Some agreement in Rome

**Consensus in several areas, disagreement in others**

VATICAN CITY (NC) Consensus on several basic marriage and family issues emerged Oct. 13 when seven of the language groups reported at the world Synod of Bishops.

All or almost all of the groups agreed:

- That the church’s teaching opposing the use of artificial contraception is correct but must be clarified and better explained, especially through a more positive approach to church teaching on sexuality.
- That a “Charter of the rights of the family” ought to be established.
- That indissolubility of marriage must be upheld, although groups held different views on whether a change could be made so that some divorced and remarried Catholics could be admitted to the Eucharist.
- That bishops’ conferences, especially in Africa, need greater flexibility in adapting marriage rites to local cultures.
- That greater preparation for marriage is needed.
- That the church must give greater pastoral care for mixed marriages.
- That a general directory, drawn up either by the Vatican or by local bishops’ conferences, ought to be prepared to give better guidelines for pastoral care regarding marriage and family life.

Only summaries of the 20-minute reports given to the synod were made available to the press.

On some issues, clear disagreements among the different groups, or even within them, emerged.

One of the Spanish-Portuguese language groups said that “Reception of the Eucharist cannot be permitted to divorced-marrying persons”, while other groups called for further study of the question or a statement on it from the Holy See.

The seven reports were delivered at the Oct. 13 morning session following four days of small-group (Continued on Page 5 )

Bishops take a break in activities at World Synod in Rome.

**Fla. Bishops back public schools**

The Catholic Bishops of Florida today issued a statement reaffirming their support of the public school system and urging Catholics everywhere to give their support.

In their statement, the bishops acknowledged that the private schools have not always received a fair share of public support but that public and private schools are, nevertheless, partners in education.

The bishops also cited the dilemma of religious freedom and the need for a morally-based system of education in the public schools.

Following is the statement:

PUBLIC EDUCATION is a respected tradition in the United States. It has greatly stimulated the success of American democracy. But it is falling upon hard times and there is increasing evidence of a growing lack of (Continued on Page 3 )
Violence impedes papal visit to Central America

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica (NC) — Indications by the foreign minister of El Salvador that Pope John Paul II is contemplating a visit to Central America were dismissed by Archbishop Roman Arrieta of San Jose, who said the violence prevailing in the area would prevent such a trip.

Several countries in the region such as El Salvador and Guatemala, face very difficult times. It would be impossible to provide even the minimum security needed for a papal tour," the archbishop said.

Upon arriving from Europe and an audience with Pope John Paul, Foreign Minister Fidel Chavez Mena of El Salvador said the pope is "very concerned about violence in Central America" and is considering a visit. He added that no official invitation had been made.

Chavez Mena said he asked the pope to "take a close look at the realities that led these countries to political violence."

The minister added that he felt the "holy father knows well the conditions in El Salvador and its neighboring countries" and that a papal visit "would encourage efforts toward peace and justice."

Archbishop Arrieta said that an official invitation must precede any plans. He also said that last July Bishops from Central America had discussed the possibility of an invitation.

Parent notification before abortion challenged

WASHINGTON (NC) — The Supreme Court heard oral arguments Oct. 6 in the case that could become this term's major abortion decision: a challenge to a Utah law requiring that parents be notified when their minor daughter requests an abortion.

Religious leaders criticize New Right

WASHINGTON (NC) — The political and religious extremism of the so-called New Right poses a serious threat to American pluralism, a panel of four religious leaders — including Msgr. George G. Higgins — said Oct. 6.

Birth control, parents' rights issue not settled

WASHINGTON (NC) — A U.S. Supreme Court refusal to hear a case involving parental rights in distribution of birth control materials to minor children does not mean the issue has been settled, according to attorney Robert Destro, general counsel for the Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights.

Mini-conference on aging set

WASHINGTON (NO) — The White House Conference on Aging's mini-conference on Euro-American older persons is to be held Nov. 10-12 in Baltimore. It is sponsored by the National Center for Urban Ethnic Affairs and the Catholic University of America's Center for Pre-Retirement and Aging.

NCEA head praises Reagan

WASHINGTON (NC) — Two weeks after complaining to President Carter about his administration's treatment of non-public education, the head of the National Catholic Educational Association has praised Ronald Reagan for supporting tuition tax credits.
Are we brother's keeper?

By Helen Shpa Johnson
Voice Correspondent

PALM BEACH COUNTY, "We're supposed to be the light on the mountain. We're supposed to be the stewards, treating each other with justice, respect and each other. Are we, or are we still going to be our brothers' keepers? It's a real challenge, a challenge for us in this part of the world, in South Florida."

"What are we doing to do about it?" Archbishop Edwrad McCarthy's questions and ideas, and in the past, has made the members assembled for their yearly convention. For two generations, Serrans have been meeting the challenge as they work and pray for religious vocations.

The Serra Club of Palm Beach County has served students in the area this year, through the co-presidency of Archbishop McCarthy. "SAVANNAH AND Atlanta are interested in joining us, he said. "We'd be glad to make those meetings and bonding with public educators and with community members interested in the future of providing for the educational needs of the vast majority of our children. This support should never be lost.

The Serra Club of Palm Beach County has served the public, parochial and private schools. The Serra Club of Palm Beach County has served the public, parochial and private schools.

"We, the Catholic bishops of the state of Florida, wish to address ourselves briefly to this current problem, in a pastoral way expressing great concern to Archbishop's representative to the Senate of Priests, effective October 6, 1980."
A careful study of magisterial teaching reveals that the teaching on contraception does indeed rest in a broad perspective. But the fact is that this context is either unknown to many or not recognized. In the minds of many priests and lay people, the teaching of the church appears to be very narrow. They see it simply as a negative teaching: a prohibition against contraception. They see it as a narrow teaching: one concerned only with the morality of the marital relationship. Most do not perceive the rich and broad perspective of the doctrine.

"A RELATED misunderstanding which reinforces the negative attitudes of many is that when the church forbids contraception it is thought to teach de facto that married couples must have all the children they can. It is understandable how such a belief would create serious conflicts for people in view of the increasing economic problems of the modern world, in view of the problems of housing created by increasing urbanization, in view of emphasis on the quality of the spousal relationship, and in view of the changing and increasing role of women in the public and professional life of modern society. "In addition, at the world level, the problem of a rapidly increasing world population accompanied by the fact of diminishing resources augments the pressures brought to bear against the teaching of the church on contraception. Experts point out, for instance, that every day 350,000 babies are born in the world while only 200,000 people die each day. And the urban population of the world has doubled in a single generation and is projected to increase by another 1.4 billion by the year 2000. "We CANNOT credibly treat the problem of contraception without clear and honest recognition of the grave demographic problem of the times. For many couples in the industrialized countries it is the demographic factor as well as their personal circumstances which influence them in the determination of the size of their family. On this question, too, the church has spoken on various occasions. But the fact is that the church's teaching on the demographic aspect of responsible parenthood is almost unknown.

"In reality, or course, the church does not teach that married couples must have as many children as they are biologically capable of having. On the contrary, the church has a clear doctrine of responsible parenthood. And it is with this that I would propose the synod begin its treatment of the issue of contraception: Place it in the context of a development teaching on responsible parenthood.

"The Catholic doctrine of responsible parenthood in the modern context of the world has its beginning with Pius XI in the encyclical "Cast Oombibi" (Chastie Marriage) in 1930. This line of thought was further expanded by Pius XII even to the extent of recognizing that some couples could be justified in never having children at all when, for sufficient reasons, they would restrict marital intercourse only to the infertile periods.

"The Second Vatican Council subsequently set out a much broader and more developed teaching explicitly using such expressions as "the responsible transmission of human life." Thus a positive and remarkably succinct statement of the doctrine of responsible parenthood can be found in the council document "On the Church in the Modern World" in sections 50 and 51. Following the council Pope Paul VI again takes up the subject of responsible parenthood in the encyclical "Humanae Vitae," n. 10.
Bishops finding some agreement

(Continued from Page 1)

meatings the previous week. The groups were divided by language. On one of the most controversial issues in the synod -- its handling of widespread Catholic disagreement with the church's condemnation of artificial contraception -- most groups supported the teaching strongly but also emphasized what one of the English-Language groups called "the necessity of developing new and more convincing arguments to sustain the teaching."

Earlier, on the synod floor: Bishop Ernst, who was a member of one of the French-Language groups, had made a similar suggestion about applying social doctrine methodology rather than natural law methodology to church teaching on marriage and family life. Observers believed such a move would tend to make the church condemnation of the use of artificial contraceptives less absolute.

On another major issue confronting the synod, that of admitting divorced and remarried persons to confession and the Eucharist, there were different tendencies among the groups.

One English-language group called for "a precise declaration from the Holy See," while another English-language group called for "understanding, the establishment of objective criteria on admission to the sacraments, and study of the practice of the Eastern churches."

The Third English group said it was divided on the issue. "The majority of the group," its report said, "held that there are serious doctrinal reasons against the possibility of admitting (divorced and remarried Catholics) to the Eucharist, but some think that the question ought to be studied and that in any case the local bishop ought to be able to decide on what conditions these persons can be admitted to the Eucharist without renouncing their present union. The motion that the problem be studied further did not obtain a sufficient majority."

One French group proposed the establishment of a "study commission of pastors, theologians and canons" (Church lawyers) to examine this problem in relation to the ancient Eastern tradition.

The other French group proposed a commission of "bishops, theologians and pastors" to study "eventual conditions of admission to the sacraments." But they prefaced the suggestion by saying that "the practice now in force ought to be maintained" in the meantime.

