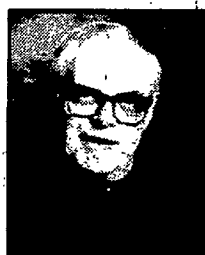


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Father Richard P. Judd, 64

Father Richard P. Judd, a Hornell native who served as a priest in the western U.S. and the Diocese of Buffalo for 24 years, died Thursday, Nov. 17, at the age of 64.



Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Father Judd at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church of Niagara Falls on Monday, Nov. 21. He died at St. Mary's Hospital in Lewiston, where he had been a patient for more than a month, and was buried in St. Ann's Cemetery in Hornell.

Born November 16, 1924 in Hornell, Father Judd attended St. Ann's Parish, where he was an altar boy. On March 14, 1964, he was ordained in Rome, Italy, as a Servant of the Paraclete. From 1964 to 1974, he served as a member of the order, which provides therapeutic services for priests and religious, in New Mexico and Arizona.

In 1974, Father Judd was accepted as a priest of the Buffalo diocese. He served as associate pastor of St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus Church in Niagara Falls from 1974 to 1975, and of St. Teresa's Church in South Buffalo from 1975 to 1977. He was assigned to Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Buffalo, from 1977 to 1984. From 1984 until his death, he was chaplain of St. Mary's Manor in Niagara Falls.

Father Judd is survived by two uncles and one aunt: Henry and Hugh Devlin, and Veronica Highland, all of Hornell, as well as several cousins.

Parish organizing schedule of childcare for Masses

Childcare is now available during Sunday Masses at St. Catherine of Siena, Ithaca. Organizers are setting up rotating schedules of parents and teenagers to watch children six months and older during weekend Masses.

High schools

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"It tells us they feel more comfortable (at Nazareth)," she remarked. "They get leadership roles they normally don't get in co-ed schools."

McQuaid's strong academic program is Buncce's main selling point. "Our school is strictly a college prep school. Naturally, we gear our commitment to that," he said, noting that the U.S. Department of Education has cited the school as one of the top schools in the country.

Outside Monroe County, Notre Dame High School in Elmira and DeSales of Geneva must go it alone when they recruit. Both schools use methods similar to those of their Monroe County counterparts, although DeSales no longer invites seventh-graders for visits on regular school days. "We don't find (the visits) that effective," said Sister Jacqueline Robinson, director of development, recruiting and public relations. "The kids are overwhelmed or bored."

Instead of regular school-day visits, DeSales holds special events designed to attract seventh- and eighth-graders to the school. In October of this year, for example, the school invited Bart Dentino, an area singer/guitarist, to perform at a school assembly and opened the event to seventh- and eighth-grade classes from

Retreat to aid troubled lives

Deacon Greg Doyle of Matt Talbot Ministries will conduct a retreat on coping with "unmanageability." He will be assisted in the retreat, scheduled for Dec. 9-11 at the Cenacle Retreat House, 693 East Ave., Rochester, by Sisters Margie Mayk and Ellen Frawley of the Cenacle.

The retreat will begin at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 9 and end at 3:30 p.m. on Dec. 11, will employ the 12 Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous to help people recognize powerlessness and unmanageability in their lives, and their need to turn to a higher power for help.

The suggested offering for the retreat is \$65. For more information, contact the Cenacle Ministry Office, 716/271-8755.

Volunteers needed to visit elderly in Monroe County

The Volunteer Home Visitor Program, a program of Visiting Nurse Service, is in urgent need of volunteers to visit the homebound elderly in Monroe County.

Call (716)482-0120 for more information.

Happy ending

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chemicals during his teen years. He had been expelled from school, alienated his friends, expressed contempt for his family's religious beliefs and broken the law, as well as his parents' hearts.

His treatment was especially difficult, and there were times when the staff had serious doubts about its outcome. But they never gave up, in spite of extreme resistance from their patient.

Finally he graduated from the program and went on to live a sober, happy life. Now nearing the completion of his college career, he has a bright future.

Not all chemically dependent adolescents have such a happy ending. But when I saw the miracle of recovery expressed in this

young man, I realized how successful treatment for this disease can be.

Teen-age substance abuse has been a problem for parents, teachers, legal authorities and for teen-agers for a long time. Society promotes drinking. Fun, glamour, success and happiness are portrayed through advertisements for alcohol in magazines, on television and through rock music.

There also is a high correlation between parental use of alcohol and teen usage. If parents are abusing alcohol, there is a good possibility that their teen-agers will do the same thing.

