You Can Tell a Christian By His 'Spirit'

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cisions, namely, the Teachine Magisterium of the Holy Father, there must be a willingness to learn. rather than from sociological surveys The faithful have a right to hear the Encyclical preached. and not have it supplanted by an individual dissent

The least that can be expected of those signed with the seal of the Spirit, is that they should be prepared to accept the possibility that the Pope is right, and to open their minds to the Holy Spirit. and to refrain from teaching their individual opinions.

Even when a saintly man does dissent it ought to be a source of suffering rather than of boasting and self-satisfaction. The Holy Father consulted prayed and invoked the Spirit in long visits. What he did in pleading for the uninterrupted flow of Love and Life was to take his stand against two attitudes popularized in a novel here left unnamed The first was the scientific view that sexuality ruins the human race, except as an "indifferent pastime" and children should no longer be conceived in the womb of a mother but in testtubes The second was that homosexuality lesbianism and bestiality must be regarded as "superior" loves, just as a priest breaking his vows is to be considered "superior" to the priest who has but one love, which is the love of Christ Those who concentrate on the pill and Gallup Polls, may be missing what the Holy Father has in mind, namely, a defense of life

In a few years when abortion, perversion and the above mentioned threats against human life are rampant among us, we will look back and see that the greatest defender of sex life was the celibate Pontiff Paul VI.

2. The second test is to be willing to endure in this world "the scandal of the cross" (Gal 5 11) "The preaching of the Cross, I know, is nonsense to those who are involved in this dving world, but to us who are being saved from that death, it is nothing less than the power of God" (1 Cor. 1 17, 18) "God's 'foolishness' is wiser than men. and His 'weakness' is stronger than men" (1 Cor. 1 '25). This test will be the subject of a future chapter.

"activities" or "fruit". The difference between the two spirits. St. Paul set down in his Letter to the Galatians (5 17). In the Phillips translation it is as follows: the spirit of the world produces "works" or "activities". The Spirit of Christ pro-

Paul speaks of the works or activities of the flesh in contrast to the fruit of the Spirit. The first is plural, the second is singular. Works or activities are produced by man; fruit is produced by a Power man does not possess. Man cannot make a fruit Goodness is due to a Power which is not man's power.

- Our judgments on the books we read, the papers at which we glance, the rumors we hear, the defections which stare at us -- all these are assimilated according to the principle which rules our life the flesh or the Spirit. Two persons can read identically the same item; one rejects it, the other embraces it. What makes the difference is the 'color' of the human mind into which it is poured In a black bottle, even water looks black; in a pure bottle, water looks pure. One need not throw a log into a stream to see which way the current is flowing: a straw will tell just as well.

The values of patients are discerned quickly by skilled psychiatrists or spiritual directors, but they are more quickly discerned by the Spirit. This Spirit cannot view with anything but jealousy, the harboring of a rival spirit in the soul. That is why the Christian is bidden "not to quench the Spirit" (1 Thess. 5 19), nor to "grieve the Spirit" Eph 4 30) The sadness we feel in sinning is God's Spirit bidding us to restore the harmony. The Holy Spirit is the "down payment" on eternity 2 (or 1 22, Eph. 1 14). But certainly, not the least of the blessings of the Spirit is joy-and peace.

"Breathe on me, Thou Breath of God,

Fill me with life anew,

That I may love what Thou dost love,

And do what Thou wouldst do".



Christian Duty to Fight Race Bias

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Winooski Park, Vt. -- (NC) The nation's only Negro Catholic bishop said here that religious prejudice, for the most part, has ended in this country, so the time is at hand to end racial prejudice.

Bishop Perry:

Auxiliary Bishop Harold R. Perry, S.V.D., of New Orleans told members of the St. Michael's College graduating class at the baccalaureate Mass that Christians have a responsibility to "identify prejudicial feelings as morally wrong."

He called upon Catholic college graduates to turn their attention to the eradication of racial prejudice which is too often "clothed in fear and ignorance.'

"Hatred must be replaced by love, for it is the power of love which enables us to break through the absurd walls of separation to reach the high

point of human rapport, which suspicion, fear and prejudice "This dilemma, already a standard of living is signifi-

BISHOP PERRY

Ah! Asparagus

morrow," Bishop Perry said. our greatest opportunity, an op "There is only one way to ing about the society that the bring about the society that the nation on this earth in this era Divine Creator wishes for us, or before, has the necessary facand that simply is to implement tors to exhibit living testimony the overwhelming principle of of the universal civilization."

love - of our neighbor, the The two revolutionary changes cornerstone of Christian mor-- the end of time and distance ality.

"Here in the United States, and the rise to power of peoples blessed with material riches, of color — have produced a bading the world in most real third worldwide revolutionary spects in the areas of technolo development in the "rising exgical accomplishments, we have pectations among the world's come to a crucial moment in poor," Bishop Perry said. our history," Bishop Perry said. In the United States, he said,

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"For we are faced with a the end of time and distance dilemma . . . to either pursue "has put us all in the same our commitments to life, lib. city. erty and the pursuit of happi-

"American Negroes, as nonness to its natural and inevitable conclusion . . . or to con- whites in other parts of the tinue to violate these ideals at world, are not enjoying the the expense of Negro Ameri- same political rights as their fellow white citizens," Bishop Perry said. "Furthermore, their

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The remainder of the world. s watching developments in the United States in the struggle to "demonstrate that white and black can live together as equals and partners," he said.

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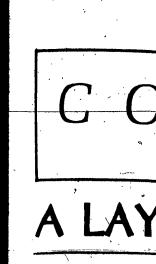
soup, milk and relish in saucepan. Stir in ham; heat thoroughly.

For pancakes, place mix, milk, egg and shortening in bowl. Stir lightly until batter is fairly smooth. For each batter on to hot, lightly greased griddle. Turn pancakes when tops are covered with bubbles and edges look [Cell Bob Bennet cooked. Turn only once.

To serve, place 1 or 2 asparagus spears on each pancake; PACKING ' STORAGE roll up. Top with hot ham sauce.







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By Röbert

Rome - Near the dress to the Wor Churches in Geneva Paul VI said, "Our na

He thus frankly an fined the principal establishment of Chi the foreseeable futu mean, unmistakably, unity must await one improbable d relinquishment by Ro ciple of papal suprem bility or acceptance (by the Anglican, Pro thodox churches.

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"A new society is ta fore our eyes. This is promise: it signifies th life and education or cratic basis. At the hope of this new societ the threat of world and the promise of its ers is darkened by all social classes and raci are experiencing the anxiety that character ing points in history.

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Others are deciding, reluctance, that the clesiastical monarchy changed in their life are leaving to find a community.

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The priest of our willing to be thorough and sensitive to the voice of the living Ch lover of the complicate ple lie is to serve. He all the answers, and that he does. "Take men," as the epistle

Bishop

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