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Pope retraces steps made as young man

KRAKOW, Poland (CNS)—On a fourday trip to his Polish homeland, Pope John Paul II said the legacy of a local saint—a devotional movement dedicated to God's healing mercy—offered the remedy to a world torn by suffering, conflict and sin.

The visit Aug. 16-19 to his former Archdiocese of Krakow was an emotional one as the pope retraced his steps as a young man, a priest and a bishop. Poles welcomed him as their favorite son in a homecoming made all the more moving by the pontiff's frailty.

"You are home," they chanted. "Stay with us."

"With my heart and my thoughts, yes," he said.

The 82-year-old pope reminisced and

bantered with the crowd from his residence window every evening, teasing well-wishers that if he had aged 23 years since his first trip home so had they. On his last night, he sang the crowd a goodbye song before dining with a group of old friends.

But he was not back in Krakow just to relive his memories. He came to promote a prayer movement inspired by the visions of St. Faustina Kowalska more than 60 years ago; the movement has spread to many other countries.

On Aug. 17, he dedicated a new basilica next to St. Faustina's former convent, the geographical heart of the Divine Mercy movement. The next day, at a Mass attended by more than 2 million people, he beatified four Poles—a bishop, two priests and a nun—who exemplified the saint's concept of mercy in action.

On Aug. 19, he prayed at a Calvary shrine and honored Mary as the one who, at the foot of the cross, uniquely shared in divine mercy and knew its greatness.

Every stop held deep meaning to residents of the pope's native archdiocese, but his point was that these local traditions now have an echo in the universal Church.

"How greatly today's world needs God's mercy," the pope said during a sermon at the dedication Mass at the Sanctuary of Divine Mercy.

"In every continent, from the depth of human suffering, a cry for mercy seems to rise up. Where hatred and thirst for

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Pope John Paul II kisses a golden chalice during a private visit to Wawel Cathedral in Krakow, Poland, on Aug. 18. The pope celebrated his first Mass at the cathedral 56 years ago.

Archbishop Buechlein to mark 10th anniversary with two Masses

By Greg Otolski

All are invited to attend two Masses of Thanksgiving next



week with Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein as he thanks God for the blessings our archdiocese has received in the past 10 years. Archbishop

Buechlein was

appointed the

Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein

fifth archbishop of Indianapolis by Pope John Paul II in 1992 and was installed on Sept. 9, 1992.

The Masses, which will be followed by a reception, will be celebrated by Archbishop Buechlein on Tuesday, Aug. 27, in New Albany and Thursday, Aug. 29, in Indianapolis. Several priests from the archdiocese are expected to concelebrate.

Tuesday's Mass will begin at

Indianapolis parish painstakingly rebuilds its burned-out church

By Mary Ann Wyand

Inch by inch, with the aid of hand-drawn stencils, the ornately painted, arched ceiling of historic Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Indianapolis has been replicated to its former beauty.

It was a time-consuming and expensive task for skilled workers from Conrad Schmitt Studios of New Berlin, Wis., to replace the decorative artwork, murals and religious images painted on the ceiling of the lofty nave, which was heavily damaged in an electrical fire that started under the intricately carved, wooden high altar early in the morning on April 27, 2001.

Even the eight angels are back in place on the ceiling, at the cross of the transept and nave, in the 121-year-old brick church.

Parishioners and others who have seen the replicated church ceiling since the scaffolding was removed are amazed that it looks like it did after German craftsmen first painted it in the late 1800s and early 1900s. Only now it is brighter and cleaner.

"People were amazed and happy and pleasantly surprised," said Franciscan Father Michael Barrett, pastor of the 127-year-old parish. "Some of the people said they almost cried when they came in and saw the ceiling. Earlier, many of the people had said 'You won't be able to find anybody to do this kind of work anymore.' But there are still people who can do this kind of detailed painting." Much work still needs to be done inside the church—including replacement of the main altar, the crucifix and five of the stained glass windows-but Father Michael said he expects to celebrate the first Mass there in early December. "We will have a Mass of Thanksgiving on Jan. 26 and invite the firefighters as a way to show them our appreciation for all that they did to save the church," Father Michael said. "Archbishop [Daniel M.] Buechlein will celebrate the rededication Mass at 2 p.m. on Feb. 16."

Sacred Replication





Replication of decorative painting on the ornate, arched ceiling of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Indianapolis was recently completed by employees of Conrad Schmitt Studios of New Berlin, Wis. The historic 121-year-old church was extensively damaged by an electrical fire on April 27, 2001.

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Archdiocese sending delegates to National Black Catholic Congress

By Margaret Nelson

The 19 archdiocesan delegates to the National Black Catholic Congress in Chicago on Aug. 29-Sept. 1 will take with them eight recommendations that came out

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of a reflection day held earlier this year. The issues cover spirituality, parish life, youth and young adults, Catholic education, social justice, racism, Africa and HIV/AIDS. Each recommendation lists actions to be taken in the next year, three years and five years.

The National Black Catholic Congress is held every five years to establish an

agenda for evangelizing black Catholics. The eight recommendations the delegates from the Archdiocese of Indianapolis will present are:

Spirituality—Seek to pray and work in the spirit of black ancestors in the faith: a) publicize and circulate information on African-American Catholic

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7 p.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help See MASSES, page 2

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That's wonderful news for parishioners, who have been worshiping at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall, located nearby at 1125 S. Meridian St., since the fire.

It's also a relief for Indianapolis Fire Department firefighters, who were heartbroken to see fire destroy much of the interior of the beautiful church.

In their successful effort to save the church building, firefighters climbed along old, 2-foot-wide planks mounted on each side of the attic floor to put out the fire raging 50 feet above the pews.

Firefighters also rescued the metal tabernacle, which dates back to the 1920s.

Damage was estimated at more than \$1 million on the day of the fire, but an extensive review later determined that it would cost more than \$4 million to replicate the church interior.

Archdiocesan insurance coverage is paying for the fire damage, but Sacred Heart Parish still needs to raise about \$200,000 of an \$800,000 capital campaign for exterior repairs to the two weather-damaged steeples and installation of improved lighting, a fire-alarm system, air-conditioning and handicap-accessible restrooms in the church.

Architect Michael Eagan of Entheos Architects in Indianapolis is overseeing the project.

Conrad Schmitt Studios also is replicating five ornate, stained glass windowsincluding a rose window-and repairing 20 windows that were not blown out by the heat of the fire.

Weberding Carving Shop in Batesville is creating the replacement altar, which will



Franciscan Father Michael Barrett, pastor, stands in front of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Indianapolis. The twin steeples are being restored with donations to the parish building fund.

be completed in December, and religious statues.

Wicks Organ Company of Highland, Ill., is restoring the massive organ.

Henry C. Smither Roofing Co. of Indianapolis has completed repairs to the north steeple and is currently finishing work on the south steeple.

Sacred Heart parishioners Randy Childers, who is chairing the building committee, and Alan Goebes, a building committee member, are among the parish volunteers who have spent countless hours helping plan and oversee repairs to the



A Conrad Schmitt Studios employee from New Berlin, Wis., paints a section of the church ceiling outlined by stencils during replication work on a ceiling arch in May.



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Church, 1752 Scheller Lane, in New Albany.

Thursday's Mass, at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1347 N. Meridian St. in Indianapolis, also begins at 7 p.m. Although the Masses commemorate

recognize the work everyone has done to carry out God's work in the archdiocese and to focus on thanking God for his blessing.

The Aug. 30 issue of The Criterion will include a special supplement looking back at Archbishop Buechlein's 10 years as archbishop of Indianapolis as well as his 15th anniversary since he was ordained a bishop. He was bishop of Memphis for



Sacred Heart of Jesus parishioner and building committee member Alan Goebes, right, of Indianapolis, shows an architect friend the early stages of the decorative painting on the church ceiling in May.

church.

Last month, Goebes and Childers joined Father Michael and others on a trip to Conrad Schmitt Studios near Milwaukee, Wis., to view progress on the stained glass windows.

'The goal is to make the church look just like it was before the fire, except newer and cleaner," Goebes said. "Everything will be repaired. Even the gold-leaf paint will be renewed."

The daunting task of returning the church to its former beauty also includes the replacement of 1,200 hand-carved crockets, the decorative trim on the main altar, which

are being cast in resin instead of carved. The church replication project has been incredibly complicated at times, Father Michael said, but it's also been a labor of love.

"We're hoping that people will feel moved to support our building fund out of love for the church," he said, "and we're looking forward to being back in the church for Masses in time for Christmas."

(Donations to the Sacred Heart Church building fund may be sent to Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, 1530 Union St., Indianapolis, IN 46225.) †



This scaffolding reaching to the church ceiling was recently removed from the interior of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church.



"Family of God: Growing in **Holiness Together**"

National Association of Catholic Diocesan Lesbian and Gay Ministries, offers resources of ministry information and supports Diocesan and Parish ministries with lesbian and gay Catholics and their families. The national conference, in Cincinnati, Ohio, will be a gathering of leaders and those who minister from across the nation.

Archbishop Buechlein's 10th anniversary as archbishop, he said he wanted to five years before being appointed archbishop of Indianapolis. †

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Criterion Press, Inc. 1400 N. Meridian St. Box 1717 Indianapolis, IN 46206-1717. Who should attend? Everyone involved in ministry in the Church.

Why? In "Always Our Children," the U.S. Bishops say the Christian community should offer its homosexual sisters and brothers understanding and pastoral care.

9th Annual NACDLGM Conference

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Parishioners tell their priest 'thank you' with prayers

By Jennifer Del Vechio

More than 27,000 prayers are being said for Msgr. John T. Ryan.

It's not for any special reason. The members of St. Anthony Parish in Indianapolis just wanted to thank him for everything he's done for the parish and for the countless lives he has touched during his 32 years as a priest.

"It's very humbling," said Msgr. Ryan, pastor of St. Anthony's and dean of the Indianapolis West Deanery. "It made me real happy to sense that people are praying for me. God knows we all need prayer, and it's comforting to know people support you with prayer."

Gathering prayers for someone is known as a spiritual bouquet. People pledge to say a rosary, offer the Mass for the person, pray for them after Communion or say other special prayers for them, such as an Our Father each day.

Collecting a spiritual bouquet for Msgr. Ryan was the idea of parishioner Dianne McKeever, who thought priests need support, especially in light of the sex abuse scandal in the Church.

McKeever said her two daughters told

her about a priest who announced he was embarrassed to say he was a priest for the first time in his life. She's heard other comments about how the scandal, where some priests have been found guilty or accused of harming children, has affected innocent priests.

"I was feeling pain for these priests," said McKeever, who then decided that a spiritual bouquet of prayers would be a good idea.

Deciding to seek support from her parish, McKeever and her husband Patrick, sent out more than 600 letters to parishioners asking for spiritual bouquets.

Spiritual bouquets do not cost any money. They are merely a way to show appreciation and support for someone.

For example, 4,866 Masses were pledged for Msgr. Ryan. This is different from paying a Mass stipend. Instead, the person who pledges the Mass simply offers up the Mass they are attending for the person silently in their hearts.

For a Communion offering, the person prays for whoever they pledged the spiritual bouquet after receiving Communion. Msgr. Ryan received 4,914 Communion offerings. Others in the parish pledged to pray 5,669 rosaries and 12,508 special prayers for Msgr. Ryan.

They presented the spiritual bouquets in a special binder that had each person's spiritual bouquet written on a piece of paper inside.

Msgr. Ryan plans to keep the book on his bookshelf to remind him of the gift.

McKeever grew up with the idea of spiritual bouquets, but found that not everyone understood them when under-

taking the project. She remembers in Catholic grade school when the nuns had the students make spiritual bouquets for Mother's Day.

She's also knows people who have not asked for birthday gifts, but merely spiritual bouquets.

Msgr. Ryan said he also grew up with the practice.

McKeever hopes that more people will gather spiritual bouquets for their priests. While she did a mass mailing from the parish roster, a simple note in the parish bulletin would also do.

