman's" list of "Top 10 Ways to Light Your World as a Youth in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis" included:

- No. 9. Follow the Golden Rule.
- No. 7. Hug the person next to you.
- No. 5. Be like Jesus to other people.
- No. 3. Forgive someone who needs forgiveness.
- And the No. 1 way to "light your world as a youth from the archdiocese" was to "take what you get from the conference and share it with others."

Keynote speaker Mike Patin encouraged the youth to practice "the three Ps of prayer, peers and personal" by praying more often, attending church, supporting peers and family, and working on personal growth in order to be a light to others.

"Finding light is a daily job," Patin said. "Jesus said, 'I am the light of the world.' We need to find the light because it's a weird world. It's tough out there. The devil wants to break us up because we're the body of Christ—you and me hooked up to one another and to God. Jesus tells us to 'lean on me,' to 'call on your brother if you need a friend.' We all need somebody to lean on to keep the commitments real. Making and keeping



Keynote presenter Mike Patin of New Orleans challenges youth to seek the light of Christ and reflect it to others during a song at the Archdiocesan Youth Conference on Feb. 4 in Indianapolis.

commitments is how we grow in character and how we light the world. It just takes a little bit of soul and a little bit of goal."

When Patin asked how many teenagers were confirmed during the archdiocese's Jubilee Mass at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis last September, about three-fourths of the youth held up their hands.

"That's great," he said. "Welcome to the community."

During his annual Youth Forum, Archbishop Buechlein told the teen-agers about his experiences in Guadalajara, Mexico, in January, where he studied Spanish and learned about the Hispanic and Latino cultures.

"I've just returned from a month of

school," he told the youth, who responded with cheers. "I'm a little worn down. Nobody spoke English. I learned a lot and I have a lot to learn."

The archbishop said he decided to study Spanish because "there's been an enormous migration of Spanish-speaking members of our Catholic community" to the archdiocese.

"If I am to be the pastor of all the folks in central and southern Indiana, and there are a large number of people who don't speak our language, I need to do what I can to help make them feel welcome and to be able to try to help with their needs," he said. "I learned a lot, not just language-wise. The Church means a lot to the people, and they share a wonderful experience of family."

Archbishop Buechlein also told the youth "the cardinal archbishop of Guadalajara has agreed to send two of his priests as missionaries to come and help us with the immigrant population throughout our archdiocese."

Fielding a variety of questions from the teen-agers, the archbishop explained

Indiana Catholic Conference hosts Mass and lunch for legislators

By Margaret Nelson

For the fifth year, the Indiana Catholic Conference (ICC) hosted a Mass and luncheon for Catholics who serve the Indiana legislature.

Bishop Daniel R. Jenky, a Holy Cross priest and auxiliary for the Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese, presided at the Jan. 31 Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church in Indianapolis.

In his homily, Bishop Jenky talked about how people tend to pigeonhole others the way bystanders did when Jesus was curing the sick.

"Even the Lord, in his hometown, was in a category," he said.

"God's plan for us—his vision for us—may be richer than what others might have in mind for us or what we may have in mind for ourselves.

"Let us, at this Eucharist, believe in God's vision of our lives and not let anyone else keep us from achieving what God has called us to do," said Bishop Jenky.

According to ICC executive director M. Desmond Ryan, 22 percent of Indiana legislators are Catholic. Two men, state Reps. Patrick Bauer of South Bend and Chester Dobis of Merrillville, have served continuously for 31 years. John Day of Indianapolis has been a state representative for 25 years.

Rep. Mary Kay Budak of LaPorte, who has served the House for 21 years, proclaimed the first reading. One of the new senators, John Broden—the son of past

ICC board member Dr. Thomas Broden of South Bend—read the psalm. Sheila Klinker, the representative from Lafayette for 19 years, ministered as cantor during the Mass.

Father Thomas Murphy, pastor of St. John, who was once a legislator himself, proclaimed the Gospel. Reps. Claire Leuck and Robert Bischoff presented the gifts to the bishop during the offertory. Leuck, from Fowler, has served for 15 years; Bischoff, from Lawrenceburg, for 24 years, including service in the Senate.

Asked how his faith influences his service to the public, Bauer said, "I went to Catholic schools all my life. I spent my adult life teaching in public schools."

He explained that this helps him to understand both public and private educational systems.

"I believe that everyone should remember that we're put here for a purpose," he said. "Any responsibility given us is given by God," echoing the theme of the homily.

The ICC is an advocate of life, conscience, education and welfare issues in the legislature. Bishops and lay representatives of all Indiana dioceses form the ICC board, with Indianapolis Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein as general chair. The conference joins with 5,000 Indiana parishioners to form the Indiana Catholic Action Network.

(Margaret Nelson is a member of St. Andrew the Apostle Parish in Indianapolis.) †

why the Church does not ordain women, why the Church prohibits the use of contraceptives, why the death penalty is wrong, why it is important to be confirmed and how pledges to the United Catholic Appeal and Legacy of Hope from Generation to Generation help parishes as well as home missions and social services.

"You've asked some really important questions, which tells me that your faith is important to you or you wouldn't bother to ask," he said. "What I would urge you to do is to share that sense of importance of your faith. Don't be embarrassed to live your faith. Don't be embarrassed to talk about it. Share your faith with your peers. That's how you're going to carry the light. And keep asking those questions. We'll try to carry the light to you as well."

During his homily at the Mass, Father Folzenlogen reminded the teen-agers that, "Evangelism is telling the word of God, being the word of God and doing the word of God. Jesus is inviting us to be in a partnership with him. We are to be people who light the world, and it is a partnership that is built on a relationship of friendship. Jesus wants followers who lead, who have gifts and talents and aren't afraid to use them."

Secena Memorial High School junior Stephanie Murphy of St. Philip Neri Parish in Indianapolis has attended several Archdiocesan Youth Conferences.

"I loved the conference," Stephanie said. "I'm a past attendee, and I kind of compared last year to this year. The keynote speaker was really, really awesome. I laughed so hard. The dance was fun, and I met a lot of new people. I'm looking forward to NCYC [the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis this December]."

"I thought the [conference] theme was kind of cool because last year's theme was 'Choose the Road Less Traveled,'" she said. "This year was a continuation of last year, and I thought it was neat."

Stephanie said she is going to "be a light to others" by making people feel more welcome at school and by trying to get more teen-agers to go to church.

"The conference helped me feel closer to God," she said. "I got a chance to be in an area with a whole bunch of other people who are very, very enthusiastic about their faith, and it kind of gave me a jump start and made me think about my own faith and what I can do to improve it and what things I dislike and what I can keep the same." †

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Shared ministries are the ministries that don't have a specific parish, but require the support of all parishes. Examples of shared ministries include the social service programs operated by Catholic Charities, educational support for the archdiocese's 22 seminarians, care for 29 retired clergy, evangelization programs and Catholic education, which includes support for the six archdiocesan high schools, special religious education programs, Catholic Youth Organization and Newman Centers in the archdiocese. †

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Franciscan Sister Marilynn Hofer gives a hug to another sister during the Mass for the World Day for Consecrated Life on Feb. 4 at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis. Sister Marilynn, among others, was honored for her 50 years of service as a nun.

Photo by Jennifer Del Vecchio

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gious, priests and lay people are all called to put their nets into the deep like Peter did when Jesus told him to try to catch some fish after a hard night's work of catching nothing.

"Yet, like Peter, we too have the faith to respond to the request of the Lord in our lives, and miracles do happen," Archbishop Buechlein said.

The Mass, while honoring all present, gave special notice to those celebrating 25, 50 and 60 years of service. He honored each with a certificate and said they were

"giving witness to the fidelity and power of prayer."

He also asked those present for a personal favor.

"In your powerful ministry of prayer, would you give special emphasis to your prayer for vocations to religious life and to the priesthood, especially in our archdiocese," he said.

The sisters said living out their fidelity to prayer wouldn't have been possible without strong witnesses in their own religious communities.

"I have very good examples of what religious life is supposed to be," said Sister Ruth Mary, a member of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis in Oldenburg. "It's so important in community to live together and be happy and accept one another as who they are." †

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A papal kiss for their baby inspires Martinsville couple

By Jennifer Del Vecchio

They call it a once-in-a-lifetime kiss.

It happened in Rome on a sunny day when Pope John Paul II was touring St. Peter's Square in his "popemobile."

Stephanie Luke was holding her 3-month-old baby boy, Louis, over the guardrail hoping a security guard would take him to the pope.

"When the guard took him, the look on my face, I wanted to pass out," she said. "It's just a really special blessing to have him kissed by the pope."

"Every time I think about it, it almost makes me cry," she said. "This is Christ's vicar on earth, and he took my baby and touched him and kissed him."

David and Stephanie Luke's good fortune happened when they took their seven children from Martinsville to Rome for the closing of the holy doors during the Jubilee Year.

On Jan. 3, they were at the pope's weekly audience in St. Peter's Square when the pope kissed their baby.

The trip was also meaningful because two of their other two sons, Robert, 8, and Michael, 6, received their first Communion the next day from the founder of the Legionaries of Christ.

"You don't go over thinking your baby will be kissed and blessed by the pope," Stephanie said. "This is a once-in-a-lifetime experience."

The experience is allowing the Lukes, who are members of St. Martin of Tours Parish in Martinsville, to evangelize.

"Even if you aren't Catholic, many still

hold the Holy Father in esteem," Stephanie said. "They say, 'this is a really holy man.'"

"This has given us an opportunity to evangelize the world," she said. "It gives us a good opportunity to tell people about the Church and the Legionaries of Christ."

Someone at work told her husband, David, that the pope is just an old man.

David was able to talk about the pope and explain the papacy and why it was so important to them that the pope blessed their baby, Stephanie said.

Since the pope kissed their baby, the Lukes have been teased about whether they have washed their baby, and what they will do with the clothes he was wearing.

They've also been asked to give a presentation about their travels to Rome at 7 p.m. Feb. 15 at St. Martin of Tours Church in Martinsville.

The trip hasn't dimmed in their memory and their children are still talking about it.

Stephen, 10, said having his brother kissed by the pope was "kind of like a dream, then after it worked out I found out it wasn't a dream."

He said seeing Rome was "moving," and that having his brother kissed by the pope helps him understand his faith better.

"It shows that my little brother got kissed by the pope and that this guy isn't make-believe," Stephen said. "This is a real guy."

The blessing has also helped the entire family.



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Pope John Paul II kisses Louis Luke, the son of Stephanie and David Luke of Martinsville, during their visit to Rome in January. The Lukes, members of St. Martin of Tours Parish in Martinsville, said the trip was a double blessing because of the Jubilee graces and having their son kissed and blessed by the pope.

"It just revitalized my commitment to my prayer life and revitalized my need to keep working and helping to spread the kingdom," Stephanie said. "When you hear the Holy Father's addresses, you realize you need to be Christ to the world."

But with seven children keeping her busy, Stephanie said she began to feel she should just stay home and be a hermit.

"Now, it's like OK, I need to keep plugging along," she said.

The pope's kiss is also inspiring others as people request copies of the picture of their son with the pope.

"It's neat that it affects other people too," she said.

And they plan to keep on praying about their family.

"There's a big reason [Louis] was kissed by the Holy Father," Stephanie said. "Now we will just have to wait and see what God has planned." †

Bishops to consult with women in top diocesan posts

WASHINGTON (CNS)—The U.S. bishops' Committee on Women in Society and in the Church will consult with more than 100 women who hold leadership positions in dioceses around the country March 11-13 in Chicago.

The invitation-only consultation will have both "an inward focus and an outward focus," said Sheila Garcia, assistant director of the bishops' Secretariat for Family, Laity, Women and Youth, who is organizing the meeting.

The women, nominated by their bishops, will attend workshops on such "inward" issues as justice in the workplace, recruitment and the implications of working with fewer priests, but also will share their views on "outward" topics such as evangelization of younger women, ways to bring about unity in the Church and the impact of violence and economic injustice on women.

Suzanne Magnant, chancellor and secretary for lay ministry and pastoral services for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, will attend the meeting.

Ideas generated at the meeting on the latter topics will be passed along to the appropriate committees of the bishops' conference, Garcia said.

Archbishop John G. Vlazny of Portland, Ore., current chairman of the committee on women, and two past chairmen—Auxiliary Bishop John C. Dunne of Rockville Centre, N.Y., and Bishop Joseph L. Imesch of Joliet, Ill.—will participate in a panel discussion about their own experiences working with women in the Church.

The consultation is a continuation of the committee's work on their 1994 document, "Strengthening the Bonds of Peace: A Pastoral Reflection on Women in the Church and in Society" and 1998's "From Words to Deeds: Continuing Reflections on the Role of Women in the Church," Garcia said.

The real planning for the meeting began after Garcia obtained a nearly \$50,000 grant for it in late 1999 from the Louisville Institute.

Funded by Lilly Endowment Inc. and based at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary in Louisville, Ky., the institute

provides grants to programs aimed at enhancing understanding of American religion and encouraging the vitality of religious institutions.

Archbishop Vlazny then asked every U.S. bishop to nominate three women who hold leadership positions in his diocese or archdiocese and to name at least one who represented an ethnic minority. The bishops responded with 378 names from 128 dioceses, with the women holding positions that included chancellor, schools superintendent, director of finance, newspaper editor, pro-life and family life directors, and director of adult faith formation.

The response, Garcia said, "was far more than we expected" and showed "how interested the bishops are in this issue."

Each of those 378 women then received a survey asking her about positive and negative experiences as a woman in Church leadership, what helps or hinders women's voices in Church decision-making, experiences with mentoring or being mentored, and support systems.

Results of the 233 surveys that were returned are being compiled by Dean Hoge of the Life Cycle Institute at The Catholic University of America in Washington, and will be released before the March consultation, Garcia said.

Because of funding considerations, only one woman from each diocese was invited to the consultation, Garcia said. But the group reflects a good cross-section of women in diocesan leadership positions today, she added.

Most of the women are in the 50-60 age range, and 40 percent are women religious. About 5 percent of the participants are African-American, and about 6 percent are Hispanic.

In addition to the workshops, the consultation will feature keynote talks by Dolores Leckey, former executive director of the Secretariat for Family, Laity, Women and Youth; Leodia Gooch, program coordinator for the Archdiocese of St. Louis; Brother Loughlan Sofield, a Missionary Servant of the Most Holy Trinity who is an expert in pastoral planning; and others. †

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Cardinal George coming to Evansville to discuss death penalty

By Mary Ann Wyand

Due to interest expressed in a program on "The Death Penalty and the Common Good" presented by Cardinal Francis George of Chicago on Feb. 26 in Evansville, the archdiocesan Office of Pro-Life Activities is expanding the bus trip into a one-day pilgrimage to Vincennes and Evansville.

