Anglican priests and new questions

WASHINGTON — (NC) — While the U.S. bishops have taken the first steps toward admitting some married Episcopal clergymen into the Catholic priesthood, the move has raised several questions that have yet to be answered.

One is the number of such priests who might ultimately be admitted to the Catholic priesthood. Another is the future of relationships between Catholics and Anglicans worldwide. The Episcopal Church in the United States is a member of the Anglican Communion.

The first step came in an announcement Aug. 20 that the Vatican has approved a proposal by the U.S. bishops to develop terms under which the Episcopal clergymen, along with other members of the Episcopal Church in the United States, would be admitted to the Catholic Church with a "common identity" under which they would retain some elements of their Anglican tradition.

CALLING THE Bishops’ decision “truly historic and notably precedent setting,” Archbishop John R. Quinn of San Francisco, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, emphasized that many aspects have yet to be worked out, including a definition of the term "common identity."

He said Episcopalians who join the Catholic Church may be able to retain their liturgical prayers and maintain their common heritage as part of their common identity.

Father John Hotchkiss, secretary of the bishops’

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THIS HAPPY back-to-school scene of Sr. Mary Leona at Holy Family parish, North Miami, of a few years ago, is reminiscent of scenes around the Archdiocese this week as thousands of kids returned to school. See Story below, and pages 4-7.

You must care, teachers told

By TORI STUART
Voice Staff Writer

Next to the family, the Catholic school.

That was the theme of this year’s Teacher Professional Day held at St. Ambrose Church in Ft. Lauderdale and at St. Rose of Lima Church, last week.

“Sister Marie’s Basic message was an affirmation of the joy, love and enthusiasm ‘that is ours to bring to students.’ But she stressed as well the seriousness of that responsibility.

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ONLY FOUR WORDS comprise Sister Marie’s philosophy, but these four words “can be plugged into your life no matter what your job or profession. "WE HAVE TO care", she said,

“even about the child who drove you crazy. That’s the one you remember. Did it ever occur to you whether that was the one who needed you the most? "In living for others, you free them to be the person they are," Sister Marie said.

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Rev. Jesse Jackson praises Catholic schools

LOS ANGELES — (NC) — The Rev. Jesse Jackson, founder and head of the black self-help group Operation PUSH (People United to Save Humanity), has called Catholic schools "oxes in the middle of educational deserts.

In an interview in Twin Circle, a national Catholic weekly published in Los Angeles, Rev. Jackson, an associate minister at a Chicago Baptist church, said Catholic schools were such oxes in the last few years "in part because the public schools are traumatized by a collapse of moral authority."

Mr. Jackson added: "The educators are less believable; there is a cold war that exists between parents and teachers in too many instances," he said. "The administrators are, by and large, detached, political and very overt in their racism. There has been a tremendous amount of tension around the issue of desegregation, so that the public schools have become battlegrounds during the last 20 years. And the casualties have been the children.

In Catholic schools, on the other hand, "the nuns and priests seem to remain more believable and more trustworthy," Mr. Jackson said. "And because they have moral authority, which grows in part from the affirmative relationship they have with parents — indeed, the relationship they demand of parents, they are able to demand discipline. And discipline is perceived as therapy, not as punishment, when it comes from moral authority."

"Lastly, I would say that the success of the Catholic schools in the city has been from their whole approach to education: a concern for a developed mind as well as strength of character and health of body. And there is the religious factor as the undergirding force for our entire life patterns."

TORTILLA MARATHON — Patty Gibson, left and Deborah Ortega carry a banner across the border from California into Tijuana, Mexico, near the end of the recent 250-mile Tortilla Marathon, sponsored by Los Ninos. Most of the 250 marchers were teen-agers who began the walk in Santa Barbara, Calif., to raise money for Catholic-run orphanages in Mexico. The walk raised about $60,000. (NC Photo)

MR. JACKSON blamed unions in public schools for putting more emphasis on wages than performance or sacrifice and contributing to diminished effort by teachers.

Mr. Jackson said that, although two of his children attend Catholic schools, he opposes tuition tax credits for parents who send their children to non-public schools. "Some church people argue that tuition tax credits would be a step toward "undermining the public schools," he said. "If people make the decision to send their children to private schools, then they should be prepared to make that financial sacrifice."

"Permitting schools to be all-white or all-black because they are located in neighborhoods that are all-white or all-black is not justifiable," Mr. Jackson argued. "If you have determined that segregation by race is immoral and harmful, the church cannot allow the real estate brokers to determine the patterns of social intercourse. So a church may serve its neighborhood; but if we want our children to indeed have a catholic education — a universal education, a multicultural education — we must take moves to offset the damage done by real estate brokers."

Abp. Lefebvre backs juntas

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay — (NC) — Rightwing military regimes are Latin America’s only bulwark against the expansion of communism, according to suspended Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre.

The French archbishop spoke in Montevideo during a tour of seminaries run by his followers in Argentina, Chile and Uruguay.

"In Europe, true Catholicism does not exist anymore," said the archbishop, who was suspended from all priestly functions in 1976 by Pope Paul VI.

"In Central America, the bishops have yielded to communism," he added. "In South America only countries like Argentina, Bolivia, Chile and Uruguay can join forces for the Catholic fight against communism."
Church backs Polish strikers

The Catholic Church expressed understanding for striking Polish workers "who are trying to improve their lot, both in material terms as well as others, such as respect for human rights," said the first official church communique on the current situation.

The statement also asked strikers to exercise wisdom and prudence.

THE STATEMENT was issued Aug. 22 by the office of Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski of Warsaw, Poland. It was released after Bishop Lech Kaczmarek of Gdansk flew to Warsaw to brief Cardinal Wyszynski, the Polish primat. Gdansk is the Polish port on the Baltic Sea where the major strike center is located.

"Bishop Kaczmarek in the course of talks with representatives of the strike committee expressed understanding for the strikers who are striving to improve their lot, both in material terms as well as others, such as respect for human rights," said the statement.

"The bishop of Gdansk also called the attention of the workers to the fact that prolonged work stoppages and possible disturbances or the shedding of brotherly blood are contrary to the good of society," it said. "He therefore appealed to strikers to act in a wise and prudent manner."

MEANWHILE Pope John Paul II said "I share in this trial that my homeland and fellow countrymen are once again going through." he spoke in a letter on the Polish crisis sent to the country's spiritual leader, Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski of Warsaw.

In the letter, released at the Vatican Aug. 25, the Polish-born pope prayed that the bishops would be able "to help this people in the difficult effort it is carrying out for daily bread, social justice and the protection of its inviolable rights to its own development."

At his Sunday noon Angelus the day after the letter was released the pope also referred to the political crisis because of widespread labor strikes in Poland.

Sin is sin, Abp. McCarthy says

Speaking to more than 200 parish directors of Religious Education, coordinators, volunteers, school principals and religion department heads in Catholic schools meeting in Palm Beach Shores, Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy came down hard on sin.

"We are not taking God the Father seriously, we are failing in the splendid life of faith, when we are indifferent to its antithesis, when we are not taking offenses against our Loving God seriously."

"A declining sense of moral responsibility, vagueness about sin of intemperance, greed, false witness, injustice, unloving, Mass participation, sin in sex education...""
Parlor maid at a city hotel, Mrs. Pieples has found, too, in her family's Catholic education. Whatever the cost, a value-oriented quality education is at the top of their shopping lists.

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“I don’t want them in any other school; so I keep struggling. You suffer on one end to make it work on the other end,” Mrs. Hogue asked her listeners.

It is hard, it is rough, it is difficult,” she assured them, “but ask yourselves what prevents you from being the kind of Christian educator you can be?“

Sister believes that the hardest thing for a teacher to face is “automatic static—all the little annoyances that just seem to go with working. She also warned against losing yourself in the “bureaucracy”. But educators can lessen and prevent automatic static by being aware.

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A New Year Begins

By MARIANNE STRAWN  
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A new school year is getting under way. As always, teachers are the first ones to hit the books. They go back to school (and to committee meetings, one imagines) a bit early. After all, someone has to get ready for "all this."

But the teachers are soon followed into the schools by millions of young people nationwide. There are expectant first-graders, experienced high-schoolers and a whole range of interested and not-so-interested, happy and not-so-happy students in between. They are the people that this new school year is really about.

Then there are the parents. They organize car pools or write down bus schedules, they set to work on arrangements for after-school activities. Parents could appear to be the supporting cast in a drama that chiefly involves teachers and school children. But that impression would not be quite accurate.

