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JUDGMENT

Diocesan Media Work 'Of Poor Quality'

Washington (NC) — A review by five Church and industry broadcast and education professionals of radio and television programs produced by Catholic dioceses in the United States in the past year found that "generally, the materials are of poor quality."

The reviewers found that material produced by Catholic Church syndicators, such as the Paulist Fathers, the Franciscans and the Passionists, was superior to material produced by dioceses.

Presenting the conclusions of the review, Paulist Father John Geaney, president of UNDA-USA, the national Catholic association of broadcasters and allied communicators, said that, in the words of one reviewer, the material reviewed was "not competitive with the state of the art" in telecommunications today.

In early October, the reviewers evaluated a sampling of the 276 entries of materials in the 1982 catalogue of Catholic television and radio productions. Twenty-three television programs, 15 radio shows, and TV and radio spots were reviewed. The evaluators judged that materials sent by diocesan directors were excellent 16 times, good 37 times, acceptable 58 times, poor 28 times and bad 10 times.

They rated material sent by syndicators as excellent to good 77 times, acceptable 18 times, poor three times and bad not at all.

Conclusions to be drawn from the review, Father Geaney said, are that:

"There is an urgent need for training of Catholic Church communicators in the United States."

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• The qualities needed to be a good priest, pastor or religious are not necessarily the same as those needed to be a good person for media work. "We need to rely much more heavily than we do now on trained lay experts in the communications field and advise them or train them how to deal with the theological issues necessary for good Catholic communications."

• It may be necessary to spend Church resources in a much more centralized way.

Father Geaney noted that "far fewer radio productions are available in the Church than television programs." UNDA-USA's statistical summary indicates that 94 television titles and 46 radio titles were produced during the past year. He recommended that the Church consider "using radio as a tool of evangelization much more frequently than it does now."

Pope's Journeys Show No Sign of Letting Up

Vatican City (NC) — History's best-traveled pope has no plans to slow his pace in the next two years, if three separate announcements made Dec. 6 are any indication.

On that day, speaking at a private audience at the Vatican to some 70 Austrian parliamentarians, Pope John Paul II said that he hoped to visit their country during 1983.

He did not give any specific dates for the visit, but in July 1982 Cardinal Franz Konig of Vienna said on Vatican radio that the pope planned to visit Austria on Sept. 10, 1983, for the closing ceremonies of a national year of faith.

Also on Dec. 6, Swiss bishops emerging from an official five-year visit with the pope told reporters that the pontiff would visit Switzerland for the celebration of Pentecost in June 1984.

Archbishop Otmar Maeder of Sankt Gallen, president of the Swiss Bishops' Conference, said that the pope's trip to Switzerland would be "very simple" and "not very costly."

The pope had originally planned a pastoral visit to Switzerland in mid-1981, but his plans were changed by the attack on his life in St. Peter's Square on May 13 that year.

Catholics to make up for the pastoral aspect of the missed 1981 trip.

Archbishop Maeder said that the pope's 1984 itinerary will include a visit to the World Council of Churches in Geneva.

Also on Dec. 6, Cardinal Pablo Munoz Vega of Quito, Ecuador, announced there, upon his return from Rome, that the pope would visit Ecuador in mid-1984, during a trip to several Latin American countries.

In addition to the Dec. 6 announcements, there have been other announcements of planned papal visits abroad in the next two years.

Several weeks ago, church sources in Central America forecast a trip there for the pope in late February of 1983. Vatican sources say that the pope is planning such a trip but that final arrangements have not yet been made and the itinerary is still being juggled. High on the probability list, they say, is a stop in Haiti for a meeting of the Council of Latin American Bishops conference that will be held there at that time.

Canadian bishops have already announced a visit of the pope to that country in the fall of 1984, and the Vatican has confirmed that the pope will begin a visit to his native Poland on June 18, 1983.

Charismatics Slate Leadership Seminar

The diocesan office of Charismatic Liaison has slated an all-day leadership seminar, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 12, at the liaison office, 33 Monica St. off Genesee Street.

Promotional literature states: "This day... is designed for the training of scripture leaders to evaluate their own personal relationship with Our Lord and receive some thoughts and details for starting and operating successfully

scripture study at home, in church or prayer meeting.

The cost of materials is \$5 and suggested reading for the program is "Spiritual Leadership," by J. Oswald Sanders. The book is available through Logos Bookstore.

Reservations are made prior to Jan. 22 through Georgette Ermatinger, 224 Shorewood Dr., Webster, N.Y. 14580, (716) 671-5389; or Terry Wolf, 16 Kaylin Dr., Rochester, N.Y. 14624, (716) 594-4242.

