

## Reds Challenge Excommunication

New Delhi — (RNS) — Raised in the Indian parliament was a question by a Communist member whether the recent action of Roman Catholic Archbishop Gregory A. Varghese Thangalathil of Trivandrum in excommunicating Catholics who belonged to the Communist or the Revolutionary Socialist Parties in Kerala State was not an encroachment on civil rights.

It brought a reply from the Home Secretary that it would be for the courts to decide if the archbishop's action came within the purview of civil legislation.

THE QUESTION was raised in the wake of a smashing Communist defeat at elections for the Legislative Assembly in Kerala, where a Red regime was ousted last July after having been in power since the 1957 elections.

The Communist member complained that Catholics who had worked directly or indirectly for Communist or Socialist candidates in the Kerala elections this year were denied

the sacraments on orders of Archbishop Thangalathil. He asked whether this did not amount to "invoking religious penalties to subvert citizens' rights to freedom of association and free exercise of the franchise."

## Tuition Rates Set

Worcester — (RNS) — A new system of tuition payments for all Catholic diocesan high schools in the Worcester diocese was announced by Bishop Bernard J. Flanagan here.

Under the plan, which will take effect with the opening of schools next September, parochial elementary schools will charge \$35 per year for each child not from the parish which supports the school. The charge, however, will be the obligation of the parish from which those children come, not the obligation of the children or their parents, the bishop said.

Diocesan central Catholic high schools will charge \$30 per year tuition for each student. The fee will be the responsibility of the student or his parents, not the parish.

However, in cases where more than one child of the same family is enrolled in any of the seven central high schools at one time, the tuition for the second child will be only \$25 per year, and there will be no charge for the third child.

## Ministers Jailed

Johannesburg — (RNS) — Two Anglican missionaries were among 234 white, African and Asian opponents of the South African government's apartheid (racial segregation) laws arrested and jailed at the height of mass demonstrations by Africans in areas throughout the country.

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## Gain Noted In Austria

Sydney — (RNS) — Australia's Catholic population increased last year from 2,023,834 to 2,051,124, a gain of 27,290, according to the 1960-61 Australian Catholic Directory. According to the directory, Australia has 1,437 Catholic schools, with 404,097 pupils; 2,130 diocesan priests and 1,183 regular clergy; 1,234 Brothers; 12,283 nuns; 2,781 churches and 1,188 parishes.

