

# Vatican Returns Altar Wine Indult, Modified

Washington (NC) — Sixteen months after it revoked a special U.S. permission for alcoholic priests to use grape juice instead of wine at Mass, the Vatican has reinstated the permission in a modified form.

Bishops will no longer be

able to grant the permission to priests on their own authority, however. Any future requests for the permission will have to be cleared individually with the Vatican Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

Msgr. Daniel Hoye, gener-

al secretary of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, announced the reception of the new Vatican document in early January. He did not release the text but issued a statement describing its contents.

The NCCB official called

the Vatican's latest action on the issue "compassionate and helpful."

From 1974 until September 1983 all diocesan bishops and religious superiors in the United States had a special indult, or permission, to excuse alcoholic priests from ingesting wine when they celebrated Mass. When they were concelebrating with other priests they could take only the host at Communion, and when they were celebrating alone they could use mustum — unfermented grape juice — as a substitute for the wine.

In September 1983, however, Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, head of the doctrinal congregation, notified the NCCB that the indult was revoked. For alcoholic priests celebrating Mass he offered intinction — dipping the host in the cup of consecrated wine — as the only alternative to drinking from the cup. Priests who had already received permission to substitute grape juice under the indult would retain that permission, but no new permissions could be given.

Specialists in alcoholism treatment deplored the 1983 ruling as a backward step that would undermine the recovery of priests suffering from the disease.

Two months after that new instruction came out, the U.S. bishops asked Archbishop Edward O'Meara of Indianapolis, episcopal moderator of the National Council on Clergy Alcoholism and Related Drug Problems, to intervene with Rome to get the indult restored.

The new, more limited permission was the doctrinal congregation's response to that request.

Father John O'Neill, executive director of the council, told National Catholic News Service that the new requirement for each priest's request to be cleared through

the congregation "is a bit of a nuisance, but it still is giving us the indult back. That's the bottom line."

Msgr. Hoye said the doctrinal congregation expressed hope that the alternative of intinction would meet the needs of many recovering alcoholic priests, but indicated that it would consider requests for exceptions "when intinction is deemed unfeasible."

"Such a request should be accompanied by a medical certificate verifying that even a minimal amount of alcohol, such as that ingested by intinction, would endanger the individual's health or recovery," he added.

Father O'Neill said Jan. 11 that he had not yet seen the new letter, but he understood that it also established more

explicit requirements to assure that any grape juice used as a substitute for wine was pure and unadulterated.

It is believed that priests as a group are no more or less likely to be alcoholics than people in general. It is estimated that one out of 10 Americans is an alcoholic or a potential alcoholic.



## Top Salespersons

Brother Brian M. Walsh, Bishop Kearney High School principal, congratulates the top six salespersons from the Kearney Calendar Crusade. All students, alumni, faculty and parents have contributed to make this calendar fundraiser a success, a school spokesperson said. Calendars for 1985, complete with pictures of Kearney's past and present have been sold since early in November with funds helping to defray the cost of a new roof. So far, \$60,000 has been raised. Calendars may be obtained by contacting the school's general office. Above, from left, Elena Cala, Tricia Klube, Brother Brian, top salesman Jeffrey Flaherty, Vincent Yacono, Frank Carlesimo and Michael Radell.

## Pro-Lifers Prepare for Jan. 22 March

Washington (NC) -- Pro-lifers will meet in Washington Jan. 22 for their 12th annual march against abortion.

"Each year the march keeps going and shows the pro-life movement is not going to fade away," said Nellie J. Gray, president of March for Life.

The national march commemorates the Jan. 22, 1973, Supreme Court decision that struck down state laws against abortion. Pro-lifers also hold marches and rallies around the country to protest the abortion decision.

"There are more pro-life Americans than abortionists," Miss Gray said. "By our faith, by our numbers and by our patriotism we can overcome abortion in our country."

This year's march in Washington comes the day after President Reagan is publicly inaugurated for a second term and will be the first big demonstration the new 99th Congress will see, according to Miss Gray.

Marchers will gather at the

### Pancake Breakfast

The Junior Class of Aquinas Institute will serve a pancake breakfast, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Jan. 27 in the school cafeteria. Tickets are \$3 per person or \$10 per family. Tickets are available by calling Mrs. Coletti, 254-2020, or 458-2519 after seven.

### Alcoholism Seminar

Elmira — The monthly Alcoholism Seminar of St. Joseph's Hospital will be held 12:15 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 17, in the Dunn Memorial Building. J. Frank Stark will speak on "Psychology of Motivational Therapy."

Ellipse, between the White House and the Washington Monument, to hear pro-life speeches and prayers, then parade to the Capitol and Supreme Court building.

Miss Gray announced Jan. 9 that Archbishop John J. O'Connor of New York would give the closing prayer at the march and that Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., and Rep. Robert Dornan, R-Calif., would address the marchers.

The theme of the march is "We Do Not Have to Suffer Abortion -- No Exceptions! No Compromise!"

A prayer vigil will take place at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington the night before the march, and the third annual Rose Dinner will follow the march.

Also, the fifth annual Pro-Life Teen Rally will be Jan. 19 in Silver Spring, Md., a suburb of Washington. The event will include speeches, films and a youth Mass.

Last year National Park Service police estimated that 50,000 people gathered at the Ellipse for the march, District of Columbia police estimated the crowd at 30,000 and U.S. Capitol police estimated 25,000-30,000 marchers.

At the 1984 march President Reagan waved to the marchers from the south balcony of the White House after pro-life leaders persuaded Reagan during a meeting earlier in the day to greet the marchers.

### Deadline

The deadline for submitting news to the Courier-Journal is noon on Thursday preceding Wednesday publication.

### Freedom Line

Persons attempting to quit smoking have been encouraged to use the Freedom Line, a telephone recorded message reached at 442-3219. Freedom Line has been developed by the American Lung Association and the University of Rochester, and is a component of a study on smoking cessation funded by the National Cancer Institute. Personal counseling is available over the telephone

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