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MANY PRIESTS, NUNS AND MOST CATHOLICS ARE NOT AWARE THAT THE

VATICAN CONTROLS THE FOLLOWING:

1. THE NEWS MEDIA (ASS. PRESS, U.P.I., ETC.)
2. THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM.
3. FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. (F.B.I., I.R.R., U.S. DEPT. OF LABOR, THE ARMED FORCES AND POLICE, ETC.)
4. THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM, INCLUDING THE SUPREME COURT.
5. THE UNITED NATIONS. (UN GOVERNMENT)
6. THE ONE WORLD CHURCH.
7. THE POST OFFICE AND TELEPHONE CO. (INCLUDING A.T.&T., ETC.)
8. ORGANIZED CRIME. (Mafia, INTERNATIONAL BANKING SYSTEM, AND UNIONS.)
9. COMMUNISM, SOCIALISM, NAZI PARTY, FACISM, ETC.

FOR CENTURIES THE VATICAN HAS PLANNED TO RULE THE WORLD. THE UNITED STATES IS THE 107th NATION TO JOIN THE VATICAN. PRESERVE THE LIVES OF AMERICAN NON-CATHOLICS BY PRESERVING THE U.S. CONSTITUTION. GET CATHOLICS OUT OF PUBLIC OFFICE AND OUT OF GOVERNMENT CONTROLLING POSITIONS IMMEDIATELY, BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE AND BEFORE THE VATICAN BRINGS ABOUT ANOTHER HOLOCAUST AS THEY DID IN NAZI GERMANY. WHEN THE VATICAN TOOK GOVERNMENT CONTROL, SIX MILLION JEWS WERE SLAUGHTERED AND MILLIONS OF OTHERS, SIMPLY BECAUSE THEY WERE NOT CATHOLIC AND WOULD NOT JOIN THE ONE WORLD ORDER. THE VATICAN WILL DO IT AGAIN IN OUR COUNTRY IF WE DON'T ACT NOW.

DO NOT BACK THE UNITED NATIONS OR ANY "ONE WORLD" OR "UNITED" CHURCH. THESE ARE BOTH HEADED BY THE VATICAN. THE VATICAN WANTS EVERYONE IN THE WORLD TO BELIEVE THAT ALL THE WORLD'S PROBLEMS ARE CAUSED BY COMMUNISM AND NOT THE VATICAN, BUT COMMUNISM IS JUST ONE SMALL BRANCH OF THE VATICAN. ALL OTHER RELIGIONS ARE IN IMMEDIATE DANGER, ESPECIALLY TRUE BORN AGAIN CHRISTIAN FUNDAMENTALISTS.

THIS IS NOT HATE AGAINST CATHOLICS. WE ARE ONLY WARNING CATHOLICS TO GET AWAY FROM SUCH AN EVIL ORGANIZATION AS THE ROMAN CATHOLIC INSTITUTION.

Sign of Spring? Anti-Catholic Posters Pop Up Again

A series of new anti-Catholic posters is being placed in public mailboxes and on abandoned buildings across the United States.

More than 40 editors of diocesan newspapers around the United States reported receiving the posters, which accuse the Vatican of being behind violent schemes to rule the world.

(The poster was received last Monday in the Courier-Journal office.)

Buildings in several cities have been plastered with the black and white posters accented with yellow and red, and daily newspapers have received copies. The new posters are reminiscent of an initial set of anti-Catholic posters that appeared a year ago and were sighted in every region of the country.

In Chattanooga, Tenn., two people were arrested March 16 for putting up the posters. Chattanooga police spokesman Lt. Doug Fisher said they were arrested "for violating a city ordinance against defacing public property. They were not arrested for their religious convictions."

If convicted of the misdemeanor, the two, John Kolbeck and William Warrick, face a maximum 30-day sentence and a \$50 fine. Fisher said Warrick gave Los Angeles as his address and Kolbeck listed only Arkansas. Neither gave any business or group affiliation.

The new posters have been spotted on walls in Atlanta, Miami, Dallas and Nashville, Tenn., and Washington, D.C. In the nation's capital, a poster appeared in mid-March on the door of the headquarters

building for the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and U.S. Catholic Conference.

Michael Schwartz, director of public affairs for the Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights, said the posters are similar to the wave of anti-Catholic posters that appeared last spring.

"If this becomes a seasonal event the situation will only get worse," he said. At least six Catholic churches were vandalized after the signs began appearing a year ago, he said, adding that he believes the anti-Catholic bigotry could lead to violence.

"They're gross lies and at one level you can laugh at them," Schwartz said of the accusations. But he said he believes gross lies make more subtle ones "look respectable" by comparison. He called on public officials to speak out against the bigotry.

Although no group claimed responsibility for the posters, Schwartz said all the circumstantial evidence points to the Tony and Susan Alamo Foundation in Alamo, Ark. The allegations on the posters match ones Tony Alamo has made in the past, according to Schwartz.

Most editors reported that the posters they received were postmarked Little Rock, Ark., but some reported postmarks of Tulsa, Okla. Alamo is midway between Little Rock and Tulsa.

Schwartz said Alamo is saying the same thing he said when the last wave of anti-Catholic posters appeared. "He's neither confirming nor denying. He says he wants to be as mysterious as the Vatican," Schwartz said.

