A new multi-purpose building will provide worship space for Mass, a parish hall and classrooms at Our Lady of the Valley in Windsor.

Archbishop Chaput presents Msgr. Raymond Jones with a Papal Honor during a Dec. 3 liturgy at the Cathedral.

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Longtime friends Norm Blake, left, and Sam Perry at St. Mary of the Assumption in Central City — Page 21
Lovers of Jesus desire to spend time with Him

According to St. Jerome, ‘Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ’

Mother Manning recalled for service in Denver

Father Roger Manning, O.F.M., died early in the morning of November 25, 2000, at the Little Sisters of the Poor Home in Cato, at the age of 91. He was a former president of the Order of Friars Minor Servants of Mary (Servites) of the USA Province, assigned to Apostleship in community in Denver, and the third in a line of Servite men who served as parish priests in Chicago, Ill. He attended the Servite Grammar Schools in Chicago, Ill., and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the Servite Seminary in Chicago, Ill., in 1934. He earned a Master of Arts degree in 1954 from Holy Cross College, Elmhurst, Pennsylvania, is a native of Denver, and was baptized at Queen of Angels Granville, Wis., on September 4, 1938. He completed his philosophy and theology studies at Mater Dolorosa Holy Trinity Parish, Westminster, Colo. (1985-1989); and at the Servite Novitiate at Mount St. Philip, St. Matthias, Ebinger and St. Juliana the son of the late John Tracey and was baptized at Queen of Angels Granville, Wis., on September 4, 1938.

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Vatican agency says Cuban church still suffering

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Bishops join death penalty moratorium appeal

The president of the U.S. bishops' conference and the chairman of their doctrine committee have asked Catholic priests to declare a moratorium on federal executions. The move 20 years after a similar declar

WASHINGTON

Bishop says Vatican II was heart of his ministry

Bishop Raymond A. Lunker of New Mexico, who said he has requested clemency and asked Clinton to stop federal executions, praised the Second Vatican Council, which he said has been a "way as never before."

NEW YORK

Owens hails Bill Clinton's death penalty reprieve

Colorado Gov. Bill Owens says he would have signed a moratorium on federal executions if he had known of Bill Clinton's executive order to stay executions. The governor said he believes Clinton's action will help the state capitol in Denver.

WASHINGTON

Bishops urge lay members to read Vatican II documents

The U.S. bishops are asking all lay Catholics to read Vatican II documents as part of a 17-day observance during which the bishops will implement the teaching of the Second Vatican Council. "We want to call people to holiness and spiritual renewal, to be engaged in the development of the church," the bishops said.

VATICAN CITY

Vatican issues norms on faith-healing services

The Vatican issued norms on faith-healing services on Dec. 8, 2000, in drafts released earlier this year. The norms say that faith-healing services should be offered as a spiritual and pastoral service, but that they should not be considered as religious or medical services. They add that a climate of "peaceful and respectful discussion" should reign in such services, and that healing occurs when they are performed and documented in accordance with church officials. The norms were issued Nov. 23 by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. They were sent to bishops and were approved by Pope John Paul II.

WASHINGTON

John Paul II urged the church's third-world neighbors to shun political conflicts and to "call people to holiness and spiritual renewal, to be engaged in the development of the church," the bishops said.

VATICAN CITY

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JOSEPH LUTHERAN Seminary near Seward Nov. 19.
Nuncio dedicates chapel.

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Catechism’em

What type of confinement was St. Paul thought to have been in when he was in Rome?

By Doreen Cosgrove

On November 19 the Church commemorates the Day for Priests. This quiz looks at key events in Scripture and the Church.

1. The basis of all Jewish laws was the set of Commandments handed down to Moses. What was another (Greek) term for these Commandments?
   a. The Psalter
   b. The Decalogue
   c. The Tao

2. The ancient peoples rarely had police forces. In the Inca state, who was to ensure the maintenance of order and security?
   a. The Leviens
   b. The Inca’s bodyguards
   c. The Black Madonna

3. Instead of police officers, ancient cities often had watchmen or lookouts. Around the year 500, who did the watchman watch?
   a. The watchtower
   b. The Jewish community
   c. The city’s master

4. Some older English language Bible translations give American readers some extracts from what I wrote for our Polish readers. Vatican declaration says.
   a. Yes exact
   b. A police or official with the duty to maintain public order
   c. The City of God

5. The occupying Romans had police of a sort. These officials who represented the rule of law had this title?
   a. Prefects
   b. Tax collectors
   c. Proconsuls

6. What was the symbol of an office?
   a. A sword
   b. A symbol or badge recognized by the people
   c. The City of God

7. According to the Catholic Church, whose position in the Church should be accorded to another title?
   a. The bishop
   b. The Inca’s bodyguard
   c. The City of God

8. Who is the patron saint of police forces?
   a. St. Francis
   b. St. Sebastian
   c. St. Michael

9. According to Luke, which officials actually arrested Jesus?
   a. The Roman soldiers’ Roman soldiers
   b. The Chief Priests, elders and temple guards
   c. The palace guards of Herod Agrippa

10. When an earthquake struck, St. Paul’s protections.
    a. The watchtower
    b. A right, even a grave duty
    c. The watchtower

11. According to Luke, for what was Paul suffering?
    a. A fiery sword;
    b. Chief Priests, elders and temple guards
    c. The City of God

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    b. A right, even a grave duty
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ANSWERS: 1.c, 2.c, 3.a, 4.c, 5.b, 6.c, 7.a, 8.b, 9.b, 10.a, 11.b, 12.a, 13.b, 14.a, 15

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I travel the world. I like to see and experience new cultures, languages, and landscapes. In my travels, I always try to learn about the local traditions and customs. I have visited many countries, such as India, China, and Japan, and I have been struck by the diversity and richness of their cultures. Each place I visit leaves a lasting impression on me.

I have also been involved in humanitarian work, particularly in areas where education and health care are lacking. I believe that everyone should have access to basic needs and that we have a responsibility to help those in need. Through my travels and my work, I have been able to witness the impact that education and health care can have on people's lives.

In my personal life, I value the importance of family and relationships. I have a close relationship with my parents and siblings, and I enjoy spending time with them. I also value friendships and the support that comes from a community of like-minded individuals.

In conclusion, my life is focused on travel, exploration, and service. I believe that we have a duty to explore the world and to help those in need, and I strive to live my life in a way that reflects these values. Whether I am traveling, working, or spending time with loved ones, I am always learning and growing.
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Lady of the
Imperial Thirty Three
A Novel based on the life of Frances S. Lee

Catholic legislator defends miners, child workers
Book details life of Frances Lee, one of the “Imperial Thirty Three”

Frances Lee Schrader has written a heartwarming and inspiring story based on the life of her grandmother, Frances S. Lee, a Catholic and child labor reformer who lived in Denver until her death.

In 1900, when Frances was 17 years old, she married Jerome Lejeune, one of several people with whom she developed an abnormal chromosome pattern, the extra No. 21 chromosome. This was taken in 1975 in Paris of her with French geneticist Claude Lejeune, who was the first to recognize the abnormal chromosome pattern. The photograph shows Frances in her lab coat, standing in front of a microscope. She is holding a piece of paper, and her hair is pulled back in a ponytail. The background is dark, and the focus is on Frances and the paper she is holding.
Cardinal Hoyos compares Christ’s life to the basic steps of human development and his birth to the miracle of the Incarnation, Vatican official said.

Cardinal Dario Castrillon said. When approaching a health care conference.

The miracle of Jesus’ incarnation, and his birth after the normal stages of human development should increase people’s respect for the mystery of human life, a Vatican official said.

Jesus demonstrated the dignity of human life at every stage from his conception to his painful death on the cross, he said. With the Immaculate Conception, an ovum was fertilized and endowed with “God and God reduced himself to nothingness, a human being, ‘surely it was his mother,’” for the first month of pregnancy, the heart of the Lord of the Word of God was formed. The Word of God was attached to the endometrium “and God and God came over Mary, he said. However, this embryo was Jesus, the Son of God, and in him was the salvation of mankind.

Like all embryos, that potential individual and the cell, cells and bones, he said, which were Jesus. The Word of the same substance as the Father was present at each and every stage of development, Castrillon said.

“The marvelously wondrous by the supernatural endowment, but to this cycle was added the dignity of human life was the Word of God in this stage, the salutation of Mary is encouraged,” he said. “The creator, the Lord of all things, the second person of the Trinity, the Word of the same substance as the Father was present at each and every stage of development,” Castrillon said.

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L'Arche rooted in prayer, charity, and celebration

Vanier's transformation led to understanding adults with mental disabilities

COLLEGEVILLE, Minn. (CNS) - John Olson lives in community, and what he loves most about it is celebrating holidays, playing games, dancing and playing.

"It's the best," he says.

"I love you, too," he said to his brother, who is now in college.

John, once a 44-year-old, now lives in a community of 14 adults with mental disabilities.

He was one of 11 people who were recently invited to the United States by L'Arche founder Jean Vanier to bring the experience of L'Arche community life.

Community members gave central Minnesotans an insight into the transformation led to understanding adults with mental disabilities.

"It's a family," John says.

"It's a family, not a client and staff."
Health care conference focuses on human person

Issue highlights common ground between Christians and Muslims says priest

The Pontifical Council for Health Care Workers brought students from 66 countries together in Rome, exchanging views on health care ethics and social issues. 

"Values such as respect for human life, care for the sick, and compassion are shared by the world's major religions and should be given greater emphasis in health care," said Father Michael D. Place, president of the U.S. Catholic Health Association, said the Gospel describes Christ in the first place by working to overcome "contemporary assumptions and biases that isolate believers must work together to keep the focus on the person," he said.

The international conference sponsored by the Focolare, a religious society, will host the prayer for the innocent pre-born on Dec. 8 from 6-9 pm. - CNS

Focolare founder receives honorary degree

Chiara Lubich establishes communities which live Gospel with joy, says cardinal

A ll persons are called to be unitive in Jesus' commandment: "To love one another as I have loved you," said the leader of a worldwide Catholic lay movement during a ceremony in Washington Nov. 10. Before an estimated 4000 people at the basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, the university president explained Lubich's unifying work.

