Thus it is written that the Messiah must suffer and rise from the dead on the third day. In his name, penance for the remission of sins is to be preached to all the nations... You are witnesses of this'

Luke 24:46-48

Easter
Annual rallying call

On this most joyous of Christian feasts I greet you, I salute you in love and joy.
Easter is not only a date, Easter is a state of being, a whole new dimension of life on earth. It is the change among men and women, the redeeming presence of the Lord.
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Devotedly Yours in Christ

Edward A. McCarthy
Archbishop of Miami
VATICAN CITY (NC) — In a letter to the world's priests, Pope John Paul II reaffirmed priestly celibacy "for the good of souls" and told priests to find strength in Mary "when we meet difficulties along our chosen path."

"We freely renounce marriage and establishing our own family, in order to be better able to serve God and neighbor," he said.

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Pope not invited to Soviet celebrations

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Pope John Paul II plans to send a Vatican delegation to the Soviet Union to celebrate the millennium of their faith in an ecclesiastical spirit, for the good of world peace. In a 40-page apostolic letter, the pope exhorted both communities to "renew our commitment to the ecumenical message of our ancestors' baptism in 988, which occurred before the definitive split between the Eastern and Western churches."

"More than anything else, this would have a beneficial influence also in that process of détente between the two great powers which is giving such great hopes in those working for peaceful coexistence in the world," the pope said. The letter, titled "Earth's Warmth" ("Go Into All the World"), marks the 1,000th anniversary of the baptism of the ancient Rus, a land which now is part of the Soviet Union.

Pope reafirms priestly celibacy

"The church's mission, from apostolic times, was taken up in different ways by men and women," he said in a 20-page Holy Thursday letter to the world's 400,000 priests.

The letter, noting the current Marian year, asks priests to look to the example of perfect fidelity to Christ and "unite ourselves with her in a special way."

Pope John Paul II reaffirms priestly celibacy

"Priests should seek strength in Mary when 'threatened by the danger of being unwanted ministers' and when 'not presenting ourselves with sufficient fidelity' while celebrating Mass, the pope said. "Our priestly choice of celibacy for the whole of our lives should also be placed within her heart. We must have recourse to the Virgin Mother when we even difficulties along our chosen path."

Teachers protest Church takeover of high schools

TORONTO (NC) — Ontario's decision to transfer some public schools to the Catholic school system is a "form of apartheid" that will split minorities, angry public high school teachers have told Ontario Education Minister Christopher Ward.

"Are you ready to accept the responsibility of the increasing societal strife that this form of 'apartheid' is causing?" Raymond Connolly, a high school teacher from Sudbury, told Ward in a recent meeting. Apartheid is South Africa's policy of strict racial segregation. The teachers were responding to a recent arbitrators' ruling — upheld by the provincial cabinet — that the public school board in Hamilton must transfer three high schools to the Catholic school system. In Ontario, Catholic schools are fully funded by the government. Many public school facilities are underused in the province, while Catholic schools are often overcrowded and lacking up-to-date facilities.

Clemency urged for six black South Africans

PRETORIA, South Africa (NC) — The administrative board of the Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference and an international Catholic relief organization were among those appealing for clemency for the Sharpeville Six — black South Africans sentenced to death for the murder of a black township official. The execution has been postponed by the Pretoria Supreme Court. The Rome-based Catholic relief agency, Caritas International, is a "voice of President [Pope John Paul II], the European Community and the South African Council of Churches appealed for clemency for the five men and one woman convicted in the 1984 lynching killing of Deputy Mayor Jacob Dlamini of Sharpeville. The Supreme Court granted a four-week stay of execution for lawyers for the six presented evidence of alleged perjury by one of the prosecution's main witnesses. The bishops' administrative board said that "refusing clemency in these circumstances and in the face of the great volume of pleading from many parts of the world has a heartless and incomprehensible ring about it."

Vietnam rulers oppose martyrs' canonization

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Vietnam has strongly protested the Vatican's plans to declare as saints 117 martyrs who were killed during Vietnamese persecutions in the 18th and 19th centuries. A statement by Vietnam's religious affairs commission said the canonizations, scheduled for June 19, would offend non-believers and damage Vietnam's ties with the outside world. Vietnam has also lodged a protest against the appointment of a church representative to the Vietnam bishops' administrative board, which must consider the "common patrimony and civilization of its peoples and nations" despite "physical, political and ideological divisions."

Pope praises progress in Catholic-Lutheran talks

VATICAN CITY (NC) — Only by deepening Christians' spiritual foundations can the churches hope to "rebuild the bridges" that, Pope John Paul II told a delegation of the World Lutheran Federation. The pope also praised progress in Lutheran-Catholic theological dialogues, and efforts to "bear common witness on pressing social concerns."

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Sandinistas splitting the Church?
Exiled bishop in Miami says yes

By Prent Browning
Voice Staff Writer

The Sandinistas are pursuing a policy of penetrating and manipulating the Catholic Church in Nicaragua, two well-informed speakers said last week during a conference sponsored by the U.S. bishops' Committee on Migration and Education.

Bishop Pablo Vega, former Presiding Bishop of Nicaragua's Bishops' Conference, and Humberto Belli, a former editor of the editorial page of La Prensa, revealed a pattern by the government to push the church into a more subtle and more sinister role over the last few months, in the midst of the revolution.

"They (the Sandinistas) are conscious that they cannot directly divide the church. But they want to penetrate the church and confuse the people," said Bishop Vega, who was expelled from Nicaragua in 1986.

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The radical or revolutionary Christians, however, early in the revolution identified the cause of the poor and the suffering of the poor as that of the new Marxist government.

New York (NC) — President Fidel Castro of Cuba told a visiting interfaith delegation that he favored contacts between the religious communities of Cuba and the United States as a means of improving relations between the two countries, members of the delegation reported.

Speculation was rife in New York March 25, the delegation reported that Cuban religious leaders held closed-door discussions with Catholic officials aimed at overcoming the isolation they have felt much of the time since the communist revolution of 1959.

The delegation, which was in Cuba March 19-22 to meet Father Kolvenbach, who was making his last stop in Cuba as a representative of the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, said Father Kolvenbach was permitted by the government for 21 Catholic priests from Spain and Latin America to serve in Cuba. They said he was expected to enter within a month.

Archbishop McCarrick, who chairs the U.S. bishops' Committee on Migration, said Castro promised—despite "bureaucratic snags" that had developed—to fulfill agreements he had made on allowing migration of Cubans and releasing some prisoners. "He gave us his word," the archbishop said.

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Bishops hail civil rights victory

WASHINGTON (NC) — The congressional override of President Reagan’s veto of the Civil Rights Restoration Act was praised by the U.S. bishops’ conference as “a significant victory for civil rights and our nation.”

The Senate and House voted to override Reagan’s veto of the major civil rights bill. The override votes were “important steps forward in strengthening federal civil rights protection,” saidMgr. Daniel F. Hoye, general secretary of the U.S. Catholic Conference.

Mgr. Hoye earlier had expressed disappointment with the veto of what he called “one of the most important pieces of civil rights legislation to come along in a long time” and had condemned the veto. Reagan had proposed an alternative version of the bill. Hoye said the new law “ensures that no instability will be required to provide abortion services, or as a condition of receiving federal funds” and also “accommodates our legitimate concerns for the protection of religious liberty.”

The Civil Rights Restoration Act overturns the 1984 Supreme Court decision in the Grove City College case. The high court had ruled that only the federally funded program in institutions, not the entire institution, could be penalized for civil rights violations.

During the four-year battle over the bill the USCC originally expressed concerns but later supported the bill. “We were committed to include a provision to prevent it from being used to demand abortion coverage and a ‘religious test’ exemption to prevent religious organizations from being unduly burdened.”

U.S. Bishops to discuss AIDS at next meeting

WASHINGTON (NC) — Facing a highly publicized dispute over condoms and AIDS education, the U.S. bishops are to discuss AIDS issues where the draft program in June 24-27 in Collegeville, Minn. The discussion is to be held in an executive session, from which the press and other observers are barred. Archbishop John L. May of St. Louis, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and U.S. Catholic Conference, announced that the closed-door session in Collegeville will feature an “open-ended” discussion of AIDS issues, “with its direction determined by the will of the bishops.” Last December a number of bishops publicly opposed or expressed reservations about some portions of an AIDS statement issued Dec. 11 by the 50-bishop Administrative Board.