The pilgrimage will be led by Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel, vicar general, and includes the program at the Centre in Evansville followed by Mass at the historic

St. Francis Xavier Church in Vincennes, which is referred to as "The Old Cathedral." It was built in 1732 and was the first parish established in the Diocese of Vincennes, which is now the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.

During the program, Cardinal George will discuss, "Is the death penalty good for our community, our state and our nation?"

"The Office of Pro-Life Activities is committed to promoting the Gospel of Life in its fullness," explained Servants of the Gospel of Life Sister Diane Carollo, direc-

tor of the archdiocesan pro-life ministry. "The faithful of the archdiocese need to be educated on this timely issue."

The pilgrimage costs \$45 per person and includes transportation on a deluxe motor coach, lunch and dinner. The bus will leave the Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center in Indianapolis at 7 a.m. on Feb. 26 and return by 9 p.m.

For more information or to register for the pilgrimage, call Carolyn Noone, associate director of special events for the archdiocese, at 317-236-1428 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1428, by the Feb. 16 reservation deadline. †

Bishops launch new dialogue with philosophers, theologians

NOTRE DAME, Ind. (CNS)—A committee of bishops, scientists and theologians met Feb. 2-4 at the University of Notre Dame to launch a dialogue on the implications of modern science for Catholic theology and philosophy.

The U.S. bishops' Committee on Science and Human Values is working to develop a perspective on the moral and pastoral meaning of such fast-growing fields as brain research. The new topic complements the committee's earlier dialogues—held annually since 1993—on bioethics.

The first meeting of the new track, "Brain, Mind, Spirit," explored the question of human consciousness, which can have an impact on the theology of human freedom and on the ethics of harvesting organs from "brain-dead" patients.

"While religion talks about the soul, philosophy about the mind, and neuroscience about the brain, the three disciplines are trying with different assumptions and methodologies to elucidate a fundamental reality," explained David M. Byers of the bishops' staff in a written description of the project.

"All seek to probe our subjectivity, our consciousness, our awareness of self and others," wrote Byers, executive director of the office for the Committee on Science and Human Values. "The dialogue should yield many insights into the nature of spirituality, and into our identity as creatures grounded in the material world yet possessing a yearning for transcendence."

Father Stephen Happel of The Catholic University of America in Washington presented reflections on neuroscience from a Catholic theological perspective.

Father Happel, who wrote a paper tracing the history of the issues from Aristotle through Aquinas to modern sci-

ence, said clear language is key to the dialogue.

"We're dealing with multiple audiences and multiple genres," he explained. "There's a fairly complex hermeneutical process going on. If we start talking about the term 'soul,' we have to know what we're talking about. ...

"For Aquinas, the soul is what we now think of as consciousness. It's knowing and loving and feeling."

Piety, doctrine, creeds and dogma, all reflected in the modern catechism, sometimes use different vocabularies in image-rich approaches to reality, he said.

"The language of piety in the Catholic Church utilizes images that depend on the Jewish and Christian Scripture," Father Happel said. "The language of 'spirit,' 'soul,' 'mind' overlap any number of ways ... in the biblical tradition."

Theology demands an intelligible account of that reality, and it needs to be able to address the questions that science raises, he added.

"I don't think theology can afford to avoid them without becoming a very privatized language for a group of people that won't be able to relate to the rest of the planet," he said. "It's no longer possible, it seems to me, to keep the two languages completely distinct."

At the same time, he said, participants in the dialogue should recognize a "plurality of explanations": "The molecules are moving rapidly," "The pot is on a hot stove," and "I want some tea" all answer the question "Why is the water boiling?"

When it comes to consciousness, Christianity's insistence on the unity of body and soul furnishes a starting point. Committee members noted that a scientist's dismissal of the "supernatural soul" idea is not a rejection of

Catholic teaching.

"The whole person is intended for God—body and soul, body and spirit, body and mind," Father Happel said, adding that recent papal statements about heaven and hell give some direction to the discussion.

"If heaven and hell are states rather than places, what does it mean for us to be bodily related to God in a state, not a place? Our job, it seems to me, is to explain the edges of what that means philosophically and theologically," he said.

The question of human consciousness also has serious moral consequences involving life and death issues. The Church, he said, has a responsibility to speak for the "voiceless and vulnerable."

"What counts as consciousness?" Father Happel asked, pointing out that some definitions of death might be politically convenient because they permit the harvest of organs for transplant.

As a result of the dialogue, the committee will develop an extended report, which eventually might be issued by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops as a publication.

Publications from earlier dialogues have circulated 5,000 to 10,000 copies. Earlier topics include genetics in 1996 and stem cell research in 1999.

The committee's work recently led to a statement on cloning and soon will lead to a statement on global climate change. †

Schools bring peace studies into curriculum

PALM BEACH, Fla. (CNS)—Jason R. Dorsey believes the solution to school violence does not rest in more security guards or metal detectors for the nation's schools.

Instead, the young founder of the Institute to End School Violence sees the solution in avoiding gossip, listening, changing behavior, forgiveness, and sharing examples of success, as well as learning to lose, empathize and apologize.

Dorsey's program—based on his book *Can Students End School Violence?*—has been adopted in five schools of the Palm Beach Diocese. Pat Cantieri, assistant superintendent of schools in the diocese, wants all the schools in the diocese to sign on.

"Instead of giving kids an assignment which would mean more homework, the teachers read part of the book, ask the students to think about it, and then have open discussions on the subject," she told *The Florida Catholic*, the Palm Beach diocesan newspaper.

Dorsey founded the not-for-profit institute at age 21 to help students, educators and parents strengthen the social climate within their school. He speaks annually to more than 100,000 students and educators across America. His mission is to make schools and communities, both rural and urban, safer.

"Many students have a very different perspective on violence than their parents, teachers or even the media," Dorsey said. "Their biggest concern is not about being stabbed or shot in school. They are more afraid of being laughed at in class or the cafeteria during lunch."

School violence, according to Dorsey, stems from any action that negatively affects the social climate in a school. This includes how students feel about themselves, their relationship to their peers, their parents and their teachers.

"Children who often receive negative reactions by their peers, parents or teachers, begin to feel ostracized and they often act out violently on these feelings," Dorsey said.

Realizing through conversation and education that there was a problem with violence on many levels, Dorsey began to study school violence from the perspective of students. His research led to his second book, *Can Students End School Violence?*

"The goal of my book is to really build powerful families by emphasizing the importance of strong values," Dorsey said. "To build community in schools across America, we must educate students on how to better connect with each other at home, in school and on the streets."

To better understand the mindset, problems and desires of school children, Dorsey met with more than 150,000 students nationwide before writing the book. †



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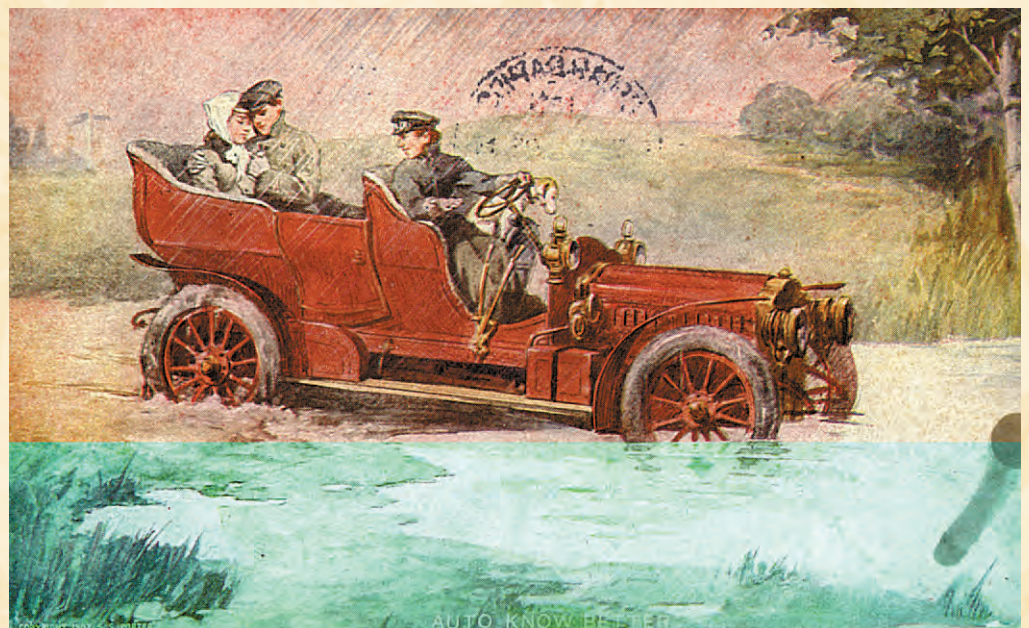
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Marriage is a journey with partner and God

By Mary Ann Wyand

Actor Brad Pitt recently described his marriage to actress Jennifer Aniston as "an adventure."

Marriage is an adventure just as life is an adventure, said David J. Bethuram, executive director of the archdiocesan Office for Youth and Family Ministries. But for people of faith, marriage also is a spiritual journey intended to last a lifetime.

"A couple needs to understand what it takes—the elements or skills that they need to build on—to make their marriage go the long distance," Bethuram said. "There's a lot of wise and valuable information that is given to them through the Church and through other institutions as well, but it comes back to the same kinds of things—a true understanding of what it means to be committed to one another, what that takes, and how to depend on one another and trust one another.

"Some of that is a leap of faith," he said, "and other aspects involve making the decision to do the best you can in your marriage. You have to put your trust in the person you said 'I do' with."

Commitment and communication are essential components of a healthy and sacramental marriage, Bethuram said. "One of the areas that many couples are struggling with is balancing their time together, their work responsibilities and their involvement in Church and community activities. Spending time together to help nurture their relationship is extremely important."

A couple also needs to cultivate "a real understanding and appreciation for one another," he said. "They need to be able to say that they appreciate one another, express what they mean to one another and understand that the gifts they've been given in their relationship are from God."

For a marriage to thrive, Bethuram said, a couple should work on growing closer together in order to weather a variety of adversities inherent in life.

The concept of marriage as a spiritual journey means that "a couple has a sense of commitment and an understanding of where they are going, where they want to go and an awareness that God is walking with them," he said. "Finding God in your relationship is extremely important."

"As Catholics, we see marriage as a true spiritual journey—a journey that brings many joys, challenges and blessings," he said. "All of these give us a greater understanding of love and what virtues we must practice in a loving relationship. I think 'spiritual journey' is

another way of saying 'adventure' because of the whole idea of the unknown, but at the same time recognizing that each couple has the support of the Church community."

This spiritual awareness includes recognition of the good in a relationship, he said, as well as acknowledgment of areas that need work and an understanding that God is present in every aspect of life.

"God is not just present during the good times," Bethuram said. "God is present during the difficult times as well, and holds people up during the times they need strength."

"Love is wonderful," he said, "but a couple in love still needs particular skills to sustain a more intimate relationship. They need to learn how to build their skills in communication and conflict management so they can confidently express their love for one another. In taking the time to listen to one another and share their life experiences, a couple is more apt to manage everyday stresses. When a couple learns to communicate in a kind and respectful manner, they are able to handle most potential areas of conflict that they may possibly experience in their mar-

riage."

During marriage preparation programs, the parish sponsor couples, Pre-Cana presenters and Tobit team members try to emphasize that help is available, Bethuram said. "They are not left alone on this journey. The Church is with them, and the Church is all of us. There are other married couples to help them, support them and encourage them in their marriage."

"Recognizing that no marriage is perfect," he said, "if couples can help each other, they can sustain their relationship during the more difficult times and learn to better celebrate the joyful times."

Pope John Paul II has often described marriage as "a balance of life and love," Bethuram said. "For us to really nurture each other, we have to understand our purpose in life—what our call from God is as an individual and as a single or married person—and understand what it takes to be a loving person. We are holy people, and it is in the everyday things that we do that we encounter sacred moments. As Mother Teresa said, 'It's important to do small things with great love.' †

'As Catholics, we see marriage as a true spiritual journey—a journey that brings many joys, challenges and blessings.'

Church programs help to prepare couples for marriage

Marriage preparation programs offered for engaged couples in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis include:

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Marriage vows are a promise to grow in love

By Fr. Lawrence E. Mick

Catholic News Service

Marriage is an ongoing reality.

The sacraments of holy orders and matrimony are described in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* as "sacraments at the service of communion."

These two sacraments, it says, "confer a particular mission in the Church and serve to build up the people of God" (#1534).

The catechism describes matrimony as a covenant (#1601). Calling this sacrament a covenant reminds us that matrimony involves not just a wedding, but an ongoing relationship.

What are this covenant's terms? In the wedding vows themselves, we hear of them: "I promise to be true to you in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health. I will

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The nuptial blessing is another key moment in the wedding. It, too, speaks of a lifetime of growing in love.

These passages from two options for the nuptial blessing illustrate the importance of the sacrament of marriage:

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Akard-Kempf
Amy Louise Akard and Stephen William Kempf will be married June 16 at St. Mary Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Ralph and Molly Akard. The groom is the son of Michael and Mary Kempf.

Berkemeier-Goodman
Lisa Marie Berkemeier and Ryan Joseph Goodman will be married May 5 at St. Mark Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Arthur and Ann Berkemeier. The groom is the son of Gary and Meg Goodman.

Boyd-Fisher
Gina Marie Boyd and Air Force Capt. Scott Allen Fisher were married Oct. 28 at St. Joseph Church in Shelbyville. The bride is the daughter of Gene and Becky Boyd. The groom is the son of Bob and Bonnie Fisher.



Brown-Mascari
Jennifer Marie Brown and Thomas Michael Mascari will be married June 30 at St. Roch Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Robert and Debra Brown. The groom is the son of Thomas and Lora Mascari.



Bracik-Pierce
Therese Marie Bracik and Brad Pierce will be married May 12 at Holy Trinity Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Thomas and Marcia Bracik. The groom is the son of Terry and Rose Pierce.

Bleich-Richards
Michelle M. Bleich and Larry J. Richards will be married March 3 at the Cathedral of the Assumption in Louisville, Ky. The bride is the daughter of Martha J. Bleich and Larry D. Bleich. The groom is the son of Larry and Peggy Richards.



