Ecumenical Unit is Established

(See Editorial, page 6)

An Ecumenical Planning Commission has been established by Archbishop McCarthy for the Archdiocese of Miami and will be an integral part of the program of Evangelization presently underway.

THE COMMISSION'S immediate goal is to investigate what are the Ecumenical dimensions in South Florida in the light of the Archdiocesan program of evangelization. This goal will include an evaluation of present Ecumenical efforts and contacts with other Christians and non-Christians, both on an Archdiocesan and parish level.

The Commission will aim at coordinating present Ecumenical contacts and programs within the overall Archdiocesan evangelizing effort. Stress will be laid less on structure and more on dialogue and cooperation with other Christians and non-Christians — in relation to the moral and civic problems which face the community at large.

The Commission is also given the task of eventually producing Ecumenical guidelines to assist parishes and Archdiocesan organizations in furthering dialogue and cooperation.

Members of the initial planning commission are:

Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy.
Msgr. Bryan O. Walsh, Archdiocesan Director of Catholic Charities and Social Services.
Rev. Gerald Grace, Professor at St. Vincent de Paul Major Seminary, Boynton Beach.
Rev. Jose Nickse, Archdiocesan Director of Radio and T.V.
Rev. Roger A. Radloff, Associate Pastor of St. Richard's Parish, Miami.
Mr. Frank Magrath, Regional Director of the NCCJ.
Mrs. Thomas Blum, Jr., Boca Raton, Chairman of the ACCW Church Communications Commission.
Professor Charles Casini, Professor of Philosophy at Barry College.
Mr. Gerard E. Sherry, Executive Editor, The Voice.

Archbishop Carroll Mass

Thursday, July 26, marks the second anniversary of the death of Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll, first Ordinary of the Miami Archdiocese.

Archbishop McCarthy will be the Principal Celebrant at a special Anniversary Mass marking this event at 12:15 p.m. in St. Mary's Cathedral on that day. All the priests of the Archdiocese have been invited to concelebrate.

Archbishop McCarthy also has urged pastors to encourage their people to attend this Anniversary Mass, adding that "I can think of no greater tribute for the priests and faithful to join in prayer for him."

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Child care in Little Havana

The Catholic Service Bureau Inc., of the Archdiocese of Miami has announced the opening of the LITTLE HAVANA CHILD CARE PROGRAM—a day care center in the heart of Little Havana made possible through the cooperation of the City of Miami and Metro Dade County. The program is housed in the City of Miami Little Havana Community Center at 970 S.W. 1 Street, and is designed to serve 60 children between the ages of three and six.

Fees are computed on a sliding scale depending on family gross income and number of family members. Minimum fee will be 82 per child daily and maximum will be 86. Consideration for admission depends on the need for day care. This could range from a parent’s need to work outside the home to relief of environmental stress. Other considerations for admission are: place of residency, age of child and date of application for admission.

The children admitted to the program will be under the care of professional staff and will receive three balanced meals a day through the State of Florida Child Care Food Program.

The opening of LITTLE HAVANA CHILD CARE PROGRAM in 1979 highlights the International Year of the Child which is being celebrated throughout the world to emphasize the needs of children.

Applications for admission can be made through Catholic Service Bureau Day Care Division at 754-2444.
WASHINGTON — (NC) — The National Council of Churches (NCC) charged that the United States is violating the human rights of Haitian refugees by denying them political asylum. The State Department said it found no evidence of harm to returned refugees by the Haitian government.

The department said in a report July 3 that most of the returnees "were quite emphatic about the economic motivation for their departure...not political reasons."

Last January Archbishop Edward McCarthy of Miami pleaded for asylum for some 7,500 Haitians in Florida who, he said, were "under daily threat of deportation."

The NCC filed a complaint at the end of June with the Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of American States (OAS) saying that the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) was using discrimination and irregular procedures to dismiss most of the asylum applications submitted by 8,000 Haitian boat people seeking political asylum.

The complaint, prepared by the International Human Rights Law Group, said the INS attempts "to use threats, intimidation and employment of Haitian translators believed to be informers for the Haitian government" in order to pressure refugees in the Miami area to return to Haiti.

The complaint also claimed that such actions by U.S. authorities placed the refugees in jeopardy for their liberty and lives upon return to Haiti, and thus violated U.S. obligations contracted when it signed the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights and the UN Protocol on Refugees.

Haiti became a dictatorship in 1957 under President-for-life Francois Duvalier, who was succeeded by his son Jean-Claude upon his death in 1971. The Duvaliers have ruled the Caribbean nation of five million people with the help of the secret police known as "Ton-ton Macoutes."

Haiti is considered the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere.

Both the OAS commission and Amnesty International, the London-based human rights group, have issued documented evidence of violations of human rights by the Duvalier government.

The NCC complaint asked that an investigation of INS practices among Haitians in Miami be conducted by the OAS commission. It cited affidavits by refugees allegedly showing violations of international law on human rights because of deportations they considered illegal.

The State Department said that a team it sent to May to Haiti "found no significant indication of mistreatment of returnees" because of their journey to the United States. The report said the team interviewed 86 out of 600 refugees who had returned to their country, and that "many asserted that they had never had a job in Haiti," but did not cite political reasons for leaving.

Since 1972 Haitians have been leaving their island in small boats, landing in the Bahamas and in southern Florida.

THE HUMAN RIGHTS Law Group calls these people "political refugees, not illegal immigrants." In answer to the State Department report, it noted that while U.S. officials say that "each case has to be judged very carefully, we find that Haitian requests for political asylum have been rejected en masse."

Archbishop McCarthy asked President Jimmy Carter to grant asylum to "a relatively small number of refugees from the poorest and one of the most downtrodden peoples of this hemisphere," thus following the U.S. tradition of granting political asylum, as it has done in recent years with Cuban exiles. He also asked for U.S. help to local communities to meet the needs of the new arrivals.

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**Archbishop gets Pallium**

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Tony Estevez and Tony Estevez Junior, Bernard Sharkey, Joe Martinez, Roger Van Hoff, Joe Spirely, Montagno Bryan O. Walsh and representatives of Marbit Construction Company at a recent 'Topping Off' ceremony — a tradition whereby a tree is placed on top of the roof when a building is enclosed and roof completed — in the new Carroll Manor housing project under construction on the grounds of Mercy Hospital.

"It was an unforgettable event. I asked the Holy Father that if he comes to the United States, he consider visiting Miami, and he intimated he would like to if and when he comes to the U.S. But no firm date has been set. It all depends on the eventual schedule planned for him."

