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Cardinals offer support to Irish Catholic leader

PORTADOWN, Northern Ireland (CNS) — Irish Cardinal Cahal Daly said the British government abdicated its responsibility when it allowed a chief constable to make a decision on a controversial march through a Catholic neighborhood.

The cardinal also said the decision virtually eliminated Nationalist confidence in the Northern Irish police force and questioned if there was a dual standard for ruling Northern Ireland.

In a July 14 homily at the Church of St. John the Baptist, Portadown, Cardinal Daly told Catholics that their futures were in the hands of God, noting that it was "easy to fall into the deepest pessimism about the possibility of any peaceful and just future in our society."

And he also said that while he deplored the decision to allow the march, "I totally condemn all recourse to violence, all rioting, all throwing of stones or, even worse, of petrol bombs."

He spoke after several days that saw rioting and the bombing of a hotel, violence that threatened to ignite paramilitary warfare after a two-year truce in Northern Ireland.

The disturbances began when Northern Ireland's police force, the Royal Ulster Constabulary, banned a traditional Orange Order march through a Catholic area in Portadown, setting off Loyalist violence throughout the province.

The police then reversed their decision and allowed the march to take place, using force to clear the streets of protesting Catholics. That prompted a new wave of

riots.

The march commemorated the 17th-century Battle of the Boyne, where the Protestant King William of Orange defeated the Catholic King James II in 1690.

Loyalists, mainly Protestants, want Northern Ireland to remain a province of Great Britain. Nationalists want Northern Ireland united with the Republic of Ireland.

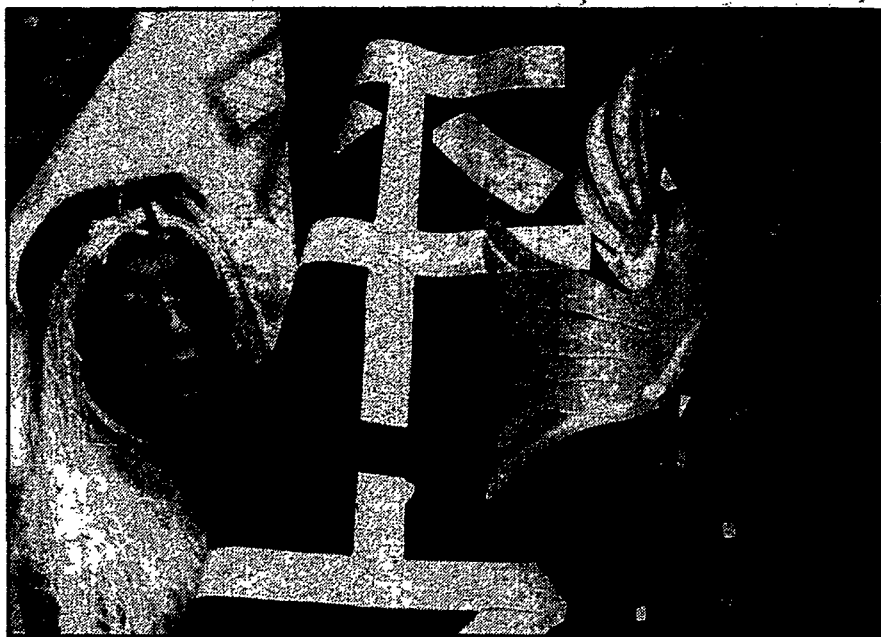
"Many fundamental questions need to be asked and to be answered about what has happened to justice and to truth in recent days," Cardinal Daly said in his homily.

"It is said that the police authorities simply could not hold the line against the overwhelming numbers of Orangemen," he said. "But surely the authorities of the state have the responsibility to protect its citizens in all circumstances and in face of all threats from other citizens."

"The question must also be asked: Why were the Orangemen allowed to assemble in such massive force in the days and hours preceding the march, when the very purpose of their assembly manifestly was precisely that of overwhelming the police line?" he asked.