Doctors told they have moral obligation to AIDS victims

NEW YORK (NC) — Dr. Edmund Pellegrino, professor of medicine and director of the Kennedy Institute of Ethics at Georgetown University, told an AIDS congress that physicians have a moral obligation to treat AIDS patients and that Christian physicians and institutions have an even higher obligation in charity to serve those “outside the pale.” He said physicians should treat patients without “moralizing” about their behavior, and should apply this principle to AIDS patients just as they do to those who have caused suffering for themselves through smoking, alcohol abuse or other harmful behavior.

San Francisco archbishop returns to work after time off

SANTA CRUZ (NC) — San Francisco Archbishop John R. Quinn will return to work April 9 after a five-month sabbatical taken for “reasons of accumulated stress,” the archdiocese of San Francisco announced. The archdiocese also announced Archbishop Quinn is to undergo surgery to remove a benign tumor located in the parotid gland behind the earlobe. No date has been set for the surgery, where to be performed at Stanford University.

Legalization effort

aimed at Irish in New York

WASHINGTON (RNS) — A New York archdiocese will seek to up six more Roman Catholic priests from Ireland in a last-ditch effort to get the bishops to approve a more moderate draft document on Irish-American Catholicism. Cardinal John O’Connor has had this as one of his most pressing priorities. While most of the legalization efforts under a federal amnesty program have concentrated on Hispanic undocumented aliens, Cardinal O’Connor estimated there are “about 120,000 undocumented Irish” in the New York metropolitan region. “We believe there are far more Irish, Hispanics and others who can have come forward,” he said.

Fighting ‘sterotypes’,
liberals sign pro-life ad

WASHINGTON (RNS) — In an effort to counter what they regard as “sterotypes” of right-to-lifers, more than 100 noted liberal activists have signed a statement affirming their opposition to abortion. The statement, which is to appear as an advertisement in The Progressive magazine, links opposition to abortion with opposition to war and poverty. “We the undersigned are committed to the protection of life, which is threatened in today’s world by war, abortion, and the laws of capital punishment and euthanasia,” said the statement, which was organized by a national advocacy group called the Seamless Garment Network.

Vatican sets limits on bishops’ conferences

WASHINGTON (NC) — A draft statement from Vatican agencies on the limits of the authority of bishops’ conferences has been sharply criticized by several leading U.S. theologians and church law experts. The 30-page document was sent to the world’s bishops in late January or early February by Cardinal Dominik Gantin, head of the Vatican Congregation for Bishops, and was not the draft was a working paper, not a final document. He asked if the world’s bishops to submit comments and criticisms by the end of this year.

Cardinal: Parents must have say in sex education

WASHINGTON (NC) — Catholic parents have a right and a duty to control what their children are taught, particularly in the area of sex education.

A U.S. Cardinal has given “a great deal of energy” to the issue of sex education, according to Vatican cardinal, a Canadian, created a stir in 1986 when he described as a “travesty of sex education” a textbook series used in many U.S. dioceses. “Our intervention has not always been well understood,” the cardinal said. But as the Vatican agency charged with upholding the family values expressed by the church, “it is our duty to protect families.”

‘Difficult times’ predicted for poor, charities

WASHINGTON (NC) — With a mild recession likely and the federal deficit still looming large, “difficult times are ahead” as the government tries to meet society’s needs, U.S. Rep. Thomas Foley told Catholic Charities USA diocesan directors. Foley, D-Wash., who is House majority leader, added that the agency was looking at “a tough recession in two or three years. He said a “travesty of sex education”

Tuition pre-payment plan gets IRS approval

WASHINGTON (NC) — Two Catholic colleges are looking at an Internal Revenue Service ruling that will allow parents to pay lump sums into a prepaid tuition program without paying taxes on the investment. In the ruling, announced by Michigan Gov. James J. Blanchard, the IRS said that while the state of Michigan must pay taxes on funds deposited in its prepayment program, families who take part in prepaid tuition programs have no tax obligation on the investment. The tuition prepayment programs at the University of Detroit and another Catholic university, Catholic University of Buffalo, N.Y., had been suspended while waiting for the IRS to rule on the tax implications of the Michigan program.

New crypt

X. L. Pellicer and Bishop John J. Snyder of St. Augustine, Fla., admire the bust of Bishop Verot’s newly consecrated crypt which was moved to a chapel vault where it had been interred for more than 100 years. Pellicer’s family helped with funding for the new tomb. (NC photo)
Cdl. Bernardin hits all anti-life acts

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? continues today in all those persons and situations where life is threatened" — Cdl. Bernardin in St. Augustine

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla. (NC) — Jesus is still in agony today because of such threats to life as abortion, famine, risk of nuclear war and capital punishment, said Cardinal Joseph L. Bernardin of Chicago.

"We are not witnesses to the terrible passion of that first Good Friday. But the Lord's agony continues," he said in a homily March 20 at the 10th annual Respect Life Pilgrimage in St. Augustine. "Wherever life suffers, Jesus suffers."

The event, sponsored by the dioceses of Florida, drew nearly 3,000 to the historic Mission of Nombre de Dios, site in the United States.

"The anguished cry of Jesus on Golgotha, 'my God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' continues today in all those persons and situations where life is threatened, diminished or destroyed," said Cardinal Bernardin, chairman of the U.S. bishops' Committee for Pro-Life Activities.

One example is that "since the U.S. Supreme Court legalized abortion in 1973, more than 21 million lives have been destroyed in the womb," he said. Furthermore, "even as we mourn the death of the unborn, efforts are openly being mounted today to place the lives of the elderly and the infirm in jeopardy," he said.

The word "euthanasia," he said, is no longer unspeakable. "There are those who would have us believe it is an act of mercy. However, this heinous disregard for the sanctity of human life is, in reality, nothing other than murder or assisted suicide."

There are other threats as well, he added, citing starvation in Ethiopia and the nuclear arms race.

He also noted the U.S. bishops' opposition to capital punishment. "While the Jews, can only be said to obscure a core Gospel truth."

For the sake of drama, the new document said, some passion plays "resort to artificial oppositions in order to heighten interest or provide sharp contrasts between the characters."

Rather than constructing a tension between Jesus and the Jews, the statement said, in presentations of the passion "it is important to portray Jesus and his followers clearly as Jews among Jews, both in dress and actions, such as prayer."

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The claimed Medjugorje apparition events take place in a choir loft in St. James Church where reporters and visiting priests are sometimes allowed to observe.

First, the schedule of events is announced from the pulpit: Rosary at 5 p.m., apparition at 5:40 p.m., Mass at 6 p.m., followed by prayers for the sick, then the rosary again. In effect, the apparitions have been worked into the liturgy.

At precisely 5:40 p.m., visionary Marija Pavlovic kneels on a rug in front of a painting of the Virgin (right) and begins to pray aloud. After a few minutes, she stops and looks up for several minutes, her lips occasionally moving in silent prayer.

To the observer, there is nothing extraordinary about the young woman's appearance. She nods occasionally, blinks, swallows and finally lowers her eyes and kisses the rosary wrapped in her hand — signaling the session has ended.

Pavlovic says Mary usually appears without speaking now; the Virgin's spoken "messages" are reserved for the 25th of each month, or during the hillside apparitions on Monday and Friday nights.

What does Mary look like? According to Pavlovic, she looks like a 20-year-old Croatian woman, with dark hair, blue eyes, dressed in a grey gown and floating on a cloud. Sometimes she is accompanied by angels, who resemble babies with wings, she said.

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"Mary told us to pray for him. Even this problem with the bishop is part of God's plan," she said.

Ivankovic, 23, who lives nearby, said Mary once took her bodily to heaven, pointed at her.

"Heaven is a great space full of a great light, like none on earth. Everyone is equal — there are no fat or thin people. They sing and dance together. There are many angels," she tells the visitors.

In purgatory, Ivankovic says, she heard the groans of the suffering, who need prayers. In hell, she relates, she saw people turn into beasts as they descended into a "great fire." Ivankovic's "life of Mary," three notebooks she says were dictated by the Virgin, is to be published when a "sign" is given. It will contain a few differences from the New Testament account, she said, and will be good reading.

Visitors like Ivankovic's cheerful smile and her sharp tongue. She told one priest that there are priests who no longer believe in the sacraments or in Christ's presence in the Eucharist.