Croner-Weitzel
Kelly Elaine Croner and Jason John Weitzel will be married April 21 at St. Lawrence Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Dr. Daniel and Marsha Croner. The groom is the son of Jeff and LaVerne Weitzel.



Curtis-Becker
Karla Lynn Curtis and Eric Louis Becker will be married June 23 at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Dr. Fred and Erika Spinks. The groom is the son of Gloria Becker and the late Julius "J.H." Becker.

Barrera-Eddy
Sonya Elise Barrera and Kevin Carl Eddy will be married Feb. 9 at St. Augustine Cathedral in Tucson, Ariz. The bride is the daughter of Noe and Sylvia Barrera. The groom is the son of Carl and Mary Eddy.

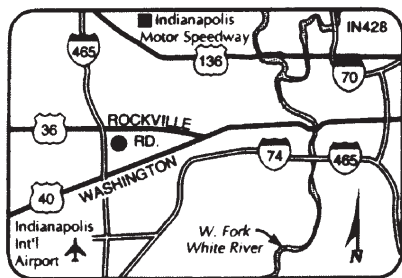
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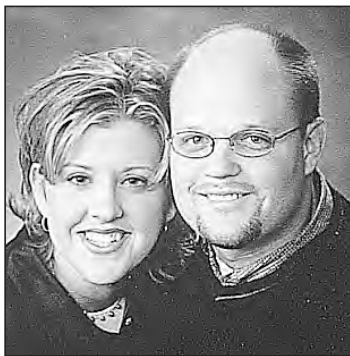
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Dickson-Pulskamp
Sarah Elizabeth Dickson and Douglas Allen Pulskamp will be married June 30 at St. Mary Church in Richmond. The bride is the daughter of Karen Dickson. The groom is the son of Allen and Kay Pulskamp.



Eisele-Townsend
Kari Ann Eisele and Eric Scott Townsend will be married May 12 at St. Malachy Church in Brownsburg. The bride is the daughter of Frederick and Barbara Eisele. The groom is the son of Cindy Townsend-Dickey and the late Charles Townsend.



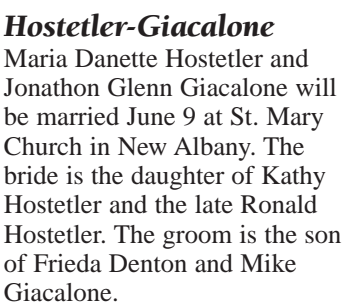
Dorrel-Amrhein
Jodi Ann Dorrel and David Michael Amrhein will be married March 31 at Holy Family Church in Oldenburg. The bride is the daughter of Dan and Arlene Dorrel. The groom is the son of Michael and Donna Amrhein.



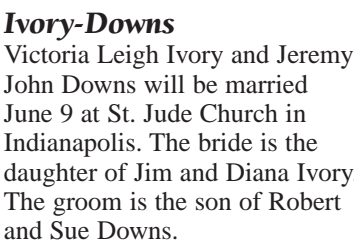
Henninger-Hendley
Victoria Elaine Henninger and Scott David Hendley will be married April 21 at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Don and Judy Nichols. The groom is the son of Allen and Barbara Hendley.



Edwards-Neyenhaus
Patricia Ann Edwards and Ryan David Neyenhaus will be married June 9 at Holy Spirit Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Mike and Ann Edwards. The groom is the son of Marcus and Judy Neyenhaus.



Hostetler-Giacalone
Maria Danette Hostetler and Jonathon Glenn Giacalone will be married June 9 at St. Mary Church in New Albany. The bride is the daughter of Kathy Hostetler and the late Ronald Hostetler. The groom is the son of Frieda Denton and Mike Giacalone.



Ivory-Downs
Victoria Leigh Ivory and Jeremy John Downs will be married June 9 at St. Jude Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Jim and Diana Ivory. The groom is the son of Robert and Sue Downs.

Keenan-Mangel
Jennifer J. Keenan and Daniel L. Mangel will be married June 30 at St. Joan of Arc Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Sally MacInnes and Terence Keenan. The groom is the son of Jerry and Ann Mangel.



Kegeris-Howell
Jennifer Marie Kegeris and David Wallace Howell will be married June 9 at Good Shepherd Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Tom and Carol Kegeris. The groom is the son of Cheryl Wood and John Howell.



Koehl-Lyons
Katie Koehl and Jeff Lyons will be married June 9 at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of John and Sandie Koehl. The groom is the son of Rick and Karen Lyons.



Lapp-Stewart
Julie Ann Lapp and Eric Thomas Stewart will be married March 24 at Christ the King Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Dr. Michael and Ann

Lapp. The groom is the son of Thomas and Susan Stewart.

Lavrack-Posavac
Amy Elizabeth Lavrick and Justin Louis Posavac will be married May 12 at Nativity of Our Savior Church in Portage. The bride is the daughter of Dan and Pat Lavrick. The groom is the grandson of Trudy Posavac and the late Louis Posavac.

Layden-Murphy
Sarah Anne Layden and Tom Murphy will be married June 30 at St. Lawrence Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of John and Theresa Layden. The groom is the son of the late Francis and Kathryn Murphy.



Lecher-Gallagher
Cindy Marie Lecher and Sean Patrick Gallagher will be married June 9 at St. Bartholomew Church in Columbus. The bride is the daughter of Steven and Edith Lecher. The groom is the son of Thomas and Deborah Gallagher.



Lecher-Hudepohl
Rita Johanna Lecher and Anthony Paul Hudepohl will be married April 21 at St. John Church in Enochsburg. The bride is the daughter of Steven and Edith Lecher. The groom is the son of John and Mary Hudepohl.

Marion-England
Erin Marie Marion and Christopher Mark England will be married Feb. 24 at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Bloomington. The bride is the daughter of Kathie Stuedle and Chuck Marion. The groom is the son of Wilber and Margie England.

Meyer-Roberts
Katherine Adele Meyer and James Wayne Tucker will be married Feb. 24 at St. Joan of Arc Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Annette McMullen and Lynn Meyer. The groom is the son of Eddie and Jan Roberts.

Noone-Crowe
Anne M. Noone and Daniel J. Crowe will be married May 5 at Christ the King Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Francis J. and Marianne Noone. The groom is the son of William and Darlene Crowe.



Northcutt-Lundquist
Nancy Lynn Northcutt and Charles Bryan Lundquist will be married June 30 at St. Joan of Arc Church in Kokomo. The bride is the daughter of Joe and Linda Northcutt. The groom is the son of Charlie and Cindy Lundquist.



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Holly Renee Osborne and Jason Parker Langness will be married March 17 at St. Augustine Church in Jeffersonville. The bride is the daughter of Tim and Sherry Osborne. The groom is the son of Jack and Susie Langness.



Schenher-Worthington

Kristin Marie Schenher and Joel Douglas Worthington will be married June 16 at Holy Spirit Church in Fishers. The bride is the daughter of Stan and Linda Schenher. The groom is the son of O. Douglas and Marsha Worthington.



Skirvin-Smith

Lorilee Skirvin and Thomas W. Smith will be married March 3 at Prince of Peace Church in Madison. The bride is the daughter of Tom and Melissa Skirvin. The groom is the son of Linda Cortani and Larry Smith.



Stangle-Edwards

April Renee Stangle and Christopher Michael Edwards will be married March 31 at First Baptist Church in Shelbyville. The bride is the daughter of Sandra Whittle. The groom is the son of Mike and Ann Edwards.



Toscano-Rittenhouse

Amy Elizabeth Toscano and Andrew Ryan Rittenhouse will be married May 26 at St. Barnabas Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Philip and Carole Toscano. The groom is the son of Ronald and Brenda Rittenhouse.



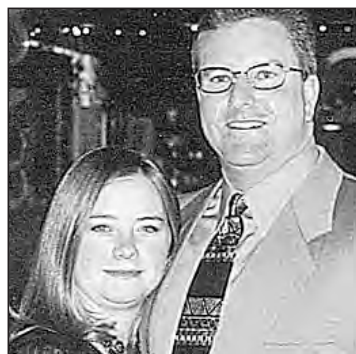
Rohrberg-Bauman

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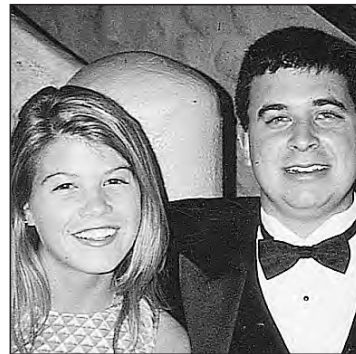
Schramm-Borcherts

Susan Clementine Schramm and Kirt Henry Borcherts will be married May 5 at St. Monica Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Frederick and Jo Ann Schramm. The groom is the son of Frederick and Claudia Borcherts.



Smith-Ryder

Margaret Carol Smith and Thomas R. Ryder were married Jan. 27 at St. John the Evangelist Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Robert and Joan Smith. The groom is the son of Donna Schramm Ryder and Navy Cmdr. Dan Ryder.



Tichy-Paul

Dinah Marie Tichy and Joshua David Paul will be married May 26 at St. Margaret Mary Church in Winter Park, Fla. The bride is the daughter of Bob and Dinah Tichy. The groom is the son of Andrew and Nancy Paul.



Toth-Eiteljorge

Jennifer R. Toth and Andrew R. Eiteljorge will be married July 14 at Christ the King Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of David and Debi Toth. The groom is the son of Mike and Denise Eiteljorge.

Look for the wedding announcement form for The Criterion's summer Marriage Supplement in the spring. That supplement will be published on July 27, 2001, and will include announcements of late summer, fall and winter weddings.

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Weimer-Wiles

Sarah Kathleen Weimer and Daniel Robert Wiles will be married June 9 at St. Agnes Church in Nashville. The bride is the daughter of Bernie and Kathy Weimer. The groom is the son of Mary Anne Wiles.



Weinzierl-Harnage

Kristen S. Weinzierl and Robert E. Harnage will be married June 23 at Holy Spirit Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Robert and Janet Weinzierl. The groom is the son of Floyd and Kathy Harnage.

Yost-Wetzel

Elizabeth Ann Yost and Todd David Wetzel will be married March 31 at St. Augustine Church in Jeffersonville. The bride is the daughter of the late William and Margaret Yost. The groom is the son of Charles and Linda Wetzel.



Zeiser-Rygielski

Kimberly Ann Zeiser and Christopher Joseph Rygielski will be married April 28 at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Kettering, Ohio. The bride is the daughter of David and Ellen Zeiser. The groom is the son of Joseph and Dorothy Rygielski.

Zuk-McBride

Nicole L. Zuk and Timothy B. McBride will be married May 19 at St. Pius X Church in Indianapolis. The bride is the daughter of Ronald and Diane Zuk. The groom is the son of Steven and Barbara McBride.



More couples are waiting longer to marry

By John Woods

Catholic News Service

With the sobering statistics on the number of marriages that end in divorce, it may stand to reason that couples would be more reluctant to get married today than in the past.

According to *The Official Catholic Directory*, the number of marriages in the Catholic Church in the United States has decreased about 9 percent over a five-year period, from 294,144 marriages in 1995 to 267,517 in 1999.

Yet while men and women are in general waiting longer to come to the altar, Church weddings in the Jubilee Year 2000 were on the rise in many parts of the country. Some diocesan family life representatives reported significant increases in enrollment in marriage preparation programs.

While the desire to get engaged at the beginning of the new millennium may explain part of the trend, it does not appear to be the full answer.

Father John S. Bonnici, director of the Family Life/Respect Life Office for the Archdiocese of New York, said engaged couples seeking to be married in the Church are older—many in their early to mid-30s—and more mature about what they are seeking.

"They've thought it through and they really want to be married," he said.

Father Bonnici said more couples are becoming aware of the sacredness of the marriage bond.

"Once God is part of the picture, marriage is appreciated in a whole new way," he said, and the pre-Cana period can be a time when the religious faith of one or both partners is rekindled after a

dormant period.

Father Bonnici said couples committed to exploring their faith through the sacrament of marriage put themselves in line with the larger society which has embraced spirituality, if not necessarily organized religion.

"There is no shortage of people getting married," he said. "That's a good thing. It reaffirms the need for strong marriage preparation. Everything that bears good fruit presupposes some hard work. That includes marriage."

The Archdiocese of New York is

demonstrating a commitment to married couples beyond the wedding day with a marriage enrichment program called "Celebrate Marriage" that focuses on improving communication. The one-day program is offered in English and Spanish on a monthly basis at parishes.

Last year, the "Celebrate Marriage" days attracted more couples, he said, and several parishes are on a waiting list for the presentation. As a result, regular meetings of married couples have sprung up in several parishes in the archdiocese.

In the Archdiocese of Miami, there has been a large increase in recent years of couples coming to the Church to convalidate existing civil marriages.

Gladys Gonzalez, coordinator of the Ministry to Engaged and Married Couples in the archdiocese's Family Life Office, said the number of couples being prepared for first marriages in Miami has remained stable for several years, and there has been a significant increase in those seeking preparation for second marriages, either as a result of widowhood, divorce or annulment. †

Marriage Encounter nurtures relationship

By Jennifer Del Vecchio

Marriage Encounter, a ministry aimed at helping couples improve their married life, is being formed for the central and southern Indiana regions.

"I get people saying there's nothing wrong with my marriage, and I say, 'That's why you need to come,'" said Eric Brockmyre, a member of St. Joseph Parish in Shelbyville, who is helping organize the Marriage Encounter weekends in the archdiocese.

Marriage Encounter is a program designed to help spouses make their marriage better, communicate more and explore areas of their relationship. It is a worldwide ministry.

Brockmyre said the central and southern Indiana group's goal is to sponsor two Marriage Encounter weekends each year.

Going to a weekend aimed at improving your marriage isn't always easy, Brockmyre said, but he wanted to go

because he realized that his marriage to Karen, while good, was getting "consumed by daily life."

The Marriage Encounter helped them discuss challenges and understand each other better, he said. "I find it very helpful to me in day-to-day living and carving out time in my day to devote to [my wife]."

He said many times men don't want to go to weekend retreats because they are afraid they will have to bare their souls to a roomful of people. But the weekends are very individual and confidential between spouses, who attend presentations and have time alone in their room for personal discussion.

"This makes a good marriage better," he said.

Brockmyre said his parents attended a Marriage Encounter weekend when he was growing up, and he remembers the positive changes it brought to their marriage and family life.

