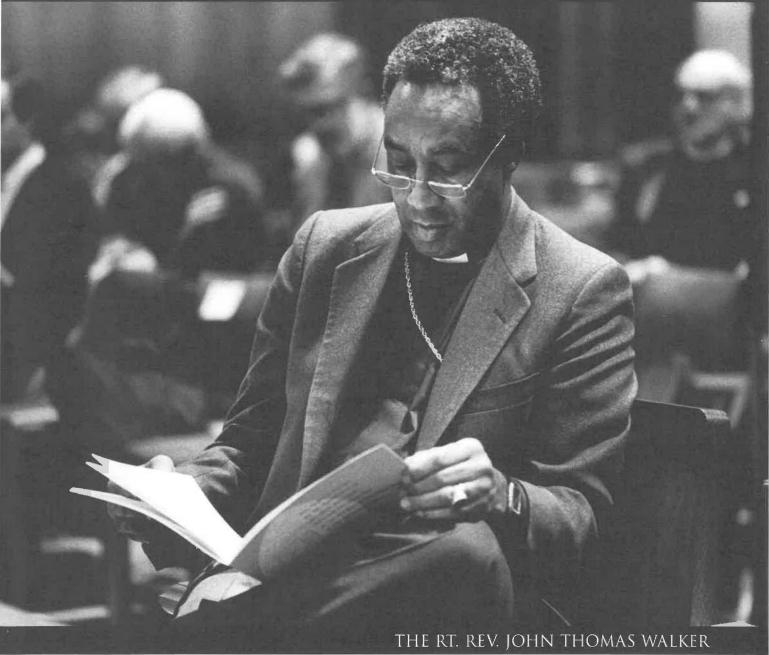
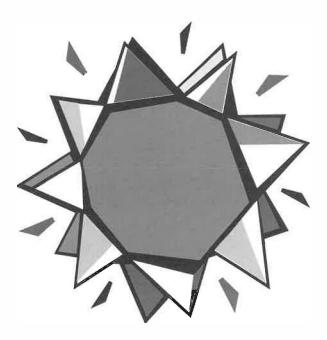
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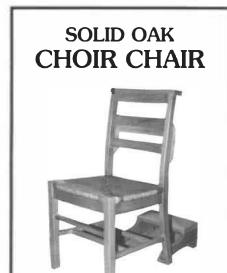
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SUNDAY'S READINGS

Focus on the Spirit

"And they were filled with the Holy Spirit ..."

Acts 2:4

Pentecost

Acts 2: 1-11 or Ezek. 11: 17-20; Ps. 104:25-37 or 104:25-32 or 33:12-15,18-22; 1 Cor. 12:4-13 or Acts 2:1-11; John 20:19-23 or 14:8-17

The Feast of Pentecost is so often celebrated with a primary emphasis given to the establishment of the church. This is undoubtedly an important theme of the celebration. One of the collects provided for the day speaks of the gathering of diverse peoples, "every race and nation," by "the gift of the Holy Spirit," the other of the enlightenment, discernment, and comfort that the Spirit brings to God's "faithful people." The work of the Holy Spirit in forming the church of the people called into communion by God's grace is of foundational importance. Nevertheless. the focus of our attention on this Sunday might be better kept, not on the church, but on the Spirit, who brings the church into being.

Week after week, we who celebrate our life of communion with God and one another in the Holy Eucharist profess our faith "in the Holy Spirit, the lord, the giver of life." Who the Holy Spirit is, the One whose coming is emphasized on Pentecost, is the life-giving God. In the chapter titled "Spirit" in Evelyn Underhill's wonderful book on the creed, *The School of Charity*, she wrote, "That mysterious thing Life, then, is declared to be given and sustained by the generous Spirit of Charity; poured out from the fresh springs of that fontal Being we call Father, and that loving Wisdom, that Creative Thought, we call Son."

The Spirit enlivens. Verse 31 of Psalm 104 begins, "You send forth your Spirit, and they are created." This thought is clarified by the recognition that the biblical words translated "spirit" also might be translated "breath." The Breath of Life is God, the Holy Spirit.

In today's reading from Acts, the disciples "were all filled with the Holy Spirit" before they could speak the word "as the Spirit gave them utterance." To speak at all, they would have had to take a breath. To speak God's word, it was, and remains, necessary to catch the Divine Breath.

The passage from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians speaks of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. For the life of the church, each and all need to breathe in the same life-giving Breath. The gifts "are inspired by one and the same Spirit." If the "one body" is not thus "inspired," it will expire.

The life of discipleship, response to Jesus' commission, "As the Father has sent me, even so I send you," is dependent on the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. "He breathed on them, and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit." For our life as the body of Christ, Pentecost is the celebration of God's gift of the Breath of Life.

Look It Up

Read Genesis 1 and 2: 1-9, giving attention to the presence of the Holy Spirit as "spirit" or "wind" or "breath."

Think About It

St. Paul wrote "The written code kills, but the Spirit gives life" (2 Cor. 3:6). In what ways may our understanding of "the giver of life" inform our engagement with Holy Scripture?

Next Sunday

Trinity Sunday

Gen. 1:1-2:3; Ps. 150 or Canticle 2 or 13; 2 Cor. 13: (5-10) 11-14; Matt 28:16-20

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For the Soul of the People

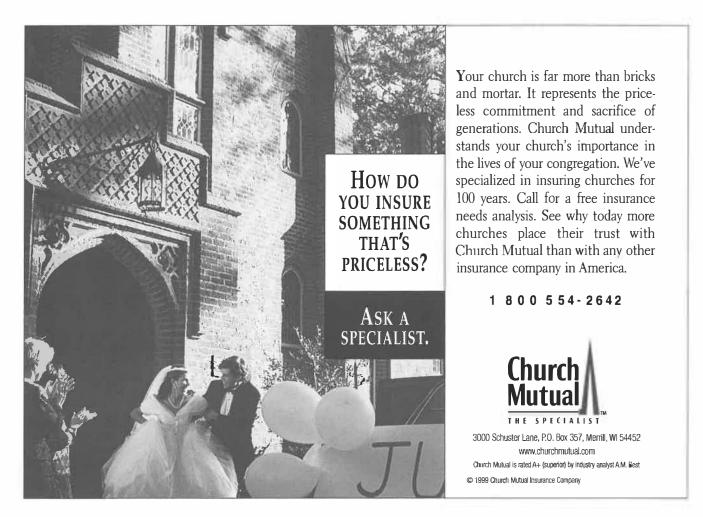
Protestant Protest Against Hitler By Victoria Barnett Oxford. Pp. 358. \$19.95 paper

No period of human history will yield to the temptations of simple cause and effect. Victoria Barnett's study of the German protestant response to Nazism reveals the complex and subtle cultural, political and religious strata that contributed to the rise of the "Confessing Church" and its response to Nazism.

