

All Must Be Evangelizers

Vatican City [RNS] — Pope Paul VI in a major new document on evangelization, said that all members of the Church, by very reason of their being part of the community of Christ, must be "evangelizers" and proclaim the Good News of salvation of all the world.

The 116-page document, an Apostolic Exhortation, entitled "Evangelii Nuntiandi" (On Announcing the Gospel) was addressed to bishops, clergy, and faithful throughout the world. It examined links between evangelization and liberation, condemned violence as a road to social justice, and encouraged renewed efforts to bring the Christian message to non-Christians and to non-believers.

While appealing for "missionary fervor" on the part of all the faithful, the Pope distinguished between imposing the truth — which is never to be permitted — and proposing the truth, which is a "duty of love towards others and a mark of respect for their liberty."

The pontiff also underscored the importance of non-ordained ministries in evangelistic activities, and insisted that evangelization is

always an ecclesial act performed in the name of the Church.

At the same time, he emphasized that "an essential dimension of evangelization" was "care for preserving the unity of ecumenical efforts" and "love for those being evangelized and respect for their traditions."

In the section of the document dealing with the question of the relationship between preaching the Gospel and following out its social implications — a matter of pressing concern especially in underdeveloped countries — Pope Paul reiterated his total rejection of violence as a valid means of achieving social justice.

"The Church," he said, "cannot accept violence, especially the force of arms and indiscriminate death as the path to liberation, because she knows that violence always begets violence and irresistibly engenders new forms of oppression and enslavement."

According to a Vatican Radio comment, Pope Paul's new Apostolic Exhortation, which was dated Dec. 8, 1975, served to mark three events: the closing of the Holy Year, the 10th anniversary of

the close of the Second Vatican Council, and the fourth World Synod of Bishops, which met at the Vatican in late 1974 on the theme "Evangelization in the Modern World."

'Brain Death' Measure Proposed

New York [RNS] — A New York State law making "brain death" a standard for legal death is needed, according to most of more than three dozen witnesses testifying at a legislative hearing.

Most supported in principle a bill by Assemblyman Herbert Miller, Queens County Democrat. It would allow a physician to declare a person dead if, according to standards of current medical practice, there is an irreversible cessation of heart and lung functions, or if the brain and either the heart or lungs have irreversibly stopped functioning.

Dissenting was A. Lawrence Washburn Jr., speaking for the New York State Right to Life Committee. He said his group opposed "depriving the doctor of his unfettered medical judgment regarding the time of death."

Washburn said the bill, was backed by organ transplant proponents, who want healthy organs. I have sympathy for them, but you may not pull the plug on the first patient in order to make the transplant for the second patient.

Supporting "brain death" as a death indicator were Msgr. Charles J. Fahey of the New York State Catholic Conference, and Rabbi James Perman of the Central Conference of (Reform) American Rabbis.

Dr. Richard L. Burleson of the Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse said, "We are not talking about some brain damage, or unconsciousness or coma, but rather 'about a dead brain.'"

He said that after brain damage, heart and lung functions may cease within minutes without machine assistance, too soon for physicians to determine whether the brain damage is irreversible.

Dr. Burleson said physicians are reluctant to use the machines, however, because they have no legal sanction to turn them off if the brain turns out to be dead.

Dr. Richard Masland, former professor of neurology at Columbia University, said the present law is "archaic."

Last Spring, a New York State judge ruled that "brain death" is the legal end of life. In the absence of a state statute on the subject, however, that ruling does not bind other state judges. The traditional rule of common law is that life continues so long as breathing and heartbeat do.

PRE-SCHOOL

Parents planning to send their three- and four-year-olds to the St. Charles Borromeo pre-school for the first time should register this week at the school office. Children already in the program need not be registered again. The office, at 64 Maiden Lane, will be open from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. through Jan. 9. The first semester ends Jan. 23, and the new one begins Jan. 26.

AS I SEE IT



Pat Costa

CBS' decision to schedule "60 Minutes" at 7 p.m. Sunday nights opposite "Walt Disney" on NBC and "Swiss Family Robinson" on 13 is deplored here.

