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Geralyn Wolf photo

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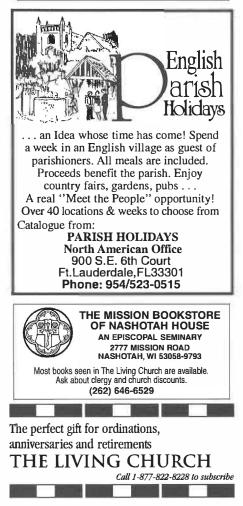
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SUNDAY'S **READINGS**

A Dysfunctional Family

'Come closer to me. I am your brother, Joseph' (Gen. 45:4).

The Seventh Sunday After the Epiphany, Feb. 18, 2001

Gen. 45:3-11, 21-28; Psalm 37:1-18 or 37:3-10; 1 Cor. 15:35-38, 42-50; Luke 6:27-38

Jacob's 13 children, 12 sons and one daughter, were born of four women: the sisters Leah and Rachel who were his wives, and the wives' servant girls. The servant girls bore children on behalf of the wives when the wives were unable to bear, and their children were considered the children of the wives. The competition between the sisters was fierce, as each sought to outdo the other in producing sons for Jacob. Until she herself was unable to bear, Leah bore son after son while Rachel was barren, yet it was Rachel whom Jacob loved.

At last, Rachel bore Joseph, who became Jacob's favorite son. Finally she died giving birth to Benjamin, Joseph's only full brother and the youngest of Jacob's children. The jealously between the sisters was passed on to their children, for the older sons were bitter against Joseph, a bitterness only inflamed when Joseph told them of his dream of seeing them all do him homage. Given the opportunity, they sold him into slavery in Egypt, where Joseph suffered ill before rising to the highest position in the land under Pharoah. Years later, during the great famine, Joseph's brothers stood before him to purchase food, thus fulfilling Joseph's dream.

Today's lesson from Genesis opens at the moment Joseph reveals his identity to his brothers, and they are understandably dismayed. But Joseph is no longer the inexperienced, conceited upstart of his youth. He is now a ruler of peoples and has learned much about the human heart and the power and presence of God. Raised in bitterness, jealousy, and dysfunction, he has risen above it and is able to see how God had been active throughout his life: "It was not you who sent me here, but God" (Gen. 45:8). His care for his brothers and their families continues to the end, for he repeats these words in Gen. 50:15-21.

Look It Up

Psalm 105:17b-18 reads, "Joseph ... was sold as a slave. They bruised his feet in fetters; his neck they put in an iron collar." Look up this passage in the 1928 Book of Common Prayer. Although it is a mistranslation, it powerfully conveys the message of today's lesson.

Think About It

Since all people are sinners, all families are characterized by a greater or lesser degree of failure to love. Have you, like Joseph, discerned how God was working nonetheless? Have you forgiven those who wronged you? Have you asked forgiveness of those you have wronged?

Next Sunday The Last Sunday After the Epiphany Ex. 34:29-35; Psalm 99; 1 Cor. 12:27-13:13; Luke 9:28-36

A Season of Good Reading

By Travis Du Priest

EXPLORING CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY: An Ecumenical Reader. Edited by Kenneth J. Collins. Baker. Pp. 400. \$26.99 paper.

An excellent constellation of spiritual writers including Philip Sheldrake, John Macquarrie, John Gresham, Jr. and Ann Carr. Remembering Harvey Guthrie's Life of Prayer class as one of the best in seminary, I was delighted to see his "Anglican Spirituality: An Ethos and Some Issues" reprinted from Anglican Spirituality.

SEASONS OF GRACE: Wisdom from the Cloister. By Gail Fitzpatrick. Foreword by Kathleen Norris. ACTA. Pp. 215. \$9.95 paper.

Interweaves the seasons of the year with the liturgical seasons of the church and offers 50 reflections based on the abbess's "chapter talks" given to her Trappistine sisters.

PATHWAYS: Finding God in the Present Moment. By Jean Maalouf. ACTA. Pp. 95. \$9.95 paper.

Brief meditations followed by suggested "ways" to overcome problems or to enhance one's search for fulfillment. The chapter, Loneliness, asks us Why is the "Don Quixote" in us never satisfied?

THIS BLESSED MESS: Finding Hope Amidst Life's Chaos. By Patricia H. Livingston. Ave Maria. Pp. 144. \$11.95 paper.

With personal anecdotes, Patricia Livingston addresses those moments of struggle in our lives that turn everything topsy turvy. One of her best chapters is titled "Hanging in There."

THE CALL TO LOVE: Unleashing the Power to Love God and Others in Your Everyday Life. By Linda Riley. Tyndale. Pp. 185. \$10.99 paper.

Focuses on the Bible as a love letter and offers numerous "Loving Ideas" for practice in our everyday lives. One that'll be hard for me: "Be kind even to telemarketers."

A SEASON IN THE DESERT: Making Time Holy. By W. Paul Jones. Paraclete. Pp. 255. \$20

A former Methodist minister turned Roman Catholic, Paul Jones now lives as a hermit member of the Trappists and writes on death and anxiety, sexuality, scripture, post-modernism, spiritual direction. Perhaps most



imaginative are the chapters on Expansive Time and Time As Lived. Interesting section on the Triduum.

