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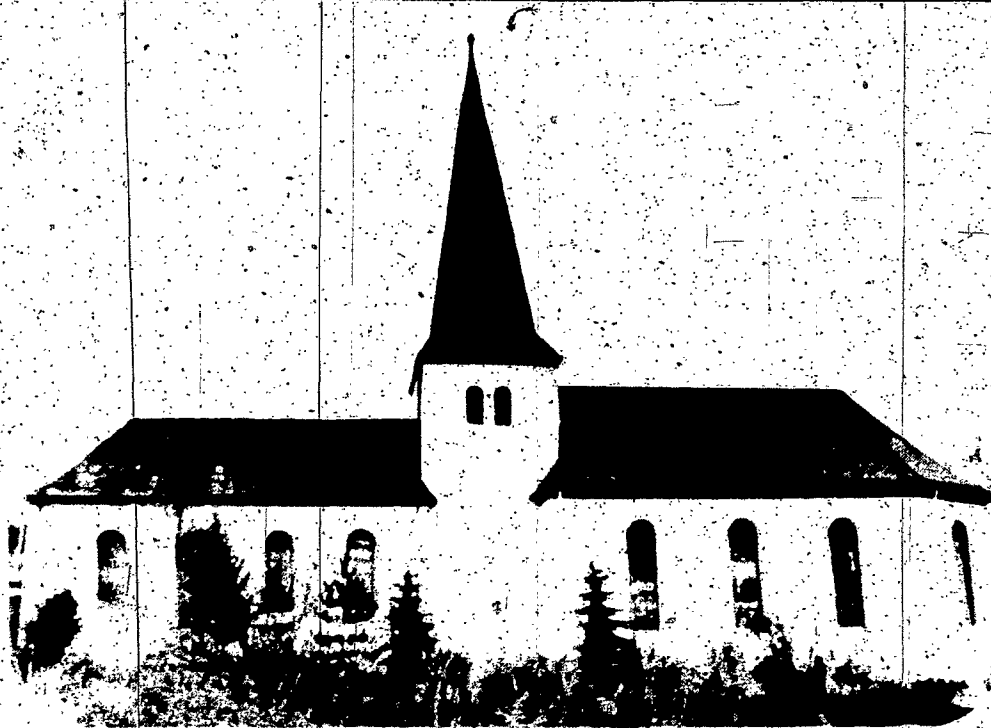
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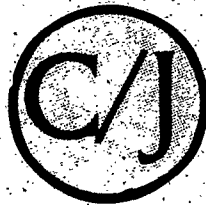
## Steeple

The steeple bells are ringing in Roedgen, West Germany for two churches, Protestant and Catholic parishes, which share a mutual tower. The Protestant church and the tower were built in 1780. Nearly one hundred years later, when Roman Catholics of the area planned to erect a new house of worship, they joined the new church building to the steeple area of the original structure. It was a cost and energy-saving idea ahead of its time.

## Fund Nears \$50,000

The Courier-Journal Catholic Charities Christmas Fund drive has nearly reached its goal of \$50,000. More than \$45,000 has been collected thus far and there's still time to help by sending a donation to:

Courier-Journal/Catholic Charities  
Christmas Fund  
50 Chestnut St.  
Rochester, N.Y. 14604



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## Cambodian Relief

Persons wishing to donate for the relief of the refugees of Cambodia are asked to send contributions to:

Cambodian Relief  
123 East Ave.  
Rochester, N.Y. 14604

The diocesan effort is being coordinated jointly by the local Missions Office and the International Commission for Justice and Peace.

## Pope John Paul: Truth and Peace Are Interlinked

Vatican City (RNS) — Pope John Paul II has called those who preach peace while continuing the escalation in the arms race hypocritical.

In a 15-page message released for the World Day of Peace, yesterday, Jan. 1, the pope said he could not "fail to say a word about the arms race."

"The situation in which humanity is living today," he continued, "seems to include a tragic contradiction between the many fervent declarations in favor of peace and the no less real vertiginous escalation in weaponry. The very existence of the arms race can even cast a suspicion of falsehood and hypocrisy on certain declarations of the desire for peaceful co-existence. What is worse, it can often even justify the impression that such declarations serve only as a cloak for opposite intentions."

The pontiff's comment came in the wake of a heated debate in western Europe over the decision to deploy more than 500 Pershing 2 rocket launchers and cruise missiles there. NATO voted recently to approve the move which the left-wing as

well as some Catholic groups argued would be a step-up in the arms race.

The pope, however, has never commented personally on the affair.

The NATO proposal came in response to a Soviet decision to deploy new missiles of its own aimed at Western Europe. NATO argued that it could maintain a nuclear balance in Europe only with the new missiles, which will be ready

for installation in 1983.

communications media and so on" — as a method of undermining peace.

He said that limitations on freedom of thought are a cause of war. "Violence flourishes in lies, and needs lies," he said. "What should one say of the practice of combatting or silencing those who do not share the same views by labeling them as enemies, attributing to them hostile intentions and using skillful and constant propaganda to brand them as aggressors?"

"Another form of non-truth," he said, "consists in refusing to recognize and respect the objectively legitimate and inalienable

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rights of those who appeal to freedom of thought. Non-truth is at work when oppressive intentions are attributed to those who clearly show that their one concern is to protect and defend themselves against real threats, threats which, alas, are still to be found both within a country and between nations."

The pope called for dialogue between adversaries to advance the cause of peace. "There is no peace without readiness for sincere and continual dialogue," he said, adding that "truth has no fear either of honorable agreements, because truth brings with it the light that enables it to enter into such an agreement without sacrificing essential convictions and values."

The pontiff asked for "the ground for fresh advances in justice and brotherhood and in the peaceful co-existence of all human beings."

The World Day of Peace speech is a New Year's tradition started by Pope Paul VI 13 years ago. Pope John Paul chose the theme, "Truth, Force of Peace," for this year.

His message condemned lying in all forms — "partial or slanted information, sectarian propaganda, manipulation of the com-

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## Mother Slain, Priest Asks Prayers

"I hope people know that we would be most appreciative of prayer and Masses for my mother and for the strength of the family."

Such was the simple message of Father Eugene McFarland to the diocese upon the tragic death of his mother, Mrs. Gertrude McFarland, 97, apparently beaten to death at her home on Gregory Street in Rochester Christmas night.

The home, where Mrs. McFarland had lived for some 52 years, had been ransacked, according to police. She lived alone in the house since her husband, Eugene, died in 1957.

Father McFarland, who is pastor of St. Patrick's Church in Macedon, had

visited with his mother until about 8 p.m. Christmas.

"We exchanged presents and talked," he said. "She was in fine spirits and health for a woman her age."

Father McFarland said that in lieu of flowers, friends may contribute to the memorial fund of the Rosary for Peace through St. Patrick's in Macedon or by having Masses said.

Other survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Fred (Ronnie) Hanna of Arlington, Va.; a son, Bart McFarland of Black River, N.Y.; three grandchildren, two great-grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial took place Saturday at St. Patrick's. Burial was at St. Anne's Cemetery in Palmyra.



MRS. MCFARLAND