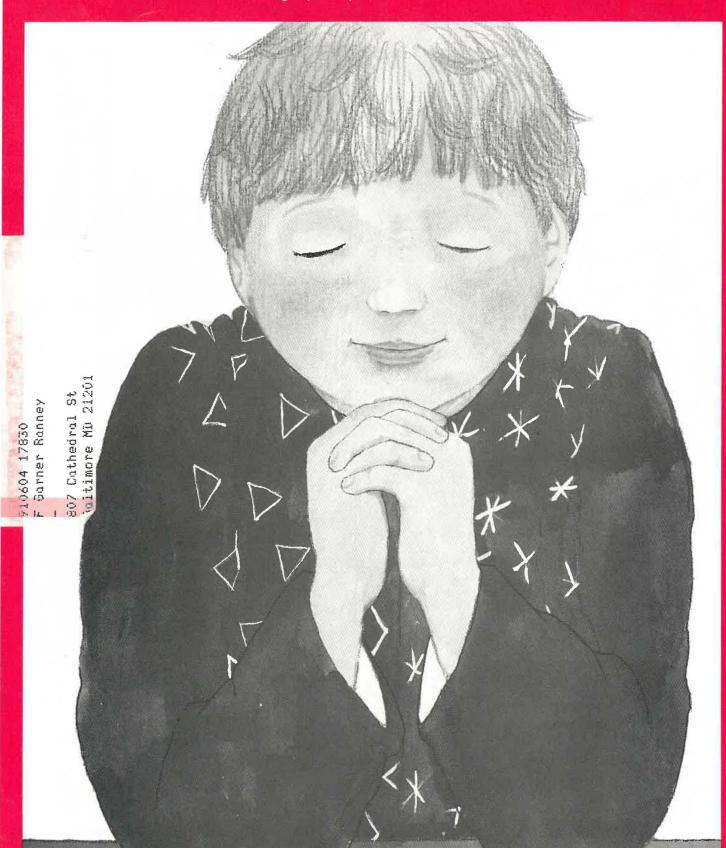
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A 'Crazy Bird'

It's easy to go through life without being aware of how we are related to the animals. Recently an animal's life came close to mine for about half an hour, and I'm still thinking about it.

I don't recall who was on the telephone with me. I do recall wondering why the window hadn't broken. The thump was as loud as a rock crash. The evidence stuck to

my window pane: feathers.

"A bird just bounced off my window," I said. "I'll call you back." Outside of my office lay a robin, its belly to the ground, wings spread. Was it dead? Only by bending close could one tell there was breathing.

Fearing to harm it, I didn't move it, just sat close, watching. It was perfectly still. Perhaps it would like some water? I got a glass, let a few drops fall on its beak. A sudden shaking followed. Now it was on its legs, standing, its wings pulled into its body. To my relief, it didn't seem to have any broken bones. But it still didn't move.

A few more drops, and it lifted up its beak. A few more, and it opened its beak. I was aiming drops down its throat, and it was clearly enjoying them. I lowered the glass, and soon the most incredible thing was happening — I had the rim of my glass between the beak of a robin!

Why do we human beings get such a thrill when we brush close to wild animals? I know that for me, even though the deer around our home are common animals sorrowfully overpopulated and crowded out of their woods, still, when I see deer up close, I feel that something like magic has occurred. I have startled them, coming home from jogging, their white tails bounding into the wood. The story says that Adam named the animals. And Francis, with bird on shoulder, watches over many a courtyard.

"Dear Robin," I said, moved to speech (and glad no one was around to hear) — "You are a crazy bird. You have lost your marbles and now you are drinking my water. You shouldn't let me be this close. You are supposed to be afraid of me. What will you do when the cat comes? The fox?"

The bird was no longer interested in water, but I couldn't leave it. I had given it water and now I was responsible. I moved away and sat down to read my mail.

Was it ten minutes later? Suddenly the robin remembered it was a robin and I was a man, and in a glorious maneuver, lifted itself instantly, smoothly, high over the drive, gliding to a perfect resting in the upper branches of a sycamore tree. Blessing the robin with a smile, I thought of the pleasure it must give God to see us crazy people drink from his hand then take wing and fly.

Our guest columnist is the Rev. Victor L. Austin, rector of the Church of the Resurrection, Hopewell Junction, N.Y.

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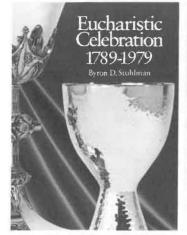
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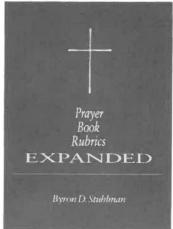
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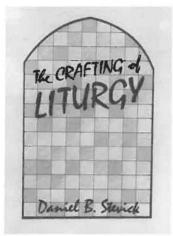
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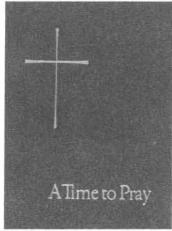
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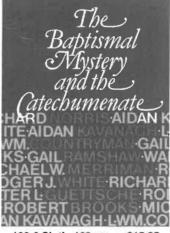
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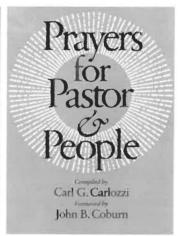
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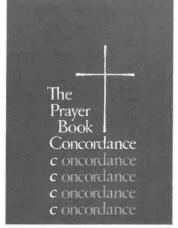
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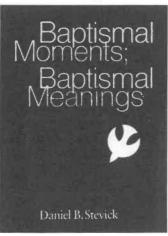
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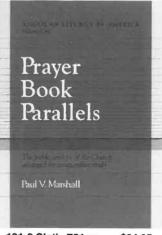
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LETTERS

A Thorough Test

Perhaps the Rev. M. Stanley Compton, Jr. [TLC, Oct. 21] did not see the 1982 General Ordination Examination. That was the one I took, and happily passed. It was more difficult, I thought, and far more of a learning experience in and of itself, than was the bar examination I took, and also happily passed in North Carolina in 1967. If the bar exam were as difficult as the GOEs, we would have fewer lawyers. I found the GOEs a good, thorough test of most of what I studied in seminary, except the biblical languages.

(The Rev.) James B. Craven, III St. Joseph's Church

Durham, N.C.

A Clarification

There is no doubt in my mind that the Bishop of Central New York acted in accordance with the canons, and as a diocesan for 14 years I also exercised the canonically-given right in Title III, Canon 18, whereby the bishop must give approval for a priest or deacon considered for rectorship of a parish [TLC, Oct. 28].

In a quote attributed to me, your article has me saying, "Providing state rules in hiring are not bounded, it may be difficult to prove this is not purely a church matter."

