# El Salvador Intervention **Denounced by Pontiff**

By Eleni Dimmler Religious News Service Correspondent

Vatican City (RNS) — Pope John Paul II denounced El Salvador's "fratricidal war" and called for an end to foreign military interference in the Central American

In his first major statement on El Salvador in more than a year, the pope cited the words of Bishop Arturo Rivera Damas, apostolic administrator of San Salvador: "The arms come from abroad, but the dead are all our own

Speaking to some 35,000 people in St. Peter's Square for his Sunday noon blessing, the pontiff said he joined the bishops of El Salvador in appealing for an end to violence so that the country could dreate the conditions to give itself a just and pacific social order."

The Salvadoran bishops, in a Feb. 17 appeal, said, "We find that the conflict, which has internal causes, has become internationalized in such a way that decisions on how to solve it are out of the hands of the Salvadorans. It is clear that the great powers contribute to maintaining the

"The drama of El Salvador provokes a vast echo in the world, with differing reactions in favor of one or the other side, while the local population, the innocent victim, pays the highest price in tears and blood," the pope observed.

The pope's remarks followed a recent audience he granted Archbishop John R. Roach of St. Paul-Minneapolis, president of the United States National Conference of Catholic

bishops advocate a peaceful solution to the conflict and oppose American military assistance to the Salvadoran military-civilian junta.

The Reagan administration claims that the Soviet Union and Cuba are supplying Salvadoran guerrillas with weapons and training.

Amnesty International and other human rights groups have charged that the majority of the estimated 32,000 violent deaths in El Salvador since 1979 were due to the action of government forces and right-wing paramilitary groups.

The pope's strongest previous statement on El Salvador was in December 1980, when he condemned terrorist violence after three U.S. nuns and a lay missionary were murdered. Former members of El Salvador's National Guard have been accused by the The American Catholic government in the killings.

## Redemptorists Note Clement

At Masses on Monday, March 15, diocesan Redemptorists will celebrate the sanctity of a member of their own order. St. Clement Mary Hofbauer.

According to a release from good deal on foot.

Father Patrick Healy, CSSR, pastor of Our Lady of Victory Church, the saint is known for his many travels, and that, as the one chosen to take the congregation beyond the Alps into Europe, he traveled a

## **Charismatics Host Betty Tapscott**

Mrs. Betty Tapscott will speak at a number of locations this weekend, some under the egis of the diocesan Catholic. Charismatic Renewal.

Mrs. Tapscott is the author of a number of books on healing ministry, among them, "Inner Healing," "Set Free," "Fruit of the Spirit," and "Out of the Valley." In addition, she is co-author with Father Robert DeGrandis of "Self-Image."

She will first appear at a Women's Aglow breakfast, 9 a.m., Saturday, March 13 in Elmira. Mrs. Alicia Ruriani has further information and she is reached by calling (607) 732-1248.

Mrs. Tapscott will speak at a ceremony of reconciliation and healing at 7:30 p.m. that same day at Blessed Sacrament Church in

At that event, "There will be prayer teams available for individual ministry after her



MRS. TAPSCOTT

talk, and priest available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation," a release from the Charismatic Renewal Office

In addition, Mrs. Tapscott will speak at 4 p.m., Sunday, March 14 at St. Christopher's Church, and at 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 15 at the North Chili Community Church.

Father Healy indicated that St. Clement "trod a good part of the map of Europe.

"Consumed with 'zeal," Father Healy said, Clement "joyfully proclaimed the Gospel. Persecuted and vilified, he grasped every opportunity and used every means to teach with authority and compassion for the multitude hungry for the Word of God ... Wealthy or poor, learned or ignorant, all found Christ in Clement's catechism, teaching, counseling and preaching. He made the Holy Mass the center of everything. The liturgy was so beautiful people spent hours at church. Most of all ... all found grace and reconciliation through Clement and his band of Redemptorist confessors.'

#### They Talk For Honors

The Aquinas Institute Debate Team claimed four first place trophies in the recent Potsdam State University Tournament. Individual achievements included: junior Mark Kershner's victory in prose reading; Ed Boland's first place performance in interpretation of "Oed "Oedipus Rex"; Steve deLaroche's victory. in extemporaneous; and Mike Clifford's win in the impromptu segment.

### **Deaths** William F. McCarthy, **Aquinas Promoter**

Funeral services were held last evening, March 9, at Corpus Christi Church for William F. McCarthy who died Saturday, March 6, 1982.

Mr. McCarthy had been associated with Aquinas Institute for more than 40 years — as a student, a teacher, a promoter and an archivist.