And peer pressure has received a great deal of publicity in recent years for its role in youth substance abuse. Teens want to be accepted and they drink or use drugs to achieve these goals.

But people need to know that treatment

Medjugorje visionary says Mary visits her in U.S.

By Cindy Wooden

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (NC) — People from throughout the Southeast traveled to Birmingham in late November and early December to hear the messages that Marija Pavlovic, a 23-year-old woman from Medjugorje, Yugoslavia, says she received in Alabama from the Blessed Mother.

Pavlovic, one of six young people in Medjugorje who claim they have received daily messages from Mary since 1981, was in Birmingham for medical tests to determine her compatibility as a kidney donor for her brother, Andrija, 31.

The Marian apparitions continued while Pavlovic was in Birmingham, she told her hosts. The visions occurred at 10:40 a.m. or

10:40 p.m., depending on when the Blessed Mother told Pavlovic to expect her.

In a statement issued November 22, Bishop Raymond J. Boland of Birmingham reminded people that the Yugoslavian bishops and the Vatican still are conducting an investigation of the alleged apparitions.

Until the investigation is completed, he said, people "are respectfully advised to exercise caution and prudence in their personal response to the conflicting interpretations of the alleged apparitions."

The Pavlovics were brought to Birmingham November 18 by Terry L. Colafrancesco, founder of a Medjugorje promotion and tour-organizing agency, Caritas of Birmingham.

Pavlovic said she saw Mary November 19 in a bedroom of the Colafrancescos' Birmingham home and later saw her near a lone pine tree in the middle of a field adjacent to the Colafrancescos' property. On November 30 Pavlovic saw the Blessed Mother for the 11th time in Alabama, according to Corinne Gooch of Caritas.

for adolescent chemical dependency has reached new levels of success in recent years. Improved in-patient and out-patient programs are helping teen-agers return to happiness and serenity. Family reconciliation is an important part of the recovery process.

Most adolescent recovery programs are built around spirituality, a concept all but forgotten in the mayhem of addiction. The importance of having the Lord in our lives cannot be overemphasized, as recovering people everywhere have learned.

If teen-age chemical dependency is a problem, contact a reputable treatment center for help. Allowing this disease to continue is like issuing a death sentence. This illness does not go away, it goes forward unless it is interrupted.

There is help available, but you must reach out for it.

Pavlovic underwent the medical tests November 28 and 30 after Caritas put up "a small deposit," said Hank Black, a spokesman for the University of Alabama Hospital in Birmingham. Because the Pavlovics have no hospital insurance, Black said, the hospital will require another \$20,000 deposit and proof of ability to pay the operation's average cost of \$50,000 before the surgery is scheduled.

Pavlovic volunteered to be the kidney donor for her brother. Their sister and two brothers were not tested as possible donors, Black said.

Andrija Pavlovic, who has been in kidney failure for several months and had been receiving dialysis treatments in Yugoslavia, was treated November 20-25 at the Birmingham hospital, which in 1987 led facilities in the United States and Europe in the number of kidney transplants performed, Black said.

He said Andrija Pavlovic will continue dialysis there as an outpatient until the transplant operation is scheduled.

local Catholic schools.

Notre Dame also uses entertainment to attract future freshmen, according to Jeff Sobkowski, director of public relations and recruitment. Each May, the school hosts a field day for fifth- and sixth-graders from local Catholic and public elementary schools. Seventh- and eighth-graders are given free tickets to Notre Dame football and basketball games.

Indeed, all eight diocesan high schools woo prospective students with free tickets to athletic and musical events. But as the saying goes, there's no such thing as a free lunch, and each of the diocesan high schools is just as busy rounding up potential donors for their development drives as they are recruiting students.

From candy sales to capital campaigns, Catholic high schools in the Rochester diocese employ a host of projects to raise money for their operating budgets, financial-aid programs and maintenance expenses. A few are looking to the future by building up permanent endowment funds, but the majority struggle to exist financially on a year-to-year basis.

Notre Dame invested \$15,000 in a new computer system this year to help the school independently run its annual fundraising drive. Last year, the school paid \$23,000 to a private consultant to help with the campaign, so Helen Keating, the school's office manager, thinks the computer system is worth every penny in-

vested.

The school's development committee commences its annual drive in April and appeals over a one-month period for donations from five groups — affluent citizens and board of trustees' members; parents of students; businesses; alumni; and parents of alumni along with friends of the school.

