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In This Corner

An Opportunity to Be Heard

Coming soon ... to a site near you, it's "Conversations at the Crossroads," the latest series of visitations by leaders of the national church to leaders of the dioceses. If this sounds familiar, it should. The visits will mark the second time in three years that members of the national Executive Council and the "linkage person" from the Episcopal Center visit each diocese for consultation and dialogue. In 1993, similar visits took place in all but one of the domestic dioceses.

I claim to be one of the few persons in captivity to have read "A Compilation of the Reports of the Executive Council's Diocesan Visitations 1993," a 745-page document (plus appendix) which summarizes in detail the visits made and in some cases includes a transcript of the conversations. With all that available to church leaders, why go through the expense of sending council members and linkage persons to the dioceses only three years later?

This round has the potential to be different. For one thing, it may allow for more voices to be heard. In the 1993 visits, in most cases the diocesan representatives consisted of persons invited by the bishop. Diocesan leaders, for the most part. In this round, grassroots representatives may be heard.

"People interested in having their voices heard during these consultations should be in touch with their diocesan offices and indicate their interest in being part of the roundtable discussions that will take place," said Bernice Mulzac, linkage program coordinator at the church center.

The diocesan visits already have begun, with the American Churches in Europe as the first, and a sizable number of dioceses being visited in March. All but four dioceses will be visited, and only one of those four (Rio Grande) has indicated it does not wish the visit because of concern for the direction in which the national church seems headed.

Will Be Used in Budget Planning

Information gained from the visits will be used in the development of the national church budget for 1997, and the triennial budget to be presented to the 1997 General Convention in Philadelphia.

"I think those visitations are going to make a difference," Presiding Bishop Edmond L. Browning said at the meeting of Executive Council last month. "We really have something to share. I think the church is going to be blessed by the visitations."

So for those of you who are concerned over policies of the national church, legislation to come before General Convention, the relationship between your parish and the national church, or where "your money goes," call your diocesan office and make arrangements to be present. After all, how often do you get an invitation like this?

David Kalvelage, editor

Sunday's Readings

Life Is Not Possible Without Water

Lent 3: Ex. 17:1-7; Ps. 95:6-11; Rom. 5:1-11; John 4:5-26, 39-42

Those who make their homes in deserts are keenly aware of the relationship between water and life. The annual rainy season brings rich desert foliage to full bloom, while month upon month of summer drought turns the landscape a uniform brown. Less poetically, we're regularly reminded in news reports that people unprotected in the worst desert heat can and do die in a surprisingly short time when they don't have access to water. Water is life in a desert, and less obviously it is everywhere else as well.

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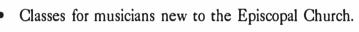
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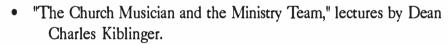
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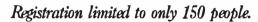


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Vows Have Been Forgotten

The editorial is right when it says "unity and collegiality cannot be forced" [TLC, Feb. 11]. Yet rudeness and disrespect for the office of the episcopate should not be tolerated either.

What has happened to the ordination vows of "obeying your bishop and other ministers who may have authority over you and your work"?

Reading what Bishop Dixon experienced [TLC, Feb. 4] at St. Luke's has simply confirmed that prayers for the work of the Holy Spirit are truly needed to work on "things which had grown old" which refuse to be made new!

(The Rev.) Russell W. Johnson, Jr. St. Mary's Church St. Paul, Minn.

I am a supporter of the ordination of women. However, I disagree with the action of the House of Bishops in approving making dioceses and bishops who are in good conscience against ordination of women accept women priests. We Christians are supposed to follow Christ, God Incarnate, as our model. Christ showed us God's will, told us of the results of not following it, but never

coerced anyone into anything. If ordination of women is God's will, he will bring about full compliance to it in his own time.

Anna M. Feild Hot Springs, Va.

The action of Bishop Ronald Haines of Washington in forcing his suffragan bishop upon three Anglo-Catholic parishes in his diocese is outrageous, cruel and thoroughly unAnglican. It also demonstrates the deceit and hypocrisy of so much of what like-minded church leaders do and say to further their agenda. While preaching "inclusivity" and praising "diversity," they enforce religious conformity in the name of perceived "justice" and "unity."

It is incredible that Bishop Haines can speak of "collegiality," "greater wholeness" and "unity" on the one hand, yet respond to a vestryman's question as to whether Bishop Dixon's visit would split his parish with a statement that he really didn't care. Apparently, he has deliberately confused that unity which our Lord speaks of in St. John's gospel with a narrow kind of religious conformity scarcely

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paralleled since the days of Archbishop Laud.

Protestant bishops behaving like post-Tridentine Roman prelates turns the whole proceedings into a parody and a caricature. There is no doubt where the meanspiritedness lies here!

Bruce P. Flood, Jr. Whitewater, Wis.

Selective Scripture

The letter from Cheryl Herbold [TLC, Feb. 4] piques my response.

While not a "cradle Baptist" I was a Southern Baptist clergy person for 30 years and am well acquainted with the biblical literalism held up by her as a badge of honor, but not so by me. Baptists are quick to claim belief in the Bible "and not to skew the scriptures to suit my situation ..." However, Baptists, like others, are quite selective in what they include and omit in that claim.

Having completed three degree programs with many good teachers, I can say without hesitation that I have never been taught by anyone, no matter what her/his theological stance, who loves the Bible more than Bishop John S. Spong. He has too much integrity, however, to parrot a traditionalism that accepts uncritically the pre-scientific world view of the Bible and the patriarchal attitudes and sexism underlying much of the Bible, thoughts which have been largely discredited in recent history. A love for the truth of the Bible as the record of God's revelation takes us beyond the stories, narratives and selective history of Israel to the message being conveyed.

I am glad Anglicanism has based belief upon not one but three realities: scripture, tradition and reason. That is a workable corrective to bibliolatry. In the Diocese of Newark the vast majority give thanks to God for a bishop who is a first-rate biblical scholar, whose courage and integrity are well attested, and whose pastoral heart has reached out and embraced all of us, gay-lesbian and straight, with the allinclusive love of Jesus Christ. Is that non-traditional?

(The Rev.) Emory E. Byrum St. Mary's Church Belvidere, N.J.

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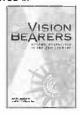
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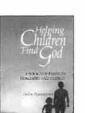
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needs of the 21st century [TLC, Feb. 4], but they seem to envision that this can be accomplished through the parish church.

It seems to me, however, that the parish church is an impediment to restructuring and transformation. Instead of transforming culture, it either affirms or it is overwhelmed by culture. Of course, there are some notable exceptions, but the salvation of the world is not being achieved via the parish church, a medieval-created institution which served that age very well but is not designed for the 21st century. A new and different structure is urgently needed. I am not optimistic, however, that the parish church will be replaced. The thought of the parish church disappearing provokes either amusement or trauma.

> (The Rev.) John R. Green Maumee, Ohio

Like a Circle

I was interested to read "Three Steps to Promote a Healthier View of Sexuality" [TLC, Feb. 11].

Bishop Richards' article seems to present a view of sexuality that has as its essential center a "normal" sexuality or a sexuality that must be described as "healthy." I wonder if this does not do injustice to the variety of God's creation. Rather, it would seem, that sexuality is, in and of itself, neutral, and could be better seen as "circular." If one were to draw a circle, the poles of a hypothetical absolute heterosexual orientation and a hypothetical absolute homosexual orientation might be represented at 0 and 180 degrees on that circle's circumference, but there would be myriad other expressions of human sexuality (including a bi-sexual orientation) at all the other degrees around the circle. Whether any of these is "normal" or "healthy" is really beside the point, but they are all very much a part of God's dynamic creation.

The emphasis in dealing with sexuality, I think, should be on the ethical, loving use of whatever sexual orientation a person may be blessed with as it influences the lives of others.

> (The Rev.) J. D. Edwards Church of the Redeemer Mattituck, N.Y.