"The task of medicine consists in preventing disease and promoting health understood as a full harmony of mind and body, understanding of life able to respond to the mystery of suffering and death," Father Maurice Bressem, a professor at Rome's Institute for Human Studies, said hospitals are natural places for the growth of Christian-Muslim dialogue and where that dialogue can make a positive impact on people's lives.

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Six priests honored for service to local Church
Friends and family fill Cathedral for Conferral of Pontifical Honors

St. Peter’s Church
Hundreds of friends, family members, and parishioners attended the liturgy held in St. Peter’s Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Dec. 18 to witness the Conferral of Pontifical Honors to six local priests.

“This is an occasion for us to recognize the wonderful work done by the priests in the archdiocese of Denver,” said Archbishop Charles Chaput, who presided over the liturgy for the other five priests: Msgr. Samuel Joseph Aquila, Msgr. Thomas Scott Fryar, Msgr. Robert Greenslade, Msgr. Leo Richard Horrigan, and Msgr. George Matthias Schroeder.

Before presenting the new monsignors, the archbishop expressed his gratitude to the Holy Father for honoring these priests.

“God has blessed us with a wonderful shepherd, one of the highest class of honorary prelates bestowed by the Holy Father,” Archbishop Chaput said.

“This is an occasion for us to recognize that we are part of a larger church,” the archbishop said. “In the name of the Holy Father and to the Church.”

At the conclusion of the ceremony, Msgr. Jones stepped forward and addressed the assembly on behalf of his fellow priests.

Archbishop Chaput thanked the new monsignors for their service to the church during all of their assignments, especially in parish ministry. He singled out Msgr. Raymond Jones for his service as vicar general for the archdiocese.

“Msgr. Jones, I am especially grateful to you for being at my right hand in my years as archbishop of Denver,” he said.

“Today, we are grateful for the gift of the priesthood,” Msgr. Nickless said. “God has blessed us with a wonderful shepherd, Archbishop Charles Chaput, who has encouraged us and supported us in our priesthood,” he added.

“The joy I felt today was second only to the joy I experienced at my ordination,” he said.

Jack Wrapp, a parishioner from Holy Name, thanked the new monsignors for their service.

“He’s a great guy,” said Wrapp. “He works hard for us and travels all over the Western Slope to help other parishes.


Archbishop Chaput presented each with a rescript from the Holy Father and each exchanged the sign of peace.

Msgr. Nickless first read the letter of appointment for Msgr. Joseph Aquila, vicar for clergy and seminarians, who read the letter of appointment from the Holy Father.

Archbishop Chaput then exchanged the sign of peace with Msgr. Raymond Jones; From left: Msgr. Jones, Msgr. Nickless, vicar general and pastor of Mother of God Parish, who read the letter of appointment from the Holy Father.

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St. Mary's Academy dedicates new building Dec. 8

New facility first step in a long-range master plan

The new $8.1 million middle school building at St. Mary's Academy will be dedicated on Dec. 8 at 4 p.m. The school is located at 4545 South University Boulevard in Englewood.

The new building features learning pods, a commons area for gathering as a community, a large kitchen for preparing soup for weekly trips to St. Elizabeth Soup Kitchen, multi-purpose rooms for project-based learning and a media center.

The new middle school and associated site improvements are the first steps in a long-range master plan which will be completed in the Year 2014, the 150th anniversary of St. Mary's Academy. The building was designed by Klipp Colussy Jenks DuBois and built by Saunders Construction, Inc.

St. Mary's Academy began with an invitation by Father Joseph P. Machebeuf to the Sisters of Loreto to open a school. The school opened in August 1864 at 15th and California Streets, moved to 14th and Pennsylvania in 1911, and to the current location on South University in 1952.

In 1985, St. Mary's Academy opened the Early Learning Center in the Denver Tech Center. The combined enrollment from both campuses is near 1,000 students.

To attend the dedication of St. Mary's Academy Middle School building, please call Sue at 303-762-8300, Ext. 284.
Norm Blake, pictured at the Catholic cemetery above Central City, is helping fund a much-needed construction effort at St. Mary of the Assumption Church. At right, Sam Perry, Walt Wostenberg, Father Michael Kerrigan (in back) and Jerry Golden survey the proposed site.

**Small community seeks to enhance historic church**

Construction effort to be a labor of love by lifelong family

By Peter Droge

Norine Blake’s great-grandfather came to Black Hawk one year after John Gregory struck gold in nearby Central City in the spring of 1859. His grandfather returned shortly after the Civil War and the family has been part of the mountain community ever since.

Now in his early 80’s, Blake has committed $50,000 in memory of his beloved wife Mildred, who died in 1999, to add bathrooms and a bride’s room to St. Mary of the Assumption Church in Central City.

It will be the first indoor plumbing for the historic church, built in 1892.

With the look of the strength of the rough-hewn timbers in the Colorado mines that he knows better than anyone, Blake says his dream is to complete the addition in gratitude to God for his wife’s conversion to the Catholic faith shortly before she died.

“She told me she was converting to the Catholic faith,” Norm said with a tear in his eye, “I was so happy,” he said with deep emotion.

It was actually Norm’s parents, Harry and Mary Blake, who began working to raise awareness of the need for indoor facilities at the church. Over the years, few funds were available, and their dream was never realized.

For many years, the Blake family operated the Bobtail Mine in Black Hawk. A tram pulled by small donkeys offered countless generations an introduction to the importance of mining.

Blake’s rugged appearance and soft-spoken style disguise a powerful

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Council 539 hosts gala 100th Anniversary event

250 Knights and friends gather to share memories, await future at evening banquet.

Established on Nov. 18, 1900, Knights of Columbus Council 539 celebrated its 100th anniversary with a Mass and gala banquet on Saturday, Nov. 11. Gene Steinke, past grand knight, was master of ceremonies for the banquet. The widows of past grand knights were invited as special guests of the council.

The highlight of the evening was a retelling of the colorful history of the council by past grand knight Andrew Martelon, a leading Catholic layman. Martelon detailed how, for nearly half a century, Council 539 was the only council in the Metro area, and one of the largest in the country. Instituted on November 18, 1900, Council 539 was originally located in a five story building at 1409 Glenarm Place. Martelon indicated that his research revealed that he was not the “Founder of the Fourth Degree” as is commonly believed. However, Martelon indicated that Reddin was likely the one who established the ceremonials for the degree.

Also, in 1901, a group of Denver Council 539 members headed by Reddin, Charter Grand Knight and J.K. Mullen, chartered a private train and traversed across the West, founding councils all along the way. Reddin was later to serve as Territorial Deputy for Colorado-Wyoming, and as First State Deputy in Colorado. He related how the second home of the council was the historic red-stone residence at 1555 Grant Street. The mansion was one of the showpieces of the city, but constant use and deterioration required that the main structure be torn down and was replaced with a beautiful new facility in 1963. The grand knight during the restoration was Bill Dresler, who chaired the 100th anniversary gala banquet.

During the evening, Rev. McGee presented Msgr. Samuel Aquila with the first of two installments in the $5,000 scholarship for seminarians annually provided through the Memorial Scholarship Fund.

During the evening, entertainment on the piano was provided by Msgr. Robert Greenslade, pastor of Holy Family Parish and former chaplain to Council 539. Honored guests also included Troy Eid, chief counsel for Gov. Bill Owens; James Mejia, deputy mayor; State Deputy Jerry O’Connor and other state officers. Other guests included the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet.

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Women's Conference 2000 responds to feminism
FOCUS sponsored conference unfolds Pope’s teaching on the dignity of women

The true dignity of women revealed in the Holy Father’s teachings is the focus of Women’s Conference 2000, Dec. 8-9 at Sacred Heart of Mary Parish in Boulder.

“The Church’s teachings are perceived as being negative toward women,” said Libby Ariniello, a Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS) staff member at the University of Denver and coordinator of the conference. “When in reality the Pope, and Christ himself, gave women the true respect and dignity they deserve.”

“I think the Pope’s teaching about the dignity of women is just so beautiful,” Ariniello added. “Women should have a deep appreciation for who they are as women—as a sister. We both have vital roles in the mission of the Church, that complement one another.”

The conference is for any woman wishing to learn more about the Holy Father’s teachings. It will also offer a great opportunity to meet other women seeking to live out their faith.

Ariniello added, “Women should have a dignity of women is just so beautiful,” Pope John Paul II has written extensively about what he calls the “feminine genius,” a term West unpacks in his two-part talk. “John Paul’s insights are fully revolutionary,” West said.

Bonacci, who draws insights from the Holy Father’s “Theology of the Body,” wants to give young women a new perspective on the world of dating. “He calls the ‘feminine genius,’ a term West unpacks in his two-part talk. “John Paul’s insights are truly revolutionary,” West said.

The conference also features a personal testimony by Beverly Ketchel, a youth minister at the Sacred Heart of Mary Parish in Boulder. Ketchel will speak of her conversion to the life-giving love of God and her discovery of Natural Family Planning.

Other speakers include Religious Sister of Mercy Prudence Allen PhD., who teaches philosophy at St. John Vianney Theological Seminary, and Michaelann Martin, a mother of six who also is a national speaker and author of two books.

Sister Allen will consider the relation of femininity to chastity in the 1,000-year history of Catholic philosophy. She will briefly consider three different views of Catholic philosophers on the roots and meaning of femininity: Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179), St. Edith Stein (1892-1942) and John Paul II. She will also reflect on Catholic philosophy’s significance for a woman’s personal testimony by Beverly Ketchel, a youth minister at the Sacred Heart of Mary Parish in Boulder. Ketchel will speak of her conversion to the life-giving love of God and her discovery of Natural Family Planning.

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Pope sees new vision of elderly's role in Church

When you think of senior citizens in the Catholic Church, do you think of visits to the homebound, nursing homes, perhaps a parish bus trip or a weekly bingo game? It may be that those who should come to mind are Shirley Steifel of New Orleans, who at age 75 spends five to six hours a day, six days a week, sewing school and play clothes for needy children, or Ginny Knight-Simon, whose formal title in the Diocese of Owensboro, Ky., is director of wisdom and who oversees an extensive program of elder ministry with social, spiritual and service aspects, as well as annual Days of Wisdom.

Knight-Simon, Steifel and thousands of others involved in ministry for, with and by Catholic seniors take their cue from the recent writings of Pope John Paul II and the U.S. bishops.

