



LADYWOOD SCHOOL—This recent aerial view by Photographer Robert Lavelle highlights the six unit academic complex at Ladywood School which was dedicated in 1963. A benefit polo match scheduled Sunday afternoon at Fort Benjamin Harrison will provide funds for the purchase of equipment still needed to complete furnishing of the \$2.5 million complex.

AID IN NEW ALBANY CENSUS

Deacons and seminarians receive on-the-job training

By PAUL G. FOX

NEW ALBANY, Ind. — "On the job training" for deacons and older seminarians of the Archdiocese is being conducted year-round at Holy Trinity parish here in an atmosphere of post-conciliar teamwork between the clergy, seminarians and laity.

Under the leadership of the pastor, Father Bernard Gerdon, the parish priests, two deacons, four other seminarians and the Legion of Mary have systematically concluded an exhaustive city-wide census which will benefit not only Holy Trinity parish but nearby St. Mary's parish, whose boundaries run concurrent.

Rev. Mr. Melvin Bertrand, one of 13 Archdiocesan deacons ordained by Archbishop Schulte last May, has worked full-time on the census project this past summer in addition to other sacramental and pastoral duties in the parish. Bertrand, a mem-

ber of St. Mary's parish, Floyd Knobs, will begin his final year of seminard studies next month at St. Meinrad School of Theology.

OTHERS INVOLVED in the program are Rev. Mr. Wilfred Day, a deacon from St. Mary's parish, Lanesville, who worked earlier in the summer at Our Lady of Peace Hospital in Louisville; Father Silvan Brown, a Benedictine priest from St. Meinrad Archabbey; Jeffrey Godecker, second year theology student from Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish, New Albany; Richard Rouck and Fred Denison, seminary college students at St. Meinrad from St. Mary's parish; New Albany; and Thomas Floaden, St. Meinrad theology student from the Louisville Archdiocese.

Father Gerdon, who has pioneered in providing "field training" for members of the Apostolic Works Committee at the Spencer County seminary, had high praise for the efforts of Bertrand and others.

"He has had more experience in meeting people from all walks of life and talking with them about a great variety of problems and situations in one summer than I have accumulated in 28 years as a priest," the pastor commented.

The Floyd County deacon commented that his greatest reward was "the benefits of excellent communications and teamwork between the parish clergy and the census workers."

"We met regularly in the evenings to discuss each other's successes and failures, shared our experiences, and profited from the constructive critiques offered by the priests and our co-workers," he said.

THE GROUP certainly did not begin the census "from scratch" as the parish clergy workers have faithfully kept current records the past several years. New Albany's city directory provided the "starting point" in the immense project. A house-to-house canvass was launched, after noting the "Catholic Households" culled from the parish records at Holy Trinity and St. Mary's parishes. Census cards were prepared by the parish's Legion of Mary members.

More than 200 "cases" were discovered by the census workers which required the follow-up services of the deacons and clergy. Typical pastoral problems encountered were invalid Catholic marriages, 14 p.s.e.d. members, children not receiving religious instruction, non-baptized children and shut-ins.

Father Gerdon is adamant that the impressive stack of "follow-up calls" will be made during the coming months. "A parish census has little value unless it is promptly followed-up," he commented. "Many persons have been led to believe that a parish census is the first step toward a fund-raising campaign, rather than having a pastoral purpose."

One of the more phenomenal findings in Holy Trinity parish was the concentration of more

than 450 parishioners over the age of 65, out of about 2,700 members in the parish.

The pastor cited two principal reasons for the intensive census, planned for the past four years: 1) the careful enumeration and detailed knowledge of Catholics residing in New Albany; and 2) providing an outlet for the apostolic involvement of older seminarians and deacons.

Throughout the past academic year, three deacons from St. Meinrad visited Holy Trinity each week-end and received a "full load of pastoral activity." Activities included preaching, distribution of Holy Communion, conducting catechetical instruction for school-age children attending public schools, baptizing

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Fall Deanery Conferences set

A meeting of the Indianapolis Northside Deanery at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 13, at St. Michael's parish, will open the schedule of Fall Deanery Conferences, the Chancery announced this week. Archbishop Schulte will preside at the Conferences.

The Indianapolis Southside Deanery will meet on the following day, September 14, at the Latin School, also at 2 p.m.

Following is the schedule of meetings for the other deaneries in the Archdiocese: Richmond Deanery, 10 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 15; Lawrenceburg Deanery (at Batesville), 2 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 15; New Albany Deanery (at St. Mary), 10 a.m., Tuesday, Sept. 20; North Vernon Deanery (at North Vernon), 2 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 20; Terre Haute Deanery, 3 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 21; Bedford Deanery, 10 a.m., Friday, Sept. 23; and Tell City Deanery, 2 p.m., Friday, Sept. 23.

Instruction issued as a guideline for interfaith efforts

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WASHINGTON — Suggested procedures for Catholic dioceses and parishes considering membership in councils of churches are contained in a document issued jointly by the Catholic Bishops' Commission for Ecumenical Affairs and the National Council of Churches.

The document recommends an extended period of "mutual preparation" by Catholic dioceses or parishes and councils of churches prior to actual Catholic membership. But after such preparation, it says, it is possible for a Catholic body to "join wholeheartedly."

The archdiocese of Santa Fe, N.M., is the only Catholic diocese in the country which now belongs to a council of churches. Individual Catholic parishes in several states belong to their local church councils. In addition, Catholic priests in a number of areas have joined local ministerial associations — more informal bodies than the church councils, which are federations of Catholic, Anglican and Orthodox bodies.

THE NEW document was prepared by the working group of the Bishops' Commission for Ecumenical Affairs and the National Council of Churches. It is entitled "Information on Relations Between the Roman Catholic Church and Councils of Churches."

The "information" is the first of its kind issued by the working group, which was established last May.

In a memorandum accompanying the "information," the working group's co-chairmen—Bishop James G. Garberry of Columbus, Ohio, and the Rev. John Coventry Smith, general secretary of the Commission on Ecumenical Relations, United Presbyterian Church U.S.A.—note that it is not intended as a "final or definitive document," but represents current thinking.

"Both the Bishops' Commission and the National Council have received many requests for such information," they say. "It is our hope that this document will serve the purposes of God and the unity of His Church."

In discussing mutual preparation for membership by Catholic bodies in councils of churches, the document recommends the following steps:

- "Explore as many areas of common interest as possible."
- "Determine one or more areas in which the needs of the members of councils of churches and the churches indicate that cooperation is desirable."
- "Develop programs or projects in one or two of these areas and carry them out together."
- "Work together for a period of a year or two, perhaps through a joint committee or other working group outside the structure of any existing organization, until the wisdom of closer ties is indicated through basic understanding and mutual commitment."
- "Discuss thoroughly the meaning, privileges, opportunities and responsibilities of membership in a council of churches."
- "After thorough discussion and appreciation of the meaning and promise of such cooperation, join wholeheartedly in membership in a council by official action of all concerned."

THE DOCUMENT outlines a number of other possible forms of collaboration between Catholics and members of other denominations. Among these are dialogues among clergy, between clergy and laity, and among laity; the exchange of observers and consultants; and



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the formation of a joint committee or working group.

One of the functions of a joint committee should be "discussion of what a council of churches is and what membership entails," it says.

It also speaks of "possible new forms" of collaboration, saying: "In a rapidly changing society and in a rapidly developing ecumenical movement, it is to be expected that new forms of cooperative activity supplementing or perhaps even altering the present form of the council of churches may commend themselves."

Another form of collaboration recommended by the document is "working together in common tasks." These include dialogues; ecumenical prayer and observances; and cooperation on such community problems as "race, poverty, urban renewal and relocation, education, delinquency, problems of aging, migrant workers, and national and world issues."

