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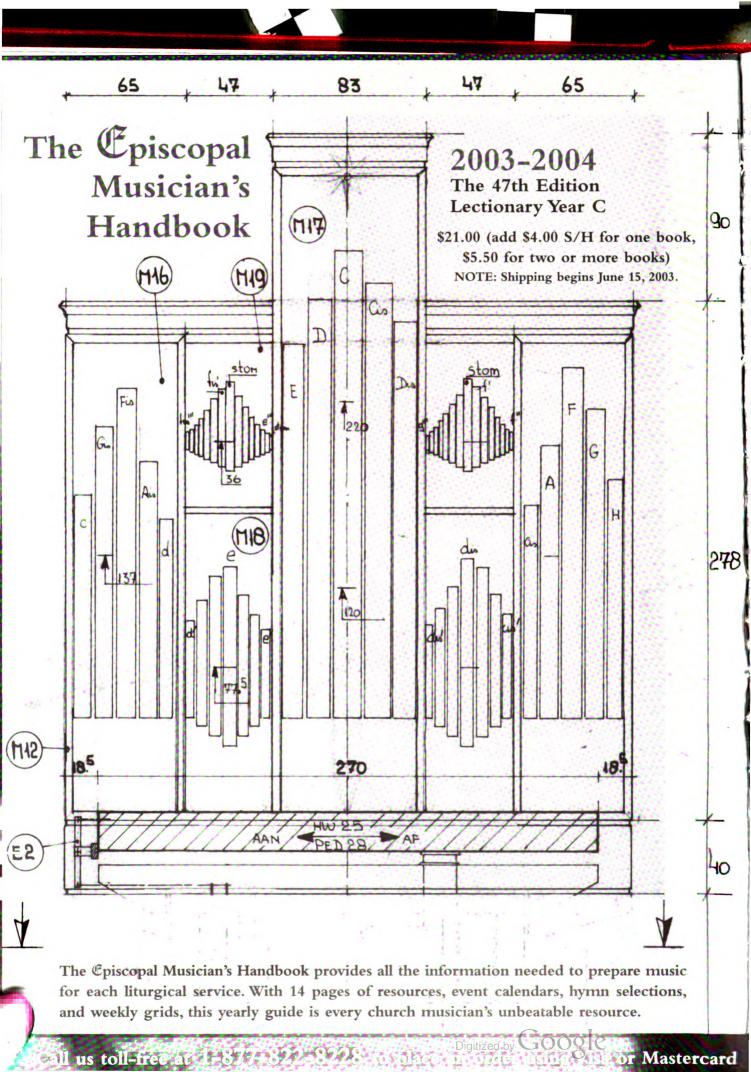
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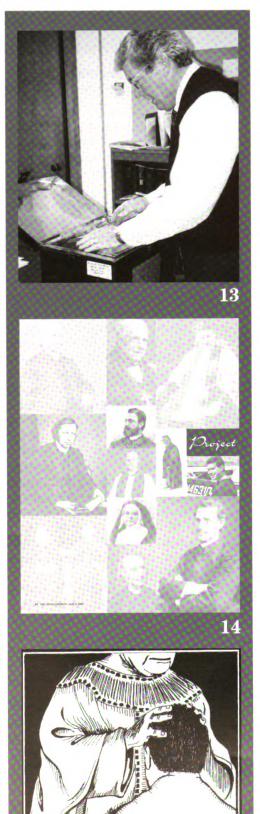
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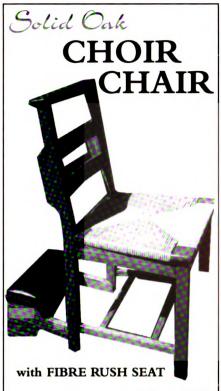
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## **The Power of Jesus**

"...by what name did you do this?" (Acts 4:7)

The Third Sunday of Easter, May 4, 2003

Acts 4:5-12 or Micah 4:1-5; Psalm 98 or 98:1-5; 1 John 1:1-2:2 or Acts 4:5-12; Luke 24:36b-48.

What an enormous surprise it must have been for the elders and scribes when they received the answer to their question: "By what power or by what name did you do this?"

The question was asked in a reference to a healing that Peter had preformed at one of the temple gates (Acts 3:1-11). A man "lame from birth" was collecting alms and Peter stopped and healed him. The response from the people was one of awe and amazement and the word spread. Peter seizes the opportunity to preach the good news, which leads to his arrest along with his companion John.

Now facing the authorities, the question of the origin of their power is posed and the answer could not have been worse from the perspective of the interrogators. Peter responds that what they have done is "by the name of Jesus of Nazareth" and then adds as if they didn't know, "whom you crucified."

The authorities thought they had disposed of the Jesus problem with his crucifixion, but it is now obvious that this is not going away. In fact, the power of Jesus has now spread to those who followed him and that power is, as Luke tells us, undeniable (3:16).

It would seem that the proof of the power of Jesus is not simply in the words proclaimed but rather also in the results of the ministry. The passage begs us to ask the question: How is the power of Jesus manifest to the world because of our ministry?

Words are important but often times the word is confirmed by the tangible results of our ministry. It is imperative that we allow the power of Jesus to be revealed through us as he seeks to make himself manifest to the world. While the miraculous can and still does happen, this power is much more likely to be seen in the everyday actions of how we treat those around us. Are we people who manifest the power of Jesus in our desire to create relationships of love and compassion with those God leads us to?

BOC

In his book, The Hidden Value of a Man, John Trent tells the story of Bob Mitchell, a dynamic speaker at a youth conference. His message to kids was that they needed to have a relationship with Jesus but his words were congruent with his actions. Part of Bob's responsibilities was to coordinate his work with the meal schedule, requiring him to have daily conversations with the camp cook. The cook was an older woman who looked, perpetually tired and under appreciated. Every time she came to Bob's table to discuss the schedule. Bob would stand and insist that she take his seat. No one noticed this except one young man named Mark, who saw Jesus' love lived out in the simple action. It was this that allowed him to take seriously the words of the speaker and make the decision to be a Christian.

May we be people whose lives are vehicles for the power of Jesus.

## **Look It Up**

Acts 3. Read the beginning of the story about the man paralyzed from birth. How does the healing enable the preaching ministry of Peter?

## Think About It

How can my life be more reflective of the power of Jesus?

## **Next Sunday**

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4: (23-31) 32-37 or Ezekiel 34:1-10; Psalm 23 or 100; 1 John 3:1-8 or Acts 4: (23-31) 32-37; John 10:11-16.