All the visionaries say they have received secrets from Mary. Only two visionaries are said to have received all 10. They and their art are to be revealed through a priest, one at a time, before fulfillment.

Pavlovic and Ivankovic have dismissed pilgrims' fears of impending apocalyptic events.

"It bothers me when people talk about war as imminent. War and catastrophes can be put off by praying which is central to Mary's message," Pavlovic said.
The meal was shared by approximately 70 eighth-graders: part were from Temple Beth Am's Saturday school (curriculum), and the rest were Catholic public school students who attend religious education classes at Immaculate Conception, St. Catherine, and Sts. Peter and Paul parishes in Miami.

Dorothy Herman, principal of the Temple Beth Am school, coordinated with Marilyn Llanes and Carmen Mora of the Religious Education and Youth Ministries departments of the Archdiocese to assure the correct celebration of the Jewish Passover from slavery in Egypt. "Last time Marilyn and Carmen were here they discussed what it was like to be a Catholic. We had so much fun we decided to meet again," said Herman. "Once you get to know each other, then you like each other."

"Our dream is to have joint retreats," said Llanes, who plans to enter a Dominican order this year. These retreats would result in years of two to three students in each parish co-working with a local synagogue to share beliefs, practices, and history.

Ampacher, superintendent of schools for the Archdiocese of Miami, coordinated during annual Chrism Mass at the beginning of Holy Week. All the priests of the Archdiocese to blessing them, as most of the priests of the Archdiocese. (Voice photos / Prent Browning)

Priests from throughout the Archdiocese gathered Monday to renew their vows and witness the blessing of the Holy Oils in a ritual dating back to the early Christian church.

The Chrism Mass, named for the Oil of Christ, is used for anointing the ill; and the Oil of Catechumens, used prior to baptisms and ordinations — were brought forward in three vessels for Archbishop McCarthy to bless.

"The oils are a sacramental sign of Christ himself acting through our priesthood as we transform, as we heal, and as we minister to the members of the Lord's mystical body," the Archbishop said.

— P. Browning

Catholic, Jewish students share Passover Seder

By Lily Prentezo
Voice Correspondent

It did not matter that around their necks some wore crosses and others wore Stars of David.

To continue the unifying goals set by Pope John Paul II during his historic visit here last September, Jewish and Catholic youth gathered at table last Saturday, March 26, for a Passover Seder at Temple Beth Am in Kendall.

This year, he said, the Mass had the feel of a Christmas eve reunion that "brings together those who truly mean a great deal to each other." He especially expressed his gratitude to 13 priests celebrating the golden and silver anniversaries of their ordination.

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3 Schools finalists for excellence award

Ana Rodriguez-Soto
Voice News Editor

Three Archdiocesan elementary schools — St. Kevin’s in southeast Dade, St. Patrick’s on Miami Beach, and St. Gregory’s in Plantation — have been selected as finalists for the 1987-88 National Exemplary Catholic School Recognition Project, which seeks out excellence in public and private schools nationwide. Since 1983, every Archdiocesan school that has submitted an application has been named a finalist, and subsequently a winner, in the competition, Sister Danielle said.

St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Fort Lauderdale started the trend, followed in 1986 by St. Rose of Lima Elementary School in Miami Shores. Last year, both Cardinal Gibbons High School in Fort Lauderdale and Lourdes Academy in South Miami were winners in the secondary school category.

In fact, of the seven Florida high schools which were judged excellent last year, five were private, four were Catholic and two of those were from the Archdiocese, Sister Danielle added.

High schools and elementary schools compete on alternate years. First they must submit applications detailing school policies, programs, student test scores, staff qualifications, degree of parental and community involvement, and more.

Those selected as finalists are then visited by teams of educators from the Council for American Private Education, which organizes the competition. The visitors speak to students, faculty and administration seeking to confirm the written reports as well as get a feel for other, less tangible evidence of excellence, such as "educational climate" and "student-teacher interaction."

"We’re proud of our school. We’re proud of what we’ve accomplished in only eight years," said Sister Danielle. "Gosh, we’ll really be on cloud nine."
13 Priests celebrate jubilees

The following Archdiocesan priests marked the golden and silver anniversaries of their ordination during the Chrism Mass celebrated on the Monday of Holy Week at St. Mary Cathedral (page 7).

Golden Jubilarians
Rev. Raymond Beane, O.F.M.
Born June 9, 1911 to William and Idalouise Beane. Father Beane was ordained on October 9, 1938 in Patterson, New Jersey by Bishop McLaughlin. Father Beane studied at Holy Name College, Washington, D.C. at the Franciscan House of Studies. He arrived in the Archdiocese of Miami in October 1973.

Rev. Angel Gatzela
Born April 19, 1914 to Joaquin and Angela Gatzela. Father Gatzela was ordained to the priesthood on October 16, 1938 by Monsignor Manuel Ruiz in Habana. Father Gatzela studied at St. Augustine College, Puerre Larcina, Spain and Seminario San Carlos, Habana.

Rev. Marcel L’Heureux, C.S.C.
Born July 25, 1912 to Wilfrid and Hec-toria L’Heureux in Granby, Quebec. Father L’Heureux was ordained on January 30, 1938 for the Holy Cross Fathers in Montreal, Canada. After 30 years as a teacher and spiritual counselor, he took a one-year sabbatical for spiritual renewal and theological renewal at Institute Catholique de Paris. Father L’Heureux retired in Key Largo, Florida in 1977 and has helped in several of the parishes in that area.

Rev. Dominic Rucetta, C.S.S.
Born November 25, 1911 to James and Mary Rucetta in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. He was ordained on June 11, 1938 in Verona, Italy. Father Rucetta has served the Dioceses of Boston, Springfield, Worcester, New York, and Vancouver, B.C. Canada. He has been on sick leave since 1973 but continues to help at St. Elizabeth Hungarian in Pompano Beach.

Rev. Alois Sterle
Born June 16, 1912 to John and Maria Sterle in Saricina-Slovenia, Yugoslavia. Father Sterle was ordained on July 3, 1938 by Bishop Gregorius Rozman in Ljubljana, Yugoslavia. Father Sterle arrived in the United States in 1949 and studied Spanish and English at El Paso Community College. He has worked in many different places such as: Yugoslavia, Vienna, Dobermanns Dorf, Austria, where he worked with the Slovenian immigrants, and also in New Mexico and New York.

Silver Jubilarians
Rev. Francisco Xavier Aracil, S.D.B.
Born September 4, 1934 to Baldomero and Concepcion Aracil in Alcoy, Spain. Father Aracil was ordained on February 11, 1963 by the Cardinal Bishop of Tunia, Italy. Among his many assignments, he has been a high school teacher, guidance counselor and an assistant pastor in parishes in New York, Boston and Miami. At present, Father Aracil is a counselor at La Salle High School and the religious superior of the Salesian community of Miami that is connected to seven parishes from the Bahamas to Belle Glade.

Rev. Fernando Compaiored
Born July 4, 1949 to Pedro and Encar-ciana Compaiored in Malpica, Spain. Father Compaiored was ordained on June 29, 1963 by Dr. D. Angel Midalgo Ibanez in Jaca, Spain. He has been in Miami for 11 years and has worked in parishes such as: Corpus Christi, St. Michael’s, St. John Bosco, St. John the Apostle. He is presently assigned to Our Lady of the Lakes.

Rev. George E. Duffy
Born May 20, 1937 to Peter and Katherine Duffy in Brooklyn, New York. Father Duffy was ordained on June 1, 1963 at St. James Cathedral, Brooklyn, New York. He has served at Bishop McDonnell Camp for Children, and Our Lady of Help for Christians in Brooklyn. After his arrival in Miami, he served in several parishes including St. James, St. Ann in Naples, (continued on page 9)
Priest jubilarians

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Nativity, St. Ambrose, St. Malachi, and is presently at St. Pius X.

Rev. Ernesto Garcia-Rubio

Born February 17, 1937 to Ernesto A. and Julieta Garcia-Rubio in Sancti-Spiritus, Cuba. Father Garcia-Rubio was ordained on May 31, 1963 by Archbishop Coleman Carroll in Miami. He attended St. Bernard Seminary here in the States and Villanova University in Philadelphia, Cuba. Father Garcia-Rubio speaks several languages including Spanish, French, English and Italian. He is the pastor of Our Lady of Divine Providence in Miami.