With seven children, his parents were

going through the motions of raising a large family and there was a lot of stress, he said. After his parents went to the Marriage Encounter, they came back holding hands and communicated a loving relationship to their children.

He remembered their example and asked his wife to go to the weekend retreat.

Brockmyre said the weekend made him realize that "my wife is the most cherished thing in my life, and I never told her that."

The next Marriage Encounter weekend is March 9-11 in Indianapolis. There is a \$30 registration fee, but no couples are turned away due to financial difficulties. At the end of the weekend, each couple is given an envelope and asked to make a donation to help defray the cost of meals and lodging.

(For more information on the Marriage Encounter weekend, call Matt and Ellen Harrod at 317-842-6918.) †



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Couple becomes engaged during retreat

By Mary Ann Wyand

Our Lady of Lourdes parishioner Christina Lewellen of Indianapolis got the surprise of her life on New Year's Eve.

Her boyfriend, Daniel Dean of Indianapolis, proposed during a millennium retreat at Fatima Retreat House.

Nearly 70 retreatants were enjoying a champagne reception to welcome in the new year—and the official start of the new millennium—when Dean unexpectedly knelt by Lewellen's chair, asked her to marry him, and gave her an engagement ring.

It was the perfect setting for a proposal, Lewellen said. They were seated near the fireplace in Fatima's main retreat room, watching the fire and sipping champagne, after participating in a midnight Mass in Fatima's chapel celebrated by Father James Farrell, the retreat presenter and pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Bernadette parishes in Indianapolis.

"When Dan got down on one knee, I didn't know what was going on," she said. "He pulled out a ring and did a traditional proposal, asking me if I would marry him. Of course I said yes!"

"We have been dating for six months," Lewellen said, "and I was hoping that the engagement would occur at some point during 2001. However, I had no idea that he had selected that time and place to ask me to marry him. It was very well chosen. It was the best time he could have selected."

Other retreatants applauded and offered congratulations and best wishes to the happy couple.

"Everybody was pretty impressed," Lewellen said. "That gave them something else to toast. I was pretty startled and a bit beside myself. I was full of smiles."

Fatima Retreat House director Kevin DePrey later said he believes this is the first time a couple has become engaged during a program at the archdiocesan retreat center.

A brochure promoting the New Year's Eve retreat described it as "a life-changing weekend" and "once-in-a-lifetime occasion" that will help "set a new course for your life in the new millennium."

Sharing stories strengthens married life

By David Gibson
Catholic News Service

The secret of a lasting marriage is probably a little too well kept.

It's not exactly the "stuff" of ordinary conversation for couples to say, "Let us tell you why we're still together after all these years."

However, parish faith-sharing groups play a valuable role by giving couples the opportunity to tell their stories—to talk about the planned and unplanned events, the pain and joy that have shaped their lives. It can be genuinely supportive to learn what other couples have to say about the real-life ways their marriages grew.

If we had more opportunities to hear the stories of lasting marriages, we might realize how unique each marriage is. I think we'd see that some brand of difficult-to-access "luck" doesn't explain a lasting union. †

That description certainly applies for Lewellen and Dean, who are planning to be married on June 29, 2002—the second anniversary of their first date. They met at a concert.

"My plans for the future changed dramatically during that retreat," Lewellen said. "We came as boyfriend and girlfriend, and left as fiancés."

That Sunday, before the conclusion of the retreat, Father Farrell blessed all of the retreatants, then offered a special blessing for the newly engaged couple.

"Everyone was very supportive," she said, "and wished us the best of luck."

Fatima Retreat House has always been a special place for Lewellen, who volunteered there as a housekeeping aide and a dining room attendant during her eighth-grade year at Our Lady of Lourdes School to earn service hours for confirmation.

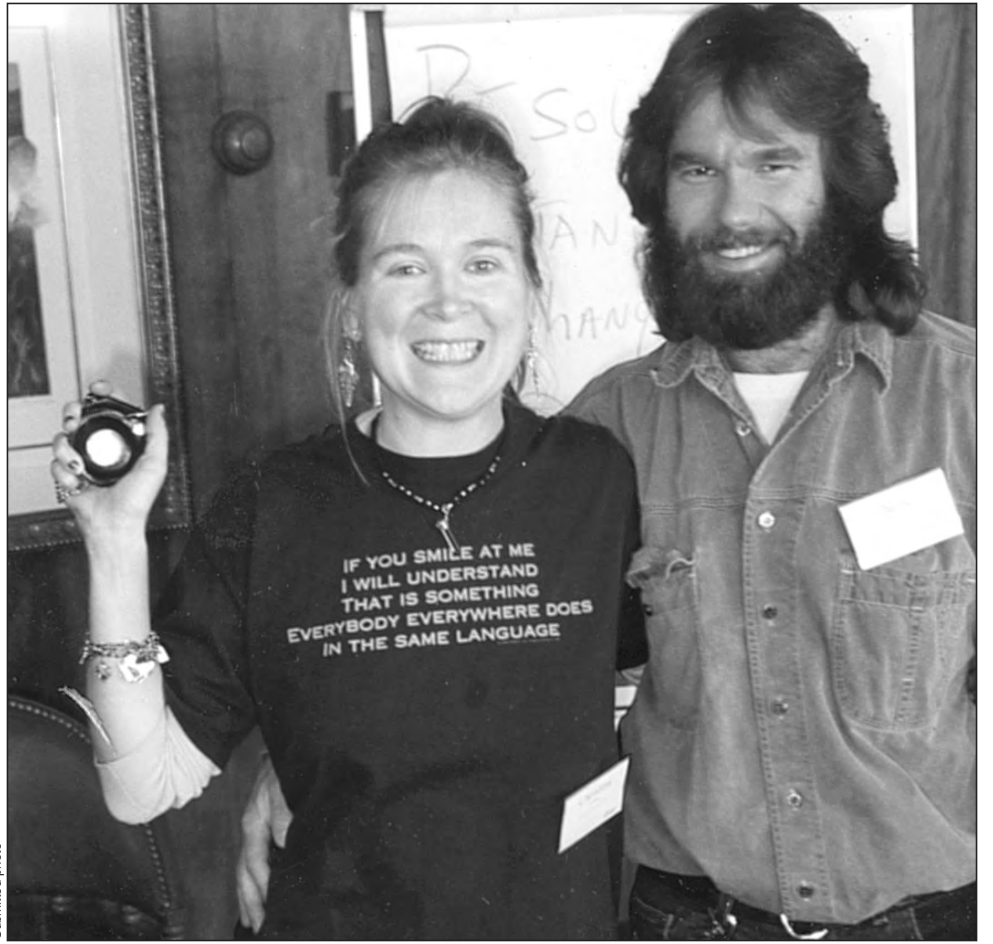
"I never would have thought, when I was volunteering at Fatima 20 years ago, that two decades later I would become engaged there," she said. "That holds a lot of meaning for me."

During the retreat, she said, "there was a sign on the speaker's podium that said, 'Be still and know that I am God.' I'll always remember that retreat experience of not being in such a hurried pace."

As the retreat presenter and as Lewellen's pastor, Father Farrell said he was happy to offer a special blessing for the newly engaged couple.

A spiritual retreat is "a great context in which to receive a marriage proposal and to make one, in the context of prayer and reflection," he said, "considering the changes you are making in your life and how you want the next year to unfold, to recognize that you want to enter into the sacrament of marriage with the person that you love. What better opportunity to have some clear thought and understanding about the commitment you are making and how you want to make that commitment in Christ, in the context of what you believe."

During his engagement blessing for Lewellen and Dean, Father Farrell said he "asked God to seal the decision that had been made and to strengthen them in the months of preparation for their marriage so they would grow in love for each other and their love would be a real sign to others of Christ's love for the Church." †



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The engagement of Our Lady of Lourdes parishioner Christina Lewellen and Daniel Dean, both of Indianapolis, during a New Year's Eve retreat is a "first" for Fatima Retreat House. Lewellen registered for the retreat as a Christmas gift for Dean because her pastor, Father James Farrell, was the retreat presenter. She had no idea that her boyfriend would "pop the question" there after midnight Mass. Lewellen is holding a timepiece to signify the new year and new millennium.

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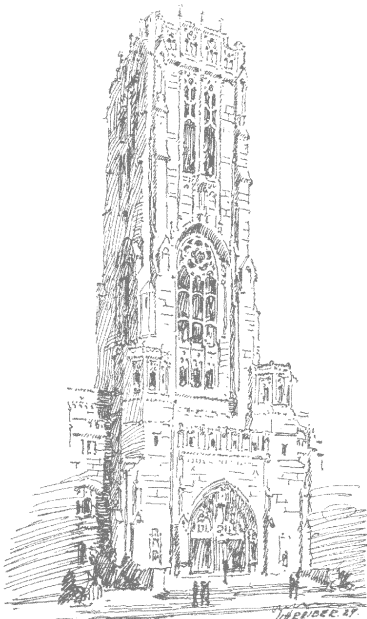


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Every vocation is a gift and a call from God

By Cynthia Dewes

Each of us is unique, yet we are alike in many ways. For one thing, no matter what our vocation is, it involves a “calling.”

My husband and I each knew from an early age that our vocations would center on marriage and parenthood.

For others, a process unfolded as they discerned their vocations.

Our son, Jim, completed a philosophy degree at Saint Meinrad Seminary College in southern Indiana before he realized that marriage and parenthood, not priesthood, was really his vocation.

Msgr. Joseph Schaedel, vicar general of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, taught for several years in a Catholic school before deciding to enter the seminary. He was ordained at age 34.

Two unmarried women friends of ours became parents through unfortunate early events, but now both believe they are truly called to single motherhood.

From observing such examples, I’ve come to understand that vocations are not just random choices of lifestyle, but lives to which we’re called by God.

Each vocation also involves a process. We evolve on the job, so to speak.

As parents, we find that our relationship with our children changes as they mature. I soothed my 5-month-old through a tantrum, but gave my 5-year-old a timeout for the same behavior. I helped my 16-year-old shop for her winter coat, but insisted that my second-grader put on his winter coat when it was cold outdoors.

Religious sisters, brothers and priests also are involved in a process.

Father Clement Davis, pastor of St. Bartholomew Parish in Columbus, began religious life as a Benedictine monk. His specialty was Scripture study and instruction. Twenty years later, he was incardinated into the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, where he has served as pastor of large parishes with major building projects.

Father Albert Ajamie began his priesthood in parish work in Indianapolis, where he was involved in racial justice efforts and celebrating the Byzantine-rite liturgy. Later, he was a college teacher and a leader in liturgical reform. Now, in retirement, he assists with spiritual direction at Fatima Retreat House.

The processes we go through are the fruit of gifts from God that we receive

continuously while living out our vocations.

The gift of physical stamina helped me greatly in raising my six children.

The gifts of intellectual and spiritual understanding of God’s word enriched Father Davis’ and Father Ajamie’s work in religious life, and in sharing the faith.

I believe that people in all vocations share a sense of commitment. The married folks we know are committed to their marriages and their children’s welfare.

Among other things, my husband and I have weathered the raising and subsequent deaths of two seriously handicapped children, and being burned out of our house for five months.

Our friends in religious and single life also are committed to their promises and to the people they serve. Some have suffered health problems or even disillusionments, but have persevered successfully.

Recognizing the similarities of our experience, I think we should encourage and support each other. We’re all on this journey together!

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Parenthood requires unconditional love

By Mary Jo Pedersen

Parenthood is a trip—not a leisurely drive along the coast, but an uncharted journey across high mountain passes and deep valleys.

For parents, the scenery keeps changing. As each child enters the family, the trip changes course, and new challenges arise. And as children’s needs change, parents respond with different strengths and face new vulnerabilities.

Parenting is a tough job that’s sometimes completely thankless and sometimes deeply rewarding. Yet most parents (on their better days) and social experts would agree that parenting is life’s most important work.

Parenthood is so important that the Church calls it a “vocation,” a calling from God. Like all of God’s “calls,” it is an invitation to love others the way God loves us—to love them as unconditionally as we can.

There is great dignity in the parent-



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As parents, we find that our relationship with our children changes as they mature. But at any age, God calls us to unconditional love in parenting our children.

hood vocation because in bringing children into the world and nurturing them, parents are invited to participate in the life of God as creator. The call to love children is a call to expand our heart’s capacity beyond its limits.

Parenting develops one’s ability to hold on tightly to children and then let them go, to teach them and then allow them freedom to make choices, to set rules to live by and then be courageous enough to enforce the consequences when rules are broken. There are days when this is not a pretty thing, but this kind of fidelity and flexibility surely reflect our divine parent.

God gives us the gift of life, inviting us to return our hearts to him. Then the Creator gives us the gift of free will, letting us choose whether or not to respond to his infinite, faithful love.

I often tell parents who are feeling like failures over a teen-ager’s refusal to accept their values that they are never holier or more in God’s image than when they love that child faithfully and continue to guide

him. That is how God loves us.

Social workers call it “tough love.” The truth is that all mature love is tough.

The challenge of unconditional love at different points in a child’s life is what changes the “scenery” in parents’ lives.

Parenthood is a lifelong call to expand the capacity of one’s heart, live with paradox and ambiguity, be flexible, self-sacrificing and capable of trust beyond human reason. It is made easier when we recognize that the Creator who gave us these children is a partner with us at every stage in raising them.

God’s unconditional love, so exquisitely modeled in Jesus, is uncompromisingly available to us in both suffering and celebration, and is both the source and model for our own parent-child relationships.

(Mary Jo Pedersen is coordinator of the Leadership in Family Life Training Program for the Archdiocese of Omaha, Neb.) †

Discussion Point

Faith helps parents cope

This Week’s Question

Describe a time when faith proved invaluable in dealing with a difficult challenge that you or another parent faced in family life.

“A young boy in school here got in trouble and was sent home because of the school’s zero-tolerance policy. As director of religious education and ‘emergency’ parent for many children, I stayed with him, and I asked him about the nature of forgiveness. The next day at school the principal asked if he had anything to say. He asked a question in return: ‘Will you forgive me?’ The principal was touched. What a wonderful expression of faith alive.” (Angela Barsalov, Milton, Vt.)

“For us, faith has proved invaluable in simply raising

our family day-to-day. The way that we live our lives—our Catholic faith—is helping our children to respect life. Our 3-year-old, for example, is very good with babies; he migrates toward them. All of our children are good with old people ..., the forgotten ones. They are also very observant of nature, and faith lets them really appreciate what God has given them.” (Dawn Kinsman, Pierre, S.D.)