Also suggested are ecumenical open house programs; inter-denominational religious censuses; joint film, theatrical, art and music festivals; joint pastoral training institutes in marriage counseling; joint sponsorship of television and radio programs; and cooperative efforts to foster understanding of the ecumenical movement through the communications media.

The document says joint prayer is "generally acceptable and desirable" among Catholics, Protestants, Orthodox and Anglicans. But it notes that such churches observe certain "limitations" (Continued on page 9)

Papal visit

CASSELGANDOLFO, Italy — Pope Paul VI visited an orphanage near the papal summer villa here (Aug. 21). The half-hour visit was spent in visiting with the children there, and the Pope listened to several musical pieces that his young hosts had prepared for him.

The confirmation of the new accord was published in L'Osservatore Romano, Vatican City daily, which said that a protocol setting forth the details of the arrangement was signed August 15 during the visit to the Papal Secretariat of State. The protocol was drawn up after a series of conversations between Archbishop Salvatore more and Haitian officials.

Pageantry marks abbatial blessing

By PAUL G. FOX

ST. MEINRAD, Ind.—Ten-foot abstract banners depicting love, happiness, truth and unity formed the vanguard for a processionary array of seminarians, monks, diocesan priests, monsignori, abbots, bishops and archbishops who participated in the Solemn Abbatial Blessing of the fifth abbot of St. Meinrad Benedictine Archabbey here Wednesday.

The colorful two and one-half hour ceremony marked the formal installation of 66-year-old Archabbot Gabriel Verkamp, who was elected to head the 112-year-old Spencer County monastery on June 3.

Archbishop Schulte was the consecrator, assisted by co-consecrators—Archabbot Bonaventure Knabel, who resigned as the fifth abbot of St. Meinrad Archabbey in May, and Abbot David Melancon, of St. Joseph's Abbey in Louisiana and abbot-president of the Swiss American Benedictine Congregation.

ATTENDING the rituals in the huge monastic sanctuary of the venerable archabbey church

were two archbishops, nine bishops, two archabbots and 15 abbots. About 20 of the distinguished guests celebrated the Pontifical Mass of Blessing with Archabbot Gabriel.

Also present were Indiana Governor Roger D. Branigin, Lieutenant Governor Robert L. Rock, and U.S. Congressman Winfield K. Denton of the Eighth District.

The archabbot-elect was presented to Archbishop Schulte at the sanctuary entrance prior to the start of the Solemn Mass. Msgr. Thomas Clarke, Evansville diocesan chancellor, read (Continued on page 9)

St. John's professors appeal tribunal ruling

NEW YORK—A group of professors dismissed by St. John's University has appealed a New York diocesan Tribunal ruling that the case cannot be settled by an ecclesiastical court.

The 15 professors, led by Father Peter O'Reilly of Chicago, appealed the matter to the Metropolitan Tribunal of the New York archdiocese. If that Tribunal dismisses the case, it can be appealed to the Sacred Roman Rota, the Church's highest court.

"The Rotalia Tribunal ruled August 9 that it does not have the competence to decide the case because no "spiritual" question is involved, because the issue can be settled by a civil court, and because the university "does not enjoy the privilege of the ecclesiastical forum."

THE PROFESSORS challenged all three reasons in their appeal, addressed to Msgr. Stephen J. Kelleher, official of the New York Tribunal.

"They said it is clear that the dispute at St. John's has been "harmful to the proper end of the Church," citing the censures of the university by three professional groups.

They argued that the charges made in the civil court and those in the ecclesiastical court are different. The civil case, they said, is based on the charge that the university vio-

lated the constitution of the state of New York, which grants the right to organize a union. The ecclesiastical court, they said, was asked to decide a "moral and ethical issue," the breach of contract.

AND, THEY ADDED when St. John's was expanded in 1956, it was an ecclesiastical institution and was done by authority of the late Bishop Thomas Molloy of Brooklyn. It therefore enjoys the privilege of the Tribunal, the professors said.

The Brooklyn Tribunal had said it is impossible to determine whether Bishop Molloy meant to give the university canonical status, but that probably "this was not his intention."

'Unsuitable' MADRID — Spanish priests, authorized since August 1 to wear either black clerical suits or traditional cassocks have found that the suit costs a lot more than the cassock. In some areas the price difference is great enough to prevent priests from buying a suit, although clerics in the cities have adopted the suit enthusiastically despite the expense.

INITIATE NEW ALBANY CENSUS—Spearheaded by two Archdiocesan deacons, an exhaustive city-wide pastoral census has been conducted this summer in New Albany. Shown above are a few of the key members of the project, from left: Rev. Mr. Melvin Bertrand, Rev. Mr. Wilfred Day, seminarian Jeffrey Godecker and Mrs. Louise Livingston, secretary at Holy Trinity parish, New Albany, headquarters for the project. (Photo by Houghton Studios)



Ritter Junior High band sets concert

INDIANAPOLIS — The first public concert of the Ritter Junior High School band will be held Sunday, Aug. 28, at 3 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Robert T. Hinkle, band director at Ritter, will conduct the band, made up of 36 of the through eighth grade pupils from 10 Westside elementary schools. He will be assisted by Ralph D. Phillips, a graduate music student at Butler University. No admission will be charged for the concert.



TOMATO FESTIVAL QUEEN AND COURT—One of the seven young ladies about will reign as queen of the fifth annual Tomato Festival and Dance, to be held at St. Mary's parish, Navilleton, on Saturday, Aug. 27, in the parish hall. The event is sponsored by the Junior CYO of the Floyd County parish. Popular vote will select the festival queen. The Galavies will provide live entertainment. Above, kneeling from left, are: Mary Ellen Krueger, Jill Naville and Barbara Miller. Standing from left: Susie Krueger, Jan Naville, Terri Bryant and Janice Seng. All are students at Our Lady of Providence High School, Clarksville. (Staff photo)

ALCOHOLISM

Sin or disease?

By FATHER RALPH S. PFAU

ALCOHOLISM is fast becoming the most discussed problem of the day. Seldom a week passes without some national publication printing an article dealing with the condition. More and more frequently public speakers, particularly in the educational and moral fields, are contributing their thinking toward the solution of this problem.

No sane person can deny the appalling fact that alcoholism itself is increasing by leaps and bounds even infecting many in the late teens and early twenties. It is most disconcerting to find in the groups of Alcoholics Anonymous throughout the country, many such young people who are already chronically alcoholic.

Most writers estimate that there are five million alcoholics in the United States today. We cannot see how this figure can be factual, since already in the year 1958 agencies dealing with alcoholics listed five million. For some reason or another this figure has been used ever since.

We feel there must be at least seven or eight million in 1966. Certainly no one will deny that alcoholism is increasing not decreasing. However, the reason that the statistics have remained static is because Dr. Jellinek died in 1958. And since he was the outstanding authority, few writers or speakers have had any additional source for statistics.

ALCOHOLISM is rated third as a national health problem. Each year 25,000 die as a result. Last year it cost industry in the United States \$1.25 billion.

Still the present methods of dealing with the problem (with the possible exception of the almost miraculous work of Alcoholics Anonymous, the National Council on Alcoholism and the various State organizations) are in many cases expensive, sometimes barbaric, and they seldom rehabilitate nor do they prevent.

Before attempting to analyze the problem we had better first clarify our own terms. Let us, too, become confused in our discussion of this problem. So, first of all, let us define what is meant by "Alcoholism" and whom we classify as an "alcoholic."

We have all heard down through the years many wrong definitions of an alcoholic. Let us analyze some of the more common: "An alcoholic is an individual who drinks alone." Undoubtedly, in the past, many a father or mother has given such advice to their sons. "Son, never drink alone, and you will not become an alcoholic." Also, many well meaning doctors, psychiatrists and clergymen

have given the same advice. However, the fact is, that there are thousands of alcoholics who never drink alone as soon as they start drinking they want people; they are gregarious; they get "telephonics." Their primary desire is not to be alone. Yet, these people are very acutely alcoholic.