It is not true that the whole church stood silently by as Hitler created a Third Reich with its ultimate horror, the Holocaust. This is a book about the Confessing Church's role in protest of the National Socialist Party. Barnett places the evolution of the church and Nazism in context with interviews by many of the participants. In interviewing some 50 survivors, she gathers an oral history of the complex threads that wove the story of the Confessing Church's response to the reign of Hitler.

In addition to creating a picture of the evolution of the Nazi regime, Barnett traces the intricate history of German protestantism in general and the Confessing Church in particular. Perhaps most interestingly she gives pictures of Martin Niemoller and Dietrich Bonhoeffer that remove them from idealized heroes to struggling men who responded with courage to the moral and religious conviction of their faith. The author makes an excellent contribution to this important segment of human history by introducing the very significant role that women played in this movement.

The author writes: "Nazism was nothing less than a struggle for the souls of the German people." This study documents that struggle well and reminds us once again how this period of history must never be forgotten. (The Rev.) J. Pittman McGehee Houston, Texas The author introduces the very significant role that women played in this movement.



ESA Bishops Welcomed in Diocese of Bethlehem

Decision by Bishop Marshall Will Affect Neighboring Diocese of Pennsylvania



Bishop Marshall

Bishop Marshall said his decision is to continue the diocese's tradition of being 'community-based, not issue-driven.' The Rt. Rev. Paul Marshall, Bishop of Bethlehem, has decided to allow Episcopal Synod of America (ESA) bishops to preach and celebrate the sacraments in his diocese. The decision also will affect the Diocese of Pennsylvania and the Rt. Rev. Charles Bennison's ongoing dispute with ESA parishes there.

Bishop Marshall informed his clergy of his decision by letter. In it he addressed issues concerning the sometimes-harsh imposition of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer, which caused some Episcopalians to leave the church and others to feel marginalized. "It is important to recognize the historical fact that in church and state, the majority has always had to contend with the temptation to totalitarianism," he wrote.

Bishop Marshall said he will try, through the House of Bishops and the Standing Liturgical Commission, to bring legislation to the floor of General Convention to extend a corporate apology "to those who have been alienated or whose faith has been injured by any insensitivity in imposing the prayer book of 1979."

If that is not successful, he will try to get legislation to require the 1928 Book of Common Prayer be included in the list of "supplemental liturgical material." If that should also fail, Bishop Marshall said he will begin the process to modify the constitution to "permit the use of any prayer book adopted by this Church since its first book of 1789," during General Convention 2003.

The bishop said his decision to invite two ESA bishops to "celebrate the sacraments at any time" in his diocese is to continue the diocese's tradition of being "community-based, not issue-driven." He focused on rites of initiation in his letter, saying "Initiatory rites are primarily ... focused on the Christian development of individual disciples ... their walk with God ought not to be put on hold while parochial and diocesan leaders work on their problems.

"I have therefore decided to share the

hospitality and openness that we enjoy with those who consider themselves marginalized by changes that have taken place in the Church," he said.

Bishop Marshall took no stand on the rights or wrongs of decisions in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, but said, "I have nonetheless struggled in my own conscience with the plight of those people, particularly children, who have no power in this situation, and who are in danger of becoming something like hostages in an ecclesiastical stand-off.

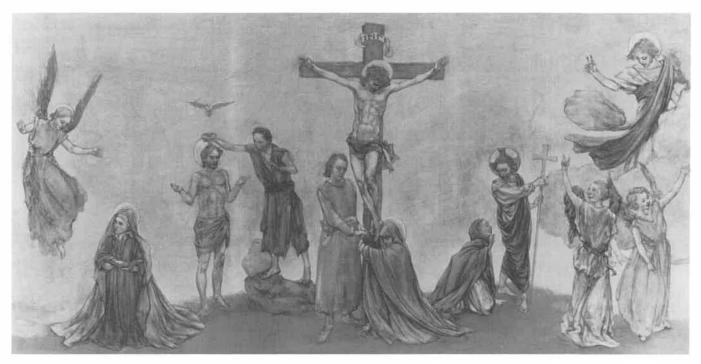
"It is important for me to make sure that you know that no person or organization solicited me on this matter, but that the offer came from my own reflection, prayer and struggle to be faithful to the gospel of Christ," Bishop Marshall said.

Acknowledging that his actions may seem "quixotic or myopic" to some, because Bishop Marshall "joyfully and thankfully ordains women" and is on the commission charged with the creation of a new prayer book, he asked his colleagues to believe that his decision is based on his "deepest convictions about the primary importance of the sacramental mysteries of which the Church is steward," and his pastoral concern for those desiring confirmation who cannot receive it for reasons outside of their control.

Bishop Bennison declined to comment publicly on the letter.

The Episcopal Synod of America is an organization of traditionalist Episcopalians who disagree with the church's canon allowing the ordination of women as priests and bishops.

By allowing ESA bishops to officiate at confirmations in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, Bishop Marshall is, in effect, allowing ESA clergy in the Diocese of Pennsylvania to circumvent Bishop Bennison's restrictions. Confirmands from parishes in the Diocese of Pennsylvania can now enter the Diocese of Bethlehem to receive the sacrament by a bishop of his or her own belief and practice.



The first painting in a series depicts the life of Christ. The work-in-progress is displayed at Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington, Ky.

Artist Tells the Story of the Church in Paintings

On display at Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington, Ky., is the majority of a still-in-progress work of art. Painting in red and black on a light yellow background, artist Gloria Thomas is depicting the story of the Christian church. The work is a celebration of her faith.

Ms. Thomas, once a member of Christ Church Cathedral and now a Roman Catholic, has dedicated her career to study and painting about Christianity.

"Two years ago, I realized the importance of the year 2000," she said. "I went to the library and searched the Internet to see how the world planned to celebrate this Christian event." Amongst the cruises, trips, parties and investment opportunities, she found no mention of why 2,000 years is being marked.

The exhibit is part of Christ Church Cathedral's mission to feature more art, literature and education, said Carole Pettit, of the cathedral staff. "We haven't been a cathedral that long," Ms. Pettit said, and Christ Church Cathedral is working to carry forth the role and responsibilities of a downtown cathedral church. "We're still determining what that means and we really feel that it is our responsibility to use this historic building more."

"The first painting highlights the life of Christ. The event of his birth is the pivot from which the history of man is counted. That day, 2,000 years ago arrived like all the others, yet time itself was divided by it into before and after," Ms. Thomas said.

"In this series ... (begun in May 1997) I have tried to create a timeline of this history of Christianity. This work celebrates 2,000 years of the people and heroic events of our Christian heritage," Ms. Thomas said. When completed the project will consist of 21 panels, each two feet high and four feet wide.

After the Life of Christ panel, each subsequent one represents one century, composed of four or five historical motifs. Ms. Thomas works in two colors to meet her millennium deadline. "Knowing I was to be constrained by time, I had to discipline myself to what was essential to tell the story. I couldn't have the luxury of using the vibrant colors and gold leaf I had used ... in other works."