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## **John Henry Newman**

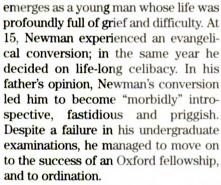
The Challenge to Evangelical Religion

By Frank M. Turner, Yale University Press. Pp. 740, \$35, ISBN 0-300-09251-2.

This new, massive volume is neither a complete biography nor a hagiography of John Henry Newman, one of the most prolific and important Christians of the 19th century. Frank Turner has written instead a detailed account of the 12 years of Newman's leadership of the Oxford Movement, which transformed religion in England by recalling Anglicans to their catholic heritage. The result is a close intellectual portrait of a man's journey toward embracing Roman Catholicism—which he had

once labeled "the cruel Church."

After a survey of religion in the first decades of the 19th century, Turner gives an account of Newman's unhappy youth as the son of a failed banker, brewer and tavern-keeper.



Newman subsequently reacted against his early evangelical background with a vengeance, writing many of the celebrated Tracts for the Times and emerging as the leading figure in the Tractarian movement. His circle of friends was influential and close, including Isaac Williams, John Keble, William George Ward, Edward B. Pusey and Richard Hurrell Froude. Turner contends that the internal dichotomy created by these two conversions—first to evangelicalism, and later to high church theology—was internalized by Newman with disastrous results for his life as an Anglican clergyman.

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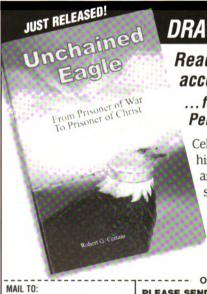


"For which of you, intending to build a tower does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." -Luke 14: 28-30

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strong disagreement, and hopefully enliven Newman studies as a whole in the process.

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## Patrick, the Pilgrim Apostle of Ireland

By Maire B. de Paor. HarperCollins. Pp. 310. \$27.95. ISBN 0-06-000902-0.

A scholarly book? Yes. But it clearly

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follows Biblical References in the Confessio. The prologue contains sketches of the historical Patrick, 5th-century Ireland, and Patrick the writer.

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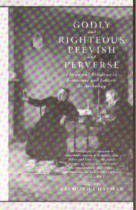
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By Sister Dianna Ortiz with Patricia Davis. Orbis. Pp. 484. \$25. ISBN 1-57075-435-7.

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you are the tormentors. You don't know the people around you, people who somewhere in your shattered mind you know are mother and sisters you loved, mother and sisters in famile, and mother and sisters in God. It is hard



to remember you are reading a book. There are times when you wish this book were not quite so well done, when

your knuckles ache from banging against the walls, when you are shivering in terror under the bed.

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## **Mary Queen of Scots**

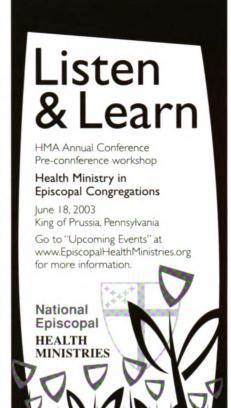
By Carol Schaefer. Crossroad. Pp. 208. \$19.95. ISBN 0824519477.



Taking its cue from Mary Stuart's motto, "In my end is my beginning," this latest biography of the Scottish queen opens with an account of her final hours in Fotheringay Caswhere she beheaded on Feb. 8, 1587. The chapters that follow

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Brilliant and unlucky, Mary grew up with loss. Her father, James V of Scotland, died within days of her birth, and her first husband, Francois, dauphin of France, left her a widow before the age of 18. At 24, she fled from Scotland to what she hoped was refuge in England, leaving her infant son, the future James



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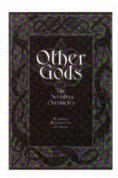


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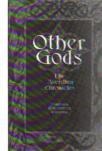
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By Barbara Reichmuth Geisler. Lost Coast Press (800-773-7782). Pp. 286. \$16.95 paper. ISBN 1-882897-64-1.

The year is 1139. The setting is the Abbey of the Virgin Mary and Edward,

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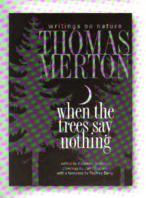
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IN GOD'S TIME: The Bible and the Future. By Craig C. Hill. Eerdmans. Pp. 247. \$16 paper. ISBN 0-8028-6090-7.

Another one on the future, this one offers alternatives to the extremes of "rapture" on the one hand and total neglect of the approaching kingdom on the other hand. Prof. Hill teaches Old Testament at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C. The book and its author receive high praise from our new Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams.

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The Confessions. By St. Augustine. Introduction, translation and notes by Maria Boulding. New City Press (202 Cardinal Rd., Hyde Park, NY 12538). Pp. 307. No price given, paper. ISBN1-56548-154-2.

Although Augustine was in his 40s when he began writing his Confessions at the end of the 4th century, at times this translation is like overhearing a dorm room conversation: "Fine fellows, you Academics! So nothing that we need for living our lives can be known for certain? Nonsense!" An absolutely great read.

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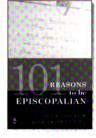
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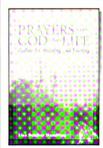
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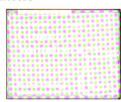


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## Palm Sunday Brings Good News to POW's Parents

The parents of Sgt. James Riley returned home from the Palm Sunday service at Grace Church in Merchantville, N.J., to receive confirmation that their son had been rescued alive from detention as a prisoner of war in Iraq.

Athol and Jane Riley began the day by hearing a news report that seven American POWs had been rescued. While preparing for church, they received a call from a military official that their son might be among those rescued, but there was not official confirmation. After praying at church for their son's safety, the couple returned home and waited. A military official arrived at the couple's home shortly thereafter.

Sgt. Riley was with the 507th Maintenance Company when units of the Iraqi army ambushed a convoy on March 23 near the southern city of Nasiriyah. The Rev. Edward Pritts, rector of Grace Church, met with the Rileys shortly after they received official confirmation of their son's rescue.

"It was an environment of joy and just of great peace," Fr. Pritts told *The Philadelphia Inquirer*. "There was never a better Palm Sunday in my life."

Despite the celebration, the couple were still undecided how they would tell their son that his 29-year-old sister had died of a rare neurological disorder five days after his capture. She had been in a coma since January.

## BRIEFLY...

The Board of Directors for the National Organization of Episcopalians for Life (NOEL) recently announced the election of the Rev. D. Lorne Coyle, rector of Trinity Church, Vero Beach, Fla., as its new president. NOEL works to promote the "sanctity of life and the sacredness of the family." It was founded in 1966 by the Rt. Rev. Joseph M. Harte, Bishop of Arizona.