What I believe I said is, "Providing state rules in hiring are not clearly violated, it would be difficult to prove this is not strictly a church matter." A colleague and co-worker with Bishop Whitaker and chancellor Hugh Jones, I am thoroughly supportive of their position in this case.

(The Rt. Rev.) ALEXANDER D. STEWART Executive Vice President Church Pension Fund

New York City, N.Y.

Better than Bach?

"After the Tithe" [TLC, Oct. 21] is an article with which I agree in spirit but have reservations about in fact. It may offend many good Christians.

I, along with the writer, have become nostalgic for the weekly, well-sung Anglican chant we used to hear. Yet I recall a particular family funeral at which "How Great Thou Art" was the only solo sung. Before, it had been a hymn I ridiculed for what appeared

its over-sentimentality. The music was exceptionally well sung in its own terms. And I saw how well the immediate family responded to this death. The hymn had a profound significance for them, and so it came to have for me.

At other times in the same church, I've heard famous solos from oratorios and cantatas, and infrequent revivals of Anglican chant. The performances often were not far from sight reading.

If I had my choice between hearing "lesser" music done well, or "better" music done poorly, I'd choose the former. For me, a well-practiced, ordinary hymn is better than bungled Bach. Whatever of quality helps someone understand their religion better is appropriate for them. And, as we know, one person's trash is another's treasure.

Douglas H. Schewe

Madison, Wis.

Much to Offer

I have finished reading Anthony Ugolnik's book, *The Illuminating Icon*. Ugolnik, an American of Russian descent, has written this book to be a tool to enlighten American Christians who know little of the Russian Orthodox Church. I agree with his position that the Russian Orthodox have much to offer American Christians. For this reason I was delighted to read the headline, "Episcopalians Meet with Russian Orthodox" [TLC, Oct. 28].

I believe the fourth paragraph of that article is misleading when it refers to the previous conversations being disrupted by the 1976 General Convention decision to permit the ordination of women to the priesthood and then quoting Bishop White as saying "there is now a total change of climate." Surely Bishop White is not implying a change from the Orthodox position as stated in the Dublin Statement of 1984 that, "The ordination of women to the priesthood is an innovation, lacking any basis, whatever in Holy Tradition"?

Somehow I doubt if the Russian Orthodox have changed their minds. I'm also convinced that a fuller understanding of priesthood is one of their gifts to us, if we are open-minded enough to receive the gift.

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Spanish Influence

FRONTIER SPIRIT: Early Churches of the Southwest. By Douglas Kent Hall. Abbeville Press. Pp. 216. \$55.

This beautifully-illustrated "coffee table" book is a joy to behold and a pleasure to own. Its pictorial excellence is not surprising considering the fact that its author is a noted photographer who has exhibited his work in well-known museums and galleries from Princeton to Albuquerque and from California to New Orleans. The pleasant surprise is that although his previous books are on other subjects, his running text is well-written and historically sound.

The book is an admirable introduction to old Spanish churches of New Mexico and Arizona, California and Texas, and reveals how sophisticated Spanish baroque architecture and ecclesiastical decoration, as well as hints of Moorish design, were charmingly reflected in a scaled down form in faraway frontier churches in the American southwest.

The superb color reproductions (done in Japan) depict both exteriors

and interiors including details of altars and "bultos" (religious statuary).

Mr. Hall also has located the site of a church built in 1598, San Juan Pueblo, 30 miles north of Santa Fe, N.M. Nothing remains of the original structure but it is the first church built in what is now the United States — assuming that none was built at Roanoke in the 1580s.

(The Rev.) A. PIERCE MIDDLETON Annapolis, Md.

Stories of Heroes

THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FLORIDA, 1892-1975. By George Bentley. University of Florida. Pp. x and 318. \$29.95 cloth.

George Bentley has written an interesting story of heroes. Through his assemblage of facts and figures, there emerge stories of courage, sacrifice, and dedication of clergy and laity alike

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The Spanish government would tolerate only Roman Catholic churches in its colonies.

It was the building of the railroads that enabled the diocese to grow. Bishop Young foresaw this in 1882 when he wrote "The construction of railroads in all parts of the state . . . would accelerate the wave of immigration."

The author speaks of low salaries, often not rising above \$70 a month as late as 1914. There were no pensions for old age or monies for widows or orphans of clergy. The early bishops had no office or secretaries, and had to offer hospitality in their homes to clergy and laity doing church work. They often shared part of their low salaries with missions. As one of them said, "I think the cut ought to begin at the head."

Mr. Bentley writes of the church's early concern and of its leadership in discussing problems that plagued the south: crime, homicide, bad living conditions and education. It was the women, however, in 1935, in their Auxiliary report, who mentioned and deplored lynching.

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The photographs of clergy, churches and laypeople add interest to the text. There is a helpful index and a list of comprehensive sources from which the reader can learn the sources for Mr. Bentley's information.

VIOLET M. PORTER Southport, Conn.

Nature of Revelation

A NEW VISION OF REALITY. By Bede Griffiths. Templegate. Pp. 304. \$14.95 paper.

This book is fruit of a lifetime of interior prayer and reflection. The author is a Roman Catholic monk deeply conversant with Eastern scriptures.

As suggested by the title, this book explores visions of reality. We examine the rise and dominance of our reductive, secular world view in the West, in which, ironically, physics, biology and psychology in this century have revealed grave contradictions. The "new" sciences themselves suggest correspondences with the sacred world view of the ancient "perennial philosophy," a current of wisdom running through all genuine religion.

Spiritual perspectives on humanity and the universe converge around a discussion of the Pauline "New Person." This profound image proves to have roots and analogies not only in Semitic mystical traditions, but appears also as a significant figure in Buddhism and Hinduism.

This is a novel instance where christology takes us beyond divisive spiritual chauvinism in consideration of human religiosity as a whole.

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tery behind the form and doctrine by which it has been bequeathed to us. This, I think, is one of the great gifts of the book.

Griffiths prophesies our future in the reconciliation of opposites — secular and sacred, technological and natural, rational and intuitive, masculine and feminine — toward a new synthesis transformative of both the individual and society.

For a world in crisis, this work is truly a vision of hope.

ELEANOR FORFANG Osage Monastery Sand Springs, Okla.

Turning Points

FAMILY PASSAGES. By Glenn H. Asquith, Jr. Broadman. Pp. 166. \$9.95.

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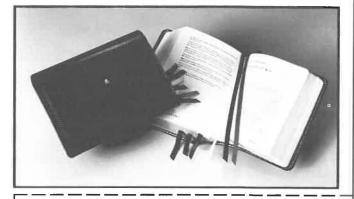
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New Bishop for Missouri

The Rev. Hays H. Rockwell, rector of St. James' Church in New York City, was elected Bishop Coadjutor of Missouri October 27 at Christ Church Cathedral in St. Louis. He was elected on the first ballot.