"It's very easy to do," said McKeever, "and it's a good way to show support for all that our priests do for us." ‡



Msgr. John T. Ryan holds the many prayers he received as part of his spiritual bouquet from members of St. Anthony Parish in Indianapolis, where he is pastor. Parishioners had the spiritual bouquet, or pledges of prayer, bound for him as a keepsake.

Archbishop tells administrators to focus on 'what's right'

By Karen Oddi

BLOOMINGTON—Archbishop Daniel M. Buechlein offered welcome words of encouragement to 174 parish administrators of religious education and school principals gathered for the annual educational administrators conference on Aug. 5-7 in Bloomington.

The archbishop stated that "a veil has been lifted" by the scandal over sexual abuse by the clergy and that administrators can help society deal with problems by focusing on "what's right" in the parishes and the schools, "where the Church truly lives."

One's relationship with the Trinity through baptism makes it possible to be alive as Church, the archbishop said, and communion with God brings communion with others and the blessings of living in communion with one another in the parish, the diocese and the world.

The archbishop also emphasized the need for educational ministers to have a sound theological understanding of the Church and a deep appreciation of the essential role of the sacraments on the path to holiness.

He noted a renewed interest in apologetics—the ability to explain and defend the Catholic faith to others—and expressed his hope that the forthcoming publication of a national adult catechism will enable more people to become comfortable in sharing with others the teachings of the Church.

Annette "Mickey" Lentz, archdiocesan secretary for Catholic education and faith formation, thanked Archbishop Buechlein



Kevin DePrey, director of Fatima Retreat House in Indianapolis, was the keynote presenter for the annual archdiocesan educational administrators conference on Aug. 5-7 in Bloomington. More than 170 parish administrators of religious education and school principals attended the conference.

for standing behind the administrators and supporting them consistently through his presence and his prayers.

Kevin DePrey, director of Fatima Retreat House in Indianapolis, was the keynote presenter for the conference.

DePrey focused on the essentials of the spiritual journey, particularly as they apply to educational leaders. Through inspirational video and slide presentations and a number of group exercises, he reminded the group to "shine the spotlight on the good" and strive to see the face of God in all persons and the hand of God in all things. He also stressed the importance of being able to laugh with each other and realize that God is also found in the humorous parts of everyday life.

New this year were several sessions related to Project EXCEED, the archdiocesan initiative to improve the overall quality of Catholic schools in Marion County over the next two years.

It includes components of rewarding and maintaining good teachers, helping with special-needs students, such as those with physical or mental disabilities, and helping Hispanic students coming into Catholic schools who do not speak English. Of particular interest to both principals and parish administrators of religious education was the unveiling of the Archdiocesan 21st Century Web Curriculum, a new Internet-based system for alignment of the archdiocesan religion curriculum to ensure a balance among what is written, what is taught and what is tested.

In addition to the religion curriculum, educators also will be able to access the curriculum for most academic subject areas and use a number of teacher tools to coordinate resources and address a student's special needs. The curriculum can be found at <u>www.archindy.org</u> by going to the Catholic education link and clicking on "curriculum."

During the conference, administrators participated in business meetings, breakout sessions, prayer and leisure activities. Lentz also recognized five parishes for completion of TEAMPLAN—the strategic planning process for improving parish faith formation programs.

Certificates were awarded to St. Mary Parish in Navilleton, St. Mary Parish in New Albany, Mary, Queen of Peace Parish in Danville, Sacred Heart Parish in Jeffersonville and Holy Spirit Parish in Indianapolis.

Seventeen parishes and the Aquinas Center in Clarksville are now involved in TEAMPLAN and several more will begin the planning process in October.

(Karen Oddi is the associate director of religious education, sacramental, adult and family catechesis for the archdiocese.) †

Presidential adviser discusses role of faith-based organizations

WASHINGTON (CNS)—A special adviser to President Bush said that the major issue in community revitalization is balancing the independence of faith-



based and grassroots organizations with the need for accountability to the government. Catholic organizations are not immune

to this situation but tend to be easier to deal with than other faith-based

Stephen Goldsmith

organizations because of the

Church's structure, said Stephen Goldsmith, a Harvard professor who was appointed by Bush to head the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Goldsmith, who also is former mayor of Indianapolis, made the comments in a lecture on "Putting Faith in Neighborhoods: Making Cities Work Through Grassroots Citizenship," sponsored by the Heritage Foundation in Washington on Aug. 15.

When he was mayor of Indianapolis, Goldsmith also served as honorary chairman of Building Communities of Hope, a campaign led by the Archdiocese of Indianapolis to improve education and social services in the Indianapolis center city.

"A federal grant program or federally sponsored volunteer can disrupt a grassroots organization, even inadvertently," Goldsmith said. "Organizations will configure the way they express their mission to conform to a government [grant]. And government grant monitors are fully capable of tormenting those who receive their funds."

Yet, he said, government has a distinct role to play in urban renewal, "but [it] doesn't need to be a monopolist on all good deeds."

During his tenure as mayor, Indianapolis created what became a national model for urban renewal that hinged on the participation of faith-based and grassroots organizations in neighborhoods.

"We looked at [the most troubled] communities, and the most frequent asset in these neighborhoods was the Church," he said. But existing leadership tended to be "gone or passive," he added.

"One of the major problems," he said, "was that well-intentioned federal bureaucrats would go into neighborhoods and supplant local leadership." The result was a "city-switchboard" model, Goldsmith said.

"We wanted government to connect good things with faith-based neighborhood organizations to get better outcomes," he said in describing the model. "We took park dollars, contracted with faith-based organizations to maintain a neighborhood park, and the park then became a neighborhood park ... graffiti went off the walls, drug dealers were evicted. They didn't own the park, but they maintained it, and in such a way that ... the neighborhood is better off."

He said one reason faith-based and grassroots organizations often succeed where government does not is because "there's a distinct connection between religion and faith and positive social outcomes."

"If you want a vibrant and active civic infrastructure," he said. "People See GOLDSMITH, page 11



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Editorial War against Iraq?

The United States appears to be headed for another war against Iraq. President Bush has made it clear that he intends to make a "regime change" in Iraq; he is determined to eliminate Saddam Hussein one way or another.

The newsmagazines and television interview shows indicate that government officials of both political parties expect us to go to war sooner or later. However, President Bush has made no effort to convince us that such a war would be morally justified.

He is having trouble convincing the rest of the world to support his decision to go to war. Our European allies are opposed. Saudi Arabia would refuse to allow us to attack Iraq from that country. There is no support from other Arab countries, which don't seem to fear Iraq's aggression.

As far as we can see, this would be an offensive war, not a defensive one. Although the Bush administration is convinced that Hussein is developing weapons of mass destruction, it hasn't explained how that would threaten the United States. If anyone should feel threatened, it should be Iraq's neighbors, and we don't see any of them encouraging the United States to go to war.

"Just war" principles have always granted the right of a government to use military force for lawful self-defense, but not for initiating an offensive war. The war on terrorism is lawful selfdefense, but if war against Saddam Hussein is part of the war on terrorism, the Bush administration has not made a case for that. More terrorists come from Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Iran than from Iraq.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (#2309) lists four conditions for legitimate defense by military force. The first is that "the damage inflicted by the aggressor on the nation or community of nations must be lasting, grave, and certain." Is anyone who is advocating war against Iraq really convinced that Iraq is about to inflict "lasting, grave, and certain" damage on the United States?

impractical or ineffective." Apparently our allies are not convinced that all other means have been attempted.

The third condition is that "there must be serious prospects of success." But what would constitute success? Just the elimination of Hussein? Then what? Who is going to replace him? What makes us think that just the removal of Hussein would add to greater stability in the region?

The fourth condition is that "the use of arms must not produce evils and disorders graver than the evil to be eliminated." The last Persian Gulf War produced extreme hardships for the people of Iraq, especially children, which continue to this day. How can we be sure that war against Iraq wouldn't light a fuse that could ignite a much bigger war?

While the United States is debating whether or not to invade Iraq, Saddam Hussein isn't just waiting for it to happen. He has been defiant and intent on convincing other Arab nations that an attack on Iraq would be war against all Arabs and all Muslims.

We already have most of the Arab countries opposed to the United States because of our uneven stance in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and the largely successful efforts of Osama bin Laden and al-Qaida to paint our war against terrorism as a Western crusade against Islam. People throughout the Arab world see television pictures, which we don't see on American television, of Israeli soldiers using Americanmade-and-donated weapons against the Palestinians.

We don't need more violence in the world. Rather than threatening more violence with war against Iraq, we would like to see President Bush do more to secure a just peace in the Holy Land.

As Pope John Paul II said in his encyclical Centesimus Annus in 1991, "No, never again war, which destroys the lives of innocent people, teaches how to kill, throws into upheaval even the lives of those who do the killing, and leaves behind a trail of resentment and hatred, thus making it all the more difficult to find a just solution of the very problems which provoked the war.'

Seeking the Face of the Lord

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



Signs of hope for our Church

ur Catholic youth are on my mind as we begin another school year. It seems that the older I get, the more I am encouraged by the goodness of our young Church. In so many ways, they are truly a reason for hope for our archdiocese.

At the end of June, I saw generous and committed youth providing leadership to our children at our summer CYO Camp Rancho Framasa in Brown County.

The day I was present for the dedication of new and renovated facilities at our camp was one of the hottest of the summer. Young adults were there to lead and care for 180 very young campers. I saw lots of smiles on their sweaty faces and, better, a lot of care for somewhat anxious children on their first day at camp as well as confidence in dealing with the more rambunctious, seasoned campers. God bless them and their campers!

At the end of June, I received a packet of messages from 80 new junior and senior retreat leaders designated to lead the retreats at Bishop Chatard High School in Indianapolis in this coming school year. Their letters included moving testimonies of enthusiastic faith and generous words of commitment to take their leadership roles seriously.

The group spent a day in a retreat leaders workshop. The morning was spent talking about and participating in prayer. The afternoon was spent discussing how to be a good Christian leader, how to run smallgroup sharing and how to write and prepare talks "using the Holy Spirit as our guide."

The evening session was a beautiful talk on the Catechism of the Catholic Church and "how we can better educate ourselves about our Catholic faith and become more one with the universal Church." The student notes thanked me for my leadership. They also asked if I would be able to join them on one of their retreats during the next school year. I responded to that latter request with regrets because between all of our high schools I would hardly be able to work thinks out in my already overloaded schedule. I must admit that with second thoughts I am trying to figure out how I might offer the support these fine vouthful leaders deserve. It is sometimes frustrating that the pastoral activities I would most enjoy fulfilling hardly seem possible in my daily expectations.

interrupted my annual vacation in order to be present for World Youth Day and the visit of Pope John Paul II in Toronto. What I thought was going to be a two-day interlude ended up being five days.

I received a letter from Vatican Cardinal James Stafford asking me to do three sessions of catechesis and to celebrate three Masses on the three days prior to the Holy Father's visit. And so I did. The teaching sessions and Masses varied in youth gatherings of 500 to 1,000!

As always though, the enthusiasm and patient participation of our young Church was amazing and encouraging. Whatever sacrifice is accepted by us adults is quadrupled among our youth in such huge gatherings. There is definitely reason for hope for our future.

At the end of the summer, I also participated in an annual retreat with our seminarians before they took off for their various programs of priestly formation. I continue to be pleased and grateful for the quality of our candidates.

And I am so grateful to the Lord because even though we ordained eight of our seminarians last June, they are being replaced by a fine group of new candidates-vet another wonderful sign of hope for our local Church. Your help in praying for and promoting vocations to the priesthood is deeply appreciated and needed!

Yes, our youth are a sign of hope for us. But I must add that, without good adult leadership, this hope would be compromised. Far from it. This time of year I have the privilege of spending a bit of time and offering Mass for the leaders of our Catholic schools and parish religious education programs.