"The Pope asked me to extend his greetings and his blessings to all the people of the Archdiocese and indeed to the people of Florida. I returned home inspired by the Pope's active concern for the universal Church and his genuine love for all of us."

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Birthright Meet July 18

There will be a meeting of all Birthright Volunteers...and those who wish to join the Birthright organization...on Wednesday, July 18, 1979 at 9:30 A.M., at the home of Mrs. Thomas F. Palmer, 7361 Bella Meade Island Drive, Miami.

Discussed will be plans on "Where Do We Go From Here" regarding the services provided by Birthright to women and girls who are pregnant and have a problem stemming from the pregnancy.

Since the essence of Birthright Service is Love...there is a great need for volunteers...who will do more than listen, tolerate and understand...they must be able to say to those in distress..."Your pain, your weakness your problems are mine."

Featured at the meeting will be representatives of Social and Health Agencies in Dade County and the services provided by the professionals in the area of pregnancy counselling.

Dr. Scopetta
Named Member
For Council

Dr. Mercedes Scopetta, director of the Archdiocesan Office of Lay Ministry, has been named to the National Advisory Council on Drug Abuse.

ANNOUNCEMENT of the appointment of the first Cuban-American to the Council's advisory board was made this week by HE's Secretary Joseph A. Califano.

A clinical psychologist and assistant professor at the University of Miami School of Medicine, Dr. Scopetta is the founder of Miami's Spanish Family Guidance Clinic and will serve for three years on the Drug Abuse Council.

THE FORMER ECO- executive director of the Dade-Monroe Mental Health Board, who is donating her services in the Lay Ministry Apostolate to the Archdiocese, is also a member-at-large of the U.S. Bishops' Advisory Council from Region IV.

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The Chancery--All in the Family

By TONY GARNET

Whenever I receive one of those social ‘do come, we would love to have you’ invitations, I look on with suspicion at the bottom line whether it’s for me or for my camera.

This invitation said we would have a family noon-time picnic. By “family” I mean those of us who work within the Chancery compound. The Archbishop would pick up the tab...it always makes an invitation more palatable.

Archbishop McCarthy initiated this time-to-time gathering of our inner-family for a few hours to exchange views and togetherness. These people, sisters, priests on specialized assignments and lay employees are the backbone of our church headquarters. Just imagine the vastness of the Archbishop’s responsibilities in his Ministry -- and you will know the amount of work that must come out of those cubicles around the chancery.

So the invitation sounded like a few hours of no work and do-nothing for me. Not until the editor of this paper, who shall remain nameless, is saying, of course you are going to the picnic, aren’t you? And you will take some pictures?

The bottom line!

During the years as a press photographer I’ve received lots of invitations and during those years I kept deluding myself that they invited me, if for no other reason than my Italian equivalent of Irish blarney, and not because I carried a camera.

But the matter of fact of me and the importance of my one eyed friend, has often tempted me many times to attend one of those social gatherings right after I’ve eaten my favorite spaghetti soaking in olive oil and garlic. Camera around my neck, of course, for close-up shots...Now before you start cluck-clucking, there was a time when I was the welcome one and not my camera. Well, I shouldn’t say exactly welcome, tolerated would be better. My assignment for the daily was the Miami night scene in the plush cafes.

In those days there was always a well lit room, not exactly kosher, alongside the main club. And I was always met at the door by a big, ugly gorilla, in full tux, a grin on his puss, proffering a big ham hand.

Anyway, be it me or my camera, both of us went to the picnic. So take a look and meet some of my co-workers.

IT WAS HOT in Morningside Park. You could get a light whiff of breeze if you stayed in the patches of tree shade, which became the gathering points. Chief cooks at the bar-b-que rig were Fr. Gerard LaCerra, chancellor, and Fr. Paul Vuturo, director of Religious Ed., along with relief cook Fr. Mike Greer who is a better archbishop’s secretary. The “family” gathered leisurely in small groups or swarmed about exchanging chit-chat. The Archbishop was in the midst of us all and grouped as we were it sure gave him a visual sight at the size of his payroll. Bosses should only look at ledgers. Anyway, the chit-chat soon turned to glares in the direction of the charcoal smoke. It was way past noon and how much soft drink can you take. At this point the nagging goal was a bite of anything on the pit whether half-done or burnt. So when the cooks allowed as how you ‘come and get it’ the line grew fast. Since I was trying to record this on film, I ended up last on the totem line and wound up with the relief cook. All in all it was a pleasant afternoon being with people you work with, in spite of the whimsical complaint, above, of the ‘bottom line’...TG
**Ecumenism - Evangelization**

This week Archbishop McCarthy announced the establishment of an Ecumenical Commission for the Archdiocese. It is a further step in the ongoing consolidation of evangelization efforts within the Archdiocese. We think it therefore appropriate to enlarge on some previous comments on Ecumenism and the Public Image of the Church.

The inevitable failures and disappointments of human activity are being brought home to us more fully in these times of political and economic crises. We see the necessity for complete unity with Christ and a greater reliance upon him. The greater the knowledge of Christ, the greater the love of Christ.

And the greater the love, the greater the activity. This unity with Christ also leads to unity with others. We are bound anew to our brothers and sisters in the civic community and in the ecumenical thrust encouraged by the Church.

Still, unity is not accomplished by compromising basic doctrine; neither is it civic peace, in an area which has been, and can again be, the scene of tension and strife.

The only unity which we can recognize is that which leads to the situation "that all may be one." One Truth, one God, one Christ, one Church. How do we go about it? It seems to us that the first contribution can we make to it as Catholics?

"that all may be one." One Truth, one God, one Christ, one Church. How do we go about it? It seems to us that the first contribution can we make to it as Catholics?

First of all, what is the problem? Simply put, it is the issue of achieving peace between Americans. More technically it could be called the search for civic peace, in an area which has been, and can again be, the scene of tension and strife.

The early efforts towards the easing of religious and racial tensions fell victim to an over-simplification. In the beginning, the suggestion was made that each party should give a little and then peace would be achieved. It was said that if "we" give a little, and "they" give a little we could reach an understanding. Such a simple procedure struck the practical American mind as quite sensible. But its apparent simplicity was soon seen to be dangerous, because of what each party was asked to give.

For instance, if, as Christians, we were asked to give up Christ in order to achieve peace with the Jews, or if as Catholics we were asked to drop the Pope because he is an alleged source of friction with the Protestants, what we would be being asked to do is to give up Christianity for a civic good; we would be asked to stop being a Catholic in order to promote peace in our community. On the other hand, if we asked the Jews to become Christians, which we would be doing if we asked them to accept Christ as the Messiah, or if we asked the Protestants to become Catholics, for that is what we would be doing if we demanded that they accept the Pope, then we would be asking them to become what they are not.