The German-language group called for continuing emphasis on indissolubility and a basic approach "in favor of the law" in marriage cases, but asked for a study of how to deal with cases in which the invalidity of the first marriage cannot be demonstrated but "the persons in question are convinced in conscience of the invalidity of their marriage."

One of the Spanish-portuguese groups called for a similar study; but added, "The reception of the Eucharist cannot be permitted to the divorced-remarried."

Concerning the plea by African bishops for more freedom to adapt the marriage rite and church marriage law to their local cultures, all of the groups gave a generally positive response.

Several, however, asked African bishops' conferences to study the situation more thoroughly.

Several groups said they wanted the current church law on mixed marriages to be retained. Some also supported a suggestion by Dutch Cardinal Jan Willebrands, President of the Vatican's Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity, that a study should be made to see if the church can ease current restrictions on acceptance of the non-Catholic partner to the Catholic Eucharist.

Reservations were expressed about the sacramentality of marriages involving a partner who has been baptized but is no longer a believer.

The groups were unanimous in calling for more preparation of couples for marriage, with most emphasizing the idea of a "Catechumenate for Matrimony."

Most said a general pastoral directory on family life would be useful. Some suggested this should be drawn up by the various bishops' conferences; some indicated that the Vatican should formulate such a directory, which would then be adapted to local conditions by local bishops' conferences.

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missionaries and we must be a sign of love and compassion of God in the world. It is through us that God loves the world.'

'There is a difference, I admit, in pouring out compassion on a person lying before our eyes, as Mother Teresa and her fellow missionaries do, and sacrificing for thousands of persons unknown, as I shall ask you to do. But as Christ said to Thomas, 'Blessed are they who have not seen and still believe.'

"You do not see the pastor of a barrio parish in Lima," Monsignor pointed out, "a priest with 30,000 poor men, women and children in his care. But I beg you to believe that through your prayers and sacrifices, you are truly his co-worker in the mission of salvation.

"You do not see the Sister cooling the feverish body of a little refugee on the border of Cambodia. But I beg you to believe that she is strengthened each day by your prayers.

"You do not see the young Ghanaian catechist teaching his people about Christ, but I beg you to believe he knows of your sacrifice which enables him to give his life to Christ's work.

"Many such things that happen in the Missions, Monsignor said, are dependent on what will happen on a Sunday in October — Mission Sunday, October 19th. This is the particular day when Catholics around the world join in praying around the clock for the Missions. From daybreak in the Fiji Islands and westward through Oceania, Asia, Africa, Europe and finally the Americas, prayers are offered and sacrifices gathered for next year's basic support of the Mission Church by The Society for the Propagation of the Faith. I must stress that this is truly a worldwide effort. It is not a matter of United States Catholics contributing to Africans and Asians. It is Asian, African, American, European and Pacific Catholics contributing together, as they can, to what Vatican II called the greatest and holiest work of the Church.

"Please pray for the Missions and please offer a genuine sacrifice in the Mission Sunday collection on October 19th. Your generosity will help show God's deepest love to all the world. "Thank you!"
"These young people make a real contribution to the parish. I feel all young people should be exposed to Youth Ministry in their parishes."

S. Dade youth 'invade' Boys Town

By George Kemon

Almost 200 young people praised God, played volleyball, swam, and had a great time at Boys Town recently.

Young people representing about 17 parishes in the South Dade Federation converged on Boys Town in southwest Dade for a concelebrated Mass offered by Fr. Shamus O'Shaughnessy of Christ the King and assisted by Msgr. John W. Clone of St. Hugh's and Msgr. Wm. McKeever of Little Flower.

Music was provided by the folk group from St. Brendan's – the same young people who starred at the Church of the Handicapped Mass two weeks ago – great contributors to their Faith and their fellowman.

THE ENTHUSIASM for the events of the afternoon and for the Youth Ministry programs was evident as one spoke to some of the kids gathered at Boys Town.

Gina Nicoleau, 14, of Christ the King parish has only been in Youth Ministry for a month but she is really enthusiastic about the programs. "I like it a lot," Gina said. "We have a lot of fun – and I'm learning about my religion, too."

STAN EDWARDS, 17, has been a member for about a year. Stan remarked that "it is a good thing. I've made a lot of friends and we help other people and that's good."

Pierre Edwards, 15, Stan's brother has also been in for a year or so, and Pierre said they get to do a lot of things for people and "we can do lots of things we like to do."

Universal among the kids was the thought that doing something for other people – helping others was very important to them.

WHILE YOUTH Ministry is great for going to social events and having fun, it also entails much participation in organized programs to help, religious study, and self-searching – all prerequisites for a good member of Youth Ministry who wants to cleave close to his Church.

Fr. O'Shaughnessy spoke in his homily about the "new beginning" – while this was a new year of activity for Youth Ministry – the beginning had to be carried forth by the young people to make it work. "it's really up to you," said the Christ the King priest.

The Schedule of Events for South Dade Federation youth ministry is a lengthy one and some 22 parishes are now members of the Federation. Even some parishes without Youth Ministry Groups are contributing through clergy in these parishes who are interested in participation with the young people.

PEGGY CONROY, parishioner of Christ the King, has three children, Dianna, 16, Patty, 14, and Michael, 10, The two older girls are in the parish Youth Ministry. According to Mrs. Conroy, "This is a very good program. I like the Lockins, the Kyraigos, Searches. It is a good way to learn religion with our peers. And the helping of other people, raising money, always doing something, is really great."

She added. "These young people make a real contribution to the parish. I feel all young people should be exposed to Youth Ministry in their parishes. It keeps them out of trouble and teaches them to contribute and be useful."

More than 17 parishes of the South Dade Federation Youth Ministry participated at a concelebrated Mass held at Boys Town last Saturday afternoon. Ken Patrick, Faculty member at Boys Town, coordinated the program.

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Ex-abortionist reveals how 'pro-choice' works

By Dick Conklin

Calling permissive abortion "a special brand of 20th century madness," Dr. Bernard Nathanson, formerly head of the nation's largest abortion facility, in New York City, strongly attacked the same abortion lobby that he once played a major role in.

Speaking in Fort Lauderdale to over 500 delegates attending the Florida Right to Life Convention last weekend, Nathanson, one of the best-selling book, "Aborting America" described his early pioneering work in mass abortion which led to a complete turnaround on the issue.

"We created a line of dishonesty of fabrication of statistics and figures. We did the press. We cam money from various sources. In one short year we succeeded in striking down the abortion laws of New York State, making New York City the abortion capital of the world", Nathanson told an overflow crowd at the Bahia Mar Hotel. Aiming his remarks directly at the well-financed pro-abortion lobby he called "Pro-Choice" a misleading, dishonest euphemism. Abortion is not an ethical choice. There is no such thing as 'pro-choice' regarding abortion.

THE ONCE-MILITANT head of the National Abortion Rights Action League (NARAL) explained that his turnabout came after some research in the field of perinatology, where the unborn child is observed and treated in every aspect - "just as accessible as any patient in any hospital bed." His first doubts were planted then and grew - not from any religious conviction (he is an avowed atheist) - but from the "inescapable reality that the fetus is a person, a human life."

Nathanson recalled the attempt by NARAL to label the budding pro-life movement as a Catholic creation. "We launched a vicious attack, told heartbreaking lies in the press. If we had treated Jews like that we would have been destroyed. But it was okay to libel Catholics."

The abortionist-turned-pro-life crusader answered charges that the issue is a religious one by saying, "It's no more a religious issue than civil rights. Martin Luther King was a Protestant clergyman. No one even said that the First Amendment rights of others were being violated by him."

Nathanson concluded his remarks to the crowd by quoting the words of Lincoln, "no policy that does not rest on decent public opinion can be maintained." He urged a return of the right to life guaranteed by the constitution to all - especially children, whom he called "our greatest natural resource."

THE ANNUAL statewide meeting of Florida pro-life activists was hosted by the Broward County Right to Life Committee and also featured talks by Rep. Henry Hyde, author of the congressional laws to restrict tax money spent for abortions. Rev. Curtis Young, director of the evangelical Christian Action Council, Dr. Jose Espinosa, on the growing euthanasia movement, and finally, the presentation of awards to several Florida legislators who have taken positions in defense of life in all forms. Receiving special recognition was outgoing Senator Dick Stone.

Rep. Hyde said at a press conference: "The success of this movement depends on grass roots support. If this was only the emotional commitment from a few dedicated people it would be very tough sledding, because no matter how dedicated you are, you still need popular support - and to have this support reflected in the Legislature and in Congress. And so there is a constant educational effort made by the Pro-life movement. That is one of the great purposes of conventions and groups like this one here today."

"...It's my experience and I'm not trying to be polly-anna about it, because I've gone through many a discouraging interlude, but the more people study this issue, the more they are confronted with it. They try to be objective. I really don't know anybody who is pro-life who becomes pro-abortion. Time is on our side if we continue to be as zealous as we have been in disseminating information."

Legislator said to hurt, not help, women

Miami State Rep. Elaine Gordon's extremist stance on the abortion issue has hurt the women she claims to be helping, and has created a backlash among citizens that has prompted many to join the growing Right to Life movement. So said Mary Anne Maraist, R.N., President of Florida Right to Life, Inc., at her organization's Oct. 11 convention in Fort Lauderdale.

"Ms. Gordon has opposed us on nearly every pro-life piece of legislation in Tallahassee. When we supported the Aid for Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) law that provided assistance for the poor mother wishing to give her child life, she opposed it. In spite of her efforts, the bill passed, and since then many women who might have chosen abortion for financial reasons have chosen life instead," said Mrs. Maraist.