Diocesan Calendar of Events

Continuing Education for Religion Teachers (CERT)

Region/Dates	Topic	Place	Time
Seneca-Cayuga Region			
Feb. 8, 15, Mar. 1, 8, 15	Church	St. Mary, Auburn	7:30-9:30 pm
Feb. 24, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24	Basic Doctrine	St. Mary, Waterloo	7:30-9:30 pm
Feb. 28, Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28	Church	St. Thomas, Red Creek	7:30-9:30 pm
Livingston Region			
Jan. 8	Basic Methods 1, 4	St. Mary, Dansville	8:30 am-noon
Jan. 8	Basic Doctrine 5	St. Mary, Dansville	1-2:30 pm
Jan. 12, Feb. 16, Mar. 16	Advanced Methods 3, 4, 5	St. Columba, Caledonia	10 am-noon
Mar. 12	Church 1, 2	St. Mary, Genesee	9:15 am-12:30 pm
Mar. 24, Apr. 14, 21	Church 3, 4, 5	St. Mary, Genesee	9:15-11:30 am
Chemung-Schuyler Region			
Feb. 28, Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28	Scripture	Our Lady of Lourdes, Elmira	7:30-9:30 pm
Feb. 28, Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28	Basic Methods	Our Lady of Lourdes, Elmira	7:30-9:30 pm
Tioga Region			
Mar. 2	Sacraments 2	St. Margaret Mary, Apalachin	7:30-9:30 pm
Mar. 9	Sacraments 5	St. Patrick, Owego	7:30-9:30 pm
Steuben Region			
Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23	Sacraments	St. Patrick, Corning	7:30-9:30 pm
Mar. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	Basic Methods	St. Ann, Hornell	7:30-9:30 pm
Mar. 21, 28, Apr. 11, 18, 25	Basic Doctrine	St. Joseph, Campbell	7:30-9:30 pm
Southwest			
Feb. 24, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24	Basic Doctrine	Holy Ghost, Coldwater	7:30-9:30 pm
Feb. 24, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24	Church	Holy Ghost, Coldwater	7:30-9:30 pm
Feb. 26	Basic Doctrine 1-3	St. Christopher, N. Chili	9 am-3 pm
Feb. 26	Church 1-3	St. Christopher, N. Chili	9 am-3 pm
Mar. 17, 24	Basic Doctrine 4, 5	St. Christopher, N. Chili	10 am-noon
Mar. 17, 24	Church 4, 5	St. Christopher, N. Chili	10 am-noon
Northwest			
Apr. 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10	Basic Doctrine	Sacred Heart Cathedral	9:30-11:30 am
Apr. 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10	Basic Doctrine	Sacred Heart Cathedral	7:30-9:30 pm
North			
Jan. 8	Basic Doctrine 1, 5	St. Salome, Rochester	9:30 am-2:30 pm
Jan. 20	Basic Doctrine 3	St. Andrew, Rochester	7:30-9:30 pm
Jan. 27	Basic Doctrine 2	St. Margaret Mary, Rochester	7:30-9:30 pm
Feb. 3	Basic Doctrine 4	St. Cecilia, Rochester	7:30-9:30 pm
Northeast			
Apr. 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10	Morality/Justice	St. Rita, W. Webster	8-10 pm
Apr. 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11	Morality/Justice	St. Paul, Webster	9:30-11:30 am
Southeast			
Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 24	Church	St. John, Humboldt St.	9:30-11:30 am
Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 24	Church	Guardian Angels, Henrietta	7:30-9:30 pm
Apr. 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12	Basic Methods	St. Louis, Pittsford	9:30-11:30 am
Apr. 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12	Basic Methods	Our Lady of Lourdes, Rochester	7:30-9:30 pm

On June 15, 1982, the pope paid an official one-day visit to Geneva, where he addressed several international organizations, including the Red Cross and the International Labor Organization. He indicated at that time that in the future he would pay a longer pastoral visit to Swiss

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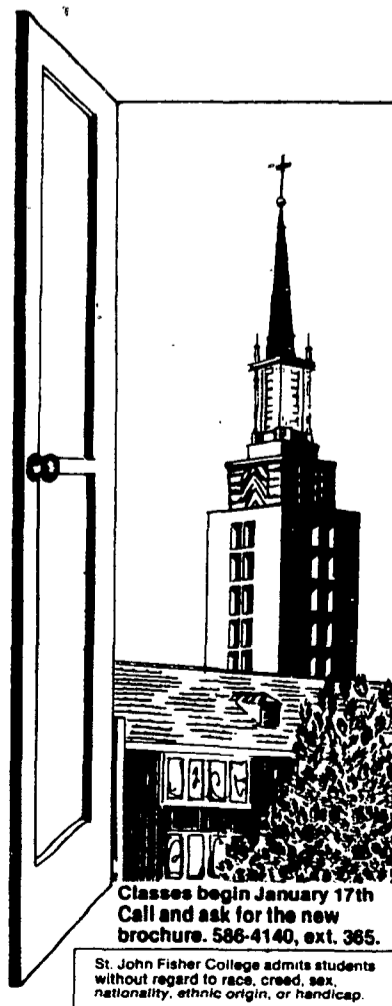
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