In their 1999 pastoral message, "Blessings of Age," the bishops said one of their primary goals was "to form a fresh perspective, one that sees older persons as active participants in contributing to the church's life and mission and in meeting the spiritual needs of its members."

"Aging demands the attention of the entire church," they said. "How the faith community relates to its older members — recognizing their presence, encouraging their contributions, responding to their needs, and providing appropriate opportunities — is a sign of the community's spiritual health and maturity."

Pope John Paul II

"The church has two major messages for older people," said Sheila Garcia, assistant director of the U.S. bishops' Secretariat for Family, Laity, Women and Youth. "The first is to acknowledge their presence and contributions, not just in the past, but their continued contributions."

Acknowledging the realities and limitations of old age, the church, she said, wants to help seniors to see "even within those limitations, what they can give back."

The bishops' second message is directed to the whole church, she added. "You get older not just as an individual but as part of a community," she said. "The church's role is to help make it possible for the older person to continue to grow spiritually and to serve others."

In "Letter to the Elderly," released in October 1999, Pope John Paul II, then himself 79 years old — said old age is "now no longer considered and lived passively as the expectation of a calamity but rather as a promise-filled approach to the goal of full maturity."

"These are years to be lived with a sense of trust, abandonment into the hands of God, our provident and merciful Father," he said. "It is a time to be used creatively for deepening our spiritual life through more fervent prayer and commitment to the service of our brothers and sisters in charity."

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"It's sometimes difficult to pull in enough business to justify keeping it operational," explains Connie Bailey, Cathedral Plaza administrator, who wants to invite business people, students and neighbors to come in for reasonably priced meals.

Diners must enter at the Cathedral Plaza entrance. Center; Charles with her tray. At right; resident and employee Barbara Lundgren puts away food as she says "there is no better place to live and work."

The building's residents are disabled persons or seniors who depend heavily on the Cathedral Plaza Dining Room for a home-style meal and great conversation. The food is excellent and reasonably priced, allowing her to avoid cooking.

"It's just delicious," she said. "I particularly love how they always add a little bacon to the liver and onions."

Another favorite dish she has discovered recently is the cranberry jello, which invariably leaves enough for her to take some home. "I love to eat it with a little Cool Whip, but I don't have any of that on hand, so I'll probably serve it up with a little scoop of ice cream," she said.

There are always two choices of hot entrees, two side dishes, as well as desserts, beverages, soups and salads. Entrees, which include meat, lasagna, or a stew, are $1.75 without a side dish. Side dishes are 75 cents. Soup and salad is $1.50.

A full meal, including dessert, costs $5.25. And for now, the conversation with seniors willing to share their wisdom — along with a few great stories — is free.

Bailey also has arranged for the Cathedral Plaza's "Adopt a Senior" program to help residents purchase meal tickets at reduced costs. To sponsor a Cathedral Plaza "Adopt a Senior," one may purchase a seven-meal ticket for $36.75, or a 14-meal ticket for $73.50. Checks may be mailed to Cathedral Plaza's "Adopt a Senior," 1575 Pennsylvania, Denver, CO 80203.

Diners must enter at the front door, which is a secured entrance. A host or hostess admits patrons and guides them to the dining room.

Bailey says the socialization in the dining room is important for the residents here. "It's important for them to come down and sit with somebody and join in on some conversation — and have a little bit of fun," she says.

Lunch is served every day from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. "Early Bird Suppers" are Monday through Friday, 4:30-5:30 p.m., with prices the same for lunch and dinner.

Teresa Young helps fellow resident Delia.
**Construction effort to enhance Central City church**


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**New church rises in Windsor**

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dale Graham, project superintendent from Fishbeek/Sheard Construction Inc.

The parish made efforts to salvage everything it could from the old church, including the bell that rang for Mass in the sanctuary of the Church. This bell, along with the pews, was able to hang them in the Tabraham Church, said Father Adams. The chapel will be a place away from the multi-purpose area as a place of reverence, where parishioners may come to visit and pray. You might think the new building would appear from blue prints was difficult, said Father Adams. And there were some pleasant surprises. “We were pleased when we much to the new building,” he explained, “like a little in the unexposed presence.”

The conference will have discussion sessions for participants to interact and discuss issues. The conference will have discussion sessions for participants to interact and discuss issues. The conference will have discussion sessions for participants to interact and discuss issues.

**Notes to speakers to address important women’s issues**

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Bill Owens proud to be a Catholic

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form to women under the age of 18 is dramatic and frightening. He also pointed to the impact of increasing unemployment and efforts against drinking and driving have had on CO, among examples of how things can change for the better.

"There's a list of examples of how we've changed... We've done it in our own lives... and while we certainly have further to go, the change in the last 30 years has been amazing," the new governor, though, can only do so much.

"There are a number of issues where government can only be tangentially helpful, where it actually takes social initiatives like our churches, our non-profits, our families to stop in," he said.

Owens said he feels that recognition of the importance of faith communities in the public square got a boost this election year from Democratic presidential candidate Joe Lieberman and Republican Gov. George W. Bush. Bath of those candidates framed their own faith and their support for faith-based solutions to problems.

"It's now safe once again to talk about the role of religion in our society," he said.

Discussing his own faith, Owens said he is proud to say that being Catholic is "part of who I am." He and his wife, Frances, and their three children, living in St. Michael Archangel Parish in Aurora.

"I don't talk to Catholic doctrine on an issue-by-issue basis, but I certainly deal with issues as a person who is strongly influenced by my Catholic faith," he added.

He said he often talks with Denver Archbishop Charles J. Chaput about issues, including abortion and the death penalty.

The governor said he has "listened carefully to what the pope has said" against capital punishment and respects his view. "The pope is one of my heroes," he added, especially in the purist's role in the downfall of communism in Eastern Europe.

But the governor disagrees the death penalty should be outlawed. "I understand clearly the sincerity of life (issue)," he said. "I also understand the state has to be very careful" when it decides to execute someone found guilty of a capital crime. Owens said.

Colorado has only executed one person since 1947. It currently has six people on death row whose guilt Owens said is not in doubt.

Removing the death penalty, Owens is active on the issue, fighting against taxpayer-funded abortion and state funding to Planned Parenthood. He has asked the state attorney general to appeal a measure that would have required a state constitutional amendment to end capital punishment.

Owens also supported a 2000 ballot measure that would have required notification to the state for any abortion performed on a minor before an abortion, but it was defeated.

He noted that over the years Colorado has been "pretty liberal on abortion," starting in 1967 when the Legislature voted to allow abortion, but today it "may be a little more conservative" opposed to abortion, except in cases of rape, incest and life of the mother."
Bomling raider spurred Lubich's turn to Christ

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For ten years, the house at 162 W. Madison in Washington was the focus of the Focolare movement, which was founded in Italy by Maria Sabina in 1943. It was there that Lubich and her husband, Joseph, lived with their four children until 1963.

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In her 45-minute address, delivered to an audience of 300 people, Vanier discussed the movement's history and its spirituality. The theme of the address was "The Christian view of humanity." The address was part of the Movement's 25th anniversary celebration.

Vanier was a Franciscan missionary who founded the L'Arche communities. He was awarded the Templeton Prize for Progress in the preceding year. The prize is given for "outstanding contributions to the understanding of the human condition and the promotion of mankind's spiritual growth and development." Vanier was also recipient of the 1988 Nobel Peace Prize.

Vanier received a standing ovation from the audience. He was immediately followed by a question and answer session with the audience. The audience was enthusiastic and the session was lively.

Vanier, who is 85 years old and a member of the Order of St. Francis, is a Canadian citizen. He is also a member of the Order of St. Benedict. He is a member of the Order of St. Andrew, the Order of St. Louis, and the Order of the Holy Sepulchre.

Vanier has received numerous awards and honors, including the 1995 nobel peace prize, the 1996 templeton prize, the 1997 king carl xvi gustaf medal, the 2000 european prize for literature, the 2001 peace prize of the council of europe, and the 2002 french legion of honor medal.

Vanier is the author of several books, including "The Art of Being" and "The Gift of Being Together." He is the founder of several international organizations, including the L'Arche communities and the L'Arche USA.

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En el mes de mayo, el Pueblo Católico presentará un evento de evangelización en diferentes parroquias. El Pueblo Católico ha trabajado en diferentes parroquias en el área de Denver, y se ha encontrado con una comunidad hispana aportar un número significativo de miembros a la parroquia. La feria se realizará en la Parroquia de la Inmaculada Concepción y se llevará a cabo el próximo 10 de diciembre a las 2:30 pm. Durante el evento, se atendrá a los asistentes con un servicio, generosidad y fe. Dios me ha dado estas cualidades para el trabajo de la Iglesia. A estas alturas, no se sabe cómo o por qué, pero creo que el Espíritu Santo continúa traba-

Catequesis del 2001

El futuro sacerdote mexicano, Félix Zermeno-Martín, celebrará su primer Eucaristía en la Parroquia de la Inmaculada Concepción de Denver el 10 de diciembre a las 2:00 pm. Se le ayudará a más de mil niños latinos que están dispuestos a entregarse, donar su vida y su tiempo para la misión. El tema principal de la misión es la evangelización. Los temas de cada día de la misión incluyen el papel de las Escrituras en la fe católica, el papel de María, las deudas y las obligaciones. El misionero realizará trabajo de catequesis con niños entre los 4 y los 12 años y dirigirá varios talleres libres y con maestros particulares. Esquivel ha participado en el concurso de diseño del logo para esta importante actividad con el título "Heaven, Angels on Earth." El logo ganador será utilizado en las playeras, los boletines, el catálogo y el sitio web del CCO. Su obra pertenece a diversas colecciones privadas y ha sido producida para este gran evento, anotó.

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Indian Mission Director Asks for Your Help

Special to Denver Catholic Register

THOREAU, NM -

"Lord, when did you see me hungry and feed me?"

"When you did it for one of the least of my people, you did it for me." Matt 25:40

As Catholics around the globe prepare to celebrate the holy seasons of Advent and Christmas, the director, priest, sisters, lay missionaries and staff of a New Mexico Mission school are concerned about urgently-needed help. They work daily to make quality Catholic education a reality for American Indian children in their care.

