RNAL

an-

ng was

greeted

of the

carry-

would

meeting

e had an

e better

lunched

co Cos-

oare for

TİS

.m.

tel Assoc.

nner

i84

99999%

e Sun

the-

e our

Ron

National/International Report

Holy Father launches Marian year, celebrates Pentecost

By Agostino Bono

Vatican City (NC) — In factivities celebrating Pentecost and opening a 14month year dedicated to Mary, Pope John Paul II expressed hope that the prayers generated by the events would help bring peace to a troubled humanity.

The pope also called the Second Vatican Council a "new Pentecost" for the Catholic Church and cited Mary as the model for Catholic women.

The Marian year began June 7, Pentecost Sunday. The evening before, the pope had led an internationally televised recitation of the rosary in Rome's St. Mary Major Basilica, the oldest existing church dedicated to Mary.

'In spite of unprecedented advances, the man of today feels deeply shaken by the contradictions in the world and in people, contradictions which sometimes make him doubt the very value of life," the pope said June 6 in a short speech after the rosary.

Praying together strengthens "our bonds of solidarity with the whole human family, in the conviction that the challenges presented history must be faced with generous openness" to spiritual values needed to solve problems, the pope added.

He asked that the rosary "once more become the accustomed prayer" of Chris-

"The prayer of the rosary will bring to our world, with the smile of the Virgin Mother, the tender tones of God's love for the brave but anxious humanity of the 20th century,"

The rosary ceremony was televised live via satellite to more than 31 countries, with a potential viewing audience of 1.5 billion

The ceremony also involved live televised responses from people gathered in 16 Marian shrines and churches in other parts of the

Around midnight, the pope formally inaugurated the Marian year during an outdoor Mass in St. Peter's Square.

With the announcement, wreaths of flame were lit on the steps leading to the altar. At

the same time, flames were lit on several levels of the facade of St. Peter's Basilica and along the tops of the two circular colonnades on either side of the square. The flames lasted throughout the Mass.

Boy Scouts also carried torches throughout the crowd to light individual

In the homily, Pope John Paul II noted that Pentecost is an apt feastday to begin the Marian year, because Mary was with the apostles at the first Pentecost.

Pentecost, as described in the Acts of the Apostles, is the day when the Holy Spirit, in the form of tongues of fire, descended upon the apostles, inspiring them to go into the world and evangelize.

"On the day of Pentecost in Jerusalem, the Church is born," the pope said. "From the day of Pentecost onward, the saving word of the Gospel begins to course through the history of peoples and nations.'

The pope promoted Pentecost and the Marian year at other events June 7.

At his noontime Regina Coeli talk to pilgrims in St. Peter's Square, he noted that the October world Synod of Bishops on the laity will meet during the year devoted to

"In that ecclesial assembly, Mary will be present as an inspiration to reflection and also as a model figure for the lay faithful, particularly women," the pope said.

In an afternoon visit to Rome's Divine Love Shrine, which is dedicated to Mary, the pope prayed that the Marian year would inspire the church to carry out Vatican II's teachings.

"The Marian year should especially stimulate us to commit ourselves to the full maturity of the fruits of the recent council, which has been for our century a kind of new Pentecost," he added.

Mary's intercession is helpful in getting the Holy Spirit to strengthen people in overcoming contemporary problems, he

"Men of today feel threatened. Humanity knows it is in danger," he said. "But the Holy Spirit, a fountain of life and peace, is always ready to overcome our weakness and to suggest ways of overcoming tensions, injustices and conflicts."

The Marian year, the second in the church's history, will last until Aug. 15, 1988, the feast of Mary's bodily assumption into heaven. Last January 1, the pope announced the 14-month year to help Catholics enter the third millenium of Christianity.

During the special year, Catholics can receive plenary indulgences by attending special Marian events and pilgrimages approved by local church officials. A plenary indulgence is full remission of temporal punishment due to sins forgiven in confession.

To gain an indulgence, Catholics must also go to confession, receive Communion and pray for the intentions of the pope on the day of the event or within a reasonable time before or after the event.

NCCB president urges sharing of gifts, charisms

Washington (NC) — To make the Marian year "a time of special grace," U.S. Catholics should share their gifts and charisms in the likeness of "our mother and model Mary," said Archbishop John L. May of St. Louis

The archbishop, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, urged U.S. Catholics to wholeheartedly enter into the spirit of the special year of devotions to Mary. He made the comments in a June 5

Archbishop May encouraged Catholics to make special efforts to practice both liturgical and private devotions to Mary, including observance of her feastdays and recitation of the family rosary.

