

### Bishop cites church's history of volunteerism

PHILADELPHIA — A Catholic bishop defined volunteerism as "putting one's faith into action" during an April 28 panel discussion at the Presidents' Summit for America's Future in Philadelphia.

Bishop Roger L. Schwietz of Duluth, Minn., chairman of the U.S. bishops' Subcommittee on Youth, joined in talks on how churches can help increase volunteerism among America's youths at the panel discussion on "The Role of Communities of Faith."

The churches "have a great deal of experience in the care of one another," Bishop Schwietz said. But, he added, "it is time to break down the walls of isolation and replace them by avenues of cooperation" if "we are to change our culture."

### Hawaiians to consider heterosexual marriage

HONOLULU — The Hawaii Legislature has agreed to put to the voters a constitutional amendment that would give the lawmakers the power to reserve marriage to heterosexual couples.

If the amendment is approved, it would close what is in effect a loophole in the state's constitution because it does not define marriage and that has allowed the state's ban on same-sex marriage to be declared unconstitutional.

## Pope names first beatified Gypsy

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VATICAN CITY — Gypsies from throughout Europe gathered under the open sky to celebrate with Pope John Paul II the first beatification of one of their own.

During the May 4 Mass in St. Peter's Square, the pope said the life and martyrdom of Ceferino Jimenez Malla "showed how Christ is present in different peoples and races and how all are called to holiness."

Blessed Jimenez Malla was arrested in Barbastro, Spain, in 1936 during the civil war for coming to the aid of a young priest. Refusing to stop praying the rosary in jail, he was taken out and shot along with 13 others, including the local bishop.

Pope John Paul beatified Bishop Florentino Asensio Barroso of Barbastro during the same Mass, which featured Spanish Gypsy guitar and violin music and prayers in Spanish and the Gypsy tongues.

Also beatified May 4 were: Italian Father Gaetano Catanoso, founder of the Veronica Sisters of the Holy Face; Italian Camillian Father Enrico Rebuschini, who cared for the sick; and Guatemalan Sister Maria



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A banner of Ceferino Jimenez Malla hangs from the facade of St. Peter's Basilica May 4 during the beatification ceremony for the 20th-century Gypsy martyr.

Encarnacion Rosal, reformer of the Bethlehem Sisters.

Wearing a chasuble glowing with the orange and yellow hues reflected in the scarves of many of the estimated 4,000 Gypsies at the Mass, Pope John Paul praised the

new Gypsy blessed as a man true to his ethnic and cultural roots and devoted to the Catholic faith.

"His frequent participation in the Holy Mass, his devotion to the Virgin Mary with the praying of the rosary and his belonging to various Catholic associations helped him to love God and his neighbors with integrity," the pope said.

"Blessed Ceferino Jimenez Malla knew how to sow agreement and solidarity among his own, and also mediated between non-Gypsies and Gypsies, demonstrating that the love of Christ knows no limits of race or culture," he said.

Lorenza di Glaudi, a Gypsy who traveled from Northern Italy with her two sisters and their families for the beatification, said, "This Ceferino was very Catholic — more than most of us are."

As Bruna di Glaudi and her sisters Lorenza and Lucia explained that in the northern town of Cuneo they live in a camp with nine other families and work in a fruit and vegetable canning factory.

"We are Catholic, but we don't go to Mass each week," Lucia said. "We baptize our children and make sure they receive their first Communion," she said.

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