"THEN AGAIN, this year she fought a bill that provided some minimum health-related requirements for the state's abortion clinics, where so many girls have been infected, injured, and even killed. That bill, HB 1240, passed by an overwhelming 88-9. Ms. Gordon was one of those nine who felt that a woman's health wasn't enough reason to support the measure. If she really cares about women as much as she claims to, why doesn't her voting record show it?"

"While typically a politician with a poor voting record on abortion attempts to hide it from the voters in an election year, Elaine Gordon, who is running unopposed, seems instead to flaunt it," the pro-life activist said.

MRS. MARAIST reported that efforts by local abortion lobby groups to find picketers for today's convention had backfired. "We received calls from students on college campuses that had been targeted with a pro-abortion flyer urging picketers for our convention. Instead, many of them called us wanting to attend and get personally involved in this movement - what many are calling the civil rights crusade of the 80's: We cut our registration fee for them to $5.00 and attendance has never been better!"
Ministering to priests

BY DICK CONKLIN
Voice correspondent

Your spiritual life isn’t what it should be. Perhaps you are suffering from loneliness or anxiety — or just the “blues.” You need someone to talk to — someone who can understand your feelings and who is trained to get you back on the right track again.

Chances are good that you’ll seek out a priest for some guidance and counseling. But what if you are a priest? Who do you go to? The Archbishop? Another priest?

PRIESTS ARE people too, and they often need a little spiritual “shot in the arm”: but, although they may be skilled in comforting the parishioners and other lay people they come in contact with, their own needs often are quite different, yet just as important.

A new program, under the capable leadership of Father Charles Mallen, pastor of Opa Locka’s Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish, is now being formed to address a special need: ministering to those who minister to others. Enrolled in a unique two-week workshop at the St. Vincent De Paul Seminary, 13 South Florida priests are learning what the new concept, called “ministry to Priests” is all about. Their initial enthusiasm promises that the project will meet with the same success and acceptance it enjoys in other parts of the country.

The idea didn’t just spring up overnight. Last February the Priests Senate unanimously voted to present the idea, developed by the Washington-Based Center for Human Development, to their fellow priests throughout the archdiocese. Then, following their approval, the special two-week training workshop was planned, and the 13 priests were nominated to participate. They will serve as the nucleus of the Miami Ministry to Priests effort, under Father Mallen’s guidance.

AT THE WORKSHOP the team of 13 polished up some of their priestly skills in areas like communication, conflict-resolution, and problem-solving. They also brushed up on matters pertaining to the spiritual (fitness), intellectual (reading and study) and spiritual (prayer). The sessions proved to be interesting and stimulating, taught by experts like Fr. James H. Morse, Associate Director of the Center for Human Development at the Catholic University of America, Fr. Frank J. McNulty, Vicar for Priests at the Archdiocese of Nework, and Mrs. Patricia Livingston, a Communication Skills Consultant.

Father Mallen, himself a priest in Florida for 33 years, is anxiously looking forward to the next step. Three retreats will be offered to Archdiocesan priests in the fall led by the local team with help from Fr. Vincent Dwyer and Fr. Columbkille Regan from the Center. During those sessions, each priest examined his own needs, developing a confidential personal profile, and a growth plan for the future, called the tools of Self-Knowledge. He will select a team member to meet with from time to time, to provide companionship and guidance with his spiritual growth.

Support groups from around each team member, and overnight retreats are planned on a monthly basis.

FATHER MALLEN compared this growth process with the “mansions” spoken of by Sts. Teresa of Avila and John of the Cross, and the “stages” described by today’s behavioral scientists. The message: we should always pursue spiritual growth, continually seeking a closer relationship with God, setting new goals as we progress through the stages.

While it’s easy for lay people to think of Father as comforter, healer, organizer, teacher, and friend, constantly in touch with the people of the parish, he could in reality be a lonely man. Father Mallen explained, “Priests need the friendship of their peers, but in many parishes this is difficult. Years ago we would come together for the 40 hour devotions, visiting a neighboring parish for the closing, with the procession and dinner afterwards. Today we still need some time and space on a regular basis to get together.”

K of C. Awards

At the 50th Anniversary celebration of the founding of the Knights of Columbus, held in the council rooms of Palm Beach Council No. 2075, West Palm Beach, on Oct. 7, 1980, two special awards were bestowed on Cardinal Newman High School of West Palm Beach.

The first award was for “Excellence in Education”, the second was made “In grateful recognition and appreciation of faithful and exceptional services to our community.”

Mr. James J. McCabe, Grand Knight made these presentations to Fr. Frank C. Curley, O.M.I., Supervising Principal of Cardinal Newman High School.

Testimonial for Mrs. Palmer

Mrs. Thomas F. Palmer, past president of the Miami Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women, and founder of Birthrite of South Florida, will be honored at a testimonial dinner on Saturday, Nov. 8 at Omni International Hotel.

Proceeds from the $25-a-plate dinner will be donated to Birthrite and all donations are tax deductible. Reservations may be made by writing to Birthrite, P.O. Box 530265, Miami Shores, Fl. 33153, before Nov. 1.

The following letter to all the bishops in the United States was sent out Sept. 24 by Abp. John R. Quinn, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, urging support of the Cuban resettlement problem. (Miami’s Tent City has been phased out, but resettlement continues to be a problem for many refugees.)

Your Excellency:

Despite poor (secular) press articles, the Church has performed virtual miracles over the past few weeks in creating resettlement opportunities for the new Cuban refugees. Of the approximately 60,000 Cubans who requested assistance from us, we have found sponsorship opportunities for over 34,000. Most of these refugees are decent, hard-working people seeking a new life of freedom in this country. The remainder 6,000 are spread over four military camps and a makeshift “tent city” in Miami. Archbishop McCarthy, who is very close to the situation, is most anxious to see it resolved as quickly as possible.

This resettlement has not been easy. Many of the new arrivals have had a very unsettled life over the past twenty years and some particular cases have been difficult for your diocesan resettlement offices to place with sponsors.

Nonetheless, the resettlement offices have done an outstanding job, particularly in those cases of sponsorship breakdowns where they have been called upon to find additional sponsors in a short period of time. Through it all, the resettlement offices performed wonderfully, especially considering the limited financial assistance available to them.

As you know, the U.S. Catholic Conference serves as a channel for government funds used to resettle the refugees in the dioceses. Heretofore, we have received a maximum of $300 for each Cuban refugee from the federal government.

This sum, while adequate to resettle a person joining family members in this country, has been grossly inadequate to deal with the type of problem we are facing with the refugees remaining in the camps. These are more difficult to resettle for a number of reasons.

Most are young, single, have few job skills, no English, and some emotional problems. Recognizing the difficulties we are having resettling the residual group, the U.S. Government has just agreed to additional funding for the refugees in the Miami tent city of $2000 per person and for a select group from the other camps at $2500 per person.

With these funds, the dioceses may establish half-way houses; and provide English language training, job development assistance, and intensive counseling for a three-months period. With this additional assistance, we feel that this group of refugees can be resettled adequately.

Even with the funding, we need your support and your encouragement of the diocesan resettlement staff. I hope that you will encourage your residual group director to do all he can to help us resettle these unfortunate people.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Rev. John R. Quinn
Archbishop of San Francisco
President, NCCB/USCC
The Pope, feminists, and libbers

It seems the Pope got in trouble with feminists and others last week for saying that a man could be guilty of "adultery in the heart" by looking with "lust" at his own wife.

The Pope was immediately attacked as a Puritan, a Calvinist, a male chauvinist and, no doubt, several other kinds of "lsts" for dragging us back into the middle ages.

Feminists in Italy attacked him for not mentioning that a woman might also lust after her husband--equality of lust, so to speak.

Well, it's just not easy being Pope. Everyone is waiting to pounce upon everything you say without committing even a grain of effort at understanding what you are saying.

The fact is, the Pope has been dealing with sexuality in a series of talks at his weekly general audiences for several months handling the subject profoundly and in great depth, and his latest comment was a tiny part of the series.

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Thus, the whole issue has been taken out of context, theologically speaking.

Nevertheless, even if his remarks are taken in isolation, and viewed with a token of common sense, one can see that they are fair and reasonable, all theology aside.

Pope John Paul II said, in part, "...Man can commit this adultery 'in the heart' also with regard to his own wife, if he treats her only as an object" to satisfy his urge. Only as an object...

Now isn't that what the women's libbers have been saying all along, that they don't want to be considered as just objects?

The Pope didn't say married people shouldn't have urges. He is merely agreeing that a woman should not be viewed "only as an object" by a man even if she is his wife, that she should be seen in the context of love. Now that is a strong pro-woman statement. No sir, it's hard being Pope. Probably even harder than being an editor.

By Fr. John Dietzen

When is penance obligatory?

Q. I had a Catholic education from first grade through college. From this training I was under the impression that a Catholic is obliged to go to confession during the Easter season. As you indicate annually confession is required (and, as stated, the situation very clearly.

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Dissent absurd

To the Editor:

In the article "World Synod," Oct. 3, NC reports that Archbishop Quinn "suggested a dialogue between the Vatican and the theologians" in order to "develop through consultation with theologians some clear guidelines on the possibilities and limits of dissent within the church" because of pastoral difficulties caused by the dissenting proposal coming from "the number of theologians who openly dissent from the teaching of the church and, therefore, Arch. Quinn called on the church "to create a new context for the teaching of contraception. Such declarations by Arch. Quinn are absurd and contradictory in light of his last warning: "I want to affirm clearly that this paper is based on an acceptance of the teaching of the church as it has been enunciated by Pope Paul VI in the encyclical letter "Humanae Vitae.""