At the April 11 opening, the Life of Christ panel and the first 15 centuries were complete. Panels for subsequent centuries will be added as they are completed. The display will be at Christ Church Cathedral until November. Ms. Thomas' goal is to have the paintings on tour in the year 2000. "I just have to have faith that these will somehow be used to focus us on the real reason we are celebrating 2,000 years," she said.

BRIEFLY

Jason Lang, 17-year-old son of the Rev. Dale Lang, rector of St. Tabor. Theodore's. Alberta. Canada, was shot to death at W.R. Myers High School, Tabor, April 28. During a public memorial service at the school, at the site Jason died, Fr. Lang "said a praver to reclaim the school (and) to make it safe again for the kids," reports the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. The House of Parliament observed a moment of silence honoring Jason.

The Rt. Rev. **Don Adger Wimberly** has resigned as Bishop of Lexington and will become the diocesan missioner of the Diocese of Texas beginning in September. Bishop Wimberly will primarily be responsible for congregation development in the eastern part of the diocese, officiating at confirmations and pastoring to the clergy. He will remain chancellor of the University of the South, Sewanee.

Cardinal **Basil Hume**, Archbishop of Westminster and head of the Roman Catholic Church in England and Wales, announced in an April 16 letter to his clergy that he has cancer which is "not in its early stages." Cardinal Hume said that, though he will be limited, "I intend to carry on working as much and as long as I can."

Severe storms caused more than \$1 million in property damage to Anglican churches and church properties near **Sydney, Australia**, April 14. About 70 Anglican buildings were damaged. Estimated damage to Bishopscourt, home of Archbishop Harry Goodhew and his wife, is nearly \$80,000.

Bishop of Venezuela Refused Entry to Church in Caracas

The Rt. Rev. Orlando Guerrero, Bishop of Venezuela, was prevented from entering St. Mary's Church, Caracas, recently by the suspended rector, the Rev. Roger Dawson, and some of his vestry.

The confrontation had its beginnings in a dispute between the bishop and Fr. Dawson after the diocesan synod was postponed because of concerns during the Venezuelan elections being held about the same time.

Fr. Dawson, who, without consulting the diocese, began calling St. Mary's a cathedral and himself the dean shortly after he arrived in the fall of 1997, wrote to Bishop Guerrero, saying he refused to attend the synod, rescheduled for March 12-13, and questioned the legality of the Anglican church in Venezuela and the legalities of the constitution and canons of the church, Bishop Guerrero said.

In his response to Fr. Dawson, Bishop Guerrero said he explained the constitution and canons and informed him that his license was being suspended because he did not attend the synod and sent no delegates or observers to it. The bishop said he waited a week for a response from Fr. Dawson, then faxed him a letter informing him that he would take over the congregation until a new English priest could be found.

Bishop Guerrero said Fr. Dawson is mixing issues in his complaints against him and the diocese. Since the initial allegations, Fr. Dawson has, via the Internet, said that St. Mary's was "forced into a position where it had no option but to secede" and that Bishop Guerrero "intended to seize control of the cathedral and possibly remove English from the language of worship (used) for 165 years."

Bishop Guerrero says the allegation of removing English language services is simply "not true."

The bishop attempted to enter St. Mary's on Palm Sunday, but he was refused entry. Bishop Guerrero requested the presence of his commissary, the Rev. Terry Ensor, from Blackburn, England. Fr. Ensor arrived a week later and met with the vestry while Fr. Dawson and his wife were away during Easter week. "I was received warmly by all whom I met, including the churchwardens," Fr. Ensor said. "It was a very helpful few days and I had every confidence that the conflict could be resolved."

Hostilities increased when Fr. Dawson returned April 9, at which time both the bishop and Fr. Ensor reportedly received threatening faxes. The letter to the bishop said that "any attempt by the Bishop to contact members of the Iglesia Anglicana de Caracas or harass them in any way" would be reported to the Ministry of Justice.

Fr. Ensor would be reported to the ministry for violation of his holiday visa, his letter said. In addition, it said his coming to "any service of worship" at St. Mary's would be "entirely inappropriate."

Further allegations made in Fr. Dawson's letter to Fr. Ensor were that the congregation was "attacked" by the bishop on Palm Sunday and the church property "vandalized" by him and his people. "...we now have to employ vigilantes because of the threat of arson made by the chancellor of th e Diocese of Venezuela."

When Fr. Ensor attempted to enter the church April 11, dressed in clericals, he was prevented by Fr. Dawson, his wife and two vigilante guards, and later by a warden.

Bishop Guerrero said Fr. Dawson, the Rev. Keith Gordon, a newly ordained Church of England priest who has lived in Venezuela 14 years, and some of the vestry went to New York to meet with the Most Rev. Frank Griswold, Presiding Bishop. In his absence, they met with the Rev. Canon Ricardo Potter. At the time of this writing, Canon Potter had not returned TLC's call.



Counter-clockwise from top: Trinity (Old Swedes) Church, present; crack in truss; repairing the roof; carpenter fitting new steeple rafters; engineering inspection of basement.





'You're sitting in a miracle'

Trinity (Old Swedes) Church, Swedesboro, N.J., was built in 1784, under the guidance of the Rev. Nicholas Collin, for the congregation founded in 1703. In 1992, the building was found to be "structurally unsafe and in imminent danger of catastrophic collapse of the roof," according to an engineer's report. Eleven of the original roof trusses were dangerously cracked, causing a "sway back appearance" from the exterior. The building was closed immediately. It remained closed three and a half years.

The news, devastating to a small parish in a small town, was presented to its parishioners two days after Easter, when the church had been full, the organ was reverberating with triumphant hymns, and any number of circumstances could have combined to cause the roof to fall, said Edie Rohrman, life-long parish member who serves as the project manager for the restoration.

Ironically, in the beginning the parish had expected a bad report on the bell tower and steeple, added to the building in 1839, which parishioners knew had structural problems. Work on the bell tower and steeple will be completed this summer.

The total cost of the two-phase restoration when complete will be just under \$1 million.

Photos by Edie Rohrman





St. Paul's Cathedral and the Colonies Hymn competition in London has significant American accent

The Millennium Hymn Competition sponsored by St. Paul's Cathedral, London, had a significant American accent. Of the 553 entrants, 81 came from outside England, with the largest number, 51, from the United States. Australian, Canadian, South African, New Zealand, West Indian, French, Belgian, and Danish writers and composers also entered.

Hymn texts and tunes were submitted separately, and were later paired by the judges. The winning tune and text will be performed in the Millennium Service at St. Paul's Jan. 2, 2000, which Queen Elizabeth is expected to attend. The runner-up combination will be sung at the London Millennium service Jan. 8. A further four tunes and four texts were awarded Special Mention, and a total of 48 entries will be included on a commemorative CD and accompanying book.