Let us not be misunderstood. While recognizing and defending the pluralism of civil society, we cannot obviously advocate a permanent religious plural society. Rather our task is to find a basis in a pluralistic civil society for the several religions which in fact exist.

(To be continued)

**Letters to the Editor**

**Anti-Semitic Texts**

To the Editor:

The first reading of last Friday's mass crystalized a problem I've had for some time: the Catholic Church is still encouraging anti-Semitism in using translations which state that "the Jews" were opposed to Jesus, or rejoiced at the troubles of Peter and Paul, or what-have-you. Not "the Jews", but "some of the people" were, and still are, opposed to the message of Jesus; if he were with us today some of us "good" Catholics might be the ones giving him the most trouble.

More general but equally separatist and elitist prayers occur with disturbing frequency in the Mass. A recent reading comes to mind, in which we were to pray for God's blessing on all those who believe the teachings concerning Mary, the mother of God. Well! Do we really believe that God does not bless those who've never been given the gift of Faith as we know it? All too often, it seems, the Sunday prayers are limited to Christians, or believers, or other categories of people to which we of course belong) especially favored by God. Do we really believe that God loves some of us more than others? That he is pleased by prayers which exclude some of his people?

Whatever manmade separations may exist, God has a plan and a place for each of us (including those who think of themselves as atheists). On a very critical level, the Church is in error when prayers are offered for selected, favored groups. On a superficial level, I'm embarrassed: I feel unable to ask a non-Catholic to attend Mass with me last she or he hear something atrociously offensive.

I'd like to urge priests and others who read aloud at Mass to preceed each day's selection, watching for language which may reject some of God's people. I know efforts are being made, and I'm thankful, but we who are asking our thinking years ago are sometimes insensitive to the "Jews killed Christ" and "salvation is only for Catholics" think of thinking: it's so familiar to us that we don't notice it even when it's being said. It's creeping into our liturgies altogether too frequently, and it's a scandal.

Eileen O'Sullivan
South Miami

**Recent Survey**

To the Editor:

The person or persons conducting your recent survey never contacted me, but had they done so, I would have given them several suggestions.

The main one is a way you can save money, while at the same time keeping my health and blood pressure down, by eliminating the Cuban section from my subscription.

H.J. Zarnick
South Miami

**On liturgical dance**

To the Editor:

We at St. Maurice were pleased that you had finally taken notice of the way liturgical dance can be a moving part of liturgy and were anxious to get in touch with the people at Holy Family so they could become aware of the help available through the Sacred Dance Guild.

However, our pleasure was short-lived when we discovered Fr. Champlin writes from Holy Family in Rochester, N.Y., not Miami, Fla.

Now that you have given us Fr. Champlin's article complete with scriptural references and the approval of the American bishops, maybe you will investigate what is happening in liturgical dance in our own archdiocese.

Virginia B. Shuker
for St. Maurice Liturgical Dancers
Pembroke Pines

**On Eucharistic Ministers**

To the Editor:

In response to the recent letter of Mrs. Sara A. Quinn regarding Eucharistic Ministers, I agree that the ideal would be for holy communion to be administered only by a priest. But, we are not living in ideal times. We have insufficient priests and in these days of frequent communion, I, as a Eucharistic Minister, am glad to lift some of the burden from the good priests who continue to serve us and have not abandoned their duties.

Sometimes in a crowded Mass the distribution of communion can consume more time than the Mass itself. The use of Eucharistic Ministers attempts to rectify this situation.

Mary G. Quinnan
Fort Lauderdale
Rare To Hear a Sermon On Heaven

By MSGR. JAMES J. WALSH

Every now and then we hear someone remark that it is rare to hear a sermon on heaven. Maybe in the summer time, with the energy crisis and inflation and long gas lines, and nuclear protests, we ought to turn for a moment to the world of peace beyond the grave, where there are no crises of any kind.

I suppose it is true of all of us that we do not keep the thought of eternal happiness prominently in mind. It is so easy to go along without the reality of heaven influencing daily plans and hopes. This does not mean there is no faith or a weak faith in an after life. We do believe. But it lies in our consciousness, somewhat dormant, remote, vague, and seemingly ages away. Its reality does not touch us often in times of great weariness and heartache. It does not have any great bearing on even the gravest decisions of our lives, the carefully planned steps which give us a new direction to our future.

IF THE HOPE of heaven has only an insignificant part to play in our daily living, we are depriving ourselves of a powerful source of consolation and strength. A very courageous lady had been battling cancer for several years, and when it became inevitable death was months away, her thoughts turned completely to the life beyond. Her only concern was, "Am I as resigned to the will of God as I should be?" She was indeed and smilingly, peacefully went through the door of death.

St. Paul has a memorable thought on this. He wrote, "I reckon that the sufferings of the present time are not worthy to be compared to the glory that will be revealed in us."

Coming from St. Paul, this ought to reassure us greatly. Here is a man as qualified as any saint in the calendar of the church to speak with authority on both the glory of heaven and the suffering of his life. He admitted that after his conversion he "was caught up to the third heaven...in a paradise and heard words that man may not repeat." And it was the same Paul who endured the incredible hardships of scouring, imprisonment, shipwreck and sickness in carrying out his mission for Christ.

Paul had a bitter cup to drink. Surely the thought of heaven sustained him and drove him on when all human consolation was lacking. For despite his constant tribulations, Paul insisted that no matter what one suffers during this life, whether from a pro-life Medical Practices Act, it's time to formally thank those three men who did so much to make it happen. On next Saturday night, July 14, a recognition dinner will be held at Fort Lauderdale's Patrica Murphy Candlelight Room. At ten dollars, this isn't a fundraiser — just a chance to meet and thank three guys who remembered the unborn babies, their mothers and parental rights when it wasn't always popular to do so. And held their ground against some pretty tough abortion lobbying.

It's so easy to criticize the politicians who prefer to duck the controversial or moral issues or who ignore their constituents. But we try to cram into each day the joy that can be found only in the company of God.

So IF WE are going to be consoled and strengthened in the daily round by the reality of heaven, we've got to fight against this depressing spirit of worldliness. We cannot drift with the crowd.

We need to let the fact of heaven sink down deep into the soul and influence all our planning and acting. Surely it is the mystery of mysteries, but there is much to meditate upon. We will see God “face to face”, knowing the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit even as we are known. Heaven is home, the lasting home of peace, unending peace. Our intellects will delight forever in the eternal Truth. Our hearts will find the only Love that can satisfy. The will will find at last what it sought for so arduously and with such frustration during life.