Many parents realize that their place in the educational program is not taken by teachers and schools. Parents can play a vital role in the education of their own children—motivating, listening, guiding, helping. As a result, more and more parents want a genuine understanding of what their children are doing in school.

So as the school year begins, many parents go off to school too. They meet the teachers, meet other parents and begin to formulate their own plans and hopes for the new year their children are beginning. Elementary- and secondary-school teachers, students and parents are not the only ones, however, who find the back-to-school season a busy time.

In parishes around the country, priests, Religious and lay people are getting ready for another religious-education and CCD year. Youth ministers are hard at work. Catechists are studying, the supplies are being prepared, books distributed.

And in parishes another year has arrived for adult-education programs. This means directors of religious education are contacting potential speakers, organizing groups to meet in homes, mailing announcements of special series. Often it means that special programs are being arranged for catechists, parish-council members, members of a liturgy committee or other special groups whose work demands ongoing opportunities to study the faith.

And the back-to-school season finds that:

- Seminarians are departing for another year of priesthood preparation. They will study in classrooms and serve others through in-service training programs. They will pray, ponder their vocations and seek a more profound understanding of the church and all its people.

- College students are leaving summer jobs and their parents' homes (and cooking) for another year, returning to the study that is part of their preparation for the future in this complex society.

- Many parents and other adults are going back to college, whether full time or part time, to work toward a degree. Often they study in the many special degree-completion programs offered by colleges and universities today.

- And, of course, many preschool children are being sent off for the first time to schools where they will learn to be with other children in a group, where they will play and get the opportunity to work on some basic skills two or three mornings or afternoons a week.

Many, many people are part of the back-to-school scene. Often, the time when schools open and other educational programs get under way seems to be a time when people are refreshed, feeling ready for a new start.

For many people, the beginning of school, much more than Jan. 1, marks the true beginning of a new year!

TO FIND OUT THESE things, the teachers say, "Visit the classroom."

Ms. Meiselman suggested parents look for:

- A happy atmosphere where children enjoy themselves and look forward to coming back.

- A relaxed place. It is not necessary that everything be neat and spotless. A little finger paint on the table or sand on the floor can let you know that the school is a place where children can act creatively.

- Noise. It's a Good Sign. Not constant screaming and yelling, but normal child sounds, talking and laughing.

Mrs. Rooney put these guidelines on her list:

- The school should offer experience and material that the child doesn't have at home. Look for furniture and equipment that is child-sized.

- Be CAUTIOUS of a school where all the children are expected to do the same thing at the same time.

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BY FATHER DANIEL PAKENHAM
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Many friends were surprised when I accepted an assignment as rector of a theological seminary. Some felt that with the drop in vocations, contentions in the church and the problems of inflation and of large, unused seminary buildings, anyone accepting a seminary assignment was asking for trouble.

Such concerns gave me pause. Nonetheless, I was able to move into my new job with a relatively open mind.

I had worked in an administrative position for seminary education with the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in Washington. That position allowed me to remain in touch with seminary concerns. But it did not permit me direct access to the seminary way of life.

So, what did I find when I moved into the seminary?

First, I met impressive candidates. Apparently, rewards are being reaped from good admissions procedures and the judgment of seminary administrators and vocation directors.

In general, candidates are a bit older now. They move into theological studies in their mid- to late 20s. The candidates come from seminary colleges, secular colleges and the general work force. They may be engineers, artists, teachers, computer analysts. Commonly they have taken a longer time and more precise measures to discern their vocations. Many have been communion distributors, catechists, lectors in parishes.

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It is not too late for people of good character to consider the priesthood as a career. In general, they are a bit older now. They move into theological studies in their mid- to late 20s. The candidates come from seminary colleges, secular colleges and the general work force. They may be engineers, artists, teachers, computer analysts. Commonly they have taken a longer time and more precise measures to discern their vocations. Many have been communion distributors, catechists, lectors in parishes.

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It seems too that the students have a sense of direction toward parish ministry. The understanding that a vocation to the diocesan priesthood is a vocation to parish ministry seems healthy. The faculty members in seminaries are also impressive. The vast majority are priests. But there are lay and Religious men and women in this highly specialized field. They are professional, dedicated and sincerely involved in the whole life of the church.

Obviously, there are problems for seminaries. For example, the small number of priesthood candidates creates difficulties. As a professional school, a theological seminary naturally tends to be smaller than many other schools. But the small size can exacerbate some problems. Perhaps now, however, with more active recruitment efforts and greater support on the part of all the people in the church, we can look for some growth in the number of vocations.

But a lack of moral support for priesthood candidates continues to be a problem. One gentleman who was recently accepted for priesthood studies in our seminary told me that, having just graduated from a secular university, he looked forward to the seminary. He had been thinking about the priesthood for a few years but found very little support among people of the church and his peers.
The Mass and Youth

By STEPHEN A. NUNES

"The Mass is boring, it's the same something over and over again. I get nothing out of it." People who work with and for youth in religious education or in youth-ministry programs have heard these sentiments time and time again.

Often youth seem to lack an appreciation and understanding of the liturgy. What can be done about this?

Perhaps part of the solution can be found within the general lifestyle of many young people. Young people tend to be action-oriented—always doing something, always moving. Generally, they enjoy being the participants in an event. One of them might say, "It is fun to listen to music but it is much more fun to dance to it." Participation, then, is a key to consideration when a response is sought from youth.

A YOUNG PERSON also needs the opportunity to contribute, to give. When this opportunity is created, the young person has the feeling of acceptance, of being needed. When young people are asked to give, they get a sense that the broader community places value on their abilities to help the community.

Sometimes young people appear to be unenthusiastic about the Mass. But it may not really be the Mass that they are reacting to as much as it is an attitude that they sense among others toward the Mass. If they feel the Mass is viewed simply as an obligation by their families or by a parish community, then it may not appear to youth as a celebration. Perhaps they need to be able to "see" that the Mass expresses the reality of a lifestyle lived in and for Christ, that it celebrates a relationship. In any event, the real problem is not in the Mass itself.

There are a number of things which can be done to help make the Mass a true expression of faith and joy for youth.

FIRST, INVOLVE THE YOUTH. In the past youth have been allowed to serve on the altar. But perhaps some young people could serve as lectors, ushers or eucharistic ministers. And quite a few young people have considerable potential for leading and participating in the music of a parish.

Having 'youth Masses' is also a good idea but only in terms of a retreat program or religious education class, I feel. Youth Masses should be the exception rather than the rule. The point is to involve young people as much as possible in the total parish community, not to isolate them from the life of the parish.

Youth involvement doesn't just happen. It must be worked at and developed. The youth-ministry or religious education programs which exist in a parish have essential roles to play here.

Native American Priests Needed for Indians

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Mrs. Alan (Rosaline) Borough
P.P.C. Chairman, Miami Regia

Legion of Mary

I would like to extend a public word of appreciation for the work done by the Legion of Mary from Miami in Savannah these past two weeks.

Each day the team of eight people rose early in the morning and worked late into the evening going around streets previously unknown to them, knocking on the doors of strangers. All was done to share the treasures of our Eucharistic Ministers, they are in a parish that has a deep trust in Mary's prayer and protection. All was done with Mary's spirit of humility, obedience and joy.

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This letter from Father Smith, the Pastor who invited a team of eight members of the Legion of Mary to do a two week Peregrination Pro Christo in his parish, appeared in the Southern Cross Catholic newspaper of Miami here in Savannah, Ga. Thank you for printing it in the Voice.

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Compares letters

To the Editor:

I read with great interest two recent letters addressed to the Editor. I was struck with the fact that one was so full of faith and hope, so full of energy and love of God, so full of encouragement for celebration of the Church's holy feast days. And the second letter? It was negativity, rejection, depression and fear.

Father Brice, writer of the first letter obviously was imbued by the Spirit of Jesus. He did not dwell on the negative facts regarding Catholic views on celebration of its Holy days, but rather on the positive side. He spoke of the need to encourage the people to celebrate Feastdays in the same manner as one encourages same people to support a carnival and make it a great success.

"Name Withheld", on the other hand fears first of all to take a public stand for their own views and hides behind anonymity. The participation with dirty handsed hands makes me wonder what they have on their conscience. What hands the hands that are suspect of everyone else's. It seems a pity that "Name Withheld" is not able to see that it isn't outer dirt that is important with God. In the case of our Eucharistic Ministers, they are blessed to handle the Body and Blood of Christ, not consecrated surely, but blessed.