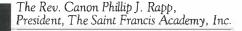
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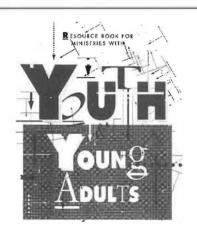
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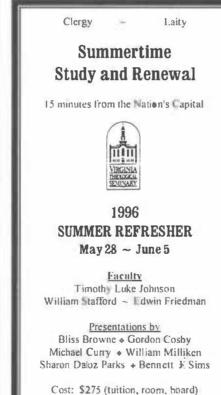


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the 1991 Phoenix General Convention to discipline even its own members to keep their sexual activity within their marriages, is the primary responsible party for the current devastation of life in the church.

The civil courts and the insurance companies are butting into the business of the church quite rightly because the church has become irresponsible and untrustworthy, causing havoc in peoples' lives — with the House of Bishops leading the way. The courts and the public generally used to trust the church because it had, to a significant degree, disciplined itself to purity and holiness. We often did not do it well, and Bishop Richards correctly points out the gap between our spiritual lives and our sexual lives. But that was our stated aim by which we held ourselves publicly accountable.

Until the House of Bishops can stand for honest biblical interpretation and honest science, there will be no reason at all for the public to trust the church in the matter of sexual responsibility.

> (The Rev.) Earle Fox Emmaus Ministries Ambridge, Pa.

Martyred Members

I write to question the developing "chummy relationship" being pursued by our Presiding Bishop with the Russian Orthodox Church [TLC, Jan. 14], I am glad we are helping hospitals wherever acute need is found over the face of the earth. But we should not abandon reason when seeking closer ties. And because our resources are not limitless, we should seek and choose an Orthodox Church which is historically more venerable and one that has suffered more deeply than that represented by the Moscow Patriarchate. I speak of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, whose members have suffered martyrdom, the most terrible since the third century of our era.

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Having recently visited Kiev and the few surviving members of my wife's family and friends, near Chernobyl, the greatest atomic disaster since Hiroshima and Nagasaki, I opt, at least for the present, for

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closer ties to the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, U.S.A., now under the ancient Patriarchate of Constantinople. Contact with this church is at hand, in south Bound Brook, N.J.

(The Rev. Canon) William H. Paul St. Peter's at the Light Church Barnegat Light, N.J.

Tracing Roots

Thanks for the stimulating piece "Tracking a Spiritual Family History" [TLC, Jan. 21].

My own male family line goes back through some straying Congregationalists in Massachusetts (from 1637!) to sturdy Anglican stock in Herts, England. But before? Weren't our ancestors most likely Christians in communion with Rome, and back generation after generation through the centuries? Isn't that the case with practically everyone whose people come from Europe? Isn't that the taproot and trunk of our own branch and twig?

The point might seem tendentious, especially coming from a Roman Catholic. But the intent is to plead the point

that if we want to value our spiritual roots and heritage, the Roman issue does seem to emerge again, and perhaps invites us all to persevere in the difficult but significant Anglican/Roman Catholic dialogue, simply to know ourselves more deeply.

(The Very Rev.) Robert Hale, O.S.B. Cam. New Camaldoli Hermitage Big Sur, Calif.

'A Wholesale Example'

If ever a bishop stood firm for the faith of the Church Catholic, that bishop was Stanley Atkins [TLC, Jan. 28]. The Church Militant has indeed lost a wholesome example of what a bishop ought to be.

With faithful diligence, always with love for those who did not feel as he did, by tongue and pen, he drove away from the church "all erroneous and strange doctrine contrary to God's Word," striving all the while to bring back the Episcopal Church to truth of doctrine and purity of life and fervor of evangelism.

Bishop Atkins was my friend and mentor. It is in large part because of him that I

continue to embrace "Christ's leprous bride, the Church." Without his example I could not do so. I will miss him dearly.

Frances Keller Barr Lexington, Ky.

The Right Analysis

Thank you for the article, "A Struggle Over World Views" [TLC, Feb. 4]. In a clear and compact way, the authors put forth a profound challenge to the Episcopal Church, indeed to all mainstream churches, to get off the "Ain't it awful?" paralyzing debate over the "grossly exaggerated" issues of the moment and get on with the task at hand, of evangelizing the world in a way people can understand.

(The Rev.) James H. Lupton, Jr. St. Alban's Church Stuttgart, Ark.

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Inspecting St. Andrew's after the early morning fire that destroyed the church building.

Sunday Morning Fire in Amarillo

St. Andrew's Church, Amarillo, one of the largest parishes in the Diocese of Northwest Texas, was destroyed by fire during the early hours of the morning on Sunday, Feb. 11. The fire department and a maintenance supervisor were alerted by an alarm at about 4:40 a.m., but by the time firefighters arrived, it was too late to save the church.

The complex of St. Andrew's is L-shaped, with an adjoining two-story educational building being spared after fire doors between the two buildings were closed. Damage was estimated at about \$3.5 million. It is believed the fire may have been caused as the result of a spotlight having been moved by workmen replacing wooden trim on the eaves. When the spotlight fell, its high intensity set the wood afire, causing it to spread through the building.

St. Andrew's church exterior is stone, and the walls remain standing, but fire marshals hadn't determined the extent of damage.

The Rev. William Nix, rector, was among the first persons to arrive while the building was still in flames.

"It was a nightmare," he said in a telephone interview with TLC. "We stood around long before it was daylight watching the blaze spread throughout the building."

The earliest service on Sundays is at 8 a.m., and Fr. Nix said people arrived for that

service unaware of what had happened.

"We, the staff and vestry, spent most of the morning just working the crowd of shocked and grieving parishioners," Fr. Nix said. He added that pastors of neighboring congregations went to St. Andrew's between their services to offer assistance.

"We have had such a tremendous outpouring of love and support," he said. "Grace-filled moments come one after another. We've seen the human spirit at its finest."

Fr. Nix said church appointments, the organ, vestments and theological books were destroyed, but parish records were discovered intact in a fireproof cabinet. He said that by noon on the day of the fire, a priest from a nearby Roman Catholic parish and the rector of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Amarillo had offered vestments and altar supplies, and hymnals and prayer books came from St. Peter's and the Rt. Rev. Sam Hulsey, Bishop of Northwest Texas.

St. Andrew's has a day school which has a gymnasium across the street. That gym was used the evening of the fire for the parish Eucharist.

"As horrible and shocking as it was, there were some wonderful moments," Fr. Nix said. "The service in the gymnasium that night was tremendously uplifting and unifying."

Fr. Nix said St. Andrew's eventually would rebuild.

Second U.S. Woman Consecrated a Diocesan

Standing before Presiding Bishop Edmond L. Browning and 11 other bishops, the Very Rev. Geralyn Wolf was consecrated as the 12th Bishop of Rhode Island on a chilly, sunny Saturday, Feb. 17. An old athletic injury preventing her kneeling, the former dean of Christ Church Cathedral in Louisville, Ky., received the prayers, accolades, and the invocation of the Spirit for her ministry in the tiny area and 63 parishes of the diocese.

She became the second woman diocesan bishop in the U.S. and the third worldwide in the Anglican Communion.

Prominent in the service were women and ethnic groups from points of the new bishop's ministry. One gospellor was the Rev. Josephine Denby, a deacon from Bishop Wolf's former parish, St. Mary's, in Philadelphia. The gospel was read a second time in Spanish by Deacon Ann Pelletier of Providence. The Rt. Rev. Barbara Harris, Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts and the church's first woman bishop, participated along with Bishop Mary Adelia McLeod of Vermont, the American church's first woman diocesan. Co-consecrators also included Bishops George Hunt, 11th Bishop of Rhode Island (now interim bishop of Hawaii), Edwin Gulick of Kentucky, and Frank Griswold of Chicago, who also was the preacher.

Bishop Griswold's sermon began with a remembrance of Bishop Wolf's baptism as a young woman at his parish of St. Andrew in Yardley, Pa., in 1971. He asked her to create a ministry of openness.

In an interview with a reporter from the *Providence Journal*, Bishop Wolf described her first encounter with Christ as a 5-year-old girl on the street outside a church in Rockville Centre, N.Y. She "had a profound sense of the presence of God. I don't know how I knew, but I had a sense that this was Jesus. Warm, loving, pleasant . . . I think I have spent the rest of my life discovering the Jesus I met at the age of 5."

At her consecration, she was surrounded by the Jewish family of her child-hood. "I cannot help but honor my daughter's accomplishment," said her father after the service.