Such declarations are absurd, first, because it is time for the Magisterium to declare the truth: that these modernist theologians not only are not Catholic, but, they are no theologians at all...

The dissident, so called "Catholic" theologians have proved factually, through all their heresies denying or doubting the Virgin Birth, the Holy Trinity, the historicity of the Holy Scriptures, and, indeed, the sacred dogmas of the Holy Catholic Church — all of which reflect the infinite Holiness of God — that they do not understand the NATURE of God which is His very Holiness, nor God's relationship to Man...

...As for Humanae Vitae: never has a document of such truthful magnitude about human life and Man relationship to God been published by the Church. It cannot be touched for it is perfect. The problem is: must people know of this subject only by the distorted information of the secular media?

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Little things do make a difference

By Msgr. James J. Walsh

Early in this century, Orville Wright sent a telegram to his father in Dayton, Ohio. It read: “Success four flights Thursday morning all against 21 mile wind started from level with engine power alone average speed through air 31 miles longest 59 seconds inform press home Christmas.”

His brother, Wilbur, showed the wire to an Associated Press reporter, who glanced at it and said, “59 seconds! If it were 59 minutes, it might be worth mentioning.”

This was the brush-off given to the first successful move to conquer the skies and push on to the moon and who knows where else. It wasn’t big enough for news.

HOW TYPICAL that is of us. We humans have a contempt for the little things, the simple deed, the ordinary job, the individual in a crowd. We are always inclined to be impressed with bigness, great numbers, quantities.

Many people in this vein deny that a fetus in the womb is a human being, because it is so tiny. Its potential for a height of 6 feet and 200 pounds just doesn’t seem to impress. So it’s brushed off as insignificant.

By contrast, Jesus had profound respect for littleness. “Unless you become as little children you shall not enter the kingdom of heaven.”

And remember this? “The Reign of God is like the mustard seed which when it is sown grows and becomes the largest of plants. It becomes so big a shrub that the birds of the air come and build their nests in its branches.”

When he wanted to give us a memorable slant on God’s values in contrast to ours, he called attention to a poverty-stricken widow. She sat with his apostles close to the Temple treasury and watched people approach the 13 huge receptacles shaped like ear trumpets. When the wealthy dropped in their “sizeable” amounts, there was a loud clanging of metal on metal.

THEN JESUS told the disciples to watch the widow as she fingered “two small copper coins” and dropped them almost soundlessly.

“Naaman plunged into the waters of the Jordan and was cured. You wonder what if the widow had reasoned with herself that after all what difference can a penny or two make? It is really count that much.

If SHE DID rationalize, it didn’t influence her generosity. We should be careful to understand this ploy of self-absorbing, because we often use it with regard to the so-called “little sins.” Venial sins, we learned early, do not destroy the life of the soul. So no real harm done. Little acts of temper, rebellion, disobedience, ingratitude, neglect. Not all that bad.

Can we really say no harm done? It is very foolish to do so. Every “small sin” is an unfriendly confrontation with God. True, it’s not on a large scale. But it is a negative response to his grace, to his invitation to fidelity. It is often a polite, just-so, or a “don’t bother me” now attitude.

So may not the lukewarm Christian, the joyless, unchallenged Christian be merely going through the motions of religion since he is crawling with small sins?

THE ENTHUSIASM he lacks towards Jesus may well be because he has turned down too many of the little invitations to grow in goodness and holiness.

The many who feel dryed up spiritually and without comfort or consolation in the practice of religion may be playing spiritual brinkmanship — skipping the edges of a serious break with God, weakened because of the burden of habitually offending him in little things.

Make no mistake, where God is concerned, little things are potentially great things.

Politics in the pulpit

The daily newspapers lately have carried frequent references to the Moral Majority. It is a term often is used triumphantly by the group, who claim it is anti-Communist and pro-American.

Von Hoffman recently took issue with this holier-than-thou posture. He suggested, “The moment may be drawing nigh to establish a new organization called the Immoral Minority.”

This NEW minority would welcome all shapes and sizes of persons from cigarette smokers, sexual deviants and dope indulgers to psalmists, atheist cigarette smokers, sexual deviants and dope indulgers to psalmists, atheists and monothestis — all those who pray privately without forcing their credo down their neighbors’ throats.

Von Hoffman is being facetious, of course! What he has in mind, I assume, is the need to counteract somehow those pulpit evangelists and politicians who fancy they have a monopoly on God’s word.

What Von Hoffman objects to, apparently, is not genuine piety but piety that parades itself from the pulpits of televised chapels begging for political support.

The problem is compounded when preachers drag in patriotism and the glories of American military might as proof positive of the sanctity of most American’s moral lives. They claim that anyone who loves America must favor ever-larger military programs for defense. (Jesus certainly did not believe in weapons of any kind.)

Von Hoffman comments, sarcastically: “We have enough government regulation. When these roundheads get into power, they will have a U.S. Moral Life Commission in Washington with federal watch and ward baliffs empowered to mind any creature’s most intimate business.” He is writing with tongue-in-cheek. So too when he refers to “jackleg preachers who swear the Lord told them that the United States should build another aircraft carrier.” Or that “a conservative archangel has revealed that we need a new base in the Persian Gulf.”

The important point, however, is that people have been too polite in dealing with the Moral Majority. Catholics must have profound ecumenical respect for the faith of other Christians, and for non-Christians as well. We can have nothing but praise for the sincerity and spirituality of born-again Christian evangelists.

I think it is wrong to praise any kind of religion that has a saccrosanct veneer but smacks of the political arena. The venerable art of politics becomes debased when it parades in a religious garb.

I object strongly to these modern pulpitizers who are using the pulpit for non-religious purposes. They are of no use to religion and are a plague on politics.

The video pulpit has become, too often, a seductive apparatus that serves no useful purpose precisely because it is a perversion of true religion.

“Since we have been reconciled with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, we must turn our lives toward him and live peaceably with one another.” (Romans 14:19)
Whose sacraments are they?

By Father Philip J. Murnion

A young couple visits the parish rectory to arrange their wedding. The priest discusses Pe-Cana conferences with them and gives them a booklet listing the choices available to them in Scripture readings and other parts of the wedding ceremony.

Two weeks later, the couple tells the priest they would like the marriage to take place at a reception hall. They also want to use a selection from Kahil Gibran's popular book, "The Prophet," in place of Old Testament selections.

The priest, who does not really know either the young man or woman, is less than enthusiastic about the two proposals. He tells them that the church is the normal place for the wedding to take place — unless permission to hold it anywhere. This is given only for very special reasons, he says.

The priest also explains that the readings must be from the Scriptures. The man and woman are surprised. They had assumed that since a choice of readings was available to them, they could choose some other reading.

An unusual occurrence! Hardly. But many concerns and problems related to the sacraments can be identified in this all-too-familiar scene.

The entire experience causes the priest to recall the maxim from his seminary days: "The sacraments are for the people of the people."

Most Revisions of sacramental rites since Vatican II were designed to make this maxim more evident. The very fact that various choices are offered to people in liturgical matters underscores the church's desire to relate sacramental rites to people's varying situations.

However, there are limits to the choices available, because the sacraments also belong to the church and are part of church tradition. They are not private celebrations of individuals.

God does continue to speak to us within the context of our own lives. But the inspired texts of the Bible have a special place in the church and the sacraments.

"There is a need, it seems, to distinguish between making the sacraments more personal and making them private. Sacraments must be personal, but they are not private."

By Father John J. Castelot

One faction of the splintered church at Corinth proclaimed loyal allegiance to Paul. Rather strangely, Paul says nothing directly about the Apollos faction or the Cephas (Peter) faction.

Perhaps he did not want to be trapped into making, even implicitly, derogatory remarks about either Apollos or Cephas, for whom he had the highest regard. To do so would make him guilty of the same impropriety was souring his converts. But he does ask, with a touch of irony: "Was it in Paul's name that you were baptized?"

Then Paul thanks God that he baptized only a few of the first community members. Paul's reason for this seemingly strange attitude is quite simple: "Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the Gospel." (1 Cor. 1:17)

OVER THE CENTURIES the ministry of presiding at the Eucharist and administering the sacraments has come to be considered the primary and distinctive function of the Catholic priest. Sometimes this occurs at the expense of the ministry of the word. The sermon or homily is looked upon, sometimes even looked down upon, as something quite incidental.

However, the earliest Christian ministers took very seriously their role as ministers of the word. They devoted their energies to this.

Still, if Paul has been sent to preach the Gospel, he does not do so "with wordy wisdom, but the cross of Christ." (1 Cor. 1:17)

"The message of the cross is complete absurdity to those who are headed for ruin, but to us who are experiencing salvation it is the power of God." (1 Cor. 1:18)

Nothing was more calculated to demonstrate the uniqueness of Christianity than the centrality of the cross. Nothing else pointed out so forcefully the fact that God's standards, his way of doing things, are almost incredibly different from the world's.

WITH ALL THE WORLD'S vaunted wisdom and philosophical speculation, it had failed to recognize and acknowledge the most fundamental truth of all: Truth himself, the one true God.

"God's folly is wiser than men, and his weakness more powerful than men." (1 Cor. 1:23-25)

To illustrate this paradox Paul can point to the people's experience. Tremendous things have happened to them and through them as Christians. Yet, for the most part, they are a pretty ordinary crowd, a typical middle-class parish in a city.

This should make it clear that the astonishing things the Corinthians have experienced cannot be explained as the result of human cleverness or wealth or power or wisdom or anything else.