"Are there not powers at the disposal of police and government to avert or prevent assemblies for an illegal purpose? Can the police not control the public thoroughfares?"

The cardinal noted that after the initial decision to not allow the march, "there were all the appearances of an organized campaign to destabilize this state," including illegal roadblocks and a murder. He asked how many Orangemen were arrested



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Hong Kong March

A Catholic believer in Hong Kong joins 10,000 other Christians in the "All For Jesus" march July 14. Participants prayed for a smooth and peaceful transition when the British colony reverts to Chinese rule in mid-1997.

and charged for the illegal activities.

"Or are we to assume that there are circumstances in which the rule of law simply cannot be enforced by the forces of law and order in Northern Ireland?" he asked. "It would seem to be just a short step from that to conceding that Northern Ireland, in its present form, is ingovernable under the rule of law."

Copies of the cardinal's homily were sent to some bishops in Britain and the United States.

British Cardinal George Basil Hume of Westminster sent a message to Cardinal

Daly, saying he will be appealing in his diocese for renewed prayers for peace in Northern Ireland.

Cardinal Bernard F. Law of Boston, a city with a large Irish-American population, said that "the hope for peace, fragile as it was, has been dealt a severe blow by what can most kindly be termed the ineptitude of the British government."

Cardinal Law said the U.S. government should "use its influence on the British government to spare no effort to promote a restoration of trust and confidence."

CALENDAR

All Dioceses

Education

■ **AUG 2-3** — **Convention:** in Syracuse; for regional Catholic homeschooling; Jim Likoudis, Steve Wood, Mary Kay Clark, speakers; for information, call Jackie Spilinger, 315/689-1394.

Social Activity

■ **JULY 23-24** — **Trip:** to St. Ann's Basilica, Scranton, Pa.; includes tour of Catholic Golden Age Association national headquarters; \$120 per person for transportation and lodging; for information, call 716/467-3398.

■ **FRI, JULY 26** — **Registration deadline:** for Aug. 7-11 pilgrimage to St. Anne's & St. Joseph's, Our Lady of the Cape Shrine, Quebec, Canada; \$255 per person single occupancy, \$240 per person double or triple; \$50 deposit required; call Terri, 716/663-5918, after 4 p.m. or leave message on machine.

■ **TUE, AUG 13** — **Registration deadline:** for Sept. 22 Wedding Jubilee Mass at St. Michael's Church, Newark; 2 p.m.; Bishop Matthew H. Clark, presider; open to couples married 25 years or more; write to Sylvia Mancuso, 1150 Buffalo Rd., Rochester, NY 14624 for invitation, or call 716/328-3210 ext. 295, or 800/388-7177.

Monroe County

Fundraisers

■ **JULY 20-21** — **Christmas in July sale:** Shrine Shop, St. Jude Church, 4100 Lyell Rd., Rochester; 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Sat., 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Sun.; featuring Hummel and Precious Moments figurines.

■ **SAT, JULY 27** — "10 Ugly Men Picnic:" and contest; sponsored by alumni of Nazareth College to benefit Brain Injury Rehabilitation Program at St. Mary's Hospital; Ellison Park, Blossom Rd., Rochester; 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m.; features live music, food and outdoor activities; \$20 donation day of event, \$17 advance tickets available from St. Mary's Foundation, Fast Eddies, Hot Shots, Milestones, Preps and The Sports Page.

Religious Activities

■ **THU, JULY 18** — **Evening of prayer:** for people affected by HIV/AIDS; sponsored by Sisters of Mercy; Mercy Prayer Center, 65 Highland Ave., Rochester; 7:30-9 p.m.

■ **JULY 18-25** — **Final eight days of novena:** to St. Anne; St. Anne Church, 1600 Mt. Hope Ave., Rochester; 7:30 p.m. each day; Fr. Joseph S. Mahon, CSP, preaching on "Responding to God's Call."

■ **FRI, JULY 19** — **Meeting:** Renewal in the Spirit & Secular Franciscans; St.