LIVING IN GOD'S EMBRACE: The Practice of Spiritual Intimacy. By Michael Fonseca. Ave Maria. Pp. 240. \$12.95 paper.

Retreat leader and spiritual director

Michael Fonseca creates 60 spiritual exercises. One that particularly caught my eye was on "Munificence," a concept at the heart of Renaissance theology and spirituality but sadly overlooked by many contemporary religious writers.

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With Friendship, Louisville Woman Builds a New Family

When she moved to Louisville's historic district years ago, little did music teacher Margaret Ann Oates imagine that her quest for more space, lower rent and peace of mind would turn out to be a profoundly life-changing event.

The houses in Old Louisville are very close together, and Ms. Oates, a member of St. Fran-

cis in the Fields

Church in Har-

rods Creek, Ky.,

soon found her

neighbors across

the alley invad-

ing her solitude.

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The neighbor-

become home to

drug traffickers

and users. Visi-

tors came and

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Ms. Oates and her 3 sons.

clock, and rowdy young boys harassed her at all hours. It was apparent that no one in the house was acting as parents to the children who lived there.

Ms. Oates had two options. One was to call the police and Child Protective Services. The other was to make friends with the boys.

Gradually trust began to build between Ms. Oates and her new friends. Her judicious application of tough love soon earned their respect. Eventually the boys were welcomed into Ms. Oates' house, where she provided a haven, a place where they could find love and a place to do their school work. Eventually she brought three of the brothers — Andre, Dujuan and Cordero — to live in her home as official foster children. Then, concerned about the tenuous nature of the foster relationship and the future of her boys, Ms. Oates initiated adoption proceedings of the three youngest. Last September, they became a legal family.

The move to a more stable home life has proved to be a positive one for the three boys as well. Now ages 12, 14 and 15, they have a loving mother, a stable home life and spiritual training at St. Francis'. Ms. Oates has been a member and choir mezzo soprano soloist at the church for 28 years.

David Owen

A Theological Vision of the Church

The Western Church sold its soul in 1054 when it split with what became the Eastern Orthodox Church, according to Methodist theologian William Abraham of Southern Methodist University.

Mr. Abraham spoke at the 12th annual Scholarly Engagement in Anglican Doctrine Conference (SEAD), in Charleston, S.C., Jan. 11-14. The purpose of the gathering was to explore the Nicene Creed as a new basis for Christian unity.

Mr. Abraham argued that contemporary Christians "have to side with the Eastern Church" since in the West "we have epistemized critical components of the canons of the church," such as sola scriptura and papal infallibility. He said many contemporary Christians see the church as a country club, "a nice place to visit regularly," a Noah's ark, a refuge "when the world outside is stormy," a waterbed, "a fuzzy, warm therapeutic community" in which members receive "a psychic massage," or as a loose confederacv of states whose leadership "works for inclusive community yet seeks as much unity as possible."

In contrast to all these images, he added, "we need a theological vision of the church" which gives us a concept "of things as they are now, an account that makes some sense of our current division, and one which will enable us to enact a future" picture of Christian unity to which Christ calls us.

Role of the Spirit

Another speaker who addressed the theme of East and West was Thomas Smail, senior visiting research fellow at King's College, University of London. Mr. Smail suggested that both East and West had strengths and weaknesses in their understanding of the Trinity.

The East "does not make sufficiently clear how the sending of the Spirit is related to the sending of the Son," he said, thus opening itself to the danger of a "Christ less mysticism."

The West, on the other hand. runs the risk of "subordinating" the Spirit to the Son to such an extent that one sometimes has to ask "whether the Spirit is divine at all." Mr. Smail concluded that the pentecostal movement has emerged in part as a "proper protest" against this demotion of the Spirit in the West.

The theological speakers at the conference were from all the major branches of the church. including John Webster, Lady Margaret Professor of Divinity, University of Oxford, among Anglicans, Carl Braaten, director of the Center for Catholic and Evangelical Theology, among Lutherans, and Augustine DiNoia of the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, D.C., from the Roman Catholic Church. More than 400 lay persons, clergy and academics, representing five countries, 36 states and 20 churches attended the conference.

The Rev. Christopher Seitz, professor of Old Testament at the University of St. Andrews, Scotland, and SEAD president, said, "The Nicene Creed, which unifies Christians throughout all the world, was again the occasion to unify (those of) us, who care deeply about constructive Christian theology as the Godgiven tonic for a world dying for the gospel of Jesus Christ. We are hoping to move from strength to strength, building upon the unexpectedly large response to this year's conference topic."

(The Rev.) Kendall Harmon



Newark young people take a break during the convocation.

The Voices of Youth Included in Newark's Strategic Plan

More than 150 youth representatives were among those who participated Jan. 26-27 in a visioning convocation designed to answer the question, What is the work of the Diocese of Newark?