The author of the runner-up text is an American, at least currently. The Rev. Brian Wren is a minister of the United Reformed Church of Great Britain. His wife is a United Methodist pastor. He conducts an ecumenical freelance ministry from their home in Biddeford, Maine, "helping worshipers, pastors, educators and musicians to increase creativity, improve skills, and deepen spirituality. I write hymnpoems and song lyrics, meeting God from contemporary experience." The Hymnal 1982 contains four of his texts.

Mr. Wren's stanzas, paired with a tune by Jeffrey Frasier titled *Christopher Wren*, begins, "Hidden Christ, alive for ever," and speaks of "life undying, love outpoured" throughout "twice ten hundred years." The most striking stanza may be the second, with its cosmic images:

Endless orbits by our planet, Spinning round its speeding star, Cannot trace creation's secret: Why we live, and whose we are. Jesus, you alone uncover Nature's rhythm, reason, rhyme. So your birthday is our centre: Hinge of history and time.

The Rev. Rosalind Brown is the vicar of St. Thomas' Church in Canonsburg, Pa., and a member of the Community of Celebration, in Aliquippa, Pa., which drew her to the United States from England in 1991. Her text, awarded a special mention, begins with bells:

Ring the bells and sing the story Peal God's praise from shore to shore...

Hear that song begun in Beth'lem Echo through two thousand years.

Ms. Brown said she needed "a strong image for the millennium," and she plans to be in London for the services – and the bells. "They will peal all the church bells on New Year's in England."

Two of her earlier texts appear in *Wonder, Love, and Praise*: #734, You laid aside your rightful reputation, to a tune by Parry, and #766, You're called by name ... adopted as a child of God, set to *Sara H.* by Kevin Hackett. The hymn was a baptismal gift to their goddaughter.

She writes hymns, she said, "in bits, then I go back and fill in the gaps." Sometimes she has a tune in mind; the "working tune" for "Ring the bells" was the venerable *Hyfry-dol*, which is in the requisite 8787 double meter. The matching of text and tune is a sensitive matter. "The tune could nuance how the words are understood," she said.

Special Notice

Roy Hopp was the only American musician to achieve special notice, and that twice. His tune *New Beginnings* is one of the four special mentions, and another, as yet unnamed, will be included on the CD. He is music director of Woodland Christian Reformed Church, and lives in Grand Rapids, Mich. His winning tune was written for a specific text, that of a Presbyterian Church hymn by Herman Stuempfle.

He often writes on the road. "My wife is from Denver, and we usually drive straight through. I like to write while I'm driving early in the morning." No, he does not imperil himself or other drivers with paper and pencil. "I sing the tune, with a text – it sticks with you. Then I harmonize it later at the keyboard."

Two other Americans whose work will be published are Philip Dietterich of Oak Bluffs, Mass., and the Rt. Rev. A. Theodore Eastman, retired Bishop of Maryland, who now lives in McLean, Va.

Submissions were judged anonymously by a panel including hymn writers and organists, a professor of hymnology, an editor, and a music producer. Chairman of the panel was the Rev. Canon Michael Saward of St. Paul's, who is represented in both *The Hymnal 1982* and *Wonder*, *Love*, and *Praise*.

In his press release announcing the winners, he stated, "Chief disappointment to the organizers was the lack of any winning quality hymns or tunes from authors or composers under 35. This may indicate the existence of a generation that thinks more in terms of informal worship songs than of hymns.

"All hymn competitions (this was no exception) demonstrate the immense gap between those who have learnt to write high quality texts and tunes and the majority of entrants who seem not to understand the requirements of a good hymn. They also provide the opportunity for unknown, or hardly known, writers and composers to break into the small circle of those whose work has been recognized and published in hymnbooks all over the English-speaking world."

Patricia Nakamura

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Peacemaker and Healer

THE RT. REV. JOHN THOMAS WALKER

His was a spirit that reached out to all races, all creeds, all nationalities.

By Nancy S. Montgomery

Bishop John Thomas Walker worked all his life to overcome prejudice, injustice and hatred. Born in Georgia in 1925, raised in Detroit, Mich., he was the first African-American to attend Virginia Theological Seminary, the first black rector of his home parish in Detroit, the first of his race to teach at St. Paul's School, Concord, N.H., and the first black Bishop of Washington. In 1985, he was one of the five finalists in the election of a Presiding Bishop. He triumphed over the loneliness and pain of his hard road through his deep faith, sense of humor, gentle spirit and his love for all God's children.

Bishop Walker served for five years as a canon of Washington National Cathedral, responsible for ministry to the city of Washington. As part of that ministry, he hosted a weekly TV program which focused on urban, ethnic and ecumenical concerns. His involvement in urban problems increased as he became first a suffragan bishop in 1971, then coadjutor and, in 1977, when he was installed as Bishop of Washington. On the retirement of Dean Francis B. Sayre Jr., Bishop Walker became dean of Washington National Cathedral, assuming that leadership position in addition to his diocesan duties.

One of his daunting tasks was to clear the cathedral of the million-dollar debt which accrued as the construction surged to completion. Before the cathedral's dedication, the debts had been paid.

Two words surface when friends talk about John Walker: "reconciliation" and "inclusivity." His was a spirit that reached out to all races, all creeds, all nationalities. While at St. Paul's School, he was given a sabbatical to teach at the Bishop Tucker Theological College in Uganda. He had already run summer programs in Latin America under the auspices of the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church.

Bishop Walker made many trips to Africa in the ensuing years. He was a leader in the training conferences held there for new Anglican bishops. His concern for the problems of apartheid in South Africa led to his close friendship with Archbishop Desmond Tutu, with whom he shared traits of gentleness, humor and desire for jus-



tice. Bishop Walker was also chairman of the board of Africare, a non-profit relief organization dedicated to self-help development projects in Africa.

While Bishop Walker thought globally, the critical problems of our country's cities challenged him. The Urban Bishops Coalition, formed in 1976 by Bishop Walker and other big-city bishops, pushed for reforms in welfare, housing and crime prevention.

At the same time, he worked with the Washington city government and with the Congress to try to ameliorate the problems of the poor and disenfranchised citizens of his home town. He formed the Interfaith Conference of Metropolitan Washington, an organization of leaders of the Christian, Jewish and Muslim faiths who cooperate to fight hunger and poverty.

Bishop Walker was a strong proponent of the ordination of women as priests. He often said that the arguments used against the ordination of women reminded him of the arguments used against the advancement of black people. In January 1977, he and Bishop William F. Creighton ordained six people, three women and three

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men, three black and three white, to be priests.

When he died suddenly in 1989, thousands mourned his loss. He was their priest, their shepherd, their advocate and their friend. His influence reached world leaders and he was at ease with farmers in southern Maryland.

A statue of Bishop Walker stands in the Human Rights Bay of his cathedral. He is accompanied by Eleanor Roosevelt and Archbishop Oscar Romero, martyr of El Salvador, three citizens of the world. Fittingly, one must look up to see them all.