In their letter, "Name Withheld" also mentioned a dislike for the sound of the trumpet. Praise God, they are in a parish that has a trumpeter. Throughout the Bible God's word is proceeded by the warning sound of a trumpet. In Revelation Chapters 8 and 9, seven angels with seven trumpets announce the final seven woes before the end of the world.

"Name Withheld", when Jesus Christ is at the center of a life, everyday is a HOLY day, everyday is a day to celebrate that which we all share together, LIFE. Life in Jesus is loving, sharing, touching and caring. Life in Jesus IS communion, it is embracing; it is rejoicing over and over with endless Alleluias.

Peace is sown in the heart of man. Quiet does not guarantee peace for Peace is fruit of the Holy Spirit. It grows in the fertile ground of devotion and disturbance disturbing circumstances that are given to Jesus.

My prayer for "Name Withheld" and all who begrudge our God our worship for one hour a week or four times a year is that you will come to know the love Jesus Christ has for you no matter who you are or what you have done.

Marie Jacobson
Miami

Hits bilingualism

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to Archbishop McCarthy's statement concerning the bilingual petition. Although I respect and admire the position of that shop, I do not agree with his position that keeping Miami officially bilingual is a good idea.

No one asked the voters of Miami if we wanted this area declared bilingual, originally. I and many of my family and friends have signed this petition concerning bilingualism, in order to have this issue put to a vote. This is the democratic way to do things.

There are people in Miami from Haiti and other countries that speak a language other than English or Spanish. They will have to learn English.

We are still in the United States of America, where the official language is English.

Yes, our ancestors did come from other countries, but had to learn English in order to vote, get jobs, etc. They were probably more quickly absorbed into the American culture because of this.

I believe declaring Miami bilingual was a mistake to begin with. Language does create barriers. If all refugees needed to learn English upon arriving in the United States, a barrier would be disposed of. We would all have a common language, English.

People would not lose their ability to speak Spanish if the petition against official bilingualism was passed. Trade would still be carried on as usual.

Another factor I wish to submit for your consideration is this:

For twenty years Miamians have been accommodating to the cuban refugees coming to this area. People who can't speak English have been told to learn in order to communicate and get jobs. This has caused resentment and I now of many English (only) speaking people who have moved from Miami because of the language barrier. Is this fair?

I love my Cuban neighbors, but believing English should be the only official language here in Miami, as it is elsewhere in the United States.

Mrs. Clara Mahoney
Miami
You recall these two men who approached the House of God to pray.

Both were obviously believers in God, yet one was rejected. Both of them took the trouble to leave their home or work and go to church, but the prayer of only one was answered. The one had an easy conscience, science and felt no filial fear in the presence of God. To him the Lord turned a deaf ear as he did not exist. The other hesitated to open his mouth in the holy place of God and dared not even lift his eyes. But God reached down to bless and strengthen him.

THE ONE WHO got turned off spent his time nagging God. He did not say the Lord of an unusually great fellow did not consider himself a sinner. The other man in the last pew apparently did not consider anything he had to say worth speaking of before God.

The boaster gave no thought at all to his sins, because his eyes were blind to his defects. The man with the bowed head and the hand striking his breast could think of nothing but the mercy of God and his sins. The story belongs, of course, to Jesus. In the finale, he tells us that the Pharisee left the Temple, well aware of his make-up was that he approached God with a humble, honest attitude. He found no peace in his condition and fervently desired to be rid of his sins. So he did the one thing necessary. He dragged himself into the presence of God and bowed down and asked for mercy. A very simple prayer, “O God, be merciful to me a sinner.” And as God always “resists the proud”, just as completely does he “give praise to the humble.”

THIS STORY is about us and calls for regular reflection. Of all the vices, pride is the most deceptive. It’s the sneakiest by far. We must be convinced that the tendency to pride reflects the rebellion of Adam and Eve against God. “I will not serve.” In hundreds of little ways, we may be refusing to serve. Pride remains one of the worst defects of original sin. It is an enemy that can never be completely conquered. How distorting it is to realize that even the holy stand in danger of taking pride in their holiness.

WATCH OUT, the Pharisee is now telling us. People may have many virtues and be widely known as zealous followers of Christ. But if they are not putting all the good they have to God, if they are smugly taking credit for it themselves, all the other qualities may count for naught.

Why? Because humility is the foundation of all of the virtues. A person is humble when he is convinced of his total dependence on God to do good, convinced of his sinfulness and unworthiness and is willing constantly to thank and praise God for the work of the Spirit in his soul.

The publican came up fast in holiness because humility paved the way for remarkable graces.

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The occupations depicted on television... are grossly disproportionate to reality. For example: Prostitutes outnumber machinists (or other skilled craftsmen) by 12 to 1, and retail clerks by 3 to 1...There are twice as many witch doctors as welfare workers, and private detectives outnumber production-line workers by 12 to 1.

Television's overemphasis on the service trades and its underemphasis on the importance of craftsmanship might just as well be robots. They are nameless props to the more important characters and are persona non grata, which means they are not serve. The RESULTS of IAM's companion survey on television network news coverage of issues that concern IAM members are equally discouraging. Five main issues are examined: inflation, energy, foreign trade, health care and program leadership quality. 

You, the members of the public, have to serve. You, the viewers of anti-labor owners, have to give praise to the humble.
Notes for good neighbors

By EUGENE J. AND CATHERINE AMBROSIANO FISHER

As Christians, how can we care for people who live in distant lands, people who have never touched our lives in a direct way?

MOST INDIVIDUALS feel there is little enough they can do to solve the problems here at home, let alone the problems of the world at large. Only a few Christians are called to a personal ministry in foreign lands, such as Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Is there any way for individuals and families, to really take part in world ministry?

POPE JOHN PAUL II suggests that Christians give whenever possible from their substance, not just from their extra funds. Christians can give through such organizations as Catholic Relief Services or the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, for example. But, beyond this, the question posed by the rich young man in the Gospels persists: "Is this enough?"

Is there anything more that Christians can do to make a difference, something more direct and personal?

We would like to suggest two possible, "family-to-family" activities, perhaps as a spark to kindle other creative responses.

THE FIRST SUGGESTION: Sponsor a refugee family, one of the thousands coming from Cuba, Haiti or Southeast Asia. The plight of the refugees has been graphically depicted in the media. Families can be sponsored through agencies such as the Catholic Migration and Refugee Services (MRS). Further information on how to sponsor a refugee family can be obtained from diocesan offices which can provide the name and address of the regional MRS office.

The few Americans who have been permitted to sponsor refugees, most have long since lost their jobs. Many of these people have waited for their visas up to 10 years. Most have long since lost their jobs. The few Americans who have been allowed to interview continuing refugee families were struck by their continuing determination to find their way to freedom.

"If Pope John Paul left our nation with one central message, it was this — we need to put our deep moral beliefs into action and that is what you do and I am proud of you for it. 'The poor,' he said, 'are our brothers and sisters.' Instead of throwing them crumbs, we should treat them like 'guests at our family table.'" (President Jimmy Carter, Address to National Catholic Charities Convention)

THE REFUSENIKS, in the main, have not been imprisoned. But their plight is no less real. Guilty of the "crime" of having applied for extra visas to emigrate to Israel, they are virtually trapped in a form of house arrest, fearful of leaving their tiny apartments lest they be beamed up by government-inspired, antisemitic hooligans.

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The adoption program consists, essentially, in writing letters to the desperately people involved. The letters can be lifelines of hope for those receiving them.

LETTERS MAKE THE REFUSENIKS aware that their plight is known, that someone cares.

In addition, the letters may mitigate mistreatment, by letting Soviet officials know that people are concerned with the fate of these unfortunate persons.

Any letter should be personal and friendly, avoiding political affairs but remembering birthdays and religious holidays. The letters may be written in English, Yiddish, Hebrew or Russian because translators are available.

IT IS IMPORTANT that the letters be regular. For this reason, agencies often recommend that several families within a parish adopt a single prisoner or family.

(For lists of names and addresses of POCS and refuseniks, write to: National Interreligious Task Force for Soviet Jewry, Room 221, 307 Wabash, Chicago, Ill. 60605.)

In Balsas, Brazil, Verona Father James Molinari administers the sacrament of Baptism in a rural chapel. Although the number of people we actually encounter in a lifetime is limited, Christians are encouraged to serve those in distant lands as well. (NC Photo)

LETTER TO THE READER:

Dear Friend:

The parish. How important is it? How are specific parishes serving people, contributing to communities, praying, solving problems? What does the parish have to do with the everyday lives of people — in their homes, for example?

