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Pope: Offer Suffering To Avoid Nuclear War

John Paul II has asked sick people to offer their sufferings to God so that the world can avoid a nuclear conflict.

"I ask you in the name of the Lord to offer to him your sufferings for peace between men, for the return to God of those who do not know him, who do not believe in him or who fight him, and so that there will be no more war on earth, above all so that the world may be spared the trial of nuclear conflict," he said Jan. 11 at his general audience in a special message to a group of sick people.

Vatican City (NC) -- Pope talk, the pope said the baptism of Christ was a symbolic act that opened the way toward reconciliation between God and man.

> Speaking to several thousand people in the Pope Paul VI Auditorium, the pope said baptism thus became a visible sign of man's sharing in a "higher

life." "Christ's baptism is a symbolic gesture that signifies the commitment of sacrifice for the purification of mankind. The fact that at that moment the heavens opened tells us that the rec-During the main audience onciliation between God and

man began to work," the pope said.

"At the Jordan River his baptism is only figurative. On the cross he was to receive the baptism that would purify the world," the pope said.

The fact that Christ was baptized even though he was without sin showed his humility, the pope said.

"Even knowing that his mission would profoundly transform the history of the world, he did not begin his ministry with a break from the past, but in the river bed of Judaic tradition," he said. Baptism for us, the pope said, is the communication of divine life along with the freedom from the state of

sin. "Baptism, making us participants in the death and resurrection of the savior, fills us with new life," the

pope said. "Throughout the Christian existence, baptism is the source of a higher life needed by those who, as children of the father in Christ, carry with them the divine resemblance," he said.

'Focus' Unit **Issues Call** For Feb. 2 Celebration

The local organizers of "Focus on the Eucharist," will make a special observance of the Feb. 2 Holy Year day of renewal for religious, called by Pope John Paul II in Rome.

Focus on the Eucharist spokesperson Judith Echanitz said the group, "invites all interested religious, third order members, affiliates, members of secular institutes and lay persons to its monthly Mass and vigil.'

The rites will be held 7:30 p.m., Feb. 2 in St. Salome's Church.

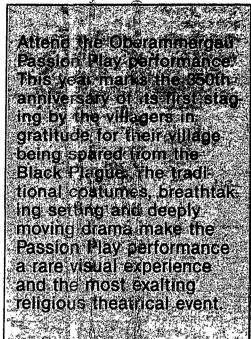
Franciscan Father Charles Adams will offer Mass at 8 p.m. for the Holy Father's intentions for the jubilee.

Following the Mass will be a silent renewal of religious vows or promises in the presence of the Eucharist.

The evening will conclude with Benediction



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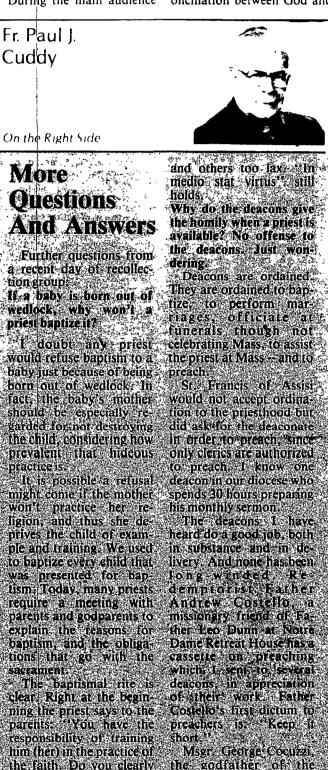
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you. That way you will spend the rest of the week finding a good 'hook' to start the homily. Some parents of new. babies want baptism, not for the supernatural reasons (i.e. to take away original sin, to infuse. I suppose it is because I God's grace, and to am skeptical -about a God's grace, and to am skeptical about a become a vital member of congregation's attention the mystical Body of to our homilies that in Christ, the Church), but season and out of season, because it can be a great 1 urge the listening to social alfair when friends, casselle tapes by masters and relatives gather for a of spirituality and theto-big party. Do you re-mamber, the baptismal prest who searches his party in the movie. The vocation largely to a set of Godfathes¹³? Abo Sheen tapes, which inspired him greatly terent about the baptism themselves, but are pres-sured by concerned modesty is an attractive

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In addition, Mrs. Echanitz said, "A letter of unity and support will be presented that everyone present may read and sign as he or she chooses. The letter will be sent to the Holy Father."

'Runaway' Retreat

A weekend "runaway" retreat has been slated at the Cenacle March 2-4. Designed for "busy, involved women. married or single, who are juggling several re-sponsibilities," the program will allow time for prayer, reflection, listening, sharing and resting. Miss Ruth Page and the Religious of the Cenacle will lead the retreat. The cost is \$50 and reservations and further information is available from the Cenacle Ministry Office, 693 East Ave., Rochester, N.Y. 14607; (716) 271-8755.

Deadline

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