Along with a diocesan design team, the conference was planned by diocesan consultant Helen Spector and a team of facilitators from across the country. Working with a method that Ms. Spector calls "appreciative inquiry," the gathering sought to identify what is currently working well in the diocese and what it collectively holds sacred.

The conclusion of the group is that the diocese feels deeply called to a future that focuses on youth and youth ministry, spiritual growth, inclusivity and rapprochement between suburbs and inner cities. Participants felt that the decision to separate strategic planning from diocesan convention [TLC, Feb. 11] and to include youth in the strategic planning process was a positive step.

The convocation was based on a few basic design principles and organized around the five vows delineated in the baptismal covenant. These vows formed the supporting structure for the visioning work rooted in the fact that the work of the diocese revolves around how each person demonstrates his or her faith in the world.

"I hope and pray that this will not remain just a 'feelgood' experience," said the Rt. Rev. John P. Croneberger, Bishop of Newark, "but that real action will be taken to move this diocese forward into an exciting future."

The conference ended with a renewal of baptismal vows by participants.

Ronnie T. Stout-Kopp

Full Expression of Many Faiths

A call for repentance for the evils of religious and racial persecution and war marked the celebration of the annual World Sabbath of Religious Reconciliation Jan. 27, at Christ Church Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, Mich. For a second year, more than 400 people attended.

A significant difference in this new celebration and other interfaith expressions, explained the Rev. Rodney Reinhart, founder of the event and interim rector of nearby Trinity Church in Farmington Hills, is that there is little effort to deliquesce religious discussion, like references to Jesus Christ or Allah, for fear of alienating other participants. Instead, full expression of all faiths is encouraged.

"So often we have interfaith celebrations in which an enormous amount of time is used talking about what phrases not to use and what symbols can't be expressed," said Fr. Reinhart. "You can't talk about Jesus Christ, Muhammad, or the Buddha. And you end up merely focusing on just how nice it is that religious people can get along and smile." Herb Gunn

Bishop Spong Kept Out of San Diego Pulpit

The Rt. Rev. John S. Spong, the controversial retired Bishop of Newark, was prohibited from preaching or teaching in the Diocese of San Diego by its bishop. The Rt. Rev. Gethin B. Hughes, Bishop of San Diego, made the decision to prevent Bishop Spong from speaking.

Concerning the decision, a spokesperson for Bishop Hughes said that while personally fond of Bishop Spong and respectful of his colleague's right to promote his own opinions, Bishop Hughes felt that it might cause confusion among members of his diocese if Bishop Spong presented his own controversial theological viewpoints as those of the church.

In a condemnation delivered from the pulpit on Jan. 14, at a service Bishop Spong attended, the Very Rev. John B. Chane, dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, criticized Bishop Hughes for his decision. "Censoring one's right to preach and teach as a priest or bishop simply because we might disagree with that person's point of view or because we feel that what they might say could be harmful is a very harmful, unhealthy and dangerous thing," Dean Chane said.

West Tennessee Announces Nominees

A nominating committee for the election of the third Bishop of West Tennessee has announced its five nominees: the Very Rev. Zabron A. (Chip) Davis, rector of Trinity Church, Natchez, Miss.; the Rev. Don E. Johnson, rector of Church of the Resurrection, Franklin, Tenn.; the Rev. Dorsey W.M. McConnell, rector of St. Alban's, Edmonds, Wash.; the Rev. Martyn Minns, rector of Truro Church, Fairfax, Va.; and the Rev. Edward Tourangeau, rector of St. John's, Lafayette, Ind. Clergy or lay delegates had until Feb. 10 to nominate additional candidates.

The electing convention is March 30 in Memphis.

BRIEFLY...

Priorities of the **Diocese of Cuba** were identified in a pastoral synod presided over by the Rt. Rev. Jorge Perera Hurtado, Bishop of Cuba. Among the priorities named by the synod were to increase knowledge of the church's Anglican heritage, to renew Bible and theological knowledge of all members, and to encourage greater integration of women to the ordained ministry.

The **Fraser Memorial Cathedral** in Lui, see of the Episcopal Church of the Sudan, was recently destroyed by the Sudanese Air Force. The attack followed a similar one on the city of Lui on Dec. 26 which resulted in property damage and a number of injuries. The Islamic Sudanese government, which has been waging a 30-year war against Christians primarily in the southern part of the country, claims that churches and other civilian population centers are legitimate targets because rebels are using them to shield insurgent military activity.

A new, high-level **working group** has been formed between the Anglican Communion and the Roman Catholic Church. The group, which is expected to hold its first meeting later this year, is charged with reviewing the relationship between Roman Catholics and Anglicans worldwide, consolidating the results of more than 30 years of ecumenical dialogue and charting a course for the future. Among the panel members is the Rt. Rev. Edwin Gulick, Bishop of Kentucky.

The Church of England could **permit divorcees to remarry** with its blessing as early as next year, according to a report filed by the *Sunday Times* of Great Britain. A consultation with members in eight dioceses showed large majorities of support in seven. The results have shocked traditionalists, who fear the move could damage the moral standing of the church by ending the centuries-old prohibition.

