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Tobin in New Post, Replaced by Davitt

Albany — The State Catholic Conference, action arm of the state's Catholic bishops, has created the position of general counsel and secretary and has named its long-time executive director, Charles J. Tobin Jr.,

to the post.

J. Alan Davitt has been named to succeed Tobin as executive director.

In his new position, Tobin will be responsible for legal

Will Bishops Delete 'Men' from Prayers?

nation's Catholic bishops will not intended," the committee consider removing so-called, said in its report. "Whatever "sexist language" from can be done to alleviate any liturgical prayers when they meet here for their annual a large segment of the convention Nov. 12-15.

Removal of the wording, particuarly from the Eucharistic prayer said during Mass, is being considered for two reasons: to remove ant unintended offense and to conform more accurately with the original Latin.

The proposal is being presented as a report from the seven-member bishops committee on the liturgy, chaired by Archoishop Rembert Weakland of Milwaukee.

The action is being taken to

"facilitate the full and active participation of the entire 220 of the 330 bishops, must assembly in all liturgical approve the proposal and then actions," said William Ryan, a it must also be approved by spokesman for the U.S. the Vatican before the change Catholic Conference. can be incorporated.

"It is a fact that some Resolutions favoring this members of our eucharistic, action have been passed by assemblies feel excluded or the Canon Law Society, the alienated from the prayer of Federation of Diocesan the church by the words Liturgical Commissions and addressed to God or the the National Coalition of community by one who American Nuns.

NCCW: Ordain Women Deacons

Washington — In the

In a position paper on ordination was a policy of 777 T. BIRI the organization. In a "Women in the Church," telephone interview last the 10 to 14 million member week, Greenburg told the NCCW, through its 526 Q. executive committee, has Courier Journal that he had not received a comoffered to work with other 7 MINUTES FROM DOWNTOWN 1/2 MILE OFF women in the Church "in munication back from the ROUTE 490___E. ROCHESTER seeking to open wider ministries for women." LCWR. The paper, prepared under the leadership of Bette Hillemeier, NCCW's **JOHN PAUL II** president, accepts the 1976 THE PEOPLE'S POPE Vatican declaration closing Everyone was filled with joy and inthe priesthood to women' but notes that the declaration leaves open the spiration when Pope John Paul II visited the United States. Now, to commemorate question of women as the historic visit of our Pilgrim Pope, we deacons. The paper states: offer you this beautiful antique brass "We support the proposal to medallion, with its own special chain, as examine the feasibility of your very important and memorable establishing the diaconate keepsake. for women? Please send check or money order to: Via Chris, 104 So. 2nd St., Emmaus, Pa. 18049 Meanwhile, in Chicago, S. Thomas Greenburg, a spokesman for the Institute Name on Religious Life, an af-filiation of 90 women's Address religious communities, again tackled the Leadership Conference of Women Religious (LCWR) for the City

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Washington (RNS) - The presides, even though this is hurt or feeling of alienation of assembly must be undertaken.'

> The major change is that the word "men" will be deleted from the Eucharistic prayer. The prayer at Mass presently says, Christ's blood was "shed for you and for all men." The new version would read "shed for you and for all.

Second, the revisions would allow the celebrant to substitute an inclusive word or phrase in prayers in which "the generic term 'man' or its" equivalent is found."

A two-thirds majority, or

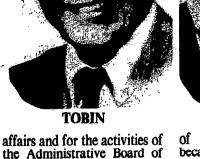
continuing discussion of ordination of women to the priesthood, the National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW), has urged that women rally around an alternative proposal: to

statements made by Sister

Theresa Kane, president, to Pope John Paul II at the

National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. At that time. Sister Theresa publicly asked the pontiff to consider opening priesthood to women. the

Shortly after, Greenburg ehallenged the LCWR to ordain women as deacons. reveal whether women's



Bishops, the governing body

Davitt has been with the

conference for 12 years in educational affairs, as

executive secretary for the

Councils of Catholic School

Superintendents and Directors

of Religious Education. He

has been assistant conference

The appointments were

announced by Cardinal Terence Cooke, Archbishop

of New York City, president

director for the same period.

of the conference.