Lend Us Your Voice

An upcoming edition asks: Explain one or two reasons why you pray.

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From the Editor Emeritus/John F. Fink

Doctors of the Church: Athanasius and Ephrem

(Fourth in a series)

By far the most difficult heresy for early Christianity was Arianism. It is named after Arius, a priest in Alexandria, Egypt. He denied the divinity of Christ by proclaiming that the Word was not eternal with the Father but was a creature of the Father. Arianism quickly spread and was threatening to destroy the Church.

St. Athanasius was the greatest champion against Arianism.

The First Council of Nicaea condemned Arianism in 325 and accepted an official creed, adopting language proposed by Athanasius. The council anathematized anyone who said there was a time when the Son of God did not exist or that he was in any way different in substance from the Father.

Rather than die, though, Arianism spread rapidly. Arians established their own hierarchies and churches. The Arian bishops also had the ear of Emperor Constantine and his



successors and managed to exile Athanasius, the Bishop of Alexandria, five different times. At one time he spent six years hiding among monks in the Egyptian desert because people wanted to kill him. He spent a total of 17 years in exile, but was able to spend the last seven years of his life in peace.

Athanasius is known as the "Father of Orthodoxy" because of his efforts at defeating Arianism. His writings lay the groundwork for the second ecumenical council, the Council of Constantinople of 381, at which Arianism was again condemned.

He died on May 2, 373. The Church celebrates his feast on May 2.

St. Ephrem wasn't declared a doctor until 1920, but the Church has always recognized him as a great poet, composer of hymns, orator, teacher, biblical scholar, theologian and defender of the faith. He was deeply involved in combating numerous false doctrines, especially those concerning the Trinity, the Incarnation and the Redemption.

Ephrem was born about the year 306 in Nisibis, Mesopotamia, which was under Roman rule at the time. Ephrem became well-known as a superb teacher in the Christian biblical school of Nisibis. When

the Persians took over the city, though, Ephrem and other Christians fled. He settled in Edessa, Syria, where he taught theology.

He found a cave in a rocky hill overlooking the city and moved into it. There he led an austere life, eating only bread and a few vegetables. There, too, he wrote most of his spiritual works. Ephrem wrote more than a thousand works.

He was among the first Christians to make sacred songs a part of public worship, although his contemporary Ambrose also did so. As one way to combat heresies, he took popular songs and, using their melodies, substituted texts embodying orthodox doctrines. His hymns earned him the title "Harp of the Holy Spirit."

His writings show deep insight as well as a thorough knowledge of Scripture. In writing about the Redemption, he demonstrated a great devotion to the humanity of Christ and he particularly revered the Virgin Mary.

He died in 373. The Church celebrates his feast on June 9.

(John F. Fink's new two-volume book, *The Doctors of the Church*, is available from Alba House publishers.) †

Cornucopia/Cynthia Dewes 'This is Your Life' at 70

When we're young, it probably never occurs to us that one day we may be celebrating our 70th birthday. That age is so remote from possibility that it's a non-issue for most of our years.

But suddenly, the old TV show, "This is Your Life," becomes reality. At age 70, your entire past tends to flash before you, and you remember a lot more than TV programs. Reflection from the vantage point of age makes early pleasures and triumphs sweeter, and also can dull the pain of past grief and disappointment.

Tomorrow my beloved turns 70. While he is too modest to comment upon a good life well lived, I am not. Besides, in this day and age, we need to hear more about good lives well lived.

We have an early photograph of Ed sitting in a pram with his 18-months-old sister. She is smiling enthusiastically for the camera, no doubt as directed, while he is gazing off into space, thinking his own thoughts and doing his own thing. It's a typical pose, since he's been thinking his own thoughts and doing his own thing ever since.

He was raised in Michigan, where he loved to serve Mass almost every day for Father Charles Coughlin, the "Radio Priest," who was his pastor. His dad told him not to pay any attention to Father's politics, just his liturgies, which were superb. Funerals were Ed's favorites because he got out of school for a morning to go to the cemetery with the mourners.

He loved his dog, Mike, and only one particular pair of brown corduroy knickers, which his mother had to hide in order to get them washed now and then. When he feared he would be conscripted into the grade school choir, he cracked his voice on purpose during the audition and returned to his classroom in triumph. The other kids broke into applause.

When someone in class was reading aloud he was always reading ahead, keeping his finger in the place. Once, Sister whacked him when she thought he was not paying attention, only to discover that he could continue reading exactly where the last child left off.

His interest in history expanded as he followed the route of his uncle, a priest chaplain during World War II, and the armies as they marched through Europe. He took things apart and then, much to his dad's surprise, put them back together again. At this point they both knew he was a natural-born engineer.

Ed wore a tweed suit and smoked a pipe when I met him; in addition, he has proven to be honest, faithful and eccentric, qualities I admire even more. He talks back to the TV when what they're reporting is ridiculous, which to him is most of the time. He's adventurous, and has taken our family all over North America to gaze at historic sites and depressions in the road where famous battles took place.

As for kids, he's not your warm, fuzzy parent. But he's spent hours on homework, days on projects and years with Boy Scouts. He dresses up in his fur trapper outfit and gives lessons on that part of American history to school classes. We call him "Powerful Pierre" when he's in his fur trapper mode.

Ed taught our boys to be good husbands, fathers and citizens, and set our daughter an example of the kind of man to marry. He's now repeating the process with our "grands."

Ed's been much respected in his work and a mentor to his colleagues. His friends are fond and loyal, and his in-law children—awed at first by his natural silence—love him for being the kind man he really is.

So do I. He's made me feel like "a natural woman," and I congratulate him on being the *mensch* he's been for 70 years. Happy birthday, Ed, and many happy returns!

(Cynthia Dewes is a member of St. Paul the Apostle Parish in Greencastle.) †



Stories, Good News, Fire/Fr. Joe Folzenlogen, S.J.

Vietnamese celebrate New Year liturgy

Thanks to the gracious invitation of Divine Word Father. Joseph Dao Vu, I was able to join the Indianapolis Vietnamese Catholic Community for its New Year liturgy at St. Rita Church on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 28. Father Vu greeted me warmly as I walked into a church where the sanctuary was filled with bright umbrellas, banners and flowers. A shrine honored an image of one of the 117 Vietnamese martyrs of the 19th century, and one could hear the music of the choir practicing in nearby room.



Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel, vicar general, came down the center aisle to a round of applause as he headed to the sacristy to put on gold vestments over his purple monsignor's robes. He presided at the Eucharist assisted by Father Vu and a Vietnamese deacon from Chicago.

During the homily, Msgr. Schaedel would preach for a few minutes in English, and then Father Vu would repeat the message in Vietnamese. The basic theme was that as we move into a new year, we need to

resist our natural tendency to worry and to trust that God will be with us in whatever happens.

Tết is the first day of the lunar New Year and also the first day of spring. It is the Vietnamese New Year which is called "*Tết Nguyên Đán*." (*Nguyên* means "first;" *Đán* means "morning"). *Tết* comes from the Vietnamese word *Tiết*, meaning "season." It marks the end of the cold winter in Vietnam. It is the greeting of spring as it brings warm sunshine, fragrant air, blossoming flowers, buds on the trees and the beautiful song of birds.

Although the weather outside that afternoon was cold and rainy, the atmosphere inside the church certainly reflected the freshness and new life of spring.

There are also several spiritual aspects of this celebration. It is a time for correcting all faults, forgetting past mistakes and pardoning others for their offenses. After this, each person no longer has enemies.

There is also a strong family and community dimension. Relatives visit with each other and wish each other well. Children visit their parents and wish them a long life. Teachers also receive special honor.

Various gifts are exchanged, and some of these customs were incorporated into the

liturgy. Father Vu had prepared cards with Scripture verses on them, and each family present received one. Then Msgr. Schaedel and Father Vu distributed red envelopes containing a small amount of money to each person present. This is a way of wishing them prosperity during the new year. Bouquets of flowers were also presented to all the concelebrants.

The celebration then moved to the parish hall, where we were treated to a banquet of Vietnamese food topped off by a wonderful selection of desserts. The tradition of gift giving continued. Msgr. Schaedel received a large basket of fruit, and Father Vu was honored with several gifts, some accompanied with good-natured teasing. Potted plants were presented to a number of special guests.

St. Paul tells us that joy is one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit. That gift was very much in evidence at the Vietnamese New Year celebration. I felt very blessed to be part of it. May God continue to bless this faith community. Happy New Year! *Chúc mừng năm mới!*

(Jesuit Father Joe Folzenlogen is evangelization coordinator for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.) †

Faithful Lines/Shirley Vogler Meister

Are kisses still sweet at Valentine time?

As girls skipping rope during recess in a Catholic school yard in St. Louis, we chanted and jumped to dozens of jump-rope rhymes. What follows is one I remember:



Shirley and Paul, sitting in a tree, K-I-S-S-I-N-G.

First comes love, then comes marriage, then comes Shirley with a baby carriage.

Naturally, I use my husband's and my names now. Then, sometimes we paired names of those unlikely to even look at one another, much less kiss. More often, we named those classmates already having juvenile crushes. Either way, we girls giggled a lot, and the guys stayed their distance, pretending not to notice—or watched and teased us.

The K-I-S-S-I-N-G chant was popular then. Now—if, indeed, girls still skip

rope—the lines wouldn't be as appropriate; because love, marriage and baby carriages unfortunately don't always follow in that order any more.

However, kissing—whether chanted in a game or described in literature, music and other arts—always has been, still is, and forever more will surely be natural and enjoyable.

In *Of Life and Love*, Emil Ludwig noted the subtle power of a first kiss: "The decision to kiss for the first time is the most crucial in any love story. It changes the relationship of two people much more strongly than even the final surrender, because the kiss already has within it that surrender."

In the vintage film, *Love Finds Andy Hardy*, Mickey Rooney says this about a girl: "Oh, she'll let you kiss her whenever you want. She doesn't want to swim. She doesn't want to play tennis or go for walks. All she wants to do is kiss you. I'm a nervous wreck!"

Then there's sweet Maria, traumatized by rape but still innocent at heart, in the

also-vintage film version of Ernest Hemingway's *For Whom the Bell Tolls*. Portrayed by Ingrid Bergman, Maria says to Jordon, played by Gary Cooper: "I don't know how to kiss, or I would kiss you. Where do the noses go?"

Today kisses run so rampant in films that even the most naïve young couples learn quickly, perhaps too quickly, and often without the concept of affection. The popularized idea of kissing is too often trivialized to the point of losing its true meaning.

What would St. Valentine say about this, since the day allegedly is celebrated in memory of this Christian martyr? Would he feel a "kiss of betrayal" by some of our contemporary customs? Or would he be charmed by children's chants, appropriate humor and the true romance between the lovers of our times?

(Shirley Vogler Meister, a member of Christ the King Parish in Indianapolis, is a regular columnist for The Criterion.) †

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time/Msgr. Owen F. Campion

The Sunday Readings

Sunday, Feb. 11, 2001

- Jeremiah 17:5-8
- 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20
- Luke 6:17, 20-26

The Book of Jeremiah is the source of the first biblical reading this weekend.



Jeremiah wrote at a time of considerable stress for the people of God. The times were very bad, even threatening, and the people were suffering.

Unlike the reaction of many people today, Jeremiah did not ask why God allowed such distresses to occur. Instead, he asked why people had sinned to so upset the peaceful order of life.

In this train of thought, Jeremiah saw unholy leaders and even religious figures and, of course, many ordinary persons in the general population, as guilty of bringing hard times upon themselves and their society.

Into this mindset, this weekend's reading fits. The prophet warns his readers and followers that trusting in mere humans is risky. Typically expressive and rich with imagery, his writing this weekend declares that a human leader who acts without God is standing in a lava waste.

The symbolism is clear and powerful. A lava waste is hard and devoid of life. Nothing grows in it. It is the milieu of death.

By contrast, Jeremiah calls people to trust in God. He reminds them that God alone is the true anchor, the only source of peace and of life.

Returning to the literary technique of bright symbolism, the prophet says that God is like a tree planted beside water. It will thrive. It will live. It will not perish. Neither will God.

St. Paul's First Epistle to the Corinthians supplies the second reading.

Aside from the evangelists who wrote the four Gospels, no author in the Church's first decades so intensely affected Christianity as much as did Paul. Of course, he was a great missionary. He traveled across the world of Asia Minor, Greece and finally Rome itself, and actually proclaimed the message of Christ. Some of these Christian communities endure today in the persons of descendants of the first Christians.

Over the centuries, millions of Christians in many other places have found depth and strength from Paul through the medium of his epistles.

His great contribution was his faith in, and knowledge of, Christ. This reading is an example. The Resurrection was the unique, profound episode in the life of

the Redeemer. In rising from the dead, Jesus humbled death.

Paul, in this letter, told the Corinthian Christians that they, as believers, share in the Resurrection of the Lord. The victorious life of Jesus is with them, in their faith, in the grace of their baptism.

As the Lord's life will never end, their lives will never end, because they live in God through Christ.

St. Luke's Gospel provides the third reading, and it is the marvelous presentation of what Christians call the Beatitudes.

Some people refer to these statements as the "Ten Commandments" of Christianity. They set the ideal. They also promise the reward. In other words, the poor are blessed. They resemble Jesus. God will reward them.

Subtle in this passage is the difference between the disciples and the larger crowd. It is not an everlasting gap, however. It can be bridged. If anyone in the crowd embraces these Beatitudes as a way of life, if any person accepts Jesus as Savior and Lord, then this person is a disciple.

Reference to "the poor" is important. It is a key to understanding Jesus and to understanding salvation. Jesus is the Savior who rids the world of evil. The process is salvation, offered by the Lord but freely accepted by humans.

Reflection

The Church proceeds in what now are the closing weeks of the season following Christmas and the Epiphany.

On those great feasts, and at the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, the Church proclaimed the identity of Jesus. He is incarnate, a human as the son of Mary, but also the divine Son of God. He is the Savior of the world, sent in God's love and mercy to redeem humankind from sin.

More recently, the Church has called us to follow the Lord. Our opportunity is to be disciples.

This weekend, in the Gospel, the Church defines what discipleship means. It is not lip service or vague good intentions. It is literally living in the example of Jesus, living according to the Gospel.