(The Rev.) Peter Michaelson

Statement on Gay and Lesbian Movement Stirs Concern

Presiding Bishop Edmond L. Browning and three other Anglican primates have signed a statement recognizing the Lesbian and Gay Christian Movement (LGCM) which appeared as part of an advertisement in the Feb. 9 issue of Church Times and other publications.

More than 300 persons, including nine Anglican bishops, signed the statement, which reads, "On its 20th anniversary celebration, we recognize the valuable contribution made to the continuing debate on sexuality and Christianity by the Lesbian and Gay Christian Movement, and we call upon the churches to engage fully with this important question."

The other primates who signed the statement were Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa, the Most Rev. Richard Holloway, Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church, and the Most Rev. Michael Peers, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada.

Other Episcopalians whose names were noted on the statement were: the Rt. Rev. John S. Spong, Bishop of Newark; the Rt. Rev. Walter C. Righter, retired Bishop of Iowa; Louie Crew of Newark, founder of

Integrity, the organization for gay and lesbian Episcopalians; the Rev. L. William Countryman, professor at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific: the Rev. Grant Gallup, retired priest of the Diocese of Chicago; the Rev. Norman Pittenger, retired seminary professor and author; and the Rev. Martin L. Smith, S.S.J.E., superior of the Society of St. John the Evangelist, Cambridge, Mass.

The statement created a stir in England when the Sunday Telegraph published an article Feb. 4 under the headline "Archbishops back call for homosexual priests."

The article said the signers of the statement have endorsed "a controversial campaign to ordain practicing homosexuals as priests," and that the campaign "could hasten an even more damaging split than that over women priests."

Jim Solheim, director of Episcopal News Service, said Bishop Browning was contacted by LGCM and invited to send a greeting on its 20th anniversary.

Bishop Holloway, former rector of the Church of the Advent in Boston, issued a statement that "the ordination of gay peo-

ple is not a topic to be addressed publicly in a purely reactive way."

Archbishop Tutu went further in his comments. In an interview with *The Cape* Times, he said it was "a matter of justice, compassion and consistency" that the church accept homosexual clergy.

"If we say in relationships where there is fidelity between one couple is acceptable, why should we not extend the same conditions to same-sex relationships?" he said. "I am opposed to injustice, and I know where my Lord would stand."

In a telephone interview with the BBC following publication of the statement, Archbishop Tutu said, "I think there is something wrong when we persecute people and make them hate who God has made them to be, and if there is a way in which I can assist in the rehabilitation of people's self-worth, I certainly will do all I can."

Church Times reported the advertisement was intended as a way of promoting a series of events to celebrate LGCM's 20th anniversary, culminating in a service at Southwark Cathedral in London in November.

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The Rt. Rev. Bertram N. Herlong, Bishop of Tennessee, was among the panelists in a day-long conference designed to build dialogue between churches and the media recently at Vanderbilt University, Nashville. Religious leaders and members of the media examined ways, through a forum-styled program titled "Spread the Good News," that the two groups could interface and build relationships.

A moratorium on accepting persons who want to enter the ordination process to become priests has been declared in the Diocese of Southern Ohio. A committee is reviewing methods in which the diocese can be more proactive in recruiting suitable candidates for the priesthood. The moratorium does not affect those already in the ordination process, or those preparing for the vocational diaconate.

Members of the Standing Commission on Ecumenical Relations discussed the future of dialogue with Roman Catholics and churches participating in the Consultation on Church Union (COCU) when it met Jan. 24-26 in Delray Beach, Fla. "We need to quietly and carefully reconsider our relations with Rome in light of our recent teaching on the ordination of women," said William Franklin, professor at General Theological Seminary. Bishop Christopher Epting of Iowa noted a lack of support in much of the church for COCU and added it might be easier if the other eight COCU churches "move forward without us."

A former president of a Baptist college pleaded guilty in January to stealing \$3 million from the college. Lewis Nobles, 70, issued a guilty plea in federal court to charges of mail fraud, tax evasion and money laundering and will be sentenced in April.

The Rt. Rev. David Jenkins, retired Bishop of Durham in the Church of England, said the "Toronto blessing" was "a form of manipulation ... which reinforces the superstitious side of religion." Bishop Jenkins said on a radio program that the blessing, a charismatic activity in which persons laugh, shake and sometimes bark, "cannot be the work of the Holy Spirit, who is the vehicle of God in Jesus who loves us and treats people with respect."



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The Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians, Karekin I, was welcomed by the Episcopal Church during a six-day visit to New York City in January. During a liturgy at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, the Catholicos was welcomed by Bishop Richard Grein of New York and others. "We will always have an honored seat for you in this cathedral, and you will always have a place in our hearts," Bishop Grein said.

Bishop Haines: 'A Community Where...All Are Accepted'

Delegates to the convention of the Diocese of Washington spent much of their time dealing with resolutions concerning sexuality during sessions Jan. 26-27 at Washington National Cathedral.

The most controversial were resolutions pertaining to *A Statement of Koinonia*, produced by Bishop John S. Spong of Newark during the 1994 General Convention. The statement, which supports the ordination of non-celibate homosexuals, was affirmed by Washington's convention in 1995. This year's convention adopted by 12 votes a resolution that the diocese does not affirm the statement "as approved church doctrine." The resolution was one of seven concerning sexuality.

The Rt. Rev. Ronald Haines, Bishop of Washington, spoke of the convention's theme.

"It is fitting that the theme of this 101st convention, concluding our centennial year, is '100 Years of Christian Community ... and Building'," Bishop Haines said. "Our task is to build a Christian community where, as the vision statement says, 'all are accepted and none are despised,' and in the words of the baptismal covenant, where 'we will respect the dignity of every human being.' Between the words and the current reality, there is a lot of work to be done."

Bishop Haines called on congregations to make spiritual formation a high priority and to "deepen our bond with Christ through worship, studying the Bible, nurturing the spiritual life, and sharing our faith." Sally Johnson, chancellor of the Diocese of Minnesota, spoke to convention.

Delegates and visitors to the annual council of the **Diocese of Texas** braved record-setting cold weather and completed their business in record-setting one day's time. Meeting in Waco Feb. 3, delegates moved through their business quickly before the dedication of a Habitat for Humanity home built by Episcopalians.

In his convention address, the Rt. Rev. Claude E. Payne, Bishop of Texas, identified a fundamental imperative for the Episcopal Church. "We must move into our vision of One Church Claiming the Future through growth," he said, "if we are to survive as a church of any significance in the future." The imperative calls for networking resources and talents, a deepening spiritual life, and a clergy/lay partnership focused on evangelism with

churches moving from maintenance to mission.

Describing a network of churches with the diocesan center where resources are shared, the bishop expanded on his vision

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of a diocese growing from 74,000 members to 200,000 in 10 years. He said work already has begun to restart several churches that were stagnant or in decline, and teams of clergy and laity are being build to assist in congregational development

"In identified locations, not only do we propose to purchase the new church site, but also construct initial and sufficiently adequate facilities to house a resourcesize congregation," he said.

Bishop Payne introduced Joel Shannon, newly named resource development coordinator, who will identify funds throughout the diocese to be used for new growth in conjunction with funds from already existing foundations.

"It is my firm and cherished belief that among the 70,000-plus disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Diocese of Texas," Bishop Payne said, "there are at least 1,000 who would readily and eagerly give \$1,000 annually if they knew that the money would launch ... a new congregation."

Carol E. Barnwell

The annual council of the **Diocese of Virginia**, meeting in Richmond Jan. 26-27, concentrated on breaking down barriers and reflected on the many different expressions of its heritage, from the African American hymnal, *Lift Every Voice and Sing II*, to its relationship to the Church of England and its membership in the worldwide Anglican Communion.

The diocese conducts its business in two sessions. The first provides an opportunity for delegates to become familiar with the business being brought before the council. That session was held Jan. 6 in Fredericksburg.

The second, two-day session in many ways looked different from past council meetings. Clergy, lay members and visitors sat in small groups throughout the meeting. The table groups were assigned so that participants spent time with people they might not have met previously, and to exchange ideas with representatives from different kinds of churches.

The agenda called for the room to be set up in traditional rows of seats once the legislative session began on Saturday, but participants remained at the round tables after telling diocesan Bishop Peter J. Lee that they liked the arrangement. The small groups participated in Bible study and reflected on the bishop's pastoral address.