Our youth and young adults are in good hands. Once more, I encourage all of us to pray especially for teachers and administrators in our schools and parish programs. They carry a very important responsibility for our children and our youth. And they do so generously and at some sacrifice. Summer camp, school years, annual religious education programs and priestly formation come and go year in and year out. It is so easy to take the hard work (and expense) required of everyone involved for granted. Let's make an extra effort to keep our youth, our young leaders, our teachers and administrators, and future leaders in ministry, not to mention our parents, in our prayers. †

The second condition is that "all other means of putting an end to [Iraq's aggression] must have been shown to be

- John F. Fink





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Toward the end of July, I

Archbishop Buechlein's intention for vocations for August

Parish Awareness: that all parishioners will be aware of their role in promoting all vocations and have the awareness especially to encourage our youth to consider the priestly and religious life.

Buscando la Cara del Señor

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

Símbolos de esperanza para nuestra Iglesia



l empezar otro año académico, estoy pensando en nuestros jóvenes católicos. A mí me parece que entre más viejo, más animado me siento por la bondad de nuestra Iglesia joven. De muchas formas ellos representan un motivo real de esperanza para nuestra arquidiócesis.

A finales de junio, observé a jóvenes generosos y comprometidos en liderizar a nuestros niños en nuestro Campamento CYO de verano, *Rancho Framasa* en el condado de Brown.

El día que yo asistí para la dedicación de las instalaciones nuevas y renovadas en nuestro campamento era uno de los días mas calientes del verano. Los jóvenes adultos estaban allí para guiar y cuidar a 180 campistas muy jóvenes. Vi muchas sonrisas en sus caras sudadas y, mejor que eso, vi mucho cuidado hacia los niños que estaban algo inquietos en su primer día en el campamento, así como confianza en el trato a los campistas veteranos más bulliciosos. ¡Que Dios los bendiga tanto a ellos como a sus campistas!

A finales de junio, recibí un paquete de mensajes de 80 nuevos estudiantes del undécimo y duodécimo grado, líderes de retiro designados para guiar los retiros en Indianápolis en la escuela Bishop Chatard High School en el año académico que viene. Sus cartas incluyeron testimonios conmovedores de una fe entusiasta y generosas palabras de compromiso para tomar en serio su papel de líderes.

El grupo había pasado el día en talleres para líderes de retiro. Se pasaban la mañana hablando y participando en la oración. Se pasaban la tarde hablando de como ser un buen líder cristiano, como establecer pequeños grupos para compartir ideas y de como escribir y preparar charlas "utilizando el Espíritu Santo como nuestro guía".

La sesión nocturna fue una hermosa charla sobre el *Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica* y "cómo podemos educarnos mejor sobre la fe católica e integrarnos más con la Iglesia universal".

Las notas de los estudiantes

visita del Papa Juan Pablo II a Toronto. Lo que yo pensaba iba a ser una interrupción de dos días se convirtió en una de cinco días.

Recibí una carta del Cardenal del Vaticano James Stafford, en la que me pedía que diera tres sesiones de catecismo y que celebrara tres misas en los tres días previos a la visita del Santo Padre. Y así lo hice. ¡Las sesiones de enseñanza y las misas variaban en las reuniones de 500 a 5,000 jóvenes!

Como siempre, el entusiasmo y la paciente participación de nuestra joven Iglesia fueron asombrosas y animadoras. Cualquier sacrificio aceptado por nosotros como adultos se cuadriplica con nuestros jóvenes en esas reuniones tan grandes. Definitivamente existe una razón de esperanza para nuestro futuro.

Al final del verano también participé en un retiro anual con nuestros seminaristas antes de que se dirigieran a los distintos programas de formación sacerdotal. Seguí sintiéndome complacido y agradecido por la calidad de los candidatos.

También estoy agradecido al Señor porque aunque ordenamos a ocho de nuestros seminaristas en junio pasado, están siendo reemplazados por un buen grupo de nuevos candidatos, lo que sería otro maravilloso símbolo de esperanza para nuestra iglesia local. ¡Su ayuda con la oración para promover las vocaciones sacerdotales, son profundamente agradecidas y necesitadas!

Sí, nuestros jóvenes son un símbolo de esperanza para nosotros. Pero debo añadir que sin el buen liderazgo de un adulto esta esperanza se vería comprometida. Muy al contrario. En esta poca del año tengo la oportunidad, el privilegio, de pasar un poco de tiempo y ofrecer la Misa por los líderes de nuestras escuelas católicas y los programas educativos de nuestras parroquias.

Créanme, nuestros jóvenes y jóvenes adultos están en buenas manos. Los animo a todos a rezar especialmente por los maestros y administradores de nuestros programas escolares y parroquiales. Ellos tienen una responsabilidad muy importante con nuestros niños y jóvenes. Y lo hacen generosamente y con un poco de sacrificio. Los campamentos de veranos, los años escolares, los programas religiosos anuales y la formación sacerdotal van y vienen año tras año. Es fácil dar por sentado el arduo trabajo (y los gastos) que se requieren de todos aquellos involucrados. Hagamos un esfuerzo adicional para tener a nuestros jóvenes, nuestros jóvenes líderes, nuestros maestros, administradores y futuros líderes en el ministerio, y nuestros padres en nuestras oraciones. †

Letters to the Editor

Catechism explains Church teaching on homosexuality

In response to the letter to the editor in the Aug. 2 issue of *The Criterion* advocating same sex marriages, I feel compelled to respond.

The writer correctly quoted the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (#2333) in saying, "Everyone, man and woman, should acknowledge and accept his sexual identity." However, one cannot use one sentence to prove a point. The complete text must be read to understand the true meaning.

Article 2335 says, "Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become as one flesh, and all human generations proceed from this union" (Gn 2:24). How can the union of two of the same sex bring forth future generations? The sex act was not intended merely for pleasure.

Article 2351 says, "Sexual pleasure is morally disordered when sought for itself, isolated from its procreative and unitive purposes." What does that say about same sex marriages?

Article 2357 says, "Basing itself on sacred Scripture, which presents homosexual acts as acts of grave depravity, tradition has always declared that 'homosexual acts are intrinsically disordered.' They are contrary to the natural law." It further states, "Under no circumstances can they be approved."

In speaking of homosexuals, article 2358 says, "They must be accepted with respect, compassion, and sensitivity. Every sign of unjust discrimination in their regard should be avoided."

Article 2359 says, "Homosexual persons are called to chastity."

Article 2366 states, "Fecundity (productiveness) is a gift, an end of marriage, for conjugal love naturally tends to be fruitful. A child does not come from outside as something added on to the mutual love of the spouses, etc." It also states that each and every marriage act must remain open to the transmission of life. How can this be accomplished in a same sex marriage?

The errors that the Catholic Church has made over the centuries have been manmade, not errors committed by God.

To say that the writers of Scripture "were totally ignorant" is indeed a bold statement, since we are taught, and I believe, that they are the Word of God, written with the divine guidance, not just the scribbling of some individuals. They may not have been educated by today's standards, but they did have God's guidance.

And pertaining to Galileo, yes, there were mistakes made, but they were, again, man-made mistakes, not mistakes made by God, who makes no mistakes. It was people high up in the hierarchy of the Church who made these mistakes, but they were never given the gift of infallibility. Only God and the pope, in certain instances, are infallible. At his death, Galileo did receive the last rites of the Catholic Church. He was not excommunicated. awareness of the strong current thrust of militant homosexuals to gain societal acceptance of this deadly sin. One of their most prominent strategies is to get homosexual marriages legalized.

The Church speaks as its founder, the Lord Jesus Christ, would have it speak on matters of faith and morals necessary for salvation: "Whatever you shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven" (Mt 16:19). Just as in the days when Our Savior lived on earth and preached the truth, and many didn't want to hear the truth, so it is today as he speaks through his Church.

Many Church teachings are similarly under attack by 1) using sympathy for the sinner, 2) casting doubt on the authority and truth of the teaching ("Scripture authors who were simply ignorant"—paragraph 8 of Purvis' letter) and 3) taking quotes of teaching authorities out of context.

Regarding this latter device, there is the out-of-context quote from the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (#1333) and the misinterpretation of Pope John Paul II's apology (which was for individual persons in Church authority who were wrong, not for the Church's infallible teachings).

All these devices, whether intentional or unintentional, are meant to cause confusion and undermine faith.

These devices are also used in attacking Church teachings on prominent moral issues of our post-Christian era (an era of lack of fear of God): abortion, artificial birth control, divorce, adultery, fornication. By the way, all these sins concern the misuse of genitalia (reference Mr. Purvis not wanting genital considerations to be any kind of guideline regarding sexuality paragraph 9 of his letter).

The act of homosexuality is a deadly sin, which has to be confronted by truth. Here are some of the most salient biblical admonitions for *Criterion* readers to refer to: Leviticus 18:22, Genesis 19: 1-3, Romans 1:26-28, 1 Corinthians 6:9, 1 Timothy 1:10. There is also no biblical mention of God-given sexual love for any persons other than between men and women. See Genesis 2:18-24.

In closing, I want it known that I do not condemn those practicing this lifestyle. I join with my Church in pointing out the immoral nature of this act itself, and I continually pray for conversion for those caught up in the practice. Certainly, legalizing homosexual marriages would be an abomination and a travesty.

Robert Rust, Greensburg

Same sex marriage is blasphemous

As a general rule, I've always made a point not to chase the devil's rabbits or waste my time stoning the devil's dogs. I try and concentrate on purifying my own soul. However, Jeffrey Purvis' article on "same sex marriages" was too much to stay silent on!

agradecían mi liderazgo. Me pidían si yo podía unirme a ellos en uno que otro de sus retiros el próximo año académico. Respondí a esa última petición con tristeza porque sería difícil hacer que entre todas las escuelas secundarias funcione mi horario ya sobrecargado.

Debo admitir que pensándolo nuevamente, estoy tratando de ver cómo puedo ofrecer el apoyo que estos buenos jóvenes líderes merecen. Algunas veces es frustrante que las actividades pastorales que más disfrutaría, parecen imposibles en mis expectaciones diarias.

Hacia finales de julio, interrumpí mis vacaciones anuales para estar presente en el Día Mundial de la Juventud y la

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La intención del Arzobispo Buechlein para vocaciones en agosto

Conocimiento de la Parroquia: Que cada parroquiano sea consciente de su papel para fomentar todas las vocaciones y anime a nuestros jóvenes a considerar la vida sacerdotal y religiosa.

Winferd E. "Bud" Moody, Indianapolis

Practicing homosexuality violates Church teaching

This letter is in response to the letter by Jeffrey Purvis in the Aug. 2 *Criterion*. Mr. Purvis' letter concerned his belief that the Church is in error on its teachings regarding the sinfulness of homosexual acts and that he has a firm belief the Church will be changing its doctrine on this matter with reference to homosexual marriage.

I am responding because I become mentally and spiritually agitated when I read and hear, on a consistent basis, Christians trying to justify the homosexual lifestyle. My agitation is heightened by my The pronouncement of the Scripture authors as simply ignorant appears to be blasphemy! The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* pronounces the Holy Spirit as the author of sacred Scripture! The catechism (#2148) defines blasphemy as speaking ill of God, failing to respect him in our speech, uttering words of hatred, reproach or defiance. Jesus is the word in flesh! The Holy Spirit is the author of sacred Scripture. How can one call them ignorant! Thank God for confession!

As far as the issue itself of same sex marriages, it's stated several times in God's word as scripturally impossible.

A document on Church teaching, issued by the Pontifical Council for the Family on July 26, 2000, and titled "Family, Marriage and 'De Facto' Unions," states, "Making homosexual relations equivalent to marriage is much more grave.... Marriage cannot be reduced to a condition similar to that of a homosexual relationship. This is

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Check It Out . . .

St. Ann Parish, 2862 S. Holt Road, in Indianapolis, is having its **Family Fun Fest** from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Aug. 23-24. There will be food and games. For more information, call 317-244-3750.

Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., in Indianapolis, is offering two retreats this fall. The first, **"Biblical Experiences of Prayer,"** will be held from Oct. 18-20 and led by Benedictine Father Eugene Hensell of Saint Meinrad. The retreat will look at a selection of prayer passages from the Old and New Testaments, and will highlight two little known aspects of prayer: "boldness" and "calling God to task." The cost is \$135 per person or \$255 per married couple. The second retreat, **"From the Silence of the Heart,"** will be held from Nov. 8-10. It will be led by Father James Farrell, pastor of St. Barnabas Parish in Indianapolis, and will focus on silence and contemplation. The cost is \$150 per person or \$275 per married couple. For more information, call the retreat house at 317-545-7681.

There will be a **theatre sale** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Aug. 31 at the Cathedral High School auditorium, 5225 E. 56th St., in Indianapolis. Surplus costumes and props from the closing of the Edyvean Repertory Theatre in Indianapolis will be on sale. For more information, call 317-543-4942, ext. 344.

Holy Spirit Parish, 7243 E. 10th St., in Indianapolis, will host a **weekly Bible study** that will begin a week earlier than planned, on Aug. 27 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Father John Maung will present a study and reflection on the Gospel of John. Father Maung is an experienced world traveler and speaker. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call the Holy Spirit rectory at 317-353-9404.

The Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods will host "A Celebration of Peace" on the evening of Sept. 10 to remember the first anniversary of the terrorist attacks on the United States on Sept. 11, 2001. The service is nondenominational and open to all. There is no charge. Prayers, readings and music will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Saint Mary-ofthe-Woods. The program is expected to last one hour. Prior to the service, the public is invited to participate in a candlelight procession to the church. Those who wish to participate should gather by 7:15 p.m. For more information, call 812-535-3791.

Families who have been affected by divorce are invited to attend a **Mass and reception for separated and divorced Catholics** at 2 p.m. on Sept. 15 in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1347 N. Meridian St., in Indianapolis. Jesuit Father Joseph Folzenlogen of Indianapolis, evangelization coordinator for the archdiocese, will be the celebrant. Members of the St. Pius X Support Group for Separated and Divorced Catholics will act as hosts for the day. All divorced persons or family members are invited to participate in this event. For more information, call the archdiocesan Office for Youth and Family Ministries at 317-236-1596 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1596, or call the Family Life Pastoral Office for Formation in the Diocese of Lafayette at 800-544-1684.

Joan Appleton, a registered nurse and former member of the National Organization for Women, will speak on **"The Myth of Choice"** at the "Celebrate Life" dinner on Sept. 25 at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis. Appleton is the founder of The Centurions, a fellowship in the United States for former abortion workers and those who anticipate leaving the abortion industry. The evening, which is sponsored by Right to Life of Indianapolis, will begin at 6 p.m. with a social hour, followed by dinner and an awards ceremony at 7 p.m., then the speaker at 8 p.m. Reservations are required, and are \$45 per person. There is a \$5 discount for checks received by Sept. 5. For more information, call Right to Life of Indianapolis at 317-582-1526.

St. Philip Neri Parish in Indianapolis will present its **annual Fall Dinner Theatre**, *All Because of Agatha*, on Sept. 20, 21, 22, 27, 28 and 29 and Oct. 4, 5 and 6. For Friday and Saturday evening showings, dinner will begin at 6 p.m. followed by the play at 7:30 p.m. For Sunday afternoon showings, dinner will begin at 1 p.m. followed by the play at 2:30 p.m. All shows will be at Busald Hall, 550 N. Rural St., in Indianapolis. The price is \$18 per person. There are a limited number of reserved tables for eight and 10 people. For more information, call Judy Yaggi at 317-631-8746.

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Tobit Weekend retreats, for couples preparing for marriage, will be held at Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., in Indianapolis, on Oct. 25-27 and Nov. 29-Dec. 1. The focus of the retreat is on helping engaged couples grow closer and preparing them for marriage. The program enables participants to relax, pray and see how important it is to have Christ at the center of a marriage. The cost is \$250 for a couple. For more information, call Fatima at 317-545-7681 or e-mail <u>fatima@archindy.org</u>.

Holy Rosary Parish, 520 Stevens St., in Indianapolis, is hosting **informational sessions on the Catholic faith** from 6:15 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 9 and Sept. 16. The welcoming sessions are for anyone who has ever wondered about the meaning of their life or had questions about faith, religion or Catholicism. All are invited. The sessions are free. For more information, call Servants of the Gospel of Life Sister Diane Carollo, director of religious education at Holy Rosary and director of the archdiocesan Office of Pro-Life Activities, at 317-236-1521 or 800-382-9836, ext. 1521. †

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Perspectives

From the Editor Emeritus/*John F. Fink* Eastern Christianity: Church of Constantinople

Second in a series

Although the Churches in Jerusalem, Antioch and Alexandria were the most



important Eastern Churches at the beginning of Christianity, they were surpassed in the fourth century after Constantine the Great made Constantinople his residence. Constantinople is

the former name of Istanbul, Turkey. Constantine began its construction in 324 on the site of Byzantium. It remained the

capital of the Byzantine Empire from 330 to 1453. As the Roman Empire began its decline, the Byzantine Empire became more important.

When Constantinople became an imperial city, the status of the bishop there increased accordingly. The Council of Constantinople in 381 decreed that the Church there was second only to that of Rome, and the Council of Chalcedon in 451 made the bishop of Constantinople a patriarch, a decision strongly, but unsuccessfully, opposed by Pope Leo the

Great. A patriarch is superior to all primates, metropolitans and bishops within his patriarchate.

Pope Leo the Great was wise in opposing the council's decision to make the bishop of Constantinople a patriarch because, down through the centuries, the patriarchs of Constantinople used their authority to rival the pope in Rome. It helped the patriarchs that they lived in the same city as the emperor. Many of the emperors thought that they could also rule the Church.

For example, in 726, Byzantine Emperor Leo III issued an edict in which he declared that all images, including sacred icons, were idolatrous and he ordered them to be destroyed. Pope Gregory III condemned iconoclasm in 731, but it wasn't until the taking of the throne by Empress Irene in 780, after the deaths of three emperors, that steps were taken to reverse the iconoclastic policies.

There was a near schism between the Churches of the East and West during the ninth century. In 858, Patriarch Ignatius of Constantinople was forced to abdicate and the brilliant layman Photius replaced him. When Pope Nicholas I learned of this, he deposed and excommunicated

Photius. Byzantine Emperor Michael III protested this action against Photius. After the pope sent a long letter defending the rights of Rome, Photius held a synod in Constantinople that pronounced Pope Nicholas excommunicated and deposed. Pope Nicholas died before he learned about this, but the next pope, Hadrian II, held a synod of his own and anathematized Photius for his impudence.

By this time, Emperor Michael had also died. His successor, Emperor Basil I, invited the pope to send representatives to the Fourth Council of Constantinople. The council, in 869-70, upheld the condemnation of Photius and restored Patriarch Ignatius.

Seven years later, though, Emperor Basil restored Photius to the patriarchate and asked a new pope, John VII, to recognize him as such. Pope John agreed and Photius remained as patriarch until 886.

It was Patriarch Photius who sent the brothers Cyril and Methodius to preach Christianity in the modern Czech Republic and Slovakia. They are honored today by both the Catholic and Orthodox Churches as patrons of the Slavic people.

Next week: Schism. †

Cornucopia/Cynthia Dewes A priesthood of faithful believers

When the Latin School of Indianapolis closed in 1979, it was the end of an era.

too young to form reasoned choices and

funneled them into priesthood or religious

life before they were ready. They declared

it to be one of the causes of so many men

Some said, in a time when the priest-

hood was shrinking in numbers, the ratio of

priest/teachers to the small number of stu-

dents was not warranted. They felt that the

Others felt that the number of boys from

such schools that eventually were ordained

lives, but also from sources other than semi-

spiritual needs of the many might be

neglected in serving the needs of a few.

was minimal. They said vocations most

often developed, not only later in men's

leaving the priesthood after Vatican II.



Seminary high schools all over the country were shutting down, including those attached to religious communities and diocesan schools such as the Latin School. Some said it was

These were the people who were quick to point out that seminary high school students were no more pious or religiously observant than their peers. They goofed off in and out of school as much as other boys did, their grades were no better, their relations with siblings no more inspiring. So, what was the use of having such a school?

Other observers, like us and many other parents of boys who attended the school, were sorry to see it close. We believed that what the boys learned at the school was to love the Church and her ministers, and to be faithful to both. A subsequent religious vocation was simply icing on the cake.

When our oldest son entered the Latin School, preparing young men for priesthood definitely was emphasized there. After a few years, our son said he did not believe he had a religious vocation. I suggested he leave the Latin School to make room for someone who did.

He loved the school and I knew he would hate to transfer somewhere else. But he assured me that his teachers told the students the school was not focused on priesthood formation alone, but rather on preparing them for Christian leadership.

Three other sons followed him to the Latin School, and all valued their experi-

ence there. Several priests in our archdiocese today were their classmates, including Fathers Thomas E. Clegg, Thomas L. Schliessmann and Roger G. Rudolf. Msgrs. Harold L. Knueven and Mark A. Svarczkopf and Fathers William D. Cleary, James R. Wilmoth, Richard I. Zore and Stanley J. Herber are just a few of the teachers they remember fondly and gratefully.

Recently, one of our sons attended a Latin School class reunion dinner with his wife. She told me that she was impressed by the Catholic faith displayed by these men. They are active in their parishes and communities, have stable marriages and are raising their families in the Church, unlike many of their generation who have drifted away from its teachings.

When I reflect upon this, I believe that we were correct about the Latin School: It fulfilled its purpose in preparing boys to become Christian men. And, although it's no longer here, we're still fortunate in our archdiocese to have archdiocesan high schools, which are committed to the formation of educated Christian adults.

(Cynthia Dewes, a member of St. Paul the Apostle Parish in Greencastle, is a regular columnist for The Criterion.) †

Coming of Age/*Christopher Carstens*

Sign up for Peacemaking 101

Every year, kids go back to school planning on some improvements. Maybe you



want to keep tidier notebooks or do all your homework on time. Those are fine ideas, but I would like to suggest another goal in the context of your Christian life. This year, when

you go back to class, be a peacemaker in

your own life.

It's easy to talk about how the Israelis and the Palestinians need to make peace. It's not hard to think up ways other people could solve their struggles. The real challenge for peacemaking comes when one of the people in the fight is you.

Jesus made it clear that making peace was not just a nice idea. It was a basic requirement for Christian living. Right now, you could probably list three people at school for whom you hold some kind of a grudge:

• The guy who insulted you in the lunch line.

• Your former boyfriend or girlfriend, the one who went out with somebody else behind your back.

• The kid who spread rumors about you. • The student who got the part you

wanted in the spring musical.

• The wise guy in English who makes condescending remarks about anybody else's ideas.

Often, we don't even notice that we are not at peace. We just think that there's something wrong with the other guy, who is too selfish, too stupid or too inconsiderate to see things our way.

If you spend time grinding your teeth because somebody angered you or hurt your feelings, you are not at peace. If you avoid certain people or don't have lunch at certain tables, the peace in your heart is troubled

If you're holding a grudge or nursing an old resentment, it's time for you to face the challenge of peacemaking. Staying angry is the most natural thing to do-one of the things we humans are best at. Jesus calls on us to do something totally unnatural.

There is no instant or easy formula for making peace. If there was, a long list of ancient hatreds would have been laid to rest long ago. Peacemaking, however, has three clear components: thoughts, words and deeds.

First, declare peace. If the conflict was internal (a burning annoyance or resentment), there's no need to say anything out loud. Just internally declare peace, saying to yourself, "Doug, I'm not going to be angry about your stupid jokes anymore."

If your conflict has been out in the open, tell the person of your intention to make peace. No lengthy explanation is

Faithful Lines/Shirley Vogler Meister **Reminding us to respect our nation**

In less than a month, we will solemnly honor those lost in last year's Sept. 11



nary schools.