Think of heaven too as intimacy with Our Lady and the saints. And of course, as the great and lasting reunion with your loved ones with whom we shared the heartaches and pains of life. Death of our dear ones now brings us closest to the awareness of heaven.

Paul had it right. All of life's problems and trials and suffering are as nothing compared to what is to come with God.

Volunteer Efforts Do Pay Off

By DICK CONKLIN

I read a newspaper story the other day about a woman in Scranton, Pennsylvania who is a quadriplegic. Confined to a home for quadriplegics, Pauline Poole and Jim Scott, and Representive Tom Bush last year. Where the voter ID program was tried, it worked very well. And now you can ask even the skeptics and get a positive reaction to the idea.

Now, after the "miraculous" passage of a pro-life Medical Practices Act, it's time to formally thank those three men who did so much to make it happen. On next Saturday night, July 14, a recognition dinner will be held at Fort Lauderdale's Patricia Murphy Candlelight Room. At ten dollars, this isn't a fundraiser — just a chance to meet and thank three guys who remembered the unborn babies, their mothers and parental rights when it wasn't always popular to do so. And held their ground against some pretty tough abortion lobbying.

It's so easy to criticize the politicians who prefer to duck the controversial or moral issues or who ignore their constituents. But we sometimes forget to honor the good guys. Let's make the time to get together and show our appreciation. Space is limited so call Elaine Weber at 491-2156 today to reserve a place.

LET'S ALL MAKE a mid-year resolution: sign up for the voter ID campaign that's starting up in your area. Give it a few hours of your time, and get some friends to join you. It's easy, costs nothing, and can be done at home. Most important, it works! For those of you that have recently become involved in this human rights movement, we thank you. Our column has attempted to bring pro-life news to you and encourage some "bench warmers" to join the fight. The response has been most encouraging.

But you can't really appreciate this volunteer effort, like any other, until you see some results. Good laws are important, but hearing about a politician who decided to choose life really makes your day. That's what it's all about.
Something wrong being nice?

By FATHER JERRY FULLER, O.M.I.

"Nice guys finish last."
"Strictly from Squaresville."
"Half city, man."

So have so-called "nice" people been stereotyped in recent years. It’s enough to make one ask, "What’s wrong with being nice?"

It depends on what you mean by "nice."

My mother was trained from the age of six in an exclusive girls’ school run by nuns. She was trained in all the right ways to behave in polite society.

My dad, on the other hand, was raised in a poor family and had only an eighth-grade education. He was an honest and fair man, often blunt, averse to putting on airs, with a good sense of humor.

I'M AFRAID I WAS the exasperation of my mother in that I followed my father in my unconventional, manners-be-damned attitude. My two brothers and sister, I must say, turned out better.

It was only as I grew older and acquired some maturity that I realized that my mother’s thoughtfulness towards others was not the "put-on" front of a pretender. She was really caring and expressed her care in the small ways in which the nuns had taught her to express love.

MOTHER WAS always on time. She sent out copious Christmas cards. She made special dishes for people in the parish who were sick. She remembered birthdays. She worked in the church altar society. She initiated as well as returned favors. In her late years she picked up her hopeless arthritis and took her to weekly Mass.

The list could go on. At her funeral hundreds of people showed up who told me of little favors or thoughtful acts my mother had done for them.

MY FATHER’S funeral was likewise filled with people who knew him as a kind, good man who was always there to help out of his straightforward, generous nature.

I have come to realize that the heart of niceness is love, caring, genuine concern. "Niceness" with quotes is something practiced by the Holy Spirit on the church on Pentecost Sunday.

IN THE LAST analysis, then, "niceness" is not where it’s at, although it’s a good trait. A rude log-splitter like Abe Lincoln had an innate "niceness" because he was essentially noble. But ultimately, it is God who grants "niceness" if we are to see "niceness" as grace. And this niceness will always show itself through care, concern, genuine love, people who could care less, by hypocrites and society gaddies.

By FATHER JOSEPH M. CHAMPLIN

Most feminine liberation advocates, pointing finger at the Roman Catholic Church for its sexist positions on many matters, after all, women are currently excluded from ordination to the priesthood and girls may not become full fledged altar servers. Moreover, the official International Committee on English in Liturgy translation used for our ritual books does not reflect today’s sensitivity to sexual equality.

THE FACT IS, however, that in some ways the Catholic Church’s liturgical practice emphasizes feminine dignity and importance more strongly than does the worship approach in certain Protestant traditions which have recently ordained women to the ministry.

For example, Mary, the mother of Jesus, receives relatively little attention in Protestant worship. Feasts involving Our Lady and her Son, like the Annunciation and Visitation, normally are not regarded as significant events or celebrations by Protestants.

THIS OBSERVATION is not mine, but the assertion of the Rev. James H. White, Roman Catholic theologian who serves as a good starter. "Niceness" has nothing to do with manners. However, manners that are a genuine expression of caring are always in order.

WHAT ABOUT PEOPLE who just seem to be born with personalities that we call "nice"? They are pleasant, they attract people, they do everything right. Others are turned off. They do the right things wrong, they are often called "necks," and the more they are put down, the more they set themselves apart in their "un-nice" ways.

C.S. Lewis addresses this question in an essay entitled "Nice People or New Men." In his book "Mere Christianity," he says:

"NICENESS" — wholesome, integrated personality — is an excellent thing. We must try by every medical, educational, economic, and political means in our power, to produce a world where as many people as possible grow up "nice"; just as we must suppose that even if we succeeded in making everyone nice we should have saved their souls. A world of nice people, content in their own niceness, looking no further, turned away from God, would be just as desperately in need of salvation as a miserable world — and might even be more difficult to save.

Lewis is touching on the deep problem of love in the eyes of God. No person has worth of his own, no matter how "nice." It is God who redeems us and gives us his Holy Spirit. The "nicest" thing that ever happened to mankind is the redemption and the falling down of that's why it depends on what you mean by "nice." Niceness has nothing to do with manners. However, manners that are a genuine expression of caring are always in order.

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Saint Melania the younger

By FATHER M. BASIL PENNINGTON, O.C.S.O.

Can a wealthy woman become a saint? As one of the great saints or considers briefly the many canonized in our century, one is tempted to ask. He that only those who have embraced celibacy and poverty can become saints. A woman who was both happily married and very wealthy would seem to have little chance to join the ranks of the blessed. Did not the Lord say it is harder for the rich to enter the kingdom than for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle?