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The Most Rev. Rowan Williams, Archbishop of Canterbury, and the Anglican Bishop in Jerusalem, the Rt. Rev. Riah Abu El Assal, join others in observing Palm Sunday at St. George's Cathedral in Jerusalem. Archbishop Williams preached at the main service. During the week preceding Palm Sunday, Archbishop Williams convened an interfaith dialogue with the Emir of Qatar. The dialogue was a sequel to the inaugural one convened last year by the now retired Archbishop of Canterbury, the Rt. Rev. George Carey.

## **SARS Scare Prompts Hong Kong Prayers**

Fear of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) is blamed for a significant drop in church attendance within the Anglican Province of Hong Kong. In conjunction with the local Roman Catholic diocese, the province has issued pastoral guidelines on how clergy can safeguard their congregations.

The primate, the Most Rev. Peter Kwong, called on all congregations in the province to pray at 9 p.m. on April 12 for hospital pastoral workers, health professionals and patients. Hong Kong is one of the areas most severely affected by SARS, with an average of 40 new cases being reported each day. Many churches, including St. John's Cathedral in Hong Kong, have suspended Sunday school classes and worshipers are exchang-

ing the peace by nodding or bowing rather than shaking hands or embracing.

Until the spread of the disease can be controlled, churches are being asked to keep windows and doors open to provide better ventilation during services and to sterilize all parts of the building, including liturgical books, pews, walls and floors, that might harbor germs.

During distribution of communion, the celebrant and communicants have been advised to wear plastic gloves and masks. The province is also recommending that communion be administered only by intinction.

Both the cause and a cure for SARS remain elusive. The first reported instance of the disease occurred in March in Mainland China.

## **New York Investment Committee Urges Calm**

The Trustees' Investment Committee of the Diocese of New York is urging its own parishes to maintain the historic 60-40 endowment ratio of stocks to bonds during the economic slowdown now in its third year.

"Because of the bear market over the last few years, a number of parishes, particularly those who had recently gotten into the stock market, were either getting out or considering it," said the Rev. Jerry Keucher, diocesan controller and chair of the investment committee.

Parishes have different investment goals than individuals and should resist micromanagement based on day-to-day or even month-to-month market fluctuations, Fr. Keucher said. This advice seems simple enough, but can easily be ignored when the economy is not performing well. Although the announcement was made specifically to parishes in the Diocese of New York, Fr. Keucher said the investment strategy is appropriate for any parish with capital to protect.

Once a year parishes should reconfigure their investment portfolio to bring it back to a 60-40 mix of stocks and bonds respectively.

"Equities are volatile," announcement said. "They were volatile when your congregation began to invest in equities and they will remain so in the future. The reason is clear. Only one-third of stock pricing is determined by economic factors.

"The remaining two-thirds derive from psychological forces. What has been playing out over the past several years has something to do with weakness on the economic side, but much more to do with very powerful emotional reactions that overtake the rational mind. Stay rational."

Fr. Keucher said price volatility can be minimized by buying and holding mutual funds, which are a professionally-determined mix of stocks, rather than equity in a handful of individual companies.

## **Bexley Hall to Confer Degrees in Ohio**

Bexley Hall, an Episcopal theological seminary in Rochester, N.Y., announced recently the establishment

of an accredited degree program in Ohio.

Since 1998, the seminary has maintained an Ohio presence in partnership with Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus. Episcopal seminarians studying at Trinity previously received a "Certificate in Anglican Studies" along with a Master of Divinity degree from the Lutheran seminary.

Last November the Ohio State Board of Regents granted Bexley Hall the right to confer its own Master of Divinity degree as an out-ofstate educational institution. In February, the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada approved Bexley Hall's Columbus program as an accredited extension site. Bexley Hall in Ohio intends to confer its first four Master of Divinity degrees to seminarians (all from the Diocese of Southern Ohio) on May 31 in a joint commencement ceremony

with Trinity Lutheran Seminary.

The actions of the regents and the Association of Theological Schools

> are dependent upon further expansion of the partnership between Trinity Seminary and Bexley Hall, according to the Very Rev. William H. Petersen, provost. The relationship between Bexlev Hall and Trinity has become a tangible expression of the state of full communion that has existed between the Evangelical Lutheran Church in **America** (ELCA) and the Episcopal

Bexley has had a presence

at the Lutheran seminary in Ohio since 1998.

Church since 2000, Fr. Petersen said.

Bexley Hall was founded in 1824 as the graduate school of Kenyon College, located in Gambier, Ohio. In 1968, Bexley Hall moved from Gambier to become part of an ecumenical consortium in Rochester. Faculty members from Rochester currently commute regularly to Columbus in order to teach both Bexley curriculum as well as courses in church history and pastoral theology to students pursuing Trinity Lutheran Seminary curriculum.

## **Bishop Shimpfky May Stay Longer**

The process for the election of a successor to the Rt. Rev. Richard L. Shimpfky as Bishop of El Camino Real remains in limbo following the bishop's return in late March from medical leave for depression. When he announced his intention to take leave in January, Bishop Shimpfky indicated that he would call for the election of a successor upon his return.

"Though when I made that commitment I was far from capable of such decisions, I am a person of my word, and nearly 13 years as your bishop is a long time," Bishop Shimpfky wrote in a pastoral letter dated March 20.

In a follow-up letter sent first to diocesan leadership and later published on the diocesan website, Bishop Shimpfky proposed January 2005 for the election of a coadjutor. He envisions a two-year transition prior to his retirement after May or June, 2007, but before the search for a coadiutor can begin, Bishop Shimpfky said the entire diocese, clergy and laity, should undergo a professionally guided program to identify the "needs and strengths of the diocese."

"Prepared as I am to remain in the diocese for any and all of the process," he concluded, "I am also prepared to leave the diocese earlier given an orderly transition and provision for the well-being of the people of the diocese as well as my family."

A clown Eucharist at St. John's Church, Kenner, La., on March 30 was conducted by Holy Madness Clown Troupe, an ELCA-affiliated touring company (www.holymadnessclowns.com).

Below: Mr. Whiskers (Carl Hilt) demonstrates the power of love to his wife, Rickity Rack (Tony DuFrene), during the sermon.



Valerie Vanney photos



## **Economy Forces Cuts in New Haven Music Program**

A shrinking endowment brought on in part by a sluggish economy has forced Christ Church, New Haven, Conn., to make substantial cuts to its ambitious music program.

"Like a lot of places dependent on endowment income, we've faced some shortfalls, and one of the largest program expenses we have is the choir," the Rev. David Cobb, priest-incharge, told *The Yale Daily News*.