Rev. Donald Joseph Ireland

Born September 14, 1929 to Norbert and Evie Ireland in Auburn, New York. "Father Ireland was ordained on June 1, 1959 by Bishop Coleman Carroll at St. Mary's Cathedral in Miami. Father Ireland has served in several parishes throughout the Archdiocese such as: St. Anthony, St. Coleman, St. Mark, St. Richard, St. Francis of Assisi, and St. John Fisher in West Palm Beach. He is presently at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary.

Rev. Daniel R. Kent

Born November 23, 1937 to Robert and Eudie Kent in Greenwich, Connecticut. Father Kent was ordained on December 21, 1963 at St. Norbert Abbey, De Pere, Wisconsin. He taught Hispanic culture, Spanish, French, English and Italian. He is the pastor of Our Lady of Divine Providence in Miami.

Msgr. Calixto Garcia, 80

A Mass of Christian Burial was con-celebrated on March 26 at St. Agatha Church for Msgr. Calixto Garcia-Raynez, 80, former Vico Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Havana, and a grand-son of General Calixto Garcia, one of the military leaders during Cuba's War of Independence.

Auxiliary Bishop Agustin Ronind and priests of the Archdiocese celebrated the Mass for the Cuban-born priest, who came to Miami in exileearly in 1961.

Ordained in 1945 for the Archdiocese of Havana, Msgr. Garcia served as a pastor of parishes in Madruga and Quin-cean before being appointed Canon of the Havana Cathedral and a member of the Marriage Tribunal. In the late 1950's he served for several years as ecclesiastical advisor to the Cuban Embassy in Rome, literature and language for 15 years at Archmere Academy, Delaware. From 1970 to 1984 he taught religion and Span-ish at Archbishop Curley-Notre Dame High School. Since 1984 he has been the spiritual director and teacher of religion and Spanish at St. John Vianney College Seminary.

Rev. Otto Martinez, S.J.

Born March 16, 1932 to Abdon and Agnes Martinez in Havana, Cuba. Father Martinez was ordained on June 20, 1963 by Bishop Valerian Belanger, Auxiliary Bishop of Montreal, Canada. After his arrival in Miami in 1965, he worked at St. Louis parish. He also worked as a clinical supervisor at the Miami Mental Health Center. Father Martinez served for two years in Rome as regional secretary for the northern section of Latin America under Father Pedro Arrupe, general superior of the Jesuits. During the recent papal visit, he was the priest-commentator and ana-lyst for the Hispanic Broadcasting Company.

Rev. Gary Steibel

Born July 15, 1937 to Joseph and Helen Steibel in Butler, Pennsylvania. Father Steibel was ordained on May 25, 1963 by Bishop Egidio Vagnozzi at Josephinum College, Worthington, Ohio. Father Steibel has served in the parish of St. Kieran and is presently the pastor of the St. Charles Borromeo in Hallandale.

Archdiocese of Miami

The Pastoral Center announces that Archbishop McCarthy has made the following appointments:

The Rev. Charles Clements — to Health Care Coordinator for the South Dade March with residence at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, effective April 12, 1988.

The Rev. Juan Lopez — to Administrator of St. Peter Church, Hialeah, effective April 12, 1988.

The Rev. Armando Balade — to Administrator of St. Raymond Church, effective April 12, 1988.

The Rev. Gilberto Fernandez — to Administrator of San Pablo Church, effective April 12, 188.

The Rev. Thomas Mullane — to Administrator of St. Peter Church, Big Pine Key, effective April 12, 1988.


The Rev. Bernard Kirlin — to Administrator of Mother of Our Redeemer Church, effective April 12, 1988.

The Rev. Fernando Compared — to Administrator of Mother of Our Redeemer Church, a new Parish, effective July 1st, 1988.

The Rev. Jose Luis Menendez — to Administrator of Corpus Christi Church, effective April 12, 1988.

The Rev. Terence Hogan — to higher studies at the Pontifical Institute of San Anselmo, Rome, Italy, effective July 1st, 1988.

The Rev. Enrique Boned — to Associate Pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, Hialeah, effective March 16, 1988.

The Rev. Federico Capdepon — to Director of the Archdiocesan Youth Off- fice and Consultant to the Vocations Office, both effective April 12, 1988.


Show and tell

Sister Barbara Wetterer, director of the Archdiocesan catecheti-cal center, shows posters of the Stations of the Cross to a group of religion teachers gathered for the center's recent "film festival." The goal of the annual event is to acquaint religion educators throughout the Archdiocese with new audio-visual materials, including videotapes, geared for religion classes from pre-school through adults. (Voice photo/A.R. Soto)
'Come home!' 

Church reaches out to divorced, remarried Catholics

By Ana Rodriguez-Soto Voice News Editor

No one should ever feel unwelcome in a house set aside for God. And if we have, as individuals and as a Church, given you that impression...we owe you an apology. And we ask you to forgive us, and that you trust us with your lives and your dreams and your hopes again.

"We owe you an apology," Father Anderson stated. "We know more about the human person [now] than we did in 1950, let alone in the 13th century," he said.

In recent years, the Church has expanded the grounds for granting annulments to include psychological reasons, such as severe depression. A few years ago, Father Anderson streamlined the procedures for reviewing cases, so that current applicants are now incorporated into the new Code of Canon Law issued in 1983.

In describing her own reasons for working in the field of annulments, Sister Virginia McCall said, "We don't believe in the professionally trained advocate. It is a very, very humbling and reducing experience for the applicant...It is a tough day for a journey and that Our Lord is present through every minute of it; it is, regardless of what decisions we make along the way...Even in the pain, God was there."
By Lily Prelleza  Voice Correspondent

Walking up to receive Jesus for the first time, she tilts her face, smiles, briefly separates the white-gloved hands, the fingers pointing straight to heaven, and discreetly waves at them, these two special people.

As the Holy Communion class files into the pew, her friend brushes aside her while deadly serious, "Tell the bishop about this: You were the witness."

She whispers, careful that Sister won't hear: "My godparents."

It is a side cherished by all those sharing in the celebration of a newborn, as if there were something magical and mystical about this very important role in the spiritual lives of children.

There is. To remind parents and inform godparents, the Church now requires a brief baptismal instruction classes precisely tailored to the most special of occasions when children become members of the Catholic body. Mystical. What criteria, if any, should couples be using for the selection process?

"At the beginning of the [Baptism] ceremony," said Father Arthur Dennison, pastor of St. Augustin Parish in Coral Gables, "the parents and godparents are asked if they are willing to accept the responsibility of raising the child as a Catholic. Couples should pick people that associate themselves with the Church, so that they will be inspirational to their child."

A list should be expected of them, too. "Who are the people who will be a significant person in your child's life," he said, "to teach them to pray, to be there at Holy Communion, Confirmation, your child's birthdays, and so on. And the best gift they can give in time — it's the hardest to give."

Spiritual welfare

While family members are the most frequent choices, some couples prefer other, more distant relatives or very good friends. Parents should remember the Church's role is to raise a child or 'be a significant person in your child's life,' he said, "To teach them to pray, to be there at Holy Communion, Confirmation, birthdays, and so on. And the best gift they can give in time — it's the hardest to give."

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34 years, Church owned them back.

"I went to the parish Records office the other day for divorced Catholics," she said. And he had just told her today that a year ago, an announcement sounded out of the Church, "Would you like to talk to him about it?"

So in a "pillow" of Catholicism, an angel boy who had thought into silence. Now he's cut off, guilty, alone, terminated, he decided, "The Church left me. I wasn't leaving Saint Marcellinus halfway and eventually met Catherine, another hole. After a five-year courtship they were married — with the Church present.

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From Little Flower Parish in Coral Gables had their fourth girl in 1967, they turned to latexes for a baptismal instruction classes prior to that baptismal instruction classes, truly unique to the Archdiocesan. The use of children or young adults as sponsors was widely used. Sponsors were always baptized adults. The use of children or young adults as godparents is relatively new.

"As soon as I found out my sister was pregnant, I wanted someone else to do the role," said Margarita Ortega, 16, of Brandon's in west Miami, who became a godmother when she was 12. "Sometimes to bug me she would say she was going to pick someone else and I would cry and cry."