Yet in the earliest days of the church, in the days of the great Fathers, there stands a great woman, a wife and a mother, one of the wealthiest women of her times and of all times, who gave splendid witness that wives even in an affluent society can be saints.

Our saint, Melania, is traditionally called the younger—something that might be flattering enough for a woman, though she probably never heard the title in her life time—because her grandmother, in many ways her model and her Saint Melania the Elder, is also venerated as a saint. Melania was married young, at 14, and she and her husband, Pinian, enjoyed 36 years of married life. God blessed their union with two children, both of whom he speedily took to himself.

Although extremely wealthy, Melania’s life was not free from sickness. Jesus was not saying that the man’s sickness came to him because of his sins. He just reminded him of how good God had been to him in curing him, and urged him to turn away from any thinking of seeking further cures.

The man could not get upset about their concern. So he simply told them, “The man who cured me, told me to pick up my mat and walk.” “Who cured you?” They asked curiously. “I have young husband, Pinian, enjoyed 36 years of married life. God blessed their union with two children, both of whom he speedily took to himself.”

In what did the wealthy couple’s holiness exist? In love above all, of course. But in living out their love together, their love for God and for each other, they truly sought to live the evangelical counsels according to their state. Their villa was a center of religious life, hospitality and charity. Young girls and widows-desiring to be free to serve God could find refuge and support there. Christian families, over 30, gathered around, forming a type of Christian commune that could serve as a model even today. Melania, who inherited all the vast wealth of the Valerii, with her husband’s full support, sought to share her superfluity with all God’s people. They were not allowed to carry that mat around.”

Sick man at Bethesda

By JANAA MANTERNACH

One day Jesus went to Jerusalem to celebrate one of the Jewish feast days. As a devout Jew, Jesus faithfully celebrated the Jewish feast days all his life.

This particular day found Jesus in a section of the city just to the north, entering by the Sheep Gate. Once inside, Jesus stopped by an interesting place called Bethesda.

Bethesda was not far from the Sheep Gate. It was a pool of water fed by two natural springs. Jesus noticed crowds of sick people sitting around the pool. They apparently believed that the spring water had healing powers, especially when it bubbled up from the springs.

The sick persons sat as close to the water as possible. When they noticed the springs begin to bubble, they jumped or fell over into the water. The idea was that the first one in would be healed.

Jesus was walking among the crowd, watching the sick people. He spotted one man who looked as if he had been suffering a long time. Actually the man had been sick for 38 years.

Jesus walked over to the man and asked him, “Do you want to be healed?” The man grumbled, “I don’t have anyone to help me into the water fast enough. When the waters bubble, someone always gets there before me.”

Jesus simply responded, “Stand up! Pick up your mat and walk!” The man got up immediately. He was not only able to stand, he picked up his mat and walked off without a word.

To his surprise people started yelling at him. They did not notice that Jesus had healed the man. The crowd was so large and people were intent on getting into the water as soon as it bubbled. But they were surprised to see a man walking along on the Sabbath day carrying a mat. The Jewish law strictly forbade such an action on the Sabbath. So people said to him, “It is the Sabbath, and you are not allowed to carry that mat around.”

Melania and Pinian established something very beautiful at their villa. But they were asked to allow it all to be taken away and with equal love accept the trials of homelessness and humble living. This they did and on her deathbed Saint Melania could quote Job: “As the Lord willed, so it is done.” In their travels the couple became the respected friends of the great saints of their day; Saint Paulinus of Nola, Saint Augustine and Saint Jerome.

After Pinian died in 432, Melania, now nearly 60, became a true spiritual mother. Fifty or more virgins and widows gathered around her on the Mount of Olives. But the urgings of love would not let her rest, secure in their midst, enjoying the leisure of contemplation. In 436 she undertook a long, arduous winter journey to seek the conversion of the last of her father’s family. This being accomplished, she returned to her solitude and prayer, knowing that even as a senior citizen she could still effect much right up to the hour of her death by her prayer and her example.

Saint Melania in the course of her life set an example for wife, mother and widow, for the young and energetic and for the aging and concerned, for the social activist and the contemplative, for the affluent at the center of society and for the poor and refugees in exile. Saint Melania’s life proclaims that all Christian women, no matter what their station in life, can live truly Christian lives and become saints.
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Training Day For Eucharist Ministers

A training day for prospective ministers of the Eucharist will be held at St. Bernard Church, 8571 N.W. 24 Street, Sunrise, on Saturday, August 31 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The fee will be $3.00, which will include lunch.

- Pastors wishing to send

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It should be noted that in order to be commissioned as Special Ministers of the Eucharist one must have been recommended by his/her pastor and have attended a full day’s training.

Immigration workshop set

A workshop on immigration, naturalization and family reunification is being sponsored by the Archdiocese of Miami, 6301 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, Florida 33138 as soon as possible. Reservations for the training day may be made in the letter

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Family activities should be ‘touching’

By MIMI and TERRY RILEY

Last spring we had the pleasure of doing a workshop at the Archdiocesan Marriage Encounter Convention. When we were asked to do the Workshop I thought to myself what a strange title: "Touching...In the Family."

When we began doing research we ran across a book by Sidney Simon called "Caring, Touching, Feeling." We ended up basing the workshop almost entirely upon that book.

We were shocked to realize within our family how we had become victims of our cultural taboos in touching. Speaking as parents I guess we are guilty of falling into these non-touching patterns. Yet how sad, because all of us suffer from skin hunger in one form or another. How many of us have an elderly aunt or uncle or other relative who will go all “ape” over a tiny baby but would never think of giving a hug to a twelve year old or older.

Yes, most of us hug babies or small children but once kids reach third grade or so the hugs are a lot less and by the time our kids are in seventh grade it's pretty much hands off. In school, children stop touching and we fret about our girls becoming Tom boys or our boys becoming sissy.

I can remember as a young teen myself about the only time I would be touched was with a hand on my forehead when I was sick. Boys had to take hugs and kisses from mom but certainly they don’t have to kiss their fathers. The saddest thing we realized was that when kids were facing puberty and experiencing so many new feelings or drives, was the time when their “skin hunger” or lack of touching was at its worst state. I wonder how many young people fall into sexual indulgence simply because they had skin hunger and needed to be touched. Perhaps if the teens had their skin hunger satisfied at home, they wouldn’t feel the need to become involved with sexual touching so young.

Suddenly for us we realize why we were asked to do the workshop on Touching...In the Family. Where else can one be safely touched, hugged, stroked in a non-sexual fashion but in the home? Yet we parents were not helping but adding to the problem of skin hunger in our children.

