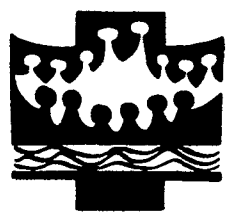


Insights In Liturgy

By Barbara Englert



One with Us

'It is proper that those who are unable to be at the community's celebration should be refreshed with the Eucharist. In this way they may realize that they are united not only with the Lord's sacrifice but also with the community itself and are supported by the love of their brothers and sisters ('Eucharistic Worship Outside of Mass, #14').

As a response to this statement, many parishes have developed outreach eucharistic ministry programs to people in geriatric facilities, sharing Eucharist with them individually and/or communally on a regular basis.

Parish eucharistic ministers generously give of themselves to be with the confined and they should have the benefit of special training in ministry to the sick and aging. They also need continual support in this ministry through enrichment programs, prayer and sharing sessions among themselves.

People confined to residential care homes, health related facilities and skilled nursing homes have suffered many personal losses (health, independence, home, family members, friends, etc.). They may feel a sense of loneliness, rejection, uselessness, and non-belonging; however, it is possible to enable them to retain their experience of Church as a gathering of the people of God. To make this possibility a reality, I suggest that eucharistic ministers, under the guidance of their parish staff and/or the facility's chaplain's office, plan communal services in our geriatric facilities.

My experience as a volunteer chaplain's assistant at Park Ridge Hospital and Nursing Home continually reminds me that being able to express communally and share the presence of the Lord is extremely important in people's lives. In a communal service of Eucharist, people are more likely to see themselves as part of the Church and feel support from each other and the concerned Christians who gather with them. (N.B. This also may be true for certain hospital floors or wings where people stay for extended periods of time.)

A Communion service usually consists of the Liturgy of the Word, Communion Rite and Concluding Rites. It should relate to those gathered and not be so lengthy that people become uncomfortable. Realizing that each situation is unique, the following suggestions are offered:

-- In a geriatric facility the "church" environment is often a dining or activity room. Create a "sacred space" by using a special candle, flowers, a table cloth, worthy vessels for the Eucharist, seasonal symbols, a banner...

-- Music can and should be integrated (even if this is simply playing a record or tape at the beginning or end).

-- Involve the people as ministers. Too often we see the confined as "objects of misery" for whom we come to DO something. We need to realize that we come to BE with them and they have many gifts to share with us. Help them to see that they are ministers by the gift of their gathered presence. Those present may be encouraged to sing. Some may be willing to be ministers of hospitality -- greeting the others. Some may be able and willing to be lectors or eucharistic

ministers. Possibly some can help make a banner during craft activities. And, at the top of the "ideal" but not impossible list, occasionally some may be asked to help plan special services.

-- The liturgy itself could be strengthened by the use of various options (i.e. using the Springling Rite to remind people of their incorporation into the Church through their baptism). The readings can be those of the Sunday, thereby linking the community celebration with this service. The intercessions should include the voiced concerns of this gathered Church community.

Time, effort and patience are needed to help our Communion services in geriatric facilities become viable expressions of Church. It will be well worth our energy if ill and elderly Christians can feel they still belong, they still are one with us, they, too, are Church!

Communion Question

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That language, he said, simply reaffirmed the U.S. bishops' adherence to existing Vatican norms for the general conditions under which Communion under both kinds could be allowed.

As with the Vatican list and the 1970 U.S. extensions, he said, all occasions for the practice of receiving Communion under both kinds are subject to the discretion of the local bishop and to requirements that the people be adequately prepared and that the rite be orderly and reverent.

Father Krisman also pointed out that between 1970, when the bishops rejected Communion under both kinds for Sundays and holy days, and 1978, when they approved it, conditions had changed considerably.

In 1970, he said, priests were still the usual ministers of Communion in most parishes, and distribution under both kinds on Sundays would have been impractical in most places.

But in the 1970s the extensive use of lay extraordinary ministers of Communion became com-

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mon throughout the country. In 1972, in addition, the Holy See revived the permanent diaconate and introduced the lay ministry of acolyte. The result was that by 1978 the size of the congregation had become a far less significant factor in determining whether Communion under both kinds was feasible on Sundays.

Father Krisman said the U.S. bishops are convinced that they acted within their authority in 1978 and are in compliance with church law.



Wallace helps Sister Mary with the packages of Regents examinations.

money was safe at Marine Midland, our Regents exams would certainly be secure," Sister Elaine said.

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