Other nominees were: the Rev. Harry H. Pritchett, rector of All Saints' Church in Atlanta, Ga.; the Rev. Carlson Gerdau, director of ministry, deployment and communications for the Diocese of Chicago; and the Rev. Ervin A. Brown, III, rector of Christ Church in Detroit, Mich.

Fr. Rockwell, who was elected with 39 clerical votes and 80 lay votes (37 clerical, 77 lay votes needed to elect), was born in Detroit in 1936. He received an undergraduate divinity degree from Episcopal Theological School in 1961 and advanced degrees from Kenyon College and the Seminary of the Southwest. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1962 and served in chaplaincy positions in Rhode Island, England and Rochester, N.Y. From 1971 to 1976 he was dean of Bexley Hall and was then called to St. James.

He has been married to his wife, Linda, since 1957, and they have four children.

A consecration date of March 2 has been tentatively set.

(The Rev.) CHARLES REHKOPF

Province VII Meets

Concerns for internal structure, effective evangelism and the potential effects of war in the Persian Gulf drew the attention of 160 clergy and lay representatives from 12 dioceses at the synod of Province VII in Little Rock, Ark., October 16-18.

Dixie Hutchinson, the first layperson elected as president in one of the nine provinces of the Episcopal Church, brought her second three-year term to a close by presiding over an elective process in which the Rt. Rev Sam B. Hulsey, Bishop of Northwest Texas, received unanimous approval to lead the "Synod of the Southwest" in the next triennium.

The Most Rev. Edmond L. Browning, Presiding Bishop, opened the synod as preacher at Evensong at Christ Church, the host parish. Addressing contemporary moral and ethical concerns arising from the Gulf crisis, he said, "There are 150,000



The Rev. Hays M. Rockwell

men and women in the Persian Gulf. There may be a war. They may die. We need to be very clear about the reasons for this sacrifice if we call upon them to make it. If it's to enable us to maintain a lopsided attitude to the world's resources and our relationship to them, we must ask ourselves if that's good enough. If it's to enable us to replace our old hatred of the Russians with a new hatred of the Moslems, in order that our expensive commitment to the machinery of war may continue as before, we must ask ourselves if that's good enough."

A depressed economy and rising unemployment signal hard times, Bishop Browning suggested. "When we claimed what we wanted without a thought to tomorrow, without a thought to the rightness of our claims, without a thought to the cost, we elected to seat ourselves at the right hand of power." The nation is about to experience what that power costs, Bishop Browning said.

An American basis for bringing persons into the Kingdom of God was outlined by three theologians who addressed the synod. In a keynote address, the Rev. William Power, Old Testament professor from the Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University, Dallas, said the church must move evangelism beyond proclamation. "My experience with aggressive evangelism has always been one of agony and despair," he said. An evangelism that proclaims itself through hard sell made him furious because he was led into thinking, "I

could save myself by my own moral effort." The Good News "is of course that what I can't do for myself, Christ does on my account."

The Rev. William S. Adams, professor of liturgies and Anglican studies at the Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, assessed the connection between evangelism and public worship.

"In a society as individualized as ours, it is difficult to talk about the corporate act of liturgy, and how it gives voice to evangelism," he said. The paradox of grace is one in which worship is offered to God and is empowered by him in the same movement. "There is no will to worship if it is not given to us by God."

The Rev. Charles Cook, director of field education and associate professor of pastoral theology at the Seminary of the Southwest, defined evangelism as occurring "in its most visible and dramatic form outside the church." He suggested that the popular novel *The Color Purple* was the modern theological text for insights about evangelism.

During the Province VII business meeting, proposals drawn from Coalition 14 and Province V to streamline cost and program efficiency received overall approval. A \$73,000 budget for the new triennium which began at the close of the synod was adopted. A proposal to cut back the size and cost of the synod meeting by limiting each diocese's representation to one bishop, one presbyter and two laypersons was defeated.

Harry Denman of the Diocese of Kansas, was nominated from the floor and elected to a three-year term on the national Executive Council.

(The Rev. Canon) STEVE WESTON

CPC Awards Grants

Book grants totaling more than \$21,000 were awarded by the National Books Fund Committee of the Church Periodical Club, meeting at St. Mary's College in Leavenworth, Kan., recently.

Seven grants to the Philippines included those to the Episcopal Renewal Center, Brent School, the Diocese of North Central Philippines and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. All are in Baguio City, which is still recovering from severe earthquake damage. Trinity College in Quezon City, St. Andrew's Seminary in Manila and the Di-

ocese of Lucena City (Philippine Independent Church) also received grants.

An ongoing book grant which is made available to Episcopal seminaries in the United States was increased to provide \$300 for each of the 11 schools.

The Most Rev. Desmond Tutu, Archbishop of Capetown, asked for money for seminary books in South Africa and his request was filled by the Church Periodical Club of Province III.

Book grants are made with money which is donated to CPC throughout the year. In addition, CPC province representatives add to the money available by underwriting specific projects in whole or in part. Among other book grants are those which will provide books for the children's waiting room of the Jefferson District Court in Louisville, Ky.; for the Church Army in Beaver Falls, Pa; for an Indian seminarian from South Dakota and for replacing hymnals and Prayer Books destroyed by Hurricane Hugo in South Carolina. Theological books and journals will go to the National Seminary of the Episcopal Church in Brazil and also to the Diocese of Shaba in Zambia, Africa.

Also meeting in Leavenworth, CPC executive board members approved an operating budget of \$54,000.

COCU Encourages Support

Leaders of the Consultation on Church Union believe the Episcopal Church will remain an important member of the nine-denomination organization, even though there is no resolution yet on the church's view of a document crucial to the COCU unity plan.

After a meeting of the COCU executive committee in Fort Worth, Texas, at which the Episcopal Church's position on the "COCU Consensus" document was discussed, the Rev. David Taylor, executive director of the consultation, said, "We believe there is reason for optimism."

As originally conceived, the goal of COCU was to unify member churches not only theologically but structurally as well — resulting in one large denomination. That proved unfeasible, however, and COCU's goal now is to unite member churches in matters of

faith, sacrament, ministry and mission while allowing them to retain the individual structural identities.

The Episcopal Church rejected the consensus document at the 1988 General Convention, contending the document did not provide a "sufficient theological basis" for adopting the consultation's unity agenda, leaving the denomination the only COCU member to reject the paper.

In the wake of that decision, representatives of COCU and the church's Standing Commission on Ecumenical Relations formed a dialogue committee that met on a number of occasions, preparing "elucidations" intended to answer each of the eight "reservations" raised by General Convention.

Consultation officials hope the elucidations will make the consensus document acceptable to the church — avoiding the monumental task of revising the document itself and bringing a revised version back to each of the eight churches that have already accepted it, a process that would take several years.