Sad as it sounds we are hands off society. Any touching but for sports is simply assumed to be sexual. If adults touch in public eyebrows go up and if adults of the same sex touch then we really are uneasy.

What are some ways to encourage touching within our homes? First we’d say try to be aware when touching is done and evaluate it. Then make a firm decision to give each person in the family a minimum of three hugs a day.

For Moms, try brushing your daughter’s hair or giving a son a back massage when the family is watching T.V. At first the kids will balk, especially if they are not used to being touched but it won’t take long for them to admit they enjoy it. The book "Caring, Feeling, Touching" is available here at the Family Enrichment Center and can be ordered over the phone 651-0280. The book contains all sorts of touching exercises that can be done in the family.

For Dads, give a son a hug and even a kiss or two. He’ll probably faint of the shock. He’s not used to being hugged. Encourage him to get a response. Ask him to do the same for you on occasions. Touching is an innate need of all warm blooded animals. Skin hunger is a primitive thing but its need is not shameful or
Feast of Our Lady to be celebrated

"The Feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel will be celebrated at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 600 N.W. 1st Street, on Friday, July 13th, 14th and 15th. On Friday, July 13th, at 7 p.m. there will be a Papal Mass in honor of Our Lady, and a candlelight Procession followed by a Social Hour with 'Italian Specialties' available. On Saturday, July 14th, St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church will be open all day, until after the 6:00 P.M. Vigil Mass, for a visit to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. On Sunday, July 15th, there will be a solemn Procession on the Church grounds, after the 10:30 A.M. Mass, followed by Benediction. After Benediction, the celebration will close with a Social Hour and refreshments. Everyone is invited to attend.

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In the Circuit Court for Dade County, Florida, 1st Judicial Circuit, Case Number 79-4497, Division 03

KEVIN WELLS, CLARA D. REED, ALL OTHER PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF MARIE A. FITZGERALD, DECEASED,

WHEREAS, the undersigned, KEVIN WELLS, has been appointed personal representative of the estate of MARIE A. FITZGERALD, DECEASED, by the Court of 18th Judicial Circuit, Dade County, Florida, on June 13, 1979, and has now served the personal representative’s attorney a verified and true copy of the Notice published in THE VOICE on July 13, 1979; WHEREAS, the undersigned intends to register the said name with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Dade County, Florida, as required within THIRTY-NINE months from the date of the first publication of this Notice; WHEREAS, the undersigned make these findings of fact as to the administration of the estate as required within THIRTY-NINE months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, to wit: the death of the above court a written statement of any claim or demand they may have. Each claim must be in writing and must indicate the basis for the claim, the nature of the security shall be described. The claimant shall deliver sufficient copies of the writing to the estate. The personal representatives of the estate are required WITHIN THREE MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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Todd and Margaret Owers of Sacred Heart parish in Lake Worth have been elected the new Marriage Encounter Executive Couple, replacing John and Lynda Di Prima.

"We are looking forward to continuing the work of John and Lynda and seeing Marriage Encounter continue to flourish in the years ahead," the couple said.

St. Thomas More sponsors party

The Madonna Guild, St. Thomas More Parish, will sponsor a Dessert-Card Party on Friday, July 20th from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. in the cafeteria of the St. Vincent de Paul Seminary, Boynton Beach. Donation $1.50. Please bring your own cards. Reservations: 732-1864.

Family violence help available

Domestic Intervention is a voluntary program run by the office of the State Attorney to provide aid to families dealing with spouse and child abuse, and other forms of family violence. Counselors are available to assist program participants in learning to handle anger and frustration without violence toward family members or other persons.

Family violence involves any kind of physical assault between married or unmarried couples, children or relatives. Physical assault is a crime and anyone can become a victim. It may begin with angry words or a slap. Once a pattern of abuse is established, the assaults can become frequent and more violent.

Anyone who has been assaulted by a family member or thinks they may be a victim of domestic violence may seek help by calling 547-5482, Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. through 4:30 P.M. Applications may be taken at the Metropolitan Justice Building, 1351 N.W. 12 Street.

Former Barry Official Dead

ADRIAN, MICHIGAN — Sister Mary Grace Gilney, O.P., died June 30 at Maria Health Care Center here. She was 69 years of age and in her 47th year of religious profession as a member of the Adrian Dominican Congregation.

Sister Mary Grace served in the Archdiocese of Miami at Barry College where she was Administrator from 1946-52; Treasurer from 1968-72 and the Community Director from 1972-73. She also served in West Palm Beach at the convalescent center.

The Mass of the Resurrection for Sister Mary Grace was celebrated Monday, July 2 in the Holy Rosary Chapel at the Dominican Mother House here. Burial was in the Congregation cemetery.

Franciscans meet

The secular Franciscan Order of Miami Beach will meet on Sunday, July 15, at 1 p.m. in St. Francis de Sales Church, 621 Alton Rd., Miami Beach.

Father Robert N. Lynch, associate Pastor of St. James’ Church, North Miami, has been appointed to a special committee of the U.S. Catholic Conference in Washington, D.C., which is planning the scheduled visit of Pope John Paul II to the United States. Father Lynch this week journeyed to the nation’s capital to attend the first committee meeting.
Piden Ayuda, Resolución del Conflicto

250,000 Desplazados por Guerra en Nicaragua

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — Tras cinco semanas de lucha entre los Sandinistas y la Guardia Nacional, los desplazados por la guerra civil llegan a 250,000 en el país — 150,000 en la capital y 100,000 en el resto — con 27,000 en Honduras, 31,000 en Costa Rica y 20,000 en Estados Unidos. Los que viven en zonas de combate sufren necesidades porque las agencias de socorro no pueden llevarles alimentos, medicinas ni ropas. La gente acude a la protección de templos, escuelas católicas y otros centros cuando sus casas quedan destruidas o se agotan sus provisiones.

Se han presentado algunos casos de tifóide, tétanos y polio entre la población civil, y hay zonas desesperadas por falta de agua, electricidad, comunicaciones y alimentos. Los religiosos de Estados Unidos han acogido las llamadas de socorro de los religiosos de Managua y del Arzobispo de Managua Mons. Miguel Obando.

La Catholic Relief Services (CRS) en coordinación con Caritas y grupos ecuménicos, ha repartido ayuda, pero aún quedan por movilizar toneladas de alimentos por falta de transporte o por el peligro de combatir. CRS ha ofrecido una contribución de $1 millón para la emergencia y los países vecinos también contribuyen.

