

#### Chalices of Clay

While chalices are traditionally made of gold, silver and other metals, with recent changes in the liturgy, pottery chalices are now available for use at Mass. Father Anthony Bellesorte, OP., of St. Albert's College, Oakland, who made the above, feels that the basic elements of fire, earth, air, and water combine and transform the earth into a chalice whose purpose it is to contain the Divine. (Religious News Photograph)

## Oklahoma Bishop's 'Exemplary' Work Wins Recognition

Cambridge, Mass. — (RNS)— The Boston Theological Institute named Catholic Bishop Victor J. Reed of Oklahoma City-Tulsa as one of three recipients of its 1970 Awards for Exemplary Ministry.

Others designated for the award are the Rev. Ralph Abernathy, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and a lay woman, Dr. Pauli Murray, visiting professor of American Civilization at Brandels University in Wal-

A coordinating student comm i t t e e, in announcing the awards, said the citations were made in recognition of the recipients' "grass roots" effectiveness. The announcement said of Bishop Reed that he has been "sensitive to the needs of his people and his clergy . . . the leader of one of the most democratic dioceses in the United

The Boston Theological Institute includes St. John's Seminary; Weston (Jesuit) College; Boston University School of Theology; Episcopal Theological School, Andover Newton Theological School and Harvard Divinity School.

#### Arizona Governor Against Abortion

Castle Hot Springs, Ariz. -(RNS)-At Arizona Academy's 16th Town Hall conference. leaders from all areas and occupations heard Gov. Jack Williams issue strong warnings against abortion bills being considered by the state legislature.

He spoke of "a population explosion creating almost an insensate hatred of man himself . . . and all the while we go along seeking . . . new methods of prolonging life.

"Common sense should warn us that if you can eliminate mankind at one end of the spectrum somebody will propose eliminating mankind at the other."

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# Chalices for Sale

## 'Flea Market' Causes Stir

Rome — (NC) — If you're looking for secondhand chalices, priestly vestments or even old tabernacles, your best bet in Rome is the Sunday morning sales at the "flea market."

The flea market, known in Italian as Porta Portese — from the Portese Gates, where it is located — has long been the bargain seeker's paradise or husband's despair, depending on how you look at things,

You can find just about everything there from late Saturday night until it closes on Sunday afternoon. Puppies, plants, antiques—some of them even genuine—old books, clothing, spare auto parts and rubber swimming pools do not even begin to exhaust the flea market's treasures.

Many visitors have been shocked just how "Catholic" the taste in objects for sale can be. Often one sees chausubles, candlesticks, reliquaries — not always empty — chalices and the like for sale to any passerby.

But recently one reader of the Vatican city daily paper, L'Osservatore Romano, wrote in to protest.

The reader said he was shocked to find "sacred vestments, statues of saints, defaced crucifixes, broken tabernacles and even a gilded altar piece with

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Many purchasers have only the best intentions. Some of the objects have real value as antiques and many are bought with devotion in mind.

One woman started trying to buy up vestments to prevent them from being used to cover cushions with but had to give up because the supply renewed itself weekly.

The Vatican city daily answered:

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Budapest, Hungary — (RNS) -Hungary's bishops have come out unanimously in support of

compulsory celibacy for Catholic priests. In a message to Pope Paul VI, the prelates expressed their "identification" with the official stand of the Church

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