Her godmother is niece Cristina, four-and-a-half years, loving being with Margarita. "Right now I'm trying to get close to God by going on retreats and stuff, so when I'm older I'll be able to help her."

The most frequently chosen godparents are the siblings of the parents, usually one from each family.

I felt very honored to have been chosen," said Sofia Villar, a godmother of John-John Lukacs, 3. "I have a special relationship with my sister, and when I'm older I'll be able to help her."

The more traditional, yet recurring, is the godchild and godparents:

"Having my parents as John-John's godparents enhances the quality of their relationship," said John and Renace Lukacs, owners of John-John Lukacs, 3. "You expect the godparents to be as significant a person in your child's life, to be there at Holy Communion, Confirmation, birthdays, and so on. And the best gift they can give in time — it's the hardest to give."

Her advice: "We live in very difficult times, and people tend to think a lot differently. Pick someone who will feel honored and will ensure the Catholic spiritual direction of your child."

Her godson, Luis Fernandez, 40, lives 800 miles away from her. "Even now when I go to Miami, Madrid [Spanish for godmother] always has more time to talk to me and on my other aunt. She always did," he said.

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John and Yolanda Lukacs of St. Augustine's are also grandparents/godparents of John-John Lukacs, 3. "I have a special relationship with my sons," said Louis. "We're not just father/son, we're buddies."

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Carlaicis Lodo, 29, St. Hugh's in Cocoanut Grove, summed up her experience as a godmother this way:

"One of the greatest days of my life was when my 1-year-old godson told his second-grade teacher that his favorite relative was his godmother. That's it!"
Clinic advocate admits they fail

By Richard Glasow, Ph. D.
National Right to Life Center

A spokesman for the primary proponent of school-based clinics has admitted in a speech that a preliminary study of SBCs demonstrated that they have had "no measurable impact" on teen pregnancy rates.

That startling admission undercuts the primary rationale for instituting SBCs in schools — facilities which pro-lifers have shown to promote and facilitate abortions. (For an in-depth examination of SBCs, see the forthcoming book, School-Based Clinics, The Abortion Connection, which can be obtained from NRL Education Trust Fund.)

Douglas Kirby, director of research for the Center for Population Options (CPO), candidly unveiled the results of a CPO-sponsored study in a March 2 workshop speech at the annual meeting of the National Family Planning and Reproductive Health Association held in Washington, D.C. Although he prefaced his comments during his speech on the "Effectiveness of School-Based Clinics" with the caveat that they had not "finalized" the results, Kirby stated that "I am reasonably confident that what I am going to say will hold true" when the final report is published in late summer or early fall, 1988.

Reading between the lines, one might perceive that the study did not support the conclusions that the CPO would have wanted. To its credit, CPO apparently will not attempt to either suppress or discredit entirely its own study. Kirby offered some explanations why the study did not show that SBCs reduced teen pregnancies.

But a fair reading of his reasons that the school clinics had too small an impact to measure all come down to the fact that no matter how much SBCs provide in services, it will never be enough. In other words, the proponents will not admit that their program is unsuccessful in achieving its goals. They always argue that success is just "around the corner," if they could only make the program larger and even more comprehensive.

Despite the survey's apparently disappointing results, the Center for Population Options has not abandoned its promotion of SBCs. Judging from Kirby's comments at the workshop about other findings of the research project, CPO will no longer be emphasizing that SBCs can prevent teen pregnancies and will instead adopt a different approach. An example would be to underscore the provision of general health care to inner-city teens, which is much less controversial.

Pro-lifers may take heart in the fact the SBC proponents have finally conceded that school clinics are ineffective in reducing teen pregnancies. However, this development has no bearing on the two principal right-to-life objection to SBCs — their promotion of abortion and undermining of parental rights.

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Bogomir Kahar
Ingram, Pa.

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We all should commend the work of Father Sean O'Sullivan (Voice, March 18) for his substance abuse program. It takes great courage to get involved with any abuse program with the multitude of confusing problems. We all know addiction is a sickness but still we are perplexed with how to deal with all the tensions and stresses in our human lives that lead up to so many abuses which range from bad eating habits, smoking cigarettes and "gras," using sleeping pills and tranquilizers, drinking coffee or alcoholic beverages, using any number of illegal chemical drugs, sniffing "gas," or transmission fluid, and use of fast action, illegal, hard addictive substances such as cocaine or heroin.

Years ago people worked physically harder. Most people worked off their tensions. Mental work today is more complex. Many people are left out of the mental workplan. Other people work to keep up with so much change too fast.

Married people are often too tense to enjoy that great stress breaker — sex. Mental problems from work, traffic, and social problems leave parents unable or unwilling to spend the right frame of mind with their children who in turn feel unloved and unwanted so they turn off on high pressure school life and on to lower stress substances abuse, first cigarettes and booze, and later on to "gras" and "coke."

And stop blaming foreign countries for our problems. Paying foreign countries millions of dollars not to grow drugs by burning poppy fields or marijuana plantations is stupid, ridiculous, and a big joke in South America as it was in Persia 20 years ago.

The politicians grab most of that money and they plant some new fields. This is not funny here. U.S. citizens beg and cry for all types of abusive substances. They do anything or pay any price whether it is coffee or cocaine. Cut the flow and up goes the price. The demand does not stop.

We must get to the heart of the problem; exercise off that tension headache. Even a few sit-ups or deep knee bends can help. Married people, use that sex outlet; just check your calendar and relax, and don't forget the church. It is not a cure-all but it can help. God can help if you let him. Mom and Dad, quit screaming at your kids and compliment them once in a while. They might think you are crazy at first, but give it a try along with a hug and an "I love you." You might see a miracle.

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Fl. Lauderdale

Positive approach to drug abuse

Since there is so much violence and sex on many TV shows, my husband and I are interested in viewing Catholic programs. However, in your Voice issue of March 4 on page 19 we note some inaccuracies in the Catholic Television Schedule. For example, there is no Catholic programming on Stoner Cable channel 29 on Saturday and Sunday mornings.

In addition, unless one is associated with television, I doubt that the average viewer understands the trade terms of Cable Tape II which translated in the educational Cable channel 2. In the above schedule channel 17, which is yet another channel, is listed with Cable Tap II and should not be there.

On the same page you call attention to ABCD commercials which have not been airing on any of the English TV stations. I called channel 4 to inquire about this matter and they said they were not airing any such messages.

Perhaps someone has done a promotion job on The Voice? Eileen Bierdian

Who is pushing abortifacient IUDs

Recent disinformation campaigns, notably by the World Health Organization (WHO), are aimed at taking the heat off the well-documented abortion nature of IUDs.

An anonymous "scientific group of experts" allegedly claim that the IUDs used by an estimated 60 million women around the world, are "probably the most effective and reliable reversible method of fertility regulation available." (author's emphasis)

The change in emphasis — of greatest importance here —is by the purveyors of the IUD has been that, after years of pharmacological theory to the contrary, it has "suddenly" been discovered that IUDs may, after all, be only contraceptives and not abortifacients. Oddly, the clinical pharmacology explained by, for example, Searle on the Cu-7 and Tatum-T is that "various hypotheses have been advanced, the most common being that copper placed in the uterus interferes with enzymatic or other processes that regulate blastocyst implantation." (author's emphasis)

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Some years back the full moon happened at 1:58 P.M. on Easter Sunday. I don't think it was just a coincidence. The full moon this year was on Easter Sunday. This is a wonderful tradition in the church which finds it appropriate and even desirable to anticipate the joy of Easter during Holy week.

Julian of Norwich, a 15th-century mystic, in her book "Showings," writes the following: "...it is God's will that we have true delight with Him in our salvation. And in it He wants us to be so completely comforted and strengthened that we may no longer live in the fear of anything. In ancient Greece, political leaders were considered to be "Gods." In ancient Rome, an "aggraeus" person was a respected leader who stood "at the back of the flock." Today the same words have turned negative—an aggreus person is an individual who tends to love by the rules of the game. It appears to me that we may have lost some of our tolerance for independent thinkers.

I hope that in the future, the word "fancy" regains the stature it used to have. It came from the French "fantaisie" and meant "to project mental images." Once, it was considered one of the highest qualities of the soul because it carried the gift of imagination. Now, in an overly rational, technological culture, "fancy" is thought of as child's play. Another word reminds me that good can come out of bad. My favorite color always has been the rich, vibrant magenta. It stems from the French word for "magenta" but is also derived from the Italian word for "magnet," the device used for the blood of slain soldiers in 1859.