Vatican Criticizes Star Wars Concept

Vatican City (NC) -- The Vatican newspaper has criticized the high cost of studying and developing a U.S. space-based defense system, saying this "robs the bread from the poor of the world."

It also criticized the Soviet Union for not accepting on-site inspection systems capable of determining whether nuclear disarmament agreements are being kept.

The positions appeared in a March 3 front-page editorial in L'Osservatore Romano,

the Vatican newspaper. The editorial hoped that March would be "favorable to a thaw" because of the resumption of U.S.-Soviet disarmament talks.

It said the U.S. space-defense plan would be a key issue in the talks.

"The cost of researching and putting into effect the space shield project is enormous. There has been talk of \$35 billion," the editorial said.

"Some observers hold that

if the Soviet Union wanted to take up the challenge it would irreparably put its own economy in a crisis," it added.

"The public is becoming ever more aware that in appropriating enormous sums for armaments, you rob the bread from the poor of the world," said the editorial.

The editorial noted that Soviet opposition to on-site inspection of missile sites also is a stumbling block to suc-

2 Parishes Merge

Two Rochester parishes, Holy Redeemer and St. Francis Xavier, are joining into one faith community and the merging will be celebrated at a 10:30 a.m. bilingual liturgy Palm Sunday.

The blessing of palms will take place in the St. Francis Xavier School Hall and the Mass in St. Francis Xavier Church. Principal concelebrant will be Father William Leone, Holy Redeemer pastor, who will also assume the pastorate of St. Francis Xavier on Palm Sunday.

Msgr. George Cocuzzi who will concelebrate with Father Leone will be the supporting pastor for both parishes.

The merger marks the closing of Holy Redeemer Church after 109 years. The

final Mass was celebrated Sunday.

Holy Redeemer was incorporated in 1866 and the first church building went up in 1869 at Hudson Avenue and Alphonse Street. The present church was built in 1876 and reportedly was styled after churches in Switzerland.

Bishop Matthew H. Clark announced the configuration of the parishes to both communities Jan. 28, following extensive participation in the Process for Institutional and Ministerial Consultation by members of both parishes since June 1984.

The bilingual liturgy will be the only Palm Sunday celebration in either parish and will be followed by a "conventia" in the St. Francis Xavier School Hall to enable parishioners to become better acquainted.

In asking that "Holy Redeemer and St. Francis Xavier parishes join as one family of faith using the physical facilities of St. Francis Xavier," Bishop Clark expressed the hope that "this will be the occasion of a renewal and strengthening of your life of faith and at the same time lessen your struggle to maintain parish facilities."

Beginning Easter Sunday, all weekend Masses will be celebrated at St. Francis Xavier with the following schedule:

5 p.m., Saturday (English); 9 a.m., Sunday (English); 10:30 a.m., Sunday (Spanish). Weekday Masses, all at St. Francis Xavier, will be at 8 a.m. (English) and at 7:30 p.m., Monday and Wednesday (Spanish).

Diocesan Pastoral Council Studies Needs Assessment

Horseheads -- The Diocesan Pastoral Council heard a presentation of the upcoming Needs Assessment scheduled by the diocese this fall. The DPC met last Saturday at St. Mary Our Mother here.

"The Steering Committee for Needs Assessment has been selected and will have its first meeting this week," Deacon Claude Lester, staffperson for needs assessment, told the DPC. "I am looking forward to working with them." Invitations to parishes to participate will be sent later in the Spring.

Bill Myne of Blessed Sacrament parish, a member of the DPC's Task Force on the Laity, presented a proposal for consideration dealing with educating the laity to their mission in the church. The proposal was in two parts, one addressing the overriding concern of raising the consciousness of all Catholics to their baptismal call and the second a budget request for the DPC to fund two diocesan convocations of laity.

The funding includes a request for scholarship money for continuing education for the laity. This request generated such questions as: Which laity are we speaking of? How will they be chosen? Is it the job of the diocese to pay for everyone's education?

The task force asked the

council for advice and will be on the May agenda.

Bishop Matthew H. Clark, during his hour of Open Forum, covered such topics as his recent involvement in the Crossroads program and his day with diocesan youths at Bishop Kearney High School. In dialogue with council members, he indicated that diocesans often are not aware of the work done to insure that textbooks used in diocesan parish religious education programs are proper ones. The bishop complimented the Office of Religious Education for its work and mentioned especially the effort in getting parishes involved in

the RCIA program. He also showed slides of his recent trip to Mexico.

Father Peter Clifford proposed that the DPC rescind its January recommendation to hire a communications director based on the fact that the proposal was incomplete as to cost, job description, etc. A motion to rescind passed, 20-0-2.

The May DPC meeting will be the last one for outgoing members and the first for new ones. The DPC will be 10 years old in June and a diocesan celebration of Shared Responsibility will take place Sept. 20 at the cathedral.



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Publisher, Editor Leaving Courier

Anthony J. Costello, publisher and general manager, and Carmen J. Viglucci, editor, are leaving the Courier-Journal to pursue other interests. Costello joined the Courier in 1964 as advertising director. In 1970, he was named the first lay publisher and general manager of the newspaper. Viglucci came to the newspaper as associate editor in 1968. He was named the newspaper's first lay editor in 1969. Their successors will be named in a few weeks.