



Fr. Louis Hohman

Dear Father Hohman,  
 Re the question of parish missions: HOOOLD IT! Don't throw the baby out with the bath water! I will ask a simple question and hope you will give it some deep reflection. When you asked, "What do the majority of our people think about reviving something like the old parish mission," why did you add: "updated in form and content but having the goal of parish and individual renewal?"

Honestly, now, why? [I'm not saying you're wrong, simply questioning motives]. Is it because of a compulsion for change? To be "trendy"? To simply "please" us? To be "super-Vatican II"? What was wrong with the first half of your question — alone? I see little wrong with it. If that "old parish mission" did in fact, serve to unite Pete or Harriet with the faith, then maybe, just maybe, that old parish mission is what is needed.

Before you automatically write us off as obviously pre-Vatican II mentality, let me say the priests who know us would laugh you right out of your collar. We're pro-Vatican II but as with all

things, we fear change for its own sake only. I loved the parish missions, brimstone painfully included [but not many restorations of health come through a spoonful of sugar]. I'd love to see them revived.

Sincerely,  
 R.J.C.

Dear R.J.C.,

The reason I asked for an updated form of the parish mission was that parishes have ceased, for the most part, having parish missions and my judgment was that the reason so few are now held is that they are somehow "out of date." Now I may be wrong in that opinion but that is the reason I asked kind people like you to give me some feedback. You seem to be in favor of fire and brimstone presentations but I am sure you are aware of how many people detest that kind of thing, and I don't think it proper to make the judgment that for that reason they want everything sugar-coated.

In any case let's here from more people what they might think about the revival of parish missions or some updated version of the same.

P.S. I don't think opting for a positive approach rather than a negative (fire and brimstone) is opting for change for its own sake.

P.P.S. This column has not appeared the last two weeks because no questions were sent in. I will not make up questions. If you want this column to appear, please send in your questions.

### FCC Rejects Petition on Broadcasting

From Courier-Journal Services

Washington — The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has turned down a petition by Jeremy D. Lansman and Lorenzo W. Milam requesting a freeze on applications on religious institutions for television or FM channels reserved for educational services.

"As a government agency the commission is enjoined by the First Amendment to observe a stance of neutrality toward religion, acting neither to promote nor to inhibit religion," the FCC said.

Lansman and Milam, broadcast consultants in Los Gatos, Calif., contended the assignment of more than one educational channel in a community to a religious institution deprived minority groups access to the scarce channels.

The petition, filed last Dec. 5, produced more than 700,000 letters and postcards, the largest number in FCC history. The FCC said that most of the messages were sent in the mistaken notion that the petition proposed to ban all religious broadcasting, which was not the case.

The FCC also pointed out that the petition did not involve commercial networks or stations, only channels set aside for educational use.

### NDHS Announces Bus Service Plan

Elmira — Notre Dame High School has announced that students living more than two miles away may travel by public school bus during the coming school year. City residents are included in the transportation plan.

Resultant savings amount to more than \$100 per student for parents who had to pay for busing in the past, a school spokesman said. Registration is still open for September. Inquires can be made by calling the Notre Dame Convent.

### 'Pentecostal Movement' . . . What Term Means

By JAMES ROMAN

Many people involved in the Pentecostal Movement find this term unsatisfactory (for which reason the term Charismatic Renewal has come into recent prominence). The term Pentecostal is likely to connote the teachings, practices, and attitudes connected with the Pentecostal denominations. That is unfortunate, for the primary reference of the term is to Pentecost itself, not to any denomination.

However, this term is by now so firmly established that there is no chance of shaking it off completely. It seems better to try to clarify its meaning instead, according to Fr. Edward O'Connor, C.S.C., in his book *The Pentecostal Movement* in the Catholic Church, Ave. Maria Press.

Father O'Connor goes on to explain the term movement as being open to misunderstanding as well. As frequently used today, such as the civil rights movement, the labor movement, or the pacifist movement, it implies that numbers of people have joined forces in a more or less concerted effort on a common project. This supposes a goal that is aimed at and a deliberate pursuit of that goal; usually it connotes a considerable degree of organization and method.

On all these points it could be misleading to apply the term movement without clarification to the Pentecostal renewal, at least as it has developed among Catholics. It did not originate by the deliberate adoption of any goal, is not an organized enterprise, and does not consist in a method. It is indeed a movement inasmuch as it consists of a multitude of people moving in the same general direction, and influencing one another. But their unity does not derive, at least basically and originally from

any intention or plan of their conceiving.

In fact, what is most remarkable about this movement in its early days is how unexpectedly it arose and how spontaneously it spread. Most of those who were involved in it at the beginning (theologians, religious, college students) found themselves taken quite by surprise.

It is true that in the course of the movement's development it has become more aware of its aims, more deliberate in its efforts, and more methodical and organized. But it would be wrong to let these trends, the outcome of which cannot yet be foreseen, obscure the basic character of the movement, as something that happened without human planning and beyond all human expectation.

It must not be assumed that the Pentecostal Movement represents an incursion of Protestant influence. The movement takes on diverse expressions according to the doctrines and comportment of each denomination, and this thrust of the Spirit within the Catholic Church is no exception. The common element of this movement with the Christian churches is an intensified awareness of the role of the Holy Spirit in the Christian life, marked by the reappearance of frequent charismatic activity like that of the primitive church. Participants look upon it not as a new school of spirituality, but as a re-emergence of certain authentic aspects (charismata) of Christian life which have fallen somewhat into neglect.

#### CHARISMATIC MASS

The charismatic community at St. Paul's in Webster has scheduled a Mass at 8 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 19 at the church on 783 Hard Road. Father Francis Blighton will be the celebrant and all are invited.



### Jubilee in Ghana

Sister Jane LeFrois, SSps, formerly of Rochester, recently celebrated her golden jubilee in Accra, Ghana, where she has been working since 1946. Father Charles G. Erb, SVD, sent this snapshot, taken during the festivities. At Sister Jane's left is a Ghanaian woman of German parentage, Sister Virginia Julia Alhoff, who entered the Sisters of the Holy Spirit Missionary Congregation 50 years ago in Holland. Father Erb wrote of Sister Jane that she "is still running around every day, worrying about her lepers, her catechism classes and her patients at the nearby government hospital."

### CRS Develops New Outlets

New York [RNS] — The U.S. Catholic bishops' overseas relief agency, Catholic Relief Services, has entered into agreements with the government of Ethiopia and with the European Economic Community (Common Market) to oversee distribution of food to the needy of Ethiopia and Chile.

The relief agency will mount an expanded relief program for drought-stricken areas of Ethiopia with food-stuffs provided by the U.S. government.

The agreement between CRS and the EEC will allow the Catholic organization to handle

shipment of 17 million pounds of wheat flour, a gift from Europe to "vulnerable groups of people" in Chile.

AQ ALUMNI GIVE \$60,164

The Aquinas Alumni Appeal went over the top on the contributions of 31 per cent of all alumni and the pledges of another 11 per cent. The school announced last week that the eighth annual campaign, in this 50th anniversary year, netted \$5,164 more than the \$55,000 goal.

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