These children "do without" as a way of life ... will you help them? For many of our students, the school started a school more than a decade ago when the founder realized the Indian children in the Mission's CCD classes didn't have even the most basic reading and writing skills. Today over 300 children, most of them Native American, join in prayer to keep their school from closing. Mission staff believe education is the key to breaking the cycle of poverty.

The Indian boys and girls attending St. Bonaventure Indian Mission and School live with the following realities:

- 35% of the Navajo population cannot read or write.
- McKinley County (where the Mission is located) has the highest poverty rate (43%) in the state.
- The suicide rate among Navajo teenagers is ten times higher than for their age group in the U.S. population at large.

- McKinley County has the highest alcoholism rate in the United States.
- Thirty dedicated lay missionaries teach and carry out the other work of the Mission. This "other work" includes maintaining the buses and vans which travel the remote mesas to bring the children to school; preparing two nourishing meals daily for the children; and bringing both food and water to aging Navajos living in poverty in remote areas of the barren Reservation.

New lay missionaries often ask, "Can this be America?"

They've experienced failure in other schools or inability to get to school from great distances. Will you help?

Gifts made to St. Bonaventure Indian Mission and School are tax-deductible. The school also qualifies for "Matching Gifts."

Dear Denver Catholic Register Readers,

I'm turning to you for help. My concern is for the children and elders served by St. Bonaventure Indian Mission. Without caring friends like you we can't exist. Please help make quality education a reality for needy Navajo children.

Also, with early cold weather this year, families need warm clothing, blankets, heating fuel and repairs to their homes. Your generosity and love will bring love and hope into struggling lives.

In this special season of gratitude and giving, I want to be sure each child receives at least one gift at Christmas, and that elders in need will have good food for a holiday meal.

I can't meet these needs without your help. Please become part of this life-giving work! I don't want to have to say "no" to even one child or one elder who needs help. Will you join in our love for these First Americans who live in such difficult circumstances?

In Christ's Love,

Bob O'Connell, Director

St. Bonaventure Indian Mission & School

P.S. Please be generous. Give hope to these Navajo children!

The shining eyes of these Navajo "angels," part of last year's preschool pageant, reflect the hope of all at St. Bonaventure - to keep the school open ... to give 300 children the skills they will need to break the cycle of poverty and to live a Spirit-filled life.

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Father Greg Ames, pastor, welcomes pilgrims to St. Peter Parish in Greeley.

Archbishop Charles Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., presides at the ordination of Father Félix Zermeño Martín, Dec. 9 at the Cathedral.

**Priest Ordained**
Hispanic priest ordained on Feast of Blessed Juan Diego — 7

St. Mary Middle School dedication, Dec. 8.

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St. Mary Academy Middle School dedicated on Dec. 8 — 8, 12, 13

Greeley parish known for embracing ‘Spirituality of Pilgrimage’ — 3

Special Section: Archdiocesan Financial Report
Pray, fast for peace in the Middle East

In a message issued Nov. 15, "Returning to the Path of Peace in the Middle East," the U.S. bishops called for the resumption of "peaceful negotiations and negotiation" and for the establishment of "a just and lasting peace." The bishops are "deeply concerned about the current situation in the Middle East and the consequences of the ongoing conflict." They called for a "just and lasting peace" in the region.

Archbishop to entrust northern Colorado to Blessed Virgin Mary

A new Archdiocesan Shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be established in northern Colorado to facilitate the pilgrimage to Rome. The Archdiocese of Denver announced on Dec. 17, 2000, that Archbishop Chaput will make a pastoral visit to St. Ignatius Parish in Greeley, Colorado, on Dec. 18, 2000, and will present the papal decree entrusting the pilgrimage to the Virgin Mary. The Archdiocese of Denver has designated the Shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary as the "Pilgrim Archdiocese."

The shrine will be located in St. Ignatius Parish, where the Archiepiscopal Vicariate of North America will be established. The shrine will be designated as an "Archdiocesan Shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary," and will be the source of blessing and vitality for the Church in the United States. The shrine will be opened to the public on Dec. 18, 2000.

For more information, contact the Office of the Vicariate of North America, 1000 S. Steele St., Denver, CO 80210, or call (303) 764-2000.

Catholic Church

The Catholic Church has no official stance on the conflict in the Middle East. However, the Catholic Church has expressed its concern for the well-being of all peoples in the region, and has called for a peaceful resolution to the conflict. The Church has also called for the protection of religious freedom and human rights in the region.

Introduce a friend to our loving God

Falling in love is a celebration to be shared with others. It is a joyful occasion that brings people together and strengthening bonds. In the same way, falling in love with God is a joyous event that should be shared with others. When we fall in love with God, we should not keep it secret, but instead, share it with others. By sharing our love for God with others, we can help others to experience the love of God as well.

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WASHINGTON

Arrival of RU-486 brings worries of dangers

The abortion pill RU-486 began arriving in the U.S. last week, and officials were at a loss to answer about the dangers that some have worried is involved in using the pill. "RU-486 has the potential to be a generation drugging, a drug that could be more dangerous than thalidomide or DES," said Laura D'Elia, spokeswoman for the Coalition to Ban the Drug, a group of American women need to know just how dangerous this drug can be," she said. It is a very, very risky in terms of going forward with that," said D'Elia. "If we have to go forward and the women are forced to choose, they will choose the abortion pill that will produce the deaths, but by the end of next year, we could have something more substantial.

VATICAN CITY

Vatican plans document on AIDS

The United States is one of 104 AIDS statutes showing an unusual increase, according to the Vatican, the Vatican plans to publish a document calling Catholics to take a personal responsibility for the spread of HIV/AIDS. The document, known as a "thief's mind," is expected to have a "spiritual" character. The pope, who is expected to speak in Berlin, is expected to publish it in this spring or summer. The document will be published in the Vatican newspaper, L'Osservatore Romano, in the next few days. The Vatican newspaper, L'Osservatore Romano, is expected to publish the document on April 5. The pope, who is expected to speak in Berlin, is expected to publish it in the next few days.

VATICAN CITY

Pope tells disabled they challenge society

The pope told disabled people "You are my joy and I will find you satisfaction," said Pope John Paul II, during a jubilee Mass celebrated at the Vatican on Sunday. The Mass, which was attended by thousands of disabled people, was celebrated for the first time at the Vatican. The pope, who is expected to speak in Berlin, is expected to publish it in the next few days. The pope, who is expected to speak in Berlin, is expected to publish it in the next few days.

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In his official proclamation of the Holy Year 2000, Pope John Paul II outlined how the faithful can acquire the Jubilee Indulgence. Ways in which one may do so include making a pilgrimage to one of the major basilicas in Rome or the Holy Land, or to a designated local site. The time to receive this special grace is drawing to a close and those who have yet to make a pilgrimage to one of the local sites should make plans to do so within the coming weeks.

The seven archdiocesan sites include the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception; Denver: Sacred Heart Church; Denver: St. Louis Church; Englewood: St. Mary Church; Denver: St. Peter Church; Greeley: St. Stephen Church; Glenwood Springs: Holy Family; and Mother Cabrini Shrine, Golden. The closing of the Jubilee Year will take place Jan. 5, 2001.

The closing Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Denver the afternoon of Jan. 5, 2001. Archbishop Chaput will be the celebrant of the Mass and principal celebrant. Mass will begin at 3:30 p.m. Mass celebrated by Archbishop Chaput will be the closing Mass of the Jubilee Year.

The closing Mass will include the presentation of the Cross of Indulgence to the Archbishop, the proclamation of the Indulgence, and the opportunity to receive the Indulgence by the rite of indulgence. The closing Mass will also include the blessing of the faithful and the presentation of the Cross of Indulgence to the Archbishop. The closing Mass will conclude with the reading of the closing prayer and the benediction of the people.

Please make plans now to attend the closing Mass and receive the Indulgence.

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Mission team enjoys archbishop’s pastoral visit

Busy schedule included celebrating Mass with fellow ‘Archbishop Charles’

By Father Tom McCormick

The people of Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico, were blessed with a truly pastoral visit when Archbishop Charles Chaput recently spent some days with the Cathedral mission team. The days were filled with a variety of activities that included prayer, study, and visitation with the mission team.

During this visit, the team enjoyed the leadership of Father Martin Alsobrooks, a priest from the Diocese of Denver who is currently serving as a mission team member in Hermosillo. The visitation included various activities that were designed to strengthen the spiritual and pastoral growth of the mission team.

During the visit, the mission team members had the opportunity to participate in Mass celebrated by Archbishop Chaput at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Hermosillo. The Mass was a special moment of spiritual renewal for the mission team and a time of deepening their commitment to their pastoral mission.

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Father Tom McCormick, one of the Colorado missionaries at the Hermosillo mission, gratefully shared his observations on the visitation:

"We were able to gain a deeper understanding of the culture of the people we serve. We were able to see the challenges they face on a daily basis. We were able to share in their joys and sorrows. We were able to witness the power of faith in their lives."

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St. Mary's Academy Middle School dedicated

Sisters of Loretto have provided Catholic education in Colorado for more than a century

By Regina Day, S.L.

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New middle school offers resources for parents

Parents, interested in a school with an innovative atmosphere, will want to check out the new middle school that opened this fall. The school, located in Denver's South Park Hill neighborhood, serves students in grades 6-8 and has a unique design that encourages collaboration and creativity.

Students can choose from a variety of academic tracks, including honors and advanced placement courses. The school also offers a range of extracurricular activities, including sports, music, and art. The library/media center is a hub of activity, with students frequently seen gathering around computers, books, and other resources.

The school's design team was thoughtful in addressing the learning needs of both boys and girls in grades 6-8, with gender-specific learning pods featuring gender-neutral design.

One of the most unique features of the school is its focus on technology. Students have access to a range of equipment, including laptops, tablets, and digital makerspaces, allowing them to explore their interests and develop critical thinking skills.

Parents can visit the school at any time to see for themselves the resources available to their children. The school is located at 3000 S. Park Hill Dr., Denver, CO 80219, and can be reached at (303) 936-2546.

Teddi's Tea Room at The Gingerbear House

Teddi's Tea Room is a charming establishment located in the heart of Cherry Creek North. With a cozy atmosphere and a wide selection of teas, this is a perfect spot for a relaxing afternoon tea. The menu also includes a variety of sandwiches, pastries, and desserts.