OTHERS HAVE advised the potential alcoholic that "An alcoholic is the individual who drinks in the morning." And they very dogmatically taught their charges. "If you don't drink in the morning, you are not an alcoholic." In reality, the writer has met alcoholics who had never taken a drink in the morning. He remembers one particular person in Alcoholics Anonymous who had had that advice given to him in his youth, so in order not to become an alcoholic he fought off daily the shakes and the jitters, and the nervousness, and what have you, for years, with bromide, the barbitals, aspirin, etc., until none—then, he could drink to his heart's content, and not become (so he thought) an alcoholic! He has now been a member of A.A. for many years.

Then, there was the common error of advice: "Always stay with two or three drinks, and you will not become an alcoholic." What such well meaning guardians of the morals seemed to know at all was, that an alcoholic in spite of all things he may do to avoid it, cannot stay with two or three drinks or four. Furthermore, there are certain types of alcoholics who become "drunk" on a very few drinks, and do they ever in-

crease their intake, but they still continue to become drunk.

THEN WE HAVE the classic advice used down through the years by parents, doctors, clergymen, and all well meaning persons: "Stick with beer—the light stuff—and you'll never become an alcoholic." It is the rare alcoholic who somewhere along the course of his drinking days has not encountered such advice. Many actually attempted to drink nothing but beer, and still they became alcoholics. As a matter of fact, there are a few alcoholics here and there who have never drunk strong liquor. And we all know that the "swino" is very common in the alcoholic ranks.

Other well meaning persons have advised: "Never drink every day, and you will not become an alcoholic." The so-called "periodic" alcoholic demonstrates the fallacy of such advice. There are individuals who may go for three months, even years, and never touch nor desire a drop of alcohol. Not such a one goes off for a "binge" and then, three or four weeks or months before sobering up.

We feel that when we analyze the true causes of alcoholism the reader will readily see that the above definitions and advice have nothing to do with alcoholism, and will realize that it doesn't make any difference how, when, where, or why the individual drinks. What happens to the personality when the alcoholic drinks determines the condition of alcoholism. And along this line of thought we find that the most commonly accepted definition of an alcoholic is one who has taken one drink cannot guarantee his sobriety, or, medically speaking, an allergy of personality starts with an obsession of the mind. Therefore, an alcoholic is an individual who having begun to drink cannot tell when he is going to stop. In his personality is a definite allergy so that when alcohol enters into his system, then and there begins the complete obsession or compulsion of the mind leading eventually to excessive consumption.

All alcoholics are excessive drinkers, but not all excessive drinkers are alcoholics. We still maintain that willful excessive drinking is sinful, but we also maintain that alcoholism, in which the excessive drinking is symptomatic of an underlying personality disorder, is a

sickness, a highly complex one, and often a fatal one.

What is needed today more than anything else is a new approach to the problem is clarification and understanding, instead of the hurling of dogmatic "Thes" and "Thats" without even a smidgen of understanding of the realities of the problem.

Now let us try to find in as far as we can, the actual cause of the conditions of alcoholism. And in doing so, let us keep in mind that excessive drinking itself is not the sickness, but only the symptom of the underlying disease. It is a condition similar to the innumerable irritations that are external signs of the internal infections in various sicknesses.

Much has been learned in the past decade concerning the cause of alcoholism. And in our analysis of the condition, we find that there are many causes, but only a few are in reality causes, but merely circumstances, aggravating the underlying causes. Their name is legion. To name but a few: environment, nervousness, pain, illness, home and marital conditions, etc. Actually, these are not causes, but merely occasions.

For example, one hears the remark, "Well, I don't blame me for getting drunk if I had a wife like he has to live with. I would get drunk too." I realize that so and so's wife is not the cause of his drinking (although many times she may be an aggravating factor), and that if she were removed as a circumstance in his life (if he is an alcoholic) he would continue to get drunk. The same thing may be applied to any other circumstance, such as job, boss, finance, etc., which we so often wrongly blame as the cause of the alcoholic's drinking.

The primary cause of alcoholism is not positively known in the present knowledge of scientists. Nor do we believe that the cause in most instances is singular, but usually a combination of causes.

All these "quirks" of the alcoholic personality start with a basic abnormal fear motive. It is the reason that an alcoholic must be approached not with the idea of correcting his faults, but with the hope of instilling faith and confidence to offset the basic element of fear. It is the reason that criticizing, condemning, making fun of, or frightening the alcoholic only accentuates his alcoholism because it only deepens his fear and insecurity.

A normal person who pouts does so because he has been hurt, on the other hand, when the alcoholic apparently pouts he often times does so because he has been frightened. It is true that his fears are very abnormal, but it is also true that they are present, and we must face facts and not indulge in wishful thinking. Practically every alcoholic who has achieved sobriety has achieved it, and maintains it, because someone, somewhere, rebuilt his human confidence and thus led him again to a confidence and faith in the Divine, which ultimately is the only real cure.

THE NEXT QUESTION that logically presents itself is the responsibility of the alcoholic. Is the alcoholic, on the charge responsible for his excessive drinking?

It is impossible to answer this question with a dogmatic statement. A thorough analysis must of necessity be left to essays of broader scope than our present one. Suffice it for the present to give Jesus Father John C. Ford's conclusion to his excellent analysis of moral responsibility in alcoholism: "The average alcoholic is sick in body, mind, and soul and usually cannot stop drinking without help. His responsibility is generally diminished to a considerable extent, but each alcoholic, each drinking episode, and even each act of drinking must be judged separately."

One of the most damaging attitudes that has occurred is a definite obstacle to the solution of the problem of alcoholism is the refusal on the part of the average individual to admit the existence of the problem. Ostrich-like, they bury their heads in the sand with false shame, and when personally or in the family, or in business, or in any other organization, they bow their heads, close their eyes, and meekly utter, "We ain't got no problem."

For some strange reason most people do not understand anything under the sun than an alcoholic, whereas it is only by an understanding of what alcoholism really is, and how serious a person will ever be brought to admit the problem. It must be brought to the open and all available therapies used to treat the situation. Thanks be to God, in the past many organizations and individuals have contributed much of the knowledge and made of solving the problem of alcoholism. Outstanding in the field is Alcoholics Anonymous, a group of individuals who have had an amazing record of success.

THE TWELVE STEPS OF A.A. I do admit we are powerless over alcohol—that our



FATHER RALPH PFAU lives had become unmanageable.

Couples preach in Mexico

MEXICO CITY—Married couples mounted the steps of Mexico City pulpits (July 24) to add their pleas to their archbishop's request for more priests for more priests.

The move was prompted by the desperate situation facing the archdiocese of Mexico City. The largest diocese in the world, it needs 5,400 more priests to bring its ratio of priests to people up to a minimum of one to 1,000 recommended by the Vatican. It now has only 290 diocesan and 678 religious priests to minister to its Catholic population of 5.7 million.

Supervised by the Christian Family Movement, the husband and wife preaching teams are divided into 77 divisions reaching every church in the diocese.

German churches to help Vietnam

STUTTGART, Germany—Two agency, and the Protestant Diaconal Society of Germany's largest church, Konisches Hilfswerk have agreed related relief societies have to organize seven projects in order to cooperate in supply South Vietnam and to investing aid to war-torn Vietnam. gale the possibility of working Caritas-Verband, a Catholic in North Vietnam.

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6. Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.

7. Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.

8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.

9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or take personal liberty, and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

10. Continued to take personal inventory, and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His Will for us and the power to carry that out.