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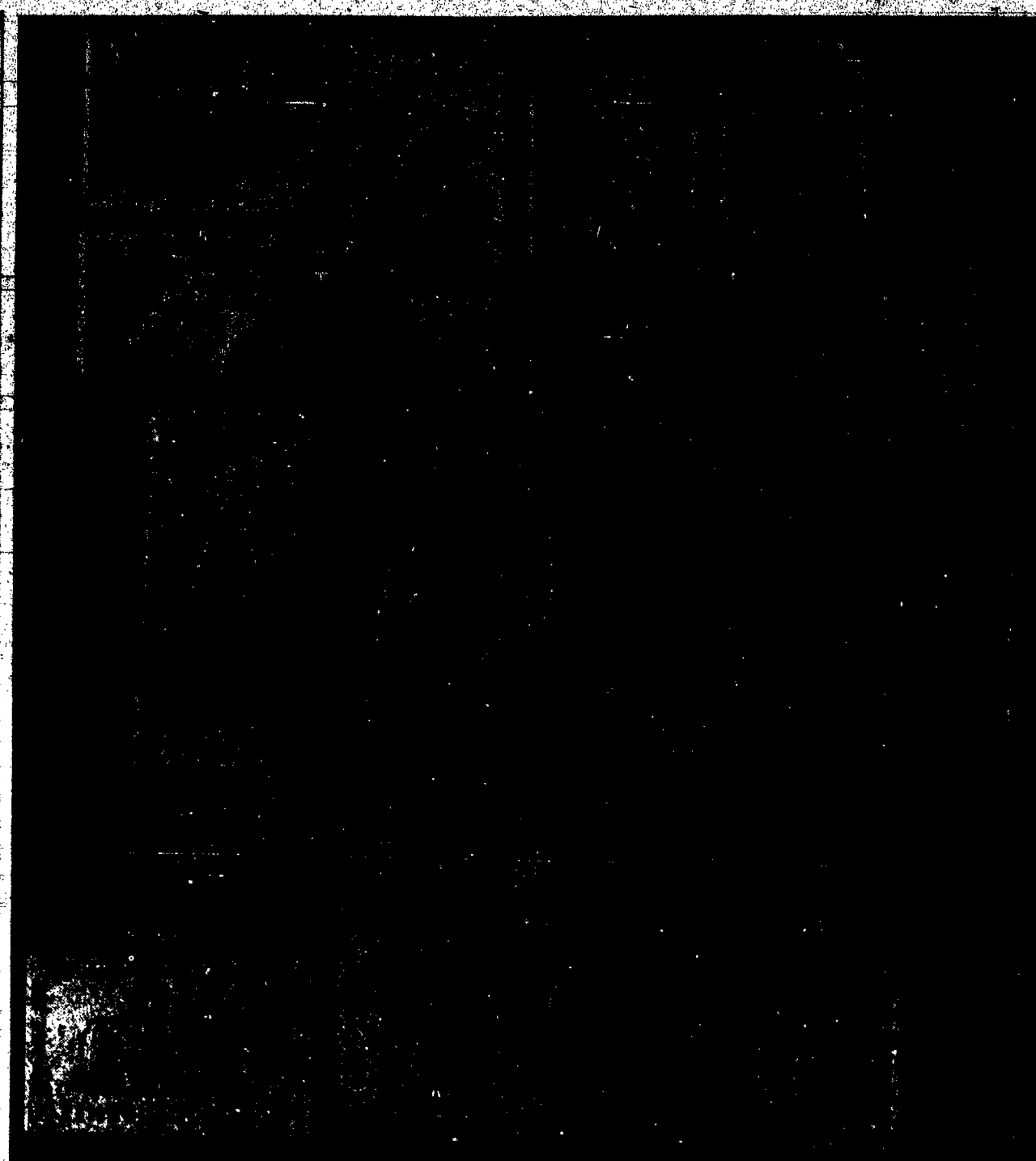
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## Stamps Mark Refugee Year

United Nations — (RNS) — In a unique gesture of international cooperation, 70 nations issued simultaneous commemorative postage stamps on April 7 honoring World Refugee Year and pledging the efforts of their citizens to help find homes for displaced persons. The United States will be among the nations. Pictured above are some of the stamps.

## Inertia Said Block To Responses

Cleveland — (NC) — A Catholic psychiatrist said that inertia is the main block to full participation in the dialogue Mass is a normal thing, a Catholic psychiatrist said here.

Speaking to the First Friday Club, Dr. Thomas M. Caulfield of Boston said such reluctance is due to "liturgical inertia" and the tradition of the past several hundred years.

"THE MOST difficult thing we can do is arouse ourselves from inertia," he said.

"We say 'what was good enough 10 years ago is good enough now.' It's true that the Mass 'was good enough' but full participation makes us more than hearers. Our devotion takes on a new dimension of appreciation."

Dr. Caulfield sees three major areas of resistance to the dialogue Mass: fear of distraction; objection to change; self-consciousness, and fear of being regarded as a "holy Joe."

But with time and patience, he predicted, these will be overcome, and people will realize that the altar rail is not merely the separation of the sanctuary from the rest of the church, but the "table where we are fed eternal life."

## Spain Cross For Cardinal

Madrid — (NC) — The Spanish government has announced it will award the Grand Cross of the Order of Isidore the Catholic to Cardinal Tettamanzi of New York.

It is the highest decoration that Spain can bestow upon a foreigner.

## What's For Me Attitude

## Providence Lacks Priests

Providence — (NC) — A "serious dearth" of priests, brotherhood and parish development of new parishes and schools in the growing suburban areas of the nation's smallest state, a bishop said.