Faith and Courage in Pakistan

The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf, Bishop of Rhode Island, was not prepared to witness history being made during her recent visit to Pakistan.

Her host, the Rt. Rev. Samuel Azariah, Bishop of Raiwind and Moderator of the United Church of Pakistan, ordained Pakistan's first two women deacons: Khushnud Azariah and Rohama Asif.

Christian women face two stigmas in Pakistan: their gender and their religion. Despite having been led at one time by a woman prime minister, Pakistan generally precludes women from positions of leadership over men. The country is officially governed by the laws of Islam.

Bishop Wolf said she and Bishop Azariah first met and discussed the possibility of her visiting Pakistan at the 1998 Lambeth Conference.

The Church of Pakistan counts 800,000 communicants and is the largest protestant body in the country. The church was formed in 1970 in a merger of Anglican, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian and other groups. About 3 percent of Pakistan's estimated 140 million people are Christian.

The sacrifices and compromises that were necessary to achieve unity among the protestant groups have come at a cost to an "Anglican identity," according to Bishop Wolf, who said that she did not find any consistency of worship among the churches she visited. This is not surprising given that it is unclear whether the Church of Pakistan even has its own Book of Common Praver. Few prayer books were evident during Bishop Wolf's visit and those that were would be of little use in a country with a 65 percent rate of illiteracy among the general population and an even higher percentage among women and Christians. The inconsistent worship did not seem to affect the worshipers, however.

"They were extraordinary," Bishop Wolf said. "The churches and offer-



Most Christians in Pakistan remain relegated to the lowest paying jobs, such as this man who labors in a factory that makes bricks.

ing plates were full everywhere. I was amazed by the generosity of these people. They are united with Christ in a very significant way. The way they share in his suffering is not superficial."

She told *RISEN*, the newspaper of the Diocese of Rhode Island, "I was surprised, in talking with the new deacons, to discover how unsure they were of what a deacon did — or even what a deacon was called. But then, nobody else seemed quite sure either. It was only after I made a specific request that one of the deacons was assigned to read the gospel during (a post-ordination) service."

Bishop Wolf said she returned to the U.S. somewhat "bewildered" by what she had seen but full of admiration for the church in Pakistan. "So often, we in the First World look on people of the Developing World with pity," she said. "But they have many things we have lost, not least among them the solidarity of community in village and church. Their physical resources are scant, but their circles of support are complex and vibrant."



John Henry Newman: TWO CENTURIES LATER

Inspired preacher and writer, the soul and genius of the Oxford Movement, he continues to attract the religious affection of Anglicans, Catholics, and even unbelievers.

ecumenical guide and moral preceptor, by emphasizing the significance of conscience for moral experience, by stressing the bearing of probability on practical judgments of faith, by clarifying the spiritual importance of the laity, and by highlighting the necessity of discourse between churches.

Finally, says Bishop Wand of London, author of *Anglicanism in History and Today*, "The average evangelical church services are conducted today much as Newman would have liked to see them." Yet, warns Lutheran scholar Yngve Brilioth, it would be presumptuous "if any single communion claims him genius of an artist with the stark, unbending conscience of a saint.

Even now, Newman retains that power to inspire all who have "an eye and a heart for the truth." Agnostic Matthew Arnold, for example, claimed that Newman was "mixed up with all that is most essential in what I do and say." Gen. Charles Gordon. confronted at Khartoum with imminent and unspeakable dark disaster, quietly prepared his final meditations by underlining Newman's inspired poem of redemptive death, The Dream of Gerontius. That poem, incidentally, later set to music as an oratorio, many would acclaim composer Edward Elgar's magnum opus.

As pastor, religious thinker, devotional writer, and eloquent preacher,

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entirely for its own."

That rich and reverential complexity of Newman's mind united prophecy and patristic wisdom, sagacity and worship — he was, said Henri Bremond, "so upright, so firm, so wonderfully balanced." Newman also fused the temperament and Newman attracted, and still attracts, those who believe that personal holiness is the primary purpose of religious truth. As a reflective poet, historian, critic, novelist, controversialist, and author of the *Apologia pro vita sua* (a revealing *histoire de l'age* deemed even by his enemies a

By D.A. Drennen

T wo hundred years ago this week, Feb. 21, that enduring religious figure of the 19th century, John Henry Newman, was born, eldest of six, to a middle-class Anglican banking family. At his death in 1890, concepts of spirituality and devotional practice for Canterbury, Rome, and possibly Geneva, would be irreversibly altered — largely, most think, for the better.

Which may explain why R.W. Church, dean of St. Paul's in Newman's time, could speak of Newman as "the founder, we may almost say, of the Church of England as we know it." Or why another contemporary, Scottish clergyman Principal Shairp, argued that, as a churchman, Newman was "perhaps the most remarkable the English Church has possessed in any century."

For Rome's Second Vatican Council (1962-1965), Newman became its



John Henry Newman:

masterpiece), Newman saw that selfknowledge "is at the root of all religious knowledge." It is thus implicitly theological. "God speaks to us primarily in our hearts," he said, and in our conscience, "Our great internal teacher of religion," "aboriginal Vicar of Christ."