The Rt. Rev. Edward Jones, Bishop of Indianapolis and chairman of the standing commission, said after the meeting, "I think there is some real hope in these elucidations." And the Rev. Alice Cowan of Kansas City, Mo., an Episcopalian who serves on the COCU executive committee, said she believes the new explanations fully answer all of the church's reservations about the document.

The COCU/Standing Commission dialogue team was to meet November 7 in Chicago to discuss several editorial changes in the elucidations that were recommended in Fort Worth. Dr. Taylor characterized the suggested changes as "refinements" and said they should not change the consultation's position that the elucidations are "quite clear and quite acceptable."

The dialogue team will pass its final version of the elucidations on to the standing commission. That standing commission is scheduled to vote in January on whether to recommend acceptance of the consensus document — in light of the new documents — to the General Convention in Phoenix in July 1991.

In rejecting the consensus document, the 1988 General Convention praised the consultation's work toward church unity but was highly critical of the paper's sections on salvation and the role of bishops.

The "COCU Consensus" sets forth the theological basis for unity. A second paper called the "Covenant Communion" document — so far adopted by only one of the denominations — outlines ways churches can achieve unity without structural merger, such as mutual recognition of ministers and shared communion. [RNS]

TLC Foundation Meets

The Rt. Rev. Stanley Atkins was reelected president of the board of directors of The Living Church Foundation at the foundation's annual meeting October 16 in Milwaukee.

Other officers re-elected were: Miss Augusta Roddis, vice president; the Rt. Rev. Charles T. Gaskell, secretary; and Leonard Campbell Jr., treasurer.

Bishop Atkins celebrated the Eucharist at All Saints' Cathedral before the meeting. Names of persons in whom memorial gifts were made during the past year were read at that service.

The Living Church Foundation publishes The Living Church magazine and the *Episcopal Choirmaster's Handbook*.

CONVENTIONS

The convention of the **Diocese** of **Nevada** decided to ask congregations to consider ways to cover a projected \$100,000 deficit for the 1991 budget.

Treasurer James Lien reported to the convention October 5-7 at the Henderson Convention Center, that congregational income estimates would not cover the \$508,000 projected budget for next year. The current year's budget is \$502,000.

Mr. Lien's report said the current budget is short by \$13,600 through September, due mainly to lower than projected income from investments, undesignated gifts and ministry contracts with the smaller parishes.

Delegates reviewed the regional vicars' positions, but made no decision about them. Congregations were asked to consider ways of increasing income for the diocese. Each parish now pays 25 percent of its net disposable income in diocesan assessment.

The parish of St. Timothy's in Henderson hosted the convention, despite a devastating fire which destroyed its church building earlier this year. Contributions of money, furnishings, Prayer Books and hymnals have been sent to St. Timothy's from parishes around the diocese, and outside the diocese.

DICK SNYDER

The convention of the Diocese of Milwaukee was held October 19-20 at St. James' Church and the Marc Plaza Hotel, both in Milwaukee. The Rt. Rev. Roger J. White, diocesan, opened the convention. In his pastoral address, the bishop focused on the work of the Rev. Canon Michael Stolpman, a leader in ministry to the hungry and homeless, who died in September [TLC, Oct. 7].

Before convention opened, workshops were held on the Decade of Evangelism and the new Jubilee House, a program which houses disadvantaged individuals and helps prepare them for independent living.

Former Wisconsin Governor Lee S. Dreyfus was the keynote speaker for the convention banquet.

The convention adopted an economic justice resolution requiring that at least ten percent of all diocesan funds be "placed in investments that promote community economic development." The resolution encouraged parishes to do the same.

Two canonical changes were adopted. One refines the covenant agreement between rectors and their wardens and vestries regarding mutual responsibilities. The other requests institutions of the diocese, as well as parishes, to consult with the Architecture and Allied Arts Commission before undertaking building construction or renovation.

In a constitutional amendment, the bishop and treasurer of the diocese were made ex-officio trustees of funds and property, with voice and vote.

A resolution to appoint a convention planning committee was adopted as was an affirmation of the youth and young adult ministry programs recently expanded and reorganized in the diocese.

An energy conservation resolution urging reduction of automobile travel for diocesan and parish work was passed.

A 1991 budget of \$1,150,764 was adopted.

NANCY McDonald

BRIEFLY

The first woman Philippine priest in the Anglican Communion was ordained October 7 at St. Andrew's Cathedral in Honolulu, Hawaii. The Rev. Imelda Padasdao will serve at St. Paul's Church in Honolulu, where she has been deacon for the past four years. She also holds a post with the state's Department of Hawaiian Homelands, and was elected deputy convener of the Philippine convocation at the recent Episcopal Asiamerica Ministry Consultation.

The Rev. Denys Lloyd, a prominent Anglo-Catholic educator, has announced that he is leaving the Church of England for the Roman Catholic Church in order to further his vocation. Fr. Lloyd, principal of the College of the Resurrection at Mirfield in Bourne, England, said, "I have for several years sought advice from those skilled in the discernment of a vocation to the contemplative life." He said that, having come to the conclusion that the switch to the Roman Catholic Church was necessary, he would "act without further delay."

A handbook for marriages between Roman Catholics and Southern Baptists has been approved by the Virginia Baptist General Board and the Richmond Catholic Diocese. Three years in the making, the handbook has been described by Bishop Joseph F. Sullivan of Richmond as "a model for other Catholic Conferences around the country." The handbook includes an estimate that 85 percent of Roman Catholic marriages in the diocese are to non-Catholics, which includes about a quarter of Roman Catholic marriages to Baptists.

The Lilly Endowment in Indianapolis has committed \$430,000 for the first phase of a major study of American religious education, intended to encourage greater appreciation of denominational heritage and identity in the ranks of the laity. Heading the study will be the Rev. Dorothy Bass, a

United Church of Christ minister who teaches church history at Chicago Theological Seminary. Dr. Bass said the new study will go beyond ranking faith groups on levels of faith maturity. "One of my major purposes is to develop the historical side of how we have come to where we are . . . and what resources various traditions might bring to address the needs of the church."

More than 100 singles gathered at Calumet Farm in the Diocese of Lexington recently for the Intergenerational Singles' Event. People of all ages gathered for food and recreation and to hear Robert Neuville of Norfolk, Va., speak about "The Transformation of Loneliness." The group approved a resolution to the diocesan convention which would seek for a permanent commission established to serve as a resource, communication and planning group for singles ministry.

Around the Church

St. Paul's Cathedral in Fond du Lac, Wis., was host to a city-wide ecumenical service for peace in the world, organized by the city's ministerial association in response to the conflict in the Middle East. The Rt. Rev. William L. Stevens, Bishop of Fond du Lac, opened the service with a statement of purpose. Lutherans, Presbyterians, Roman Catholics, Jews and members of the United Church of Christ took part, along with representatives of the city council and school board, and an ecumenical choir.