Nancy S. Montgomery is the retired communications director of Washington National Cathedral.

Aunt Says Her Prayers

a long, unpronounceable name is taking it away bit by bit. She remembers nothing of what happens from day to day, and even from minute to minute. Sometimes she must be introduced to her husband, the man to whom she's been married for more than 50 years.

I go to visit Aunt. I ring the door bell of the little brick house, and then wait. Eventually she comes and plucks back the shade that covers the window in the door. She peers through the glass and yells into my face, "Who's there?" She's hard of hearing but refuses to wear her hearing aid, so when I answer it's at the top of my voice: "It's Terry!"

"Who?"

"TERRY!"

"Who are you?"

"YOUR NIECE!"

"What do you want?"

"I'VE COME TO SEE YOU!" In the background Uncle roars, "LET HER IN!"

Aunt looks at me suspiciously as I lean toward her to kiss her.

"Who are you?" she demands again, more kindly this time.

"I'm Terry."

"Sit down, sit down," Uncle tells times. me.

I sit and Aunt sits too. The room is dim. The shades are pulled down exactly three-quarters. Papers are stacked next to Uncle's chair, but otherwise nothing is out of place. The exaggerate the words. two old people sit side by side in their LOCKED - IT!" vinyl-covered chairs. The chairs match, except for the color. Hers is green, his is brown. The once-textured arms are worn smooth and colorless. I take a chair across from them, avoiding the graceful little lady's chair with

Aunt's mind is going. A disease with its beautiful covering that Aunt kitchen. We see her silhouetted in the needlepointed in better times.

> Aunt is calm now, ready for some small talk. "Who did you say you are?" she asks politely. I tell her again.

"Where do you live?"

I tell her.

"Is that far away?"

"Not too far."

"How did you get here?"

"By car."

"Oh." She looks at the floor and nods her head. "That's nice."

Silence. She looks up at me. "Who are vou?"

Uncle groans. He gets exasperated. "She can't remember anything!" he

complains. He feels disloyal and quickly adds, "but she can't help it."

Aunt decides to check the doors. Getting up is a major project. She grabs at the arms of the chair. "Oh Looord," she says as she struggles to heave off the slipperv seat. I take her elbow to help her. "Lord, have mercy." It's the beseeching prayer she's used over and again throughout her life. pleading, heartfelt.

She goes to the front door and folds the shade aside to look out. She turns the key in the lock. Once, twice, three

"You locked it," Uncle says.

"What?"

"You locked it!"

"Whaaaat?!"

"YOU -

> She walks through the diving room and into the

By Terry Lorbiecki

light that streams through the sheer curtains on the window, then listen as she clumps down the three stairs to the back door. There is the sound of the key in the lock. Three revolutions.

She retraces her steps and stands in the middle of the room breathing hard with her hand on her chest.

"Oh Lord...Lord have mercy..."

"Sit down," Uncle tells her.

She flops into her chair. Her hands drop into her lap. Her head sags so that I see the pink skin of her scalp through her skimpy hair.

She is still only a moment before she reaches for her prayer book on a table next to her chair. The book is worn, stuffed with scraps of paper, held together with rubber bands. One of the rubber bands snaps as she removes it. It sails across the room, and we all laugh. The tension is broken by the shared amusement.

I kneel at her feet to pick up the pages and the gilded prayer cards that have fluttered to the floor. She tucks them into the book and holds it up to her face. The moments go by. Her glasses slip down. She never turns a page. The book is upside down.

Uncle and I watch, keeping a respectful silence.

Finally she crosses herself and closes the book. The rubber band is stretched over the cover, and the book He raises his voice even more to is replaced. She stirs in her seat. It's time to check the doors again.

"Oh Lord. Lord, have mercy ... "

Uncle watches as she drags herself from the chair and leaves the room one more time. We listen to the

sound of the key in the door. All that is left for her are the habits she's practiced for long years - the kindly courtesy to visitors, the wifely duty of securing the doors, her prayers. Uncle sighs. I continue to pray: "Lord, hear our prayer."

Terry Lorbiecki is an occasional contributor to TLC. She is a member of St. Francis' Church, Menomonee Falls, Wis.

In a Confusing World

Lo! The hosts of evil round us, scorn the Christ, assail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us, free our hearts to faith and praise: grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days.

Hymn 594, verse 2, The Hymnal 1982

Hiroshima, Dachau, Chernobyl, Lockerbie, Waco, Paducah, Jonesboro. Tragedies have a way of transforming previously unknown cities into virtual synonyms of death and destruction. And now Littleton joins the list, becoming the most recent addition to this macabre atlas.

What struck me most about the news coverage of the school slayings in this Rocky Mountain community were descriptions of Littleton as "affluent," "suburban," and "upper middle class." One student from Columbine High School called it the "Mayberry of Colorado." The *New York Times* went to the trouble of reporting that the parents of one of the suspects owned four BMWs!

Such observations perpetuate the myth that affluence is an insurance against crime and violence. Evil, goes the myth, lurks in the dark streets of deprived and depraved inner cities, not in the tree-lined blocks of *faux*-Tudor houses surrounded by manicured lawns. Indeed, it would appear that some families have so bought into the American dream that they believe that simply *moving* to such communities guarantees their safety. Parents would no longer have to provide guidance, supervision or moral suasion. "Wholesome" surroundings would take care of all that. NOT! Perhaps if anything good can come out of this unspeakable tragedy, it is that America will wake up and smell the coffee; that she will emerge from long decades of denial.

On a recent Sunday afternoon, five days after the Hitler's Birthday Massacre, some 60 or 70 of us, members of Calvary, Redeemer and St. Andrew's churches in Pittsburgh, community residents and representatives of the media, gathered to reflect, to share, to pray. While variations on the theme of the theodicean problem, "Why does God allow bad things to happen to good people?", were not absent, they did not dominate our deliberations. Rather, parents shared the pain they endured when their children were bullied in school. Others expressed relief and genuine thanksgiving that they had managed to raise their children unscathed by drugs or a criminal record. One mother talked about the anguish her daughter experienced when a classmate was brutally murdered. We lamented the ready availability of weapons, and the fact that the violence of video games and movies cheapens human life.

Teenagers present talked about the pressures under which they operate the pressure to be a jock or a living Barbie doll. Another young person emphasized the need her peers have to be able to just talk with adults — their parents, their teachers — about things that perplex them. We concluded with a liturgy designed for that occasion that included the words of a prayer for young persons, taken from the Book of Common Prayer: "God our Father, You see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world; Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their worth, but as a chance for a new start."

We left that afternoon with a renewed awareness that providing a loving, caring, tolerant Christian community for our children will accomplish far more than providing them with material things, and that such a sense of community will go a long way in preventing the isolation and rejection that all too often lead to expressions of violence.

Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control; Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul, Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy Kingdom's goal.