Everything leads to one inescapable conclusion: "God it is who has given you life in Christ Jesus." (1 Cor. 1:30)
The sacraments are vital means of developing the life dynamic force in our lives which can transform the behavior of people. God's behavior toward us. And each sacrament is a created a special relationship between God and this way. Grace, then, is a favor from God which faithful and loving. Grace provides the means to live in a "dog eat dog" world. People whose behavior reflects God's behavior - touch with God and with each other. They enable us personal call to commit ourselves to this same kind of doing so.

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How to live graciously

By Theodore Hengesbah

I have noticed that my daughter Heidi, 13, and son T.J., 14, often act graciously toward me even when I do not deserve it. I may scold them because I don't feel well or because I had a tough day at work. Yet they often respond with love. And they don't hold grudges against me in return.

Because the children are supportive and act lovingly toward me, I soon feel sorry for the way I treated them. Experiencing their generous behavior, I am moved to alter my undesirable, ungracious behavior.

This is striking because adults often do not expect such gracious behavior from one another. Much adult behavior is "fit for tat." Sometimes, people are even trained to live fiercely competitive lives in a "dog eat dog" world.

Yet God calls Christians to lead lives shaped by grace, marked by behavior that is gracious, generous, faithful and loving. Grace provides the means to live this way. Grace, then, is a favor from God which created a special relationship between God and people - a special relationship with special results. The sacraments are vital means of developing the life of grace.

- Each sacrament reveals some special aspect of God's behavior toward us. And each sacrament is a personal call to commit ourselves to this same kind of behavior.
- The sacraments are ritual actions which put us in touch with God and with each other. They enable us to live in ways which may fly in the face of those expected by the ordinary world.
- The sacraments sustain and develop the life of grace, a way of life shown to us by Jesus.
- The sacraments make present the life of grace, a dynamic force in our lives which can transform the world.

Each time we participate in a sacrament we are personally caught up in God's love and our lives are shaped by it.
Teenagers and sexuality

Q. Dear Dr. Kenny: Please let me know if there is a book on sexuality and morals for teenagers. I would like to get one for my son. (Del.)

A. The topic can be approached in many ways. You ask for a book to give your son and that implies you are viewing sex as an area where factual knowledge is needed.

I agree that information is important. Facts about anatomy and physiology, knowledge about sexual behavior and technique, and remedies for common sexual problems can all be put in a book.

You ask that the book cover morality. I agree again that sex can be and often is viewed from a position of whether it is right or wrong. I presume you want a book that includes such items as telling your son to avoid premarital sex and to know if there is a book on sexuality and facts or moral right or wrong. I presume you want a knowledge of sex is needed.

Facts about anatomy and physiology, is the first step to reading a beginner's manual. Obviously, sex is much more than a collection of facts.

Is good sex education a morals course which consists primarily in cataloging all wrongs - actual, potential and possible? Unfortunately, in the past many well-meaning families have taught that sex is not to be mentioned because it is so potently wicked. When it is discussed, finally, the first educational messages are moral imperatives to avoid certain behaviors. I will not recommend a book because the most important first step in sex education by parents is to convey attitudes, rather than facts or morality. While this should ideally be done before adolescence, it is never too late to begin.

Tell your son that sex is important. It is the way new human beings are made. It is the way chosen by God for human beings to exchange genetic information and to keep the human adventure alive in history. The activity merits awe and reverence, not double-meaning jokes and trivialization.

Tell your son that sex is beautiful. Not only are souls invited to begin a human existence, but the lovers can delight in their union. What better way for them to express love than by touching and reaching for intimacy in passion's embrace and its gentle aftermath. What better antidote to some of the sick deviations than for parents to speak of the beauty of sex.

Finally, tell your son that sex is fun. Why is this so hard for us? Are we so afraid to admit this to our children? Who but parents should be privileged to convey the joy and pleasure of sex to children? What are all the hubbub and fuss about. Of course it is fun. It is meant to be.

Don't start with a book. Sexual facts and morality can come after the groundwork has been laid. The first part of sex education is to create an attitude which recognizes that sex is important, beautiful and fun.

Children cannot learn this attitude from books, but only from other humans, hopefully their parents, who have developed this attitude within themselves.

The meaning of sharing

Little John, our three-and-a-half-year-old, is going through the stage of learning how to share his toys with others.

I chuckle, as often when he is playing and wants a particular toy another child is playing with, he'll say, 'God says to share'. And it isn't an immediate response; he'll scream, 'God says to share!' It's difficult for him especially, since as the baby he's been a bit spoiled by his parents and older brothers and sisters.

While on a family weekend away he met another child at the resort swimming pool. The other three-year-old simply, flatly, outstandingly refused to share one item of his pile of swim toys. John was furious and the other child rather enjoyed the anger he was getting and the two boys had a great time playing with the little ships for the remainder of the time we spent at the pool.

The incident, simple as it was, has given me much to think about. How many of us adults have really never learned the true meaning of sharing? It means risking little. John is in the process of learning and so too was the other child.

I wonder if the next time we went to the pool and John had no toys, would the child share his? Can't be sure. Isn't it true with us? Often when we share, we expect to be returned the same in the future. Yet Jesus says, 'lend without expecting repayment'. That is awkwardly difficult. Somehow when one thinks of sharing behind it is the fearful knowledge I MIGHT lose, will I be taken advantage of, be made a fool?

Perhaps each of us can recall a similar experience as small children learning to share our things with others. How do those early experiences affect our own willingness to share today? Pause a moment or two and think about it.

Were we hurt? Were we made feel guilty or selfish? What were our feelings way back then? Is our willingness or lack of willingness to share today still based on feelings? Is it time to reflect again as adults and in the light of the Gospel, what does it really mean to share?

Does John's little statement, 'God says to share', have validity? If it does, what are we doing about it? What are some ways of sharing today which we might want to think about? For one thing our willingness to share or lack of it directly affects our relationships. For example, if our spouse, our children, those we work with and play with.

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OPENING PRAYER:
Thank you, Father, for the harvest, for the good things of the earth. Thank you for warm memories of times past and thank you for fall with her spectacular garment of color. Father, refresh our family and draw us closer to one another as we gather in your name for this family night. Amen.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT:
Apples anyone? How about some fresh squash or a homemade pumpkin or pecan pie! The time of harvest is a rich and joyful time of year. It's a time to be grateful for the bountiful foods of the earth. It's a time to reflect in joy on a job well done in your home and in your neighborhood.

ACTIVITY IDEAS:
• Young Families
On poster board draw and color in the words, "We thank You Lord for..." Then cut out pictures of fruits and vegetables from magazines and old seed catalogs. Hang your "harvest collage" in the kitchen.

SNACK TIME:
Enjoy fresh apples!

ENTERTAINMENT:
Have Mom and Dad tell you about what it was like in fall when they were children. What did they like best? What fall chores did they have? After the children have heard the stories have them role play. Mom and Dad as children in the fall.

Driving too reproduce stand to purchase pumpkins, apples, squash, and other fall treats.

SHARING:
What is your favorite time of the year? Why? Each recall a fun time from fall in years past.

CLOSING PRAYER:
Dear Jesus we thank you for this family night and for all the gifts you have given us. We thank you for the harvest of... (each mention something). Amen.
'Reach out,' Catholic women told

by Susan W. Blum

Msgr. W. Louis Quinn, Rector of St. Matthew's Cathedral in Washington, D.C., served as Retreat Master for the 2nd Annual Leadership Retreat for the Miami Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women the past weekend at the CNC Retreat House in Lantana.

Serving as national host pastor to "priests, presidents, princes and pogues," in the nation's capital, Msgr. Quinn's message to the MACCW Board of Directors was interspersed with numerous anecdotes and personal accounts of meeting with various dignitaries;

HE ADVISED the women that "they always must reach out, with one hand up to God and the other out to people." He reminded them that this is exactly what the Holy Father, Pope John Paul II, did continually during his trip to America.

"The Holy Father never stopped reaching out, even when he was exhausted and behind schedule!"

"Reaching out always must be personal. We're not just one in a crowd. We must have time for people!"

Msgr. Quinn, who serves as Chairman of the National Council of Catholic Women's Moderators Committee, suggested, "It is time for the Council of Catholic Women to re-focus, and your focus must not be limited or narrow. The demands on Catholic women as leaders are extraordinary in today's society. Your witness is vital - but first, you must know who you are, where you're going, and how you're going to get there."

Msgr. Quinn exhorted the women to realize that "you and God are a team. If you think your accomplishments are your own, you're in trouble. Never underestimate the power of God behind you."

"YOUR FAITH demands a daily response. Sometimes faith means WAR, especially when difficult decisions must be made. None of us should be surprised if we are put to that test. We may say, 'God, I'll go with you anyway.'"

Msgr. Quinn assures us that if in the test, "you can bring yourselves to this kind of courage, you can't go wrong! Your decision," he continued, "may seem ridiculous to the world and to your friends, but God will strengthen you. He never asks you to 'go it alone' - our God is not an amateur. He will give you the strength!"

Bishop John J. Nevins spoke to the women on Saturday night of the retreat and advised the Council leaders to consider five points as goals for the Council;

1) To listen to each other. Listening presupposes the willingness to accept the other person's gift.

2) To discern the spiritual gifts of each Council member and what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Council.

3) To act. Shared responsibility of the whole Church involves action as a result of listening, discerning, prayer and witnessing.

Rabbi accuses Catholics of demagoguery on abortion

NEW YORK (NY) Catholic leaders "have opted for a kind of demagoguery that destroys the spirit of dialogue and sows the seeds of bitter religious discord," Rabbi Balfour Brickner said at a pro-abortion forum.