St. Stephen's Church in Philadelphia, Pa., has received a grant of \$10,000 from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association. The grant is being used toward refurbishing the parish's community house as a performing arts center. This would involve converting a 1925 building into a performance facility in the central city. The project is part of a larger program at St. Stephen's, founded in 1823, which includes the use of the historic church sanctuary for musical and other performances, as well as new uses of space in the parish house.

What's at Church-Related Gift Shops and Bookstores?

By KIRSTEN KRANZ

ith the many department and discount stores trumpeting their wares at this time of year, what do various Episcopal church-related stores recommend and what do their customers ask for?

Dennis Braden, book buyer for the gift shop at Washington National Cathedral, said several books with illuminated medieval illustrations have been consistently requested during the Christmas season. These are:

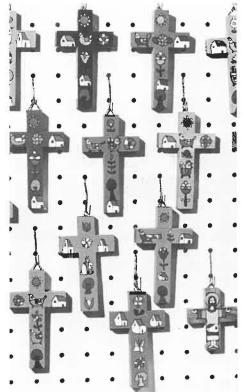
The Illustrated Gospels (Crown); The Epistles of Paul and the Book of Psalms, illustrated by David Fordham (H. Holt). All three books have the "feel of illuminated manuscripts," Mr. Braden said, "and are very well received."

A similar popular gift from the cathedral shop is A Christmas Testament, edited by Philip Kopper (Stewart, Tabori and Chang). The volume includes hand calligraphy on heavy stock with replicas of medieval manuscripts and paintings and features a "lessons and carols" format. Out of print for several years, it was reintroduced into the market recently.

The classic book On the Incarnation of the Word by St. Athanasius with a forward by C.S. Lewis (Eastern Orthodox) is another item from among the shop's many classics which stands as generating consistent interest.

The calfskin bound version of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer and the New Revised Standard Bible (Oxford) combination is receiving a great deal of attention this year, said Mr. Braden, and he is expecting sales of this version and its less expensive imitation leather variation to be brisk.

On the other side of the country, the Grace Cathedral Bookstore in San Francisco finds its customers are a little more picky about what kind of de-



Hand-painted crosses from El Salvador are sold throughout the world [photo by Richard Wood].

votional items go under their trees as gifts. "People don't want their Prayer Books and Bibles wrapped in dead animals [leather]," said assistant manager Ed Mycue. "They don't want artificial leather either because they feel it's bad for the environment, so cloth Bibles sell real well." He added that statues of St. Francis are also quite popular.

Among the many interesting items for sale at the bookstore are icons imported from a Greek monastery. Of various shapes and sizes, the icons are either painted on canvas or are paper varnished on wood, a complicated but ancient process.

Other ethnic religious art that he recommends for the Christmas season includes hand-painted crosses from El Salvador and wood carvings and jewelry from the Philippines, Mr. Mycue said.

Books by the Very Rev. Alan Jones, cathedral dean, and Madeleine L'Engle are always popular, he said.

Jerome Hinson, advertising manager for The Bookshelf of Seabury-Western Seminary in Evanston, Ill., said sportswear with the seminary's logo consistently sells well, as does anything by the Church Hymnal Corporation.

Bibles, especially the new Revised Standard Version, are always requested, as are books by Henri Nouwen, Thomas a Kempis and Teresa of Avila.

A sure favorite is the time-tested Advent calendar. "We sold more than 100 of them last year," Mr. Hinson said.

A variety of books were suggested by Tom Bass, general manager of Virginia Seminary's bookstore in Alexandria. Two books by Raymond E. Brown: The Birth of the Messiah -ACommentary on the Infancy Narratives in Matthew and Luke (Doubleday), and A Coming Christ in Advent Essays on the Gospel Narratives Preparing for the Birth of Jesus -Matthew 1 and Luke 1 (Liturgical Press) seem to please many, as does Christmas: King James Version, a book of intricate cut-out designs of Christmas scenes by Jan Pienkowski (Knopf).

For the younger set, Mr. Bass reccommends one of his personal favorites, Why Christmas Trees Aren't Perfect by Richard H. Schneider (Abingdon). My Play a Tune Book: 12 Favorite Christmas Carols (Abingdon), includes a small electronic keyboard inside so children can play Christmas carols.

Other solid Christmas favorites stocked by The Bookshelf include crosses and crafts from Guatemala and Honduras; statuettes from Abbey Fine Sculptures and imported papyrus prints from Egyptian Christians.

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Children's Christmas Books

By MABEL BENSON DU PRIEST

This year's Christmas books offer a wide variety of styles in text and illustration, making them a pleasure to receive and to browse through. The books described below fall into several categories: storybooks providing a narrative of Christmas themes; books which retell or portray the Christmas story; picture books based on traditional Christmas texts; and anthologies of poems and stories relating to Christmas.

THE CHRISTMAS COAT. By Clyde Robert Bulla. Illustrated by Sylvie Wickstrom. Alfred A. Knopf. Pp. 49. \$13.95.

A particularly charming storybook. Otto and Hans don't know the meaning of peace in the house, let alone peace on earth, until they face the consequences of their angry actions and put another child's Christmas happiness above their own, giving their mother the best Christmas present she could wish for. Although the story is timeless in theme, the full-page illustrations provide a 19th-century German setting that is rich in detail and interest.

THE DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS: A Story of Charlotte and Emilio. Written and illustrated by Barbara Westman. Harper and Row. Pp. 32. \$14.95.

This picture storybook uses a favorite device, animal characters, to portray Christmas fun. The simple text in large typeface, and the bright, action-filled pictures make this a good choice for the youngest of readers.

THE FOX WHO FOUND CHRIST-MAS. By Ethel Frances Pochocki. Illustrated by Thomas P. Bell. Ava Maria Press. Pp. 54. \$5.95 paper.

An older child would appreciate this book. Monsieur Philippe, a fox who is, among his other skills, a "cook of great artistry," reenacts the lion and lamb motif, as he provides a Christmas din-

Mabel Benson DuPriest teaches English at Carthage College, Kenosha, Wis., and enjoys reading books with and to her children.

ner for his chicken neighbor, Madame Sylvie and her brood. Cheerful, cartoon-like animal illustrations create a sprightly feeling.

THE ANIMALS' CHRISTMAS. By Catharine Gardam. Illustrated by Gavin Rowe. Macmillan. Pp. 28. \$13.95.

Set in a rural English village, well-portrayed with its charm and wintry beauty by the illustrations, the text retells the legend of the worship of animals of the Christ-child. Appropriate for young readers.

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS. By Robbie Trent. Illustrated by Marc Simont. Harper and Row. Pp. 32. \$9.89.