For Newman, enlargement of the mind and perfection of the spirit are truly religious acts. "The object of Revelation," he suggests, "was to enlighten and enlarge the mind, to make us act by reason, and to expand and strengthen our powers." Because "faith operates by means of reason, and reason is directed and corrected by faith," growth is essential to both. A careless, unbelieving mind, contented with itself, Newman once said, "would feel as little pleasure, at the last day, at the words, 'Enter into the joy of thy Lord,' as it does now at the words, 'Let us pray'."

As a young man, Newman learned from biblical scholar Thomas Scott, "almost as proverbs," the truth of "Holiness rather than peace" and "Growth the only evidence of life."

His understanding of their truth clarifies why he believed that "enlargement of mind" and "perfection of intellect" are religious and educative necessities. Perfection of the intellect, he said, involves "the clear, calm, accurate vision and comprehension of all things, so far as the finite mind can embrace them." Its power is that "of viewing many things at once as one whole." Is this not the meaning of Christian vision?

A disciplined intellect cannot be partial, cannot be exclusive, cannot be impetuous, Newman argued, if only "because it discerns the end in every beginning, the origin in every end, the law in every interruption, the limit in each delay; because it ever knows where it stands, and how its path lies from one point to another." The disciplined intellect is prepared to grow in wisdom and age and grace. As Newman said in his *Development of Christian Doctrine*: "to live is to change, and to be perfect is to have changed often."

A self-satisfied mind (which is a mind without self-knowledge) cannot be interested in spiritual growth and perfection, because it leaves no place for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit — the essence of Christian life. It is,

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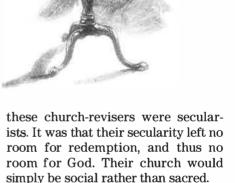
after all, the Holy Spirit who makes Christ a "Sacred Presence" to the believer. "Our true righteousness is the indwelling of our glorified Lord."

Newman was an Englishman to the core. He relished all things English, excepting only English sins. He delighted, with English passionate restraint, in the irony of the English nation, in the exquisiteness of the English tongue, of which he was an incomparable master. Above all things English, he loved the English Church. This is why he strove so mightily to defend it against secularists.

As Newman returned from a Mediterranean trip in 1833 — when he wrote the prescient verse (later hymn) "Lead, Kindly Light" — he saw, with alarmed insight, how England's parliamentary liberalist-secularists threatened the very meaning of the English Church.

Was the church merely another bureaucracy of British Civil Service? Or was it the body of Christ, deriving its authority, through apostolic succession, from Christ himself?

It was, for Newman, not merely that



Understanding, in his protest for spiritual renewal in the church, that there was "everything against us but our cause," Newman and others chose the day of John Keble's "National Apostasy" sermon, July 14, "as the start of the religious movement of 1833." Ever after, it would be known as the Oxford Movement. It would become its own story.

Dr. D. A. Drennen, a psychotherapist and former lay preacher, is a member of Church of the Ascension, Carrabelle, Fla.

EDITOR'S CHOICE



Something Always Happens When We Pray

"What can I do?" is a question many of us ask ourselves frequently as we learn of incidents of violence, hear about far-away disasters, and find out about the suffering in our own communities. The list of people who need

help and the problems that require solution seems endless. What can I do? What can one solitary individual, who cares enough to care, actually do?

I can share my money, my time, my expertise. I can do volunteer work. I can get appointed to local or national boards. I can become a community activist or an advocate for necessary change. Yet it's still easy to feel helpless without any real, effective power.

What more can we do? We can pray.

If we have any faith at all, we must know that prayer does make a difference, that God hears and answers our prayers, albeit not always in the exact

ways we might prefer or choose. Nevertheless, something always happens when one person

prays for another; something usually inexplicable and often quite unexpected, which changes the balances and changes both the pray-er and the pray-ee, for the best, and always for the better.

Prayer is an extraordinary powerful force a force that unleashes our most caring impulses and taps into our deepest reservoirs of personal faith. Prayer is a conversation with a Parent who loves us enough to listen, to lift up, to hold tight, and to "make better" those we are so concerned about. But if we are tight lipped and suspect, and too busy to pray, always demanding proof (like most children), what do we expect? I would guess little or nothing.

So we have to swallow our pride, shelve our doubts, believe something will happen, figuratively or literally get down on our knees, and then ask God's help for the troubled places and troubled people.

I have decided that I can and I will and I must commit 30 minutes a day to intercessory prayer — prayer for people and places known and unknown, at home and abroad. This is above and beyond my regular daily prayer and Bible reading.

This is easier said than done. I've tried it and after a couple of tries, I failed. But I'm ready to try again, using the following props and rules and reminders:

I will use the psalter and the newspaper as my cornerstones. The psalms reflect the cries and pleas and prayers of God's people for help and healing. I plan to read three psalms, picked at random, every day. The newspaper reflects the current plight of our communities, our nation and our world.

The line from Psalm 46, "Be still and know that I am God" will be my opening and my closing thought. I need to start my prayers in humble and hopeful silence.