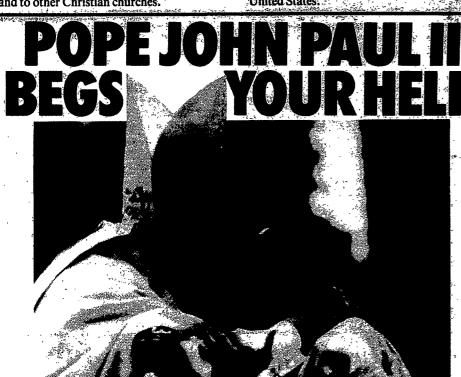
He said the year would be of great value to all in the Church, and would enable Catholics to draw closer to Mary's son Jesus and to other Christian churches.

'Mary's example is a sure guide for us to follow in responding generously to the special graces and charisms of her son's Holy Spirit as we take our part in preparing for a new millennium of salvation history in the Church."

He noted that special devotion to Mary has been common in history of the U.S. Catholic Church, beginning with convert George Calvert's establishment of Maryland as a crown colony where religious liberty would

John Carroll of Maryland, the first bishop of the new United States, on the feast of the Assumption in 1790. He put the Diocese of Baltimore under the special patronage of

Archbishop May reminded U.S. Catholics that at the urging of the U.S. bishops, Pope Pius IX in 1847 named Mary patroness of the

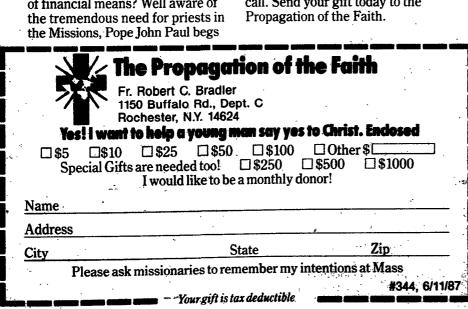


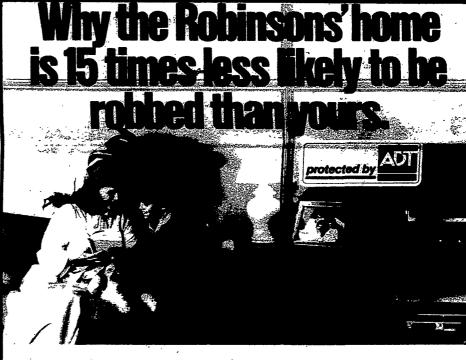
All over the mission world Christ calls young men to be priests, but some have no money to nay seminary expenses. Should they have to the Missions say "yes" to Christ! say "no" to Christ because of a lack of financial means? Well aware of the Missions, Pope John Paul begs

your help so that "no vocation may be lost for lack of available means."

You can help a young man in

Please answer our Holy Father's call. Send your gift today to the





It's protected by ADT.º And with this specia offer, you can purchase ADT's Safewatch® Home Security System for only \$995, or \$29° per

month, installed.
Fact. The majority of homes burglarized each year do not have a security system. Fact. With an ADT Security System, the chances of your home being robbed drops dramatically from 1 in 3 to 1 in 50. That's why families like the Robinsons are turning to ADT for reliable, affordable, effective security.

ADT — trusted for over 100 years.
Nationwide, ADT has helped protect everything from Fortune 500 companies to thousands of American households. And with a network of local offices, our security specialists can install

Simple to operate.
Your basic ADT Safewatch System includes magnetic contacts to help protect doors, a dual of a potential intruder, and a smoke detection system that can warn of smoke or fire. All are

simply operated from a control panel with built-in siren and emergency call buttons. All can be linked to a nearby ADT Central Monitoring Station, manned 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. (There's a small monthly charge for this service.) ADT Safewatch can even help you qualify for lower rates on your homeowners insurance.

Easy to afford. Now for only \$995, or \$29*5 per month*, installed, with our low-cost monthly purchase plan, it has never been so affordable to protect your family. ADT Safewatch.

'NO DOWN PAYMENT Based on 47 equal monthly payments at 18% annual percentage rate



ADT SECURITY SYSTEMS Security is ADT.

SPECIAL OFFER

Own an ADT Security System for \$995 or \$29.95 per month*, installed, with our low-cost monthly purchase plan.

Mail this coupon, or call (716) 546-6120 for a free home demonstration

Name	•
(Please Print)	
Street	·
City	
State	_ Zip
Home phone () Business phone ()
☐ I'd like more information on home security. Please send me ADT's free booklet, "Safe at Home."	

ADT Security Systems 18 Capron Street Rochester, New York 14607