In one of the most notable cuts, the church has eliminated the choir from two Sunday morning services each month. Choir members are paid for rehearsals and performances. In addition, Christ Church employs a fultime organist/choir director as well as a part-time assistant.

Fr. Cobb said he hopes to restore the full musical program when the economy improves. Until that time, one of the few music programs not facing scrutiny is the Sunday evening Compline held when Yale is in session.

"It's one of the ways the church makes God available to the community," Fr. Cobb said.

## P.B. Keeps Eye on Human Rights in The Sudan

The passage of a United Nations resolution reclassifying The Sudan as a country without significant human rights abuses will undermine a fragile peace process and the credibility of the U.N. Commission on Human Rights, according to Presiding Bishop Frank T. Griswold, who recently wrote to the United States representative at the United Nations.

Human rights violations are "an ongoing and significant problem in Sudan and the need for credible human rights monitoring has not diminished," Bishop Griswold said. The U.N. Human Rights Commission met late last month in Geneva. Results from the meeting were not available at the time The Living Church went to press.

Bishop Griswold quoted Secretary of State Colin Powell, who has said that "there is perhaps no greater tragedy on the face of the earth than in Sudan." For more than 30 years a civil war has been fought between the Muslim-dominated government based in the north and a disenfranchised Christian population in the south. Recently significant deposits of oil have been found along the border between the two regions. The sudden wealth has led to a dramatic escalation in the intensity of the conflict and in the sophistication of the military hardware employed.

The Conference of Catholic Bishops in Sudan has also called for renewal of the mandate arguing that the presence of a U.N. envoy is necessary.

In recent months, the central government based in Khartoum has offered a number of concessions, including perhaps most significantly a guarantee that *Sharia*, or Islamic religious law, would apply only to Muslims in the future.

With approximately 2 million members out of a total Sudanese population of 34 million, the Episcopal Church of The Sudan is one of the largest and fastest-growing in that country.

## Quoth the Raven, 'Oh, my!'

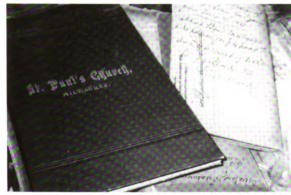
Poet's letter that was hidden in vault fetches \$20,000 at auction.

By Patricia Nakamura

When Edgar Allen Poe wrote a simple business letter Feb. 14, 1840, chances are he never dreamed that, in 2003, it would bring \$20,000 to an Episcopal church, through the auspices of one of the most famous international auction houses, Christie's, in New York.

Paul Haubrich is an "amateur historian" and volunteer at St. Paul's Church, Milwaukee, Wis. When he retired from teaching exceptional education at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, "I made a commitment to the rector to clean out the old safe — it was rather full." He set out to catalog and organize the contents.

Two big old black boxes contained the oldest documents. "Many are financial records from 1843 on," he said. "They give interesting ideas on the parish.



Parish records from the 1800s.

"I encountered an envelope. It held a series of letters, most from Fr. J.C. Passmore to Jackson Kemper." Fr. Passmore later became rector of St. Luke's, Racine, and Jackson Kemper Bishop of Wisconsin.

They were all of the type that folds into its own envelope. But the fourth one was a surprise. It was from Edgar Allen Poe.

It was a rejection letter of sorts. Mr. Passmore had proposed a series of arti-

cles for *Burton's Gentlemen's Magazine*, of which Poe was assistant editor. The father of the detective-horror story wrote, "I have no doubt whatever that the articles mentioned would prove of high interest ... but we are forced, at present, for many reasons, to decline allowing compensation, except in very rare cases, where the name of the writer is well known. We cannot hope, of course, that you will send us your communications gratis — and just now it is not our policy to pay for them."

Christie's catalog describes Item 197 as "Autograph letter signed ('Edgar A. Poe,' with flourish) to J.C. Passmore of Lancaster, Pa. 1 page, integral address leaf panel in Poe's hand and original postmarks, wafer seal, in fine condition."

Of course, Mr. Haubrich's first reaction was to wonder whether or not it was real. A Google search led him to a

Baltimore website that has a picture with autograph. "It was real!," Mr. Haubrich said. "And fairly rare; Poe didn't correspond much."

He said a Chicago dealer had offered \$9,000 on the spot, but advised the church that they'd do much better through an auction house. Christie's was chosen because of its policy of reducing commissions and catalog fees for non-profit sellers.

"They researched the background," Mr. Haubrich said. "A grandson of the priest gave the documents to St. Paul's, where he was a member." The buyer was a New York rare book dealer.

The Passmore family had created an endowment fund for St. Paul's music program, and the Passmore Fund will be the beneficiary of the sale. The Rev. Amy Richter, rector of St. Paul's, commented, "What a good ad for cleaning out closets!"

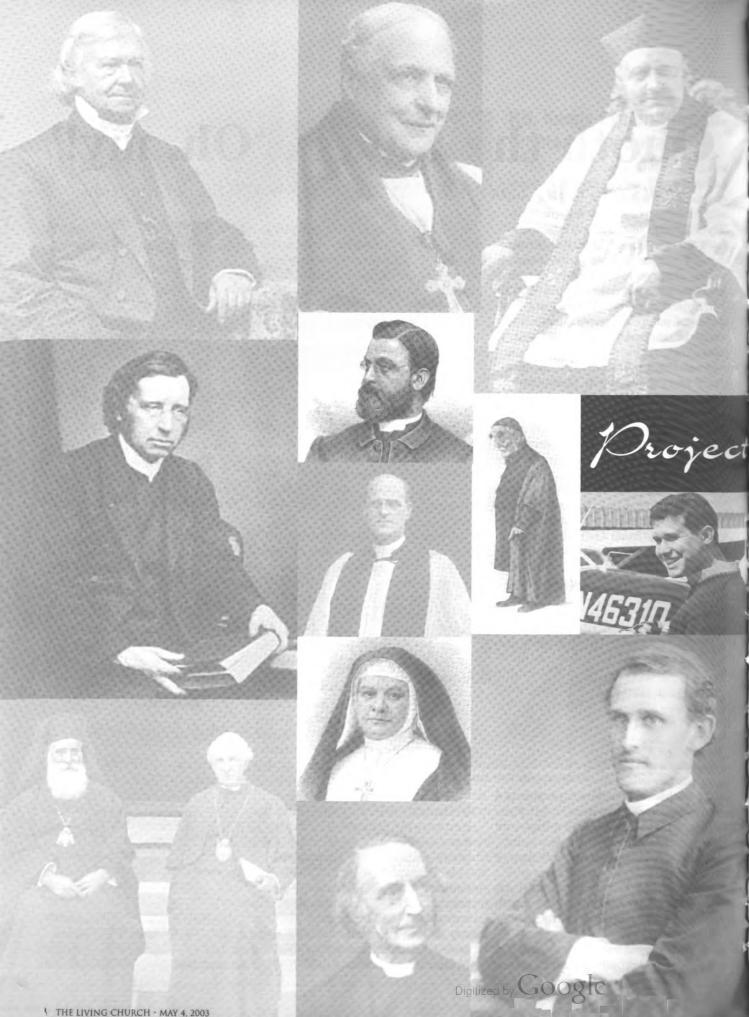


Mr. Haubrich and the box in which the letter was discovered.