These are only a few questions that are shaping the 1980-81 Know Your Faith (KYF) series. KYF is the weekly religious education series appearing in many Catholic newspapers. It is edited by the staff of the National Catholic (NC) News Service, the world's largest religious wire service.

The future of the parish is a major concern of the U.S. bishops today. They have established a special office to work in this area: The Parish Project. And, they have noted, the church's concern for the parish is intimately related to its concern for the family and the home.

Father Philip Murnion, executive director of the bishops' Parish Project, has agreed to be one of the principal writers for the 1980-81 KYF series. His articles will appear regularly, bringing the benefits of his experience with so many parishes to "The Parish and Its People."

The religious educators on the staff of the National Catholic News Service will work throughout the year, developing an overall presentation that includes a variety of easy-to-read, stimulating and educational materials; that keeps the needs of people in mind all the time.

Father Murnion has suggested some ways of making churches "living parishes"....COMMUNITY ENDS WITH THE PARISH."

Sincerely,

Richard W. Daw
Director and Editor-in-Chief
National Catholic News Service
A Letter to Santiago

By TOM LENNON

By now, Santiago, you must be an adult, probably living in Lima, Peru, perhaps a husband and father, and, I hope, maybe not quite as poor as when I knew you.

YOU WERE ONLY a young boy when the mailman brought you to my living room. The postmark on the thick envelope was Chimbote, Peru.

Inside the envelope were several documents from the Foster Parents Plan agency that was, so to speak, sponsoring our temporary friendship. Your picture was enclosed and I saw a child looking very serious, standing stiffly at attention, dressed in his best but poor clothes.

THE AGENCY told me all about you, Santiago. Your family was poor. Your father had deserted you. Your mother worked hard 12 hours a day washing clothes for people. You had one sister, and all of you lived in a clay hut that I found hard to visualize.

I've saved all your letters, Santiago. In your first letter, you introduced yourself very formally, or at least the translator of your Spanish made it sound formal. "My name is Santiago. I will like to write you very much every month, and I hope you like writing to me. I am 10 years old, but I am not very good in arithmetic."

YOUR FOURTH LETTER shocked me with news that I had already heard on television. "A terrible earthquake came here. It made me very nervous. We are afraid another one will come. Our clay house was completely destroyed. I also lost my copybook in the earthquake. It was my best copybook."

One day, Santiago, I had a bad time at work; everything went wrong. When I came home that night, I felt like cursing the whole world. But, in my mailbox was your monthly letter. Without a great deal of enthusiasm I opened it and read it. I shall never forget this part:

"MR. LENNON, you have told me that your father died when you were very young, and it made you sad. You know that my father left us and never came back, and so I feel sad like you did. But, Mr. Lennon, now I think of you as my father. You have helped me so much and I love you and will never forget you. You will always be my father."

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I shall never forget your gift and for writing to me every month."

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At the time I had some extra green stuff and so, in addition to the regular monthly support donation, I sent your family $100. You wrote back, "With your warmhearted gift, we have built a new home. If it is near a river and lots of times the mosquitoes keep me awake at night and it is hard to pay attention the next day in school. Thank you for your gift and for writing to me every month."

Later the river flooded and destroyed your house again. I wondered how you all kept on going.

SOMETIMES I wasn't sure what to write to you, Santiago. So I wrote to you mostly about what my life was like when I was 10, about some of the big snows, and the trouble I had with arithmetic, and how I was sick too often. I tried to encourage you, for in almost every letter at that time you said you were not a good enough student. I suspected your teacher told you that, and I suspected she was wrong.

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Your letter made me cry that night, Santiago. You did so much more for me than I ever did for you.
I called my husband at work yesterday and asked him to stop at the bookstore on his way home and pick up a book they were holding for me.

"Sure," he said. "What's the title?"

I hesitated, knowing what was in store for me, but what could I do? It's called A Woman of Independent Means. There was just the slightest pause on the other end and then the question, "You want me to pay for it, I presume?"

I CONSIDERED serving him brussel sprouts for dinner but instead I laughed. It was a delicious example of the irony of our times. It reminded me of the cartoon of the man weighing two volumes. One title was invisible. The other was, Overcoming Indecision.

I'm sure some women wouldn't have found my husband's remark amusing and they probably feel I sold out the women's movement a little by laughing, but I couldn't disagree more. We are undergoing a terrific attitude and role changes in American marriages. In spite of what the Eagle Forum women proclaim, it's a rare marriage that hasn't been affected by the changing attitude of and toward women.

But these marriages need all the help they can get in the form of humor as a detonating device. There are ironies and inconsistencies, as in the case of the woman who says, "What do you mean, women always take things personally?" or the man who says, "I've been a long time supporter of women's rights. I've always let my wife work."

SOMETIMES THE persons who make remarks like these are entirely unaware of what they have said; yet the people around them attack them with the ferocity unacceptables in any other area. That's unfair. We need first to call their attention to the message that's coming through to us, whether it's deeming, derogatory, or merely macho. The best way of doing this is with grace and humor, not attack and hostility.

When I say humor, I don't mean the silly pretense of feminine sweetness that masks anger. It can be humor with a bite to it. An example. In my state we have several male legislators and one congresswoman. Her name is Pat. Our large dailies have adopted the practice of using her first name in their headlines while referring to her male peers with a full name or title and people have generally followed suit.

I was in a group where a few loud would-be president makers held forth on the state of politics locally. They talked about Hart, Armstrong, Wirth, and Pat. A woman in the group began quietly referring to our male legislators by their first names: Gary, Bill and Tim. The rest of the group saw the humor in it and picked up on it with her. It became an amusing game to see how long it would take the politicians to catch on. One by one they did and eventually they smiled at themselves.

Nobody had to shout angrily at them or crudely call their attention to what to them was a mere habit when to others it was demeaning. But I doubt if they'd ever do it again in a group they respect.

And that's what attention to a good relationship demands — respect. We've seen too many good couples lose respect for one another as they try to find a new base of relationship. They become humorless. Neither is allowed weakness or errors. From there it's a short step to bitterness and hostility. And it's so unnecessary.

When Jim brought the book home, he handed it to me with a smile. In exchange for his graciousness, I'm reading him passages from it while he reads the newspaper. With a smile, of course.

By Terry and Mimi Reilly

OPENING PRAYER: Jesus, help us learn to listen when you call. Through listening we will hear your voice in nature; listening we will hear you whisper the wind; listening we will hear you in the laughter of children. Oh, yes, Jesus, help us learn to listen, help us learn to hear when you call. Amen.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT: Hearing is a physical process. Sound vibrations are picked up by the ear and recorded. Listening, however, is so much more than hearing. To really listen means we turn our full attention, our minds and hearts, to gain both the intellectual content and emotional tone of the message being sent.

ACTIVITY IDEAS:

• Young Families: "Pass the message." Gather in a circle; one person make up a short message and whisper it to the next person who whispers it to the next, and so on until it completes the circle. The last person repeats it out loud. How has the message changed? Give three examples in the family of how this has happened.

• Middle Years Families: All go outside in the backyard or a nearby park and sit together silently for five minutes, listening to all the sounds. Then share all the different kinds of noises each person heard. Together finish this sentence: a. It is most difficult for me to listen when...

b. It is very easy for me to listen when...

c. My favorite time of listening is...

d. When I know someone is listening to me I feel...

• Adult Families: Each tell of someone they know who is a good listener. List at least six qualities of a good listener. Each share the greatest difficulty he or she has in listening.

SNACK TIME: Homemade popsicles. Listen to sounds each one makes as he or she eats the popsicle.

ENTERTAINMENT: Take a walk around the block. Listen to all the different types of noises.

SHARING: 1. Each share a time he or she felt listened to during the past week.

2. Share a moment someone felt close to God.

CLOSING PRAYER
Venerable Brothers and dear sons and daughters, 1. We are approaching the Synod of Bishops, and I wish to begin on 26 September next to discuss the role of the Christian family in the modern world. A question of prime importance will thus be examined at the Synod. The Church’s mission with regard to the family was dealt with by my predecessor Pope Paul VI (cf. Humanae Vitae, 39); 2. Accordingly, when in the near future the Synod of Bishops begins, the whole Church must take part in its work. The whole Church must be a ‘sees to the Synod, present above all by prayer and sacrifice. Let all the Church’s children pray and make spiritual offerings for the Synod, to obtain God’s light and strength for the assembled Synod Fathers. The family is a cell from which all the vocations and states of life in the Church. These in turn, each in its own measure, are at the service of the family, in accordance with the teaching of Paul VI addressed to priests: ‘Long, rich experience has shown you that your celibacy gives you a special availability for being, for families in their progress towards holiness, active witnesses of the Lord’s love in the Church’ (Address of 4 May 1970 to Members of the Association “Equipes Notre Dame”, AAS 62, 1970, p. 435).