Some derivations prove the wisdom of earlier peoples who were, perhaps, closer to feelings and spirituality in their daily lives. The Romans seemed to understand that "discord" arises whenever we have a "parting of hearts." They also understood that we need "enthusiasm," or a common set of beliefs, in order to "bind us tightly.

Did you ever wonder what gives "charisma" to a leader or movie star? In ancient times, charisma was simply accepted as "the God-given power to perform miracles."

Some of our most beautiful concepts started with the Ancient Greeks. They could see that people become "enthusiastic" when they have "God within" from "on" (on) and "thous" (God).

"Fancy" was said to be a "magnificent" quality when we see "the greatest of all "cosmetics"--so "skilled in adorning"--"was the creator who adorned the "cosmos" with order and harmony.

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Deer Dr. Kenny: Where did family prayer go? We try way too hard and never seem to pray, let alone to say a prayer at meals and at bedtime, but it's like running against the wind.

Family prayer is an important family activity. You may want to change your tactics or change the type of prayer, but don't give up. It's part of the life of your family. I have been part of a group of up growing teens. Teens want to do things their own way. This is not all bad.

Opening the lines, "Bless us, O Lord, and these thy gifts," or "Now I lay me down to sleep," can be improved upon.

One possibility is to have formal grace before meals and evening prayers only on special occasions. Another is to make the words personal and original. Let family members take turns asking God's blessing in their own way.

A third possibility is to sing a song or hymn together. Prayer is a contact with God. Words are not always necessary, as in the case in any friendship. Sometimes quiet moments together are special. Many theologians define prayer as the "practice of the presence of God."

There are at least five different types of prayer. All are appropriate in families. Some variation may help to make prayer more attractive in your family.

Formal verbal prayer, like the Our Father or Hail Mary, is the obvious first. Teens often resist this, feeling it is too traditional or that anyone is trying to "read" their minds.

The second type is informal verbal prayer, where someone spontaneously makes up a prayer to express the feelings of everyone present.

"Father, we thank you for your many blessings, but we feel overwhelmed and worn out now. Come be with us. Help us to stop arguing so that we may sleep in peace tonight."

Third, the family can be asked to meditate for a few moments on a particular topic before eating or before bed. The topic might be a mystery such as the incarnation or a problem such as poverty or world hunger.

Focused silence can be a meaningful form of prayer.

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One of our children received three rejection letters and was drug tested at the same time. We went to the mountain range for a few days to get away from the mail. When we returned on Sunday the two prized acceptance letters were there, from schools of first and second choice. We leaped from despair to joy in five minutes.

The next Beginning Experience will be held April 22-24 at the Family Enrichment Center, 18330 NW 12th Avenue. For further information and registration contact Sister Virginia McGlady, 651-0280 or Conchita Del Portillo, 373-7571.

By Peg Lucas

Beginning Experience Team Member

My names Peg and I'm divorced. It has been a most painful journey, but recently I made a Beginning Experience Weekend which brought healing, renewed hope and the beginning of new life. I want to share my story with you.

As a child I attended Catholic school and learned to love the Church and others for the first time. I was expected of me and I made every attempt possible to be a good, practicing Catholic. However, being divorced after 24 years of marriage left me feeling gullied and an outcast from my Church. I felt alienated when I most needed spiritual support from the Church and a sense of belonging.

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**Accident won't stop TV priest**

**Extent of eye damage won't be known for weeks**

By Ana Rodriguez-Soto

Voice News Editor

A "fiery dart" of glass from an exploding television light may have damaged his eyesight, but Father Ricardo Castellanos' faith remains intact.

"Even if I lose both eyes I will continue to preach the Gospel," he said sitting up in his hospital bed.

"He's a man with incredible faith," said Marline Tolomeo, one of Father Castellanos' parishioners at San Isidro Church in Pompano and the director of the Cornerstone Television Ministry which produces the TV show.

"A New Breed of Man" airs locally at 9 a.m. Sundays on Channel 45. The program had just begun airing nationally on the interdenominational Trinity Broadcasting Network.

The accident happened during the March 20 taping session at Channel 45's studios in Hollywood. One of the high-intensity lights on the ceiling exploded, making a popping noise.

"It was really a moving experience" to see such strong faith, she recalled.

Tolomeo said, "so still and praised God the whole time." Dr. Jonathan Wise, said the eye would be removed, so no one paid much attention. Until Father Castellanos fell to the floor, clutching his left eye.

On the slow motion replay, Tolomeo said, "it looked like a fiery dart" had shot from the ceiling and struck the priest. They later discovered another shard of glass, "so hot it melted the carpet" where it fell.

"Oh, Jesus, help me!" were the priest's first words after the accident, and through the pain and fear, Tolomeo said, "he laid down and praised God the whole time."

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The doctor who performed the surgery, Dr. Jonathan Wise, said the eye would come out normally but it would take a few weeks to determine how much sight had been lost.

Meanwhile, family, friends and strangers throughout the Archdiocese and from as far away as Texas and California have been calling and writing to say they are keeping the 45-year-old priest in their prayers.

Through Tolomeo, Father Castellanos has expressed his thanks to everyone for their concern. Instead of flowers, he has asked that donations be made to the Cornerstone TV ministry.

And he says he has a special motivation for wanting to get better quickly — to conduct a praise and healing rally scheduled for April 29 and 30 at Broward Community College, and be himself an example of the healing power of faith.

"I'm recovering so well the doctors are surprised," he said sitting up in his hospital bed March 23.

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"In Love There Can Be No Fear" (1 John 4:18)
Young adult conference set

"Building Our Tomorrow Today" is the theme for the 4th Annual Young Adult Conference of the Archdiocese of Miami, which will be held the weekend of April 29, 30 and May 1 at the Miami Lakes Inn. Guarded for young professionals aged 18 to 35, single or married, the conference will feature workshops in both English and Spanish and a free session on AIDS education, as well as performances by Bob Colansanti of St. Louis parish music ministry and "Metamora," both contemporary Christian artists.

Participants can attend the whole conference or any segment of the weekend. Preferred accommodation rates are available. Call 757-6241, Ext. 192 for details.

St. Martha celebrates 5th anniversary

On April 10th, St. Martha celebrates the 5th Anniversary of its new church which is located adjacent to the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center at 9301 Biscayne Blvd. There will be an anniversary reception after Sunday Masses in the atrium at the church. Archbishop Edward McCarthy will celebrate the 11 a.m. Mass and Bishop Roman with the diocesan nuns at the 12:10 Mass. The day will conclude Sunday evening with an anniversary party at the Towers of Quayside in the "Great Room." St. Martha’s parish started 17 years ago in the “Banana” Motel on Biscayne Blvd. It found its home in the motel for 12 years. In the first five years of its existence the new church has welcomed Mother Teresa of Calcutta, bishops and cardinals from all over the world, and Pope John Paul II himself during his visit to Miami.

It’s a Date

The Dominican Retreat House will host a holy week retreat on March 31—April 3 and a retreat for women on April 29—May 1 and a retreat for adult children of alcoholics on May 13-15. For further information or support, call the Dominican Retreat House at 285-2711.

Our God Reigns Prayer Community will host a Life in the Spirit Seminar, sponsored by the Catholic Charismatic Services, Archdiocese of Miami on April 9th and 10th at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 6771 Kimberly Blvd., North Lauderdale. $3 registration call Peg Baumert at 971-7532 for details.

Barry University and the Anti-Defamation League of B’nai B’rith will present the 8th annual Matthew B. Rosenhaus Lectureship April 25 at 7:30 p.m. in Wingdall Hall, room 116 East. The presentation, “Anti-Semitism and Roman Catholicism,” will feature a series of lectures describing anti-Semitism and Roman Catholicism. For more information call Fr. O'Grady at 758-3392, ext. 530.

St. Mary’s Women of the Stable Fashion Show, "A Family Affair," will be held at the Ft. Lauderdale church, 2851 Sterling Road, at 1 p.m. on April 7. Call Louise Carter at 443-4340 or Louise Miracle at 441-8704 for tickets. Donation $3.