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of the conference. They became effective Nov. 1.

Tobin has been executive director for 25 years.

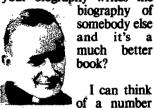
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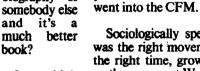
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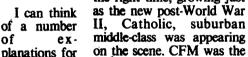


of

planations for the excellence of John Kotre's new book, "Simple Gifts" (Andrews and Mc-Meel). First of all I could kid myself by saying that Professor Kotre has matured as a writer. Surely, such an observation would be valid. "Simple Gifts" marks his definitive arrival as one of the most skillful interpreters of contemporary American Catholicism, a man whom the American church simply has to take seriously.

I could also say that "Simple Gifts" is a much





Sociologically speaking it was the right movement. at the right time, growing just as the new post-World War II, Catholic, suburban

Gerard David: National Gallery

Christmas Stamp

The Holy Family resting on the way to Egypt is the subject of a new Christmas stamp in-

troduced by its designer, Bradbury Thompson,

during ceremonies in Washington, D.C. (RNS).

The Church 1979

By Father Andrew Greeley

instituted," said one of my

classmates. It was an ex-

traordinary phenomenon. It

is safe to say that in the good sense of the word the Crowleys were "whole soul."

Their energy and

imagination, vision and down-to-earth humanity

provided the basic drive that

church's first response to the changing social and economic situation of the

Catholic family. It was an

One can be melancholy

when one reads "Simple

Gifts" and say what a tragedy that the full promise

of CFM was never achieved.

As Kotre notes, "One en-cyclical ignited CFM in

1943, another came close to

snuffing it out a quarter of a century later." From the enthusiasm of "Mystici

immense success.

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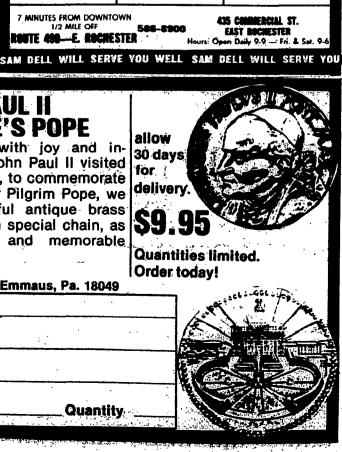
more personal biography than "The Best of Times, the Worst of Times," his book about me, which is a more intellectual biography.

But, I guess, the simple truth about "Simple Gifts" is that Pat and Patty Crowley are far more interesting people than I was, or am, or ever will be. Kotre's biography of them provides a much more interesting prism to view the changes in American Catholicism since 1950. It is a warm, sensitive, honest, intelligent portrait, and those who belong in the Christian Family Movement (CFM), or grew up in CFM families ought not to miss Kotre's portrait of two "ordinary" people who did extraordinary things, and in retrospect turned out not to have been ordinary at all.

Back in the late 1950s, when my generation were "young priests," CFM seemed to be the most exciting and dynamic thing that was going on in the church-"the best thing since the seventh sacrament was

Corporis" to the despair which followed "Humanae Vitae," many things changed in the church. But I would prefer to say that CFM did achieve much of its promise and then was transmuted to other forms and dynamisms that continue to flourish in the church. Patty Crowley can look back on an extraordinary movement, which within its bwn context was a spectacular

success. Kotre's book is not hagiography. The mistakes as well as the successes, the failures as well as the achievements, are all carefully chronicled. From the founding of the CFM to the ill-fated birth control commission and after, **Patrick** and **Patricia** Crowley symbolized and represented some of the finest impulses in American Catholicism. John Kotre's story of their life and work is moving, compassionate and perceptive. It is a chapter in the American Catholic story (and the Chicago story), of which we all may be justifiably proud,



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