Rabbi Brickner, of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue, said Catholic leaders are doing this, "through pastoral letters, sermons and public statements calling those who condone abortion or doctors who perform it 'murderers' and 'Nazis' and likening hospitals and clinics to Auschwitz and Buchenwald."

At the symposium sponsored by Religious leaders for a Free Choice in New York Oct. 9, Christian fundamentalists as well as Catholics came under attack.
RACISM TODAY

Crude and blatant expressions of racist sentiment, though they occasionally exist, are today considered bad form. Yet racism itself persists in covert ways. Under the guise of other motives, it is manifest in the tendency to stereotype and marginalize whole segments of the population whose presence is perceived as a threat. It is manifest also in the indifference that replaces open hatred.

The minority poor are seen as the dross of a post-industrial society — without skills, without motivation, without incentive. They are expendable. Many times the new face of racism is the computer print-out, the graph of profits and losses, the pink slip, the nameless statistic. Today’s racism flourishes in the triumph of private concern over public responsibility, individual success over social commitment, and personal fulfillment over authentic compassion.

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God’s judgement and promise

The Christian response to the challenges of our times is to be found in the Good News of Jesus. The words that signaled the start of His public ministry must be the watchword for every Christian response to injustice. “He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: The spirit of the Lord is upon me; therefore, he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives, recovery of sight to the blind and release to prisoners, to announce a year of favor from the Lord. Rolling up the scroll he gave it back... an sat down... ‘Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.’

God’s word proclaims the oneness of the human family — from the first words of Genesis, to the “Come, Lord Jesus” of the Book of Revelation. God’s word in Genesis announces that all men and women are created in God’s image; nor just some races and racial types, but all bear the imprint of the Creator and are enlightened by the breath of His Spirit.

In proclaiming the liberation of Israel, God’s word proclaims the liberation of all people from slavery. God’s word further proclaims that all people are accountable to and for each other. This is the message of that great parable of the Final Judgement: “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels of heaven... all the nations will be assembled before him. Then he will separate them into two groups... The king will say to those on his right: ‘Come. You have my Father’s blessing!’... For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me...’

A priest loses a friend

by Father Donald Connolly

Twelve days before she finally died last week, Linette Page was coughing up into an empty mayonnaise jar.

Her young son Gladstone (Desmond, another son had already left for school — she named them, she said, for people she heard were famous) was standing beside him.

He had spent 20 minutes making a special herb tea famous in Jamaica for “healing what- all you,” I made some toast and jam to go with it and we took it to her. She couldn’t swallow any of it. I looked up into the sky and I said “The Father’s blessing!... For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me...”

POLISH DINNER DANCE

A Polish Dinner Dance will be held at St. Basil’s Hall at 1475 N.E. 199 St., N. Miami Beach, on October 18, from 8 to 10 a.m., Donation $10. Music by Patacchia. This is the 2nd Annual celebration of the election of Pope John Paul II. Benefit Respect Life Program. For information as to time and reservations please call Margaret Rossman at 651-5639 or Respect Life Office, 653-2521.
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The invisible handicap

Deaf people are "often ignored," but St. James Deaf Center works to make them part of Christ's community

BY ANA M. RODRIGUEZ
Voice Staff Writer

They don't have crutches or wear braces or sit in wheelchairs. You wouldn't know them as handicapped if you passed by them. Perhaps, however, you would see it if you spoke to them, as their eyes strained to catch the words their ears could not make out.

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"The DEAF have no roots, no parish, no mark of a handicap," says Sister Conleth Brannan, Associate Director of the Center. "For this reason they are often ignored."

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His words in the air

By Janice Ricci

In a dream I saw God throwing words in the air. They were flowing around me, seeming everywhere.

I was sitting on a hill, it was quiet and peaceful. I jumped up and tried to catch words by the fistful.

"God! Can't you hear me, what is this about?"

I shouted to God, "I can't catch them all. Look all around me, see - let some of them fall!"

I listened but his voice never came. The words kept falling, as if like rain.

A child came running to me. He couldn't hear or talk - it was plain to see.

Soon we were running all over the place. Many people gathered to celebrate a very special Mass with Archbishop Edward McCarthy.

We laughed and giggled as we ran around. I started making up words, such as love and embrace.

A beautiful friendship began that day. We needed no voice as we joined hands in prayer.

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By Fr. Mike Flanagan, Sch.P., Ed.D., Catholic Service Bureau

Mild depression for a brief period of time may help to appreciate your better moods. However, if your depression linger and intensifies it is dangerous and must be treated.

While anxiety and worry sometimes give us the impetus to “take charge” of our condition and circumstances, depression compounds our problems. It is a mistake to believe that depression is a “normal” reaction to unpleasant or unfortunate events in one’s life. Is a toothache when someone moves his lips or makes you feel even more alienated? Was this some kind of trick to exploit the handicapped or get their money?

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My friend Claudia and I receive our religious instruction from Father Jim and Sister Conleth. We hope to join the C.T.O. Teenagers like to dance and we feel the vibrations on the floor.

Caption TV is good to have because it gives us a better understanding of what the show is about. Deaf teenagers do all the usual things such as swimming, tennis, and bowling.

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Catholic Educator’s Mass

Catholic Educator’s Guild will attend a Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Augustin Roman at St. John's Cathedral at 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 25.

Following Mass there will be a reception held at 7:00 p.m. in the Red Room, Thompson Hall, on the Campus.

The Guild invites all teachers, educators, administrators, aides, librarians, secretaries, directors of religious education, etc., who are interested in being the “Light of Christ” for today’s youth to attend this Mass and social applications for the Guild.

All are invited to become members of the Guild which seeks to provide spiritual, professional, and social growth, within the group. Those planning to attend should call in Dade, 324-6554, or Broward 456-2192, before October 22.

“Day of Understanding”

All are invited to hear Fr. Paul Vuturo, of St. James Catholic Church in “A Day of Understanding” to explain the Catholic Religion to October 30, at 7:30 p.m. at St. James Church, 540 NW 132 St., Miami to those interested. To extend an invitation to those who have no Church affiliation. To acquaint those of other denominations with the teachings of the Catholic Church. To instruct those Catholics who would like to participate more fully in their faith.

The program will conclude with the Mass being thoroughly explained and celebrated for those in attendance. Also questions and answers. No reservations required. No admission fee. Sponsored by the Legion of Mary.

National Achievement Scholarship Program

The National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro Students is an annual competition for college under graduate scholarship administered by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. Over 15,000 black students qualified as semi finalists in the 1981 Achievement Program. The following students are from the Archdiocese of Miami:

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It’s a Date

Women’s Clubs

ST. CLARE WOMEN’S GUILD is sponsoring a FLEA MARKET SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1980 – 9:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M. in the Parish Parking Lot, 821 Prosperity Farms Road, North Palm Beach. Household items, furniture, jewelry, Toys and Games, Plants, Books, and many miscellaneous items will be featured. Ten ’x’ ten vendor spaces are available – donation $5.00. Please call Janet McDonough 622-0286 or the Parish office 622-7477.

The Women’s Guild of St. Bernard’s Church will hold a card party Oct. 17, at 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Center, University Drive and Sunset Strip, Sunrise. There will be special prizes, table plans and door prizes. Tickets $1.25. Chairman, Rosemary Sharp, 742-6025.

St. David’s Women’s Club of Davie, will sponsor a tea on Saturday, October 25, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Broward Community College in the Student Room of the Hospitality Center. Bldg. 50. All parishioners are invited. For information call Betty Suhr, 475-1896.

St. Stephen’s Council of Catholic Women are looking for ladies who are friendly and honest and interested in spending an “Evening of Card Playing” at the Parish Hall, 200 S. State Rd., No. 7, Miramar on Oct. 23, Thursday Night, at 8:00 p.m. No experience necessary.

St. Bartholomew’s Women’s Club will hold its annual Fashion Show on Oct. 18, at the Bavarian Village Restaurant, on U.S. 1, in Hollywood. Fashions by Haber’s. Luncheon will start at 11:30 a.m. followed by the fashion show. For information call St. Bartholomew’s Rectory 987-4715.

St. Anthony’s Women’s Club will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 18, at 12:00 Noon in the Parish clubroom. A business meeting will be followed by dessert, a book review by Mrs. Anna Denner, and cards. Members may have free blood pressure tests.

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Women’s Club will hold their monthly card party on Oct. 21, at 11:30 a.m., in the Parish Hall, 600 N.W. 1st St., Hallandale. Light Lunch, prizes, $1.25. Call Dorothy Powell, 923-5844, for tickets, or buy them at the door.

The Catholic Women’s Guild following the 9:30 a.m. Mass and Communion, on Oct. 19, will hold its regular meeting in the Lower Sacristy of the Cathedral.

Retreats Offered

Cenacle Retreat House in Lantana offers the following upcoming spiritual programs:

On October 21 – Day of Recollection – 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 P.M.
On October 22 – Morning of Recollection – 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
On October 24 - 26 – Weekend Preached Retreat for women.

For reservations and further information call The Cenacle, at 582-2534.

Rummage Sale

The Women’s Club of Ascension Catholic Church, Boca Raton, will hold a Rummage Sale in the Parish Hall at 9:00 a.m. on Oct. 18. For information call 997-7470.

Arts and Crafts

The Holy Rosary Home and School Association will hold the 6th Annual Arts and Crafts Festival and Old Time Country Fair at 18455 Tanojo Rd., Palm Beach, on Oct. 18, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

South Dade Deanery

The South Dade Deanery will hold their Fall Meeting on Oct. 22nd and will be hosted by the Sacred Heart Women’s Club at 106 S.E. 2nd Rd., Homestead. Cost of the meeting will be $1.00 including lunch. The main topic will be family. For information please contact your parish women’s club.