St. Hugh Church Ladies Guild will present a book review by Nancy Broun on "The Fall of the Peace Kingdom," on April 16 at 1 p.m. at Gloria Hall, 3460 Royal Road, Coconut Grove. For information and reservations, please call Louise Carter at 443-4340 or Louise Howes at 854-6463.

Hospice benefits from testimonial dinner

Services are directed toward alleviating pain, sustaining a normal routine as long as possible, and maintaining a living familiar system. According to Mgr. Bryan O. Walsh, president of CHRS, 80 percent of the patients aided by Catholic Hospice Inc. will be cared for in their homes. Acute care will be provided at Mercy and St. Francis Hospitals.

"Bonding local Catholic healthcare facilities together to provide an answer to a complex and perplexing problem is evidence of both the strength of our system and our concern with our community," Mgr. Walsh emphasizes.

Hospice, a term often heard, read, or misunderstood, has as its chief premise, that the terminally ill including AIDS victims can receive coordinated medical care with their pain and symptoms reduced or eliminated, and spend their last days in peace and dignity. Hospice teams include nurses, mental health specialists, therapists, social workers, chaplains and volunteers.

To ease the dying process and as much as possible, hospice care emphasizes what physicians refer to as palliative treatment. Medications are prescribed primarily to relieve distressing symptoms and to relieve pain, not to prolong the irreversible. Emphasis is on preserving the quality of life till the end without turning to heroic efforts to maintain it artificially.

Reservations for the dinner close April 15. For further information call 285-2185 in Miami.

New hospice benefits from testimonial dinner

Entire proceeds from a black-tie testimonial dinner honoring Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy on April 30 at the Fountainbleau Hilton Hotel, Miami Beach, will bring one phase of Florida’s first Catholic Hospice program closer to becoming a reality.

Sponsored by Mercy Hospital Foundation, one of three health care agencies which comprise Catholic Hospice, Inc., funds donated to the $175 per person event will initiate an endowment fund for a proposed in-patient direct care hospice unit at the hospital. Catholic Hospice, Inc., also includes St. Francis Hospital, Miami Beach, and, in Medi-Health, a home care agency; and Catholic Health and Rehabilitative Services, which has a subsidiary, Catholic Home Health Services, and in addition operates the South Dade Catholic Nursing Home.

"Hospice permits terminally ill patients, including victims to be cared for by specially trained professionals, volunteers, family members and friends," said Edward Rosasco, Jr., Mercy Hospital president. These

Corpus Christi reunion

Former students and graduates of Corpus Christi and their families are invited to celebrate the school’s 40th anniversary by attending a reunion on April 17 at the school. Open house from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. followed by a short program and Mass. For further information call Garland John 935-9926 (even.) and 358-8181 (days).

St. Henry Church is sponsoring a "Night in Spring" Raiz-Mu Jazz, 88 Musical Concert Dinner on April 9-16. Only 2 outside cabins available. Call Anne Marie at Tower's Inns of Miami at 513-0200 for details.

St. Henry Church is sponsoring a parish cruise on the Sovereign Seas on April 9-16. Only 2 outside cabins available. Call Anne Marie at Tower’s Inns of Miami at 513-0200 for details.

A Praise and Healing Rally will be held with Fr. Ricardo Castillanos and special guest Brother Dorey. Fr. Dan Doyle, Fr. John Finkle, Fr. Sai Mangalagovi and Fr. Charlie Osburn on April 29 (7:45 p.m.) and April 30 (9:45 a.m.) at the BCC Omni Auditorium, Coconut Creek Parkway, Pompano Beach. Tickets $3 available at Tower’s Inns of Miami P.O. Box 6220, Hollywood, FL 33018.
Catholic, Jewish students share Seder meal

The second Night of Reflection and Prayer for Vocations has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 19 at 8 p.m. at St. John Vianney College Seminary in Miami, sponsored by the Office of Vocations, Vicar of Religious and Youth Ministry, the theme is Vocation Discernment, and it’s for young men and women interested in following the Lord in commitment. For more information call Barbara McLaughlin at 576-9333 or Terrys Corey at 735-5641.

Vocation night

Candles were lit before the blessing to represent the light and warmth of a family celebration. The roasted bone is a reminder of the pastoral lamb. Undoubtedly, the broadening of the matzo is eaten, since this Jew’s exodus began in the middle of the night and their bread did not have time to rise. The bitter herbs represent the harshness of slavery, and pastry in salt water represents the tears shed in slavery. A finger is dipped in wine (grape juice for this group) ten times to recall the ten plagues. We cannot worship until we are deeply rooted in our religion,” said Sister Lisette of Immaculate Conception.”

The students agreed that since both religions come from the same place, and are part of Jesus, a person should be understood without the other. They said ignorance is what keeps faith apart. “One of our favorite pastimes is being all together with the family and telling the story,” said Jerry Greenberg of Temple Beth Am. “It’s on April 25, it will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A donation of $5.75 per person is requested. More information can be found by calling Brother Conop, 622-6000, Ext. 141, at St. Thomas University’s Institute of Pastoral Ministries, 14600 NW 32 Ave, Miami, 33184.

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Out of the tomb to new life

Easter stories of faith and transformation

By Jane Wolford Hughes
NC News Service

"If belief in Jesus doesn't make me different why bother going through the motions? I don't see my faith dealing with my reality," Tess said as she described to me her troubled, lonely thoughts four years ago right after her friend Liz overdosed.

"That was real," Tess continued. "Liz said she was a river exploring the land. Did she know she was on the edge of a precipice? My river is aimless, teasing motions? I don't see my faith dealing with my reality," Tess said as she pushed me had strange, inhuman faces; One minute the unfriendly crowd gave them new life. 'Tess said, leading her to a new exuberant relationship with God.

Tess went to Appalachia. "And it happened," she said. "God was there with the wedding: lie was down at the coal mines where crevices of black dust lined the men's faces. He was there in the edges of the small schoolrooms where the children and I taught each other games in order to learn numbers."

Tess said she also found God in the music, sweet and sad, from the fiddler's bow and and she found God hovering around the elderly.

Her experience in Appalachia transformed her; Tess said, leading her to a new exuberant relationship with God. "Liz brought me out of my tomb to new life," Tess said. "I guess I am an Easter person."

Dan is another Easter person. He had a dream and heard a sermon and they changed his life. No mystical visions, no miracles, just plain everyday happenings infused with Dan's openness to the grace of the moment. Dan told me of the dream.

"I was on a subway, in the back of a train careening dizzily from left to right. One minute the unfriendly crowd pushing me had strange, inhuman faces; the next minute they were all people I know. They were crowding around as the car screeched out of control, going faster and faster."

Dan said he woke in a terrified sweat and lay there asking himself, "What did I do to bring that on?"

The next morning, at the Sunday Mass before Ash Wednesday, the visiting priest encouraged the congregation to look at Lent through new lenses. Some folks need to look at their lives with microscopes for the things they never see need changing, he said. Others need binoculars to find visions of what they could become before God. Then people can decide what to do for Lent.

After the service, Dan visited a small art gallery. At a corner table with a hot mug of coffee, he began to sort things out. His greatest problem was labeled "time." Time had become Dan's relentless master. He was programmed every day, moving from one deadline to another. Even periods with his family were scheduled. Dan explained that taking a second compass job in the evening had shrouded his control over his life. He realized that he wanted the freedom to walk on seashores and ride the ferris wheel, to think about beauty and the mysteries of life.

"But most of all," he said, "I want to be a person giving God my best rather than the straggly edges."

Both Tess and Dan are examples of what can happen when faith becomes vivid reality that transforms people and gives them new life.

Scriptures

By Father John Castelot
NC News Service

An ironic scene in the Gospel of Mark involves the Roman centurion on Calvary. Looking up at the dead Jesus, the centurion's words give voice to the faith of the early Christians in Rome: "Truly this man was the Son of God!" (15:39).

The irony lies in the fact that all through the Gospel up to this point no one had penetrated the full identity of Jesus. Even those closest to him, witnesses of his miracles, daily beneficiaries of his unselfish love and wisdom, had not suspected he might be other than just Jesus of Nazareth.

What did the centurion see to elicit this astounding outburst of recognition? He saw a horribly disfigured corpse sagging limply from the supports that held him to the cross. It was a most unlikely scene for an acknowledgment of Jesus' divine sonship.