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Urge strong national episcopal conference

ST. LOUIS — An editorial in the St. Louis Review, archdiocesan newspaper, calls on the U.S. Roman Catholic bishops to "establish a strong and effective national conference of bishops" as a result of Pope Paul's motu proprio, *Eclesiae Sanctae*, which implements four more decrees of the Second Vatican Council.

"In this document," the Review said, "the Pope again calls for establishment of a strong and effective national conference of bishops to effect the full import of collegiality within a country and for the best service of the worldwide Church."

"This formulation must still be done in the United States and the American hierarchy should advance this implementation at their annual meeting in November."

THE REVIEW noted that the doctrine of collegiality was one of the most heralded movements of the Vatican Council. "In itself significant as it signifies in a way we put responsibility for the governing of the whole church... Collegiality and collaboration — or call decrees — certainly was a major one in the overriding spirit of the council and its accomplishments."

"Pope Paul VI, in establishing the Synod of Bishops and in his continued consultation with bishops and their national groupings, has put his theory into practice."

In noting the recommendation in the Pope's document calling for voluntary retirement of priests and bishops at the age of 75, the Review said that is a step further than the council itself was willing to take.

THE CATHOLIC weekly also noted that "consultation of others beyond the usual channels of Church administrative decision is one of the greatest thrusts of Pope Paul's instruction."

In calling attention to the Pope's call for national conferences of bishops to nominate candidates for episcopal offices, the Review said that "these procedures will broaden the responsibility of all persons for the Church's service and good."

TO ENTER CONVENT—Miss Mary Sue Freiberger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Freiberger, of St. Mary's parish, Floyd's Knobs, will enter the novitiate of Our Lady of Grace on September 7. An open house for friends and relatives is planned on Sunday, Aug. 28, from 2 to 4 p.m., at the Freiberger home. No invitations have been issued. Miss Freiberger was graduated from Our Lady of Grace Academy, Beeth Grove.

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PROVIDENCE NUN COMPOSES MODERN MASS—Although the Archdiocesan Chancery Office granted approval to the "Mass for the People of God" just two weeks ago, hundreds of copies of the sung Mass have already been ordered. Sister Mary Peter, S.P., shown above with the guitar, is the composer of the Mass. She has also made a recording of it to demonstrate the guitar accompaniment. Shown above with Sister Jeane Michelle, S.P., (left) and Sister Mary George, S.P. Copies of the Mass and the recording are available from Sister Mary George, 7241 E. 10th St., Indianapolis, 46219, or from Sister Jeane Michelle, Motherhouse of the Sisters of Providence, St. Mary-of-the-Woods, Ind. (Staff photo)

THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD Asks refugee residence law

At home

◆ LANSING, Mich. — Michigan's four major religious organizations have filed a joint brief before supporting the jurisdiction of the Michigan Civil Rights Commission in an open housing dispute. The brief was filed in Ingham County Circuit Court by the Michigan Catholic Conference, the Jewish Community Council of Metropolitan Detroit, the Michigan Council of Churches and the Council of Eastern Orthodox Churches. The dispute arose when an East Lansing realty company refused to rent an apartment to a Negro student at Michigan State University.

◆ WASHINGTON — U.S. Atty. Gen. Nicholas Katzenbach has advocated legislation which would bestow permanent residence status on the 165,000 Cuban refugees now in this country. The proposal repeated

ly has been advocated by Catholic and other religious and welfare leaders engaged in refugee work. It was recommended specifically by John E. McCarty, Immigration Department, National Catholic Welfare Conference, in hearings before Congressional committees earlier this month. The attorney general told a House Judiciary subcommittee that many of the refugees, who are in this country under "parole" status, are unable to practice their professions.

◆ LA CROSSE, Wis. — Twenty-two newly received Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration returned to the community in St. Joseph the Workman cathedral here. Mother General Ann Marie of St. Rose convent said the name policy change was the first in the 116-year history of the community. At the same ceremony 26 Sisters made first-

year profession vows. ◆ ALLENTOWN, Pa. — The commission of ecumenism of the Allentown diocese has published a 22-page booklet of ecumenical guidelines to aid priests in guiding the laity. The guidelines include general principles for non-Catholics to serve as witnesses at Catholic wedding dinners; for Catholics to serve as witnesses at non-Catholic weddings; and for burial of non-Catholics in Catholic cemeteries with a priest or a non-Catholic clergyman conducting graveside ceremonies.

Abroad

◆ TORTOSA, Spain — Bishop Manuel Moll y Salard of Tortosa has been named to the eighth member Council of State, Spain's highest government advisory body. This appointment marks the first time since the Spanish civil war that a bishop has been named to the Council

of State. The Tortosa prelate will be among those deciding the question of religious liberty in Spain.

◆ RIO DE JANEIRO—Brazil's President Humberto Castello Branco has sharply criticized those who are trying to stir up trouble between the people and the national government. Claim that the presence of a minister at a mixed marriage indicates approval of the Catholic ceremony, and hence would be a violation of the minister's allegiance to his own denomination, is in controversy with Brazil's conservative military authorities, has long been advocating social justice and economic reform for the people of the northeast.

◆ MEXICO CITY — New laws regarding fast and abstinence went into effect here (Aug. 17) following the Mexican bishops' application of the apostolic constitution Penitencia. Friday abstinence will be observed only during Lent. Both fast and abstinence will be maintained only on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The bishops' document also reserved to the local bishop

and to the pastor the right to substitute some other good work for fast and abstinence.

◆ STUTTGART, Germany — Protestant ministers in some areas of Germany have been banned by their churches from taking part in mixed marriage ceremonies in Catholic churches. Protestant church officials claim that the presence of a minister at a mixed marriage indicates approval of the Catholic ceremony, and hence would be a violation of the minister's allegiance to his own denomination. Both Protestant and Catholic authorities believe that the presence of the minister encourages mixed marriages, which neither group wants.

◆ IBADAN, Nigeria—Nigerian government officials called on religious leaders of all faiths to offer prayers for national stability and the preservation of peace in the country, recently rocked by revolt. Bishop Richard J. Finn, S.M.A. of Ibadan has ordered prayers to be said daily in all Catholic churches until further notice. Protestant and Moslem religious leaders also responded to the government appeal, with special days being set aside for prayer and fasting.

Represents Primate at millennium rite

CHICAGO—A young Polish bishop will bring a message from Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński, primate of Poland, to celebrations here marking the millennium of Polish Christianity. Bishop Wladyslaw Rubin, former head of the Pontifical Polish College in Rome, is a delegate for the cardinal in the cardinal's capacity as "spiritual protector of Poles abroad."

Cardinal Wyszyński has hoped to attend the event here August 28, but was refused a passport by the communist Polish government. Bishop Rubin, who is auxiliary bishop of Gniezno, Poland, resides in Rome and needed no such permission. Bishop Rubin will deliver a sermon in Polish at the millennium ceremony in Soldier Field. Archbishop John P. Cody of Chicago, patron of the observance, will give a special message in English.

THE MASS AT the millennium ceremonies will be celebrated by 25 prelates, with Archbishop Cody as principal celebrant. It will be said at an altar nearly 100 feet wide and 40 feet high, making it larger than the altar used by Pope Paul VI when he celebrated Mass in Yankee Stadium.

Surrounding the sanctuary will be special boxes with seats for nuns, clergy and guests. The bishops will occupy special seats near the foot of the sanctuary. More than 1,000 Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus will form an aisle of honor to the altar. During the Mass a gold chalice

will be used. Cardinal Wyszyński's gift to Polish-Americans, will be used. One highlight of the celebration will be tableaux on six mobile stages, depicting major events in the history of Christianity.

Bishop Rubin arrived here a week early for the observance, and celebrated a Pontifical Mass (Aug. 21) at St. Stanislaus Kostka church, "mother church" of Chicago's Polish parishes.