The Gingerbear House offers a unique shopping experience for all ages. Visitors can find a wide range of gifts, including handmade ceramics, custom jewelry, and boutique clothing. The store is open from 10 am to 6 pm on weekdays and 10 am to 5 pm on Saturdays.

Conclusion

The new middle school offers a range of resources for parents and students alike. With its innovative design and focus on technology, this school is sure to be a hit with families looking for a modern learning environment.

Happy Holidays from The Gingerbear House and Teddi's Tea Room.
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we close the Great Jubilee, I’ve been struck by the spiritual renewal, energy and dedication to the faith that I’ve seen in every corner of northern Colorado. I am deeply grateful for your generosity, and please know that I remember every one of you, and your intentions, in my prayers each day.

As we enter the fifth and final year of our Hearts on Fire effort, we have a great deal to be proud of—and also a great deal of work that remains ahead. We need to continue building for the future in each one of our parishes, and throughout the entire Church in northern Colorado, so we can preach Jesus Christ more faithfully as we enter the decades of a new millennium. By every measure, Hearts on Fire has made a decisive difference in the life of our Church, and the success of the annual Archbishop’s Catholic Appeal continues to provide us with the ongoing resources we need to pursure the Lord’s work.

Hears on Fire has ultimately been about creating a new spirit of stewardship throughout our parishes and across the entire geography of our Church. As a steward myself, it gives me great satisfaction to report to you that the Archdiocese of Denver remains financially sound, as evidenced by this final disclosure for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2000. The strong financial health of our Church is the product first and foremost of your kindness, combined with the talent of our staff administrators. I gladly pledge to you that all the resources of our Church will continue to be stewarded with the utmost prudence.

May God give you peace and bless all of you as we celebrate Advent!

Your brother in the Lord,

+ Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M.Cap.

Archbishop of Denver

The Archdiocesan Finance Council

The Archdiocesan Finance Council (AFC) is a constituent body that concerns itself with fiscal responsibility and stewardship, offering its recommendations and insights to the archbishop. As mandated by Canon Law, council members are skilled in civil law and/or business affairs. The AFC is comprised of the following committees:

- Accounting • Archdiocesan Catholic Appeal • Finance • Financial Advisory • Real Estate

The Archdiocesan Finance Council Members

Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M.Cap., Gerald J. Laber - Chair; John F. Busc, Dr. Lawrence F. Johnston, Jerome J. Judoi, Rev. Mgr. Raymond N. Jones, Judge Leonard Plank, Kathleen M. Spurck; Carol Thurston; Nick Zieser

The entities presented in this financial report include the following:

- Archbishop of Denver
- Archdiocese of Denver Management Corporation
- Our Lady of the New Advent Theological Institute
- Seeds of Hope Charitable Trust
- The Catholic Foundation for the Archdiocese of Denver
- Holy Family High School, Inc.
- Bishop Machebeuf High School, Inc.
- The Archdiocese of Denver Irrevocable Revolving Fund Trust
- The Archdiocese of Denver Welfare Benefits Trust
- The Archdiocese of Denver Risk Management Property/Casualty Insurance Trust
- The John Paul II Center for the New Evangelization
- Camp St. Male
- Religious Retreat and Conference Center, Inc.
- The Archdiocese of Denver Mortuary at Mount Olivet, Inc.
- The Mount Olive Cemetery Association

Introduction

The financial statements contained in this report have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.


Glossary of Terms

- Endowment: A donor-imposed restriction that permits the benefactor to retain ownership of an asset over the life of the benefactor, or which expires when the stipulated time has elapsed or when the stipulated purpose or condition has been fulfilled. Upon expiration, the resource is released and reclassified as unrestricted net assets.

- Permanent restrictions: A donor-imposed restriction that stipulates that the resource be used for a particular purpose. The resource is released and reclassified as unrestricted net assets when the condition specified by the donor is no longer in effect.

- Temporary restrictions: A donor-imposed restriction that is released when the stipulated purpose or condition has been fulfilled. Upon release, the resource is released and reclassified as unrestricted net assets.

- Fixed restrictions: A donor-imposed restriction that stipulates that the resource be used for a particular purpose. The resource is released and reclassified as unrestricted net assets when the condition specified by the donor is no longer in effect.

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Statement of activities: Reports the amount of change in net assets. Revenues, expenses, gains, and losses increase or decrease net assets. Other sources, such as donations of donor-imposed restrictions, can increase or decrease net assets.

Statement of financial position: Provides a statement of financial position, which is the net assets of an organization, computed by subtracting liabilities from assets. The statement is prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
Archdiocese of Denver

Statement of Financial Position - June 30, 2000

Assets:
- Cash and cash equivalents $261,616
- Prepaid expenses and other assets 161,861
- Notes, contributions and accounts receivable, net 19,671,271
- Due from parishes and other Archdiocesan entities 3,021,992
- Archdiocesan entities Investments:
  - Parishes held in trust 1,594,738
  - Other 18,192,431
  - Total investments 19,747,179
- Property and equipment 15,566,232
- Total assets $57,411,091

Liabilities and Net Assets:
- Accounts payable and accrued expenses $518,351
- Accrued payroll-related costs 337,318
- Due to other Archdiocesan organizations 224,725
- Parishes held in trust for others 2,021,932
- Deferred revenue 233,308
- Notes payable 18,001,467
- Deferred rent payable 1,240,366
- Liability under split-interest arrangements 222,225
- Total liabilities 22,973,034
- Total net assets $24,438,057

Support and revenue and classifications:
- Revenue:
  - Advertising income $1,071,230
  - Program and service income 889,252
  - Investment income, net 5,743,422
  - Total revenue 7,893,904
- Expenses:
  - Program expenses:
    - Religious education and Catholic schools 1,801,046
    - Social development and world peace 1,413,484
    - Spiritual and pastoral concerns 1,439,319
    - Religious and canonical ministries 1,075,416
    - Evangelization 1,981,160
    - Catholic communications 1,901,999
    - Gifts to Archdiocesan entities 8,557,678
    - Other expenses 1,316,104
    - Total program expenses 19,890,374
  - Support and administrative expenses:
    - Support and administrative services 1,388,403
    - Development and fundraising 1,313,177
    - Total support and administrative services 2,701,580
  - Total expenses 22,591,954
- Total revenue 7,893,904
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- Net assets, beginning of year 5,743,422
- Net assets, ending of year $22,225,732

Archdiocese of Denver

"By this my Father is glorified, that you bear fruit, and become my disciples."
-John 15:8

Statement of Activities - Year Ended June 30, 2000

Support and revenue and classifications:
- Support:
  - Archdiocese's Catholic Appeal (ACA):
    - Contributions $5,743,422
    - Net assets released from time restrictions 5,743,422
    - Total ACA support 5,743,422
  - Houses on Fire capital campaign:
    - Contributions 6,193,718
    - Total Homes on Fire campaign support 6,193,718
  - Parishes and Archdiocesan entities:
    - Grants and contributions 3,305,165
    - Total grants and contributions 3,305,165
  - Other net assets released from program restrictions & rectifications 19,459,081
- Total support and contributions 22,973,034
- Unrestricted: Temporarily Permanently
  - Restricted Restricted Restricted
  - Net Assets--
    - Property and equipment $8,343,402
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Parishes Received $22,375,900 in ACA Rebounds

Your support of the ACA benefits many, including your parish. During the 2000 Archdiocese's Catholic Appeal, 149 parishes exceeded their ACA targets. These parishes shared in this success with Hearts on Fire, and as a result, received $722,750 in rebates.
The Archdiocese of Denver Management Corporation

In March 1999, the Archdiocese of Denver established The Archdiocese of Denver Management Corporation (the Management Corporation), to provide finance, payroll, accounting, real estate, construction and other management services to the Archdiocese and its affiliated entities. The operations of the Management Corporation became effective on July 1, 1999.

Statement of Financial Position - June 30, 2000

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Our Lady of the New Advent Theological Institute

Our Lady of the New Advent Theological Institute (the "Institute") is a nonprofit corporation formed in 1999 by the Archdiocese of Denver to operate a seminary and to offer other programs for the education of seminarians and members of the laity.

The Institute operates and preserves the Archbishop Vehr Theological Library. It also operates the Spirituality Year Program for men preparing for a vocation in the Roman Catholic priesthood for the Archdiocese of Denver. Additionally, the Institute operates the Division of Lay Formation for the education of the laity, including the Catholic Biblical School and Catechetical School, and such other study programs for the laity.

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Seeds of Hope Charitable Trust

The Catholic Foundation for the Archdiocese of Denver

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he Catholic Foundation for the Archdiocese of Denver was established in 1970 as a non-profit organization to support the ministries of the Roman Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Denver. The Foundation is a separate legal entity (501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization) operating under the canon law of the Catholic Church.

The Catholic Foundation supports the following initiatives:

- **Catholic Schools**: Catholic elementary and high schools and universities that meet the human needs within the local community
- **Religious Education and Evangelization**: Programs for elementary, high school, and college students, as well as adults
- **Change & Legacy Foundation**: Education and spiritual formation for works serving the poor and advancing the Good News
- **The Foundation Foundation**: Retirement assistance for priests as well as lay people serving a Catholic retirement setting
- **Community Services & Social Concerns**: Services and programs that serve the local community

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Despite the high cost of operating the two Archdiocese of Denver schools, our education system returns high yields for the Church and the general public. Catholic schools yield superior academic results at a fraction of the cost of their public school counterparts. Through the Hearts on Fire campaign, the Archdiocese of Denver furthers its commitment to excellence in education, believing that our children deserve the opportunity to grow and strive toward the promise of the new millennium.

"Whoever receives me receives the one who sent me."

- John 13:20

The average cost per pupil of students attending archdiocesan Catholic schools is considerably less than costs incurred by public schools in similar-sized districts. This is due in part to the.

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| Total liabilities and net assets            | $16,229,393  |                        |              |

### Statement of Activities - Year Ended June 30, 2000

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Catholic education is a highly effective means of providing the foundation for responsible citizenship and adult Christian discipleship. The Catholic school environment synthesizes faith, culture and life, empowering our young students to overcome the pressures of today's troubled society to meet the challenges of the future with hope and confidence.