Widow(ers) Meet

Catholic Widow and Widowers Club will have a social gathering on Oct. 20, at 7:30 p.m. at 2380 W. Oakland Park Blvd., rear of PFW Hall, at Ft. Lauderdale. Refreshments, for information call 727-3079 or 733-4274. The evening will be the covered dinner supper. Ladies each to bring a dish.

Garage Sale

There will be a Garage Sale at St. Kieran’s Church on Saturday, October 25, and Sunday, October 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. All proceeds from the sale will benefit St. Kieran’s Building Fund.

Luncheon/Card Parties

St. Mary Magdalen Guild will hold their first card party of the season on Oct. 23, in the Social Hall at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments and prizes will be given.

Sacred Heart Ladie’s Guild will hold a card party on Oct. 25, at 12:30 p.m. in Madonna Hall, 430 N. M. St., Lake Worth. Donation $2.00 bring your own cards. Dessert, Door prizes, etc.

St. Joseph’s Catholic Women’s Club, Miami Beach, will sponsor a Luncheon and Card Party, Monday, October 20, at 12 Noon, in St. Joseph’s Hall, 8625 Byron Ave., Miami Beach, Fl. Donations $3.00 per person. Door prizes, Table prizes, etc. For reservations call 865-7284 or 861-2517.

Film

Everyone is invited to hear Dr. Koop and Dr. Schaefer in a film presentation titled “Whatever Happened to the Human Race?” The film will take place at Lakes Catholic Church, Nov. 5, 12, 19, and 26, at 8:00 p.m., at 15801 N.W. 67 Ave.

Fall Festival

St. Thomas More Parish invites you to their Fall Festival to be held October 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and October 19, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the Seminary grounds, 10701 Military Trail, Boynton Beach, Fl. There will be food and fun, booths for browsing, games and other prizes on Sunday afternoon.
Nativity celebrates 'ethnic' 20th

20th Anniversary Celebration
October 10-11-12, 1980

Nativity Church celebrated its 20th Anniversary Oct. 10-12 with a Eucharistic Weekend, Festival of Nations, parish picnic and open house. The Eucharistic Weekend opened solemnly with a Mass on Friday.

A Pioneer Reunion Luncheon followed. On Saturday, at 7:00 p.m. Mass, the 8th Grade Confirmation Class made their formal Sacramental Commitment. On Sunday, October 12th, Most Reverend Edward A. McCarthy, Archbishop of Miami, concelebrated the 20th Anniversary Mass at 11:45 a.m. Ethnic groups participated by reading, praying and singing in their native languages.

The Knights of Columbus, CCD children and ethnic groups in costume, presenting Flags of the Nations, formed a procession into Church. After Mass, from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m., ethnic and picnic foods were available. There were games for the children with prizes.

Winners of the essay contest, “What Nativity Parish Means To Me” were announced, and prizes awarded. Ethnic entertainment included a Bagpiper Group, Irish Step Dancers, Italian Tarentella Dancers, Polish Polka Dancing, Riely Family Dancers, French Singers, Spanish Ballads and the keyboard of Frank Gambardella. There was an old-fashioned Sing-A-Long.

From 2:30 to 4:00 p.m., people of all faiths were also invited to an open house. Guides directed tours through the parish facilities including the church and school.

From 8:00 to 10:00 p.m., all families were invited to “Starlight and Ethnic Dancing” on the parish grounds. Music was provided by Chuck Smith & Co., featuring Michele Barica as vocalist.

A 20th Anniversary Logo was designed for the occasion, depicting the combined weekend events.

Nativity Church was established in 1960 with Fr. Hugh J. Flynn, now deceased, as pastor. The First Mass was celebrated on October 15, 1960 in a circus tent. After a heavy rain collapsed a portion of the tent, services were held throughout the Hollywood area from the gym of the Riverside Military Academy, the City Recreation Teen Center and Chaminade high School to the Florida Theater.

Nativity School and Parish Hall then provided facilities for Mass until the present Church was built in 1968.

The contemporary octagon Church at 5200 Johnson Street, Hollywood, accommodates over 1,000 parishioners and includes a Blessed Sacrament Chapel for more personal devotion.

Reflect on 'just war,' Pope tells chaplains

Vatican City (NC) — Military chaplains have a special responsibility to reflect on such issues as the legitimacy of certain methods of defense, the concept of a “just war,” the threat of nuclear arms and the role of conscience, Pope John Paul II told military vicars from 25 countries.

The vicars and about 25 others involved in ministry to the military were in Rome for the first world conference of national leaders responsible for spiritual assistance to the armed forces.

Speaking in French in the Vatican’s Consistory Hall, Pope John Paul said the ethical questions raised by military service cannot be resolved by the military chaplains.

But he said the issues should “interest and concern” the chaplains because they have “a special role in the formation of the conscience of the military and of public opinion.”

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gation on your part, at all”.

Fraternally,

Joseph J. Konrad, President
Holy Family Society of the U.S.A.
Los Educadores Católicos Socios en la Fe

Por George Kemon

Sobre 200 educadores Católicos, directores, párrocos con escuelas, directores de educación religiosa y catequistas de la Diócesis de Houma-Thibodaux, el Rev. Padre Gerard La Cerra, el Rey de la Educación Religiosa, se dirigió al estudiante en su desarrollo como un nuevo 'mañana' una mirada de esperanza, si Dios me lo permite. Quien que ustedes creen en la dignidad de los que están haciendo.

El Deauville se convirtió en un aula enorme donde los educadores, queridos hermanos y hermanas, se refirieron a algunas de las observaciones del Arzobispo Quinn que creo son especialmente útiles para entender la distorsión del magisterio. "La vida toda de Cristo fue, como debe ser la nuestra, una continua enseñanza: Sus silencios, Sus milagros, Sus gestos, Sus acciones, Sus amor por el pueblo, Su aceptación del sacrificio en la cruz por la redención del mundo y Su resurrección son sus enseñanzas "puestas en práctica."

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Edward McCarthy
San Ignacio de Antiokia

OCTUBRE 17

San Ignacio fue el sucesor de San Pedro como Obispo de Antiokia, cristianidad fundada por el Apóstol, y es una de las figuras más destacadas de la Iglesia primitiva. Por su ardid apostolado fue condenado a morir víctima de las fieras salvajes para lo cual fue llevado a Roma y echado en las bestias en el Coliseo bajo el emperador Trajano en el año 107. Durante su viaje a Roma fue escribiendo cartas a las iglesias de su mayor cuidado. Fue reconocido como el Evangelio que nunca se presentó el Evangelio. Escribió a San Pablo en sus viajes, Pueblo sobre las fiebres, para convertirse en pan limpio; imitador de la Pasión de mi Señor. Ahora es cuan-
dado comienzo a ser su discípulo. Vengan sobre mi las fieras, el fuego, las cruces y las más crueldades torturas del demonio, para que pueda yo poseer a Jesucristo.

San Lucas Evangelista

OCTUBRE 18

Lucas, nacido de familia paga-
ena, era médico de profesión. Fue convertido al Cristianismo y se unió a San Pablo en sus viajes predicando el Evangelio. Escri-ió el Evangelio que lleva su nombre, y las Historias de los A-
póstoles. Estuvo con el Apóstol Pablo en Roma cuando éste fue
tomado preso y en prisión a
guardaba la muerte. Después de la muerte de Pablo, Lucas se pierde de vista y no se supo más de él.
Su Evangelio es el "Evangelio de la misericordia y la salvación" por Cristo. Narrador de la man-
sedumbre del Señor y de algu-
nas de sus más conmovedores parábolas así como la mayor parte de lo que se conoce de la infancia de Jesús.

San Isaac y San Juan Brebeut

OCTUBRE 19

Son de los primeros santos de la iglesia norteamericana por que en este país dieron su vida tratando de llevar la fe de Cristo a los indios. Ellos y seis jesuitas más fueron martirizados por los indios de las tribus Hurun e Ira-
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ARQUIDIOCEISIS DE MIAMI

La Cancillería anuncia que el Arzobispo Edward A. Mc-
Carthy ha hecho los siguientes nombramientos.
- El Rev. P. Orlando Fernández, Representante del Arzobis-
po ante el Senado de Sacerdotes, efectivo desde Octubre 6, 1980.
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**Responsabilidad Política y La Moral**

Por Magaly Llaguno

En las próximas elecciones ge-
nerales serán elegidos funciona-
rios públicos que hacen instan-
tes, para presentarnos por determinado tiempo en las diversas esferas del gobierno. Ellos decidirán cuáles han de ser nuestros de-
recios y nuestras responsabili-
tudes cívicas como ciudadanos;
y cada grupo o organización trá-
tará de elegir a aquellos candida-
tos que apoyen sus puntos de vista, o por lo menos que simpa-
ticen con ellos. Puesto que vivi-
mos en un país libre, y tenemos el instinto de conservación de Dios nos ha dado, es natural y justo que así sea. Sin embargo, como cristianos tenemos la ob-
bligación de informarnos lo me-
jor posible acerca de los prin-
cipios morales de los candidatos por los cuales hemos de votar, teniendo en cuenta que las elec-
cciones que tomarán una vez elegidos, nos afectarán directa e indirectamente.