A VACANT THRONE at the Soldier Field rite will be the absence of Cardinal Wyszyński and of the "dramatic struggle" in which the Church in Poland is now engaged. Archbishop Cody stated in a letter read in Polish churches throughout the archdiocese (Aug. 21).

The letter appealed for contributions to the Catholic League for Religious Assistance to Poland. The Polish government, Archbishop Cody said, has "launched a massive propaganda campaign to discredit the Church. They have contrived every possible obstacle to prevent Poles from taking part in the religious ceremonies culminating a nine-year novena commemorating Poland's 1,000 years of Christianity."

Nevertheless, he added, "Poles are gathered around the Lady of Czestochowa to thank God for the graces they have received. That they are able to celebrate this millennium at all is in no small measure due to the moral and material support that they have received from their brothers in Christ in America."

Plans apostolate of the Autobahn

COLOGNE, Germany—Cologne's Cardinal Joseph Frings has appointed a multilingual Dutch priest to establish a special tourists' parish on the Autobahn near Düsseldorf.

Although several churches are located on the famous German highway, none provides special tourist services. The new parish, besides the church, will have a hotel, restaurant, theater, and children's playgrounds.

Will administer Mississippi See

WASHINGTON—Pope Paul VI has appointed Bishop Joseph B. Brunini to be apostolic administrator of the Natchez-Jackson diocese, which comprises the state of Mississippi. Bishop Brunini, 57, has been auxiliary bishop to the Most Rev. Richard O. Geroy, 81, bishop of Natchez-Jackson, since November, 1965. The appointment was announced here by Archbishop Egidio Vagnoni, Apostolic Delegate in the United States.

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- September 1, 1879 — Father John B. Chasse
- September 1, 1869 — Father Patrick Murphy



TO ENTER CONVENT—Miss Mary Anne Guthrie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Guthrie, of St. Gabriel parish, Indianapolis, will enter the Sisters of Providence convent, St. Mary-of-the-Woods, on September 12. She is a graduate of St. Agnes Academy. An Open House will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 4, at 3439 Welch Dr.



TO ENTER CONVENT—Miss Mary Jo Piccione, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rockie Piccione of Holy Name parish, Beech Grove, will enter the Sisters of Providence convent, St. Mary-of-the-Woods, on September 12. She is a graduate of Chartrand High School. An Open House will be held at 217 N. 16th Ave., Beech Grove, on Sunday, Aug. 28, from 3 to 5 p.m. No invitations have been issued.

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AT ANNUAL CYO SHOW

Holy Name garners top talent honors

Youngsters from Holy Name parish, Beech Grove, dominated the 13th annual Junior CYO Talent Show on Sunday, Aug. 21, at the Garfield Park Amphitheatre in Indianapolis.

Besides the "Best Act of Show" prize (awarded to a parish song and dance group), Holy Namers won one division first place, and two thirds.

The only first place winner from outside a Marion County parish was Bill Corcoran of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, New Albany, for his piano solo in the Instrumental Division. Runner-up and third-place in the Variety Division also went to out-of-town parishes.

A large, enthusiastic crowd watched the open-air proceedings. The Indianapolis Park Department estimated attendance at around 2,500.

A trophy and \$15 cash prize for "Best Act of Show" was presented to the Holy Name song and dance aggregation, which is called "The Red-White-and-Blue Revue." For their medley of patriotic songs.

Men's Softball

Results of Sunday, Aug. 21: Holy Name 12, St. Catherine 10, St. Philip 8.

Final Standings: St. Jude 92, Holy Name 73, St. Philip 64, Holy Name 46, St. Catherine 37, St. Bernadette 10.

FIRST PLACE in the Variety Division went to Debbie Delano, St. Joseph, for her tap solo of "Butternut Samba." Patty Kaperak, St. Ann, Terre Haute, won second place with her pantomime of the record "They're Coming to Take Me Away." Patty and her sister were the top winners in the Instrumental Division last year.

The melodrama "No, No, a Thousand Times No!" presented by a group from St. Charles Borromeo parish, Bloomington, was awarded third place in the Variety Division.

Top performers in the Vocal Division were (1) The Boys' Chorus from Holy Name, for their medley "Julie Ann" and "Ride the Carousel"; (2) "The Town Criers," a combo and vocal quartet from St. Christopher, medley of "Shenandoah" and "The Dog Song"; and (3) Janie Pich, Holy Name, medley "Where is Love?" "Bluesette" and "Love is a Many Splendored Thing." Janie was second in last year's show.

BILL CORCORAN was awarded first place in the Instrumental Division for his rendition of "Deep Purple" on the keyboard. Finishing behind him were Frances Derry, St. Patrick, who awarded third place in the Instrumental Division, and Theresa McDonough, Holy Name, an organ medley of "Twilight Time" and "Caravan." Theresa is also a repeat winner from 1965, as she likewise was awarded third place in the Instrumental Division.

Judges for the Talent Show were: Mary Conner, Mildred Graf, Jim McMahon, Sam Rhinesmith, Mrs. Walter Salm, Rick Seaver, Mrs. Ronald Thomas, Bernice Weimer and Mrs. Katie Wright.

Dave Snyder, president of the Indianapolis Deaneries Junior Youth Council, and Bill Aust, vice-president, acted as Masters of Ceremonies. Distributing the cash awards and trophies were Father John Elford, Archdeacon CYO Director, and William S. Salm, CYO Executive Secretary.

Five-division alignment set for grid league

INDIANAPOLIS — The CYO Cadet Football League will be aligned in five divisions this year. It was announced this week by the CYO office. Each team will play fewer games, and all games can be played on Sundays under this set-up, according to CYO officials.

The annual Cadet Jamboree will again kick off the season on Sunday, Sept. 11, at the CYO Stadium. The high school 36 teams are scheduled to participate. Schedules released at a press conference last evening revealed that some teams in the "100" League will open play on the evening of Wednesday, Sept. 14. The bulk of the schedule in that league, divided into three divisions, will feature Sunday contests, but there are also a number of week-night games slated.

The CYO Office also urged coaches to complete the eligibility blanks and the physical examinations in preparation for the weigh-ins.

DEVELOPED AT ND

Device may replace parachute

NOTRE DAME, Ind.—One of the hottest developments on this university campus is a wing-shaped device that, among other things, may replace the parachute and be used to retrieve payloads from space.

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Whoozit' slated Tuesday, Aug. 30

INDIANAPOLIS — Emphasis in the Junior CYO's first annual "Whoozit" will be on participation and group discussion according to Father Richard Keil, moderator of the event.

The "Whoozit," which is replacing the annual Evening of Recollection, will be held Tuesday, Aug. 30, at Little Flower parish gym, 4720 E. 13th St., Indianapolis. A capacity crowd of 350 is expected. Starting time is 5:30 p.m., but participants are asked to be present a half-hour early.

The evening's spiritual activities will conclude with Mass followed by supper and a social hour. Anyone who plays a musical instrument is encouraged to bring it for the social hour.

Wins Richmond tennis honors

RICHMOND, Ind. — Junior CYO members from St. Gabriel's parish, Connerville, nearly dominated the Richmond Deamery Junior CYO Tennis tournament which recently at Earlham College.

Greg Lindsey, St. Gabriel's, won the Boys' Singles trophy and teamed up with Jack Shirley to cop the Boys' Doubles title. Theresa Wiley, St. Gabriel's, was Girls' Singles champ.

Patricia Pettibone and Nancy Wissel, of St. Andrew's, Richmond, took first place in the Girls' Doubles competition.



BOYS' SOFTBALL CHAMPIONS—St. Michael, Indianapolis, emerged as a winner from the highest race in the recent history of the Junior CYO Boys' Softball League after a 10-5 victory over Sacred Heart in the league's title game at Engelhardt Softball Stadium. The West-siders had to survive a three-way tie to win the Division One Crown before meeting Sacred Heart in the final contest. The league championship was the second in three years for the parish. Coach Chris Sweeney (back row, left) played with the parish's 1964 champions, by the way, as did Assistant Coach Nick Pitz (back row, second from right). Father Clarence Waldon, one of the St. Michael CYO Priest Moderators, is at the right in the back row.