Hymn 594, verse 3, The Hymnal 1982

Our guest columnist is the Rev. Harold T. Lewis, rector of Calvary Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Did You Know...

There are Anglican congregations in 164 countries.

Quote of the Week

The Rt. Rev. Michael Marshall, Assistant Bishop of London, writing in *Church of England Newspaper* on English people: "Meanwhile, nice English people think that religion is around to help nice people be nicer."

EDITORIALS



There is more than one reason for celebrating Pentecost.

Making a Statement

The Rt. Rev. Paul V. Marshall, Bishop of Bethlehem, seems to have a good idea of what Anglican comprehensiveness is all about. Bishop Marshall, concerned about polarization in the Episcopal Church, has reached out to minorities in the church who hold a more conservative view of theology than he does (p. 6). Bishop Marshall, a supporter of the ordination of women and prayer book revision, does not want members of his diocese and others to feel marginalized, so he's doing something about it.

At the General Convention of 2000, Bishop Marshall will propose legislation that will bring forth an apology to those persons "who have been alienated or whose faith has been injured by any insensitivity in imposing the prayer book of 1979." The bishop also would like to see that "supplemental liturgical material" authorized by the church include the 1928 prayer book.

Similarly, Bishop Marshall will provide hospitality to bishops associated with the Episcopal Synod of America (ESA), an organization of traditionalists which believes women cannot be priests or bishops. Recalling that General Convention made it clear that the views held by ESA members are to be protected as legitimate theological stands, Bishop Marshall has given permission for two bishops associated with ESA to enter the Diocese of Bethlehem to preach and celebrate the sacraments at any time.

The strategy may have an effect on Bethlehem's neighbor, the Diocese of Pennsylvania, in which seven congregations are at odds with their bishop, who will no longer permit ESA bishops to visit those churches. Conceivably members of those churches could cross diocesan boundaries to receive initiation rites.

In a letter to the clergy of his diocese, Bishop Marshall states that no person or organization solicited him on this matter, but that through prayer and reflection he decided that the offer was faithful to the gospel of Christ. Bishop Marshall's magnanimous gesture is an encouragement to many. At a time when it would appear that the church is in danger of being torn asunder, the Bishop of Bethlehem is making a bold statement to Episcopalians about what makes a truly inclusive church.

Celebrating Pentecost

The feast of Pentecost brings to a close the Great Fifty Days of the Easter season. This wonderful feast, arguably the second or third most important in the church calendar, has more than one meaning. Older Episcopalians will remember it as Whitsunday, when much of the emphasis was on "the birthday" of the church, for it was at Pentecost when the church started its growth. It was at that point when the apostles began to preach the gospel, to win converts and to baptize. The message of Christ's victory over death began to be proclaimed publicly.

At Pentecost, we also celebrate our commitment to the worldwide mission of the church, for it was on this occasion when the preaching of the gospel to people of different tongues and cultures began. The church became a community for people of every race and nationality.

Pentecost also marks the descent of the Holy Spirit to the apostles. The Spirit's dynamic power gave Christ's followers the ability to communicate the good news. The same Spirit was given to us at baptism, and for this we should celebrate this feast with joy and solemnity. The Holy Spirit has, on one hand, led the church into an acceptance of the diversity of peoples everywhere, and on the other hand pointed to the ultimate unity of all peoples in Christ.

Amongst the Flock

By James A. Birdsall

The Diocese of Connecticut is engaged in the ancient process of selecting a bishop [TLC, May 9]. That in itself is not unique. We, the church, have been at this task for many centuries. Depending on the times, this has been accomplished in a variety of ways: by lot, by royal appointment, by council, by acclamation, by elected representatives and perhaps by others not here included. We've gone about it with a great deal of prayer for guidance by the Holy Spirit, but T do we listen and do we mean it? I'm inclined to think not.

The custom today is to prepare a list of criteria that, if met, will allow an aspirant's name to appear on the list of candidates. That list is created and evaluated by a nominating committee. They work long and hard to gather appropriate data. This is also accompanied by much prayer for guidance. The list is winnowed usually to five. Connecticut found six worthy of having their names brought forward.

Then information, vitae, of the candidates is circulated to the delegates to the electing convention and is, of course, shared generally throughout the diocese. We learn of the candidates' age, experience, rule of life, education, management/leadership style. approach to pastoral care, and ministry to the laity: evidence of ability to proclaim and interpret the gospel, evidence of knowledge and ability to be a defender of the faith, unity and discipline of the church and any other notable attributes which could be deemed "creative, dynamic, spiritual," etc. We will eventually receive material composed by each candidate stating positions, opinions and possibly a faith statement.

What is less known is that much campaigning already has begun. Formally and informally people have met to discuss their choices for the office. A few names will begin to emerge as front runners. While assembling the *vitae* for submission, the candidates and/or their friends are busy sounding out the constituency. There is an effort to round up early support.

The nominating committee meets with all of those whose names have been put forward and interviews take place. The candidate sits in the midst of as many as 17 people and a free-for-

The old saw used to be that hands were laid upon the bishop-elect to remove the backbone. Now it seems as if it is to remove any vestige of a shepherd who knows the flock and whose voice each sheep knows.



all of questions ensues. The questions will soon make it clear that there are individuals on the committee who have specific concerns that need to be met to gain their support. Most of them will have no personal knowledge of the candidate and may well already have a particular kind of person they like for office. What endeavors to be an open process is doomed from the start.

Once the nominating committee has selected the names for consideration to be presented to the special convention, dates are arranged for the convention delegates and other interested

> parties to meet and to ask questions of the candidates. All the candidates will move from space to space, room to room, singly or in pairs in order to present themselves and the election platform. Questions cover a wide range as might be expected. "Why do you want to be bishop?" "What do you think about inclusive language?" "Does the church have a role in international affairs?" Should the church allow priests to perform same-sex marriages?" "Do you have a stance on tithing? What is your understanding of it?" "How will you be a pastor to the priests?" "Would you please comment on Bishop Spong?" And on it goes. All is fair game. Some questions come from genuine conwhile others cerns seem calculated to embarrass or trip up the unwary or less politically astute.

> Finally the day of the special convention will arrive. This too will have been preceded by many gatherings, deaneries, coffees and telephone calls to promote the candidacies. All with the backdrop of much prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Unless there is an obvious drift to a specific candidate detected on the first ballot, the power brokers will scurry about to other camps

of opinion in an effort to swing constituencies. All against the background of much prayer for guidance.

Eventually an election will be declared and there will be general cel-

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ebration. The new bishop will be enthroned and will conduct the affairs of the diocese exactly in whatever way he/she wants to.

The scriptures provide a clear criterion for the office of an apostle/bishop. Acts 2:22 tells us that the requirement for being numbered among the apostles was to be "a witness of His resurrection." Acts 6:4 tells us what that meant to

those apostles when confronted with a church quarrel that resulted in the appointment of the first deacons. The apostles affirmed that, rather than get caught up with the distribution of food (administrative detail), "we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to

Bishops are prophetic voices to their times encouraging the flock to incarnate Christ in daily living in economic and socially responsible ways.

the ministry of the word."

