Hooked at it with Awe'-As Thousands Do Daily

An Interview....

The chousends who daily stand in awe before Michaelangelois masterpiece of the Piets at the New York World's Fair see it in its most dramatic setting in its nearly 500 year history.

This week we talked with the priest and the layman who de-serve the credit—Father Stan-ley Kusman of the Brothers of Mary and famed stage designer Jo Mielziner.

One of the thousands of visi-tors to the Fair commonted on the Ficta's doep blue, chapel-like setting, "The man who did this must have had great faith!" And that securately describes Misisiner, a convert to the Cath-olic Church since 1928 How did the stage designer

for South Pacific, My Fait Lady, The King and Land more than 300 other Broadway plays become a chapel designer?

His friend of more than a quarter century, Father Rusman was giving a retreat in Rome in 1960 when he heard Cardinal Spellman asked Pope John 10 hring the Pieta from the Valican to this year's Fair in New York City.

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Michaelangelo's Pieta



Jo Minister, famed New York stare designer, shows his sketches of the setting for the Plets to Father Stanley Kusman in the artist's studio.

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with Jo Mielziner

country, the priest told Miel-siner, "Why not sak the Cardi-nal if you can submit a design?"

Within an hour; Cardinal Spellman phoned his reply-an enthusiastic assent.

Mielziner workeit af prelimi-nary aketches uniti 2 a.m. that night—the start of a project which would—ultimately take nearly a full year of his time.

He remarked about another artist — said he admired him "because he works with an eraser." Miejsiner siso piled up scores of sketches and wore out scores of erasers before he came to his final design-the one

Draws Throngs at Fair

the critics criticize and the people like.

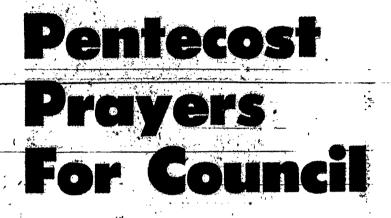
His goal was to focus attensetting, but one of the Vatican officials who guarded the statue on its sources stated. We'll never be happy unless we do something like this for the Pieta when we get it back in Rome."

Michiner - who's seen the Piets many times in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome-said when it was put in its place at the Vat-can Pavilion at the Fair, "I just stood back and looked at it with awe." And that's what thousands of others are doing daily. -Father Henry Astell



ROCHESTER, N. Y., THURSDAY, MAY 7, 1964 75th Year.





Vatican City --- (NO) --- Pope Paul VI has called on the world's bishops to offer special prayers on Pentecost Sunday. for the success of the Vatican Council.

He also asked clergy and laity to pray for the Councils and to inform themselves about it and in particular to "draw close to our separated brethren."

Noting that the Church's bishops "are preparing themselves with the greatest diligence for the third session of the council," scheduled to open Sept. 14, the Pope declared that "such a great event calls therefore for the overflowing virtue of the Holy Spirit who fills minds with enlightenment and who strengthene wills to undertake new projects and to accept re-sponsibility.

THE FORE'S appeal, was contained in a letter dated April

means for recomposing brotherhead, based on the identity of the faith and mutual charity which was desired by Christ for His Church."

Referring to the Council, the Pope urged all the faithful that "in this time of diligent preparation, they accompany the Church's effort with their pray. ers and valuatiary acts of pen-ance." He expressed the wish that they "be informed about



A new altar and a new parish were blessed Sunday alternoon. Archblishon George Flahiff of Winnipeg consecrated the chapel altar at the new House of Studies for Basilian seminarians at St. John Fisher College and Bishop

Kearney blessed the new St. John of Rochester church and school in Perinton. St. John Fisher, sixteenth century bishop of Rochester, England, was martyred for his loyalty to the Catholic faith.

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bishops of the world.

He urged them "especially as Pentecost, draws near, to redouble your prayers to obtain for the ecumenical Council those copious and considerable, fruits which all of us desire."