GIRLS' SOFTBALL CHAMPIONS—The boys softball team from St. Anthony, Indianapolis, weren't able to get out of their division in this year's CYO Softball competition, so the girls took over. In fact, they won the league championship while they were at it, defeating St. Catherine by a convincing 14-3 count in the final game at Engelhardt Stadium. During the regular season the girls wound up as Division One titleholders to qualify for the championship. Head Coach Barbara Dowden is standing with her girls at the right in the back row. At the left is Assistant Coach Dennis Hynes.

Sodality parley slated in Chicago September 3-5

CHICAGO—The National Sodality Service Center of St. Louis will conduct its fourth annual Midwest Assembly of the Sodality Lay Apostolate here September 3 to 5.

The convention will open with a welcoming address by Archbishop John P. Cody. Contemporary social problems and their relation to Christian life will be discussed by:

Donald Thorman, publisher of the National Catholic Reporter; Edward Marcinak, director of the Chicago Commission on Human Relations; the Rev. Edgar H. S. Chandler, executive director of the Church Federation of Greater Chicago; Dr. Charles Wohl, co-founder of the Toledo (Ohio) Youth Guidance Center; Also Donald Quinn, managing editor of the St. Louis Review; John Deedy, editor of the Pittsburgh Catholic; Arthur Conley, chairman of the Subcommittee

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COUNTRY-STYLE chicken dinners will be featured at St. Anne's annual church picnic on Sunday, Aug. 28.

Twenty fun booths for the entertainment of young and old will be featured at St. Martin's parish picnic here on Sunday, Aug. 28.

Officers elected at Sellersburg

SELLERSBURG, Ind.—Mrs. John Breck was recently elected president of the Ladies Club of St. Paul parish here.

The new officers of the Men's Club of St. Paul Parish are Charles Gehmann, president; Curtis Beavin, vice president; and Larry DeWitt, secretary.

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IT'S YORKVILLE ON SUNDAY—The annual St. Mark's Picnic will be held on the grounds of the Dearborn County parish Sunday, Aug. 28. Father Charles Walsh, pastor, personally guarantees the hospitality and country-style chicken dinners.

Future role of laity traced by Cardinal

BOSTON—Cardinal Richard Cushing told some 2,000 Catholic laymen from various parts of the nation the success of the Church in years to come will depend on the extent to which laymen accept their rightful position of leadership in the Church.

Speaking at the 21st biennial National Catholic Laymen's Retreat Conference convention here, Cardinal Cushing said it is not enough for laymen to bring to the Church "the veneer of wisdom, experience and culture that demands attention and admiration in worldly circles."

MacEoin Fr. Karl Rahner offered new post

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LONDON—Bishop Bernard Wall of Brentwood has given general permission to his clergy to attend cremations and say committal and other suitable prayers.

FESTIVAL CALENDAR

For the convenience of Criterion readers, the following is a listing of summer festival and picnic dates throughout Archdiocesan parishes. Many are suggested that you take the family, see Indiana, and support the activities of these parishes.

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Jeffersonville and Clarksville Calendar OF EVENTS

St. Anthony's Deanery CYO Dance, August 26. St. Augustine's Deanery Youth Council Meeting, August 29, at St. John's, Starlight. Sacred Heart Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Osborne will celebrate their 50th Anniversary, 10 a.m. Mass on August 20. Providence Party, Saturday night, 8 p.m.

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NOTES FROM THE CUFF—Among the highlights of the Solemn Abbatial Blessing this past Wednesday at St. Meinrad: Beautiful, cool weather, together with the rich colors of the various participants, brought out scores of photographers, clerical and lay. . . . Television crews recorded major portions of the impressive ceremonies for the first time in history. . . . One banquet hall and two buffets accommodated the hundreds of guests, followed by formal speeches in St. Bede Theater. . . . Father Thomas Carey, general pastor of Christ the King parish, Indianapolis, did his usual hilarious job as master of ceremonies—introducing Archbishop Schulte, Abbot David Melancon, Governor Branigan and Archbishop Gabriel. No stranger to the master of ceremonies role himself, the governor doubled over several times at Father Carey's Iberian wit. . . . Archbishop Schulte in his remarks made an impassioned appeal for "good, holy men" to the ranks of the priesthood, instead of "sophisticated skeptics." He asked for a lessening of the trend toward "academic superiority" among seminarians which has caused several candidates to withdraw from their studies. . . . Gov. Branigan identified himself as a Baptist and recalled his father's advice that "being a Baptist won't keep you from sinning, but it will keep you from enjoying it." . . . Abbot David Melancon, who has been promoted ten abbots from among its ranks in its 112-year-history. It is the oldest of the Swiss-American Congregation's abbots. . . . Archbishop Gabriel stated that Archbishop Schulte has blessed three abbots, probably setting a record among American bishops. In an obvious reference to his age (he's 60), the archbishop recalled the temporary disasters which befell old and new testament personages who doubted the power of God. "I'm taking no chances by refusing to serve," he said. . . . Father Carey quoted Cardinal Joseph E. Ritter, former Indianapolis archbishop, as having said: "Special anything can happen to you if you live long enough." . . . Special prayers for the Solemn Mass of Blessing were arranged by Father Columbia Kelly, O.S.B., director of the monastic choir. The entire congregation sang the liturgy, along with the students. . . . Photos of the event will be in the next issue of The Criterion.

NAMES IN THE NEWS—Father John Wells, Indianapolis Archdiocesan priest now serving with the Springfield-Cape Girardeau (Mo.) diocese, has been named pastor of St. Joseph's parish in Advance, Mo. He is the son of Mrs. John Wells, of St. Joan of Arc parish, Indianapolis. . . . J. J. Creney, music director and organist at Holy Name parish, Beech Grove, recently received his master's degree in music at Butler University. . . . Past Grand Knight Louis Bauer of Mater Dei Council 437, Knights of Columbus, Indianapolis, was awarded a plaque this past week for his efforts. Also honored with plaques for outstanding committee work by the same council were H. E. Kattenbach and M. F. Sexton. . . . Grand champion ribbons at the recent Marion County Fair were annexed by three youthful members of St. Joseph's parish, Indianapolis. The 4-1ers, representing Wayne Township, were James Bright, woodworking; Robert Plummer, arts and crafts; and Elaine Weston, forestry. . . . Father Thomas Compton, a Divine Word priest serving in Madras, New Guinea, will be visiting his Indianapolis relatives on Saturday, Aug. 27, at the fourth annual Compton family reunion to be held on the picnic grounds of Msgr. Downey Council 2660, Knights of Columbus, Indianapolis. About 150 members of the family are expected. Reunion chairman is Mrs. Edward J. Walsh. . . . Miss Carole Babinec, graduate of St. Agnes Academy, has received a partial scholarship to attend Catherine Spaulding College in Louisville. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Babinec of Port Lauderdale, Fla., former members of Little Flower parish, Indianapolis. . . . One of the graduates of Good Samaritan Hospital School of Nursing, Cincinnati, mentioned in this column last week was misidentified. She is Miss Helen Mulvaney of Indianapolis. . . . Friar Jerry Wintz, son of Mrs. Paul Wintz and late Mr. Wintz of St. Louis parish, Batesville, recently received the brown habit of the Franciscan Friars in Cincinnati. . . . He now begins his novice year. . . . Father Gerard Ellersman, O.S.B., of St. Meinrad Archabbey, will conduct a special retreat over the Labor Day weekend at Our Lady of Fatimas Retreat House, Indianapolis. It begins Saturday evening, Sept. 3, and ends Monday afternoon. For reservations, call the retreat house, 546-7903.