Charles Borromeo Prayer Center, 3011 Dewey Ave., Rochester, 7:30 p.m.

■ **SUN, JULY 21** — **Interfaith service:** "Let Hope Arise," sponsored by Camp Good Days & Special Times' Partners Against Violence Everywhere Program; Frontier Field, Rochester; 7 a.m.; in conjunction with Teddi "T" 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament.

■ **TUE, JULY 23** — **Devotion:** to Divine Mercy; every 2nd and 4th Tues., St. Rita's Church, 1008 Maple Dr., Webster; 7:30-8:30 p.m.; call Barb, 716/671-5275.

■ **THU, JULY 25** — **Meeting:** of Centering Prayer group; Guardian Angels Parish, 2061 E. Henrietta Rd., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.; also Aug. 8 and 22, Sept. 5.

Social Activities

■ **SAT, JULY 20** — **Day at the races:** with St. Thomas More Singles Club; Finger Lakes Race Track, Canandaigua; for details, call Anne, 716/482-5656.

■ **SUN, JULY 21** — **Day at the park:** with St. Thomas More Singles Club; meet at K-mart, 950 Ridge Road/Hard Rd., Webster, for ride to Fairhaven State Park; 10:30 a.m.

■ **FRI, JULY 26** — **TGIF:** sponsored by St. Louis Church Single Adult Ministry; Hattie's at The Strathallan, 550 East Ave., Rochester; 5-7 p.m.

■ **JULY 26-28** — **Camping weekend:** with St. Thomas More Singles Club; call Anne, 716/482-5656 for details.

■ **SAT, JULY 27** — **Miniature golf:** with St. Thomas More Singles Club; Whispering Pines, 4383 Culver Rd., Rochester; 7:30 p.m.

Sports Benefits

■ **MON, JULY 22** — **Golf tournament:** for Kids Adjusting Through Support; Blue Heron Hills Country Club; \$125 includes lunch & dinner; call Dr. Michael Henrichs, 716/232-5287.

■ **MON, JULY 29** — **Golf tournament:** for Sisters of St. Joseph Convent Infirmary; Irondequoit County Club, 4045 East Ave., Rochester; 9:30 a.m. registration, 10:30 a.m. shotgun start, 6 p.m. dinner, awards, silent auction; registration limited; call 716/586-1000, ext. 133.

Seneca Cayuga

Fundraisers

■ **JULY 25-27** — **Festival:** St. Mary's Church, 35 Center St., Waterloo; begins 5 p.m. nightly; food, games and entertainment; rain or shine.

Social Activities

■ **SAT, JULY 20** — **Breakfast:** for D/S/B group of Seneca County; Niscastro's Restaurant, 4 miles south of Waterloo on Route 96; 9 a.m.; for information, contact Carl & Alma, 315/539-2284.

■ **SUN, JULY 21** — **Picnic:** St. Hyacinth Church, 61 Pulaski

St., Auburn; noon-9 p.m.; food, games, raffles, crafts; for information, call 315/252-7297.

■ **FRI, JULY 26** — **Picnic:** for D/S/B group of Greater Seneca County; Weeping Willow Farm; bring dish to pass and table service; for directions, call Carl & Alma, 315/539-2294.

Steuben County

Religious Activities

■ **SUN, JULY 21** — **Rosary celebration:** and Mass; St. Joseph's Church, 206 Freemont St., Wayland; 3 p.m.; John Leary, guest speaker.

Social Activity

■ **SAT, AUG 3** — **Chicken barbecue:** St. Joseph's School, Wayland; 5-7 p.m.; tickets — adults \$6, under 12 \$3 — at door.

Yates Ontario Wayne

Social Activities

■ **TUE, JULY 23** — **Monthly breakfast:** for Yates D/S/B group; Wagners Restaurant, 124 Elm St., Penn Yan; 9 a.m.; call John, 315/536-3629, Dolly/Bill, 315/536-3582 or Finger Lakes Social Ministry, 315/789-2686.