Patricia Nakamura photos

"It was real and fairly rare; Poe didn't correspond much."

— Paul Haubrich, volunteer at St. Paul's Church



By Patricia Nakamura

ave you read any good, ancient, classical Anglican books lately? At your local library it can be a challenge. Volumes such as Hooker's *Of the Laws of Ecclesiastical Polity* or the sermon Lancelot Andrewes "preached before King James, at Whitehall, on Tuesday, the Twenty-fifth of December, A.D. MDCV" are often kept under lock and combination in subterranean vaults. The reader must present credentials and surety; the actual perusal must take place at a designated table under the watchful eye of the treasures' librarian.

Help has arrived, under the editorship of a 23-year-old Columbia University graduate and the episcopal patronage of the Rt. Rev. Geoffrey Rowell, Bishop of Gibraltar, at the location of a literally worldwide website.

Project Canterbury (justus.anglican.org/resources/pc) was begun in 1999 by Richard J. Mammana, Jr., then a student at Columbia, from an idea of the Rev. John Alexander, rector of St. Stephen's Church in Providence, R.I.

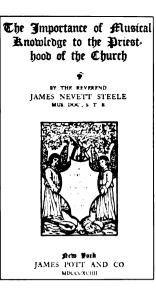
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They found sites devoted to Lutheran and Roman Catholic documents, but no corresponding access to Anglican writings. The Internet was the obvious avenue. "The web is a democratic tool," Mr. Mammana said. "Anyone can use it for free. You can be your own publisher, use things for study groups — legally." He secured a grant from the Presiding Bishop's discretionary fund for hardware and software — "I just wrote and asked" — and the chain of volunteer scanners and transcriptioners began to spread around the world. Anglicans Online donated space.

Interest in the site grew mainly by word of mouth; a few articles appeared in English and Canadian publications. Publishers were generally "most generous" with permission to use material, and live authors are "pretty eager" to have their writing appear.

Project Canterbury presently contains some 2,000 documents on the site, with links to many more. The home page shows 28 icons, everything from *Ecclesia Anglicana* to Modern Resources, with The Caroline Divines, Monasticism, Orthodoxy, Anglican Women between. Writers from outside England are well represented, including Indigenous, Canadian, American, Irish, Scottish, Australian and New Zealand. There are Lutheran, Roman Catholic, and Old Catholic texts. "The oldest on the site proper is Henry VIII's *Defense of the Seven Sacraments* (for which the pope gave him the title 'Defender of the Faith.') (There are links to things by the Venerable Bede, though). The newest are a few essays delivered in summer, 2002, by the Rev. Canon J.

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An 1894 address on church music.

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Robert Wright, historiographer of the Episcopal Church."

Documents are added frequently, scanned or typed by scribes from Boston to Australia to Whidbey Island. The additions of April, 2003, include a memorial sermon by James De Koven, Passiontide sermons by Henry Parry Liddon, and Lancelot Andrewes and Confession, by Marianne Dorman. There is even The Importance of Musical Knowledge for the Priesthood of the Church, by the Rev. James Nevett Steele, from 1894. This text, like several others, has a reproduction of the actual cover, with its woodcuts and calligraphy.

Behind the icon labeled The Book of Common Prayer, one finds translations of all or parts into 21 languages including Swahili and Swedish, Cashmiri and Cree, Manx Gaelic and Sea Dyak, with a link to a more comprehensive prayer book website. Here too is beautiful writing.

Richard Mammana's home is East Stroudsburg, Pa.; his parish is Church of the Resurrection in Manhattan. He began his studies at Columbia as a classics major, but switched to religion. He jokes he "was the first gentile editor" of the undergraduate magazine Blue and White

As a Presbyterian boy, he sang in a boys' choir conducted by an Episcopalian, the Singing Boys of Pennsylvania, from fifth to eighth grade and toured to Texas, Florida and Japan. He discovered the Anglican community and was confirmed at age 16, about the same time as he began reviewing books for TLC. He is a contributing writer for *Touchstone*, *The Anglican*, *SKCM News*, as well as TLC. He hopes one day to enter the priesthood.

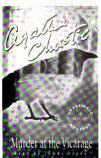
A website user asked Mr. Mammana whether Project Canterbury would ever be finished. His reply implies that the effort is endless:

"Long-term goals for Project Canterbury are in fact focused on a finite amount of material. The *Tracts for the Times*, The Library of Anglo-Catholic Theology and the works of the Oxford Fathers alone are a high aim. When they have been completed, God willing, the work will slow down considerably. Contributions to the growing archive as Anglican theological texts enter the public domain will, however, always be welcome."

**Notes on Mysteries** 

By Sonia Yetter

Agatha Christie, Murder at the Vicarage, various editions.



Agatha Christie is, of course, one of the seminal 20th-century writers of detective fiction. Her *Murder at the Vicarage* introduces the reader to the spinster sleuth Miss Jane Marple, who sets out to solve the murder of Colonel Protheroe, which takes place in the

neighboring vicarage.

## Dorothy L. Sayers, *The Nine Tailors*. Harcourt and other reissues.

Lord Peter Wimsey was an Anglican, at least nominally. The charm of this particular story is its focus on changeringing on which Lord Peter is not only knowledgeable but expert.

## Jane Langton, *Divine Inspiration*. Viking, 1993.

Jane Langton's mystery series revolves around one Homer Kelly, retired police lieutenant, Thoreau scholar, and professor at Harvard. His wife, Mary, also a Harvard professor,



often assists her husband in solving various crimes—both venial and cardinal—that beset the characters. Divine Inspiration takes place largely at the Church of the Commonwealth—officially non-denominational—in Boston's Back Bay where a new pipe organ

is being installed. Langton's mysteries are always literate and just a little quirky.