There is a need for bishops who will continue in the apostolic tradition set forth in Acts. The biblical concept of the office is to proclaim the gospel and to inspire others to confess the faith. Bishops are prophetic voices to



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their times encouraging the flock to incarnate Christ in daily living in economic and socially responsible ways. They are to come amongst the flock regularly to do so and eschew the role of chairpersons, committee leaders and CEOs. They are charged in the Examination contained in the prayer book service of the Ordination of a Bishop in very specific ways. The old saw used to be that hands were laid upon the bishop-elect to remove the backbone. Now it seems as if it is to remove any vestige of a shepherd who knows the flock and whose voice each sheep knows. It would be glorious to say to each of our bishops, "Now therefore you are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and of the household of God, and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone" (Eph. 2:19, 20).

The Rev. James A. Birdsall is a retired priest who lives in Orleans, Mass.

OMISSIONS

Because of computer problems, several names were omitted from the list of Living Church Associates [TLC, April 25]. Those persons are: the Rev. Canon Donald R. Behm, the Very Rev. William L. Graham, the Rev. J. Elliott Johnston, the Rt. Rev. James W. Montgomery, and the Rev. and Mrs. Dudley J. Stroup.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

No Longer 'Mainstream'

It has been fascinating to see the reaction of the Episcopal Church leadership to the Lambeth Conference. Prior to Lambeth, conservative clergy like me were told that we were no longer "mainstream" Episcopalian, the inference being that our opinions could therefore be ignored. Following Lambeth our liberal leadership has discovered that they are no longer "mainstream" Anglican.

I was disappointed, therefore, but not surprised by the letter from the president of the House of Deputies [TLC, April 18]. Pamela Chinnis and our former Presiding Bishop had an agenda for this church which they seemed determined to follow whatever the consequences. For them it appears to have been a win at all costs mentality. Now it seems that nothing as unimportant as the overwhelming repudiation of that agenda by the Lambeth bishops should be allowed to stand in the way. If it should cause schism within this Communion, so be it. If it should cause other provinces of the Anglican Communion to break fellowship with us, which is a strong possibility, what of that?

I hope that enough General Convention deputies will bear Lambeth in mind and have the good sense to see Ms. Chinnis' divisive letter for what it is and ignore it. On this occasion, they should listen to the wiser counsel of the "junior" house.

(The Rev.) Brian C. Hobden St. James' Church Mesilla Park, N.M.

Canon Needed

Allow me to take umbrage at the unsubstantiated assertion that a dissolution canon for bishops "would seem to undermine the very nature of their ministry," expressed in the otherwise excellent editorial, "Accountable to Whom? [TLC, April 18].

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> (The Rev.) Kenneth D. Aldrich Trinity Church Red Bank, N.J.

A True Servant

The profile of Bishop Bill Gordon [TLC, March 21] brought back many fond memories of a wonderful man who was also the father of the Diocese of Eastern Michigan. The last of these memories is a reminder of one of God's true servants.

Bishop Gordon, in spite of his final

illness, continued to attend meetings leading to the formation of the new diocese.

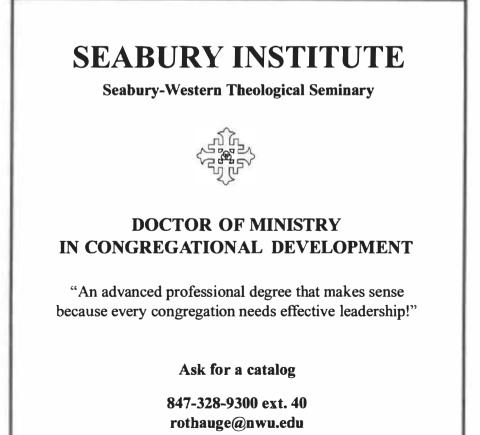
Some months before his death, he left a meeting in Detroit shortly before I did. Thirty miles north on I-75, I spotted his car on the side of the road. The bishop was walking through the grass on the shoulder. When I asked him if his car was disabled, he shook his head and explained that when he tired of driving, he would pull over and walk the side of the road picking up bottles.

> Jack Carlsen Flushing, Mich.

'....He is Us'

Pogo was right. We are the enemy, and we are met — most recently at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo., April 20, 1999.

The horror of the massacre is not that we have seen it on a TV screen,



but that we have seen it in a mirror. We are looking at ourselves. We are trying to hide, or to escape; we are wounded; we are crying for help; we are dying; we are killing; we are committing suicide; we are rescuing; we are agonizing; we are weeping; we are commenting. We are remembering ... and wishing we could not.

The scene is familiar. It is not an aberration. Blood and guts is our norm. It is our story.

Civilization is both the locale, and the vehicle, of violence. It was born in violence at the beginning of history, and has filled every century with its bloodied victims. Violence is the means by which civilization functions efficiently, and threatening violence is the way we "keep the peace." In every generation it has been our standard practice to find the right victims to sacrifice, thus "saving" the community from its problems; always finding, ghetto-izing, and getting rid of, the unfit, the strange, the peculiar, the objectionable "others." It is called "scapegoating."

The practice backfired at Columbine High. The Trenchcoat Mafia were already being sacrificed. Scorned, vilified, bullied by jocks, called "faggots," pushed aside in the halls, and threatened with injury from pop bottles and rocks thrown by fellow students from passing cars. Two of them decided not to take it anymore. They refused the time-honored practice of allowing themselves to be victims for the sake of civilization. Instead, they took to the altar of sacrifice those who would have sacrificed them, and anyone else who was in the way.

The death of Jesus should have altered civilization's way of keeping the peace. He was, and is, the divine scapegoat, the intentionally last scapegoat, to show us that making victims of others is not God's way of keeping the peace. He demonstrated, by his death and Resurrection, that the world's kind of civilization is uncivilized.

Pogo was right. We have met the enemy, and he is us.

(The Rev.) Robert G. Hewitt Colorado Springs, Colo.

Not Funny

The Viewpoint article, "Roadrunners or Coyotes?" [TLC, April 25], presented several useful insights regarding clergy leadership which resonate with my own experience of congregational development.

It is unfortunate that the metaphor uses the most violent programming on television. There are typically more than three violent events per minute in the Roadrunner and Wily Coyote cartoons. Given the violent metaphor, I am startled by the implications for clergy leadership, especially in a time that kindles the horrors of the Balkans, the Oklahoma City Federal Building, and school rampages. Violence is not funny, as the Suffering Servant testifies.

> (The Rev. Canon) Tim Vann Canon to the Ordinary Diocese of Nebraska Omaha, Neb.