Attack on America when terrorists' plane hijackings led to tragedies at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and in a Pennsylvania field. At the time, these horrors prompted a Pentagon announcement that our military response

would be called "Operation Infinite Justice." I cringed, thinking "Doesn't that title fall only under God's jurisdiction?"

Two weeks later, the Pentagon announced "Infinite Justice" was changed to "Operation Enduring Freedom" because the first term offended Muslim religious sensibility. But it offended mine, too—and that of people of other faiths. "Enduring Freedom" is much better. It represents the core of a democracy.

This summer, I was reminded to appreciate what we have when I gave my

27-month-old grandson a small American flag. Sam's eyes beamed; then, smiling, he waved the flag while tromping around the room. Then he returned, and, with a precious smile, looked me in the eye and said distinctly with sweet sincerity, "I love America." A sentimental lump formed in my throat as I responded in the same tone: "I love America, too, Sam.'

Later, I asked daughter, Donna, if she'd taught him that. She said "no," but his nursery school teachers did have the toddlers celebrate Independence Day with appropriate activities and red, white and blue projects. They also must have emphasized respect for America and the flag.

How much he comprehended, I don't know, but it brought back memories of something my now 19-year-old grandson, David, did when he was 4. While wheeling around our driveway with a small flag attached to his tricycle, he suddenly stopped and said, "Grandma, you're supposed to do this.'

David placed his hand over his heart and asked me to sing "dawn's early light."

So I stood and sang the national anthem as he pedaled around and around. His mother, my daughter Diane, said he learned this at a stock car race, where drivers waved American flags from their windows as they lapped the track and the crowd sang "The Star Spangled Banner."

Our nation learned a new and deeper respect for our flag and our freedom last year because of 9-11. Flags went on display everywhere, and retail shops still capitalize on flag popularity and patriotic merchandise. All this is symbolic of our freedom, especially when we pledge allegiance "under God, with liberty and justice for all."

Treasuring freedom, we understand that only God is capable of infinite justice, love, compassion, peace and healing. Are we learning anything from our Creator? More important, are we passing it on to the next generations?

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

needed. A simple statement will do.

"Jenna," you might say, "I'm not going to avoid you anymore. I figure we might as well get along."

You may get a frigid reaction. "Sure, like I want to get along with you!"

You offer peace and then live it out, whatever the reaction may be.

Next, stop throwing wood on an old fire. No catty remarks behind the other guy's back. No grinning while other people put him down either. When your intent is to make peace, you need to bow out of the hateful talk altogether.

Finally, live as if you don't have the old grudge anymore. Talk to the person as often as the opportunity arises. Look for chances to say or do things that help the person. Translate your intentions into actions.

Sign up for a new course this year: Peacemaking 101. The homework can be tough, but you're really going to love the teacher.

(Christopher Carstens is a regular columnist for Catholic News Service.) †

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time/Msgr. Owen F. Campion

The Sunday Readings

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2002

- Isaiah 22:19-23
- Romans 11:33-36
- Matthew 16:13-20

The Book of Isaiah provides this weekend's Liturgy of the Word with its first reading.



This reading from the first section of Isaiah reveals much about the prophet himself. He seemingly had knowledge of, and apparently access to, the court of the king. This suggests that he was

among the privileged class.

Certainly, his use of language indicates that he was learned for his day. If this were the case, as it seems to have been, it again is an indication that he was not from a poor background.

Putting this together, an image of Isaiah emerges. He had advantages. He had connections. He had opportunities. He could have used his good fortune for himself. Instead, he devoted himself totally to proclaiming the holy Word of God. It was a great act of service to his society.

Without God, or toying with fidelity to God, the society doomed itself. Its survival and prosperity rested completely upon being faithful to God and obeying God's commandments.

To assist the people in their fidelity and obedience, God provided help. Revelation itself was a major help. Revelation, not human reason, gave the people knowledge of God. Humans might deduce, or logically conclude, that a divine, supernatural being existed. However, without Revelation, they would know nothing about this divinity.

Only Revelation allowed an understanding of the qualities of God—perfection, might, justice and mercy.

Prophets such as Isaiah himself were sent by God to help the people. Finally, God sent the kings.

Kings did not act alone. They needed their own advisers to extend the royal will and see that the nation responded to God. In this reading, Isaiah spoke of a specific royal official, Eliakim, son of Hilkiah. Eliakim would receive the king's authority to bind the people to God and God to the people.

As a symbol of his own position, and as an instrument to fulfill his mission, Eliakim will have the key to the king's house. In the ancient world, holding the key to a palace meant very much. The bearer of the key was not just simply the porter or doorkeeper. He was the priviprevailed, possessing the authority to speak, act and lead in the king's behalf.

St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans is typically soaring, but frank, in its language.

It extols God. God is beyond all human power and human understanding. Only Jesus can speak to humanity about God, because only Jesus is God as well as human.

For its last reading, this liturgy gives us St. Matthew's Gospel.

The setting is in Caesarea Philippi at the springs and rapids that form the Jordan River. (It is in an area mentioned occasionally in the news today, the Golan Heights. More specifically, it is the site of modern Banyas. Long occupied by the State of Israel, it is claimed by Syria.)

This reading is a most dramatic account of a conversation between Jesus and Peter. At the time, Peter was called Simon. Jesus asks Peter to identify Jesus. Who do people say that Jesus is? Is he John the Baptist? Elijah? Jeremiah? One of the prophets? The Apostle answers that Jesus is the Son of the living God.

Seeing Jesus as Son of God is no mere accident, nor the result of deduction. It is the result of God's grace, and the insight given by that grace, within the Apostle's soul. As a result of this faith, Jesus commissions Simon to be the head of the Christian community. This community will never die.

Symbolically, Jesus gives Simon the keys of the kingdom of God. To emphasize that Simon has been transformed, Jesus gives him a new name, the name we know, Peter. Then, Jesus confers upon Peter the most profound of powers, the power to loose what has been bound in heaven.

Reflection

St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans sets the stage for the strong and reassuring message contained in this weekend's readings from the Bible. God is almighty. He is beyond our ability to comprehend. Yet we all need God. No one else will fill the need. Nothing else will fill the need.

Only Jesus can reveal to us the essence of God. As God, only Jesus knows God. As a human, Jesus can speak to us in terms we understand and with awareness of our own needs.

As God provided for Revelation and for the guidance of the people of Israel in the millennia age, God provides for us. He gives us Jesus. However, just as God provided Eliakim long ago to represent the king, Jesus gives us Peter to speak for God, and to act for God today.

This Liturgy of the Word marvelously

Daily Readings

Monday, Aug. 26 2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11b-12 Psalm 96:1-5 Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday, Aug. 27 Monica 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17 Psalm 96:10-13 Matthew 22:23-26

Wednesday, Aug. 28 Augustine, bishop and doctor of the Church 2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18 Psalm 128:1-2, 4-5 Matthew 23:27-32

Thursday, Aug. 29 Martyrdom of John the Baptist 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 Psalm 145:2-7 Mark 6:17-29 Friday, Aug. 30 1 Corinthians 1:17-25 Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11 Matthew 25:1-13

Saturday, Aug. 31 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 Psalm 33:12-13, 18-21 Matthew 25:14-30

Sunday, Sept. 1 Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Jeremiah 20:7-9 Psalm 63:2-6, 8-9 Romans 12:1-2 Matthew 16:21-27

Peter, of course, lives in the Church, and precisely in his successor, the bishop of Rome.

Interesting in the Gospel is the fact that again Jesus meets only with the dis-

Question Corner/*Fr. John Dietzen*

ciples. The Twelve were special students, given instructions and insights not provided everyone who met or heard the Lord. The Church builds on their knowledge as well as the faith of Peter. †

Communion cup is a symbol of unity of faith

PI believe my question is on the minds of many Roman Catholics who are



familiar with "Protestant" forms of Communion. They distribute the wine in small individual cups, which are then discarded.

Many Catholics do not partake of the chalice at Communion time for fear of germs or

bacteria left there by others. Couldn't separate cups be an answer for us? (New York)

A number of readers of this column have made the same suggestion. Individual cups would not be acceptable to Catholics for several reasons.

Drinking from the "one cup" and eating from the "one loaf" has always been a living symbol of the unity of faith expressed and accomplished in the Eucharist. (See, for example, St. Paul's reflection on this truth in 1 Cor 10:16-21.) This is why the consecrated hosts are reserved in the tabernacle after Mass, and the chalice and other cups used for Communion are carefully washed with water, which is then consumed.

Obviously, in most cases at least some small amount of consecrated wine distributed in cups would remain in the cups after individual use. There would be no way to care properly for those remnants before the cups are discarded.

The way the sacrament of the Eucharist now is ministered at Mass has limitations, but I don't think it is likely to change.

QA notorious mafia gangster of Catholic background recently was denied a Catholic funeral Mass. In what circumstances does that happen? Would it be different if he went to confession before death? (Missouri)

A Only a few situations deprive Catholics of a funeral Mass and burial, unless they give some sign of repentance before death. One of these circum-

leged representative of the monarch, charged with seeing that the royal will

connects our human needs with God and Jesus, and with Peter.

My Journey to God

'Don't Speak a Word'

And so at last, Impelled by need, I took my tired body And I took my troubled mind And I sat before my King.

"Don't speak a word," He said. "No prayers and no petitions. Do not even think a thought! For I already know your deepest needs. Just lay your heart upon My heart, That I may rest in you And you in Me. It pleases Me you trust Me so To act in silence On your soul: My power of Love To make you whole."

By Conor Ward

(Conor Ward lives in County Sligo, Ireland. He sent this poem to his sister, Mary Gannon, who is a member of St. Rose of Lima Parish in Franklin, and to other siblings as a gift for their spiritual nourishment. She sent it to The Criterion with his permission.)

Even though there may be several cups, and it is not often possible to break one loaf for the assembled faithful, we try to preserve that symbolism as much as possible.

Also, again in accord with our theology of the sacraments, the Eucharist always should be ministered by the priest or deacon or other assisting ministers, which is why communicants do not simply go up to the altar and take the host or the cup themselves.

Perhaps the primary reason that this method of receiving Communion is not possible for us, however, is that our belief in the eucharistic presence of our Lord in the consecrated bread and wine is significantly different from that of most Protestant Churches.

We believe that Jesus Christ is present permanently after the eucharistic prayer at Mass as long as the species (appearance) of bread and wine are present. In other words, our theology is that even after Mass, if what remains appears to sight and taste as wine and bread, the Lord is still present sacramentally. stances applies to "manifest sinners who cannot be granted ecclesiastical funerals without public scandal of the faithful" (Canon 1184).

Manifest sinners would be people known publicly to be living in a state of mortal sin. The law does not apply to those who commit suicide or who are married out of the Church.

Any sign of repentance should be in some open way an indication that the person wished to be reconciled to God and the Church. Calling a priest for confession might be such a sign.

Cases where these circumstances are present so as to deny Catholic burial are very rare. In practice, the local bishop usually makes the judgment.

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



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need to be active. The way to build an important democracy is to encourage as many people to participate as possible, especially through volunteer activities at the community-based level.

"One of the benefits of dealing with Catholic organizations, over and above their important religiosity," he said in an interview with Catholic News Service, "is that their organizational structure allows you to reach more people. Much of the work I've done is with independent Churches, which takes a lot of work; to connect urban Churches with suburban Churches, both may be Baptist, but both are independent. The diocese framework is much more connected."

Faith-based and grassroots organiza-

tions fit the model well because they perform a wide array or functions.

"There isn't just one type of faithbased organization," Goldsmith said in the question-and-answer portion of his lecture. "Nor is there one goal for faith based organizations ... some have very secular products that they produce."

He said some "want nothing to do with government.

"Which is fine," he continued. "But the decision about whether to participate ... ought to be done by the faith-based organization, not by the government saying, 'You can't participate.' Let's respect the judgment, integrity and capacity of local organizations.