I will keep a prayer list, a reminder, for that's the only way I can prayerfully and carefully reflect.

Each of us has a collection of favorite sayings and prayers that have helped us

If we have any faith at all, we must know that prayer does make a difference.

through the dark and difficult times of our lives. We need to use these to help us to stay with and to stay focused on those we offer up in prayer.

What I am proposing is not easy. It sounds easy but it demands a commitment of faith, interest, caring, time, and willingness to set aside 30 minutes each day, without recompense or recognition or known "results."

We must pray alone. These private offerings are known only to God and to us. That makes it more difficult, but I think far better. It helps us to remember our task and our place. It helps us to focus totally on God's healing power and those we offer to him in prayer.

We should pray specificially, for people's wholeness, for their peace of mind as well as their health of body. We should pray with a sure and certain hope that somehow, some way, our prayers can make a huge difference over time.

Our guest columnist is the Rev. Alanson B. Houghton, a retired priest who lives in Pawleys Island, S.C.

Did You Know...

Fox Chapel, Pittsburgh, and a nearby Presbyterian congregation are named for a Methodist lay farmer.

Quote of the Week

The Rt. Rev Bruce Cameron, newly elected Primate of the Scottish Episcopal Church, on humor: "There is nothing worse ... than ... Christians without a sense of humor."

EDITORIALS

Strengthened Response

Time after time the Episcopal Church, like many other churches, moves to the forefront when tragedy occurs. There are countless stories of churches, or their members, coming to the aid of their neighbors when they are confronted by such disasters as floods or fires. Various diocesan agencies have been able to provide relief when problems occur. Nationally, the church's response to such calamities as the recent earthquakes in El Salvador and India is exemplary. Episcopal Relief and Development, formerly the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief, has been among the first agencies to respond to a catastrophe, whether working on its own or in conjunction with other agencies such as Lutheran World Services. The church's response, at all levels, to emergency situations can strengthen one's faith. Such incidents are vivid examples of our promise in the baptismal covenant to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves.

Vital Leadership

We offer congratulations to all who were elected to positions of leadership in their local congregations at recent annual parish meetings. Many of these meetings are held in January, so wardens and members of the vestry are assuming their new roles this month. It should be obvious to all that the leadership of parishes and mission congregations is vitally important, but unfortunately there are still cases where elections are nothing more than popularity contests, or they are well-meaning instances in which someone is elected simply because he or she hasn't served previously.

We have long advocated strong, healthy parishes as vitally important in order for the Episcopal Church to function at its best. The roles of wardens, vestry members, delegates or deputies to diocesan conventions and other leadership positions shouldn't be taken lightly. Working with the clergy, they have the opportunity to participate in decision making and to provide oversight to important ministries. We wish the new leaders well.



No one can come to see Father except through Bea.



B y the passing of Resolution A045 of the 2000 General Convention, a "whole can of worms" has been opened. The resolution targeted the dioceses of Fort Worth, Quincy and San Joaquin and directed the Executive Council to establish a task force by Jan. 1 to "visit, interview, assess and assist the people and the Commissions on Ministry, Standing Committees and Bishops of the three dioceses in the development and implementation of an action plan for full compliance with the canon mandating ordination of women by September 1, 2002." These dioceses can expect at least four, if not more, visitations from the appointed task force. Presumably, ample funds will be available for the visits.

Subsequent General Conventions may follow the example of the 73rd, with task forces appointed eventually to assess and assist dioceses in guaranteeing that at least one gay or lesbian priest serves in each diocese. Perhaps task forces will be appointed to guarantee that at least one priest from each minority group serves in each diocese. Task forces might eventually be appointed to monitor the investment programs of dioceses, or to assist and assess the way in which vestries and search committees function. The possibilities are without number.

The appointment of task forces contradicts the numerous promises made during the past 25 years that "no recriminations ... no sanctions ... no coercion" will be exerted regarding the ordination of women. Initially the promises were made because such ordinations would be permissive, not mandatory. None of the promises included the words "Until the General Convention of 2000." Credibility has certainly been stretched. No regard has been paid to the Lambeth Conference of 1998.

The action of General Convention implies that it is now a "must" in this part of the Anglican Communion to believe in the ordination of women. In Roman Catholicism, "additional" beliefs have been required of its members regarding papal infallibility, the Immaculate Conception, and the Assumption of Mary in order for one to be a member "in good standing." while these three bishops continue to "do their own thing," obey their consciences, basing their decisions on theology, doctrine and scripture, task forces are sent to deal with them and their dioceses. One gets the impression that perhaps what most matters in the eyes of General Convention is power.

It is to be assumed that General Convention recognized the strain and stress that the visits of the task forces will place upon the bishops, dioceses, clergy and laity involved, and the distraction to the life of the dioceses that these task forces will cause, as well as the amount of money that the trips will cost, and the costs to the dioce-

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The Episcopal Church thus follows this example if it adds the requirement of belief in the ordination of women if one is to be in good standing. This is a new development in this part of the Anglican Communion, and one with far-reaching implications.