## Joan Coggin, Who Killed the Curate? The Rue Morgue Press, 2001.

This is a reprint of the first of four mysteries written in the 1940s by the British writer Joan Coggin. Who Killed the Curate? is set during the Christmas season, 1937. The 21-year-old Lady Lupin Lorrimer marries the 43-year-old vicar of St. Mark's parish in a small Sussex town in England. The pair could not be more dissimilar, and "Loops," as her friends call her, is every parish's worst nightmare as the new wife of the vicar. Her husband's vocation as vicar is beyond her understanding. Loops does indeed solve the mystery of who killed the curate—another ineffectual, little man. Coggin's mystery is quite droll, though marred at times with a certain slowness as the ditziness of Lady Lupin can begin to pall.

Many of these have a church or vicar/priest as a centerpiece, but not necessarily as the detective — amateur or otherwise.

## D. M. Greenwood. *Clerical Errors*. St. Martin's Press, 1991. (Out of Print)

D.M. Greenwood's novel, Clerical Errors, is well worth seeking in your library or through a second-hand bookstore. Young Julia Smith has just interviewed for a secretarial position at England's Medewich Cathedral and seeks a quiet spot in the cathedral in which to collect her thoughts after being interviewed by the less-than-likeable Canon Wheeler. When she discovers a severed head in a baptismal font, murder, mayhem, avarice and the fight for power begin in the cathedral close. The author, an "ecclesiastical civil servant," is a member of the C of E. Her sleuth is the Deaconess Theodora

Braithwaite, who sets out with Julia to solve the mysterious and murderous happening at Medewich. A well-written mystery with an interesting subtext on the contradictions between the vows men take and their desire for earthly power.

Other titles in the series are *Holy Terrors* (1994) and *Foolish Ways* (1999).

## Julia Spencer-Fleming. In the Bleak Midwinter. St. Martin's Press, 2002.

The Rev. Clare Fergusson is the first female priest at St. Alban's, a small Episcopal church in the upstate New York town of Miller's Kill. A former

> Army pilot, the Rev. Clare is a no-nonsense priest who tries her best to do what her church and parishioners ask of her. This novel carries no agenda—except for good writing, a decently conceived plot with a nice element of suspense, gener-

ally well-developed characters and dialogue.

A Fountain Filled with Blood is the brand-new "Reverend Clare" story, and begins with a horrific attack on

with a horrific attack on Millers' Kill's gay medical examiner. Others follow, and are intertwined with a controversial resort development and the contamination of its quarry with PCBs.

Even though the author's views come through in Clare's voice, this is a ripping good yarn.

Sonia Yetter is an associate professor of Russian literature and humanities at the University of Northern Iowa.

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## **These Books Travel Far**

Gentle Reader, have you heard about BookCrossing?

It is a free, global, anonymous book club, with, at last count, 106,838 members and 313,414 registered books. And it is only two years old.

A book once read is "released into the wild" with a note inside identifying it as a BookCrossing bird. "The wild" might be a doctor's office, your local Starbuck's (my first release site), a park bench, anywhere another curious person might be tempted to pick it up. A sad little commentary on the times is a note suggesting that books not be released in airports or on planes, which would, one would expect, be just the spots to please irate travelers with a bit of serendipity. But, it notes, left-behind objects may be cause for alarm.

Before turning the book loose, the member registers it at www.BookCrossing.com, with comments if desired. The book receives a number, which the freeing owner records on the site and includes in a note inside the book. The finder registers the catch at the same site.

Books have been tracked all over the world. The website lists most recently released books and general location: Peter Pan in St. Charles, Mo.; The People's Pottage, in Albuquerque, N.M. Another page lists recently caught: Hell Is Too Crowded, in Christ Church, Canterbury; two by Elizabeth George, in New York.

The most traveled book, the one with

the most website journal entries, is *A ogni* pie so-spinto; number 7 on this list is this year's runaway best-seller, Alice Sebold's *The Lovely Bones*.

Websters can look for particular titles or authors, or find a tip on where to hunt for *Big Trouble*, by Dave Barry (Lexington, Ky.), *To skotadi tis spilias*, by Kira Sinou (Thessaloniki, Greece); or discover the finder of those two by Elizabeth George: a reader from Austin, Texas. One of my favorite reads, Annie Proulx' *The Shipping News*, was found by a lucky reader in Lexington on April 4. Book searchers can go to their own towns to discover what's been left where. I found

the most popular release sites to be coffee shops and cafes, followed closely by various hospital waiting rooms and clinics. A humanitarian touch, that. Books have been released in banks, underground parking structures, picnic tables (I hope someone rescued that book before yesterday's four inches of

snow), buses, and a basilica — just about any place with a flat surface.

Gentle Reader, keep your eyes open!

On the Browse page, one finds that 8,639 books are registered in the category of Religion and Spirituality. *Sabbath*, by Wayne Muller, was "released into the

wild *TODAY!*" it tells us. Elaine Pagels' *The Gnostic Paul* was registered in Pennsylvania; *A New Perspective: Women in Islam*, by Fatma Saleh, in Seattle.

Perhaps the most fascinating page is Browse Members. Here is the list of countries represented, somewhere around 130 (some are listed under several names, such as "Germany" and "Deutschland.") The United

States, Canada, Italy, and the U.K. lead, but Russia lists 26, China 365, Luxembourg 23, India 486, and Pakistan 131, with two from Senegal and two from — Space. It's really quite amazing.

BookCrossing.com is the "labor of love" of dedicated readers Ron and Kaori Hornbaker of Missouri. They had perused sites

tracking disposable cameras and U.S. currency, and realized that bibliophiles might love to follow books around the world. At the same time, "Ron sought to create a community site that would be the first of its kind, that would give back to the world at large, and would provide warm fuzzy feelings whenever he worked on it."

Some BookCrossers do meet in various spots in various cities, usually at bookstores, of all places. I have yet to make a meeting, but after I catch my first wild book I may. It would be fun to discover the adventures of other passionate readers.

Patricia Nakamura Book and Music Editor Did You Know...

Charlessa Wiggins, a member of St. Mark's Cathedral, Minneapolis, has lived through the episcopates of eight Bisheps of Minnesota. She is 105 years old.

Quote of the Week

Fred Barnes, an Episcopalian who is executive editor of *The Weekly Standard*, on comments by Presiding Bishop Frank T. Griswold about having to apologize for being from the United States: "I'd like the bishop to sound more like Billy Graham than Democratic Sen. Bob Graham, more like Futton Sheen than Martin Sheen."

Persons who are not regular church goers are often surprised if they should visit an Episcopal Church in the weeks following Easter Day. They find people still talking about Easter.