El secretario general de la U.S. Catholic Conference Mons. Thomas Kelly se refirió a la gran necesidad, “especialmente de los más pobres e indefensos, y a los sufrimientos del pueblo al ver a sus seres queridos brutalmente muertos, al dolor del exilio y la huida en busca de sitio seguro, al agujón del hambre y la piedad de ver a su patria desatada por la guerra.”

Kelly prometió “todas las ayudas posibles de los católicos de Estados Unidos, apoyando gestiones de la Organización de Estados Americanos (OEA) en rechazo de toda intervención militar extranjera, y secundó llamados para que el presidente de los Estados Unidos, nombrara a un representante de la Iglesia católica.”

La Comisión se ocupará sobre todo del diálogo y la cooperación con otras sectas cristianas y no-cristianas de la arquidiócesis para resolver problemas clínicos y morales que afecten a toda la comunidad.

EVENTUALMENTE, la Comisión publicará unas guías Ecuménicas para ayudar a las parroquias y a las organizaciones arquidiocesanas para continuar el diálogo y la cooperación. Entre los miembros de la Comisión figuran: Arzobispo Edward McCarthy, Obispo Auxiliar Agustín Román, Vicario para Hispánicos, Mons. Bryan Walsh, Director de la Oficina de Servicios Cívicos de la Arquidiócesis, Padre José Núñez, Director Arquidiocesano de Radio y Televisión y Frank Magrath, Director Regional de la Conferencia Nacional de Cristianos y Judíos.

Pronto se nombrarán más miembros de otras partes de la Arquidiócesis.

Al Recibir su Palio en Roma

Arzobispo McCarthy Invita al Papa a Miami

CIUDAD DEL VATICANO—El Arzobispo de Miami, Edward McCarthy estuvo entre tres arzobispos estadounidenses y 41 otros arzobispos y cardenales que recibieron sus palios durante una Misa concelebrada la semana pasada en el Vaticano. El palio, una faja de lana blanca con cruces negras, lo usan los arzobispos metropolitanos (cabezas de provincias eclesiásticas) durante ceremonias eclesiásticas.

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Después de los saludos del Papa- el Papa también lo usa para decirle que extendiera sus saludos a los arzobispos que habían sido admitidos al Consistorio.

La renuncia de Somoza se espera de un día a otro, y fue una de las noticias que se esperan.

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EVENTUALMENTE, la Comisión publicará unas guías Ecuménicas para ayudar a las parroquias y a las organizaciones arquidiocesanas para continuar el diálogo y la cooperación. Entre los miembros de la Comisión figuran: Arzobispo Edward McCarthy, Obispo Auxiliar Agustín Román, Vicario para Hispánicos, Mons. Bryan Walsh, Director de la Oficina de Servicios Cívicos de la Arquidiócesis, Padre José Núñez, Director Arquidiocesano de Radio y Televisión y Frank Magrath, Director Regional de la Conferencia Nacional de Cristianos y Judíos.

Pronto se nombrarán más miembros de otras partes de la Arquidiócesis.

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Centro para Cuidado de Niños en la Pequeña Habana

EL PROGRAMA de Cuidado de Niños de la Pequeña Habana, recientemente inaugurado por la Oficina de Servicios Católicos de la Archidiócesis de Miami, provee a 60 niños de tres a seis años de edad con cuidado profesional y tres comidas diarias.

Hecho posible por la cooperación de la ciudad de Miami y el Condado Metropolitano de Dade, admisión al programa depende de factores como la necesidad de los padres de trabajar en la calle y aliviar las tensiones ambientales. Otras consideraciones son el lugar de residencia, la edad del niño y la fecha de aplicación para admisión.

EL COSTO de la matricula dependerá de las ganancias anuales de la familia y el número de miembros en ésta. La matrícula máxima es $8 diarios por cada niño y la mínima es $2.

El programa está situado en el Centro Comunitario de la Pequeña Habana, en el 970 S.W. 1 Calle. Para más información llamar a la División de Cuidado del Niño de la Oficina de Servicios Católicos al 744-2444.

La inauguración de este programa coincide con la observación mundial del año internacional del Niño, celebrado para fomentar un mayor interés en las necesidades de todos los niños.

Se Ofrece Programa sobre Leyes de Inmigración y Naturalización

Un programa titulado “Leyes y Procedimientos de Inmigración y Naturalización” será ofrecido por la Oficina de Vida Rural el 18 de agosto, de 8:30 a.m. a 4:30 p.m., en el Centro Villa Lagos para Cuidado de Niños, situado en la Avenida Estatuto en South Bay, cerca de Bella Glade.

El programa, que se ofrecerá en inglés con la participación de oficiales del Servicio de Naturalización y Inmigración de los Estados Unidos, explicará cómo se aplican las leyes de inmigración e incluirá una detallada demostración de cómo completar las plazas. En el programa también se discutirán los procedimientos para la reunificación de las familias.

Interesados en asistir deben ponerse en contacto con la oficina de Vida Rural, llamando al 1-499-8340.

WASHINGTON (NC) – La US Catholic Conference (USCC) efectúa a fines de octubre en Kansas City, Mo., la conferencia sobre la Familia y su Ministerio como inicio del Año de la Familia que los obispos han preparado para 1980. El tema, a ser debatido por unos 4,000 delegados, se relaciona con la renovación parroquial, la evangelización y el ministerio seglar, explica el P. Donald Conroy, de la USCC.

• Almuerzo anual de algunas alumnas del Apostolado
• La Asociación de Antigas Alumnas de los Colegios Apostolado de Cuba en el exilio celebrará su almuerzo anual de contaminación este domingo 15, en el Intercontinental Hotel, comenzando a las 11:30 a.m. con un coctel seguido de una exposición de modas. Para más información, ponerse en contacto con Matri Tere Ortiz de Lamerens o Mery Appelvist de Larrauri.

• Festival en San Juan Bosco
• La parroquia de San Juan Bosco celebrará su Festival de Verano los días 20 al 22 de este mes. Habrán juegos y diversiones para toda la familia. Participar y disfrutar.

• Programa gratuito sobre la electricidad
Para ayudarnos a usar adecuadamente la electricidad y a mantener bajos los costos, la compañía de Florida Power and Light presentará un programa gratuito este 24 de julio en el centro parroquial de la Iglesia de Nuestra Señora de los Lagos en Miami Lakes. El programa comenzará a las 7:30 p.m. y todos quedan invitados.