This little book fits well into little hands. The book names and illustrates all the elements and characters of the Christmas story, a sentence of text is faced by an illustration. The text provides the same sort of quiet, sequential listing as seen in such favorite texts as "Good-Night Moon." The book concludes by uniting the separate elements in one picture, a picture used to illustrate the first verse of "Away in a manger."

B IS FOR BETHLEHEM: A Christmas Alphabet. By Isabel Wilner. Illustrated by Elisa Kleven. Dutton. Pp. 30, \$12.95.

An alphabet book that makes both usual ("M is for Manger") and unexpected ("V's for Venite") associations. The couplets convey the stillness of Christmas night ("N is for Night, so quiet, so still./Peace in the stable. Peace on the hill.") and its festivity ("S is for Stable and Star, and for Story/Of animals, angels, manger, and glory.") Especially vibrant illustrations. Whimsical and naive, they have a folk art quality.

THE CHRISTMAS STORY TOLD THROUGH PAINTINGS. Commentary by Richard Muhlberger. The Metropolitan Museum of Art. Harcourt, Brace, Jovanovich. Pp. 40. \$16.95.

A beautiful collection of Flemish and Italian Renaissance paintings of

Nativity subjects. With texts drawn from the Authorized Version of the Bible, the paintings tell the Christmas narrative. The commentaries by Richard Muhlberger help us "read" the visual art as well, and are written in a style that would be available to older children but also very interesting to adults

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLE-HEM. Illustrated by Patrick T. McRae. Ideals. Pp. 22. \$11.95.

With the text drawn from this beloved Christmas carol, the illustrations show a little boy celebrating Christmas with his family. The book concludes with the complete text and transcription of the melody of the carol.

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRIST-MAS. By Clement Clarke Moore. Illustrated by Wendy Watson. Clarion. Pp. 32. \$13.95.

Watson's illustrations, detailed and diminutive, are in the same whimsical, mischievous mood as may be seen in other of her works such as "Father Fox's Pennyrhymes." This favorite of Christmas poems takes on a new quality of magical, tinselly activity with her illustrations. Recommended for pre-school through grade 1.

THE CHRISTMAS GIFTS THAT DIDN'T NEED WRAPPING. By Dandi Daley Mackall. Illustrated by Dawn Mathers. Augsburg. Pp. 30. \$4.95.

Jay helps his little sister get ready for Christmas, even with the hard task of wrapping presents. He wants to complete his Christmas preparations by giving a gift to the Baby Jesus and learns about gifts like "patience" and "kindness," gifts that need no wrapping.

THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRIST-MAS. Illustrated by Ilse Plume. Harper and Row. Pp. 32. \$16.95.

Ilse Plume, illustrator of a Caldecott Honor Book and recipient of the Ezra Jack Fellowship, states that it has been her intention, in the illustrations of this book, "to convey the atmo-

sphere, both tangible and intangible of the Italian Renaissance." Steeping herself in illuminated manuscripts, monastic cells, Renaissance gardens, Plume has succeeded, as she hopes, in providing here "the sense of tranquility that [could be] felt wandering through a Renaissance garden." Each page is presented as a page from a medieval manuscript, with text on the left, presented as if it were part of an illuminated manuscript, and, on the right a full-page illustration of the gift for that day. A lovely book.

CHRISTMAS IN THE STABLE. Poems selected and illustrated by Beverly K. Duncan. Harcourt, Brace, Jovanovich. Pp. 32. \$14.95.

Beginning with "The Friendly Beasts" and concluding with "Hymn to Joy," each with a chorus of animal voices in praise of the nativity, this anthology includes poems which, through various animal persona, speak of Christmas — the camel, the cow, but also the bat and the serpent. The poems are fresh and vivid, but it is the illustrations that will catch a child's interest. Recommended for ages four and up.

DIANE GOODE'S AMERICAN CHRISTMAS. By Various Authors. Dutton. Pp. 80. \$14.95.

Diane Goode, the Caldecott Honor medalist, has combined a Christmas potpourri, with poems and stories ranging from such writers as Edgar Allen Poe ("The Bells") and Washington Irving ("Now Christmas is Come") and Laura Ingalls Wilder (an excerpt from Christmas on the "Banks of Plum Creek") to E.E. Cummings and the popular "I'll be Home for Christmas." Her gentle, evocative illustrations do indeed capture "an American Christmas." A book the whole family can enjoy.

THE BIG BOOK OF PEACE. Edited by Ann Durell and Marilyn Sachs. Dutton. Pp. 120. \$15.95.

Although the anthology does not have a specific focus on Christmas, its theme of peace is an appropriate one for the season. Including a number of well-known authors and illustrators (Nancy Willard, Charlotte Zolotow, Maurice Sendak), the anthology also includes material that focuses on African American, Asian American and Native American traditions. A book that would be enjoyed all year round. The authors and illustrators of this book are donating the royalties to

organizations engaged in working for a peaceful world such as Amnesty International, the Carter Center's Conflict Resolution Program and Greenpeace.

MY BOOK OF FAVORITE PRAY-ERS. Edited by Marjorie Newman. Illustrated by Linda Pagifull. Augsburg. Pp. 26. \$7.95.

The collection consists of favorite poems and graces and stanzas from familiar hymns grouped by theme (night time, nature, friends, Christmas, spring and Easter are some). The illustrations in their muted colors and gentleness convey the peaceful feeling of the book. A good choice for quiet nighttime reading.



NOAH'S ARK: Words from the Book of Genesis. Illustrated by Jane Ray. Dutton. Pp. 30. \$14.95.

The familiar story of Noah is given vibrancy by the folk-art style illustrations of the text. We see Noah first in a house reminiscent of a Spanish hacienda, complete with palm trees. We see the ark decked out with flags, and again in cross-section, with all the animals arranged by size and shape, and with the passengers in their quarters—hams and bananas hanging from the ceiling. In most instances, the illustrations are framed by decorative borders that add interest.

CHRISTMAS: The Annual of Christmas Literature and Art. Vol. 60. By Various Authors. Augsburg. Pp. 64. \$9.95 paper.

As usual, this compendium of Christmas lore and tradition includes a variety of articles, artwork and music. Beginning with the Nativity story as told in St. Luke and St. Matthew, the issue continues with articles and stories, many of which focus on the Christmas tree — its significance in a child's life (an article by Walter Wangerin), its medieval roots in the Jesse Tree, and customs relating to the Christmas tree from various regions of the United States, the issue also includes illustrated musical texts of familiar Christmas carols.

WAKE UP, BEAR . . . IT'S CHRIST-MAS! By Stephen Gammell. Mulberry/William Morrow. Unpaginated. \$4.95 paper.

