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Chrism Mass 1978

Clockwise from above, Father James Marvin drinks from the Chalice at the Communion of the Chrism Mass celebrated last Tuesday at Sacred Heart Cathedral; The urn containing the Sacred Chrism, consecrated at the Mass; The Sacred Heart Cathedral Choir sings under the baton of Anthony Rimore; Dorothea Denninger reads the second lesson of the liturgy.







A mother whose child rides the same bus as our younger children do called me recently to tell me that her six year old, at the prodding of a much older student who has promised her money, had called our second grader a "bad

There would be an apology on the bus the next day, she said. The information was news to me. I thanked her for her concern and we chatted briefly before hanging up.

I questioned our youngster who confirmed the incident with mild ado.

As it so happened our parent-teacher conference was scheduled for that same night and we mentioned the matter to our daughter's teacher. An isolated instance does not disturb me much but I wanted to be sure I wasn't playing ostrich with head in sand.

The teacher pretty much guessed from our daughter's demeanor. The problem was not monumental.

As long as there are children, she noted, there will be name calling. A child who is different—in size, skin color, freckle count, etc. will be singled out.

But then she got to the beart of the matter. It is the child who is envious of another who is unsure of his

own status, lovability, etc. who does the name calling (or as in this case bribes another to do it.)

It is the same with adults. Next time you hear a derogatory word, a disparaging phrase, take a good look at the individual it's coming from. You can bet that he or she won't be the same person with countless friends, the high achiever, the local success

story

And if you know the individual well enough: you'll also know he doesn't think much of himself.

A person who knows his own worth, does not attempt to cut another down. It is only the individual who believes he is inferior who feels the need to bring another down to what he thinks is his level.

Liturgy of Hope

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