Although Bishop Lee usually invites a priest or bishop to act as chaplain of council, this year he asked Horace Boyer, editor of *Lift Every Voice and Sing II*, to be the chaplain. He taught songs from the African American hymnal and explained their origins.

Another workshop leader presented a different dimension of the heritage of the Episcopal Church. The Rt. Rev. Stephen Sykes, Bishop of Ely in the Church of England, spoke on "What it Means to be an Anglican."

The Rev. Canon John Peterson, secretary general of the Anglican Communion, preached at the council Eucharist about the interdependence with other churches in the communion.

One of the highlights of council was a presentation by two young persons, Meg Sullivan and Will Scott, high school students who reported the often-asked question they receive from adults: "How can we get young people involved in the church?" The two students turned the question around and challenged the audience, "How can the church be more involved with young people?"



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Martha Ainsworth of New York demonstrates the national church's computer network, called Quest, to participants at the gathering of the National Network of Lay Professionals, Jan. 12 in New Orleans. The group launched a membership campaign.

Many Benefits of a Sister Parish

Anglicanism's international quality takes hold at small parish in Oakland

By JOHN RAWLINSON

The establishment and maintenance of a sister parish relationship is a low-cost program which can provide many benefits to a congregation and its members. Such a relationship can be much more than what "we" do for "them."

A simple illustration shows the benefits of one of our sister parish relationships. A Mexican man in our parish wrote a letter to a fellow Episcopalian in Puerto Barrios, Guatemala. He was eager to contact the Episcopal Church beyond the U.S. borders, and via our relationship he came to understand the reality that we are part of a worldwide communion. He urged others to write letters. And he introduced relatives to the Anglican cathedral in Mexico City. By way of a single person, the sister parish relationship touched our two parishes, encouraged a particular parishioner, and affected an extended family in Mexico.

Our small parish is committed to the international quality of the Anglican Communion. For several years we had the relationship with the parish in Puerto Barrios. We are now in the initial stages of developing a relationship with a congregation in Belize. Eighteen months ago we established a continuing project to collect and forward money and resources to help support an Anglican priest and presence at the Theological College of Lanka, in Sri Lanka. While it is not a sister parish relationship, it is still an international contact with many of the same benefits.

There are many benefits of a sister parish relationship — especially an international one. It is a good antidote to parochialism. It makes the "catholicity," or universality and diversity, of the church real, and gives a deeper sense of the

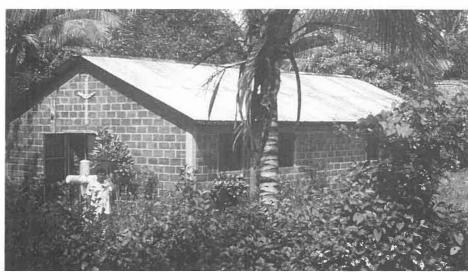
The Rev. John Rawlinson is pastor of St. James' Church, Oakland, Calif.

Pauline images of being equal and different members of the same body of Christ.

It can be helpful to see the world through different eyes. In addition to helping us learn about another nation and culcredit for teaching a course, because it is necessary to re-examine and re-organize materials in order to teach. Similarly, as we try to teach the people of a sister parish about ourselves and our situation, we re-examine ourselves and learn a great deal in doing so.

Establishing a sister parish relationship is a process which requires time and thought. The first step is to agree upon the general purpose of such a relationship. Forming this vision needs to take account of the pastoral, educational, theological, social and program dimensions of one's parish.

Our parish is small, poor, inner city, bilingual, multicultural and multinational. For comfort and "fit," we needed a poor, non-Anglo, Third World congregation as a match. To benefit our Hispanic parish-



One of the ministries of St. James' sister parish in Guatemala is this mission church, located on the north side of Lake Izabal.

ture, an international relationship can teach us about different communication styles, and issues. Some of the material we received from Guatemala included booklets from Native American Christian groups. One covered the history of Latin America in simple drawings and a simple text from the perspective of Native Americans. It echoed similar materials from our own country. It was also interesting to see a Spanish-language cartoon of laughing Native Americans pointing to a European and saying, "He says his name is Columbus, and he came to discover us." So a sister parish relationship can introduce new ideas, and challenge established

Sometimes it is useful to confirm what we already know. Many professional organizations give continuing education

ioners, it was educationally and pastorally beneficial to have contact with the church in Latin America. We also needed a congregation in which there was activity beyond the immediate congregation. The church in Puerto Barrios was founded by expatriate Britons, and had some memory of transition to a Guatemalan membership. This was also useful for us. The Guatemalan priest supervised two rural deacons and seven small mission stations. The people were involved in gathering used clothing and other material for the people of the missions. We formed a sense of our general aims and compared them to the nature of the Guatemalan parish as a basis for agreeing to the arrangement.

Finding possible relationships can be done in many ways. A priest friend in a (Continued on page 20)

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as Sacred Play

By DAVID J. SCHLAFER

reaching is hard work. Good preaching is even harder work. Former Archbishop of Canterbury Donald Coggin described the homiletical discipline as a "joyful tyranny." Most preachers are well acquainted with the noun Lord Coggin uses, but many have little if any sense of the adjective.

Preaching as drudgery. That feeling is well conveyed in an advertisement from a homiletical ghost-writing service that offers preachers a pre-packaged sermon per week for only 73 cents a homily (if purchased in a yearly subscription):

"Think for a moment: Couldn't you put to better, more profitable use the hours you now spend writing a homily that, once spoken, becomes only a reminder that you have to write another next week?"

The title of a splendid book on preaching by Eugene Lowry captures the flavor of preaching frustration even more succinctly: Doing Time in the Pulpit.

When preaching is envisioned as a formidable task to be discharged only by slogging through a "do list" of exegetical, rhetorical and spiritual "check points," it is hardly surprising (especially granted all the other responsibilities of a parish priest) if preachers approach this weekly workout exhausted before they start. Perhaps that is why some preachers procrastinate, cut corners, "blow it off," or subscribe to the 73-cent homily service.

What could the archbishop have meant by "joyful tyranny," if not merely the relief that flows when the sermon is over? Where, save in the satisfaction of a duty duly discharged, is the delight in preaching? It has to do, I think, with perspective — with how preachers envision what it is that they are doing.

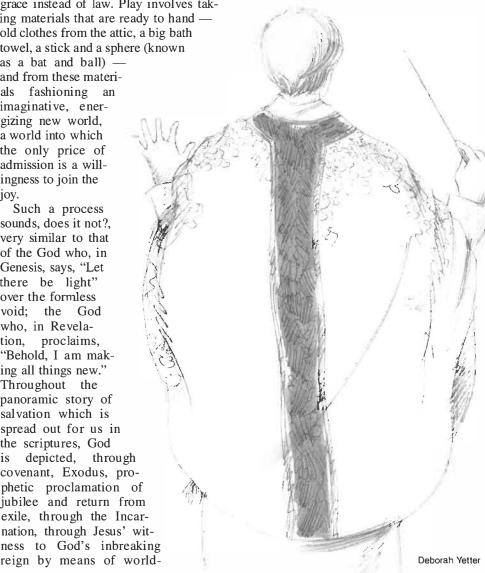
I propose an alternative to the "work ethic" of sermon preparation: I believe that, at its heart, preaching is an act of play — not frivolous, escapist, or destructive play — but sacred play.

It is not insignificant that one of the synonyms we often use for "play" is "recreation." The play of children (and of adults as well, if they have not forgotten how) is a dancing interaction between structure and spontaneity — between patterned behavior and "making it up as you go along." Play means freedom from external constraint — the experience of grace instead of law. Play involves taking materials that are ready to hand old clothes from the attic, a big bath towel, a stick and a sphere (known

as a bat and ball) and from these materials fashioning an imaginative, energizing new world, a world into which the only price of admission is a willingness to join the

Such a process sounds, does it not?, very similar to that of the God who, in Genesis, says, "Let there be light" over the formless void; the God who, in Revelation, proclaims, "Behold, I am making all things new." Throughout the panoramic story of salvation which is spread out for us in the scriptures, God depicted, through covenant, Exodus, prophetic proclamation of jubilee and return from exile, through the Incarnation, through Jesus' witness to God's inbreaking upending parables and sabbath healings, as re-creatively involved with the world, and as constantly inviting human creatures to join in realizing the fresh new world of God's creative imagination.