Although he retired in 1978, Mr. McCarthy took on A. McCarthy; two aunts and the post of school archivist several nieces and nephews.

and had completed a booklet on the history of the Aquinas Championship Bouts for this Friday's 50th anniversary celebration of the event.

Mr. McCarthy's devotion to the school earned him thesobriquet, "Mr. Aquinas."

Mr. McCarthy is survived by his mother, Mary Ellen McCarthy; one sister, Mrs. Raymond (Betty) Bardol; two brothers, John Wand Paul



WILLIAM MCCARTHY

### Fr. Mockevicius Named to **State Unit**

Albany. — Father Dominic Mockevicius, chaplain at Craig Developmental Center in Sonyea, has been named by Cardinal Terence Cooke to serve on the Committee on the State Chaplaincy Apostolate.

The committee reviews the principles which govern the chaplaincy ministry and provides information on particular issues to the State Catholic Conference, the bishops of the state.

## Kelly Makes

Nazareth Academy senior Mary Ann Kelly has been named a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship competition. This honor puts her among the top .5 percent of high school seniors in the U.S., and she is now eligible to receive a \$1,000 scholarship award from major industries.

Mary Ann, who has won the Bausch and Lomb Science Award, is a member of the National Honor Society. She has been named in the national listing of Outstanding High School Students, and last year, was a finalist in the Junior of the Year awards program of the Notre Dame Club of Rochester.

Mary Ann plans to attend Georgetown University in the fall to pursue a career in political science.

#### **Knights** Slate Dinner

The Knights of Equity, Rochester Court 10, an Irish fraternal organization, and its auxiliary, the Daughters of Erin, will sponsor their 47th annual St. Patrick's Day dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 17, at the Genesee Plaza Holiday Inn.

Father Jeremiah Moynihan, associate pastor of Holy Cross Church and chaplain of Court 10, will be the principal speaker. Master of ceremonies will be Brendan O'Riordan. Irish entertainment will be featured.

Reservations may be made by contacting the following committee members: Thomas R. Coughlin, 288-5718; Daniel W. O'Brien, 482-7016; Kenneth T. Power, 573-2442; George F. Fay, 442-9654; or Arthur P. Farren, 328-4386.

#### **Registration Set** At Annunciation

Annunciation Elementary School will re-register students prekindergarden to grade six from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and 7-8 p.m., on Thursday and Friday, March 11-12. Parents of children wishing to attend Annunciation School for the first time may register in the school office between 8:30 a.m. and I p.m., on Sunday, March 14.

For new registrations, parents should supply the child's birth and baptismal certificate, record of immunizations, history of childhood illnesses. There is a registration fee payable at the time of registration: \$20 per family for parishioners of Annunciation; \$50 per family plus \$20 each child for nonparishioners.

For further information contact Mrs. Evelyn Kirst, principal, at 342-8390.

Sister Diane Branch, SSJ

Viewpoint: Sisters Reflect



#### The Church In the 1980s

Being in the Seattle area these days is an especially alive experience of Church. Archbishop Hunthausen has taken the initiative of personal action in the pursuit of world peace and has urged all of us to "think profoundly and pray deeply over the issue of nuclear armaments," saying that it is necessary that everyone take some kind of active role in bringing peace to the world. There is a mixed blessing in facing the crises and troubling issues of today's world. We seem to be shifting gears into a very explicit church — a church more willing to step out and stand up for the Gospel message.

Jesus was a man in the midst - in the midst of the issues, in the midst of the common people, in the midst of all who needed healing and unconditional love. He spoke out in defense of truth and justice and touched those who were bruised and sorrowing. Being with one another by sharing our personal convictions and our lives in faith is an on-going need and growing necessity being expressed and responded to as we seek to interpret the tragedy and

truth, the brokenness and beauty that is always a part of our fragile human lives.

The search for God in prayer is more evident in people's lives, even as that search coexists with the movements to ban religion and prayer from our teaching institutions. As this opposition grows, the more do we see witness to the power of prayer and the willingness to trust that if we let God take over in our lives, he works through us, reverently allowing us to retain our own unique personal identity.

So, I see these as the signs of the future — great hope in the face of adversity and the growing involvement of lay persons in the church as "relational" leadership grows. The importance of "relationships," to God and to one another, supportively bonding in faith with the willingness to absorb pluralism and the desire to seek and impart forgiveness. In telling our "stories" we realize that all of us have our own "mini"-salvation history, where the Lord engages us in the dance of life, revealing Himself to us and drawing us ever on toward "home."

Sister Diane Branch, SSJ, formerly a Pastoral Assistant at St. Joseph's Church, Penfield, currently studying in Seattle.





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