Jeremiah's prophecy reminds us that to live by any standard other than the Gospel is to stand on a lava field hoping to find sustenance. †

Readers may submit prose, poetry with Lenten theme

The Criterion invites readers to submit original prose or poetry with a Lenten theme for possible use in the "My Journey to God" column.

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My Journey to God

Hard and Steep, the Climb to Eternity

The laughing baby in his mother's arms,
Adored and pampered, does not comprehend
He has embarked, despite his infant charms
On the trek of living: he must ascend
That narrow, upward trail from birth to death,
Which marks the gate to never-ending life.
God's children all, through heartache,
joy and strife,
Begin their climb with that first trembling breath.

Though sharp the stones beneath our
bleeding knees,
Take heart! His angels guard each
valiant soul.
Their melodies of mercy and of peace
Assure us that His love will make us
whole.
Our Father's grace will mitigate our
sins.
The long, hard journey ends where Life
begins.

By Anna-Margaret Sullivan

(Anna-Margaret O'Sullivan is a member of St. Rose of Lima Parish in Franklin.)

Daily Readings

Monday, Feb. 12
Genesis 4:1-15, 25
Psalm 50:1, 8, 16-17, 20-21
Mark 8:11-13

Tuesday, Feb. 13
Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10
Psalm 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9b-10
Mark 8:14-21

Wednesday, Feb. 14
Cyril, monk
Methodius, bishop
Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22
Psalm 116:12-15, 18-19
Mark 8:22-26

Thursday, Feb. 15
Genesis 9:1-13
Psalm 102:16-18, 19-23, 29
Mark 8:27-33

Friday, Feb. 16
Genesis 11:1-9
Psalm 33:10-15
Mark 8:34-9:1

Saturday, Feb. 17
The Seven Founders of the
Order of Servites, religious
Hebrews 11:1-7
Psalm 145:2-5, 10-11
Mark 9:2-13

Sunday, Feb. 18
Seventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time
1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13,
22-23
Psalm 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13
1 Corinthians 15:45-49
Luke 6:27-38

Question Corner/Fr. John Dietzen

Canon law restricts outdoor weddings

Q Does the Catholic Church permit a marriage to be performed by a priest outdoors? Our daughter and her fiancé,



who is not Catholic, are thinking of having the ceremony in a local park, in a lovely area where weddings are popular.

Is this arrangement possible? We've been told it is not, but that sometimes the priest will allow it. What is the rule? Is it left to the discretion of the priest? (New York)

A The general law of the Church requires that a marriage between two Catholics or between a Catholic and a baptized non-Catholic be celebrated in a parish church unless specific permission is granted by the bishop for the marriage to take place elsewhere.

The reason is that our churches, our buildings for prayer and worship, are considered sacred places where our most sacred events should take place. Certainly the sacramental marriage of Christian people—two Catholics or a Catholic and a baptized Christian of another denomination—is one of them. Thus, not only because it is an act of worship, but because a wedding is an especially solemn public act of our faith, the parish church is obviously the preferred location.

As I said, exceptions to this rule are possible at the discretion of the local bishop. One reason, for example, could be when one or both partners, Catholic or otherwise, have so little connection with or respect for their Christian faith that a church wedding would be meaningless for them, perhaps even for their families.

The usual policy for your diocese would be the one set by your own bishop.

If the non-Catholic party in an interfaith marriage is not baptized (in other words, the marriage would not be a Christian sacrament, according to Catholic theology), the wedding may be celebrated either in church or at some other suitable place; that might be an outdoor location.

These regulations are found in the Code of Canon Law (#1118).

Q Our Catholic newspaper referred recently to a Red Mass, which was

celebrated by the bishop. Could you explain what is such a Mass? (Wisconsin)

A The so-called Red Mass originated about 800 years ago in Europe to bring judges and other lawyers together to ask God's guidance in their profession. It received its name from the red robes then worn by judges and from the red vestments used when celebrating the Mass of the Holy Spirit.

The custom has continued through the centuries in several European nations. Since 1928, it is observed annually in many dioceses of our country to ask the guidance and wisdom of the Holy Spirit for those in the legal profession.

Some dioceses also celebrate a similar White Mass for physicians and others in the health care professions. It is called white because of the usual color of uniforms associated with those professions and because it is frequently celebrated around the feast of St. Luke, patron of physicians, when white Mass vestments are worn.

Q Do we fulfill our Sunday or holy day Mass obligation by attending Mass in the home of a retired priest? We had a discussion about this, but I think those who say no have no law to back them up. (Massachusetts)

A Canon law (#1248) states, "A person who assists at a Mass celebrated anywhere in a Catholic rite either on the feast day itself or in the evening of the preceding day satisfies the obligation of participating in the Mass."

Church law formerly required that Sunday and holy day obligations be fulfilled in a church or certain oratories (chapels). However, that need no longer exists.

Some people also seem unaware that the Mass attended need not be the Sunday Mass with its proper readings and prayers. Those participating in a Saturday evening wedding Mass, for example, are not obliged to attend another Mass the following day.

(A free brochure answering questions that Catholics ask about the sacrament of penance is available by sending a stamped and self-addressed envelope to Father John Dietzen, Box 325, Peoria, IL 61651. Questions may be sent to Father Dietzen at the same address or by e-mail at jjdietzen@aol.com.) †

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February 9-11

Mount Saint Francis Retreat Center, 101 Anthony Dr., **Mount St. Francis**. Retreat for married couples, "The Gospel Call to the Kingdom," check-in 7-8 p.m. E.S.T. (Louisville time), conclude Sun. 1:30 p.m., suggested offering \$170. Information: 812-923-8817.

Benedict Inn Retreat and Conference Center, 1402 Southern Ave., **Beech Grove**. Weekend retreat for men, "What's a Man to Do When He Hits the Wall?" by Conventual Franciscan Father Richard Kaley. Information: 317-788-7581.

February 10

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 2322 N. 13½ St., **Terre Haute**. Candlelight Mass for married couples, call by Feb. 7. Information: 812-232-8400.

Holy Angels School, 2822 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. St., **Indianapolis**. Valentine Ball 2001, buffet dinner, 7 p.m.-midnight, \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door, cash bar. Information: 317-592-7068.

February 11

SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1347 N. Meridian St., **Indianapolis**. Catholic scouting awards ceremony, 3 p.m. reception to follow. Information: 317-826-6000 or 317-782-0437.

St. Nicholas Parish Hall, 6461 E. St. Nicholas Dr., **Sunman**. St. Nicholas Ladies Sodality, sweetheart breakfast, 7:30 a.m.-noon, free-will offering.

St. Anthony Church, Ryan Hall, 379 N. Warman Ave., **Indianapolis**. St. Anthony Altar Society, euchre party, 1:30 p.m., \$3 per person.

Mary's Schoenstatt, **Rexville**, (located on 925 South, .8 mile east of 421 South, 12 miles south of Versailles). "Roses and Hearts Compartment," 2:30 p.m., followed by Mass, 3:30 p.m., Father Elmer

Burwinkel. Information: 812-689-3551.

St. Michael Church, 519 Jefferson Blvd., **Greenfield**. Third of eight-week Bible study series, "Jesus' Last Discourse," 7 p.m. Information: 317-462-5010.

February 11-15

St. Joseph Church, 312 E. High St., **Corydon**. Mission by Mercy Father William Casey, holy hour 6-7 p.m., conferences 7 p.m. each evening.

February 15

Indianapolis Colts Complex, W. 56th St., **Indianapolis**. Special Religious Education Program (SPRED) dinner dance. Information: 317-377-0592.

February 16

Knights of Columbus Hall, **Batesville**. "A Night on Broadway," free dress rehearsal reception for Oldenburg Academy's 12th annual dinner and auction, 6 p.m. Information: Oldenburg Academy Development Office, 812-933-0737.

February 16-17

St. Mary Parish, 317 N. New Jersey, **Indianapolis**. "Exploring Our Catholic Faith" workshop, Benedictine Father Gueric DeBona and Dr. Richard Stern, Fri. 7-9:30 p.m., Fri. 9 a.m.-noon, Sat. 1-4 p.m., \$50, less for seniors. Registration: 317-955-6451.

February 17

St. Andrew School Cafeteria, 4052 E. 38th St., **Indianapolis**. Chili supper, bring your own drinks, admission \$2. Information: 317-546-7649.

Knights of Columbus Hall, **Batesville**. "A Night on Broadway," Oldenburg Academy's 12th annual dinner and auction, 6 p.m., \$37.50 per person. Reservations: Oldenburg Academy Development Office, 812-933-0737.

February 18

Ike and Jonesy's, 17 Jackson Pl., **Indianapolis**. All Saints School, Blues for Kids, 5-9 p.m., \$12. Information: 317-636-3739.

February 20

St. John the Evangelist Rectory, Blue Room, 126 W. Georgia St., **Indianapolis**. Lecture series, Franciscan Sister Barbara Leonhard, "Living Christian Spirituality

in Modern Society." Information: 317-635-2021.

February 25

St. Paul School Activities' Bldg., 216 Schellers Ave., **Sellersburg**. Annual winter sausage social, doors open, 3 p.m. Information: 812-246-3266.

February 28

Benedict Inn Retreat and Conference Center, 1402 Southern Ave., **Beech Grove**. "Introduction to Centering Prayer," presenters Denis Kelly and Laurel Simon, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Information: 317-788-7581.

Benedict Inn Retreat and Conference Center, 1402 Southern Ave., **Beech Grove**. "Ash Wednesday Retreat," Benedictine Sisters Juliann Babcock and Carol Falkner, presenters, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Information: 317-788-7581.

Recurring

Daily

Our Lady of the Greenwood Parish, 335 S. Meridian St., **Greenwood**. Perpetual adoration.

Holy Rosary Church, 520 Stevens St., **Indianapolis**. Tridentine (Latin) Mass, Mon.-Fri., noon; Wed., Fri., 5:30 p.m. Information: 317-636-4478.

St. Joan of Arc Parish, 4217 Central Ave., **Indianapolis**. Prayer line, 317-767-9479.

Weekly

Holy Rosary Church, 520 Stevens St., **Indianapolis**. Tridentine Mass, 10 a.m.

St. Rita Church, 1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Ave., **Indianapolis**. Mass in Vietnamese, 2 p.m.

St. Joseph Church, 2605 St. Joe Road W., **Sellersburg**. "Be Not Afraid" holy hour, 6 p.m., confessions, Benediction.

Christ the King Church, 1827 Kessler Blvd. E. Dr., **Indianapolis**. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 7:30-9 p.m.; rosary for world peace, 8 p.m.

St. Gabriel Church, 6000 W. 34th St., **Indianapolis**. Spanish



Mass, 5 p.m.

Mondays

Our Lady of the Greenwood Chapel, 335 S. Meridian St., **Greenwood**. Prayer group, 7:30 p.m.

St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 523 S. Merrill St., **Fortville**. Rosary, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays

St. Joseph Church, 2605 St. Joe Rd. W., **Sellersburg**. Shepherds of Christ rosary, prayers after 7 p.m. Mass.

Holy Name Parish, 89 N. 17th St., **Beech Grove**. Prayer group, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

St. Anne Parish, **Hamburg**. "The Faith Explained," by Father Greg Bramlage, 7-8:30 p.m. Information: 812-934-5854.

St. Joan of Arc Parish, 4217 Central Ave., **Indianapolis**. Bible sharing, 7 p.m. Information: 317-283-5508.

Wednesdays

Divine Mercy Chapel, 3354 W. 30th St. (behind St. Michael Church), **Indianapolis**. Marian prayers for priests, 3-4 p.m. Information: 317-271-8016.

Our Lady of the Greenwood Chapel, 335 S. Meridian St., **Greenwood**. Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy, 7 p.m.

Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., **Indianapolis**. Adult Survivors

of Childhood Sexual Abuse, Catholic Social Services program, 6-8 p.m. Information: 317-236-1538.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 5692 Central Ave., **Indianapolis**. Marian Movement of Priests prayer cenacle, 1 p.m. Information: 317-257-2266.

Thursdays

St. Lawrence Chapel, 6944 E. 46th St., **Indianapolis**. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mass.

St. Mary Church, 415 E. Eighth St., **New Albany**. Shepherds of Christ prayers for lay and religious vocations, 7 p.m.

St. Malachy Church, 326 N. Green St., **Brownsburg**. Liturgy of the Hours, 7 p.m. Information: 317-852-3195.

Christ the King Chapel, 1827 Kessler Blvd. E. Dr., **Indianapolis**. Marian prayers for priests, 5:30-6:30 a.m.

Fatima K of C, 1040 N. Post Road, **Indianapolis**. Euchre, 7 p.m. Information: 317-638-8416.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Hall, 1125 S. Meridian St., **Indianapolis**. Adult religious education, 7:30 p.m. Information: 317-638-5551.

Fridays

St. Susanna Church, 1210 E.

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St. Lawrence Chapel, 6944 E. 46th St., **Indianapolis**. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Benediction and Mass.

Affiliated Women's Services, Inc. (abortion clinic), 2215 Distributors Dr., **Indianapolis**. Pro-life rosary, 10 a.m.

Christ the King Chapel, 1827 Kessler Blvd. E. Dr., **Indianapolis**. Marian prayers for priests, 5:30-6:30 a.m.

Saturdays

Clinic for Women (abortion clinic), E. 38th St. and Parker Ave., **Indianapolis**. Pro-life rosary, 9:30 a.m.

Holy Rosary Church, 520 Stevens St., **Indianapolis**. Tridentine Mass, 9 a.m.

St. Patrick Church, 950 Prospect St., **Indianapolis**. Mass in English, 4 p.m.

St. Mary Church, 415 E. Eighth St., **New Albany**. Eucharistic adoration, reconciliation, after 9 p.m. Mass-midnight.

Christ the King Church, 1827 Kessler Blvd. E. Dr., **Indianapolis**. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 7:15 a.m. Mass-5:30 p.m. Benediction and service.

St. Peter Church, 1207 East Rd., **Brookville**. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 8 a.m. Communion service-1 p.m.

First Saturdays

St. Nicholas Church, 6461 E. St. Nicholas Dr., **Sunman**. Mass, praise and worship, 8 a.m.; then SACRED gathering in the school.

Little Flower Chapel, 4720 E. 13th St., **Indianapolis**. Apostolate of Fatima holy hour, 2 p.m.

Our Lady of the Greenwood Church, 335 S. Meridian St., **Greenwood**. Devotions and sacrament of reconciliation, after 8 a.m. Mass.