Good preaching, I submit, does not issue reports about, or analyses of, God's playful, recreating action. Good preaching



does what it talks about. It creates a playground in the space around the pulpit. It does not prescribe rules for recreation (for the listeners' "own good"); it evokes joyful participation in the divinely ordained dance of new life.

But how, specifically, can preaching do that?

"Play" is used in the English language in a number of senses:

- 1. To play with an object is to try it out, to get a first-hand feel.
- 2. To play a game is to participate in a pattern of imaginative interaction.
- 3. To play a musical composition is to perform it on a particular instrument.
- 4. To play a theater part is to undertake a role in a dramatic plot.
- 5. To play with a project is to prune, polish and fine tune it.

Each of these has direct, practical relevance for sermon preparation.

Preaching play as "getting a first-hand feel." This involves becoming tangibly involved in the torque and tingle of the scripture text, rather than standing at arm's length from the lessons, trying to ascertain the "point." I once had a student who told me, "I read the text to determine what doctrine it teaches, and then I preach that." His sermons sounded like it!

2. Preaching play as a conversation game. Even competitive sports require cooperative interchange — with teammates concerning strategy, with opponents concerning rules. An obsession with winning at all costs, instead of having a good game, often makes participants not want to play any more. Effective preaching conveys a sense of "conversational volleyball" — a vigorous, vital, almost kinesthetic back-and-forth between the voices to be found in the scriptures, the culture, the congregation, the liturgy of the day, and the preacher. It is a dull game when the ball doesn't cross and re-cross the net. Similarly, in a sermon, the interplay of conversational movement is "where the action is." The relevance of the gospel is discovered in the sermon through the energy of "Spirited" conversation.

Preaching play as the instrument of rhetorical music. Musical themes and phrases sound very different when played by string, woodwind, and brass instruments. The preacher has analogous instruments with which to play the sermon words: the poetic language of images, the prose language of exposition and argument, and the narrative language of stories. Preaching involves the orchestration of voices as well as their interaction. As in a symphony orchestra, different rhetorical voices can be used to

enrich and complement each other in the sermon; but they also can create cacophony if not skillfully integrated. Image, argument and story language need to be balanced and interwoven (like a fugue) in a sermon; they cannot, however, be indiscriminately mingled without sending confusing signals to the sermon listener. In general, in any one sermon, one of these literary genres needs to predominate, the others need to serve as "background music."

4. Preaching as dramatic plotting. Preaching is not theater, but good preaching always has a plot. Preaching need not be a single story or a string of illustrations, but an engaging sermon will involve the listener as a suspenseful novel or short story rivets a reader. The generation of interest through a careful sequencing of rising tension and realistic resolution is critical in sermon construction. "Points" in a sermon "outline" announced at the outset and summarized at the end — a sure-fire strategy for generating sermon "sleeping sickness" in one's listeners. What is needed instead of static logic is narrative logic — a moving, life-like logos. The movements in a sermon need to be shaped as well-sequenced scenes in a play — so that listeners arrive at the end of the sermon when the preacher does — and not before!

Preaching play as pruning and polishing. All of the previous "play" dimensions of preaching interdepend upon each other, but they cannot be attended to and developed, let alone effectively interwoven, all at once. Hence the need for a kind of playful tinkering and testing. After preachers discern an initial sense of sermon direction, they need to listen again for "what their sermon wants to be when it grows up," as a preaching colleague aptly put it.

The refining process need not be seen as making corrections for wrong work. "Polishing play" can be an adventure of discovery into the heart of the sermon — into the center, the place where it shimmers. The final polishing touches on the facets of a diamond are those that reveal its deepest fire.

Preachers cannot compete, of course, with the powerful, playful re-creation energy of God's inexhaustible love. They can, however, mirror it. Preaching is a joy when it is savored as sacred play.

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Viewpoint

Lay Preachers Need Your Trust

By JUDITH S. CLARK

bout four years ago, the priest in my church invited members of the congregation to offer sermons. Six of us now take turns preaching once a month. I shouldn't say "preaching." Officially, we give talks, not sermons, because we are not licensed by the diocese to preach.

Although we were aware of that from the outset, it was a background issue. For us, the telling decision about whether we should be preaching or not was the inner one that we each had to make for ourselves. I was reluctant at first, but when someone took me aside and said, "We need to hear from you," I acceded. I only needed a nudge. I was ready to talk.

As I listen to the other speakers, I feel the power of their stories and what they have learned. One of us has been moved to the point of tears at her sermon rehearsals (we listen to each other and give feedback on the Friday evening before a scheduled sermon). She says it's about hearing what she so deeply feels and believes expressed in her own voice. That explanation bears witness both to the great privilege of preaching and to the extraordinary lack of opportunity for lay persons to bear witness in our own voices.

Last year, my rector, the Rev. Peter Stebinger, wrote an article for TLC urging other clergy to consider a program of lay preaching. I appreciated it, but why, I had to ask myself, was I white hot with anger when I read the article?

What I felt as I read his words, in the very need to have lay preaching defended against the inevitable resistance, was a put-down all too familiar to me as a lay woman in the Episcopal Church.

These are the concerns addressed in that article: What if someone turns out to be terrible? What if someone speaks heresy? What do we do about monitoring, reviewing, licensing?

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Editorials

Glimpses of Grace All Around

When the national Executive Council met last month in Miami [TLC, March 3], it was refreshing to hear Presiding Bishop Edmond L. Browning speak not on the issues which divide so much of the church, but rather how the grace of God has made an impact on his life in recent weeks.

Looking rested and relaxed following a difficult travel schedule over the past few months, Bishop Browning shared examples of grace, particularly on trips outside the U.S. The Presiding Bishop spoke of "glimpses, more than glimpses, of God's grace," even in the embezzlement in the treasurer's office. In December, he visited the dioceses of Colombia and Honduras. In January, he went to Burma and Taiwan. Bishop Browning told a story of his meeting with Roman Catholic Archbishop Oscar Rodriguez in Honduras. At the conclusion of that meeting, the archbishop asked Bishop Browning for his blessing, and the Presiding Bishop, in turn, asked for a blessing from the archbishop. In the Anglican Province of Burma, Bishop Browning visited Nobel Peace Prize winner Aiung San Suu Kyi, who had just been released from house arrest, yet shared that a Christian has no one to fear but God alone.

The Presiding Bishop also spoke of encounters of grace "in the ordinary," at the church center, on a diocesan visit, in the House of Bishops.

"Over these last months, I have seen the wounded Christ in

distant lands and close to home in the dioceses of our church," he said. "I have also glimpsed and felt and touched and seen and known our risen Lord and shared in the victory that belongs to all of us."

There are signs of God's grace all around us. The encounters shared by the Presiding Bishop are typical of those found in all of our lives. Let us rejoice and give thanks for them.

Welcome, New Readers

We extend a cordial welcome to those who may not be regular readers of this magazine. This special Parish Administration Issue is being sent to clergy of the Episcopal Church who are not subscribers in hopes they will find enough of interest to want to join The Living Church family. We publish Parish Administration Issues four times a year, and in addition to our regular features and news coverage, we attempt to include articles and advertisements which may be of particular interest to those involved in church administration.

This issue features two articles on preaching and another which describes how one congregation developed a special relationship with a church in another part of the world. This magazine has long upheld the need for strong, vital parishes. We hope the articles in these Parish Administration Issues help to enhance that vision.

Sister Parish Relationships Have Much to Offer

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neighboring diocese suggested Puerto Barrios to us. When we decided to establish a relationship in Belize, we wrote the Bishop of Belize and asked if he would help make a suitable arrangement. We indicated our needs and general purpose as a guide. It is also useful to have parishioners involved from the beginning, so they can make suggestions based on their own travels, friendships, knowledge, or best-guess judgments.

Once a particular congregation has been identified, it is valuable to involve many people in expanding the statement of goals and hopes. Our youth group did some map study of Belize, and prepared a list of possible activities in a sister parish relationship. The resulting newsprint list was put in a prominent place to stimulate the ideas of other parishioners. Not only did we get a broad set of ideas, but our process drew supportive comments about the capacities of our youth.

