



Vatican City—(RNS)—When the World Synod of Bishops convenes in late September, the four bishop-delegates representing the United States will be John Cardinal Dearden of Detroit (upper left), John Cardinal Krol of Philadelphia (upper right), John Cardinal Carberry of St. Louis (lower left) and Archbishop Leo C. Byrne of St. Paul-Minneapolis (lower right). The four prelates were selected in May during the meeting of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops (NCCB) in Detroit. Cardinal Dearden is president of the NCCB; Cardinal Krol vice president.

## Truth Is 'Power, Hope'

Castelgandolfo — (RNS) — Pope Paul VI has reminded Catholics that the foundation and indispensable guideline for living rests in the religious truth, "which, comes to us from Christ . . . professed by the magisterium (teaching authority) of the Church."

This truth, he said, is "the light, the power, and the hope of our existence."

The Pope spoke at his customary Sunday noon general audience here.

Noting that "lack of faith" accounted for "so many evils, so many errors, in the history of the world," the pontiff said, "We must re-evaluate the question of rights and duties in a study of true religion."

"We say 'true religion,'" he explained, "because many people try to put in its place other knowledges — even most worthy ones — which are only palliatives . . . or even obstacles in the task of orienting one's life, clearly and certainly, toward one's supreme destiny."

But "true religion" is essential to this task, the Pope emphasized. "First, as a deep and personal expression of our knowledge of the gift of the Spirit of grace and truth. Second, as an acceptance of the doctrine revealed by Christ and professed by the magisterium of the Church."

"Thus, the creed is born and from the creed, the life that never dies."

## Catholic Bernadette Sees Need For a 'Protestant Bernadette'

Turin, Italy — (RNS) — What Northern Ireland needs is "a Protestant Bernadette Devlin," said Roman Catholic Bernadette Devlin, vigorous advocate of civil rights for Ulster's Catholic minority and youngest member of the British House of Commons.

Miss Devlin, 23, made this observation in an interview published in the Turin daily La Stampa.

The young political activist, who has called for a Socialist revolution "to free the people of the world," remarked in the interview that she has had no success in uniting Catholic and Protestant workers in Northern Ireland so that they would work together for just such a revolution.

"The workers have not yet developed their class consciousness," she said. "Perhaps Ulster needs a Protestant Bernadette Devlin." (Catholics constitute a third of an Ulster population of 1.5 million.)

Referring to the recent "sum-

mit" meeting between British Prime Minister Edward Heath and Prime Minister John Lynch of the Irish Republic, which ended in an apparent impasse on policies concerning the crisis in Northern Ireland, Miss Devlin said the two men could not have reached any basic agreement, "as this would mean the downfall of Ulster's Prime Minister Brian Faulkner." And if Mr. Heath should reach an agreement with Mr. Faulkner, she added, "Mr. Lynch would lose his position as head of the Irish Republic."

Miss Devlin said that the "answer" to the Ulster crisis lies in "proportional representation of the Catholic minority (in the Parliament at Stormont); release of political internees; recognition of Northern Ireland trade unions; fixing of minimum wages for workers; curbing of unemployment, construction of more homes, and the development of state industries."

"Jack Lynch has to go. He represents the capitalist system. A Labor government in

## Pope Names Observers for Bishops' Synod

Washington, D.C. — (RNS)—Two U.S. Roman Catholic priests and a prominent layman were named by Pope Paul to participate in the forthcoming World Synod of Bishops in Rome, beginning Sept. 30.

The priests — Msgr. George G. Higgins director of the U.S. Catholic Conference's Division on Urban Life, and Father Barnabas Ahern, C.P., theologian and scripture scholar — will serve as synod auditors.

James Norris, assistant director of Catholic Relief Services, the American Catholic overseas relief agency based in New York, was named assistant to the Synod's special secretary for the topic of world justice. World justice and peace, along with the priesthood, will be the synod's two major topics.

A member of the Pontifical Commission for Justice and Peace, Norris was a lay observer during Vatican II.

The priests were nominated in a vote conducted among U.S. bishops. Other bishops' conferences throughout the world were also invited to nominate priests for appointment by the Pope as auditors.

## Vatican Denies Peron Knowledge

Vatican City — (RNS)—The Vatican has denied any knowledge of how the embalmed body of Eva Duarte Peron, wife of Juan Peron, the former Argentine president, had reached Spain, or where it had been for the last 16 years.

A terse statement issued here by the Vatican Secretariat of State said: "It is denied that the Holy See has occupied itself with questions regarding the body of Madame Peron."

The body was returned to Peron, who is in exile in Madrid. The return of the body, whose whereabouts have been a mystery, has been a rallying cry for Peronists, still a major political force in Argentina.

According to reports from Madrid, the body, which was removed from the Buenos Aires Labor Confederation headquarters in 1955—where it had lain in state after Mrs. Peron's death in 1952—was brought to Madrid from a small convent cemetery near Rome.

Various European papers claimed that the Vatican was instrumental in transferring the body and keeping it hidden in the cemetery.

Westminster would be more human, but no better."

Miss Devlin has had a stormy career, including a six-month jail sentence on charges arising out of the civil disorders in Northern Ireland last year.

In a speech at the Jesuit-maintained University of San Francisco last March, Miss Devlin declared that economic exploitation, not religious antagonism, was the cause of continuing unrest and violence in Ulster.

In recent months Miss Devlin made news of another type, giving birth to a child and refusing to name its father.

### CHRIST THE KING

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