Bishop Russell J. McVinney of Providence, who is the spiritual head of some 507,000 Catholics in Rhode Island's total population of 828,000 people, said that the lack of religious vocations is unprecedented since the diocese became well established.

He blamed a "what's-in-it-for-me" outlook for diminishing religious vocations among young people.

## Charwoman Aids Shrine

London — (NC) — An Irish charwoman has left her life savings to assist rebuilding of a bombed-out shrine to the English Martyrs here.

A check for \$7,000, representing the entire savings of the late Mrs. Catherine Keogh, was presented to His Eminence William Cardinal Godfrey, Archbishop of Westminster, at a symbolic first contribution to a nationwide fund for reconstruction of the shrine. Cardinal Godfrey immediately deposited a second check, his personal contribution of \$4,500.

Mrs. Keogh, a childless widow who earned a meager living by cleaning offices, died recently.

A total of \$108,000 is needed to rebuild the shrine overlooking Tyburn, where 100 beheaded martyrs and many other Catholics died on the gallows as common criminals of the Order of Tyburn was the public execution place of the Tudor and Stuart royalty of England. Its site is marked today by Marble Arch, at the northeast corner of Hyde Park.

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## TV Mass Just Misses Manger

Technicians from WROC-TV stood in the wind on the roof of Nazareth Academy one day this week looking across the city's jagged skyline of buildings tops toward Pinnacle Hill in Brighton.

When binoculars revealed that downtown buildings did not block out their view of the eastern-television transmission tower on the hill four miles away, George Driscoll, chief engineer of the WROC-TV crew breathed a sigh of relief: "If that Manger Hotel were about 25 feet wider on the east side we wouldn't be able to do this show."

THE "SHOW" is the Easter morning telecast of Holy Mass to be aired by WROC-TV (Channel 5 at 8:45 a.m.) from the chapel of the new Nazareth Academy convent next to the Lake Avenue-girls' high school.

The engineers' concern was whether the picture images from the five cameras which will "see" every detail of the Mass in the chapel could be relayed electronically from the school roof through the ether over downtown Rochester to the transmitter station on Pinnacle Hill.

The annual televised "Masses for the Shuttles" of the diocese have delighted thousands of viewers for the past eight years as WROC-TV has each Easter and Christmas visited such chapels as the Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Sisters of Mercy, the Car-

monstrary and St. Mary's Hospital.

Letters and comments from stick-and-aged who cannot get out to Mass more than compensate for the cost and effort of the project, the station declared.

THE EASTER DAY telecast will include a sermon by Rev. Charles B. Connell, chaplain of Nazareth Academy, music by the "Sisters' Choir" directed by Sister Rose Thomas of the Academy faculty, and descriptive commentary on the ceremonies by the Rev. Henry A. Atwell, editor of the Courier-Journal.

The Rev. Richard Torney, chaplain of Our Lady of Mercy High School, and producer of the telecast for WROC, will be the celebrant of the Mass, assisted by altarboys from Holy Rosary school.

Two TV cameras and four microphones plus extra lighting facilities in the convent chapel "will insure thorough coverage of every detail of sight and sound," Father Torney announced. "Excellent views of the altar ceremonies will be provided by a camera a few feet from the Eucharist table of the altar while another mounted on a rolling cart will move back and forth outside the communion rail."

## Pope's Holy Week Rites

Rome — (NC) — The program of His Holiness Pope John XXIII for the rites of Holy Week has been reported as follows:

Palm Sunday, at St. Paul's Outside the Walls.

Holy Thursday, at St. John Lateran.

Good Friday, at St. Mary Major. (This is a departure from tradition, and from the Pope's schedule last year, which established the good Friday station at the Church of the Holy Cross in Jerusalem.)

Easter, at St. Peter's basilica or the traditional pontifical Mass.

The blessing Urbi et Orbi (to the city and to the world) will be given from the center loggia of St. Peter's overlooking St. Peter's Square.

600 Priests — (RNS) — Ordination Sunday March brought the total number of Roman Catholic priests in Japan to more than 400; new ordinations included 10 diocesan and 13 regular clergy.

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