"We shouldn't discriminate against [them]," he said. Instead, they should be allowed to compete for grants, which is one of the four ways-along with tax cuts, vouchers and volunteerism-that

government can help faith-based groups help neighborhoods.

"If the government funds a shelter, it can pay for the bed, but not the Bible," he said. Problems arise, he added, when religious organizations get too close to government, making for a "problematic relationship.

"The religiosity is the essence of the service," he said. "If a faith-based organization becomes more like the government, they lose what's really valuable."

The key, he said, is to "limit what government dollars do, so that organizations have freedom over what goes on therein."

He added, "What we want to do is allow communities of individuals to have more control over their own lives. And for those whom prosperity has left behind, have them enjoy the opportunities that come from faith and confidence in themselves and the supreme being." A successful neighborhood, he said,

"requires that people share a common interest, a common set of values, a sense of responsibility and a civic infrastructure." †

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history and serve as a resource to parishes, schools and agencies on African-American history on an ongoing basis; b) diversity awareness training for parish leaders and seminarians; and c) set up cultural exchange programs among parishes.

Parish life—Develop lay leadership in order to enhance the African-American involvement in parish life: a) develop workshops on lay leadership that focus on African-American parish life experiences; b) develop faith-sharing facilitating skills among parishioners and create faith-sharing experiences throughout the year open to parishioners and the community; and c) develop a team of trained consultants to help parishioners develop a pastoral plan.

Youth and young adults—To include youth and young adults as an active part of parish life: a) explore and implement programs that deal with issues that are facing our youth and young adults today; b) develop resources to fund the necessary programs that address the issues of the youth and young adults; and c) develop new programs for youth and young adults while continuing the emphasis on the oneand three-year goals.

Catholic education—Encourage the Catholic education system to become more aware of and inclusive of African-American culture: a) to provide required cultural awareness programs and classes for all Catholic school administrators, teachers and students on an ongoing basis; b) form partnerships with Catholic colleges and other colleges to train black administrators and teachers to work in urban settings and attract people making career changes to teach in urban schools; and c) work with publishers to develop multicultural textbooks and materials, especially on religion.

Social justice—Give issues relating to social justice more attention: a) develop an educational awareness program on social justice issues; b) develop a support network for religious, clergy and laity who take on social justice issues; and c) explore and communicate the "faith-based" concept and its implications to social justice issues.

Racism—Find ways to eradicate the problem of racism in the Church today: a) identify and evaluate existing programs on racism and create programs that identify racism as a sin. b) develop a multicul-

tural feast day and develop an African-American archdiocesan-wide caucus; and c) develop a multicultural calendar of events and continue these recommendations.

Africa—Become more knowledgeable about Africa and its impact on us, as African-Americans in the United States: a) develop an awareness of programs that discuss the issues of Africa, the Church and its relationship to African-Americans; b) call for a special collection directed toward aid to Africa; and c) establish a pilgrimage to Africa.

HIV/AIDS—To become more informed and aware that HIV/AIDS is a problem in the African-American community and work toward solutions: a) to develop awareness programs within parishes and encourage confidential testing; b) make presentations within parishes to better educate people on HIV/AIDS; and c) develop creative alliances with other organizations and groups to combat HIV/AIDS.

Holy Angels Parish in Indianapolis has nine members attending the congress: Janet Watkins-Burch, Vonceal Franklin, Rebecca Gibson, Ruthe Guyton, Loyce Moore, Connie Morris, Amanda Strong, Paula Williams and the pastor, Father Clarence Waldon.

Carole Guess, Pat Ladd, Tawanna Montgomery and Lillian Stevenson will represent St. Rita Parish in Indianapolis. Dave Weir of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Indianapolis will be a delegate. Benedictine Brother Howard Studivant will represent SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral Parish and Sue Ann Yovanovich will represent Holy Trinity Parish in Indianapolis.

Father Kenneth Taylor, director of the archdiocesan Office of Multicultural Ministry and pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, is coordinating the archdiocesan attendance. Jesuit Father Joseph Folzenlogen, coordinator of evangelization for the archdiocese, and David Bethuram, executive director of Catholic Social Services and the Office for Youth and Family Ministries, will also be delegates.

(Margaret Nelson is a correspondent for The Criterion and a member of St. Andrew the Apostle Parish in Indianapolis.) †



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Speaker hopes national congress will empower young black Catholics

CHICAGO (CNS)—Empowering young black Catholics is a special mission for Father Anthony Bozeman.

"For the last couple of years, we've been losing ground [in the black Catholic movement]," he said, adding that this year "we're being called by our baptism to use our black Catholic gifts" of music, expression, vigor and spirituality.

The Philadelphia priest will focus on that mission as one of a host of presenters at the National Black Catholic Congress in Chicago on Aug. 29-Sept. 1. Other presentations will focus on such topics for black Catholics as spirituality, youth and young adults, education, social justice, Africa, racism and HIV/AIDS.

The national gathering is held every five years. Its mission is "to establish an agenda

for the evangelization of people of African descent and to improve the spiritual, mental and physical conditions of black people."

This is the ninth congress. Congresses were held annually from 1889-1893; the idea of the congress was revived in 1984, with the first modern-day congress held in 1987. Bishop John H. Ricard of the Diocese of Tallahassee-Pensacola, Fla., is congress president. This year's conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency Chicago. More than 3,000 people are expected.

Father Bozeman recalled with excitement attending his first black Catholic congress five years ago at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington. It was, he said, packed with black Catholics for the dedication of the chapel of Our Mother of Africa.

"I was in awe to see our presence, which is usually downplayed at best," he told *The Catholic New World*, newspaper of the Chicago Archdiocese.

In Chicago, Father Bozeman will lead a discussion about ministering to black youth and young adults. Although he has only been ordained since 2000, the priest has been involved with that ministry for almost two decades in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

He began as a young adult in his home parish of Our Mother of Sorrows. Today, besides being associate pastor of Our Lady of Grace Parish in suburban Penndel, Pa., he assists the Philadelphia archdiocesan St. Peter Claver Center for Evangelization and the offices of Black Catholics and of Youth and Young Adults.

"I think the biggest inhibitor to reaching our youth and young adults is racism," he said. "Once we enkindle the gift of baptism, the fire is snuffed out by [white] priests who do not understand them."

His most rewarding moments have been watching African-American youth "engaging in leadership positions and exercising the gift of their faith," he said.

He has seen teens "get on fire with their faith" during an Afrocentric program called Kujenga, which he has coordinated.

Father Bozeman credits Catholic youth with his entry into the seminary. When he asked a group to consider the priesthood, one member countered with "Why don't you?" †



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Changing economic times, but consistent economic principles

WASHINGTON (CNS)-Meet the "new economy," same as the old economy.

Cautious optimism about national economic prospects strengthens, turning into confidence, which in turn can balloon into irrational exuberance. Regardless of the nature of the industry driving the economic expansion, what goes up-even after one of the longest sustained expansions in U.S. history-must come down.

But who it hits first and hits hardest on the way down is what concerns Thomas

Senior 1 j

Shellabarger, a domestic policy analyst for the U.S. bishops' Department of Social Development and World Peace.

"In the anniversary message of the bishops' economic pastoral "Economic Justice for All," the bishops said they could see three different economies all working at the same time," Shellabarger said.

"One economy is that of people in poverty trying to climb out of it. The second is for people who are just trying to hang on. And the third one is for people

who are doing well," he said.

Congressional initiatives to help those at the bottom rungs of the economic ladder have been slow in coming. The minimum wage of \$5.25 an hour has not been raised "in years," Shellabarger said, reducing even further—by the effects of inflation—the purchasing power of the country's poorest workers since it was last raised in 1997.

Alaska, recognizing it has a higher cost of living, recently hiked its minimum wage to \$7.15 an hour-and indexed it to inflation.

But Jacobo Rodriguez, a financial services analyst for the libertarian-leaning Cato Institute, a Washington think tank, dismissed minimum-wage campaigns as "hurting those people you are trying to help," arguing that minimum-wage workers

would be laid off if their pay was increased by government fiat.

Shellabarger praised the initiative of a growing number of municipal and county jurisdictions to enact "living wage" laws. These laws mandate that employers must pay their workers filling city- or countycontracted jobs a wage high enough to support themselves and keep their families out of poverty; an even higher wage must be paid if the employer does not offer health care.

Living-wage backers see their efforts as putting tax money directly into workers' pockets without indirectly subsidizing business and turning workers into the working poor eligible for welfare and other government poverty-fighting programs.

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"Unfortunately, you're not going to see one at the federal level," Shellabarger said. "You [as a worker] should not, at the end of the day, find yourself in poverty-especially if you're using our tax dollars to do it."

Rodriguez saw some merit in livingwage laws-when a lower level of government was enacting one-but cautioned against them because of the financial costs to implement them. "If you increase the price of something-in this case, laboryou will have smaller demand for the good," he said. "The employer will hire fewer people."

While it appeared likely the economy was headed into recession at this time last year, the Sept. 11 terror attacks, with the resultant disruptions in air travel and other industries, were the final straw.

Now, economic analysts say the economy is recovering, but they are calling it a "jobless recovery," meaning the jobs lost as

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affront to the dignity of women, "whose

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distinctive and irreplaceable." †

"simulation of a sacrament," a "grave

ous attack on the unity of the Church." It also said the ceremony was an

They said they rejected the power of a

A July 10 Vatican warning condemned

Braschi. The women said they have no

need to "find their way back" to the

Church because they never left it.

hearing and dialogue between Vatican

Women 'ordained' in Germany appeal excommunication order

penalty.

COLOGNE, Germany (CNS)-The seven women excommunicated by the Vatican for being "ordained" priests in a June 29 ceremony have appealed the Vatican order.

In a formal letter to the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, two of the ordained women, Christine Mayr-Lumetzberger and Gisela Forster, writing on behalf of the German, Austrian and American women, questioned the legitimacy of the excommunication.

They also said that Argentine Archbishop Romulo Braschi, who performed the ordination, is a legitimate bishop who used the correct Catholic liturgy, thus validating their ordinations.

The Vatican described Archbishop Braschi, who founded the breakaway "Catholic Apostolic Charismatic Church of Jesus the King" in 1970, as a "schismatic bishop."

patient by day,

Judy A. Gray



Confirmation

Prisoners at the Pennsylvania State **Correctional Institution in** Dallas prayed earlier this month at their confirmation liturgy.

the economy slid into recession have not been recouped or replaced.

President Bush's Aug. 13 economic forum in Waco, Texas, tried to bring home the message that the administration was working to halt swooning stock prices and climbing unemployment numbers, contending that its economic proposals of tax cuts, reined-in federal spending, and business deregulation amid greater corporate selfpolicing are the way to go.

Rodriguez expressed his disappointment that Bush "didn't articulate an economic view for the second half of his term," adding his view that the forum was "more posturing than anything."

In an economic era where Enron was just the first high-profile multibillion company to declare bankruptcy-Kmart, US Airways, WorldCom and Global Crossing followed Enron in filing a Chapter 11-Rodriguez said market forces, more

than government action, are turning corporate chieftains around.

"To the best of my knowledge, no one at Enron has been charged with criminal wrongdoing, and it is in Chapter 11, and the stock price Enron is trading at is under \$1. That's a form of market punishment," he said.

Shellabarger said the crisis in confidence in the U.S. economy can be traced in large part to the conduct of corporate leaders in the management of their firms.

"I really don't think that increasing the amount of time you can spend in jail for defrauding your company is going to stop them," he said of corporate criminals.

When companies stop seeing themselves solely as profit centers and instead see themselves as part of the "common good" of society, that's when Americans' confidence in the economy will be restored, according to Shellabarger. †



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August 23

Marian College, St. Francis Hall Chapel, 3200 Cold Spring Road, Indianapolis. Catholic Charismatic Renewal, prayer meeting, 7-8:30 p.m. Information: 317-927-6900.