When contacting the other parish, tell about the process you have used. What are your needs and purposes? How did you settle on that parish? Then describe the people, programs and dynamics of your parish and its relationship to the surrounding community and the diocese. Ongoing

communication is essential. Letters, of course, can be written, and it is a good idea to include photographs. If the sister parish has access to a VCR, it is wonderful to have a videotape exchange. Mutual prayer lists for families, organizations and particular ministries are helpful.

The exchange of prayer books, books of alternative and occasional services, and hymnals makes it possible to understand the liturgical life of the other parish. Christian education materials show the education issues, styles and methods used by the other church. An exchange of parish histories, articles, and/or early documents can be fascinating.

When my wife and I visited our Guatemalan sister parish, we visited parishioners, and went to some mission stations. We were there for Sunday Mass. At the beginning of the after-Mass pot luck, a young couple begged me to baptize their sick baby. Two weeks before, they had gone to the local Roman Catholic parish for the baptism, but the little money they had would pay either for the medicine to try to save the baby's life, or the church's baptism fee, but not both. They chose to buy the medicine, so the priest refused the baptism and bade them goodbye. As the priest in our sister parish

did the emergency baptism, I reflected upon the Reformation idea that the offices and sacraments of the church are not for sale. Since then there have been some good discussions in "my" parish about baptism fees, wedding fees, and similar matters.

A relationship should not begin with the intention to provide money or other resources for a poverty situation. The result will be an unequal relationship in which the money-giver will feel there is little to learn. It is possible that, in the course of a relationship, an unexpected financial need may arise for which the American parish can provide help, but that is a different matter. During the course of our Guatemalan relationship, we found there were arrangements for the priest to do part-time graduate studies in Mexico. The finances fell apart because of international economic changes. It was impossible to raise the funds from our poor parish, but we raised some and asked nearby parishes to help, and they did. But money was not the heart of our relationship.

A sister parish relationship is potentially all-encompassing. It can touch all aspects of parish life. The learning and sharing of faith can be profound.

Lay Preachers Need Trust

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These concerns express a lack of confidence. They are the same concerns and the same lack of confidence that arise around any form of lay ministry, and they are symptomatic of a deep and troubling problem.

There is a fear that if the laity do it, it will fail — whatever "it" is this week; preaching, Bible study, visiting the sick. At some level, often hidden behind more generous thoughts and intentions, most clergy harbor this fear. And, sadly, the laity do, too. That the fear tends to be unconscious makes it more pernicious. From its hiding place it undercuts lay ministries from both directions.

I have been watching this and talking with others about it for more than 10 years. Over and over I keep asking myself if it is simply paranoia on my part. I wish that it were. Rather, the suppression of the priesthood of the laity is subtle, pervasive in our common life, and hurtful to all. And we are all responsible. Everyone buys into this scheme of things at some level.

What has developed among us is two classes of citizenship. If you pay attention to conversations, we usually designate whether we are speaking about the clergy, the laity, or both. There is almost no inclusive "we." This split in the body of Christ is perhaps even more damaging to the clergy whom it aims to exalt, than it is to the laity whom it oppresses.

We have laid a real trip on the clergy. We, the laity (if I can buy into this split for the moment) expect them, the clergy, to be exemplary — models of how to live a good Christian life. This leads us into temptation and them into trouble. As we see clergy as different from us — called, gifted, educated theologically and somehow more spiritual than we are — we relinquish to them the hard work of maturing in the spiritual life, we yield to them the challenges of ministry. We become stuck; they burn out. Nobody wins.

What qualifies a person to stand up before the community and talk to them about God? We usually think of theological education or the whole seminary experience, which may have some mystique to it for us. Contrary to what people seem to assume about seminaries, including the annual new class of seminarians, no focused attention is given there to the spiritual growth of the individual. With

few exceptions, spiritual formation is not now, nor has it ever been, a part of American theological education. And yet it is that personal encounter with God that is the source of a good sermon. We are all, priests and lay alike, pretty much on our own here.

What about someone speaking poorly or saying something heretical? If lay people start speaking heresy, we need to look to the sermons, services and educational programs of our local parishes which are meant to inform them. And the truth, if you can catch hold of it, carries; organization and delivery are skills that can be developed.

The far more important issue is that the church has buried its own truth, and that is causing pain and loss. The message of the gospel as we often hear it from our pulpits is so diluted as to be a kind of heresy-by-diminishment. One Sunday morning, in one of the churches I frequently attend, I wept at the paucity of a sermon offered to people whose spiritual hunger was palpable in the pews. I call them the "try harder" sermons. They offer little sustenance. They are simply exhortations to moral behavior.

The question to ask is, who has something to say? The gift of preaching does not necessarily accompany the choice to attend divinity school or to be ordained. Some of us have it: some do not. Some of those who have it are ordained; some are not. Whatever ministry we are talking about, some of us will be able to do it and some of us won't, but we can't know who is who until we take away the lay/clergy grid and see how the gifts are actually distributed in the community. I have something to ask of you and I am using the inclusive "you." Look around you at the people in your parish community and see them as a reflection of yourself. Assume they have a spiritual hunger like yours. Assume they have had experiences of Christ and help them to identify them - in part, by talking about your own. Trust that they, like you, have received the grace of spiritual gifts and work to recognize them. Allow them to make mistakes and take great care to allow them to succeed. Don't do this for them. Do it for yourself. It will set you

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Imagination in Preaching

IMAGINAL PREACHING An Archetypal Perspective By James A. Wallace Paulist. Pp. 151. \$10.95

The psychology of James Hillman offers the starting point for a promising new approach in homiletics. First, the myth of Eros and Psyche is seen as representing how the biblical text and its images can awaken the preacher's soul so

that what the community is offered through the sermon is something that brings life.

Then the figures of Apollo,
Dionysus and Hermes are
taken to embody three
distinct modes of archetypal
preaching. Each mode can be

used with any given text, resulting in a rich array of possibilities. Yet, intriguing correspondences are found between each preaching mode and one of the synoptic gospels: Apollo with Matthew, Dionysus with Luke, Hermes with Mark.

A homiletics professor, Wallace includes, as examples of imaginal preaching, brief sermons of his own preached on a wide variety of occasions. These sermons and his book as a whole remind us repeatedly how images are the language of the soul and the substance of the sermon.

(The Very Rev.) Charles Hoffacker Port Huron, Mich.

Untapped Resource

IMAGINATION SHAPED Old Testament Preaching in the Anglican Tradition By Ellen F. Davis Trinity. Pp. 289. \$19, paper

There is a "crisis in contemporary preaching," holds Ellen Davis, associate professor of Old Testament at Yale Divinity School. She alleges that preachers today reflect an "impoverished understanding" of the scripture's meaning, a dilemma created in part by biblical scholars themselves. She writes, "I do not believe that contemporary biblical scholarship is encouraging of or even particu-

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larly interested in preaching."

Davis proposes an untapped resource for alleviating this failing; the sermons of outstanding preachers in the Anglican tradition. After testing her thesis in the classroom, she has chosen sermons by the 17th-century preachers John Donne, Lancelot Andrewes and Joseph Hall, and the 19th century's Frederick W. Robertson and Henry Parry Liddon. Each shows that his "essential frame of reference is the language and concepts of the Bible," the chief element Davis requires. She introduces each set of sermons with a helpful biography of the preacher and insightful analysis of his preaching.

"Holy Preaching" is the book's poignant and compelling closing chapter. Our not hearing sermons, Davis asserts, is not because of the temporal distance between scripture and the present moment, but rather our condition of sin. Our understanding of a sermon depends upon our willingness "to hear the Scriptures as the Word of God, that is, as an invitation and challenge to change."

Davis calls for "a style of poetic preaching that is capable of motivating such a commitment." In this well-documented statement, challenging and valuable for seasoned preacher and seminary student alike, she describes beautifully the spiritual and imaginative skills this endeavor requires.

(The Rev.) William Hethcock Sewanee, Tenn.

Understanding Clergy

MINISTRY FOR A NEW TIME By James C. Fenhagen Alban Institute. Pp. 175. \$15.95, paper

James Fenhangen provides a well-written summation of a huge amount of material, learning and experience from the last four decades in the field of clergy ministry support and improvement. The book was published as he retired from a stint at the Episcopal Church's Cornerstone Project.