'Adopt' parish —Donation MADRID—The new parish of St. Leopold in the suburbs of Carabanchel is being supported by the Austrian Catholics of the Leon five million pesetas (\$83,000) to restore his cathedral, the first Spanish parish to be "adopted" by foreign nationals.

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Dutch bishops apprehensive

THE HAGUE, The Netherlands—The Dutch bishops have shown that they are concerned about the "anxiety and fear" created among some Catholics by "liberal interpretations" of certain doctrines.

In a statement issued after their monthly meeting, the bishops asked those who wish to delve deeply into matters of faith not to confuse fellow Catholics with statements that give the impression they are denying essentials of the faith or are calling them into question. The bishops were referring to recent theological discussions that described the virginity of Christ in a different and possibly confusing manner. "The Church has always believed and preached that Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, was born without a man's action of the Virgin Mary through the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit."

THEY ALSO stated that the Church's belief in the Resurrection and eternal life acquired for us by Christ through His death and Resurrection is more than a belief, that we live after death only in the memory of relatives.

Another national Catholic daily, De Tijd-De Maasbode, declared: "For that someone to many Dutch people is required by law, and other people had expected with mixed feelings, has now happened: the most enthusiastic churchmen dreamed that it could." Dr. Stuber said, "This applies both to the new ecumenical spirit and the 16 revolutionary documents."

"Now, realizing that the real, lasting value of the council will depend very largely upon how these documents are implemented out in the world, in nations and in local communities, I am not altogether pleased by what I see."

"I greatly appreciate the fact that there has been a large amount of dialogue and theological discussion since the end of the Vatican II, but I fail to see where any of this has yet resulted in truly ecumenical, united action," he continued.

"I know that Pope Paul has decreed in a subtle way that the documents of Vatican II should be studied and implemented, but I must say that my observation is that relatively few bishops, priests and laymen have given the documents the study they deserve, and the great majority of the faithful hardly know they exist," Dr. Stuber said.

"THERE IS STILL time for implementation of the documents—the full cooperation of non-Catholics—but the longer the implementation is delayed, the harder it will be," he warned.

"I fully agree with the statement made recently by Pope Paul in regard to 'the opening of a new and great legislative period of the Church' if, as he indicates, the post-council period . . . is carefully and successfully carried through in regard to the realistic implementation of the 16 council documents."

Deacons (Continued from page 1) . . . offering marriage instructions. . . . ONE OF THE MORE popular interests for the deacons was participation in the quarterly "gatherings" held throughout the year. About 450 adult parishioners were reached during 40 such "gatherings" held in their homes for their immediate neighbors. Discussion sessions were held primarily on the application of the conciliar decrees to the lives of the parishioners. The priests, deacons and Sisters of Providence, who staff the parish school, shared the leadership at the meetings.

During the year a parish-wide "gathering" was held at the parish for greater attendance. To this observer, Holy Trinity parish has the closest thing resembling an "internship program" for future parish priests. And it is happening in a parish in which the year's responsibilities to bring its congregation into the post-conciliar era.



TO ENTER CONVENT—Miss Marjorie Yoho, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maxton Yoho, of St. Joseph's parish, Indianapolis, will enter the Benedictine convent of Our Lady of Grace on September 7. Miss Yoho was graduated from Chafard High School.

Calendar

FRIDAY, AUG. 26
St. Rita's Social at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall, 1930 and Arsenal.

SATURDAY, AUG. 27
St. Bridget's Social at 6:30 p.m. in the church hall, 815 N. West St.

TUESDAY, AUG. 30
St. Bernadette's Social at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall, 4830 Fletcher Ave.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 31
The Card Party in St. Philip Neri school hall, 530 N. Rural St., begins at 8 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 1
St. Catherine's Social at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall, Shelby and Tabor Sts.

Honor Bishop
BERLIN — Bishop Heinrich Maria Janssen of Hildesheim was honored here by German refugee groups for his work on their behalf. He is in charge of the work for refugees in the German Bishops' Conference.

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Haiti

(Continued from page 1) that Pope Paul VI will name a new apostolic nuncio to Haiti and that the Haitian ambassador to the Holy See will take up residence in Rome.

Earlier Pope Paul VI had accepted the resignation of two Haitian bishops who had been expelled from that country in 1960 and 1961. Their resignations cleared the way for the appointment of new bishops to fill the sees in Haiti, thus regularizing relations of the Church and State there.

The two prelates who resigned are Archbishop Francois Poirier of Port-au-Prince, expelled in 1960, and Bishop Paul Sanson Jean Marie Robert of Les Gonaives.

Both were transferred to titular sees, and as a mark of his personal esteem, the Pope conferred on them the papal honor of assistant at the pontifical throne.

NAMED TO SUCCEED Archbishop Poirier, Port-au-Prince, Haiti's capital, is Father Francois-Wolff Ligonde, who was born in Haiti at Les Cayes on January 17, 1922. He was ordained July 11, 1954, and has degrees in theology from Angers, France, and in civil law from the State University of Haiti.

Father Emmanuel Constant was named bishop of Les Gonaives to succeed Bishop Robert. Bishop-elect Constant was born at Port-au-Prince January 12, 1914, and has been a member of the curia of the Port-au-Prince archdiocese.

Father Jean Jacques Claudius Anjean was named bishop of Les Cayes. Born on Feb. 27, 1914, he has been serving temporarily in the administration of Port-au-Prince.

Bishop Remy Augustin, who has been auxiliary bishop of Port-au-Prince since 1959, was named Bishop of Deschamps. He was born on Feb. 2, 1925, in the Les Cayes diocese. He has been charged with the teaching of liturgy, experimental psychology and catechetics at the major interdiocesan seminary of Port-au-Prince.

Theatre Guild sets auditions
INDIANAPOLIS—The Catholic Theatre Guild will hold open auditions for their first production, "Mary Mary," by Jean Kerr, from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 27 and 28 and again on August 31, at 7:30 p.m., at the P & T Tool Co., 325 Massachusetts Ave. The play will be presented November 4, 5 and 6 at the Eastgate Auditorium.

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Interfaith

(Continued from page 1) prayer" with regard to joint interfaith and common worship. "In the interest of ecumenical courtesy, frank discussion of these questions should be encouraged and the convictions of all should be respected," it says.

THE DOCUMENT recommends study of the various ecumenical policy statements issued by the Catholic Church, the World and National Council of Churches, and individual Protestant, Orthodox and Anglican churches. In particular it urges careful reading of the relevant documents of Vatican Council II.

"Careful comparison of the documents of the Second Vatican Council and from the Department for Council of Churches, a congruity of approach to the subject of ecumenism. It also includes a case study of developing relations between Catholic parishes in Tulsa, Okla. and the Tulsa Council of Churches which has led to membership in the council by two Catholic churches to date.

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LITURGICAL WEEK SPEAKER

Sees possible community celebration of Penance

HOUSTON, Tex.—The reform of the sacrament of Penance called for by the ecumenical council, besides revising the rite of private confession, might also provide for community celebrations of the sacrament in which general absolution is given without individual confession.

This is the conclusion of Father John E. Corrigan of Silver Spring, Md., who has gained national prominence for his studies of Penance. He said in the closing address of the 27th annual Liturgical Week that "private confession will always be a true value within the Church."

In line with the provision of the council's Constitution on the Liturgy that "the rite and formulas for the sacrament of Penance are to be revised so that they more clearly express both the nature and effect of the sacrament," Father Corrigan suggested the possibility of liturgical reforms allowing for three varying forms for celebrating the sacrament of Penance—a recognition that sin is "an offense not only against

God but also against the whole Church and all mankind."

