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Pope, Archbishop at Canterbury

When the Bishop of Rome was the guest of the Archbishop of Canterbury at the historic Anglican cathedral on May 29, it was an almost inconceivable event in British history.

After a rift which has already lasted 450 years, Pope John Paul II and Archbishop Robert Runcie embraced at a highly emotional ecumenical event in the Gothic cathedral which is often called the Mother Church of worldwide Anglicanism.

The Pope was greeted by Prince Charles — whose mother, Queen Elizabeth II, had spent half an hour with him at Buckingham Palace the preceding day — and other dignitaries, including some of the primates of autonomous Anglican provinces around the world.

The Rt. Rev. John Maury Allin, Presiding Bishop of the three-million-member Episcopal Church in the United States, was one of the Church heads who flew to England for the event.

The Pope and the Archbishop entered through the West Door at the sound of a fanfare. At the Nave Altar the two Church leaders knelt in silent prayer,

followed by the Lord's Prayer, led by Archbishop Runcie. Then the Archbishop said to the Pope, "Your Holiness, beloved Brother in Christ, in the name of the Lord, we greet you."

The congregation repeated, "In the name of the Lord, we greet you." As the two embraced one another, the congregation burst into a wave of un-English applause.

Archbishop Runcie reminded the congregation, in the words of the Venerable Bede, that one of the Pope's predecessors, Gregory, "prompted by divine inspiration, sent a servant of God named Augustine and several more God-fearing monks with him to preach the word of God to the English race."

Augustine built a church in Canterbury and became the first Archbishop of Canterbury.

"I rejoice," Archbishop Runcie said, "that the successors of Gregory and Augustine stand here in the Church which is built on their partnership in the Gospel."

"I appeal to you in this holy space," Pope John Paul said,

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Prince Charles, Pope John Paul II, and Archbishop Robert Runcie of Canterbury just prior to the Ecumenical service.

Nambia's Bishop, Dean in Hawaii

Bishop James Kauluma of Namibia and Dean Allan David Bruno of St. George's, Windhoek, spent a week (May 30-June 6) in the Diocese of Hawaii as part of an extensive trip to parishes and dioceses in Scandinavia, England, Canada, and the United States to say thanks for past support and to touch base anew.

Speaking to the media, at a forum at Maryknoll School, at Holy Innocents', Lahaina (the Bishop), and at Holy Nativity, Aina Haina (the Dean), each detailed Namibia's plight and the state of the Church.

Namibia is the last colonized area in Africa. South Africa has repeatedly refused to end her occupation, in spite of UN resolutions and a decision by the International Court.

The result has been guerilla war in which Namibian nationals and some 100,000 South Africans harry each other. At stake for South Africa are both the cheap labor extorted from Namibia's Blacks and the exploitation of immense mineral wealth. Nature has compensated Namibia for her sere and sad land by showering upon her diamonds (60% of the world's annual production), uranium, copper, vanadium and coal.

The South African occupation has raised many ethical questions because of the racist laws and government-sponsored racism, an economy engineered to enrich Whites and Euro-American busi-

ness at the expense of Blacks, denial of human and civil rights, establishment of racial reserves rather like the Nazi's General Government in Poland, and all the apparatus of a police state, including Security Forces which are hard to distinguish from the Gestapo.

In the face of such odious oppression, the Church has stood as a champion of human dignity, racial equality, a just economic order, civil rights, and political independence. Therefore the South African state regards the Church as her enemy. Persecution and harassment have been the results. The government has exiled three Anglican bishops, destroyed church property and programs, disrupted worship, imprisoned clergy and laity without reason, used torture, murdered outspoken Christians, fostered schism, and harassed the faithful generally. Persecution and martyrdom are not things past; they are now.

Bishop Kauluma was raised in the traditional religion and ways of the Ovambo, one of 16 brothers and 8 sisters in a polygamous family. As a youth he herded cattle; as a young man he served King Kambonde ka Namene as page (messenger and security attendant).