### Bishop Machebeuf High School, Inc.


**Assets:**
- Cash and cash equivalents: $100,895
- Cash held in trust for others: 15,639
- Tuition receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of $6301: 7,268
- Prepaid expenses and other: 95,438
- Contribution receivable from charitable remainder trust: 112,660
- Investment: 9,500
- Property and equipment, net: 9,129,066

**Total assets:** 9,470,468

**Liabilities and Net Assets:**
- Accounts payable and accrued expenses: 65,657
- Accrued payroll: 92,041
- Due to other Archdiocesan entities: 444,721
- Tuition and fees paid in advance: 141,027
- Funds held in trust for others: 15,639
- Notes payable/Line-of-Credit agreements: 8,720,992

**Total liabilities:** 9,480,077

**Net Assets:**
- Unrestricted: (122,269)
- Temporarily restricted: 112,660

**Total net assets:** (9,609)

**Total liabilities and net assets:** 9,470,468

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**“Care and Vigilance”**

Bishop Machebeuf High School motto

#### Statement of Activities – Year Ended June 30, 2000

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<td>(19,567)</td>
<td>431,045</td>
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| Change in net assets | 652,729 | (19,567) | (672,262) |
| Net assets, beginning of year | 530,460 | 132,227 | 662,687 |

| Net assets, end of year | $ (122,269) | 112,660 | (9,609) |

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**“The Father and I are one.”**

- John 1:14
The Archdiocese of Denver
Irrevocable Revolving Fund Trust

The Archdiocese of Denver Irrevocable Revolving Fund Trust answers the Church's call upon parishes and archdiocesan institutions to help one another spiritually and financially. The Archdiocesan Revolving Fund allows archdiocesan organizations to pool financial resources to create competitive terms for depositing, withdrawing and borrowing money. Deposits to the Archdiocesan Revolving Fund are encouraged but not mandated.

Loans are tailored to the needs of parishes
Generally, loans made by the Archdiocesan Revolving Fund bear interest at the prime rate. As the inception of a loan, an affordable monthly payment is established, then, as interest rates fluctuate, the maturity of the loan changes rather than the monthly payment - an important feature for parish financial planning.

Designed to operate at a break-even, any surplus generated remains in the Fund and may be used only for distribution to depositors.

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| Change in net assets before transfer | (220,551) |
| Transfer from Archdiocese of Denver    | 702,800 |
| Change in net assets                   | 482,249 |
| Net assets, beginning of year          | (482,249) |
| Net assets, end of year                | $ |

"God himself is an eternal exchange of love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and he has destined us to share in that exchange."

- Catechism of the Catholic Church 1221
The Archdiocese of Denver Welfare Benefits Trust

The Archdiocese of Denver Welfare Benefits Trust provides archdiocesan employees access to quality health care. The trust is partially self-insured and bears the financial loss on insurance claims up to certain limitations of acceptable risk. Traditional indemnity insurance products cover losses exceeding the fund's risk limitations.

Statement of Financial Position - June 30, 2000

Assets:
- Cash and cash equivalents $193,692
- Short-term investments 436,404
- Due from parishes and other Archdiocesan organizations, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of $35,150 10,025
- Total assets $640,121

Liabilities and Net Assets (Deficit):
- Due to other Archdiocesan organizations $874
- Estimated insurance claims 758,472
- Total liabilities 759,346
- Net Assets (Deficit):
  - Unrestricted (119,225)
- Total liabilities and net assets $3,793,702

Statement of Activities - Year Ended June 30, 2000

Revenues:
- Self-insurance premiums and insurance billings $5,936,637
- Investment income 44,173
- Other revenue 90,358
- Total revenues 6,071,168

Expenses:
- Programs expenses:
  - Insurance premiums 2,856,107
  - Self-insurance claims 3,264,142
  - Claims administration costs 246,751
  - Total program expenses 6,467,000
  - Support & administrative expenses 105,171
  - Total expenses 6,572,171

Change in net assets (501,003)
- Net assets, beginning of year 381,778
- Net assets, deficit, and end of year $(119,225)
Pope John Paul II, throughout his pontificate, has emphasized the importance of the great Jubilee Year 2000. In preparation, he has encouraged Catholics to embrace a new era of evangelization that will guide them in their journey through the Third Millennium of the Incarnation of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Pope John Paul II has deemed 2000 as the Year of the Holy Trinity.

The John Paul II Center for the New Evangelization represents the tangible expression of this new era of evangelization. The John Paul II Center is located at 1300 S. Steele Street, the site of the former St. Thomas Seminary. The center provides young Catholics with a gathering place for meetings, media education, liturgies, formation in lay apostolic community life and classroom instruction in Scripture and Church doctrine. The John Paul II Center is also the facility for marriage preparation classes, the St. John Vianney Seminary, and the Catholic Biblical School.

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith in me also."

- John 14:1

The Pastoral Center of the Archdiocese of Denver is located at the John Paul II Center, and the Center also houses the Archbishop Vehr Theological Library. The Vehr Library contains 140,000 volumes and is considered the finest such resource between Chicago and Los Angeles.

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<td>Due to Archdiocese of Denver</td>
<td>67,628</td>
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| Net Assets:                   | $        |
| Unrestricted:                 |          |
| Undesignated                  |          |
| Property and equipment        |          |
| **Total net assets**          | **3,780,214**|

| Total liabilities and net assets | $ 3,847,842 |

Statement of Activities - Year Ended June 30, 2000

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| Net assets, beginning of year| $ 3,386,789|
| **Net assets, end of year**  | **3,780,214**|
Camp St. Malo Religious Retreat and Conference Center, Inc.

Camp St. Malo Religious Retreat and Conference Center provides an inviting, inspirational and ecumenical "classroom" for adult and young adult religious education gatherings. Located on 160 acres of forest at the base of Mt. Meeker near Allenspark, Camp St. Malo's peaceful ambiance erases daily distractions and creates an environment conducive to productive and memorable meetings. With 49 guest rooms, large and small conference rooms, an assembly hall and two chapels, the retreat and conference facility extends hospitality year-round to large or small gatherings of priests, parishioners, archdiocesan staff and other religious groups.

"From the beginning to the end of time, whenever God sends his Son, he always sends his Spirit: their mission is conjoined and inseparable."

- Catechism of the Catholic Church §743

Statement of Financial Position - June 30, 2000

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Mortuary at Mount Olivet, Inc.

Mount Olivet Cemetery Association and the Archdiocese of Denver Mortuary at Mount Olivet are committed to serving the Church as a symbol of the community of faith unbroken by death. The cemetery and mortuary carry out this mission in part by educating the faithful in practical considerations surrounding death. Through consultation in pre-need arrangements, the cemetery and mortuary staff members assist families or individuals in making decisions about funeral plans and burial arrangements so that their final wishes can be honored. Mount Olivet Cemetery and the Archdiocese of Denver Mortuary allow families or individuals to make pre-arrangement plans that ease the burden of decision making during the emotional onslaught at the time of grief.

Statement of Financial Position - June 30, 2000

Assets:
- Cash and cash equivalents $192,647
- Short-term investments $426,864
- Accounts receivable, net allowance of $45,893 $1,004,179
- Inventory $61,044
- Investments $9,083,899
- Property and equipment, net $160,821
  Total assets $10,929,454

Liabilities and Net Assets:
- Accounts payable and accrued liabilities $104,053
- Due to affiliate $281,774
- Obligation under capital lease $47,500
- Pre-need trust $5,697,197
  Total liabilities $6,130,524

Net Assets:
- Unrestricted:
  - Undesignated $3,882,809
  - Designated for future expansion $755,300
  - Investment in property and equipment $160,821
  Total net assets $4,798,930
- Total liabilities and net assets $10,929,454

Net Assets:

Statement of Activities - Year Ended June 30, 2000

Revenues:
- Funeral services $833,336
- Cremation services $82,800
- Caskets and urns $726,685
- Other funeral related items & services $246,019
- Other service fees $86,550
  Total $1,073,990

Cost of Sales:
- Funeral services $424,212
- Cremation services $18,972
- Caskets and urns $276,246
- Other funeral related items and services $191,945
  Total $911,375

Expenses:
- Social services ministry $121,055
- Maintenance and other operating expenses $287,658
- General and administrative $260,750
- Commissions and other selling expenses $265,991
  Total $935,454
  Net operating income $126,561

Other Revenues (Expense):
- Contributions made $1,933,024
- Investment income $2,161,912
- Other $171,741
  Total other revenue (expense) $4,266,777

Change in net assets
- Net assets, beginning of year $4,460,628
- Net assets, end of year $4,798,930

"I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

- John 14:6
Mount Olivet Cemetery Association educates the general public by providing a walking tour and a booklet highlighting some of the noteworthy graves, including those of Colorado's bishop, archbishops, and priests; Horace and Baby Doe Tabor; the Apollo 13 astronaut Jack Swigert; as well as benefactors of the early Church of Denver.

Above all, Mount Olivet Cemetery and the Archdiocese of Denver Mortuary teach us to acknowledge our mortality, to look beyond our earthly existence and thereby deepen our faith in eternal salvation and life everlasting in the Lord.

Mount Olivet Cemetery is the largest provider of burial services to indigent families in Colorado. Working closely with the Department of Social Services, Mount Olive offers burial services to these families at no charge.

Mount Olivet Mission Statement
From the earliest times, the Catholic Church has participated in the burial of her beloved dead. Because of the Judaic reverence for the body of the deceased, separate spaces were set aside in sacred ground for interment. Cemeteries are rooted in ancient religious rituals and customs of reverence for the dead. This ministry embraces the reality of the human person as an embodied spirit. This embodiment is sacred, for it locates the human spirit in history and in a sacred place. We serve as a symbol of the extended community of the Church, a community unbroken by death, and, like the sacrament of the Eucharist, celebrate the death and resurrection of the Lord which offers us the promise of eternal life. Mount Olivet Cemetery has stood for over 100 years as an instrument of this sacred ministry.

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We are deeply grateful for your generosity which expresses the charity of God.

The Second Vatican Council called for religious zeal and active participation on the part of the laity in building the church, stating: "...present circumstances, in fact, demand...an apostolate infinitely more urgent and more intense." (Pastoral Letter on the Apostolate of the Lay People, 51). Your enthusiastic response to the needs of the Church and your devotion for God's blessing upon those we serve.
St. Vincent de Paul Stores benefit the poor

Bargain hunters, antique dealers discover ‘hidden treasures’ at local thrift stores

The two stores also raise money to pay for food or shelter. Catholic Charities to assist those unable to afford to buy clothing, furniture, or other essentials. Donations may be made at the stores during business hours, or pick ups can be scheduled by calling (303) 366-3835.