One of the ironies of General Convention's decision to authorize task forces is that during the 20-year episcopate of Bishop John Spong, while he discarded many of the basic beliefs of Christianity and "did his own thing," General Convention sent no task force to deal with him, whereas ses that receive the visitations. Is this the best use of the church's funds?

In anticipating the visits of the task force to the Diocese of Quincy, one can't help but wonder how the first Bishop of Illinois, the redoubtable Philander Chase, would have reacted had he been informed that any task force sent by General Convention was on its way to straighten him out and tell him how to run his diocese. \Box

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Difficult to Achieve

My hopes for Called to Common Mission (CCM) are high. I am afraid my expectations are declining.

The ELCA is currently in the midst of significant conversations about certain provisions of CCM and resolutions are being prepared for its national meeting this summer which would significantly alter our shared understandings about what CCM's goals are and how they would be accomplished.

One of the most significant elements in the debate over CCM at General Convention had to do with the "temporary suspension of the ordinal." This significant accommo-

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dation by the Episcopal Church was done in order to recognize the validity of ordained clergy of the Lutheran church during a limited period of transition to "apostolic succession" and "historic episcopate" in the ELCA. This would be accomplished by the participation of Episcopal bishops in the consecration services of all future ELCA bishops. Subsequently, all pastors ordained in the ELCA would be ordained in apostolic succession conveyed by Lutheran bishops who would be in the historic episcopate.

It is important to note — and this is erroneously reported in the editorial "A Good Place to Start" [TLC, Jan. 21] — that there is no provision in CCM requiring Episcopal bishops to participate in future ELCA ordinations of Lutheran clergy.

Currently, efforts are being made by many synods of the ELCA to provide constitutional or canonical mechanisms for ordinations of clergy by pastors when persons object to the concept of the historic episcopate.

If such actions succeed, it would make our suspension of the ordinal pointless insofar as creating a limited period of transition is concerned.

While I believe cooperative mission and ministry between ourselves and the ELCA is a noble and attainable goal, I am not sure CCM will provide us with a successful mechanism to accomplish this. The editorial says "Like most ventures, CCM, to be successful, will have to be carried out in local congregations." Perhaps we should have just left CCM to the local congregations to work things out.

I believe we can do mission and ministry together whether we share clergy or not.

> (The Rev.) Stan Runnels St. John's Church Laurel, Miss.

Another View of Mary

I read Jennifer Phillips' article on Mary twice, just to be sure that I understood it [TLC, Jan. 28]. The article's homiletic language threw me off sometimes, but I think I got the point. Some of the time I agreed with her, but then I would find myself reeling from a comment which destroyed my support.

I have resisted much of the Marian thinking in the church which has tended to make Mary more than what we are told she was. There is much speculation which leads to the "Mary, Queen of Heaven" mindset. I prefer to focus on that which scripture tells us.

In doing so, I find myself confronted with a frightened, confused little girl upon whom the world is crashing in at an unbelievably fast pace.

I am drawn to the Mary whose primary quality is her openness to that which she believes God wants of her in her life.

From my perspective, Mary is important to us as Christians because she is so human, so confused, so simple. It is when she begins to be depicted in the language of the divine that she slips away from me.

When the early Christians began to pay attention to Mary, I suspect it was not because she was the Queen of Heaven, but because she was a homemaker of Nazareth. She drew water, swept her humble home, and stayed awake with a crying baby. I can identify with that.

> (The Rev.) J. Edward Putnam St. John's Church Barrington, R.I.

Why They Have Left

The Rev. Brian C. Taylor [TLC, Jan. 21] should not forget this: The reason the Episcopal Church is heading toward possible division is that many within the church who are supposed to be "orthodox and traditional" in terms of "morals and theology" are liberal, or, to use his terms, they are "heretical" and "revisionist."

It is because of this that many have left, and will leave, the Episcopal Church. As Jesus told the 12 apostles, "If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake the dust off your feet when you leave that home or town" (Matt. 10:14 NIV). Many faithful Episcopalians will continue to "shake the dust off" their feet, until those who are liberal in their "morals and theology" have repented and become "orthodox and traditional" about the gospel of Jesus Christ.

> Robert F. Kirschner, Jr. Lakeville, Mass.

Not All Values

As an until-now passive observer of the debates and jockeying for the moral "innovations" in our small corner of the body of Christ, I would like to add my two cents.

Why do church leaders mourn the loss of members who find some of the proposals for redefining marriage and ordaining homosexual persons unacceptable in their spiritual life? We are not (the Episcopal Church) the only logical expression of community in body of Christ. All people must be welcomed into our corner, but not all values. If we each really feel strongly about our convictions, we must be prepared to accept the consequences.

Loving our neighbor does not necessarily mean worshiping under the same roof no matter what. I personally love our little corner, but my spiritual life is more important than unity in my church only. I believe there are many, maybe a majority, who if or when the dust of these conflicts settles and they find that these "moral innovations" are now deemed a norm, will quietly move to other pastures, mourn the loss of their precious fellowship and get on with their lives.