## Welcome, New Readers

Beginning with this issue our magazine will be seen by a larger number of readers. For the next three months General Convention deputies who are not subscribers to the magazine will receive complimentary copies each week. We believe it is critically important for convention deputies to be well prepared when they arrive in Minneapolis for the 74th General Convention July 30-Aug. 8, and we are hopeful that by reading this magazine week by week they will be exposed to the unbiased reporting of news and the wide variety of views of the church that only a 125-year-old, independent publication can offer. We extend a cordial welcome to those who may not be familiar with The Living Church. We hope to become a helpful resource to all the bishops and deputies who are preparing for General Convention.

## The Great Fifty Days

Persons who are not regular church goers are often surprised if they should visit an Episcopal Church in the weeks following Easter Day. They find people still talking about Easter. There are Easter hymns, sermons about resurrection, and the burning of the paschal candle, usually near the altar or baptismal font, to symbolize the presence of the risen Christ with his people. "Alleluia" is heard frequently. These are the Great Fifty Days of Eastertide, the time between Easter Day and the Feast of Pentecost. These days celebrate the proclamation of the resurrection and the knowledge that Christ has triumphed over sin and death. Many of our churches have borrowed from the tradition of Eastern Orthodoxy in which people do not kneel during this season. This is a glorious time in the liturgical year, for we have much to celebrate. May our lives and our communities be transformed by what we do this season.

## Helpful Reading

Books are an important part of the lives of most Episcopalians. Not only does our faith rely greatly on a book, the Bible, but our worship, and much of our prayer lives, come from a book, the Book of Common Prayer. Episcopalians and other Christians have found countless other books to be of immense value on their journey toward God. Through books our faith can be nurtured, our spiritual horizons can be expanded, and we are able to share in a rich world of literature.

If reading religious books is part of your life, we hope that this Spring Book Issue, and other Book Issues we publish, are helpful. If you are not familiar with reading about the spiritual or historical heritage of the church, we hope our Book Issues help you to become acquainted with some of the quality literature available to us.

There is spiritual truth to be gleaned from fiction, too, and this issue features some lighter, summertime reading, as well as biographies both edifying and harrowing. We hope you enjoy TLC's "beach books."

## The Future of the Diaconate

By R. David Cox

he day was fairly average. Arriving at the parish office, hardly was I out of the car before a man asked help in getting his alcoholic life back in order. That morning I shared in a conference call as a member of a board of directors for a retirement community. Later, a homeless man sought aid for his family. That afternoon, I visited two hospitalized patients. Many a parish priest had the same sort of day. But each instance was more diaconal than priestly in nature.

By intriguing coincidence, the next day, the canons on ministry proposed by the Standing Commission on Ministry Development appeared on the web. What quickly drew most attention is its option for directly ordaining priests and thus scrapping the diaconate as a requirement for priesthood. The idea of "direct ordination of priests" has been bouncing around the Anglican

Communion for some time. James Barnett, in his pioneering book Diaconate: A Full and Equal Order (1981), argued that restoring the diaconate with integrity demanded dropping the system whereby one progressed through one order to another.

Now the idea comes before General Convention. What bothers me most is not that arbitrarily and unilaterally altering a practice that extends back into the mists of the early church would segregate the Episcopal Church on that point from other "catholic" traditions and from our own Communion. To make

ourselves the only Anglican province not to require diaconate of priesthood is a point worthy of cautious scrutiny, among other things lest the validity of orders in the Episcopal Church be brought into question.

Nor am I most concerned about the sketchy biblical and historical basis for our modern diaconate. Based on Acts 6, Stephen and Philip are heralded as deacons. I voted enthusiastically at the last convention to add Philip to Lesser Feasts and Fasts. However, although these were two of the seven appointed to care for human needs within the Christian community, and to wait on tables, Luke never records either of them doing that, nor does he name them as "deacons." Both were known for their proclamations of the gospel in word, not in deed; so Philip, appropriately enough, is commemorated as "deacon and evangelist."

Indeed, the entire language of diakonia as ordinary

servanthood has been challenged by John N. Collins (Diakonia: Re-interpreting the Ancient Sources, 1990) who suggests that the terminology applies more to specialized servants who did errands and ran messages.

As well, deacons as an outreach arm and witness for the church may also be a hard case to make from history. They seem to have been a group of servants who did whatever the early church generally - and the bishop specifically — wanted them to do. We know from Justin Martyr that they would bring the Eucharist to those whom we might call "shut-ins." Hippolytus depicted them as assistants "to serve the bishop and to carry out the bishop's commands" and "to make known to the bishop such things as are needful." By the 6th century, some served bishops as administrators of the lands that had come into the church's possession, some so ably that they became popes.

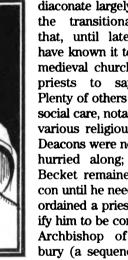
> In the Middle Ages, the diaconate largely became the transitional order that, until lately, most have known it to be. The medieval church needed priests to say Mass. Plenty of others provided social care, notably in the various religious orders. Deacons were not always hurried along: Thomas Becket remained a deacon until he needed to be ordained a priest to qualify him to be consecrated Archbishop of Canterbury (a sequence which does not trivialize the dia-

conate so much as it trivializes priesthood); but they seemed to lack much purpose.

English reformers decided not to touch the structure of threefold orders. Their continental protestant colleagues, meanwhile, transformed the diaconate from a transitional order for clergy into essentially a lay work of service. Three centuries later, continental protestantism generated the current concept of diaconate. Deacon brotherhoods and sisterhoods emerged to tend the needs of the poor, an idea picked up by several in England, including Thomas Arnold. But only in the last 30 or 50 years, primarily in North America, has the diaconate combined an intentional, vocational attention to the needs of the world with liturgical service within the church.

To question historical roots is not to challenge the heart of current diaconal thinking. On the contrary, I

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## **READER'S VIEWPOINT**

support the current perspective fully, if for no other reason than that the diaconate has always been an order that has served as the church of the day needed it to serve.

Nor does the oft-cited threat to "lay ministry" worry me. The baptismal covenant commits a Christian to diaconal work as one element of a faithful life in Christ. Deacons help the baptized *laos* to do that work. Far from

replacing the ministry of all the people, as "icons" of servanthood, their leadership and example are enhancing what the baptized can accomplish.

No, my chiefest concern is over what removing diaconal orders from priests will do to priesthood.

With our emphasis on Eucharist, I realize we need priests. The "transitional diaconate" is becoming even shorter. In contrast with England,

where the one-year diaconate remains normative, six months is more the standard in the United States.

But for priests also to be deacons is an inherent part of the Anglican pastoral vision. The English parish priest was responsible for far more than strictly spiritual concerns alone. As Anthony Russell observes in *The Clerical Profession* (1980), the local vicar, well into the 19th century, also served as teacher, almoner, counselor, magistrate, even tax collector (not all roles were enviable ones).