 Crucifixion was an instrument of torture. Having originated in Persia, it was adopted by the Romans as a means of capital punishment — but only for a select few. Roman citizens who incurred the death penalty were not subjected to crucifixion; they usually were beheaded. Only slaves or foreigners who committed particularly grave crimes were crucified.

The cross was either T-shaped or dagger-shaped with a projection above the head. The condemned was forced to carry the crossbeam to the execution place. Ordinarily the upright beam was left permanently in place.
That's what God did for us

By David Thomas
NC News Service

Many people will remember the shoe story from "My Fair Lady" that questions the proclamation of love in words that are not matched with deeds: Love...love...love. You say that you love me. Show me!

Like many others, I find that the challenge always lies in words to actions is downright unnerving. My wife hears me proclaim my undying love for her at least once a day. Her response sometimes is simple and direct: "Then take out the garbage." So much for romance.

But the song is right. Certainly no less an authority than God has communicated much the same thing:

God loved and we were created. We in turn questioned and failed to respond to God's love and God did even more. God became one of us, did thousands of deeds of love right here on earth in the full light of day and in the end gave all so that we might live.

Christians remember and connect with that deed of immense love "in the breaking of the bread." And if we are appointed to be the loving companions of those who are in need of love, we go out and do likewise.

Personal Christian life is deep love turned into action. Let me give some examples:

I know a caring adult daughter who has traveled across the country to sit next to her dying mother who probably doesn't even recognize her. That's love.

I know a young college student who spends more than half his study time helping other students who have difficulty understanding. That's love too.

We all know of examples such as these. Most who spend time and energy in such loving deeds receive little attention from anyone save those very close to them. Nor do they expect anything else.

Why discuss all this? It's simple. We live in a society where love is commonly described only as an emotional feeling. "That love feeling" is often the quest of the young and the memory of the old.

We are people of feeling and that is important to keep in mind. But feelings are only part of love and they cannot be counted upon to remain constant companions of love.

What stands behind true love is a deep belief that each of us is loved. And then a belief that, ultimately, our own life is the result of Someone who loved — and acted rather decisively on that love.

The love of God for each of us is the foundation of our love for each other. Jesus described true love as giving one's life for friends. And he did just that. To survive, this kind of love required more than feelings. And it is this special love which we celebrate throughout the Easter season.

So what has changed, really?

By NC News Service

Take a minute or two to think about a time in life when you seemed to be changing in important ways. Was it when you had just completed your formal education and were moving into a career? Was it the time of marriage? The time of a major move to a new community? The birth of a child? A time of disillusionment and questioning that led you in valuable new directions?

Now think what it was that actually changed in you. Maybe it was your self-perception that matured: your sense of self-worth, for example. Or maybe evidence of the change in you was in your behavior: actions that showed a new kind of commitment to someone or to a cause; actions carried out with a certain peacefulness that hadn't been characteristic of you previously; or actions that reflected a freshened awareness of the interests of others around you.

Many of us could tell you had changed by the way you spoke. Did you become able to express your convictions more clearly and directly, "Then take out the garbage." And if we want to express sincerely an appropriate response to God's love, we go out and do likewise.

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So much the same thing.

Among members of the church, the presumption is that much has changed because of the death and resurrection of Jesus. But what? What has changed? The death and resurrection are not events in the life of one who somehow addressed the human race in "general." The actions recalled so intimately at Easter have meaning for living, breathing human beings.

What changes because of the death and resurrection, therefore, is people. Evidence of the change in them should be found in their self-perception, their words, their actions. And this change is seen not only in individuals, but in the life of an entire community.

The life of Jesus, change tends to be ongoing. So it is interesting to note that even on the great day of Easter the church still calls its... ah, ahead to Pentecost. On Easter the church begins to anticipate the coming of the Spirit of Jesus who is a continuing, dynamic force for change in the lives of people.

Think about it. What is meant to change because of the death and resurrection of Jesus? What are the signs of this change in people?

First, the victims were laid flat on the ground and their arms were fixed to the crossbeam, usually by spikes driven through the wrists.

Then victims were hoisted up and the horizontal beam was fixed to the vertical. Ropes were tied around arms, legs and waist, otherwise the weight of the body would tear it loose from the nails.

The condemned "sat" on a projection of rough wood. He brought them to the supermarket to get a few dollars which required the aluminum cans discarded along the roadside. He brings them to the supermarket to get a few dollars which required the can of beer discarded along the roadside. He brings them to the supermarket to get a few dollars which required the can of soda discarded along the roadside. He brings them to the supermarket to get a few dollars which required the can of pop discarded along the roadside. He brings them to the supermarket to get a few dollars which required the can of pop discarded along the roadside.

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Pioneer Priest
Battles poverty, bigotry in Appalachia

By Prent Browning
Voice Staff Writer

Imagine that you're a newly ordained Catholic priest who has just been assigned to a parish that covers all of four rural, economically depressed counties in Eastern Kentucky.

In this 1,000 square mile area there are less than 40 Catholics (individuals, not families). There is no church, no rectory. Even if there were more Catholics, there is no money to buy land and build churches.

Now travel forward in time 38 years to find many priests, brothers, and lay volunteers in that same area (and more) administering an amazing array of over 80 services, from schools to medical clinics—all founded by that same priest.

What happened in between is a true story of Christian service by laity and the determination of one priest, now Msgr. Ralph Beiting. The stocky, dynamic priest told that story himself to students of Belen in one instance faced down a chain-wielding drunk. Very often, residents of rural Kentucky grew up hearing lies and myths about Catholics. The preposterousness of some of their misconceptions was evident in a story Msgr. Beiting told Belen students, about one lady who was afraid to go inside a Catholic church.

"She was told that purgatory was under the floor boards and when we'd catch a Protestant, 'we'd throw him in there and burn him to a crisp,' " Msgr. Beiting told Belen students.

"I asked you for a cup of water in Jesus' name would you give it to me? All I'm asking you for is a plug of electricity; it's the same thing as a cup of water." The minister thought about it and relented. Surprisingly, he enjoyed listening to the Catholic priest preach, and later complimented him. Four years later, Msgr. Beiting was again in the area and he knocked on the minister's door. His wife answered. "The wife said my husband's dead, but the last thing he said before he died is if that preacher comes back and you plug in an extension cord for an appliance. 'Let me ask you a question,' I said, 'if I asked you for a cup of water in Jesus' name would you give it to me? All I'm asking you for is a plug of electricity; it's the same thing as a cup of water.' "

Very often, residents of rural Kentucky have enough water to clean up with; you never let anyone who is a Catholic in one instance faced down a chain-wielding drunk.

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Last summer, the Monsignor received a good reception when he captained a 68-foot houseboat named the "Daniel Boone" down the Ohio River as part of an exercise in a new form of "street preaching." The purpose of the trip, an ecumenical event with two Protestant ministers sharing the ride, was also to publicize deteriorating conditions in Appalachia.

"For 520 miles we preached and sang and generally tried to leave a good impression that God was worthwhile and that we ought to be part of it," he said.

$16 Million operation
Street preaching may be his first love, but much of his time as Chairman of the Board of C.A.P. is spent on the road giving speeches and talks. Raising funds for the always-expanding Christian service programs is a fulltime job in itself. C.A.P., with headquarters in Lancaster, Kentucky, is now a $16 million operation involved in work in 49 counties.

The Christian service organization runs several schools and operates programs that are aimed at reinforcing self-reliance. One project, for instance, teaches parents how to teach pre-school or handicapped children, another gives seeds and fertilizer to small farmers. There is a warehouse (Belen students sell C.A.P. Christmas wreaths), a broom factory, a sewing operation that provide jobs for people while at the same time bringing money into the organization.

Volunteers, in fact, are a mainstay of C.A.P. Over 1,000 short-term volunteers, many of them young people on school breaks, devote anything from a week to four months to C.A.P. projects. There are a smaller number of permanent volunteers, often retired teachers or health professionals, who pledge a year's service and live in dormitories. Msgr. Beiting has been sending out the message in his South Florida visits that he needs the skills that senior citizens can provide.

Looking forward to increased involvement by this age group, he envision starting up something of a "think-tank" where retired people can assess the needs of rural residents, come up with product ideas and ways of producing and marketing them. Retired businessmen could share their expertise and entrepreneurial skills.

I really feel that it's a group of people that have something to offer," he said.

Father Ralph W. Beiting visits one of his isolated flock living deep in an eastern Kentucky "holler."