Fenhagen says much in the church renewal thrust of recent decades is owed to the work of Loren Mead and the 1950s emphasis on Mutual Responsibility and Interdependence (MRI). He emphasizes the importance of clergy wellness and the systemic dysfunctionality of a denomination which persists in selecting a number

of unfit persons for ordained ministry. He articulates beautifully the troublesome gaps between what clergy understand themselves to be called to, and what they actually do, and the gap between the expectancies of clergy and laity, with the power struggle that can result.

Finally, he describes the clergy's "sense of entitlement" in a society which now challenges all kinds of leadership even in the more traditional professions: law, medicine and ordained ministry. And he describes ways that clergy confront the loneliness of the "wounded healer."

This is a landmark book for clergy.

(The Rev.) James Lowery
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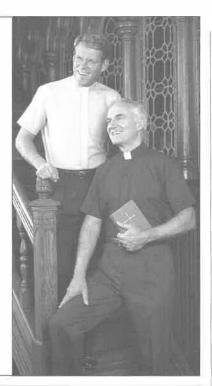
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WHY NOT BE A MYSTIC? Frank X. Tuoti Crossroads. Pp. 192. \$11.95, paper

The premise of this book, written by a Roman Catholic layman, is that the mystical life is open and accessible to anyone who desires it. The author uses the term "mysticism" somewhat synonymously with "contemplative prayer" and, as a result, the book could be described as an introduction to contemplative prayer.

Tuoti writes, "Although the terms 'mysticism' and 'contemplation' must often be used when writing on this subject, this experience can also be described as a gifted Presence, with a capital P.' This presence is passively received and cannot be induced by any activity or spiritual discipline of our own" (author's emphasis).

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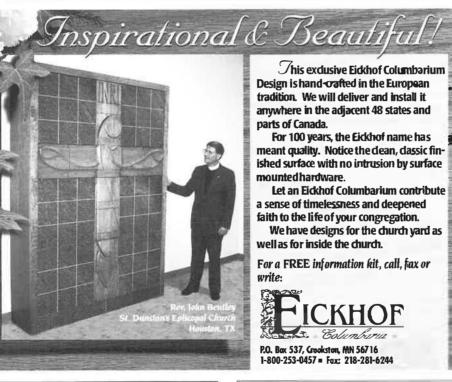
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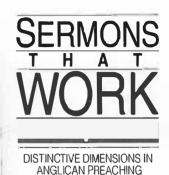
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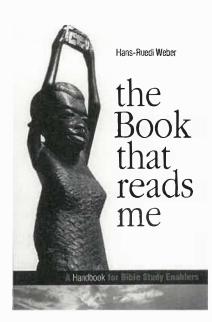
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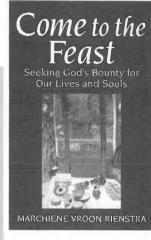
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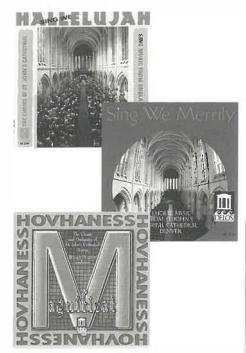
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The Rev. **James Maxwell** is rector of St. Margaret's, Hazel Park, MI, and continues to serve as rector of St. Luke's, 540 W. Lewiston, Ferndale, MI 48220.

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San Joaquin — Errol Linn Montgomery, Jr., vicar of St. Benedict's Mission, P.O. Box 430, Ceres, CA 95307.

Receptions

San Joaquin — The Rev. Woodrow Canieso Gubuan, from the Roman Catholic Church, as priest of Holy Cross Mission, 316 N. El Dorado, Stockton, CA 95202.

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Sr. **Helen Bernice Lovell** professed life vows in the Companion Sisterhood of St. Gregory.

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Deaths

The Rev. Frank Mason Ross, retired priest of the Diocese of East Carolina, died Dec. 12 in Wilmington, NC. He was 70.

Fr. Ross was born in Wilmington, NC. He walleducated at the University of North Carolina and the University of the South. He was ordained priest in 1952. Fr. Ross served parishes throughout North Carolina, Louisiana, West Virginia, and Georgia. He was president of the Atlanta Public Library board of trustees and received the Big Brothers Association Leadership Award. He retired in 1991. Fr. Ross is survived by his wife Evelyn, two sons, and a step-daughter.

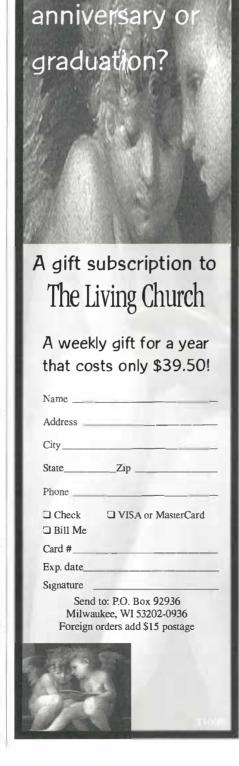
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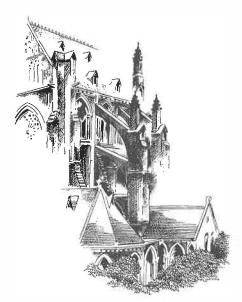
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THE CATHEDRAL OF ALL SAINTS 62 S. Swan St. The Very Rev. J. Edward Putnam, D.Min, Dean Sun: 7:15 MP, 7:30 H Eu, 9 H Eu, 11:15 H Eu, 5:15 EP. Mon-Fri: 8:45 MP, 12:05 H Eu, 5:15 EP. Sat 9 H Eu

Long Beach, L.I., NY

ST. JAMES OF JERUSALEM BY THE SEA
W. Penn & Magnolia
The Rev Marlin Leonard Bowman, r; the Very Rev. Lloyd A.
Lewis, Jr., hon. r
Sat 5 EP & Eu. Sun 8 MP & Eu, 10 High Mass

New York, NY

CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE 112th St. and Amsterdam Ave.

Sun: 8 Mat & HC; 9 HC & Homily; 9:30 La Santa Misa En Español; 11 HC & Sermon; 7 Cho V & Organ Meditation. Mon-Sat: 7:15 Mat & HC; 12:15 HC; 4:30 EP

EPISCOPAL CHURCH CENTER

CHAPEL OF CHRIST THE LORD 2nd Ave. & 43rd St. The Rev. Donald A. Nickerson, Jr., chap Daily Morning Prayer 8:45; H Eu 12:10

ST. MARY THE VIRGIN (212) 869-5830 145 W. 46th St. (between 6th & 7th Aves.) 1036 The Rev. Edgar F. Wells, r; the Rev. David L. Carlson, c Sun Masses 9, 10, 11 (Sol & Ser) 5, MP 8:40, EP 4:45. Daily: MP 8:30 (ex Sat), noonday Office 12, Masses: 12:15 & 6:15 (ex Sat), Sat only 12:15, EP 6 (ex Sat), Sat only 5; C Sat 11:30-12, 4-5, Sun 10:30-10:50, Maj HD 5:30-5:50

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Lent Church Directory

New York, NY

PARISH OF TRINITY CHURCH The Rev. Daniel P. Matthews, D.D., Rector The Rt. Rev. Herbert A. Donovan, Jr., Vicar

Broadway at Wall Sun H Eu 9 & 11:15. Daily H Eu (ex Sat) 8, 12:05; MP 7:45; EP 5:15. Sat H Eu 9.