Caldecott Medal-winner Stephen Gammell tells, in simple words and lovely watercolor pictures, the story of Bear who sets his alarm so he won't sleep through Christmas. He wakes up on Christmas Eve and is visited by Santa who invites him for a magical ride in his flying sleigh. A cheerful book with themes of hospitality and friendship.

SPIRIT CHILD: A Story of the Nativity. Translated from Aztec by John Bierhorst. Illustrated by Barbara Cooney. Mulberry/William Morrow. Unpaginated. \$4.95 paper.

Reviewers shun the word, as good writers shun exclamation points, but the word for this book is unique. Translated from a 16th-century Mexican manuscript, Spirit Child brings us the nativity story as it was first told in the new world 400 years ago: "This savior of ours only needed a little dry grass for his bed, he did not hate to be in the manger, and his heart was content with a very small amount of food." I know of no other books which makes the story of Mary and her "Spirit Child" so fresh and once again so new. Winner of C.S. Lewis Medal and American Library Association Notable Book.

THE MOUSE IN THE MANGER. By Gennaro L. Gentile. Illustrations by Vernon McKissack. Ave Maria. Pp. 78. \$4.95 paper.

A reprinting of the 1978 now-"classic" children's story about Oscar the mouse who experiences loneliness and discovers friendship at Christmas. Easily used at bedtime, in church school, and during an Advent or Christmas liturgy with children. Bold, colorful pictures of cattle looking you in the eye, Oscar, Mary and the Christ child.

EDITORIALS

Time for Action

A frequent criticism of the Episcopal Church's legislative process is that the people "in the pews" are not represented when the General Convention meets every three years. For those people who feel out of touch with that body, which meets again in July, 1991, now is the time to do something about it.

Episcopalians who are concerned about particular issues should contact deputies in their dioceses and let their opinions be heard. This isn't always an easy thing to do. In one diocese we know of, the diocesan office staff did not want to provide names, addresses and telephone numbers of deputies for fear they would be "bothered" by concerned churchpeople. In another diocese with which we are familiar, the names, addresses and phone numbers of all clerical and lay deputies are printed in the diocesan newspaper to encourage communication and dialogue.

General Convention deputies have a responsibility to those who elected them and to those who may not be heavily involved in the life of their dioceses, but are active at the parish level. It's not too early to begin dialogue for an important General Convention.

Thinking About Gifts

For the most part, clergy of the Episcopal Church have done an effective job in not rushing the Christmas season. Advent is observed appropriately in our parish churches, and Christmas music, pageants and decorations usually are delayed until the Christmas season.

With this in mind, we present this Christmas Book and Gift Number. While we are not advocating a premature observance of the Christmas season, we do believe it is time to think about books and other Christmas gifts. Now is a suitable time to select presents for friends and relatives, if for no other reason than to avoid the last-minute rush and crowds.

This issue should provide helpful suggestions for gifts. We present an article which describes the most popular purchases at religious book and gift shops, and an article that highlights Christmas books for children. Another article shares some ideas for Christmas gift-giving which won't require money or a trip to a crowded mall. In addition, many of the advertisements are intended to assist shoppers. We hope our readers find plenty of possibilities.

There Are Many Ways to Give at Christmas

By THE LIVING CHURCH Staff

A ll year we should be givers, but at this time of year it is good to think about what giving means.

God delighted in sending his Son. How should knowing that change us? First, we should remember God did not come to us to seek our approval, or to get something in return. Only because God loves us do we even have a Christmas to celebrate: that's the wondrous truth we live by.

As we receive God's love, something happens. We become free, as Jesus said, to lose ourselves. We want to give something back. The outcome is loving and giving to others.

With such a perspective on giftgiving, let's go with joyful hearts to the specialty shops and department stores for Christmas.

At the same time, there are innumerable ways to give, creative and

perhaps unconventional ways, that may not require trips to the mall. For example, one of us has friends who, in their Christmas card two years ago, said they would not be buying gifts. Instead, the funds they normally spent on presents would be sent to a young Christian in Mexico who was beginning theological training. They asked friends to join in supporting the student.

Another buys symphony tickets for a friend who loves music, but is unlikely to buy them on her own. Still another saves books he thinks others may enjoy and passes them on as new or second-hand books, or donates them to a library in a part of the world without bookstores.

We can give without spending as much as a dollar. One couple with no children offers to babysit for other couples so they can get away for a weekend alone.

Then there are our ideas and interests. We often don't think of these as Christmas gifts. And yet what is more appropriate than to share what is dear to you with those who are dear to you?

The staff of The Living Church and friends compiled a list of possibilities for giving this Christmas. Some of these may be reminders. Others entirely new. Perhaps some of the following will be right for you:

Donate to the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief.

Help an elderly neighbor with recycling newspapers, or cleaning out a basement or garage.

Visit a shut-in you may not even know. Cook a meal and share it with that person. Tell stories together.

Walk a neighbor's dog during the cold weather.

Share simple homemade food gifts

with family, friends, or a new neigh-

Give a package of bio-degradable cleaning products, thereby giving a gift to the earth (and a friend).

Share your home or auto repair talents.

Think of ecological gifts (see *Fifty Simple Things You Can Do To Save the Earth* or other books available at local stores).

Give recycled paper products, stationery, etc.

Invite friends over for a meal.

Open your home to someone who might be alone at Christmas.

"Adopt a family" that may be in financial difficulty. Provide a meal and offer gifts for the children.

Put on a concert for free at a group home.

Contribute to a religious order by ordering breads, cakes, jam which are made by the order.

Buy gifts of craftwork made at nursing homes or by community groups.

Save used candles, melt them down to make a new one with a personal touch.

Use old materials to make doll clothes. Go to a sewing shop, ask for leftover buttons and other useful items. Go back to thank the store with a batch of cookies.

Give a child a homemade toy farm — chicken house, storage shed, barn — using scraps of wood from a lumberyard.

If an artist, offer your skills to demonstrate drawing, painting, etc., to a group of children in a recreation program.

Donate to a charity in honor of a friend.

Volunteer to be a reader to the sightless.

Build and maintain a bird feeder outside for an elderly neighbor.

Go with someone to the humane society and offer to pay for their pet. But wait until January — the holiday season can be a bit too busy for a dog, cat, bird or bunny to adjust to a new home.

Pay one month of utility bills for a college student. Or send a care package at the time of final exams.

Take a teenager out for pizza.

The ideas are endless, but we all need help getting our imaginations warmed up. What is offered here, we trust, will spark many more creative ideas. If readers have some suggestions, send them to us. We'll pass them along.

God's blessings to you as you give!

BOOKS

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in the period of time when a family is moving into a new stage."

With quick, deep strokes, Asquith cuts through the issues the pastoral counselor needs to consider in order to help families in various crises. Chapters cover the formation of basic relationships, such as marriage and the birth of a child, as well as the major turning points, such as adolescence, children leaving home, retirement, and loss of a spouse.