Holy Angels Church, 740 W. 28th St., **Indianapolis**. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 11 a.m.-noon.

St. Mary Church, 415 E. Eighth St., **New Albany**. Eucharistic adoration and confessions after 9 p.m. Mass.

Second Mondays

Church at **Mount St. Francis**. Holy hour for vocations to priesthood and religious life, 7 p.m.

Second Tuesdays

St. Pius X Parish, 7200 Sarto Dr., **Indianapolis**. Separated and Divorced Catholics support group, 7-9 p.m. Information: 317-578-8254.

Second Thursdays

Focolare Movement, Komro home, **Indianapolis**. Gathering, 7:30 p.m. Information: 317-257-1073.

St. Luke Church, 7575 Holliday Dr. E., **Indianapolis**. Holy hour for priestly and religious vocations, 7 p.m.

Third Sundays

Mary's Schoenstatt, **Rexville** (located on 925 South, .8 mile east of 421 South., 12 miles south of Versailles). Holy Hour, 2:30 p.m.; Mass, 3:30 p.m., Father Elmer Burwinkel. Information: 812-689-3551. E-mail: eburwink@seidata.com.

Christ the King Church, 1827 Kessler Blvd. E. Dr., **Indianapolis**. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 2 p.m.-7 a.m. (Monday); rosary, 8 p.m. Open until midnight.

Third Mondays

St. Matthew Parish, 4100 E. 56th St., **Indianapolis**. Young Widowed Group (by archdiocesan Office for Youth and Family Ministries), 7:30 p.m. Child care available. Information: 317-236-1586.

Third Wednesdays

St. Jude Church, 5353 McFarland Rd., **Indianapolis**. Rosary, 6:15 p.m. Information: 317-783-1445.

Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., **Indianapolis**. Catholic Widowed Organization, 7-9:30 p.m. Information: 317-784-1102.

Holy Family Parish, Main St., **Oldenburg**. Support group for the widowed, 7 p.m. Information: 812-934-2524.

Calvary Mausoleum Chapel, 435 Troy Ave., **Indianapolis**. Mass, 2 p.m.

Third Thursdays

Our Lady of Peace Mausoleum Chapel, 9001 Haverstick Rd., **Indianapolis**. Mass, 2 p.m.

St. Elizabeth's, 2500 Churchman Ave., **Indianapolis**.

Daughters of Isabella, Madonna Circle meeting, noon, dessert and beverages served. Information: 317-849-5840.

Third Fridays

Blessed Sacrament Chapel, SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1347 N. Meridian St., **Indianapolis**. Mass for *Civitas Dei*, Catholic business

group, 6:30 a.m.; Indianapolis Athletic Club, breakfast, talk, 7:15-8:30 a.m., \$20. Information: Mike Fox, 317-259-6000.

St. Francis Hall Chapel, Marian College, 3200 Cold Spring Rd., **Indianapolis**. Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Central Indiana, Mass and healing service, 7 p.m.

Third Saturdays

St. Andrew Church, 4052 E. 38th St., **Indianapolis**. Mass for Life by archdiocesan Office of Pro-Life Activities, 8:30 a.m.; walk to Clinic for Women (abortion clinic), 2951 E. 38th St., rosary; return to church for Benediction.

Fourth Saturdays

Our Lady of Guadalupe Convent Chapel, 8300 Roy Road, **Indianapolis**. Eucharistic Holy Hour for Life, 10:30-11:30 a.m., faith sharing and Scripture reflection, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Information: Servants of the Gospel of Life Sister Diane Carollo, director of the archdiocesan Office of Pro-Life Activities, 317-236-1521 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1521. †

Monthly

First Sundays

St. Paul Church, 218 Scheller Ave., **Sellersburg**. Prayer group, 7-8:15 p.m. Information: 812-246-4555.

Fatima K of C, 1040 N. Post Road, **Indianapolis**. Euchre, 1 p.m. Information: 317-638-8416.

First Mondays

Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., **Indianapolis**. Guardian Angel Guild board meeting, 9:30 a.m.

First Tuesdays

Divine Mercy Chapel, 3354 W. 30th St., **Indianapolis**. Confession, 6:45 p.m.; Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, 7:30 p.m.

St. Joseph Church, 2605 St. Joe Rd. W., **Sellersburg**. Holy hour for religious vocations, Benediction and exposition of Blessed Sacrament after 7 p.m. Mass.

First Fridays

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1752 Scheller Lane, **New Albany**. Adoration, concluding with confessions at 6 p.m. Benediction at 6:45 p.m.

Holy Guardian Angels Church, 405 U.S. 52, **Cedar Grove**. Eucharistic adoration after 8 a.m. Mass-5 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 5333 E. Washington St., **Indianapolis**. Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, prayer service, 7:30 p.m.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 1530 Union St., **Indianapolis**. Exposition of Blessed Sacrament after 8 a.m. Mass-noon communion service.

St. Vincent de Paul Church, 1723 "I" St., **Bedford**. Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, after 8:30 a.m. Mass-9 p.m.; reconciliation, 4-6 p.m.

St. Joseph Church, 113 S. 5th St., **Terre Haute**. Eucharistic adoration, after 9 a.m. Mass-5 p.m.; rosary, noon.

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Funding for faith-based initiatives seen as first hurdle

WASHINGTON (CNS)—The first real test of whether President Bush's proposed faith-based initiatives will succeed in changing the way the nation's social services are provided will come in his budget proposal, said an official with Catholic Charities USA.

Sharon Daly, vice president for social policy at Catholic Charities, said she sees some very good ideas in the proposal for encouraging community and faith-based groups to have an expanded role in social services.

She said she particularly welcomes Bush's proposal for new tax deductions for charitable donations and thinks his description of what he considers the "right role" for faith-based groups in the government is appropriately balanced.

"The real test will be the president's budget, though," she said. If plans to have more nongovernmental groups handling social services do not include expanded funding for those services, "somebody is going to be left out."

"The bottom line is if there's not additional money, it's going to be hurting care," Daly said.

For instance, there is already a nationwide shortage of affordable housing, Daly explained. If the faith-based initiative only pulls more organizations into the pool of those trying to provide low-cost housing with too little money, fewer, not more, poor families will end up being accommodated.

Bush's budget, expected in early February, also needs to cover a more realistic reimbursement rate for social services that already are handled by organizations like those affiliated with Catholic Charities, Daly said.

The rate at which contract agencies are reimbursed for services provided on the government's behalf is far too low, she said. That means the sponsoring agencies have to subsidize the actual costs of counseling or day care that the government does not directly offer.

"Our agencies hardly ever get reimbursed more than two-thirds or three-quarters of the costs," Daly said. If the reimbursement formula doesn't change, the need to subsidize government-funded programs by itself will be a hurdle that keeps some faith-based and community organizations from participating, she believes.

The 1,400 local agencies affiliated with Catholic Charities USA serve about 10 million people a year in a combination of government-funded and privately funded programs.

Bush's Jan. 29 executive orders launching the program established a White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives and called on five Cabinet agencies to do the same. Those would operate in the departments of Justice, Education, Labor, Health and Human Services, and Housing and Urban Development. HUD has had such an office since 1997.

The offices are charged with eliminating the barriers to faith-based and community groups running social service programs with government funding. They also will be expected to coordinate public education and mobilize support for charitable organizations through volunteerism, public-private partnerships and financial contributions.

Daly said she looks forward to any efforts to "remove some of the mindless rules" of participating in government-funded programs—such as a prohibition on having crosses on the walls of Church-based day care programs that are subsidized in part by the government.

Bush also proposed:

- Allowing taxpayers who do not itemize their deductions to receive tax credit for contributions to charities.
- Permitting withdrawals without penalty from Individual Retirement Accounts for contributions to charity.
- Raising the cap on corporate charitable donations.
- Limiting corporate liability for donations of equipment.
- Encouraging states to offer tax credits for contributions to anti-poverty charities.

Besides her funding questions, Daly said she hopes the new initiatives will truly allow faith-based organizations to compete for the programs they want to operate. Bush specifically mentioned his interest in having the religious and community groups work with children of prisoners, inmate rehabilitation, maternity homes and after-school programs.

Daly said within the last few years for-profit companies have begun competing with charitable organizations for government prison-related and day-care contracts, for example. With the access to capital that for-profit companies have, they have an instant advantage over nonprofit organizations, she explained. †

News briefs

U.S.

Through service learning, Catholic high school expands lessons

ST. LOUIS PARK, Minn. (CNS)—Keith Leiseth's biology lessons extend far beyond the borders of his classroom at Benilde-St. Margaret's Catholic High School in St. Louis Park. In one project, students wade into Minnehaha Creek with nets to collect tiny organisms. Back at school, they identify their findings under a microscope, record the information and send it to the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District, which uses the students' research to determine where pollutants are entering the stream. In the process, the students gain important insights about their environment and how humans' lifestyles affect their natural surroundings. Leiseth's science lessons are just one example of "service learning," a fairly new curricular idea for which Benilde-St. Margaret's has become a national model. Service learning combines community service with classroom activities to both enhance student learning and strengthen the community.

WORLD

Pope says Albanian youths need encouragement to stay in homeland

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—Pope John Paul II encouraged Albania's bishops to focus their pastoral attention on younger generations and help them resist the temptation of "easy success" outside their homeland. The pope, speaking to the bishops Feb. 3 during their *ad limina* visits to the Vatican, said the decade following the fall of communism in Albania had brought new freedom for the

Church and a resurgence of its pastoral structures. But this success story has been clouded by the East European country's continuing economic struggles, which have taken a heavy toll on families and young people, he said. "It is urgent that younger generations receive preparation for building a better future in their own country, overcoming the temptations of emigration and the illusion of easy success in foreign lands," the pope said.

Happy tourists carry off Vatican Christmas tree decorations

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—The Nativity scene still standing in St. Peter's Square in early February was not as odd a sight as the happy tourists leaving the square carrying large gold or silver balls. The unusual souvenirs had hung on the Vatican Christmas tree since mid-December. As Vatican workmen dismantled the Nativity scene and used a crane to remove decorations from the massive tree Feb. 5, many of the plastic ornaments crashed to the ground and burst. But those that workers managed to catch were given to members of the crowd which had gathered to watch and shout their pleas for a special Vatican souvenir.

Caritas Europe report urges end to sanctions against Iraq

MANCHESTER, England (CNS)—The United Nations and Western governments should immediately suspend sanctions against Iraq, said Europe's leading Catholic aid agencies. Representatives of Caritas Europe made the recommendations in their Feb. 5 report, "A People Sacrificed: Sanctions Against Iraq." In his preface to the delegation report, Denis Vienot, president of Caritas Europe, said the recommendation was simple, clear and could be quickly implemented. "Sanctions against Iraq must be immediately suspended—with a view to their ultimate lifting—and

international discussions initiated leading to a new but more humane relationship," he wrote. "The Iraqi people cannot wait."

Aid reaching earthquake survivors in western India, says CRS

WASHINGTON (CNS)—Relief supplies are reaching earthquake survivors in western India, and materials for shelter are among their most critical needs, said a Catholic Relief Services worker. In a Feb. 5 telephone interview from Bhuj, one of the most seriously affected areas, David Snyder of Catholic Relief Services said CRS staff have been delivering supplies to the surrounding villages. CRS is the U.S. bishops' international relief and development agency. "Our supply line is kind of kicking into high gear now," he said. The aid "mobilized in the U.S. and around the world is really starting to get here and have the impact getting out to people." The main needs are for shelter, he said.

PEOPLE

NRLC to give 'Proudly Pro-Life Award' to Father Pavone

NEW YORK (CNS)—Priests for Life has announced that its international director, Father Frank Pavone, will receive the 2001 "Proudly Pro-Life Award" from the National Right to Life Committee at an April 25 banquet in New York. Father Pavone, a priest of the New York Archdiocese who became national director of the 40,000-member pro-life group in 1993, has traveled to all 50 states and five continents to fight abortion. He became international director of Priests for Life when he was asked by the Vatican's Pontifical Council for the Family to coordinate pro-life activities worldwide. He was an official with the council from 1996 until 1998, and still collaborates with it on pro-life activities. †

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Book Reviews

Bishops discuss ministerial priesthood in new book from USCC

Priests for a New Millennium: A Series of Essays on the Ministerial Priesthood by the Catholic Bishops of the United States

Paperback, 213 pp., \$9.95, plus \$1.75 postage and handling

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Reviewed by Father Daniel J. Mahan

In his 1992 apostolic exhortation, *I Will Give You Shepherds (Pastores Dabo Vobis)*, Pope John Paul II states boldly:



"The time has come to speak courageously about priestly life as a priceless gift and a splendid and privileged form of Christian living."

Priests for a New Millennium is a

remarkable collection of essays that does just that. Thirteen bishops contribute to this publication, all of them current shepherds of dioceses across the country. (Our own Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein, O.S.B., contributed one of the essays, "The Sacramental Identity of the Ministerial Priesthood: 'In Persona Christi.'")

In their writings, the bishops affirm the life and ministry of ordained priests in our country. They write about and to priests whose ranks are increasingly strained and who are asked to minister amidst a constantly changing demographic and cultural landscape. They write to priests who serve among many Catholics who have limited theological understanding of the sacrament of holy orders. And they write to priests who, in spite of their human limitations, continue

to be invaluable instruments of the Lord, the means by which the Lord Jesus shepherds his people and nourishes them with the precious food of the Holy Eucharist.

As the stability of the priesthood is increasingly undermined by the secular media on one hand and, on the other, by those within the Church who lobby aggressively for changes incompatible with doctrine definitively stated, this book is a most welcome arrival.

While each essay reflects the unique insight, experience and perspective of the contributing bishop, there are two significant threads that connect and bind them together.

The first is a genuine understanding on the part of the bishops of the life of priests and an affection and esteem for their brother priests. Bishop John M. D'Arcy of Fort Wayne-South Bend writes eloquently of the need each priest has for a deep, inner life of prayer in order to internalize his calling and to respond more lovingly in his priestly ministry.

Bishop Blase J. Cupich of Rapid City writes of the challenges the priest faces in balancing the increasingly complex demands of parish administration with his primary responsibility of bringing "the disciples entrusted to his care into communion with the Father and the Son and with each other."

Cardinal Roger Mahony of Los Angeles writes of the great expectations placed upon the priest to preach the Word of God clearly and effectively in

the service of the new evangelization.