Prayer of Pope John Paul II for the 1980 Synod of Bishops: Lord God, from you every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. Father, you are Love and Life. Through your Son, Jesus Christ, born of woman, and through the Holy Spirit, fountain of divine charity, grant that every family on earth may become for each successive generation a true shrine of life and love. Grant that your grace may guide the thoughts and actions of husbands and wives for the good of their families and of all the families in the world. Grant that the young may find in the family solid support for their human dignity and for their growth in truth and love. Grant that the love, strengthened by the grace of the sacrament of marriage, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass.

Through the intercession of the Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that the Church may fruitfully carry out her worldwide mission in the family and through the family. We ask this of you, who are Life, Truth and Love, with the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Papal Changes in United States
WASHINGTON, (AP) — Cleveland Auxiliary Bishop Anthony M. Pilla, 47, has been appointed apostolic administrator of Cleveland pending the appointment of a successor to Bishop James A. Hickey, named archbishop of Washington. In addition, Pope John Paul II accepted the resignation of Bishop John Donovan of Toledo.

Missionaries Restricted in India
CALCUTTA, India — (AP) — Government efforts to further restrict the activities of Catholic missionaries in West Bengal are wrong, the bishop of the region have declared. They said they “view with concern” difficulties encountered by Christian missionaries in the northeastern state.

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What is the Poll?

The following poll of all the major national and state candidates for political office is being published this week by the Catholic diocesan newspapers throughout Florida as an informational aid to voters in the upcoming primary election. Ten questions covering eight different areas of concern were asked.

The poll was developed by the Florida Catholic Conference, Thomas Horan, Jr., director, in conjunction with the editors and the Miami Council of Catholic Women whose volunteers spent many hours of work conducting the poll. Mrs. Arlene Conklin was responsible for the Miami area poll.

The Florida Catholic Conference is an agency of the five Catholic dioceses in Florida. The Florida Council of Catholic Women is made up of diocesan councils in each diocese and has affiliates in each Catholic parish throughout the state. The Catholic newspapers are The Voice, Archdiocese of Miami; The Florida Catholic, Dioceses of Orlando and St. Petersburg; and Commentary, Diocese of St. Augustine.

This involves issues of concern to Catholics. The Church engages in registration and get-out-the-vote campaigns and efforts to educate voters on various moral issues. It does not endorse or campaign for candidates or political parties. It does urge each of its members to become involved in the political process as part of their Christian responsibility.

How to use the Poll

Following is a list of questions asked the candidate. Each question is numbered 1A, 1B, 2, 3, etc. Simply match up the question number with the appropriate column to find the top of the poll to find the candidate's answer. The answers are coded:

S — support
O — oppose
NR — no response
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Candidates who did not respond after follow-up calls were listed as No Response.

1. ABORTION:
A. A call for a constitutional convention for the purpose of proposing a Human Life Amendment to the U.S. Constitution
B. The use of tax funds for abortion

2. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT:

3. WELFARE REFORM:
A. Increasing benefits to meet inflation
B. State funding for programs to assist refugee families with job and language skills

4. AGRICULTURAL WORKERS: Implementation of collective bargaining rights under an Agricultural Labor Relations Act

5. EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT: Ratification

6. EDUCATION: School bus transportation for students in non-public schools

7. EUTHANASIA: Legislation allowing mercy killing

8. PUBLIC GUARDIANSHIP: Legislation and funding for the establishment of public guardians for the gravely disabled and elderly in need

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Who joins, who leaves the Church?

WASHINGTON — (NC) — Results of a first-of-its-type survey on people's motivations for joining, leaving or returning to the Catholic Church describe the typical convert, dropout and returnee.

The typical convert is a young man influenced by his Catholic husband, the dropout is a teen-ager and the returnee is likely to be an older person who either feels guilty about having left the church or wants to be a positive example for children.

The survey's results were revealed at a preparatory session preceding the Second Annual National Catholic Lay Celebration of Evangelization, meeting in Washington Aug. 21-23.

The survey was completed by Dean Hoge, a sociologist at the Catholic University of America, with the assistance of Paulist Father Kenneth McGuire, an anthropologist, and Marianist Brother Bernard Swooten, a communications specialist. Hoge addressed the preparatory forum for the conference.

As part of the survey more than 200 interviews were conducted in Baltimore; Detroit; Providence, R.I.; Orlando, Fla.; Omaha, Neb.; San Antonio, Texas, and Oakland, Calif.

The study pointed to the need for a "facilitator," someone to help the potential Catholic take the steps toward conversion. The family can be "facilitator" in many cases, but it can also spark alienation from the church, Hoge said. He said that family tensions are often responsible for teen-agers leaving the church. He added that teen-age alienation from the faith is so common throughout the Christian denominations that it is almost normal statistically.

OTHERS WHO DROP out of the church include "weary dropouts," who lose their motivation or discover they had none in the first place; "lifestyle dropouts" who have problems with the church's moral teachings; "spiritual-need dropouts," who seek spirituality in other churches or faiths; and "anti-change dropouts," who refuse to accept the post-Vatican II changes in the church, the survey showed.

Evangelists: consider culture

WASHINGTON — (NC) — Participants at the Second Annual National Catholic Lay Celebration of Evangelization in Washington Aug. 21-23 were told to remember cultural aspects when evangelizing within a community.

That was just one of the messages offered during 32 workshops to help lay evangelists spread the "good news" to inactive Catholics and the unchurched.

The approximately 1,700 participants reflected the church's diversity in the United States. The crowd consisted of clergymen, religious, blacks, Hispanics, Indians, whites and various age groups. They heard advice on evangelizing just about any group or nationality in the United States today.

A COMMON THEME was that evangelizers works best when the evangelizers respect the particular cultural, ethnic, community or individual needs of the people to be reached. In an ecumenical outreach, awareness of the partner denomination's religious heritage and beliefs is also crucial if the joint Christian evangelization is to succeed, participants were told.

"Evangelization happens in a cultural context," said Judy Swiny, who works as an evangelizer in the rural, low-income, mountainous coal country of Virginia. Residents, mostly of Protestant heritage, often were very religious, praying, reading the Bible and following strong, beliefs of right and wrong, but they weren't church-going, Ms. Solberg said.

Her method was listening, first to known inactive Catholics and then to other unchurched. Ms. Solberg often worked with the local ministerial association.

Because of people's reluctance to get involved with the Catholic Church, she suggested beginning with prayer services and similar celebrations instead of Masses. For a lot of people in the area the Catholic Church is boring," she said. "To reach these people the church is really going to have to offer something special in terms of community."

LIKE OTHER workshop speakers, Solberg also counted social justice a part of evangelization. "A lot of people know about the church through its services," she added. As one old woman told her, "There's only two churches worth anything anymore — the Catholic Church and the Salvation Army — because they care about people.

Caring about people also motivates Catholics in the New Life Prayer Community who evangelize residents of Lorton prison outside of Washington.

In the harsh prison atmosphere, where inmate violence can become murder, New Life members offer a Christian "presence" through the Eucharist, prayer and counseling sessions, and the folk music of their guitars.

"Evangelization is reaching out and touching someone," said Bill Jarema, spokesman for the group.

"The church is not a building, it's a presence." Their presence involves talking intimately with someone about personal faith experiences and empathizing. Apparently, it works. New Life reports that 90 percent of the men it has assisted belong to parishes or prayer groups after leaving and stay out of trouble. Others report drastic changes in their lives even while still imprisoned. Danny Thompson, a Lorton inmate who says he was in and out of jail for 25 years before being converted, provided the testimony.

"I FOUND ACCEPTANCE, I found something I believe everybody in the world wants and needs," he said. "I found peace and I found freedom."

"When you come out of that prison you're so high on the Lord you can't stand it," New Life volunteer Kay Lunaden added.

On the Sioux Indian reservations of South Dakota, Native American lay deacons and a Jesuit priest are working together to overcome the problems of a "dependent church" which for too long ignored the Indian's culture as a means of evangelization. Within the Diocese of Rapid City, S.D., the new formation program for the Sioux and the Sioux Spiritual Center are helping to train Indian church leaders who will take over from missionaries who for decades ran the local church.