Asquith encourages people in transition to talk out problems with pastors and counselors as an opportunity to deepen faith, to find alternatives. He quotes Freud that the healthy person is one who is able to "love and work."

For one going through mid-life crisis, his reference to the burning bush (from Lewis Sherrill, *The Struggle of the Soul*) is effective. He suggests the danger may be in not turning aside to consider a new direction, a new call, a new risk in faith when life seems comfortable and under control.

This book is a rich resource of images and understandings from scrip-

ture, literature and life for facing transitions. *Family Passages* uses the insights of modern psychology to deepen our understanding of a loving Savior whose "grace is sufficient."

(The Rev.) Charles V. Day St. George's Church Hellertown, Pa.

Books Received

IMAGINING THE GOSPELS. By Kathy Galloway. Crossroad. Pp. 104. \$8.95 paper.

SEEKING THE FACE OF GOD. By William H. Shannon. Crossroad. Pp. 174. \$9.95 paper.

WORKING PARENT-HAPPY CHILD. By Caryl Waller Krueger. Abingdon. Pp. 320. \$13.95 paper.

LIVING WITH THE VISION: Religious Vows in an Age of Change. By Barbara Fiand. Crossroad. Pp. 169. \$10.95 paper.

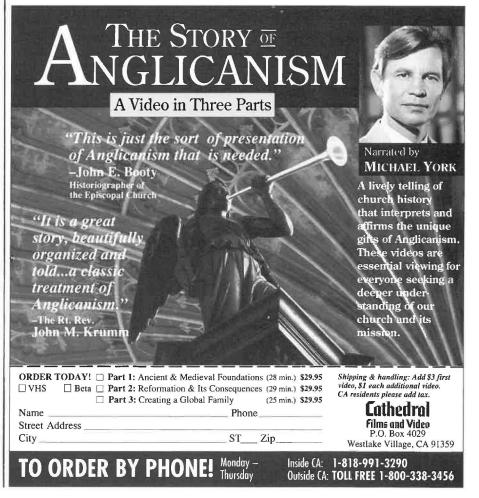
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GOD'S GIFT TO US: Devotions for Use with Advent Calendar. By Steve Swanson. Augsburg/Fortress. Pp. 31. \$7.95 paper (includes an Advent calendar).

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CELTIC DESIGNS. By Rebecca McKillip. Stemmer House (2627 Caves Rd., Owings Mills, MD 21117). Unpaginated. \$5.95 paper.

Lovely black and white Celticdesign drawings from a Bryn Mawr art history major. Includes a short introduction on the Celts and Celtic art. The book has the feel of a sophisticated coloring book, and I think my ten-year-old son with his fascination of mazes will enjoy it as such, after I have savored its pristine craftwork.

NEW MEXICAN TINWORK 1840-1940. By Lane Coulter and Maurice Dixon, Jr. Univ. of New Mexico. Pp. 189. \$35.

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MY DEAR PEOPLE: Letters to a Congregation. By G. David Deppen. Ministry Press (Westfield, N.J.). Pp. 58. \$15.

Short musings on an array of subjects, some seasonal, some theological, by the rector of St. Paul's, Westfield, N.J. I liked his practical suggestions

for keeping Advent in "An Advent Rule for our Busy Lives." A pleasant, though perhaps expensive, book.

ARTICULATING OUR FAITH: An Evangelism Equipping Course. Student Workbook. By Merle C. Hansen, revising editor. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Box 632, Ambridge, PA 15003). Pp. 101. \$10 paper.

The third edition of the "how to do evangelism" workbook put out and used by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. The interwoven strands of the booklet are prayer, scripture, personal testimony, dealing with questions, adapting an outline of the gospel, and getting practical experience. Tips and hints also on turning a conversation, memorization, and visiting. As with much training materials, this book will benefit the trainee in the process of learning how to articulate faith to others.

MASTERPIECES OF ART NOU-VEAU STAINED GLASS DESIGN: 91 Motifs in Full Color. By Arnold Lyongrun. Dover. Pp. 31. \$6.95 paper.

Color illustrations of stained glass designs, beautifully reproduced, from two portfolios of an inventive and at times whimsical artist. The vines and curvilinear renderings characteristic of art nouveau are here, but so are the occasional windmill, Japanese lantern, and parrot. My favorite is the small window on page 23 featuring a cat approaching a cobweb with three mice under the scene.

ENERGY FOR LIFE: Reflections on the Theme "Come Holy Spirit — Renew the Whole Creation." By Krister Stendahl. WCC (475 Riverside Dr., room 915, New York, NY 10115). Pp. 51. \$4.75 paper.

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The Rev. Glendon Heath is interim rector of St. Stephen's Church, Troy, MI; this is in addition to his duties as interim of the Church of the Ascension, Detroit; add: 103 Gerald, Highland, MI 48203.

The Rev. John Michael Van Dyke is rector of the Church of the Ascension, 315 Clanton Ave., Montgomery, AL 36104.

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The Rev. Robert W. Mikol may be addressed at 2830 Hodle Ave., Easton, PA 18042.

St. Michael's Church in San Antonio reports a new address: 10208 Culebra Dr., San Antonio, TX 78251.

Deaths

Sister Barbara of the All Saints Sisters of the Poor, died on September 3 in the 57th year of her religious profession, All Saints Convent, Catonsville, MD.

Barbara Eastburn Deloria, wife of the late Ven. Vine Deloria, sometime archdeacon of South Dakota, died on August 18 at the age of 82 in Tucson, AZ, after a prolonged illness.

Born at Sloatsburg, NY, a village named for her maternal ancestors, Barbara Eastburn married the Rev. Vine Deloria in 1932, and the couple served several churches in South Dakota and later Iowa. For four years they lived in New York while Fr. Deloria headed the national Indian mission work of the church. In 1961 they moved back to South Dakota where Fr. Deloria became the second archdeacon of the diocese; the couple retired in 1968. Mrs. Deloria was active in D.A.R. and organized chapters of Camp Fire Girls and Bluebirds in Martin and Sisseton, SD; she also did volunteer work in hospitals in Pierre and Vermillion, SD. She is survived by three children, two sisters, eight grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and eight nieces and nephews.

Margaret Morrill Wolcott Walker, wife of the Rev. Paul Shields Walker, rector of St. Joseph of Arimathea, Hendersonville, TN, died on June 19 at St. Thomas Hospital after battling cancer for over a year.

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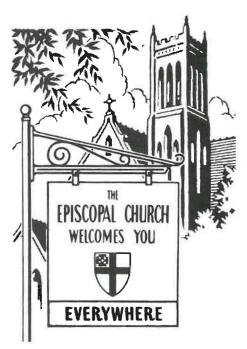
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