August 23-24

Prince of Peace Parish, 413 E. Second St., Madison. Community festival, rides, games, live music, dinners, Fri. 5 p.m.-midnight, spaghetti dinner 5-7 p.m., Sat. 3 p.m.-midnight, fried chicken dinners. Information: 812-273-2024.

St. Ann Parish, 2862 S. Holt Road, Indianapolis. Family Fun Fest, 5-11 p.m., food, games. Information: 317-244-3750.

August 25

Mary's King's Village Schoenstatt, Rexville (located on 925 South. .8 mile east of 421 South. 12 miles south of Versailles. "Helping Mary's Plan for Worldwide Moral and Spiritual Renewal," 2:30 p.m., Mass 3:30 p.m. with Father Elmer Burwinkel. Information: 812-689-3551 or e-mail eburwink@seidata.com.

St. Christopher Parish, Activity Center, 5301 W. 16th St., Indianapolis. Euchre party, doors open 1 p.m., play begins 1:45 p.m., \$3.

August 27

Holy Spirit Church, 7243 E. 10th St., Indianapolis. Bible study. Gospel of John, 7-8:30 p.m. Information: 317-353-9404.

August 30-September 2

Sacred Heart Parish, 558 Nebeker St., Clinton. Little Italy Festival, Water Street in downtown Clinton, Fri. 7-11 p.m., Sat. 11 a.m.-11 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m.-11 p.m., Mon. 11 a.m.-closing, Italian food, entertainment. Information: 765-832-8468.

August 31

Cathedral High School, Auditorium, 5225 E. 56th St., Indianapolis. Theatre sale, surplus costumes and props from Edyvean Repertory Theatre, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Information: 317-543-4942, ext. 344.

Mount St. Francis Retreat Center, Mount St. Francis.

Picnic, 11 a.m.-11 p.m., chicken or ham dinner with dumplings, dinner served 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m., booths and activities.

September 2

St. Anthony of Padua Parish, 4773 E. Morris Church St., Morris. Labor Day picnic and parish festival, 10:30 a.m.-8 p.m. (EST), chicken and roast beef dinners, turtle soup, lunch stand, entertainment, quilts. Information: 812-934-6218.

St. Peter Parish, 1207 East Road, Brookville. Labor Day festival, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., festival, 10:15 a.m.-2:45 p.m., dinner served, quilts, booths. Information: 812-623-3670.

September 5

Holy Family Parish, Main St., Oldenburg. Saint Meinrad School of Theology, Ecclesial Lay Ministry (ELM) course, "What Is the Church?" 10 sessions, 6:30-9:30 p.m., \$160. Registration: 317-955-6451.

September 7

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 1530 Union St., Indianapolis. "Angels for the Heart Day," mission day of "ora et labora" (prayer and work), volunteers report 7-8 a.m., closing Mass, 5 p.m. Information: 317-638-5551.

September 8

St. Augustine Parish, 315 E. Chestnut St., Jeffersonville. Harvest chicken dinner, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Skip's famous fried chicken and homemade noodles, adults \$7, children 10 and under \$4, 5 and under free. Information: 812-282-2677.

St. Pius Parish, Troy. Fall festival, famous soup, fried chicken or roast beef dinners, homemade pie, yard sale, flea market, games, 11 a.m. (EDT). Information: 812-357-8320.

St. Mary Parish, Ireland (Diocese of Evansville). Church picnic, family-style chicken and beef dinners, served inside 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m., outdoor chicken dinners, served 11 a.m., games, country store, quilts.

September 9

Holy Rosary Church, Parish

Council Room, 520 Stevens St., Indianapolis. Information sessions on the Catholic faith, 6:15-7:30 p.m. Information: 317-236-1521.

September 13-15

Benedict Inn Retreat and Conference Center, 1402 Southern Ave., Beech Grove. "Weaving with Clare of Assisi," Benedictine Sister Diane Jamison, presenter, \$160, \$120 commuter. Information: 317-788-7581 or e-mail benedict@indy.net.

Fatima Retreat House, 5353 E. 56th St., Indianapolis. Tobit Weekend retreat for engaged couples, \$250. Information: 317-545-7681 or e-mail fatima@archindy.org.

September 15

St. Louis Parish, 13 St. Louis Place, Batesville. Parish festival, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., chicken and roast beef dinners, country store. Information: 812-934-3204.

Daily

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

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

St. Joan of Arc Parish, 4217 Central Ave., Indianapolis. Leave a telephone number to be contacted by a member of the prayer group. Prayer line: 317-767-9479.

St. Therese of the Infant Jesus (Little Flower) Parish, Chapel, 4720 E. 13th St., Indianapolis. Perpetual adoration. Information: 317-357-3546.

St. Thomas More Church, 1200 N. Indiana St., Mooresville. Perpetual adoration.

Weekly

Sundays

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

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

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

St. Gabriel Church, 6000 W. 34th St., Indianapolis. Spanish Mass, 5 p.m.

Mondays

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

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

St. Roch Church, 3600 S. Pennsylvania St., Indianapolis. Holy hour, 7 p.m.

Marian Center, 3356 W. 30th St., Indianapolis. Prayer group, prayers for priests and religious, 9 a.m. Information: 317-257-2569.

Cordiafonte House of Prayer, 3650 E. 46th St., Indianapolis. Monday silent prayer group, 7 p.m. Information: 317-543-0154.

Tuesdays

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

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

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

St. Luke Church, 7575 Holliday Dr. E., Indianapolis. Marian Movement of Priests prayer cenacle, Mass, 7-8 p.m. Information: 317-842-5580.

Cordiafonte House of Prayer, 3650 E. 46th St., Indianapolis. Tuesday silent prayer hour, 7 p.m. Information: 317-543-0154.

Wednesdays

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

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

Archbishop O'Meara Catholic Center, 1400 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis. Adult Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse, Catholic Social Services program, 6-8 p.m. Information: 317-236-1538.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 5692 Central Ave., Indianapolis. Marian Movement of Priests prayer cenacle for laity, 1 p.m. Information: 317-253-1678

Holy Rosary Church, 520 Stevens Holy Rosary Church, 520

St., Indianapolis. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, between Masses, noon-5:30 p.m. Information: 317-636-4478.

SS. Francis and Clare Church, 5901 Olive Branch Road, Greenwood. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 7 a.m.-9 p.m., rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet, 11 a.m. Information: 317-859-HOPE.

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, Chapel, 46th and Illinois streets, Indianapolis. Prayer service for peace, 6:30-7:15 p.m.

Thursdays

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

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

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

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

Fatima Knights of Columbus, 1040 N. Post Road, Indianapolis. Euchre, 7 p.m. Information: 317-638-8416.

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

Cordiafonte House of Prayer, 3650 E. 46th St., Indianapolis. Thursday silent prayer group, 9:30 a.m. Information: 317-543-0154.

Fridays

St. Susanna Church, 1210 E. Main St., Plainfield. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

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

St. Lawrence Church, 6944 E. 46th St., Indianapolis. Spanish prayer group and conversation, 7-9 p.m. Information: 317-546-4065.

Saturdays

Clinic for Women (abortion clinic), 3606 W. 16th St., Indianapolis. Pro-life rosary, 9:30 a.m.

Stevens St., Indianapolis. Tridentine Mass, 9 a.m.

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

St. Joseph Church, 2605 St. Joe Road W., Sellersburg. "Be Not Afraid" holy hour, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Monthly

Second Mondays

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

Second Thursdays

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

Third Sundays

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

Third Mondays

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

Third Wednesdays

St. Jude Church, 5353

317-783-1445.

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Holy Name Church, 89 N. 17th Ave., Beech Grove. Holy hour and rosary, 6 p.m. Information: 317-784-5454.

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Third Fridays

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

Third Saturdays

St. Michael the Archangel Church, 3354 W. 30th St., Indianapolis. Helpers of God's Precious Infants monthly pro-life ministry, Mass for Life by archdiocesan Office of Pro-Life Activities, 8:30 a.m., drive to Clinic for Women (abortion clinic), 3607 W. 16th St., Indianapolis, for rosary, return to church for Benediction.

Fourth Wednesdays

St. Thomas More Church, 1200 N. Indiana St., Mooresville. Mass and anointing of the sick, 6:30 p.m. †



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revenge dominate, where war brings suffering and death to the innocent, there the grace of mercy is needed in order to settle human minds and hearts and to bring about peace," he said.

The pope spoke inside a modernistic structure that soared above the Krakow suburban skyline, part of a \$20 million pilgrimage complex. As part of the consecration rite, he poured holy oil on the bare marble altar and spread it with his bare palm.

He struggled to pronounce the longer prayers of the three-hour-long liturgy, but read his sermon in a strong voice that was easily understood by the thousands who packed the church and an adjacent field.

The pope recalled that before her death in 1938 St. Faustina proclaimed that people should open their hearts to God's merciful love, which "is stronger than even the greatest sin."

He said that message has special relevance in our own time, when people feel "bewilderment in the face of many manifestations of evil."

He received his longest applause when he formally entrusted the world to Divine Mercy—one of St. Faustina's deepest desires.

At the end of the Mass, the pope reminisced about the days when, as a young worker at the nearby Solvay chemical plant during the Nazi occupation, he would walk past St. Faustina's convent and sometimes stop in to pray at a church on the grounds. Although the two never met, as a young man the pope had heard of the nun's visions and was intrigued by them.

"Every day I walked this road coming to work for different shifts in wooden shoes that one used to wear those days. How could one imagine then that this man in wooden shoes would one day be consecrating a Basilica of Divine Mercy?" he said.



Pope John Paul II waves to thousands of citizens of his native country who turned out to greet him on his arrival on Aug. 19 in Krakow, Poland. The 82-year-old pontiff walked down the steps of the plane to cheers from the crowd.



In Krakow's Blonia Park, the pope celebrated Mass on Aug. 18 for an estimated 2.2 million people, many of whom had spent the night in the grassy meadow. Local Church officials said it was the largest crowd ever to attend a papal liturgy in Poland.

The pope beatified four Polish Church figures and praised them as "stupendous examples" of mercy in daily life:

- Archbishop Sigmund Felinski, who as head of the Warsaw Archdiocese in the 19th century protested czarist persecutions and was exiled to Siberia.
- Father John Balicki, known for his care for the poor and needy, who during World War II stayed in the Sovietoccupied portion of a Polish city in order to keep seminary formation alive.
- Jesuit Father John Beyzym, who founded the Church's first hospital for leprosy patients in Madagascar in the early 1900s.
- Sister Santia Szymkowiak, who ministered to English and French prisoners of war during the Nazi occupation of Poland until her death from tuberculosis in 1942.

The massive crowd sent forth waves of applause when the pope spoke of the need for mercy and charity in a world facing new threats to life, to the family and to social justice.

A sea of banners and flags—including the Stars and Stripes—waved in the sunshine after the liturgy, as the pope pronounced greetings in a dozen languages to those who had come long distances for the weekend celebrations. He asked them to keep spreading the Divine Mercy message.

The pope met with Poland's political leaders during his stay and expressed confidence in the future path of Polish development. But he noted that "many Polish families, especially the largest ones, and many unemployed and elderly people are carrying the weight of social and economic change."

He reminded Poles that economic success cannot be built upon the impoverishment and suffering of "our



brothers and sisters." That, too, is part of the Divine Mercy message, he said.

Among those greeting the pontiff was President Aleksander Kwasniewski, who has championed Poland's efforts to make additional economic sacrifices that will allow the country to enter into the European Union in 2004.

The pope paid private visits to the Wawel Cathedral, where he celebrated his first Mass 56 years ago, and to the Krakow cemetery where his mother, father and brother are buried. At one point, he stopped his popemobile in front of the house where he lived as a boy with his father.

"The pope has fond memories of his life here. Behind every corner is a memory," said Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls.

Pausing before the Church of St. Florian, his first parish assignment, the pope asked for prayers for the living and the dead and "for the pope, when he is alive and after he dies." That wistful note was not to be found in the cheers and chants of Krakow Catholics, who urged him repeatedly to live "100 years" and to stay with them in his homeland.