Archbishop’s Guild continues tradition of generosity

Gifts help brighten the holidays for young moms and babies, those in need

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Holy Family students design Christmas cards for Vets

For the ninth consecutive year, Holy Family’s art classes will be taking time from their regular schedule to help brighten the holidays for America’s veterans at the Denver and Ft. Lyon VA facilities. In the past, the project has proved to be a wonderful opportunity for the students to learn about and appreciate the sacrifice and dedication given by those in military service.

Art teacher, Heather Dohmer said, “I look forward to bringing the students into Denver’s VA hospitals for the first time this year. It is a real treat to see their reactions to meeting the veterans and to hear stories of their service.

This year, the students will be designing cards for delivery to the Ft. Lyon VA facility located in Ireland, including the depart Denver and travel to Ireland, a trip that will cut and paste, and design an array of Christmas items to help brighten the holidays for America’s veterans at the Denver and Ft. Lyon VA facilities.

The combined freshman and senior art students will work together to create a variety of items for the veterans, including cards, decorations, and other holiday-themed designs.

Frank Evans started this endeavor nine years ago, and since then, the project has grown to the status of an annual tradition. The students have created a range of unique and thoughtful items, from simple greeting cards to more elaborate decorations, to bring joy to the veterans during the holiday season.

For more information, please contact Sister Agnes-Thea Ver @agnes-ver@aol.com or Sister Victoria @sannsc@juno.com.

Pray for peace in Middle East, say bishops

From Page 2

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Cardinal William H. Keeler of Baltimore said the message was “timely, in response to the concerns of so many people in the region and beyond.”

The bishops’ message also calls for an end to “violence and violence against innocent civilians, including the use of military force by all parties.”

Despite the many activities, Father Ames said the project isn’t just about making cards for the vets personally, and for the parish.

“A couple of years ago, our parish was destroyed by floods,” Father Ames recalled. “It happened on one night, but that destroys a lot of things.”

He continued, “In this light, the special grace of the Jubilee Indulgence offered by the Church comes to mind, in more ways than one.”

The project is open to all, and anyone interested in participating is encouraged to contact the parish office.

“People can also donate money, and we will use the money to purchase materials for the cards,” Father Ames said.

To participate, please contact the parish office at 303-892-1666, or email Sister Agnes-Thea at agnes-ver@aol.com.

The message concludes with a call to action for all who believe in peace and justice.

“Let us pray for peace in the Middle East,” it says.

Where do you stand on this issue? What do you think about the growing number of Americans who believe in a just and lasting peace for the region? Do you agree or disagree with the bishops’ message?

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**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

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Trials of disabled meaningful for culture, says Pope

From Page 5

Launched collective effort

"The Pope received loud applause when he said the church has tried to help the disabled, particularly in places where war and disease have caused them to be less able to contribute to society. The church has a long history of operating shelters and education programs for the disabled."

Pope Benedict XVI said that the church needs to do more to help the disabled, particularly in developing countries. He said that the church should not only provide physical care for the disabled, but also offer spiritual and emotional support. He also encouraged the church to work with other organizations to provide better care for the disabled.

"The church should support efforts to build a world where everyone can participate fully in society. The disabled should be included in all aspects of life, including education, work, and leisure," the Pope said.

Pope Benedict also called for greater acceptance and understanding of the disabled. He said that people should be encouraged to learn about the lives of disabled people and to see them as valuable members of society.

"We must work to break down the barriers of prejudice and discrimination that prevent the disabled from enjoying their rights," the Pope said. "We must also work to change attitudes and to promote the idea that the disabled are equal in dignity and worth to everyone else in society."

Pope Benedict ended his speech by calling on everyone to support the efforts of the church and other organizations to help the disabled.

- From Page 4

U.S. bishops launch campaign to curb media violence

"We are encouraged by the pope's support for the campaign to bring media violence into line with the values of family and community," said Bishop Stephen C. Moughan of Colorado Springs, who is chair of the bishops' Committee on Communications.

The bishops launched the "Let's Talk About Media" campaign in Rome on Tuesday, with the aim of raising awareness about the impact of violent media on young people and adults. The campaign will include a series of webinars and workshops, as well as a social media campaign.

"Violent media can have a devastating impact on young people, particularly those who are already struggling with mental health issues," said Bishop Moughan.

"We hope that by raising awareness about the impact of violent media, we can help create a safer and healthier environment for our young people and adults," he said.

The campaign will be led by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) and will include support from Catholic media organizations, such as EWTN and The Catholic News Agency.

"We are committed to working with our partners to create a safer and healthier environment for all of our young people and adults," said Bishop Moughan. "We hope that everyone will take part in the campaign and help us bring media violence into line with the values of family and community."
La hermana Adviento, refiriéndose al latín "advocatus" que a su vez significa "defensor", señaló que el papel de los santos como defensores se asocia con la lucha eterna contra el pecado y el caos. Amenazada por la Iglesia y por el inmenso poder de la muerte, expresó que este altruismo y valentía de luchar por lo justiciable sigue siendo un modelo para todos nosotros.

delegados comprenden un espíritu de entrega y servicio.

La hermana Adviento dijo que este día, dedicado a los santos, es un recordatorio de que, aunque éramos salvados por Cristo, todavía estamos en el proceso de ser santificados. La hermana advirtió que el tiempo de la iglesia no es suficiente, por lo que es importante que todos, hombres y mujeres, hagan su aportación, a su vez, para aumentar la obra de Dios.

La hermana advirtió que, aunque el proceso del santoral es una glorificación de la fe, también es un recordatorio de la corrupción presente en la sociedad y la necesidad del amor y la compasión.

Finalmente, la hermana advirtió que es importante recordar que, aunque los santos son héroes para nosotros, ellos también eran seres humanos con su propia batalla que luchar contra el pecado y el caos. Y aunque el proceso del santoral es una glorificación de la fe, también es un recordatorio de la corrupción presente en la sociedad y la necesidad del amor y la compasión.
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God is With Us!

Christmas Blessings in the Year of the Great Jubilee
By Rev. Charles J. Craycraft, C.M., O.P.

This year, as we’ve journeyed through Advent, I’ve had a little experiment. I’ve kept track of how often I’ve heard about the Holy Family. It’s been... interesting, to say the least. And how little I’ve heard about the distant and meaningful source of the season: Christmas.

Of course, some of this is quite appropriate: our Jewish and other non-Christian friends are highly sensitive to preserving their own religious identities. Conversely, the word “Christmas” seems less and less a part of public consciousness. And this despite the fact that the great majority of Americans still describe themselves as Christians — in other words, followers of Jesus Christ — who celebrate December 25 as not just another secular holiday but the birth of the Incarnation, the birthday in the words of St. Luke, the “Good News” of life itself.

Christians live in a special time of joy during these waning days of the Christian calendar, and it has very little to do with holiday sales. Jesus Christ is Christmas — God with us.” The greatest gift of Christmas is the presence of God Himself. Sharing presents with friends and family is a wonderful tradition that springs eagerly from our Christmas joy. No wonder, then, that this year we call on all of us to that in this year that we never allow the noise of mere things to drown out the quiet voice of God’s Word. Is it even possible, for each of us individually, to begin the journey of something utterly new and radically beautiful, something for the purity of heart to possess never?

I don’t know who has or can enter the Jubilee indulgence, now to the time to act. It’s never too late to ask the Christ Child into our hearts, and surely this tilled and complicated world never needed Him more.

So let me invite you to two very important events.

The first is a special prayer vigil for the passage to the Year 2001. After 5:00 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on New Years Day. The Liturgy of the Word will be in English Divine Office will be celebrated ad limina with a special prayer and adoration. Holy Hour for the Holy Year will be celebrated ad limina outside around the arcadias which periodically have mass, 6:15 p.m., and will find a special prayer vigil to carry into the Year 2001.

The second event is the special Jubilee Year during Mass, Friday, September 15, 5:30 p.m. again at the cathedral, offered in thanksgiving for all we’ve received throughout the Great Jubilee.

Let’s join together this Christmas season in honoring Christmas for what it really is — the birthday of Our Lord. And let it’s these remaining weeks of the Jubilee year as a time of renewal and reflection. May God grant a truly merciful heart to all of us, as we celebrate the Jubilee Year which I will remember you at Mass on the last Sunday of the Mass and throughout the coming year.

Archdiocese of Denver

On Dec. 24, the Midnight Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, will be celebrated. Time of Mass will be 9:00 p.m.

On Dec. 31, there will be an evening vigil beginning at 11:00 p.m. at all the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception to welcome in the new Millennium. There will be a candlelight ceremony and the Litanies of the Holy Year. The Liturgy of the Vigil will be celebrated.

The Closing of the Jubilee Year will take place on Jan. 1, 2001. The Holy Year will end at 6:00 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral. The ceremony takes place at 6:00 p.m on the closing of the Holy Year for the Church by the Holy Father takes place Jan. 1 to 6, Notre Dame de la Paix.

I think our school and religious education program are major reasons why so many families choose to be Catholic.

We have to be in here by Christmas Day and throughout the coming year!

I’m sure all of you have spent Christmas over the years.

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Parishioners break ground for St. William Church

New church a response to rapid growth in farming town northeast of Denver

A dream 15 years in the making finally took shape last week as 100 parishioners gathered to witness the groundbreaking for a new church in Fort Lupton.

"It's been an exciting year of planning and anticipation," said Father Greg Mirto, pastor of St. William Parish in Fort Lupton. "Today, we take an important step forward in realizing our dream of a new church," he added.

Father Mirto, a native of the Philippines who is fluent in Spanish, said that the parish has a deep sense of gratitude for the many individuals and groups who have contributed to the construction of the new church.

"Many of these people are new immigrants, and we need to provide them with a place where they can attend Mass and receive the sacraments," he said. "They are glad to have a priest who speaks their language, and it's only 15 minutes away."

"I am very proud of the hard work being done by St. William Parish to provide for the future needs of our community," Father Mirto said.