KC's set $1 million school ed fund

ATLANTA — (NC) — A $1 million investment research fund to improve all aspects of Catholic education will be established by the Knights of Columbus.

The education fund was approved by the Knights at the 95th annual meeting of the Supreme Council of the fraternal organization of Catholic men. Representatives of the 1.5 million-member organization met in a five-day convention in Atlanta.

The Knights also went on the record opposing abortion funding, the Equal Rights Amendment and pornography.

A resolution on the educational fund followed Supreme Knight Virgil C. Dechant's annual report. The resolution cited the need for research to solve increasing problems of funding, administering and staffing Catholic schools.

Research projects, to be supported by earnings from the fund, will be selected by the National Catholic Educational Association, assisted by an advisory panel of bishops and scholars representing the United States and Canada and subject to the concurrence of the Knights of Columbus board of directors.

Mrs. Ronald Frombaugh of Newville, Pa., helps her son Michael put on his leg braces before the boy heads out to play. What Michael can't do with his leg he makes up with his arms as he jumps off his wheelchair and shows off with a head stand.
**Eucharistic training day**

Here is the Training Day Schedule for Candidates for Special Ministers of the Eucharist.

**Saturday, September 13, 1980**, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - St. Catherine of Sienna Church, 2975 SW 107 Ave., Miami

**Saturday, September 27, 1980**, 10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Spanish) - St. Michael the Archangel Church, 2897 W. Flagler Street, Miami

**Saturday, October 11, 1980**, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. - St. Clement Church, 2975 N. Andrews Ave., Ft. Lauderdale

At the request of many ministers a **Renewal Day** will be held at St. Mary's Cathedral on Saturday, December 13 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., including Celebration of the Eucharist. This day is not mandatory, but will be open to all those who have functioned for three years, and are being recommissioned and would welcome a refresher day. There will be no fee involved.

Fee for all workshops is $4.00 which covers lunch and materials; checks should be made out to the Archdiocese of Miami, included with letters of recommendation and registration mailed to the Office of Worship and Spiritual Life, Archdiocese of Miami, 6301 Biscayne Blvd, Miami, Fl. 33138. Deadline for registration is the Wednesday preceding a given workshop. (Telephone: 757-6241, Ext. 341-242).

Please Remember: Archdiocese of Miami guidelines stipulate that in order to be commissioned as a Special Minister of the Eucharist one must attend a full day of training and must be recommended in a letter signed by his or her pastor (or chaplain, Spiritual Director, etc. in authority).

**Mercey Hospital Has New Assoc. Chaplain**

Father Richard P. Scherer, director, department of pastoral care, Mercy Hospital, 3663 South Miami Ave., announces the appointment, by Archbishop Edward P. Scherr, of Father Francisco Acosta as Associate Chaplain in the department of pastoral care, effective Aug. 15, 1980.

Father Acosta comes to Mercy from St. Hugh's Parish in Coconut Grove.

**Barry College Starts 40th Year**

(MIAMI) — Barry College will mark the beginning of its 40th year of service in education when classes open Sept. 2 for the fall term.

More than 2,100 students are expected in day and evening classes, most of them from Dade County, but many from Broward County and elsewhere in Florida, and more than a few from throughout the U.S. and other nations. When the college opened in September 1940 there were only 40 young women enrolled in what then was a women's liberal arts college. Barry has been fully coeducational since 1976, and had been coeducational in its graduate programs many years earlier.

Founded by the Adrian Dominican Congregation of Adrian, Mich., the school was created with the help of Bishop Patrick Barry of the Florida Diocese at St. Augustine and his brother, monsignor William Barry, founder of the first Catholic church on Miami Beach, and their sister, Mother Geraldine Barry, Mother Superior of the Congregation at Adrian. She was the first president. The original faculty was comprised of 15 sisters of the congregation.

Today Barry, named after the three founding Catholic leaders, is governed by an independent board of trustees as a non-profit corporation. Its faculty and administration now include 26 sisters among more than 230 full-time personnel.

**Italian Catholics Rush to see Blessing Statue**

NISCEMI, Italy — (NC) — Ignoring the advice of their bishop, Sicilian Catholics are flocking to the town of Niscemi to see a statue of Mary which its own claims is the same statue that was known as the bleeding statue. The statue, located in a small grotto carved from rock, has been displayed in its left eye to its lip.
Bishops hit Demo abortion plank

The Executive Committee of National Council of Catholic Bishops and the U.S. Catholic Conference has directed Bp. Thomas Kelly, Gen. Sec'y., to release the enclosed statement in response to an action taken during the Democratic convention on Tuesday, August 12th. The Executive Committee judged the moral issue in this instance to be so compelling as to require that it be addressed publicly.

This is his statement:

I deeply regret the action by the Democratic convention in adopting a platform plank which calls for federal funding of abortion, as well as the earlier action by the Democratic platform committee approving a plank which endorses the Supreme Court's pro-abortion decisions of 1973.

The use of public funds to subsidize abortion is a serious invasion of the rights of citizens who conscientiously reject abortion. The United States Congress has repeatedly adopted legislation severely limiting such funding, and a few weeks ago even the Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of this legislation.

As I stated in testimony to the Democratic platform committee in June, and earlier to the Republican platform committee, the United States Catholic Conference holds that the right to life is a basic human right which should have the protection of law. Abortion is the deliberate destruction of an unborn human being and therefore violates this right. Moral convictions about the sanctity of human life compel the Catholic Conference to reject the 1973 Supreme Court decisions on abortion. It opposes the use of public funds to subsidize abortion, and it strongly supports the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution to restore basic legal protection for the right to life of the unborn. We remain hopeful that public officials and candidates for public office will share these views, as well as the views of the Conference on the many other domestic and international issues which face the nation today.
Tradition of Our Lady of Charity Mass in Miami

On Sept. 8, 1961, Archbishop Carroll celebrated for the first time in Miami an outdoor Mass in honor of Our Lady of Charity.

The Mass was offered at the Miami Stadium with the participation of thousands of newly arrived Cuban refugees. Present at the Mass was an image of Our Lady of Charity, a replica of the image at El Cobre Shrine, which had been venerated in Cuba since the very early times of the arrival of the Spanish conquistadors. The first image of the Virgin Mary was brought to Cuba by Alonso de Ojeda and given to the chief of an Indian tribe in Cuba. The Indians venerated this image in a small shrine which they built themselves.

At the beginning of the 17th century, two Indians and a young black girl from Barajagua, a small settlement in Oriente Province, and went to Nipe Bay in search of salt. On their arrival at the bay, they found bad weather and had to wait for three days in a thatched hut on the shore, at a place called Cayo Frances. It was about 5:30 in the morning when they saw an object floating on the water. At first they thought it was a sea bird, but later found out it was an image of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Despite the rainy weather the image was not wet. On the 8th of Sept, which it stood near the shore, it appeared and reappeared several times at its shrine, decided to move it to El Cobre Parish, where it stayed for three years. Again it disappeared and reappeared several times, and finally was seen by a little girl named Apolonia on El Cobre Hill. The people then decided to place it in the top of the hill, where later they built a shrine. So the image which had appeared on the waters of Nipe Bay finally stayed at the Shrine of El Cobre, where it has remained until the present time.

In 1961, the Cuban Independence War requested the Holy Father, then Pope Benedict XV, to proclaimed Our Lady of Charity the Patroness of Cuba. The Pope granted this petition and the feast was celebrated from then on in the Shrine of El Cobre.

On Sept. 8, 1961, Archbishop Carroll celebrated for the first time in Miami an outdoor Mass in honor of Our Lady of Charity. This custom has been continued by his successor, Archbishop McCarthy.

WASHINGTON - (NC) - With only a minor change from the previous year's bill, the House has approved for another 12 months a series of amendments aimed at making it more difficult for the Internal Revenue Service to remove the tax-exempt status of private schools which allegedly discriminate.

Carroll invited the Cuban faithful to erect a shrine in honor of Our Lady of Charity on a piece of land donated by the Archdiocese of Miami. Six years later, on Sept. 2, 1973, by John Cardinal Krol, then President of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The Shrine of Our Lady of Charity is a place of pilgrimage and prayer which is constantly visited by the Cuban faithful in Miami and by many who visited from other parts of the United States or from abroad. At the Shrine the faithful find Jesus through Mary, as His image was found by the shepherds and the Magi who went to see Him at Bethlehem.
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Poor ignored again, labor priest says

WASHINGTON — (NO) — In his final Labor Day statement before retirement, Msgr. George G. Higgins has called for a vigorous defense of the needs of the poor.