There are also some proposed "innovations" in our creed. My own feeling is that it is especially heretical to denounce our own Apostles' Creed as anything less than the



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statement of faith that our church body is founded on, and any paid leader of the church really should not remain in a position of power who attempts to deconstruct these truths through their vocation.

However, God's church will continue to grow through living the gospel. Yes, we are called to love, but not always to stay.

> Stephen Miller Mishawaka, Ind.

The Divine Swine

The article on Christ Church Cathedral in Cincinnati [TLC, Jan. 7] nearly bowled me over. The inclusion of the photo of the Divine Swine raised many questions. I know hogs are a major item in the city's industry. I also know that cattle were important to the livelihood of the Hebrews who escaped Egypt. They were chastised rather severely for creating an image of the Golden Calf.

> Has Cincinnati done less? Dorothea A. Kneher

Hendersonville, N.C.

Who Knows More?

As one of the old, cantankerous people who still believe the Bible to be the word of God, I was amazed at the statement of Gordon W. Gritter [TLC, Jan. 14] that ordinary people today know more than the authors of scripture.

I wonder if anyone will care about Dr. Gritter's writings 3,000 years from now.

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Corrections

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The Rev. **Judy Karen Sessions** is associate at St. Alban's, 1417 E Austin Ave., Harlingen, TX 78550.

Resignations

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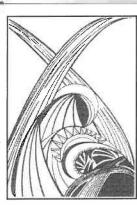
The Rev. Antonia Martin, as rector of St. Philip's, Buffalo, NY.

Deaths

The Rev. **Roye Melton Frye**, 70, a retired priest of the Diocese of Kentucky, and a resident of Albuquerque, NM, since 1992, died Nov. 19.

Fr. Fyre was born and raised in Washington, D.C. He attended Stetson University, Union Theological Seminary in New York and Indiana University, where he earned a doctorate in education. Fr. Frye was ordained to the priesthood in 1954. He served Episcopal churches in Florida, Texas, Virginia, Kentucky and New Mexico. While in Kentucky, he was made canon of Christ Church Cathedral, Louisville. At the time of his death, he was serving at St. Thomas of Canterbury in Albuquerque. Fr. Frye is survived by his wife, Gloria, and three daughters, Joanna St. Clair, Margaret Gunnels and Bethany Boyd.

The Rev. John Elliott Johnston died



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Nov. 17 in Fort Gratiot, MI, after a long struggle against heart disease. He was 82.

The priesthood was a second career for Fr. Johnston and one he came to late in life. He was ordained in 1987 after graduating from the Whitaker School of Theology. He was rector of St. Andrew's in Algonac, MI, from 1986 until his second retirement in 1991. Following retirement, he served as a supply priest. Fr. Johnston is survived by his wife, Phyllis, and three daughters.

The Rev. **E. Judson Wagg, Jr.**, a priest in the Diocese of the Rio Grande for 38 years, died Dec. 2 at the age of 70.

Born in Baltimore, MD, he received his master of divinity from Virginia Theological Seminary and was ordained priest in 1955. Fr. Wagg served several churches in the Diocese of Kansas before moving to the Diocese of the Rio Grande, where he served first as vicar of St. Mary's, Lovington, NM, and later as associate rector of St. Mark's, Albuquerque. He retired in 1992, but continued to make his home in Albuquerque. He is survived by his wife, Doris, and four children.

The Rev. **Bruce Whitehead**, founding editor of *The Net*, the newspaper of the Diocese of Southeast Florida, died Nov. 30 at his home in Knoxville, TN. He was 82.

Fr. Whitehead received a degree in journalism and political science from Syracuse University and had been a professional journalist, publishing a weekly newspaper in Marathon, NY, for nine years before he entered seminary at Bexley Hall. He was ordained priest in 1959. As a priest, he combined pastoral ministry with continuing work in communications, first in the Diocese of Central New York and then in Southeast Florida, where he served as rector of Church of the Intercession in Fort Lauderdale from 1964 until his retirement in 1983. When the Diocese of Southeast Florida was formed in 1969. Fr. Whitehead was asked by Bishop James Duncan to head a communications committee which would begin publication of a diocesan newspaper. The first issue of The Net was published in February 1970 and Fr. Whitehead continued as editor until June 1974. During nearly half that time, Fr. Whitehead served as dean of the Broward Deanery. He is survived by his wife, Louise, three sons, a daughter and grandchildren.

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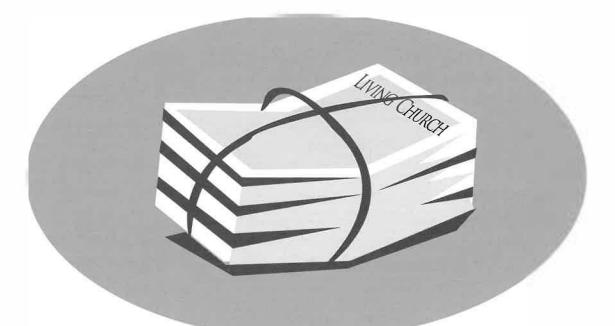
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