ST. PAUL'S

Broadway at Fulton

Trinity Bookstore, 74 Trinity Pl. Open Mon-Thurs 8:30 to 6, Fri

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Trinity Museum (in Trinity Church) open Mon-Fri 9-11:45, 1-3:45; Sat 10-3:45; Sun 1-3:45

Asheville, NC

TRINITY CHURCH (downtown) 60 Church St. The Rev. Canon Michael Owens, r Sun H Eu 8 & 10:30, Daily MP 8:45, H Eu 12 noon

Cleveland, OH

ST. MARTIN'S 6295 River Rd. Chagrin Falls The Rev. Ralph Pitman, r (216) 247-7406 Sun H Eu 8, 9 & 11. Wed H Eu & Healing 9:30

Pendleton, OR

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER The Rev. A. James MacKenzie, r; the Rev. Kenneth Crysler,

Sun HC 8 (Rite I), 10:15 (Rite II) HS (3S), ChS 9:15 Adults, 10:15 children. Wed HC 6:30, Ev & Eu 7, Mon-Fri EP 5:30. HD as anno. A/C. H/A

Douglassville, PA

ST. GABRIEL'S Rt. 422, East of Reading, PA The Rev. Calvin C. Adams, r (610) 385-3144 Sun Service: Eu 8 & 10:30; Sun School 9:15; Recovery Liturgy 5:30. Wed 9 Healing & Bible Study; 7 Bible Study.

Gettysburg, PA

PRINCE OF PEACE ME MORIAL CHURCH West High and Baltimore Sts. 17325 (717) 334-6463 Sun Eu 8 & 10:15. Tues 12 noon, Wed, 7, HD 7, C by app

Philadelphia, PA (Mount Airy)
ANNUNCIATION OF B.V.M. Carpenter Ln. & Lincoln Dr.
215-844-3059 Sun Masses 9 & 11 (Sung). Thurs 10

Phoenixville, PA

ST. PETER'S 143 Church St. The Rev. Thomas C. Wand, r Sun H Eu 8, 10:15 (Sung); Tues H Eu 9, Thurs H Eu 7:30

Pittsburgh, PA

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY 33 Alice St. The Rev. Scott T. Quinn, r (412) 921-4103 The Rev. Dr. Rodney A. Whitacre, ass't Sun Services 8 & 10

319 W. Sycamore (412) 381-6020 The Rev. A.W. Klukas, Ph.D., v; the Rev. R. Spanos, perm d Sun Family Eu 9; Sol Eu 10; Ev & B 5. MP Mon-Fri 9:30; Said Eu Wed 12 noon; Thurs LOH 7:30, Bible Study 8. Sol Eu HD

Prospect Park, PA

ST. JAMES' 11th Ave. & 420 (between I-95 & MacDade (610) 461-6698 near Philadelphia Int'l Airport) The Rev. William Duffey, Ed.D., r; the Rev. Arthur Willis,

Sun Eu 8 & 10 (Sung), Ch S 10; Coffee & Conversation 11:30, YPF 4:30. MP Tues-Fri 9; Midweek Masses Tues 7, Wed 9:30. All HDs @ time anno; Sta & B Wed 7, Adult Catechumenate Ed Sun 9:15. Wed 7:30. H/A

Selinsgrove, PA

ALL SAINTS (717) 374-8289 129 N. Market Sun Mass 9:30. Weekdays as anno

Whitehall, PA (North of Allentown)

ST. STEPHEN'S 3900 Mechanicsville Rd. Sun 8 Eu; 9:15 Ch S; 10:30 Sung Eu; Tues 9:30 HS; Thurs & Fri 7 HC. Bible & prayer groups. 1928 BCP

Nashville, TN

ST. ANDREW'S 3700 Woodmont Blvd. The Rev. George C. Stacey, r Sun 7:30 (Low Mass), 10 (Sung). Mon Mass 5:30. Tues & Wed Mass 6:30, Thurs Mass noon. C Sat 4. Wed 7 Sta & B

Arlington, TX

2024 S. Collins (Between I-30 & I-20) Fr. Timothy P. Perkins, r; Fr. Alan McGlauchlin, SSC, c; Fr. (817) 277-6871; Metro 265-2537 Sun Masses 8, 9, 11, 6. Daily Masses as anno

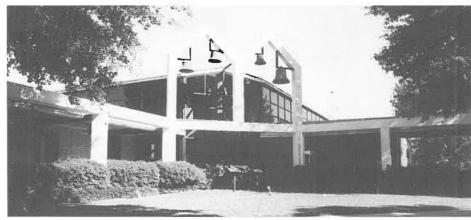
Corpus Christi, TX

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD 700 S. Broadway The Rev. Ned F. Bowersox, r, the Rev. C. Bruce Wilson, the Rev. Frank E. Fuller, assts (512) 882-1735 Sun 8, 9 & 11. Weekdays as anno

Dallas, TX

INCARNATION 3966 McKinney Ave. The Rev. Rex D. Perry, r; the Rev. Frederick C. Philputt, v; the Rev. George R. Collina; the Rev. Thomas G. Keithly; the Rev. Michael S. Mills

Sun Eu 7:30, 9, 9:15, 11:15; Daily Eu 7 & 12 noon. Daily MP (214) 521-5101



St. Dunstan's Church, Houston, Texas

Fort Worth, TX

ST. ANDREW'S 10th and Lamar Sts. (Downtown) Sun 8 HC, 9 MP (HC 1S), CS 9, 11 MP (HC 1S) 12:15 HC (ex 1S). 1928 BCP Daily as anno (817) 332-3191

Houston, TX

noon H Fu & Healing

ST. DUNSTAN'S 14301 Steubner-Airline Rd. The Rev. John R. Bentley, Jr., r; the Rev. Beth J. Fain, the Rev. Geroge W. Floyd Sun 7:45, 9, 11:15 H Eu. Tues 7:30 H Eu & Healing; Thurs 12

Alexandria, VA

CHRIST CHURCH 118 N. Washington St. The Rev. Pierce W. Klemmt, r; the Rev. Pamela L. Foster, the Rev. Beverly K. Weatherly, the Rev. Steve C. Wilson, the Rev. Dorcas Ndoro, John Lewis, seminarian Sun H Eu 8 & 9, MP (1S H Eu) 11:15, 5 H Eu (HS 2S & 4S after

5 service). Wed H Eu 7:15 & 12:05 Rocky Mount, VA

TRINITY 100 Church St., NE, P.O. Box 527 The Rev. Karin Howard Lindsay, r (540) 483-5038 Sun H Eu 10:30. Wed H Eu 12 noon Healing Service

Milwaukee. WI

ALL SAINTS CATHEDRAL 818 E. Juneau The Rt. Rev. Patrick Matolengwe, dean (414) 271-7719 Sun Masses 8, 10 (Sung). Daily as posted

St. Croix, Virgin Islands

27 King St., Christiansted

(809) 778-8221 Fr. Keithly R.S. Warner, S.S.C., r

Sun H Eu 7 & 10; Wed 12:10 H Eu & Healing

The Episcopal Churches of Europe (Anglican)

THE AMERICAN CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY TRINITY 23, Avenue George V, 75008 Tel. 33/1 47 20 17 92 The Very Rev. Ernest E. Hunt, III, D.Min., dean; the Rev. Rosalie H. Hall, M.Div., canon missioner; the Rev. George H. Hobson, deacon Sun Services 9 H Eu, 10:45 Sun School, 11 H Eu

Florence

ST. JAMES Via Bernardo Rucellai 9 50123 Florence, Italy. Tel. 39/55/29 44 17 The Rev. Peter F. Casparian, r Sun 9 Rite I, 11 Rite II

Frankfurt

CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING Sebastian Rinz St. 22, 60323 Frankfurt, Germany, U1, 2, 3 Miguel-Allee. Tel. 49/64 55 01 84 The Rev. David W. Radcliff, r

Sun HC 9 & 11. Sunday school & nursery 10:45 Geneva

EMMANUEL 3 rue de Monthoux, 1201 Geneva, Switzerland Tel. 41/22 732 80 78 The Rev. Gerard S. Moser, r Sun HC 9; HC 10 (1S &3S) MP (2S, 4S, 5S)

Munich

Seybothstrasse 4, 81545 Munich, Germany Tel. 49/89 64 8185 The Rev. Kevin Coffey, interim r

ST. PAUL'S WITHIN THE WALL Via Napoli 58, 00184 Rome, Italy Tel. 39/6 474 35 69 The Rev. Michael Vono, r Sun 8:30 Rite I, 10:30 Rite II, 1 Spanish Eu

Brussels / Waterloo

ALL SAINTS' 563 Chaussee de Louvain, Ohain, Belgium The Rev. Charles B. Atcheson, r Tel. 32/2 384-3556 Sun 11:15 ex 1S 9 & 11:15

Wiesbaden

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