"We have a lot of kids who are future generations and desperately need more classroom space," he explained. "We are very excited about the new church and having additional space for our youth."
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Local News

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Discover beauty of silence during Advent Season
Retreat series begins at St. Malo Center

By Anna Kertainment

In guiding a series of Advent retreats at St. Malo Retreat and Conference Center, Msgr. Tom Dentici paraphrased the 4th Psalm which says, "Oh Lord, help me to understand the shortness of my life... that I may gain wisdom of heart."

The "Advent Days of Recollection," which began Dec. 3-6, drew 315 people to the beautiful retreat center. Msgr. Dentici observed with a smile, "I know many of the people who were here. They tell me that the retreat is very important."

Msgr. Dentici presented an Advent retreat at St. Malo Retreat and Conference Center. "Don't live in the past," Dentici told the participants, "and don't hold onto dreams and plans that you can see but not feel. Be present, but not devoted to it."

The program included a morning and afternoon session, and participants were given an opportunity to reflect, be in the present, be aware of the moment, and be present to it. "Many came to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation who had been away for a long time," Msgr. Dentici said. "I know that one of the Vicki Johnson Masses has had a three-year-old in the audience for three days of retreat." Msgr. Dentici served as a priest for 34 years, at St. Malo, N.D., for 22 years, and then at the Archdiocese of Denver for 22 years. He is now in retirement at St. Benedict's Monastery in Snowmass, Colorado, where he continues retreats for clergy and laity. Msgr. Dentici's good humor and interesting stories made him a natural speaker and a much sought-after retreat leader.

"The people were absolutely superb," Dentici said. "They gave a hard time about why we don't have your head or others. Advent is about time. It's a time to remember and come to the Lord. Advent is about Jesus Christ, but that we are not 'home' yet. We appreciate this life and use it to get to the next one."

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Students brighten Christmas in war-torn Bosnia

By Wayne Langford

Fourth grade students at Boulder's Sacred Heart of Jesus Elementary School are thinking about more this year than what Santa Claus might leave in their stockings.

They're focusing on what presents orphans will receive thousands of miles away near the tiny village of Medjugorje in war-ravaged Bosnia.

"It's just something we hope will brighten the lives of those children, who have been through more than most of us can imagine," says Kathleen Van Zant, a parishioner from the Archdiocese of Denver who accompanied her husband on the trip to Medjugorje, in war-ravaged Bosnia.

Upon their return to Boulder, MacDonald wanted to pass along the love and joy these children had experienced. "I wanted to pass on the symbiosis of giving and receiving," she says.

In early November, MacDonald and friends, family and fellow parishioners were able to total a check for nearly $7,000 raised by friends, family and fellow parishioners.

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Since their return to Boulder, MacDonald visited the orphanage this fall to deliver a check for nearly $3,700 raised by friends, family and fellow parishioners. Several Sacred Heart of Mary parishioners accompanied her on the trip, including Van Zant, who has a son in fourth grade at Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Kathleen Van Zant of Sacred Heart of Mary, of Boulder, left, and Lucy Planinic, of right, with orphans in Bosnia. Above right, Sister Ronkee, a Franciscan, cares for an orphaned child.

"Some of these women were raped by soldiers, became pregnant, and knocked on our door for help," says Sister Ronke.

The orphanage, called Obiteljski Centar Papa Ivan of Jesus, serves more than 200 small children. "Every child here has suffered a horrible tragedy, fighting between Christians and Moslems throughout the region left thousands of Bosnian children without parents.

About 100 children call the orphanage home. They live in small groups that are taken care of by older children. "The orphanage is filled with children without parents, without controls," says Van Zant.

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Committee plans celebrations to highlight Martin Luther King

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee met at the John Paul II Center for the New Evangelization, Tues., Dec. 12, to discuss events for the upcoming Martin Luther King Celebration in Jan. 2001. The meeting was hosted by Sandra Moore-Mann, Liaison for the Archdiocese of Denver to the African American Catholic Community and Haven C Moses, Director of the Office of Community Outreach for the Archdiocese of Denver. Attending this meeting were: Stephen Straight, Joyce Bignell, Vern Howard, Emma Chambers, Steve Newman, Judy Fester, Rae Jean Mattuck, Toni Potter, Moshe Rozdzial, Harold Brewer, John Beltz, Lisa Ramirez, Phil Hernandez, Venitia Visson, Rev. Leon Kelly, Lorene Peters, and co-chaired by Michael Hancock and Roz Duman. Planned MLK Jr. events include a diversity training forum, humanitarian awards ceremony, breakfast, business social responsibility luncheon, ecumenical service, and a Marade. For more information call Sandra 303-400-1712.

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"There's nothing like 1,200 people all singing in unison - its spectacular," says Loucks. "It gives you the sense that you are taking part in something bigger than life - it's like the next to a football stadium - it's very exhilarating," he adds.

From early in the design phase of the $4.2 million expansion, Loucks worked to ensure the architectural integrity of the structure.

"At times, Father Blue Jacket would ask, 'Aren't we overthinking this?'" Nott would tell him, "Wait and see the results," explained Loucks.

For years, sacred music has been relegated to the role of "elevator music," says Loucks. "At St. Mary's, we are trying to draw the attention of Catholics and, the general public, back to the spiritual realities that are symbolized in sacred music," he adds.

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Mott Loucks, director of music at St. Mary's, says the music community has been planning the performance for over a year.

"It's a very exhilarating," he says Loucks. "It's the only way to describe the experience. It's something bigger than life. We hope to bring something bigger to music at St. Mary's."
WASHINGTON (CNS) - Religious sisters, brothers and priests have accelerated their retirement planning in recent years, according to a survey conducted by the National Religious Retirement Office in Washington.

Survey shows gains in religious retirement funds

To help reverse the U.S. crisis in unfunded retirement liability, individual religious institutes have been:

- Selling or finding more productive uses for their property.
- Engaging in fund-raising efforts.
- Relying on outside investment advisers.
- Collaborating with other religious communities on retirement projects.
- Operating their own Medicaid-licensed care facilities or using other such facilities.
- Enrolling members in such government entitlement programs as Medicaid, Medicare and Supplementary Security Income, or SSI. Compared with data collected Dec. 31, 1995, the latest survey data from Dec. 31, 1999, indicates "there has been a considerable expansion in the area of retirement planning and funding," said an Aug. 1 statement from the U.S. Catholic Conference.

Specifically, from 1995 to 1999, the number of religious institutes with their own development efforts increased from 37 percent of respondents to 61 percent, while the number consulting outside investment advisers rose from 62 percent to 89 percent, and from 44 percent to 76 percent among small institutes with 50 or fewer members.

Many religious institutes are using the proceeds from divested property to create or supplement continuing care funds for community members. Currently, 91 percent of responding institutes have such funds.

The statement said it is critical for religious to enroll in government programs for which they are eligible because, in 1999, some 5,800 men and women religious received skilled care costing $204 million and nearly the same number were in assisted living facilities at a cost of $141 million.

Moreover, the 1999 data showed that almost 42,000 of the 87,000 men and women religious in the United States are 70 or older.

U.S. religious could not participate in the Social Security system until the 1970s. Consequently, the average annual payment to a retired religious is just 70 percent of the amount received by those in the general population. Moreover, the Social Security system, as a result of our grant and consultation programs, and through a multitude of collaborative efforts.

The National Religious Retirement Office coordinates the annual Retirement Fund for Religious collection, taken up in most U.S. parishes in December, and has responsibility for dispensing grants.

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Those interested in donating to the Mile High United Way may contact Dale Tabor, director of Leadership Programs at 303-561-2240.
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Hundreds turn out to enhance love for Mass

James Aiken, left, Mass at the JPII Center, Dec. 9.

Author outlines ‘do’s and don’ts’ of Liturgy

After a philosophical introduction, that explained why the Mass is the “most pleasing form of worship for God,” Aiken told participants that the Liturgy is directed to the faithful. The Mass offers communicants an opportunity to receive grace and encouragement to live a more spiritual life.

The main sanctuary at St. John Paul II Center has been moved from the west side of the church to the north side. The altar, now located in the center of the sanctuary and the central elements in the new addition that includes additional seating and a choir loft under a ceiling of scoring skylights.

The main sanctuary chapel is the “jewel” of new church.

“Watching the construction has been very exciting,” said Father Frederick McCallin, Parish Gardens, noted as one of the most respected priests. In addition to liturgy, a beautiful statue of Jesus, the garden also contains the cornerstone of the original St. Mary Church, built in 1891.

Mary Church is located at 6853 S. Prince St. in Englewood, CO. For directions or a schedule of Masses, call 303-703-9603.
Eduardo Jasso Esquivel. La exhibición se realizará en el Centro Arte Publicitario y diseño gráfico en la Continental el mes de diciembre.

La exhibición de Arte Religioso en Monterrey, Nuevo León, México. Estudió el diseño gráfico y la maestría en arte contemporáneo. La conclusión y graduación de todos los niveles se realiza el hogar de Evangelios. Dejad, pues, que también yo me ponga en contacto con Lavie Gallegos al 303-428-7891 y envíando su inscripción al fax (303) 433-9013.

Pedro y San Pablo. Tercer Ano: viernes (Inicio de clases el 5 de enero de 2001) y el lema escogido por la misma junta es: "Venimos a Cristo". Que en vuestra vida pueda tener realización cuanto más cerca está la Navidad de hoy, buena, pues, que seamos (Síntesis), aceptemos, vivamos, en la profunda de nuestra conciencia, la verdad de que el Señor ha venido.

Academy School Art, quien se desempeñó en esta actividad durante dos años. No estaría inconforme al lema. Una vez que hemos llegado a la tierra, en la gran final, los dibujos en hojas de papel tamaño carta. Si lo que se hace en el marco de la Navidad de hoy, buena, pues, que seamos (Síntesis), aceptemos, vivamos, en la profunda de nuestra conciencia, la verdad de que el Señor ha venido.

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Bishop McHugh recalled for defense of human life

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'Gentle Jesuit' always had to serve poor, sick

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Men invited to consider religious life

In a world which praises material success and individualism, the response to the counter-cultural witness of the consecrated life can be filled with uncertainty. It is important to pull away from the world to discern God's special plan in our midst which allows one to listen to His interior promptings. A day of discernment offers such an opportunity.

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