Alumni give the most money, Keating said, and 10 percent of the school's annual operating budget is covered by the drive. Half the school's budget is raised through tuition, and the remainder is raised through bingo, casino nights and an annual auction, Keating said.

According to Sister Robinson, DeSales employs every method from modest magazine drives to can collections to meet its budgetary demands. The school's gym echoes with the clinking of returnable bottles being collected every Saturday, and the whole school community — teachers, parents and students — participates in the school's annual fundraising efforts. DeSales tuition — the lowest in the diocese at \$1150 — pays for one third of the school's operating costs, with the balance made up through fundraising, including an alumni campaign each year.

Of the Monroe County schools, Kearney, Mooney and Mercy — like DeSales and Notre Dame — have no permanent endowment. Nazareth's Mumford said the school is "in the process now for creating major gifts for an en-

dowment." Currently, the school is "refining" its mailing lists, and is planning a January student magazine sale and a dance marathon, for which a date has yet to be determined.

McQuaid has a \$1 million dollar endowment, its interest going to student financial aid. The school has also received foundation and corporate grants, according to Joseph T. Carney, director of development, who oversaw the school's mail appeal to alumni, parents, parents of graduates and friends this fall.

Barbara Jablonski, Kearney's director of development and public relations, said she will emphasize developing better communications with the school's alumni this year in order to increase their contacts with the school.

"My emphasis will be on activities with the alumni," she said, noting that the school held its first annual giving campaign this year in an effort to raise funds for general operating costs. "Campaigns in the past were specific — the gym floor fund, the roof fund," she remarked.

Getting the money for a new gym, science facilities and teacher salaries will be the job of Aquinas' newly hired development director, William Ouweleen. Father Harold B. Gardner, school principal, hopes Ouweleen "can put the school on its feet financially." Aquinas has a permanent endowment of \$250,000 which goes towards scholarships and, like the other schools in the diocese, conducts an annual alumni fundraising campaign.

Cults

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Christian cults may come back to Christianity, but whether they come back to Catholicism is "another story."

Barbara Malina, a religious-education instructor at St. Mary's of the Lake in Watkins Glen, said that young people who aren't sure of their faith are prime candidates for conversion to a cult. "If they don't have a sense of who they are, and if they don't know the power of God's love for them, they can lose direction very easily."

Losing direction can have dangerous effects, especially if a young person is attracted to racist cults like the neo-Nazis. Unlike the universal love and peace preached by such cults as the Hare Krishna movement, racist cults encourage hatred and violence toward religious, ethnic and racial minorities, Kollar said.

Though not all cults are as extreme as the neo-Nazis in their rejection of mainstream values, cults usually encourage repudiation of parental authority, Kollar said. The first generation of a cult argues against parents because they are seen as representatives of the dominant and seemingly corrupt values of society.

Although a cult's attraction may be readily apparent to a young person, parents may not understand why their child would choose such an unorthodox lifestyle as that offered by the Moonies or the Hare Krishna movement. Parents usually respond to cult-influenced children in one of three ways, Kollar said; rejection, acceptance, or limited contact in the hope that the child will eventually come back to the lifestyle of the parents.

Not all parents will wait for their child to return, especially if the cult is one that allegedly brainwashes its recruits into joining. Deprogramming — which often involves kidnapping and re-brainwashing cult members — raises some questions about an individual's freedom, Kollar noted. "If you're deprogramming, are you saying a person should never challenge these (mainstream) values?" he asked.

Kollar suggested that parents of former cult members examine their own values and determine whether their children's perspective on those values is somewhat valid. "A person might look to going back to the cult" if the situation that led them to the cult still exists when they re-enter the normal world, he said. As the year 2000 approaches, Kollar

predicts, cults will explode in membership because many people — including mainstream religious believers — anticipate the Second Coming of Christ. "The only reason we have the year 2000 is because someone started counting arbitrarily," Kollar said, remarking that many fundamentalist groups use dubious mathematical calculations based on passages from the Bible's books of Daniel and Revelations to determine that the end of the millennium signals Christ's return.

Villa needs volunteers for adolescents in need

St. Joseph's Villa of Rochester, a non-profit agency that provides mental health services to adolescents, needs adult volunteers to work one-on-one with teenagers.

Volunteers should be 21 years or older, and should be able to share their time, interests and friendship with an adolescent.

St. Joseph's Villa is located at 3300 Dewey Ave., Rochester.

For more information about the volunteer program, call Kathleen Pexton, director of volunteers, at (716)865-1550, ext. 206.