The tasks of the priest are many, and the bishops show great wisdom in recognizing the challenge the priests of the new millennium face. They also show great admiration for the priests who have "borne the heat of the day" (Bishop Robert N. Lynch) and who routinely and without fanfare put in "full but fulfilling days" (Bishop Cupich).

If one common thread among the essays is a keen insight into the work of priests, a second but no less important

point of convergence is the wisdom that no matter how many tasks he embraces, the priest is not defined by what he does but by who he is.

"Our identity is something more than the ministry we do," Archbishop Buechlein reflects. "The ministerial priesthood is the visible presence of Christ as he calls all

people to unity. The ministerial priesthood is a sacrament for the unity of the Church, a sacrament of Christ the pastor and the Bridegroom. The ministerial priesthood is the visible presence of Christ the High Priest in the Church in 'the last days.'"

This insight into the nature of the priesthood is critical in our Church today, especially as the laity embrace

many roles heretofore exercised by priests alone. "If, for example, the laity can exercise roles ... that were previously the priests' exclusive domain ... is it any wonder that the identity of priests might be blurred and their confidence shaken" (Bishop Howard J. Hubbard).

This book was written to encourage, enlighten, nourish and strengthen priests "so that they might be able to continue to respond to Christ's call to be nourishment for the people they serve" (Bishop Richard Hanifen).

Priests, seminarians and those who are considering a vocation to the priesthood will find this book helpful and insightful, a book to be savored over prayer.

Those among the laity who are engaged directly in Church work will be able to take from this book a better appreciation of the life of the priests with whom they collaborate in ministry. They will better understand that clarity in priestly identity is not a threat but a help for lay ministry, for, as the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says, "The ministerial priesthood is at the service of the common priesthood. It is directed at the unfolding of the baptismal grace of all Christians" (#1547).

Finally, the many "friends of the priests," i.e., those who support and encourage the work of priests on a weekly and daily basis, will resonate with the insights from the bishops and will find cause for giving thanks to God for the "gift and mystery" that is the sacrament of holy orders.

(Father Daniel Mahan, pastor of St. Luke Parish in Indianapolis, is a member of the editorial committee of the board of directors of Criterion Press Inc.) †

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APRILE, Vincent J., 80, Sacred Heart, Jeffersonville, Jan. 17. Husband of Charlotte M. Aprile. Father of Dianne, J. Vincent II and Kevin Aprile. Brother of Joseph Aprile. Grandfather of five.

BENETTI, Elizabeth, 81, Sacred Heart, Clinton, Jan. 25. Mother of Chris Benetti. Grandmother of one.

BRAMMER, Betty, 78, St. Michael, Greenfield, Jan. 5. Mother of Kathy Bunch, Donald and Michael Brammer. Sister of Margaret Hague.

BRYANT, Mary Alice, 79, St. Barnabas, Indianapolis, Jan. 23. Wife of Virgil Bryant. Mother of Mary Margaret O'Connor. Sister of Peggy Bryant, Nancy Plummer, Patty Runow, Carolyn Wachstetter and Tom Watts. Grandmother of one. Great-grandmother of two.

BUSSMAN, Elizabeth, 90, St. Malachy, Brownsburg, Jan. 25. Mother of Mary Wolsifer and Hank Buszman. Grandmother of six. Great-grandmother of 16.

CASSIDY, David Lee, 69,

St. Michael, Indianapolis, Jan. 20. Husband of Mary Cassidy. Father of Ann Bernard, Catherine Ray and Susan Cassidy. Grandfather of three.

CHAMBERLIN, John B., Sr., 64, Holy Name, Beech Grove, Jan. 7. Husband of Patricia (O'Connor) Chamberlin. Father of Julie, James, John Jr. and Philip Chamberlin. Brother of Catherine Shabowski and Philip Chamberlin. Grandfather of five.

COLOMBO, Mary A., 89, Sacred Heart, Clinton, Jan. 23. Mother of Larry Colombo. Aunt of several.

CROENNE, Beatrice Adrienne (Coquelle), 94, Sacred Heart of Jesus, Terre Haute, Jan. 17. Mother of Joyce Kane and Jeanne Kapps. Grandmother of five. Great-grandmother of two.

DALY, Anna Laverne (Bostian), 87, Holy Name, Beech Grove, Jan. 22. Mother of Catherine Adimare, Carol Day, Mary Josephine DeFord, Pearl Faust, Flora Hammill, Ann Kalimare and Anita Smith. Sister of Madonna Strunk. Grandmother of 26. Great-grandmother of 42. Great-great-grandmother of three.

DAUGHERTY, Curtis A., 84, Holy Family, New Albany, Jan. 31. Husband of Cecilia (Volpert), Daugherty. Father of Christine Barkman, Mary Ann Trent and Joseph Daugherty. Brother of Martha Fugit and Elizabeth Jeffries. Grandfather

of eight. Great-grandfather of six.

DUGAN, Charlotte Catherine, 88, St. Roch, Indianapolis, Jan. 29. Wife of Joseph Dugan. Mother of Laurie Jackson, Jennifer VanBlarcum, Greg and Joseph Dugan. Grandmother of four. Great-grandmother of four.

DYER, Thomas, Sr., 73, St. Lawrence, Indianapolis, Jan. 14. Father of Sharon Daniels, Teresa Dobins, Virginia Flynn, Cheryl Richey, David, Stephen and Thomas Dyer Jr. Brother of Martha Schull. Grandfather of 23. Great-grandfather of eight.

GILBERT, James Norman, 66, St. Rose of Lima, Franklin, Jan. 18. Husband of Elizabeth Gilbert. Father of Jeffrey, Norman and Thomas Gilbert. Son of Nellie Gambrel. Brother of Audrey Ingram and Barbara Wood. Grandfather of two.

GLOGOZA, Ethel Louise, 78, St. Christopher, Indianapolis, Jan. 12. Wife of William Glogoza. Mother of Jerry Mayfield. Sister of Dorothy Elmore. Grandmother of three. Great-grandmother of four.

GRONOTTE, Albert C., Jr., 68, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, New Albany, Jan. 26. Husband of Rosemary (Hartmann) Gronotte. Father of Cindy Bauder, Jane Cahill, Danny, Joe and John Gronotte. Brother of Benedictine Sisters Alice Marie and Phyllis Gronotte. Grandfather of 11. Great-grandfather of two.

GUERRERO, Gladys M. "Linda," 72, Christ the King, Indianapolis, Jan. 29. Mother of Gigi Leppert, Tanya Whitaker and Ronald Guerrero. Sister of Idia Figueroa and Raphael Maldonado. Grandmother of five.

HIGGINS, Michael Joseph, 82, SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, Indianapolis, Jan. 29. Husband of June Higgins. Stepfather of Marida Plumhoff, Theresa Williamson, Daniel, Michael and Paul Veerkamp. Step-grandfather of 11. Step-great-grandfather of seven.

HOUGH, Agnes E., 81, St. Andrew, Richmond, Jan. 26. Sister of Anna Campbell, Hilda Denny, Rosemary Ramsey, Ellen Shaw, Florence Tieman, Charles, John and Joseph Smith.

ICE, Elizabeth J., 71, Holy Family, New Albany, Jan. 24. Sister of Mary Ann Murphy and James Ellis. Aunt of several.

KIEFER, Catherine Cecilia (Dorgan), 93, Immaculate Heart of Mary, Indianapolis, Feb. 1. Mother of Providence Sister Ann Michele Kiefer, Jacob and Michael Kiefer.

Grandmother of eight. Great-grandmother of 13.

KLEINFELTER, John A., 82, St. Michael, Brookville, Jan. 23. Uncle of several.

KRATZ, Richard L., 56, St. Augustine, Jeffersonville, Jan. 29. Father of Rachelle King and Richard Kratz. Son of Eulalia Kratz. Brother of Thomas Kratz. Grandfather of two.

KRUPINSKI, Richard A., St. Gabriel, Indianapolis, Jan. 21. Husband of Shirley Krupinski. Father of Madonna McKay, Monte Krupinski and Anthony Wilkerson. Brother of David, Dennis and Thomas Krupinski. Grandfather of 12.

LARISON, Joan, 76, St. Joseph, Indianapolis, Jan. 26. Mother of David Larison. Grandmother of six. Great-grandmother of 11.

McKENNEY, Earl, 57, Good Shepherd, Indianapolis, Jan. 25. Husband of Kelly McKenney. Father of Tammy Hartwell, Donald Alford, Jill, Natalia and Jimmy McKenney.

MEIER, Hilda A., 94, Holy Family, Richmond, Jan. 29. Mother of Ronald Bolser. Grandmother of two. Great-grandmother of three.

MINER, Louise P., 81, St. Andrew, Richmond, Jan. 29. Mother of Patricia Sage. Sister of Margaret Taylor. Grandmother of two. Great-grandmother of four.

MOROZ, Pete J., 82, Sacred Heart of Jesus, Terre Haute, Jan. 21. Brother of Michael Moroz. Uncle of two.

PUSICH, Joseph, 80, Sacred Heart of Jesus, Terre Haute, Jan. 22. Husband of Catherine (Biscan) Pusich. Father of Sheila Barnhart and John Pusich. Son of Mary Pusich. Brother of Florence Hayes and Lillian Noonekamp. Grandfather of six. Great-grandfather of one.

RIEHLE, Francis Xavier, Sr., 86, St. Peter, Brookville, Jan. 25. Husband of Eunice (Faust) Riehle. Father of Linda Fullenkamp, Cindy Nurrenberg, Kathy Tekulve, Francis Jr. and John Riehle. Brother of Generose Weisenbach. Grandfather of 14. Great-grandfather of 11.

RISCH, Joseph J., 78, St. Rose of Lima, Franklin, Jan. 24. Husband of Stella Risch. Father of Sharon Findley and Judy McGinnis. Brother of Ruth Acker and Raymond Risch. Grandfather of three.

SANTILLI, Anthony Paul, 70, Sacred Heart of Jesus, Terre Haute, Jan. 27. Husband of Roberta Santilli. Father of Rose Ann Johnson. Brother of Helen Santilli.

SENSBACK, Donald Urban,

69, Our Lady of the Greenwood, Greenwood, Jan. 29. Husband of Dorothy (Smith) Sensback. Father of Diane Thiesing and Donald Sensback. Brother of Carol Brammer and Betty Havens.

SHELDON, Pauline Mae, 73, St. Gabriel, Connorsville, Feb. 2. Mother of Debra Brown, Linda Hindel, Sandy Roberts, Judith Uebel, Karen Wickes, Michael and Richard Sheldon. Grandmother of 15. Great-grandmother of 16.

STAMM, Virginia M., 81, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, New Albany, Jan. 27. Sister of Bea and Joseph Stamm.

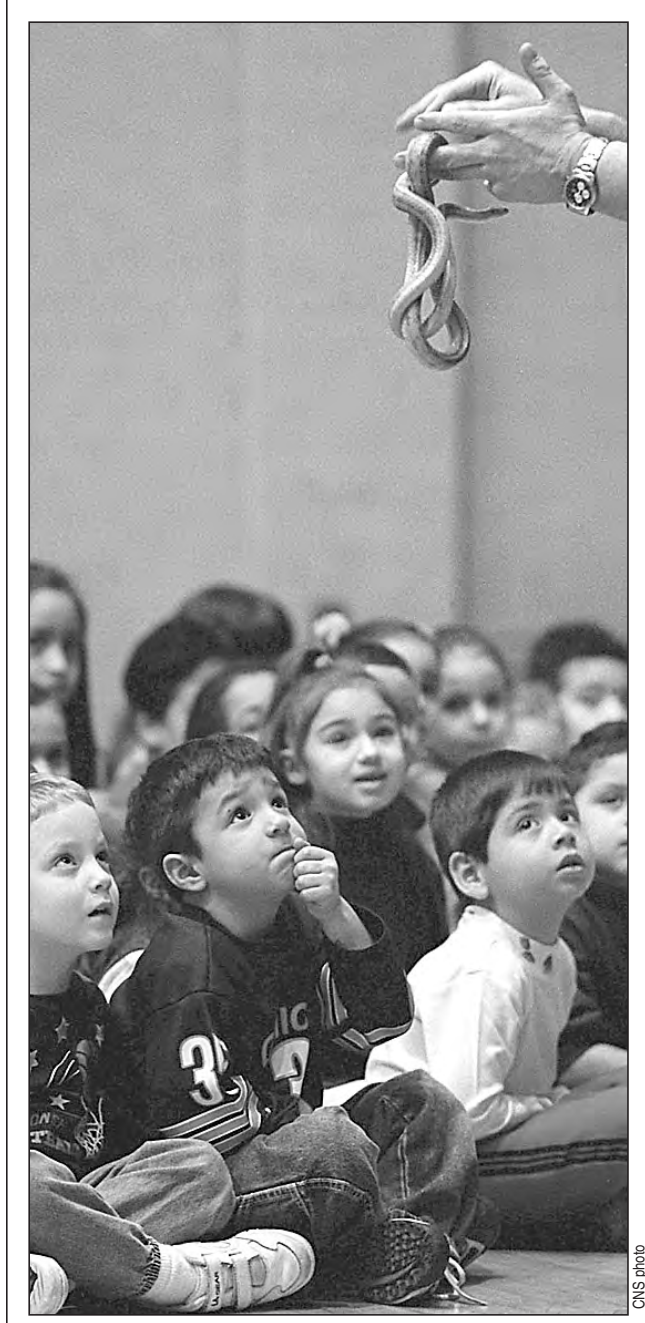
TREACY, Bernard J., 86, Holy Spirit, Indianapolis, Jan. 4. Brother of Catherine

Edwards. Uncle of several.

WOLF, Mary R., 89, Prince of Peace, Madison, Jan. 29. Mother of David Wolf. Sister of Helen Flock, George and Robert Wolf.

WOLKE, William, 69, Holy Family, Richmond, Jan. 25. Father of Carol Wolke. Father of Patricia Brown and Douglas Wolke. Brother of Mary Conder and Betty Jackson.

ZAPPIA, Dr. Dominic Anthony, Nativity, Indianapolis, Jan. 22. Husband of Mary Rose (Schimizzi) Zappia. Father of Mary Frances Arnold, Theresa Ann Hayden and Josephine Spilker. Brother of Theresa Schimizzi and Rocco Zappia. Grandfather of four. †



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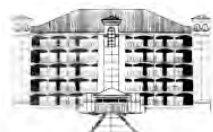
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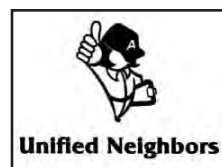


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