The Pope called upon the clergy and laity to "continue" with calm and reversace to draw closer to our separated brethren, not invalue down some opportunities for calm and friendly conversations and being more concerned for their welfare rather than our honor. they may seek together the

Mass, May Day Rite

On Television This Sunday

Church, Rochester, by WROC-TV, Channel 8, this Sunday,

duct a May Day ceremony honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Mass. Rev. Raymond Ringwood, curate, will preach. The par-

ish choir, directed by Kenneth Scarcloffa, will sing the Mass

Continue Catholic Schools,

Pope's Delegate Says

Mother's Day Mass will be telecast from St. Ambrose

Following the Mass rite, Sodalists of the parish will con-

Monsignor Arthur Ratigan, pastor, will celebrate the

opportune methods, especially by means of the press and by mitable talks."

The Pope recalled his pilgrim-ste fo the Holy Land, during which he prayed that all Christians may participate in the riches of divine grace, and that "men of our Juy" may be brought efficaciously to a better knowledge 'of the mind of Christ."

From Defeat To Victory **By Courage**

Washington -- (NC) -- President Johnson lauded the courage of a Catholic layman here, saying he and other physically handicapped persons had "taught us all that personal courage and individual fortitude can turn defeat into victory."

Our greatness as a nation rests not in our cities, prairies or wealth, but "on the unconquerable spirit of our people," the President declared.

He spoke at the annual meeting of the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, and presented the President's Trophy for the "Handicapped American of the Year" to Jerry J. Walsh of Corona, N.Y.

Watsh, 41, former Providence College-student is a special educational consultant with the Arthritis and Rheumatish Foundation in New York. Strick en with rheumatoid arthritis when 18, he underwent two operations and spent seven years in bed.

With a crutch and a cane, has since traveled hundreds of thousands of miles in scores o cities; founded a firm which placed hundreds of handicapped persons in work, and has write ten, spoken and appeared before legislative group: to make known the plight of the country's arthritis sufferers and to stimulate research on this disease.

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LBJ Asks Memorial Day **Prayers for World Peace**

Washington - (RNS) - President Johnson has proclaimed Memorial Day as a national day of prayer, asking that Americans observe it as a "day of prayer for permament peace."

In making the proclamation, President Johnson called upon "all the people of the nation to invoke God's blessing on those who have died in defense of our country and to pray for a world of law and order."

He set 11 a.m. in each locality as the time for its citizens to unite in such a prayer.

Pope Paul Voices Hopes' For Reforms in Brazil

Roms (RNS) Pope Paul VI expressed hopes for "oppor-tune and timely reforms" in Brazil in the wake of its recent

bloodless revolution and stressed the need for a priesthood there "that can-live up to the needs of a new Brazillan society."

The occasion was a visit he paid to the Pontifical Bratilian College on the Via Aurelia in Rome on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of its establishment by Pope Plus XI in 1934

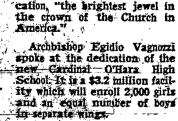
Recalling that he had been in Brani as a cardinal "not long ago," Pope Paul declared in a talk to the faculty members and students of the College that dur ing the last few weeks the eyes of the world had turned anxi-ously toward this South Amer-Ican country, which constitutes a stable geographical entity and, above all, a spiritual unity"

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Americans will honor Mother on her day this Sunday.

May 10. The month of May is also dedicated to the Blassed Virgin Mary, the Mother of our divine Lord. Murillo, seventeenth century artist, aspects the double theme of motherhood and religious devotion in his Virgin and Calld, a painting now in the Pitti Palace, Florence, Italy.



Philadelphia (NC)

10 to 11 a.m.

chants.

I want you to know that today I am speaking not in my own name, but for the Holy Father and I am speaking to the entire nation, that you should continue in your devotion to Catholic education," he

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"And T want you to know " The Apostolic Delegate said here he added. "that this dedication yours to Catholic education is shared by the overwhelming their devotion to Catholic edumajority of the bishops." Archbishop Vagnozzi, who

blessed the new school, told the audience that Pope Paul, VI became enthusiastic about the Catholic school system during a visit here several years ago. "He still frequently talks of your schools as the glory of the Church in America," he said.

The Delegate said that 30 years ago, when he was a secretary at the Apostolic Delegation in Washington, "we would receive letters of complaint from people about their pastors who were urging them to build Catholic schools?

"I should like to see the other dioceses in the country compete with Philadelphia for the primacy in Catholic education, but even then I hope Philadelphia keeps this primacy,"

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