In a previous parish where I served, a deacon came into our midst. The diaconate was her vocation, and she exercised her ministry ably by preaching and functioning liturgically on Sundays, assisting with the parish youth, working during the week at a local hospital as chaplain and in a women's shelter, and helping the bishop on whatever he asked her to do. Through her diaconal servanthood, I looked anew at the servanthood to which I was also called. Through her, I became, if not a better priest, at least a more conscious one in the Anglican pastoral tradition.

Far from eliminating the transitional diaconate, I wish we could expand it. Bishop Hensley Henson of Durham in the 1920s proposed a three-year diaconate for future priests to deepen their experience of this pastoral tradition. That didn't happen then and won't happen now. But we could use times of preparation and early years of ordination to ground new clergy in lives of humble service. Training programs (in seminary or otherwise) can include appropriate courses and field work. The first placement can include mentorship not only by experienced priests, but by veteran deacons (laity too, for that matter), furthered by diocesan programs, and plenty of opportunities to serve diaconally as well as sacerdotally. The aim can become one of nurturing the newly ordained in their presbyterate, and — no less — in their diaconate. In the parish, they will truly need both.

The Rev. R. David Cox is interim rector of Emmanuel Church at Brook Hill, Richmond, Va., and author of Priesthood in a New Millennium (forthcoming from Church Publishing, Inc.).

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## **Spiritual Issues**

I could not agree more with the Rev. William F. Bellais in his piece about the need for military chaplaincy [TLC, April 20]. He tells the essential truth when he writes, "...our witness must take us to places that are ugly and offensive."

In the past, the Episcopal Church has been in the (largely unnoticed) forefront of ministering to combat veterans suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, which we only now recognize as an inherent consequence of combat. The issues are, of course, psychological, but they are even more importantly spiritual. In this respect, the Rev. Bill Mahedy, an Episcopal priest in San Diego, was the greatest influence in my own life. Back in the '80s, he wrote a wonderful introduction to the problems in his book, Out of the Night: The Spiritual Journey of Vietnam Vets. Today, I understand, we have great difficulty finding Episcopal priests to serve in the military.

It was one of these chaplains who arranged for my own confirmation at the Philadelphia Naval Hospital, where I was sent after losing my legs in combat in Vietnam 26 years ago. To be offended by ministry to any particular group of sinners suggests one has missed Jesus' point.

> (The Rev.) Alan R. McLean St. Luke's Church Wenatchee, Wash.

## **Inviting but...**

Recently I was in the Far East, where I was determined to participate in the Morning Office at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore. I very much wanted to pray together with Anglican Christians as our nation teetered on the brink of war.

The cathedral sits on several acres of well-shaded, carefully tended grass, prominent in the heart of central Singapore. It is an attractive, whitewashed Victorian building in the English Gothic style; a fitting presence for us in this Christian, Buddhist, Hindu, Muslim melting pot. But the cathedral's seemingly inviting grounds are guarded by a sturdy fence — with

only two unmarked openings. I walked half way around the half-mile perimeter before discovering a breach in that barrier.

Near the church a large sign warns "DO NOT ENTER." Presumably, the message was intended to keep visitors from tramping through a small flower

bed, but after my trouble just to enter the grounds, could I be sure?

The four people attending Saturday Morning Prayer were most welcoming. But it required three separate books and pamphlets, which I had to pick from a bewildering selection of unfamiliar publications piled around

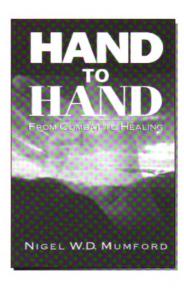
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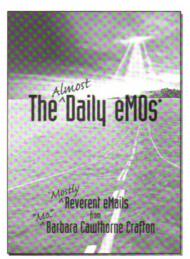
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my seat. Even as a semi-savvy and well-traveled Episcopalian, I had trouble figuring out which book I was supposed to use.

The irony in all of this was the considerable prayer time we devoted to missionaries and their efforts to bring Christ to non-Christians in places far from Singapore. We prayed as well that this hard-to-access and apparently under-utilized cathedral would not soon become just a relic of British colonial occupation.

Might Anglicans in Singapore, some of whom presume to instruct the Episcopal Church on issues of orthodoxy, consider instead re-directing their energy to evangelism at home?

Hugh Straub New Orleans, La.

## **Appointment Supported**

We, the faculty and senior administrators of the School of Theology of the University of the South, wish to make known the following:

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## **Let's Not Rush**

I have been retired since 1998, but I am still active in supply. I go to several different congregations in our diocese for Sundays, and occasionally other engagements. In this capacity, I talk with many different people in the Episcopal Church.

It is clear to me that there is no consensus on the matter of the blessing of same-sex relationships. A few congregations in our diocese have celebrated such events, and many, if not most, have not, and further, will not.

I appreciate the report from the Theology Committee of the House of



Bishops [TLC, April 20]. I knew there was such a committee, and from the article, I agree with the report. There is no clear mind in the church as to the appropriateness of this. What I am sure of is that it is unclear to what God is leading us.

Until there is a clearer understanding of God's leading, and until that results in a clearer agreement in the church, it would be better to bide our time, and not rush forward in either direction.

(The Rev.) Al McClure Indianapolis, Ind.

## Are They 'Lesser'?

After reading the article regarding the recommendation not to accept a trial liturgy for same-sex unions [TLC, April 6], I came away perplexed at the Episcopal Church's stance toward gay men and women who are in communion with the church.

The spiritual, emotional, and lovefilled relationship between two men or two women is perceived as being unfit to be recognized in the midst of the congregation. Yet the Episcopal Church calls on the gay church members to become active vestry members. The church hires gay men and women to direct the choir or play the organ. Gay leaders teach Sunday school. Gay men and women are singers in the church choir. The church asks those who are gay to administer the chalice or to read the lessons. The church actively entreats a financial pledge or gift from gay men and women.

Why must the church accept the time, talents, and treasures of openly gay Episcopalians with one hand; and, with the other disregard and reject the giver of these gifts as being "lesser"? It seems that the church must extend outstretched arms and embrace the gay Episcopal children of God into the full body of our congregations and openly acknowledge their relationship with God and each other.

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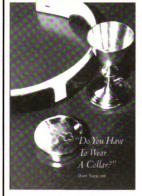
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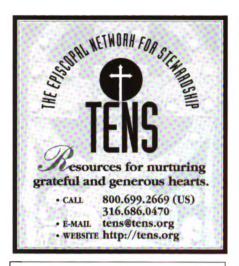
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