IN THE COURSE of his talk, Father Corrigan made these points:

• That for some people, personal confession is "psychologically impossible," and that the Church in future pastoral practice should take such persons into account.

• That whereas the Council of Trent taught that it is divine law that all mortal sins "must be enumerated in confession," further research should be made into the intent of the 16th-century council fathers in line with the thesis that the term "divine law" was often used at the time of Trent for ecclesiastical and even civil law.

• That in any case, mortal sin is "a free, full and in some sense final decision to turn from God," and therefore "a rarity in Christian life."

Father Corrigan, director of women's vocations in the archdiocese of Washington and curate of Christ the King parish suggested the possibility of liturgical reforms allowing for three varying forms for celebrating the sacrament of Penance—a recognition that sin is "an offense not only against

such as an apology to one he has offended, the priest said. He added that the confessor could then accept it and "perjures—more or less."

Father Corrigan outlined possibilities for future changes concerning individual confession, group celebration of the sacrament of Penance accompanied by private confession, and penitential services involving general absolution without individual confession.

He proposed that not only the prayers, but the setting as well, be changed in private confession. The traditional confessional, he said, says the wrong things about the confessor. "In this starkly impersonal dark corner, the interior of which is the ultimate in anonymity, it is hardly possible to celebrate anything—much less the joyous meeting of the Christian and the forgiving Christ."

Instead, he proposed every kneeling—or if not kneeling, have a "spacious, beautifully decorated and welcoming confessional room. Moderate light would replace the traditional darkness—all in order to "symbolize the warmth and joy of this meeting." It could be a face to face meeting between priest and penitent, he said, but a sliding veil should be provided so that anyone wishing to do so could preserve his anonymity.

FATHER CORRIGAN said of private confession that it should be an active effort among priests and parishioners alike to "discourage the one- and two-minute ritualistic grocery-list confession. It seems that if confessions of devotion are to be of true value, they should be personal meetings in which there is the opportunity for at least a brief and relevant dialogue relating to the penitent's real needs."

In the same vein, the priest suggested a change in Church laws to eliminate the physical barrier between priest and penitent, so as to allow the restoration of the ancient sign of "the imposition of hands" in Confirmation and ordination. "This is a gesture symbolic of the triumph of Christ and His spirit in the penitent himself. This might be a sign of new or increased life in Christ this expressive action should be restored."

As for the communal celebration of Penance, which is already in use in some countries, Father Corrigan held that it serves to give greater stress to the social nature of the sacrament.

Such a service, he said, could be given with a series of short readings from Scripture chosen to conform with the liturgical season or some special theme such as family relations, Christian unity or attitudes toward society. Following a prayer to the

Holy Spirit, there would be silence for individual self-examination.

Next, the people would recite one of the penitential psalms or a general confession such as the Confiteor. The priests present would then hear each individual's private confession with absolution, and the service would conclude with an appropriate prayer, common recitation of a "penance," and a hymn or psalm of thanksgiving.

FATHER CORRIGAN said of this kind of celebration of Penance:

"The faithful receive spiritual formation that goes much deeper than anything usually possible in the rushed method of private confessions. They are made to realize the communal value of penance and of sorrow for sin and repentance. . . . This kind of celebration restores some of the spiritual aspects of the public penance of ancient times without disturbing the present laws of private confession."

In broaching the idea of a penitential service which would include absolution without individual confession, Father Corrigan said: "One of the areas of future development most widely discussed and theologically unresolved is the question of giving general absolution without private confessing of sins on the occasion of a community celebration of the sacrament of Penance. Among the values of such a ceremony . . . would be to underscore that the most important aspect of confession is not the exact accounting of sins or even our contrition, but the forgiving action of Christ in His Church. This celebration would clearly teach this."

"PROPOSERS of this development in the sacrament are not proposing the elimination of private confession, but rather, as during many centuries in the early Church, private and public confession would exist side by side. The faithful would be intensely urged to personally to confession because through this means the penitent is able to break the circle of sin and to enter into a fuller awareness of himself as he relates to God and to others. Private confession will always be a true value within the Church."

"However, for many, personal confession is embarrassing to the point of repugnance, and for some it is psychologically impossible. Is it not possible that such a person in serious sin could be moved to true repentance by the community celebration of the sacrament and yet not be moved to confess privately? Should not our future pastoral practice take such persons into account?

"The greatest obstacle to this development is the teaching of the Council of Trent that it is divine law that all mortal sins "must be enumerated by the penitents in confession. Perhaps as we gradually clarify our notion of mortal sin as a free, full and in some sense final decision to turn from God, we may realize that mortal sin is a rarity in Christian life."

"For a man in grace mortal sin means a change in the basic choice that governs his life. It is a reversal of a fundamental decision regarding his whole relationship with God. By making this seem to be a commonplace happening do we not devalue the virtue of penance itself, which for the man in serious sin is an extraordinary gift of God?"

"Among many Catholics there exists a common idea that we can lose the state of grace every week and regain it every Saturday night. In view of what penance means as a true and radical change of heart, is this really possible? . . . Is there not a real need to see that the conditions of traditional moral theology for mortal sin are rarely fulfilled in our sinful acts? If of Penance exists "to free ourselves—and also—our friends, question or integral confession would be seen as a necessity for comparatively few, and group absolution much less of a problem."

Only when confessing Christians bear patiently the cross of greater honesty characterizes existence and anxiety, only when we strive every day to press, pastors and parishioners wrest from our slings hearts a little more gift of self to neighbors—only then will the celebrator, only when each in his own bration of Penance be a sign of soul has laid to rest racial and what it really is."

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IN ANY CASE, said Father Corrigan, the goal is to make real to all that the sacrament of Penance exists "to free ourselves—and also—our friends, question or integral confession would be seen as a necessity for comparatively few, and group absolution much less of a problem."

"Another resolution of the problem lies in our understanding of Trent's phrase "divine law." The Belgian moral theologian, Louis Monden, suggests that at the time of the Council of Trent "divine law" had not yet acquired the meaning we assign to it today and was often used for ecclesiastical and even civil laws."

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PLAN HAMBURG PICNIC—Parishioners of St. Anne's parish, Hamburg (Franklin County), have spread the welcome mat for chicken dinner patrons next Sunday, Aug. 28. In addition to the country-style dinners, served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., several booths and prizes will provide attractions for all age groups. Shown above with one of the special hand-embroidered quilts are, from left: Mrs. Albert Meyer, Miss Hilda Bedel, Mrs. Omer Prickel, Omer Prickel and the pastor, Father Sylvester Bloemke. Hamburg is located three miles north of Oldenburg, a short distance from Interstate 74. (Staff photo)

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Sister M. Evelyn Eckert, O.S.B., Archdiocesan CCD Coordinator, will conduct the classes with the assistance of various diocesan clergy. Classes will be held in Beech Grove from 7 to 10 p.m., on Wednesdays, beginning September 21. The Clarksville course will be held from 7 to 10 p.m., on Fridays, starting September 23.

Maryknoll cuts superior's term

MARYKNOLL, N.Y.—Permission to reduce the terms of superiors general from ten to six years has been given to the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of the Propagation of the Faith. The society, in its fifth general chapter, which opened August 1, sought Vatican approval of the constitutional change following a ballot by chapter delegates earlier this month. The shorter term becomes effective immediately, according to Maryknoll, and will affect the terms of office of the superior general and four members of the general council whose elections are currently on the chapter agenda.

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Maryknoll cuts superior's term

MARYKNOLL, N.Y.—Permission to reduce the terms of superiors general from ten to six years has been given to the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of the Propagation of the Faith. The society, in its fifth general chapter, which opened August 1, sought Vatican approval of the constitutional change following a ballot by chapter delegates earlier this month. The shorter term becomes effective immediately, according to Maryknoll, and will affect the terms of office of the superior general and four members of the general council whose elections are currently on the chapter agenda.

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