He said society must not ignore the poor even though there are tremendous economic pressures to do so.

“UNDER THE PRETEXT or pretense of managing our economy, social programs are being severely cut back, labor’s right to organize is being effectively thwarted in many industries, unemployment has been allowed to rise to intolerable levels, and the poor and aged are being left to their own devices for survival,” said Msgr. Higgins.

Msgr. Higgins, a member of the U.S. Catholic Conference staff for nine years, announced his retirement earlier this year effective Sept. 1. He will be 66 next January.

The long-time labor advocate, who preached at the funeral Mass last January of AFL-CIO president George Meany, for many years has issued an annual statement for Labor Day.

This year’s statement traces the recent history of the church’s traditional advocacy of the poor and its teachings regarding the right to collective bargaining.

Msgr. Higgins complained that the effort to “turn back the clock” on society’s concern for the poor raises serious questions for the future.

“ARE WE IN danger of becoming an increasingly atomized society in which private gain is placed above social and religious values?” he asked.

“Will our national and global communities be torn apart by the struggle of limited resources? Will our economic problems be ‘solved’ at the expense of the poor and the weak both at home and abroad?”

“The answer depends upon our willingness to play the values of human dignity and equality at the heart of the debate over our nation’s future,” he said.

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Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs Committee, said the common identity would not be in the form of a new rite like the Catholic Eastern rites.

But it’s more like a vicariate for the Vietnamese,” Father Hotchkin said. “The church is finding different ways to allow different cultures to unite to Rome, Episcopal Church and the revisions in the Book of Common Prayer.

“My personal opinion is that it is implied. It’s reasonable to believe these principles could be applied in other directions,” said Archbishop Quinn.

While the announcement stressed that the ordination of married Episcopal priests by the Catholic Church would not change the church’s tradition of a celibate priesthood, the decision also is bound to raise questions on whether that tradition is being watered down or whether it is even necessary.

But the decision also was praised by officials of breakaway Episcopal groups, such as the Pro-Diocese of St. Augustine of Canterbury, based in Los Angeles with about 1,000 members and 60 priests, half of whom are married.
"No estamos Tomando a Dios en Serio": Arzobispo McCarthy.

En una reunión de trabajo de educadores religiosos tenida en el Hotel Collonade, Singer Island, N. Palm Beach, el Revdm. Edward McCarthy, Arzobispo de Miami dijo que “no estamos tomando a Dios seriamente, estamos fallando en la espléndida vida de fe; cuando somos indiferentes a su antítesis, cuando no tomamos seriamente las ofensas contra nuestro amoroso Dios.”

Cito “el declinante sentimiento de la responsabilidad moral, la falta de interés en la frecuencia del sacramento de la reconciliación, vanguardia en el pecado de la inmoderación o excesos de toda índole, la codicia, falsos testimonios, injusticias, desamor, frialdad en la participación en las Misas, en el pecado, en la educación sexual en modos que nos permite transigir con una contracultura secularista, materialista, egocéntrica y de cuyo evangelio es: Si te gusta, hazlo.”

La charla del Arzobispo fue un llamado urgente para una vuelta en redondo en nuestro enfoque de la sociedad actual y el modo en que vivimos dentro de esa sociedad, fue una sacudida para considerar las bellezas de una vida rica en dones espirituales.

"Nuestras enseñanzas son contrarias al mundanismo materialista, a la seducción del dinero, al consumismo. Requiere disciplina y ascetismo; requiere sentido de mortificación y requiere habilidad para resistir comparables presiones.” Recordó a más de 300 educadores religiosos de todo el estado allí presentes, que la Iglesia siempre ha considerado como su específica y más importante tarea: “de hecho existe sólo para ello”, dijo y añadió que él cree que la juventud de hoy pudiera ser movida por esto; “citando palabras de Santo Padre a laicos dirigentes, siguió: “los mismos jóvenes que salen de nuestras escuelas católicas y programas de educación religiosa sin una total comprensión de la fe que llevan dentro y que no son capaces de explicar por qué viven una vida cristiana con sólo vagas generalidades.”

"Como declararon los obispos en el sinodo sobre Evangelización de 1977: ‘Una vez más deseamos confirmar que el mandato de evangelizar a toda la humanidad constituye la misión esencial de la Iglesia.’

"El mensaje del Profeta Ezequiel en la primera lectura es más bien grave para nosotros que queremos ser profetas con ‘p’ minúscula. Aquellos que proclaman la palabra son celadores llamados a sonar la trompeta que avise a su pueblo. Si el pueblo no presta atención al llamado del celador es su culpa. Pero si el celador falla en sonar la trompeta él será culpable de la muerte del pueblo.

"Son palabras aterradoras pero quizás relevantes para los que proclaman la Palabra, que hoy escrupulosos acerca de las palabras ‘pecado, castigo, infierno y purgatorio,’ no hablan claro para disuadir al malvado, advertirle que perecerá por su culpa. Comprendo la importancia de proclamar el reino de Dios como uno de amor y no de miedo, pero si somos fieles celadores y no llevamos a nuestros espirituales de una vida rica en dones esenciales."
San Agustín

Agustín nació en Ta-gaste, África, al año 311, hijo de la que más tarde fuera santa Márian, nacida de familia cristiana y de su esposo Patricio, un pagano. En su niñez Agustín seguía la fe de madre pero se decía a la juventud se fue apartado de los consejos paternos y volcóándose en una vida de didea y licencias. De esta vida tuvo un hijo de quien no se ocupaba. Lo que se sabe de la vida de Agustín fue dado a conocer por él mismo en su famoso libro "Confesiones" que escribió después de su conversión a la fe de Cristo, en la que se le recuerda como padre de la teología moral de la Iglesia.

En su infancia Agustín se dio al estudio de las Escrituras. Fue un erudito en materiaes cristianas que le conocía como padre de la teología moral de la Iglesia. Ya convertido reparó los datos de su anterior vida, entre ellos trajo a su hijo a vivir con él, quien más tarde entró en la vida religiosa.

Agustín fue Obispo de Hipona por treinta y seis años. Murió la edad de 71 y se le considera uno de los cuatro grandes doctores de la Iglesia Católica.

Nuestra Más Sentida Condolencia

A la Hermana Carmen ALvarez
Por el fallecimiento de su querida mamá, Sra. Josequina. Iglesias de Alvarez, que falleció el 15 de Agosto en Oviedo, España, a la edad de 49 años. La Hna. Carmen, Directora de Educación Religiosa de la Parroquia Corpus Christi, no pudo asistir a sus funerales pero tuvo la dicha de haber visto a su mamá en su reciente viaje a Oviedo. Roguemos por su eterno descanso en el Señor.

Al Rev. P. Pedro Luis Pérez, Párroco de St. Agatha, cuya madre, Sra. Lucia, Rodríguez de Pérez falleció en esta ciudad de Miami a la edad de 56 años, el 20 del corriente mes de Agosto.

A la Sra. Rodríguez de Pérez la sobreviviente, además del Padre Pedro Luis, varios hijos e hijas casados y numerosa familia, de los cuales cuatro residen aquí y los otros en Cuba, entre ellos otro sacerdote, el Rev. R. Carlos Pérez y dos hermanas también residentes en Miami.

La Misa de funerales se celebró en Santa Cecilia, Hialeah, el día 21 a las 10 de la mañana. Asistieron a ella el Arzobispo McCarthy, Mons. Román, Obispo Auxiliar y muchos sacerdotes de la arquidiócesis. Roguemos por su reposo en la paz del Señor.

Encuentro Familiar en Septiembre

Los días 27 y 28 de Septiembre del corriente año tendrá lugar un Encuentro Familiar. La dirección es 1561 South Santa Monica Avenue, cerca de la Ermita de Ntra. Sra. de la Caridad. Los interesados que deseen mas amplia información deben llamar al teléfono de Encuentros Familiares, 781-2453.

Actos en Hialeah a la Virgen de la Caridad

La Parroquia de St. John the Apostle, 451 E. 4 St. en Hialeah, se prepara para celebrar con fervor religioso y entusiasticamente los actos en honor de la Virgen de la Caridad, Patrona de Cuba.