Ostensibly screened at that time to give adults a choice other than "Kid Fare," the show, which is the very best regular news-oriented program on the air, gets short shrift at our house. Early Sunday evening is family viewing time and it is easier on the nerves to give way to the cherubs than try to convince them that Mike Wallace et al. have something to interest everybody.

On the other hand late night viewing (that is 10 to 11 p.m.) on Sundays has never been anything to write home about on any of the three major networks. It still isn't — with "Ellery Queen" reset for NBC, movies of varying quality on ABC, and the ponderous "Bronk" on CBS. CBS could score with "60 Minutes" in that time slot if it would chance it.

An interesting item in a column edited by Evelyn E. Smith in the January issue of "Family Circle"

Father Berry to Be First CIM Lecturer

Elmira — Father Thomas Berry, OP, will be the lecturer in the first of the current Christian Institute of Man Series at the Park Church, 208 West Gray at 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12. Father Berry will give an overview of the entire series, Human Experience in Literature. He will then discuss the work of Kamala Markandaya, a novelist from India.

Father Berry holds a Ph.D. in cultural historical development from Catholic University. He also studied in China before being expelled in 1948. After serving

Danish Film Draws CDC Opposition

The filming of a Danish movie titled "The Love Life of Jesus Christ" has drawn the attention of Citizens for a Decent Community. They are protesting the Danish Government's \$278,000 grant for the production of the pornographic and anti-religious film.

The thrust of the CDC protest is a prayer campaign for the conversion of Denmark as well as reparation for the blasphemy the film represents.

NAS Now Admits Women

Urban G. Kress, executive secretary of the Nocturnal Adoration Society recently announced that a revision of the society's statutes allows women to become auxiliary members.

Several of the group's centers have already received a substantial number of applicants.

Monthly vigils are held on the last Saturday of the month from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral, St. Andrew's, Blessed Sacrament, and St. Helen's. A vigil is held each third Saturday at Holy

Magazine quotes a Dr. David Love of UCLA as saying that television violence can have a "pernicious effect" on the minds of adults as well as children. Even more interesting, however, is the theory put forth by Ms. Smith that people pick the shows that fit their tastes and therefore it may be the aggressive viewer who chooses mayhem, not the mayhem which converts the viewer. This should be grist for the mill for all those researchers attempting to assay the effect of cartoons, for example.

The next time I begin to denigrate the rerun I promise to remind myself that there are exceptions. Over the Christmas weekend I took advantage of the repeat showing of "This House of Brede" starring Diana Rigg as a middle aged woman who becomes a Benedictine nun. It was a light shining brightly in the dark recesses of a Holiday TV schedule.

Count me among those who've been enjoying Channel 13's Saturday night late movies. The oldies but goodies shown under the title "Golden Theatre" are mainly Goldwyn films: "Guys and Dolls" with Marlon Brando; Jean Simmons and Frank Sinatra and "Roseanna McCoy" were two that made me nostalgic for the movie days of my youth. And what a revelation! I had no idea the first time around just how badly a tune could fare in Brando's hands or vocal chords. Anyway the off key duets with him and Simmons diminished the pleasure not at all.

He is the author of "Buddhism, 1967; The Religions of India, 1971; and recently published another book on China. This will be Dr. Berry's fourth year as a guest lecturer for the series.

The CDC hopes to stop the filming through an economic boycott, urging people not to purchase Danish goods. They also have sought the help of Arab governments. The late King Faisal of Saudi Arabia once stopped the movie's filming by threatening an oil embargo, according to the CDC. Islamic leaders revere Christ as a holy prophet, and the CDC hopes that either Faisal's successors or other Arab countries can be persuaded to threaten an oil supply cutoff to force withdrawal of the grant.

Name of Jesus. Requests for membership may be made through parish priests.

CHARISMATIC LUNCHEON

Praise Ministries will hold its first charismatic luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m., Jan. 14 at the Island Valley Golf Club, 1200 Fairport Road. The speaker will be Bill Freeman, director of the Northeast Division of the Christian Broadcasting Network. For reservations call 586-3325.

Prayer Groups

The following Prayer Groups are predominately Roman Catholic in attendance. This directory has been compiled and will be maintained by the Communication Committee of Catholic Charismatics in Rochester. Additions or deletions should be mailed to Mrs. Donald Mikel, 3000 St. Paul Blvd., Rochester, New York, 14617.