"So you want me to abandon Rome!" he retorted. He celebrated a final liturgy at another place of personal

significance: Kalwaria Zebrzydowska, a 400-year-old shrine dedicated to Christ's passion and Mary's compassion. Located some 30 miles outside Krakow, it was a place the future pope visited as a boy with his father.

In his sermon, the pope asked for Mary's help in obtaining the physical and spiritual strength needed to carry out his mission "to the end."

He also invoked Mary's special protection for the unemployed, the suffering and the young.

"Show young people a way and a horizon for the future. Cover children with the mantle of your protection, lest they be scandalized," he said.

Before leaving Poland for Rome, he took a helicopter ride over his hometown of Wadowice. He told Poles he'd like to come back and see them again—but added that this was "entirely in God's hands." †

Patron Saints Medals

Pope John Paul II stops to pray at the graves of his mother and father in Krakow's Rakowice Cemetery. Flanked by a choir and a group of Albertine nuns who take care of the family tomb, the pope prayed for about three minutes.

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ADKINS, Phillip W., 35, St. Barnabas, Indianapolis, July 24. Son of Wayne and Rosemary Adkins. Stepson of Debra Adkins. Brother of Dia, Tracy and Michael Adkins. Grandson of Lorene Rush.

BEVER, Lowell Keith, 78, St. Gabriel, Connersville, July 26. Husband of Jean (Kehl) Bever. Father of David and Mark Bever. Grandfather of three. Great-grandfather of five.

BUCKLEY, Frances, 91, Holy Cross, Indianapolis, Aug. 5. Aunt of several.

BULLOCK, Charles Dale, 75, St. Anthony, Indianapolis, Aug. 8. Husband of Helen (Terrell) Bullock. Father of Linda Tex, Dave and Tom

Bullock. Grandfather of six. Great-grandfather of five.

CLARK, Jon, 71, St. Gabriel, Indianapolis, Aug. 11. Husband of Grace (Stephens) Clark. Father of Jim and Tom Clark. Grandfather of four.

FISCHESSER, Helen E., 89, St. Gabriel, Connersville, Aug. 9. Mother of Doug Fischesser and Tom Francis. Sister of William Thomas. Grandmother of five. Greatgrandmother of three.

FREDERICK, Mary C., 96, St. Augustine, Jeffersonville, Aug. 7. Mother of Frances Schwartz, Theresa Wheatley, Mary, Edward, John, Joseph Jr., Lawrence and Samuel Frederick. Sister of Patricia Chacon and M. Jane Miles. Grandmother of 31. Greatgrandmother of 36.

GOLDSBERRY, T. Bernadette "Bernie" Arvin Dietz, 98, Holy Name, Beech Grove, July 27. Mother of Ralph and Thomas Dietz. Grandmother of five. Great-grandmother of six. Greatgreat-grandmother of one. **GONZALVO**, Marcela

Bernales, 88, Our Lady of the Greenwood, Greenwood, July 29. Mother of Lily Ablog. Sister of Pacienca Abratigue, Jacinta Cabrera and Melicio Bernales. Grandmother of four. Great-grandmother of two.

HICKS, Rose E. (Botzum), 99, St. Jude, Indianapolis, Aug. 5. Mother of Violet Baker, Dorothy Deeds, James and Roy Hicks. Sister of Mary Ann Sauer. Grandmother of 22. Greatgrandmother of 44. Great-greatgrandmother of 27. Great-greatgreat-grandmother of one.

HOCHADEL, Gladys B., 82, St. Augustine, Jeffersonville, Aug. 8. Mother of Phyllis Mirocha, Ida Mae, C. Ronald, M. Donald and Phillip Hochadel. Sister of Opal Burke. Grandmother of seven. Greatgrandmother of eight.

JACOBS, Russell E., 83, St. Ambrose, Seymour, July 22. Husband of Betty Jo Jacobs. Father of Betsy Blair, Dennis, Ricky and Thomas Jacobs. Brother of Doris Fisher, Dovie Uffman, Irene Wagner and Ray Jacobs. Grandfather of seven. Great-grandfather of five.

LAKER, Angeline B. (Gentile), 89, St. Jude, Indianapolis, Aug. 6. Mother of Phyllis

Kahl and Ellen Stillabower. Sister of Cecil Gentile. Grandmother of seven. Great-grandmother of 16.

LEFFINGWELL, Alvera "Butzie," 76, St. Michael, Brookville, Aug. 2. Mother of Lynn Hill, Mickie Sauerland, Brent, Brooks, Hal, Kelly and Pat Leffingwell. Sister of Edna Abbot. Grandmother of 19. Great-grandmother of three.

LUCAS, Mary Rose VanFossen, 88, St. Ambrose, Seymour, July 28. Mother of Michael VanFossen. Sister of Helen North and Father John N. Sciarra. Grandmother of two.

MURRELL, Elizabeth Louise "Betty Lou" Miles Carr, 81, St. Lawrence, Indianapolis, Aug. 9. Wife of Carrell T. Murrell. Stepmother of Karen Jatsko, Gary, Robert and Walter Murrell.

MURPHY, Charles Francis, 96, St. Luke, Indianapolis, Aug. 15. Husband of Margaret (Holzapfel) Murphy. Father of Maureen Eaton, Catherine Klee, Rita Ponton and Stephen Murphy. Brother of Tess Neville. Grandfather of 18. Great-grandfather of 38.

OSWALD, Elizabeth "Betty," 93, St. Charles, Milan, Aug. 6.

Mother of Donna Adams, Rosemary Hoffmeier, Marguerite Powell and Richard Oswald. Sister of Hildegard Conaway and Marian Gilland. Grandmother of nine. Great-grandmother of 15.

ROTH, Albert W., 75,

St. Ambrose, Seymour, July 16. Father of Cheryl Cox, Elaine Fraiser, Doreen Zautner and Fredrick Roth. Grandfather of five.

SCHMID, Henry A., 84, St. Gabriel, Connersville, July 24. Father of Joe Schmid. Brother of Anthony and Fred Schmid. Grandfather of four. Great-grandfather of several.

SHOMAKER, Mary Kathryn, 59, St. Rose of Lima, Franklin, Aug. 11. Wife of Wiliam R. Shomaker. Mother of Lisa Marie Akers and William R. Shomaker III. Sister of James Mooney. Grandmother of three.

SLOWIK, Richard A., 72, St. Gabriel, Indianapolis, Aug. 10. Husband of Mary (Gregorian) Slowik. Father of Cindy Eveasman, Richard Eres, Nicholas and Pete Slowik. Grandfather of seven.

SOMMER, Raymond, 82, Prince of Peace, Madison, Aug. 11. Husband of Margaret Sommer. Father of Susan Anderson, Mary Brown, Rose Furnish, Sandra Smallwood, Ramona Wild, Donald, John and Robert Sommer. Brother of Pauline Whalen, Mary Williams, Frances Yancey and Bernard Sommer. Grandfather of 20. Great-grandfather of five. Stepgrandfather of nine. Step-greatgrandfather of five.

SOTAK, Nicholas, 88, Sacred Heart of Jesus, Terre Haute, Aug. 3. Husband of Imogene Sotak.

STURWOLD, Earl, 60, St. Peter, Franklin County, Aug. 2. Husband of Ruby Sturwold. Father of Gina, LeAnn and Lisa Sturwold. Brother of Janet Gunter, Velma Knecht and Mildred Lamping.

VISSING, Julia Kay, 19, St. Augustine, Jeffersonville, Aug. 8. Daughter of William "Bubby" and Vicki Vissing Sr. Sister of A.J. and William Vissing Jr. Granddaughter of August "Gus" and Ann Vissing and Geneva Frosch.

WALLACE, Jane, 81, St. Anne, New Castle, Aug. 12. Wife of Joseph Wallace. Mother of Debbie Scott and David Wallace. Grandmother of six. Great-grandmother of three. †



Anniversary Mass

Cardinal Nicolas de Jesus Lopez Rodriguez of the Dominican Republic raises the Eucharist during a celebration marking the 500th year since the first Mass was celebrated on Americas' mainland. The anniversary Mass took place near Trujillo, Honduras, on Aug. 14. Concelebrating was Honduran Cardinal Oscar Rodriguez Maradiaga of Tegucigalpa.

Providence Sister Jeanne Mary Dietz was a teacher and administrator

Providence Sister Jeanne Mary Dietz died on Aug. 16 in Karcher Hall at Saint Mary-ofthe-Woods. She was 84.

The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Aug. 20 in the Church of the Immaculate Conception at the motherhouse. Burial followed in the sisters' cemetery.

The former Emma Jeanne Dietz was born on April 24, 1918, in Indianapolis. She entered the congregation of the Sisters of Providence on July 22, 1937, professed first vows on Jan. 23, 1940, and professed final vows on Jan. 23, 1946.

Sister Jeanne Mary was a teacher and administrator at schools staffed by the Sisters of Providence in Indiana, Illinois and California.

In the archdiocese, she taught at St. Mary School in Richmond and St. Luke School, St. Andrew the Apostle School and Immaculate Heart of Mary School, all in Indianapolis.

Sister Jeanne Mary also served as assistant treasurer of the congregation's St. Gabriel Province in Indianapolis and as secretary and business manager for the Woods Day Care/Pre-School at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods

She also served the congregation as a member of the health care services staff.

Survivors include Providence Sister Ann Mary Dietz, several nieces and a nephew. †

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contrary to common sense. In the case of homosexual relations, which demand to be considered 'de facto' unions, the moral and juridical consequences take on special relevance.

"Lastly, 'de facto unions' between homosexuals are a deplorable distortion of what should be a communion of love and life between a man and a woman in a reciprocal gift open to life. However, the presumption to make these unions equivalent to 'legal marriage,' as some recent initiatives attempt to do, is even more serious. Furthermore, the attempts to legalize the adoption of children by homosexual couples adds an element of great danger to all the previous ones. The bond between two men or two women cannot constitute a real family and much less can the right be attributed to that union to adopt children

without a family....

"Consequently the grave error of recognizing or even making homosexual relations equivalent to marriage does not presume to discriminate against these persons in any way. It is the common good of society which requires the laws to recognize, favor and protect the marital union as the basis of the family which would be damaged in this way."

often used, this situation is not possible.

woman-for life-for the good of each

and for the procreation of children. No-

riage defined in any other way. This is

truth and no amount of liberal verbiage

address the subject of male and female

relationships: "God created man in his

image, in the divine image he created

multiply; fill the earth and subdue it'

Mr. Purvis quotes #2333 under

Church, which states, "Everyone, man

and woman, should acknowledge and

Article 6 in the Catechism of the Catholic

riages cannot accomplish this.

accept his sexual identity."

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him; male and female he created them.

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as a covenant between a man and a

where in sacred Scripture or in the

can change this truth.

Marriage is a sacrament and is defined

May God bless the holy Scriptures, the catechism, the holy sacrament of marriage and John Paul II, our pope. God be with you.

Karl Schiefer, Bloomington

Scripture opposes same sex marriage

This is in response to the letter by Jeffrey A. Purvis regarding same sex marriages in the Aug. 2 issue of The Criterion.

Though the term "same sex marriage" is

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It is unfortunate that Mr. Purvis failed to read further. In that same article, #2357 defines and explains homosexuality and the last sentence states, "Under no circumstances can they be approved." Reading further, #2359 states, "Homosexual persons are called to chastity."

There are numerous passages in sacred Scripture which confirm that to actively participate in homosexual practices is not pleasing in the eyes of God: Gn 19, 1 Cor 6, Lv 18:22, Lv 20:13, 1 Tm 1, Rom 1:26-28.

Sacred Scripture could not be more clear on this subject.

Mr. Purvis prays for the day when sacramental marriage will be offered to same sex unions. I submit that he and all of us must pray that those caught in this unnatural lifestyle be freed from this bondage. We are called to love the sinner but despise the sin as Jesus taught.

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