La Asociación de Damas Católicas "Sta. Teresa de Ávila" bajo la dirección de su directora espiritual, Ignacio Bardino, está preparando la novena y rosario que culminará con la solemnidad de la Misa Dominical, el próximo día 5 de Septiembre a las 6:30 p.m. en el Aeropuerto de Rancho Boyeros, a pesar de que también habían sido concedidos otros salvosconductos, solamente se permitió la salida de los salvosconductos concedidos a la Embajada de Cuba. Los dos asilados cubanos llegaron a Miami esa misma tarde para asistir a la Misa de las 7:30 p.m.

El Sábado 30 de Agosto comenzará la novena después de la Misa de las 7:30 en la capilla y terminará el Sábado 6 de octubre en el recorrido del Santo Rosario, proyección y meditación y ofrecimiento de flores en cada misterio dirigido por el Señor César Alonso.

La Misa del Domingo 7, en St. John, será presidida por el Obispo Auxiliar Mons. Agustín Román, concelebrando el párroco Padre Thomas Rynne. Inmediatamente después de la Misa se celebrará la procesión con la imagen de la Virgen de la Caridad por las calles adyacentes a la Parroquia terminando este grandioso acto con la esaación de los fieles asilados cubanos de la Misa de la Virgen de la Caridad.

Importante: si desea ser servido en los últimos días de la Misa, los sábados, domingos y festivos, rogamos que se dirija a la Embajada de Cuba y solicite asistencia en el Aeropuerto de Rancho Feelings. Los asilados cubanos recibirán la Misa en el Aeropuerto de Rancho Feelings.

Datos Históricos Sobre la Virgen de la Caridad

La imagen fue trasladada a la Embajada de Italia en La Habana una imagen de la Virgen de la Caridad que había sido sacada de la Parroquia de Guanabacoa. En los primeros días de Septiembre esta imagen fue trasladada a la Embajada de Panamá por la Embajadora de ese país, quien ofreció hacer las gestiones para su traslado a Miami. De que los cubanos del exilio pudieran celebrar la fiesta de la Virgen con una imagen traida de Cuba.

Ese mismo día la Embajadora de Panamá recibió dos salvosconductos para el 8 de Septiembre. El día 8, en el Aeropuerto de Rancho Boyeros, a pesar de que también habían sido concedidos otros salvosconductos, solamente se permitió la salida de los salvosconductos concedidos a la Embajada de Panamá. Los dos asilados cubanos llegaron a Miami esa misma tarde para asistir a la Misa de las 7:30 p.m., trayendo consigo la imagen que entró así por primera vez en su exilio.

Esta imagen peregrinó primero entre los niños cubanos de la Arquidiócesis de Miami. Después fue llevada a la Parroquia de San Juan Bosco, donde permaneció hasta la fecha 8 de Septiembre de 1967, en día que fue colocada en una capilla provisional en los mismos terrenos donde hoy se encuentra la Ermita. Seis años de oración y recolección de donaciones de sus más fieles devotos hicieron posible la construcción de la actual Ermita, lugar donde se venera esta imagen desde el 2 de Diciembre de 1973, fecha en que fue dedicada la Ermita.

Por este lugar de oración pasan constantemente los peregrinos, y entre ellos, de manera organizada cada año, los devotos de los distintos municipios cubanos pidiendo la libertad de la Patria.

Esta misma imagen llegará en procesión al Marine Stadium de Key Biscayne el próximo día 8 de Septiembre, a las 7:30 p.m., para estar presente en la Santísima "Sta. Teresa de Ávila" bajo la dirección de la Embajadora de Panama. Los devotos cubanos asilies en la Embajada de la Isla.
La Fe de los Cubanos a su Patrona

Por Eugenia E. Acosta

Dios está presente en toda celebración eucarística. Esto lo creemos firmemente y lo hemos proclamado desde pequeños, cuando aprendimos en el catecismo o por boca de mamá y papá, de la Virgen o ató el acto, a pesar de nuestra fe y convicciones sobre la presencia real del Señor en la Eucaristía, no cabe duda de que algunas celebraciones eucarísticas llegan a rincones del alma humana que otras ni siquiera acercan.

Me explico: aunque desde pequeña asistía regularmente a Misa, cuando voy a la Misa del día 8 de Septiembre en honor a la Virgen de la Caridad del Cobre, la celebración eucarística adquiere una matiz diferente. Cuando participo de esta celebración en honor a mi Madre Celestial junto con mis hermanas y hermanos, se mezclan en lo más profundo de mi ser sentimientos religiosos y patrióticos cuya profundidad, lejos de distinguir con el número de años que tengo en el exilio, aumenta.

Cada año, al compartir esta celebración en honor a la Virgen del Cobre, reflexiono sobre la unidad cristiana que ocurre gracias al sacramento de la Eucaristía. A pesar de las diferencias geográficas y de otros tipos que existen en nuestro pueblo, en el sacramento de la eucaristía nos unimos más a Cristo y a nuestros semejantes. No existen distancias ni diferencias. En esta celebración vibran las palabras de San Pablo, “Un solo Señor, una sola Fe, un solo Bautismo, un solo Dios y Padre de todos.”

La devoción y el amor a la Virgen del Cobre ha sido y sigue siendo el símbolo religioso más poderoso que une y da esperanza al pueblo cubano. Esta fe auténtica nacida del sentir del pueblo, supera todo obstáculo, geográfico, personal o espiritual. Pueden haber enormes diferencias entre nosotros, tanto en prioridades, valores y creencias, todos compartimos una fe en el poder de nuestra Madre Celestial, que nos puede salvar y librarnos de cualquier obstáculo, geográfico o personal.

Madre Teresa de Calcuta, como un obsequio muy especial para Miami, va a marcar el día 8 de septiembre como otro de los días que recordaremos en honor de esta Madre Teresa de nuestra Madre del Cobre, con el fin de abrir un hogar para ayudar a mujeres muy pobres, a las prostitutas y las que sufren prisión.

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Tradicional Misa a la Virgen de la Caridad

El día 8 de Septiembre, Lunes, a las 8 de la noche se ofrecerá la Misa Concelebrada en honor a nuestra Santa Patrona, Nuestra Señora de la Virgen del Cobre, en el Marine Stadium. Comenzará el acto a las 7:30 p.m. con el rezó del Rosario. La imagen será llevada, como es costumbre, en un bote engalanado para la ocasión.

Recomendamos que, para la celebración de este año, aquellos fieles que conocen a alguna familia o individuos sin familia, recién llegados de Cuba, los inviten a asistir a un homenaje especial para honrar a la madre celestial de todos los cubanos. Porque estos refugiados que acaban de llegar a Miami via Mariel, tienen en ellos la semilla de la fe católica de nuestros padres y abuelos pero debido a las limitaciones impuestas por el régimen de Cuba, no han podido crecer espiritualmente.

Esta es una oportunidad de ayudar en la evangelización de estos hermanos. Hágamosos el compromiso de llevarlos al Marine Stadium para honrar a la Madre de Dios, la Virgen de la Caridad, y rogar por Cuba y todos los cubanos que sufren.

Un día más la Virgen de la Caridad llegará al Marine Stadium en una embarcación engalanada.

Vendrán a Miami Hermanas de Madre Teresa

El Arzobispo Edward McCarthy, quien tuvo la oportunidad de hablar con Madre Teresa recientemente, aclaró que en la conversación Madre Teresa no mencionó ayuda material alguna; sólo que sus Hermanas tengan facilidades para el sacramento de reconciliación, para conferencias espirituales, para recibir la devoción y respeto a la Virgen del Cobre, reflejada en la devoción de los cubanos a la Virgen de la Caridad, y que conocida. Ellos la reciben con un gran amor por ella. Por Eugenia E. Acosta.

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CONTESTANDO...

Sr. Editor de la Voz

Como editor de "La Voz", normalmente no tengo en mis manos ni copia alguna de la carta de Mons. Roman, no me permite deducir si se trataba de una intervención o de un comentario inocente. En todo caso, parece que la corrección del error ha sido un buen paso hacia un mejor entendimiento de la tradición de la Iglesia Católica.

Sr. Editor de la Voz

Lo que dice que no se trataba de un error, sino de un comentario inocente, es difícil de creer. Parece que la Iglesia Católica ha tenido problemas con el uso de la lengua y la gramática en el pasado, y esto ha debido ser corregido.

Sr. Editor de la Voz

La corrección en el uso de la lengua ha sido un paso importante en la evolución de la Iglesia. Sin embargo, es importante recordar que el uso de la lengua es importante para la comunicación y la comprensión en la sociedad.