- SUNDAY**
- St. John the Evangelist (Spencerport) 60 Martha St. Spencerport Frank Ferris 352-4218, 8 p.m.
 - St. Mary's Church 95 North Main St. Canandaigua Sr. Marie Albert, 394-2325
 - St. Mary's Marian Center 1400 N. Franklin St. Elmira Salvatore Ruriani, (607) 732-1248

- MONDAY**
- St. Rose's Church (women) 1985 Lake Ave. Lima Jean LaBore, 582-1319 following 9 a.m. Mass
 - St. Stephen's Charismatic Community DeSole's High School Cor. Pultney & High Sts. Geneva Mrs. Sam Venuti, 789-8552, 8-15 p.m.
 - "One in Love" 109 Laurel Lane Horseheads Bob and Donna Lamm, (607) 739-0231, 7-30 p.m.

- TUESDAY**
- St. Augustine Rectory 410 Chili Ave. Rochester John & Betty Bunce, 235-0235, 8-10 p.m.
 - St. Michael's Prayer Group 3681 Lake Ave. Rochester William & Mary Buechel, 663-7645, 8 p.m.
 - St. Mary's Charismatic Prayer Group 42 East Morris St. Bath Mary Biblin, (607) 726-6726, 7-30 p.m.

- WEDNESDAY**
- Miranatha Prayer Group 1 7369 E. Main St. Lima Bill & Bobbie Buechel, 624-4259, 8 p.m.
 - Chadash Prayer Community 840 Clark on Hamlin Townline Rd. Hamlin Helen & Warren Lynch, 964-2398, 7-30 p.m.

- Holy Cross School 4488 Lake Ave. Rochester Frank Kirchgessner, 865-2650, 8 p.m.
- St. Michael's Prayer Group (women) 3681 Lake Ave. Rochester Mary Buechel, (607) 7645, 10-30 a.m.
- Bethlehem Prayer Community 479 Covewood Blvd. Webster Dick & Mary Mahany, 674-1845, 8 p.m.

- Emmanuel 132 Illinois St. Rochester Judy Costello, 654-9597, 9-30 a.m.
- Donald & Mary Lou Mikel 3000 St. Paul St. Rochester 266-3749, 8 p.m.
- St. Pius X Prayer Community 3000 Chili Ave. Rochester Bob Dunning, 247-3740, 8 p.m.

- THURSDAY**
- St. Anne's Prayer Group 1600 Mt. Hope Ave. Rochester Margaret Whitney, 463-1656, 8 p.m.
 - Precious Blood Prayer Group Our Lady of Mercy Parish School 600 Denise Rd. Greece Barry and Helen Kavanaugh, 663-9327, 8 p.m.

- Santo Spirito St. Francis 814 Bay St. Rochester Jose Malave, 442-7759, 7 p.m. Isreal Santiana, 482-1252, 7 p.m.
- Upper Room Prayer Group St. John's School W. DeZerg St. Clyde Joseph DiSanto, 92-7865, 7-15 p.m.
- St. Charles Prayer Group St. Charles Borromeo Church Nursery 3003 Dewey Ave. Rochester John Tallner, 664-4851, 8 p.m.

- Women at the Well (women) 451 Dalia Lane Rochester Mary Termini, 544-5211, 12-45 p.m.
- St. Paul's Prayer Group St. Paul's Church 781 Hard Road Webster John Failor, 671-6090, 8 p.m.

- FRIDAY**
- The Glory of YAHWEH Group St. Augustine Rectory 410 Chili Ave. Rochester Marty Lynch, 165-1035, 8 p.m.
 - Armand & Kathy Languay 411 Tobey Rd. Pittsford 101-1949, 8 p.m.

- Sacred Heart of Jesus Prayer Group St. Lawrence School 3000 N. Caywood Rd. Greece Klaus Schulz, 942-9646, 8 p.m.

- SATURDAY**
- M. & M. Holy Burges W. Union St. Newton 341-3841, 9 p.m.
 - St. Monica's Church 34 Monica St. Rochester John & Rita Donnelly, 328-1332, 3 to 5 p.m.
 - John & Rita Donnelly 34 Monica St. Rochester 328-1332, 8 p.m.