• Se planea reunión de alumnos de Santa Teresa
El comité de reunión de alumnos del Colegio de Santa Teresa, de la parroquia de Little Flower, está planeando una reunión para los alumnos mayores de 10 años, con actividades y juegos para que todos los niños se diviertan. Actividades tentativas, planeadas para un fin de semana en la primera semana de este año incluyen una misa, un coctel con baile y comida el sábado y el domingo un picnic. El costo todavía no ha sido determinado.

El comité pide que los antiguos alumnos envíen su nombre y dirección, su año de graduación y si son mujeres, sus apellidos de solteras, al “Reunion Committee”, 577 Elk Circle, Marco Island, Florida 33957. También pueden enviar información sobre otros antiguos alumnos, para que todos tengan la oportunidad de participar en este programa.

• Venta en San Brendan
La Asociación de Damas Católicas de la Parroquia de San Brendan necesita artículos donados que estén en buena condición para venderlos en su Venta Anual, que tendrá lugar del 21 al 29 de julio.

Para más información o recogida, llamar a Irene Stevens al 221-4805.

Comunidad
RESIDENTES DEL esta- do de la Florida recorrerán la Tierra Santa, desde Jordania a Jerusalén, durante la Peregi- nación de Doce Días que patro- cina La Voz, y que dirigirá per- sonalmente Monsenor Bryan Walsh, Director de la Oficina de Servicios Católicos de la Arquidiócesis de Miami.

Los peregrinos partirán de todas partes de la Florida hacia el Aeropuerto Interna- cional John F. Kennedy de Nueva York, donde abordarán un jumbo jet 747 de las Reales Aerolíneas de Jordania rumbo a Amán, capital del reinado "En- trada a la Tierra Santa".

En Amán pasarán un día entero, visitando lugares de in- terés como el Monte Nebo donde Moisés vio la Tierra Promes- tida y está enterrado.

Después serán conducidos por las Montañas de Moab hasta el Río Jordán, y siguien- do la misma trayectoria que probablemente tomaron los israelitas, cruzarán el Puente de Allenby, siguiendo hasta Jericó, visitando las Ciudades Antiguas y Modernas, el mar Muerto y Quírman, antes de atravesar el Valle de Jordán y seguir hacia Samaría y Nazare- t.

EN LA CIUDAD SANTA de Jerusalén y sus alrededores pasan tres días, durante los cuales visitarán Belén, el Mon- te de los Olivos, el Templo Area, Betania, Emaús y Ain Karem.

Los peregrinos también commitments la Vía de la Cruz, desde el pretorio de Poncio Pi- lato hasta el Santo Sepulcro.

Se celebrará una Misa diaria en cada ermita prin- cipal, incluyendo las de Getse- mani, el Calvario y el Sepulcro de Cristo, y Monsenor Walsh hablará sobre la Tierra Santa y los lugares sagrados que se vi- siten.

Personas interesadas de- ben dirigirse a: Peregrinaje a la Tierra

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Vista parcial de Belén, donde Jesucristo nació, que sigue siendo para millones de personas de todo el mundo lugar de peregrinaje, ciudad santa y tierra donde la Estrella anunció al Salvador del Mundo.

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Todos estamos conscientes de la situación tan difícil que existe en muchas áreas del Sur de la Florida, especialmente en el centro de las escuelas donde la pobreza y desnutrición constitui- yen un grave problema.

Me dirijo a ustedes para pedirles que sean generosos en la Co- lecta Anual para las Misiones en el Centro de la Ciudad que se hará el próximo fin de semana.

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El problema es que el espíritu personal, sin Cristo, sería lo que realmente nos salvaría: Para ellos, "la salva- ción es el fruto del esfuerzo in- dividual que cada uno emplea, en la medida de sus fuerzas".

No existe, pues, el perdon ni la Redención. Es inútil el arre- pentimiento y la reparación: "Toda falta cometida, todo mal realizado, es una deuda contraída que deberá ser paga- da; si no fuera en una exis- tencia, lo sería en la siguiente o en las siguientes", dice Allan Kardec.

El espíritu habría veni- do a substituir el cristianismo y el mismo Allan Kardec lo de- nomina "Tercera Revelación".

La primera seria el Anti- guo Testamento y la segunda

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Nicaragüenses Necesitan Ropa, Alimentos, Ayuda Médica

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Los guerrerillos del Frente Sandinista de Liberación Nacional, sin embargo, mantienen que el nuevo gobierno no incluirá a estos dos grupos a pesar de presiones diplomáticas de los Estados Unidos y otros países.

Violeta Chamorro, miembro del gobierno provisorio de reciente creación, dijo que a pesar de que el gobierno ha declarado su intención de conciliación nacional, ha trabajado en estrecha colaboración con los líderes clero del país en la investigación de crímenes de guerra.

La propuesta, agregó Chamorro, es un intento de arrebatar a ese pueblo su victoria, con la ayuda de varias instituciones en el hemisferio...Nicaragua, es un país que su pueblo quiere, la gran mayoría prefiere una verdadera democracia, añadió, en respuesta a las críticas de Washington.

Pastoral Invita a Weekend Juvenil

JOVENES HISPANOS de todos pueblos de parroquias de Nuestra Señora de la Candelaria, nos invitamos a rezar, compartir, discutir, reflexionar y disfrutar este fin de semana, durante el segundo “Weekend Juvenil” que prepara la Pastoral de Pastoral Juvenil.

El “Weekend” comenzará este viernes, 13 de julio, con una charla y discusión sobre la “Identidad, Intimidad y Crecimiento del Joven”. El Hermandelito de la Misa de Miguel Campos, Director, conducirá la Oficina de Educación Religiosa de la Arquidiócesis, dirigirá las reflexiones y diría misa a las 7:30 p.m. en la cafetería del Seminario St. Michael.

SEGUN AMNERIS Silva, de la Oficina Pastoral Juvenil, el “Weekend” que comenzó el año pasado, es un intento más de la Pastoral de coordinar actividades para los muchos jóvenes hispanos que quieren sentirse parte de algo movimiento juvenil católico, y por alguna razón u otra no han podido conseguirlo.


Misa por Coleman Carroll

El Arzobispo Edward McCarthy invita a todos los sacerdotes y fieles de la Arquidiócesis de Miami a una Misa concelebrada con motivo del segundo aniversario de la muerte del Arzobispo Coleman F. Carroll, primer obispo de la diócesis de Miami.

La Misa se celebrará a las 12:15 en la Catedral de St. Mary el jueves 28 de julio, aniversario de su muerte. El Arzobispo McCarthy ha dicho que "No se me ocurre mejor tributo que el que los fieles y sacerdotes se unan en oración por él.,