Entre las convicciones morales más importantes en las cuales hemos de basar nuestra deci-
ción al votar por un candidato, uno de las más importantes es el asunto del aborto homicida. Nuestro Santo Padre, Juan Pablo II, quien está públicamente apo-
yando a un grupo que se esfu-
zería por derogar la liberalizada ley de aborto en Italia, enfatizó la importancia de este asunto en la misa que dio en Washington du-

dante su visita a Estados Unidos, en Octubre del año pasado (La Iglesia Católica celebra el mes de Octubre como "el mes del respeto a la vida"). Declaró su Sanidad:"Si se viola el derecho a la vida de una persona en el momento en que comienza a ser concebida en el seno mater-
no, se asesta un golpe indirecto a todo el orden moral que sirve para garantizar los bienes inviol-
lacionales del hombre, entre loslos cuales se incluyen el respeto a la vida, la vida familiar y el respeto a la vida del próximo".

Recientemente el Cardenal Humberto Medeiros, en una de-
claración hecha en todas las Igle-
sias Católica de Boston y publi-
cada en la primera plana del pe-
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can (9/12/80) dijo:"Aquéllos que hacen posible el aborto me-
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- La Convención Familiar por el Año de la Familia

El Domingo 26 de Octubre se celebrará una Convención Familiar con motivo del Año de la Familia auspiciada por Encuentros Familiares. Se llevará a cabo en 3601 South Miami Avenue al lado de la Ermita de la Caridad, en el mismo local donde se celebraron los Encuentros.

Este evento se anhela alcanzar un conocimiento más profundo de la familia de nuestra comunidad hispana de Miami. El Dr. René de la Huerta, experto en asuntos familiares hablador sobre "Las Funciones de la Familia en la Sociedad" y el sociólogo John Clark disertará sobre las "Realidades Sociales de la Problematización Familiar en Miami."

A las 5 p.m. para clausurar la Convención, se celebrará la Liturgia Eucarística que será oficiada por Mons. Agustín Román y concelebrada por varios sacerdotes de la Arquidiócesis.

Para detalles llame al 751-2453.

**Visitará St. Agatha El Obispo Nevins**

El próximo 3 de Noviembre, Lunes, la Parroquia de St. Agatha será honrada con la presencia del Obispo John J. Nevins, quien pasará el día en la parroquia y celebrará la Santa Misa a las 6 p.m. El párroco Rev. P. Pedro Luis Pérez invita a los fieles a asistir a esta Liturgia, después de la cual tendrán ocasión de salu-
dar al Obispo Nevins.
Por María Jacobson

La más nueva, guía de la conferencia de Católicos Romanos para un fin de semana de oración en la Arquidiócesis de Miami, tuvo lugar con la celebración de la conferencia Carismática en el Broward Community College North Campus.

El Espíritu Santo actuó realmente en este evento, hizo algo nuevo antes en la Arquidiócesis, donde 2,000 bisnes en mano, convergieron en un solo lugar.

A los Carismáticos se les dio en la conferencia que era tiempo para ellos de “salir de las conferencias y grupos e oración e integrarse en la vida parroquial y convertirse en sirvientes del Cuerpo total de Cristo y en testigos de los poderes del Jesús; que el revivir carismático es demostrado importante para sobreponerse en la una "recta" gnóstica.

El Padre David Russell, parroco de St. Louis, guio a la conferencia con un discurso sobre "Una Invitación a la Gratia", tema de la Conferencia. Preguntó: ¿Es Jesús suficiente para mí, tu eres bastante, Señor de Señores y Rey de Reyes. "El "buffet" al verdadero banquete con la celebración de la 1ra. Liturgia Eucarística del domingo como "buffet" al verdadero banquete. Porque la Eucaristía es tan integral a la Buena Victoria es tan integral a la Buena, por lo que se derrama como respuesta a la oraciones. 'Rogad unos por otro', "Gracias por esta oportunidad ahora para vivir en Alabanzas y usenla para perpetuarla en nuestras vidas".

El Padre De Grandis compartió el "Don de Sanación" con la conferencia. "Todos somos llamas a ser "rogadores", así también el Cuerpo total de Cristo ahora debe unirse con el Cuerpo de Cristo en la renovación parroquial.

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El Padre Montague expresó que "el balance de los elementos del Espíritu Santo en la Iglesia es extremo esencial. Cada persona es espíritu, es alma, y el cuerpo y debe nutrir a cada uno con Espíritu y sus Dones para el espíritu, la Palabra de Dios para el alma y los sacramentos para el cuerpo. Cuerpo es hermandad con todos los hombres, con la naturaleza, las flores, como Cuerpo de Cristo, Jesús puede ser experimentado personalmente en la comunidad tanto como individualmente en sí mismo.

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La juventud también dió su aporte con música y cantos y el Padre O'Dea los observa.

Texto final:

"Es la juventud no aceptar la fe y el amor. Los jóvenes parejas que desearon contraer matrimonio. Se les ofreció el entrenamiento para ayudar a los sacerdotes de sus parroquias en la preparación de las jóvenes parejas que desean contraer matrimonio.

La sesion de entrenamiento la recordó que Vaticano II trajo la visión radical de Juan XXIII de "el papa, los obispos, sacerdotes, religiosos y laicos están unidos en una relación y un lazo común, todos orando, viviendo y actuando juntos" y finalizó diciendo "Tomen esta oportunidad ahora para vivir en Alabanza y usenla para perpetuarla en nuestras vidas".

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44 Parejas se Entrenan Para Ayudar a Sacerdotes

En la Iglesia parroquial de St. Agatha, en Southwest Miami, se dieron cita 44 parejas para recibir el entrenamiento apropiado que los capacite para ayudar a los sacerdotes de sus parroquias en la preparación de las jóvenes parejas que deseen contraer matrimonio.

La sesion de entrenamiento estuvo dividida en dos sesiones, una para los anglo-parlantes y otra para los hispano-parlantes. De estas parejas habían 20 de habla inglesa y 24 de habla hispana representando a las siguientes parroquias: de Miami, St. Agatha, St. Brendan, St. Catherine of Sienna y Our Lady Queen of Martyrs de Fort Lauderdale.

Acompañando a estas parejas habían los sacerdotes de ellos, naturalmente, el parroco de St. Agatha, Rev. P. Pedro Luis Pérez. Ofrecieron el entrenamiento las señoras Elaine Syfert y Dianne Pastoruk, del Familien Enrichment Center.

La juventud también dió su aporte con música y cantos y el Padre O'Dea los observa.

Nueva que sin ella la Buena Nueva estaría incompleta.

Servicio a la Parroquia. El P. Eivers lo considera básico en la renovación parroquial. "Jesús era todo servicio y El dijo "Haced lo mismo".

El Obispo Rene Gracia, de Tallahassee, Pensacola celebró la Liturgia Eucarística del domingo y ofreció la homilía. "Criterios como Habakuk". "Hasta cuando, Señor? Los Apóstoles también pidieron a Jesús que aumentara su fe para realizar su trabajo y Jesús les contestó "Yo les daré la fuerza". Recordó que Vaticano II trajo la visión radical de Juan XXIII de "el papa, los obispos, sacerdotes, religiosos y laicos están unidos en una relación y un lazo común, todos orando, viviendo y actuando juntos" y finalizó diciendo "Tomen esta oportunidad ahora para vivir en Alabanza y usenla para perpetuarla en nuestras vidas".
Vaticano (NC) — Los obispos del tercer mundo que participaron en el sinodo mundial sobre la familia explicaron al resto las dificultades que la pobreza extrema causa en muchos hogares para seguir las normas de la iglesia. En estos países, se trataron en varios obispos de los países desarrollados que también tienen familias en huelga, expresando dificultades que la pobreza en la vida diaria causa.

Mons. Luciano Mendes de Almeida, auxiliar de Sao Paulo, Brasil, denunció la intervención de las naciones ricas y los asuntos internos del Brasil, y dijo cómo ejemplo la campaña que se mantienen sobre el desempleo y las dificultades de nacimientos como condición de otra ayuda económica, "torndos que mejor se emplearían en el desarrollo de la comunidad."

Mons. Jose Dammert, obispo de Camaquarín en Perú, dijo que la campaña anticonceptiva ataca los resultados, no las causas de la pobreza y la explotación de los trabajadores.

Mons. Albert Ugoano Farias, vicario apostólico de Tawara, en México, lamentó que la industrialización y la urbanización convierta a los campeones y los indígenas en "victimas" de los fondos que mejor se destinan a los intereses de la extrema izquierda . . . o defensor, que mientras aquí se celebra el Congreso Mariano de la Iglesia Católica sobre la anticoncepción en la familia, la legalización del aborto, y la desidia de las autoridades eclesiásticas, "cada día se pierde un rito complemente en nombre de la paz."

Mons. Dennis Harold de Jong, obispo de Ndola en Zona Africa, señaló que el triste espejo que refleja la realidad de los pueblos, las familias, las condiciones en las que viven las familias de los países en desarrollo, todo por la "injusticia global" de los sueños de hambre que pagan las corporaciones internacionales.

Otros obispos africanos, Mons. Patrick Ikpe, de Naihreria, y Mons. Mugambi, de Tanzania, protestaron porque se convierte "a los países del tercer mundo en basurero de medicinas viejas o experimentos, en nombre de la paz y del bien común," y que aún no se han dado suficientes atenciones a los desvalidos del mundo, dijo Mons. Paul Aparecida, obispo de Vitoria, Brasil, en una intervención.

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Peregrinos de Chile Van a Pie a Congreso Mariano en Argentina

El Salvador (NC) — Alarmanos por lo que llaman "várgene de locura que amenaza tragar a un mar de sangre de heridos."

Muchos jóvenes peregrinos chilenos llegaron a esta ciudad, donde el Congreso Marnano tomará una declaración por la paz entre Argentina y Chile.

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