Resources Available

The Executive Council Communications Committee has published web pages to give broad access to the discussion of our communication strategy. There is a strategy "working draft" as well as lists of communication resources and addresses for networking and information. Our goal is to tap into the experience and ideas of the whole church and provide everyone with some idea of what is available on line. The committee pages and an address for comments can be found on the church website under "Site Contents" at:

http://www.ecusa.anglican.org or directly at: http://members.aol.com/ rspence406/page2/home.htm

> Ralph Spence Billings, Mont.

A Sign of Love

Richard Hays of Duke Divinity School states on the back cover of Fleming Rutledge's book of powerful sermons that they "open our ears anew to the message that we stand before a holy God who loves us extravagantly ... " Marcia Hotchkiss greatly underestimates that love in her article, "No Excuses" [TLC, April 18].

God's forgiveness is a sign of that love which has been readily offered to mankind from the beginning of time. He does not fail to take into consideration what causes us to sin. He knows these "excuses" because he knows us better than we know ourselves.

> Rita S. Davis Rancho Mirage, Calif.

Deserving

Now that resigned bishops can come out with a \$1.27 million package [TLC, April 4], the pounced-on priests (by bishops and vestries) should get a \$500,000 package of compensation. They have shattered families, needed pension premium continuums, and must move out of the rectories to new locations.

(The Rev.) David W. Plumer Hartland, N.B., Canada

More Pelicans

Here are two more pelicans for Ann Rose to add to her collection of pelicans as symbols of Christ's sacrifice [TLC, May 2]. One is a very large statue in the quad of Corpus Christi College, Oxford. Corpus Christi is the college where our founding theologian, Richard Hooker (1554-1600), studied and taught. The pelican is, in fact, the emblem of that ancient college. The other (a replica) is in the McCosh quad at Princeton University.

> Philip B. Secor Bethlehem, Pa.

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Ordinations

Deacons

Quincy - David E. Taylor, curate at St. Luke's, Newtown, PA

Resignations

The Rev. Robert Glendenning, as deacon at Grace Church, West Palm Beach, FL.

The Rev. Bill Swan, as vicar of St. Edward's, Silverton, OR.

Retirements

The Rev. Richard T. Edgerton, as interim of All Saints', Torrington, WY; add. 705 Klondike Dr., Buffalo, WY 82834.

The Rev. George Mackey, as rector of St. Peter's, Santa Maria, CA; add. 801 S Haslam St., Santa Maria, CA 93454.

The Rev. James L. Ragsdale as interim/supply priest for the Diocese of Colorado.

Correction

The Rev. Chere Bates, deacon in the Diocese of Chicago, is assigned to St. Edward the Martyr, Joliet, IL.

The Rev. Joseph A. DiRaddo One Gadsden Way, Apt. 329, Charleston, SC 29412.

Deaths

The Rt. Rev. Herbert D. Edmondson, 80, retired Bishop of Jamaica and retired Assistant Bishop of Central Florida, died April 7, following a long illness.

Bishop Edmondson was born in Whitehall District, Jamaica, the West Indies. He did undergraduate and theological training in England. He is also a graduate of Union Theological Seminary and Trinity Seminary. He was ordained deacon in 1949, priest in 1950 and consecrated bishop in 1971. He served the church in Jamaica, 1949-60; as vicar of St. Mary's, Pleasantville, NJ, 1962-71; as Suffragan Bishop of Jamaica 1972-76 and as diocesan 1976-80. After is first retirement, he was bishop-in-charge of St. Timothy's, Daytona Beach, FL 1980-86. Bishop Edmondson is survived by his wife, Lou, four children, 10 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

The retired Bishop of Haiti, the Rt. Rev. Luc Anatole Jacques Garnier. died at his home in Port-au-Prince on May 1.

Bishop Garnier was born in Maissade, Haiti, Dec. 21, 1928. He received his education in Haiti, and was ordained deacon and priest in 1956 by his predecessor, the Rt. Rev. C. Alfred Voegeli. In 1975 he was awarded the honorary Doctorate of Divinity from the School of Theology of the University of the South. Bishop Garnier served several parishes in Haiti including St. Esprit in Cap Haitien, Holy Cross, Leogane, and Holy Trinity Cathedral, Port-au-Prince, first as priestin-charge and later as dean. He served as director of the College of St. Pierre from 1967 to 1969. He was elected bishop in 1971, and retired in 1994. He is survived by his second wife, Clemelle, seven children and several grandchildren.

The Rev. Canon Trevor Hoy, 77, retired priest of the Diocese of California, died March 13.

Fr. Hoy was born in London, England. He graduated from Williams College and Episcopal Theological School. Fr. Hoy was ordained deacon and priest in 1950. He served as associate for college work at Ohio State University and curate of St. Stephen's, Columbus, OH, 1950-54; rector of St. Michael's of the Valley, Ligonier, PA, 1954-59; canon to the ordinary, Bishop of California, 1959-65, and other staff positions, 1959-65; interim of St. John's, Ross, CA, 1977-81. He spent much of his active ministry working in hospice and related services. After his retirement, Fr. Hoy served parishes in Hawaii and California. He is survived by his wife, the Rev. Lois Pinneo-Hoy.

The Rev. Chandler Jackson II, 79. retired priest of the Diocese of Oregon, died March 30.

Fr. Jackson was a native of Kansas City, MO. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin, University of Southern California and Church Divinity School of the Pacific. He was ordained deacon in 1956 and priest in 1957. Fr. Jackson served as vicar of St. John the Divine, Costa Mesa, CA, 1956-59; chaplain of the University of California and curate at All Saints', Riverside, CA, 1959-61; rector of St. John's, Hermiston, OR, 1961-70; vicar of St. Martin's, Shady Cove, OR, and Good Shepherd, Prospect, OR, 1970-76; vicar of St. John's, Bandon, and St. Christopher's, Orford, OR, 1976-82.

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The Rev. **Claire McDowell**, 66, deacon of the Diocese of San Joaquin, died April 14 in Wasco, CA.

Deacon McDowell was a native of Rifle, CO. She served the church for 30 years as a lay person before preparing for the diaconate through a diocesan program. She was ordained in 1996 and served at Redeemer and Hope, Delano, CA, until the time of her death. Deacon McDowell is survived by her husband, John, and three sons.

The Rev. John Sturges Yaryan, retired priest of the Diocese of California, died April 19 at the age of 83.

A native of Toledo, OH, Fr. Yaryan was a graduate of Yale University and the Church Divinity School of the Pacific. He was ordained deacon in 1957 and priest in 1958. Fr. Yaryan served as vicar of St. Matthew's, Auburn, WA, 1957-61; and rector of St. Mark's, Crockett, CA, 1968-70. He held a number of diocesan positions, including canon to the ordinary, Diocese of California 1961-63. He was development officer at CDSP, 1964-68. In 1964 he was made a canon of Grace Cathedral, San Francisco.

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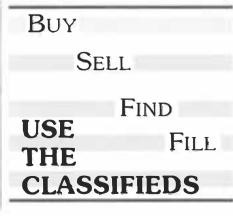
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