The mission school at Odibo (see April *Chronicle*) introduced Bishop Kauluma to Christianity, and there he became a catechumen (Continued on Page 3)

The Most Rev. Joseph A. Ferrario

New Roman Catholic Diocesan

The Most Rev. Joseph A. Ferrario succeeds the Most Rev. John J. Scanlan as Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Honolulu, Pope John Paul II announced in Rome on May 18.

"Bishop Ferrario is a dear friend of many of us," noted Bishop Browning. "He brings to this position a deep faith in the Lordship of Christ, a creative mind that will want to deal with broad and meaningful concerns, and a caring heart that will be open to sharing our common faith and heritage in seeking to reach out to needs in our community and those of the global village," Bishop Browning added.

Bishop Ferrario, 56, was elevated to the episcopate in January 1978, serving since then as Auxiliary Bishop to Bishop

Scanlan. He came to Hawaii in 1957 and has served on the faculty of St. Stephen's Seminary, Kaneohe; as Secretary to Bishop Scanlan; Vocations Director; Project Director for Project Hawaii, a most successful fund-raising effort; Executive Director of the Catholic Youth Organization; head of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission; Chairman of the Priests' Senate; Pastor, Holy Trinity, Kuliouou; and Pastor, St. Anthony's, Kailua.

Born in Scranton, Pennsylvania, in 1926, Bishop Ferrario was educated in the Scranton Central High School; St. Mary's College, Catonsville, Maryland; St. Mary's Seminary College, Baltimore; the Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.; and the University of Scranton.

We Must Be Grit As Well As Cement

"You and the Church are getting too political", I was told the other day. This frequently repeated charge set me thinking about the principles by which we can judge whether a Christian leader is justified in intervening in public affairs. An Archbishop is not a politician and must not become one. A large part of his work is devoted to teaching the traditional faith and to building a united community. But an Archbishop, like any Christian leader, must tease out the implications of the faith for the day to day life of his community. He must be grit as well as cement.

I want to suggest four principles which should guide the Church, or indeed individual Christians as they decide whether or not to speak out and how to present their case.

1. Prince Albert in a letter to Samuel Wilberforce thought that a Bishop "should take no part in the discussion of State Affairs (for instance, Corn Laws, Game Laws, Trade or Financial questions) but he should come forward whenever the interests of humanity are at stake, and give boldly and manfully his advice to the House and country (I mean questions like Negro Emancipation, education of the people, improvement of the health of towns, against cruelty to animals, etc.)"

I sympathize with Prince Albert's attempt to distinguish between State Affairs and

questions in which "the interests of humanity are at stake", but I believe that it is difficult to maintain this distinction in practice. Certainly Christian leaders ought not to be partisan or associated with any particular political line, but they should seek to discern the moral dimension which belongs to almost every policy or problem. Church people ought obviously to contribute to discussions about divorce or abortion, but it is also vital that they should discern the moral implications of a housing policy or our defense posture.

2. The Church has a special obligation to speak on behalf of the vulnerable and the inarticulate, and those whose bargaining power in society is weak. This is part of the reason why, in 1981, I spent some time speaking on behalf of a great body of Christian opinion that was unhappy about the potentially divisive effects of the British Nationality Bill.

3. We belong to a world-wide Church, and follow a Lord whose commandment is "Love thy Neighbor". His answer to the question, Who is my neighbor? did not admit any limitation imposed by geography or political frontiers. Christians then have a special charge to foster the idea, that we are world citizens, and should discuss our problems in a global perspective. The questions of poverty and development discussed at the



The Most Rev. Robert Runcie, Archbishop of Canterbury, on arrival in Lagos, Nigeria, this April. On the left, Archbishop Timothy Olufosoye of Nigeria and Bishop of Ibadan.

Mexico Summit are therefore a natural subject for Christian comment and action, and I very much hope that the Church in the coming year will not let this matter fall from the public consciousness. Much has already been achieved by small groups up and down the country, educating themselves and their neighbors about the facts of development. Attitudes have been changed, and the matter is now firmly on the political agenda. We must not permit it to be dislodged.

4. It would be strange if Christian leaders today were not passionate as they look at some of the things going on around us. How is it possible to be a Christian, to love God and his works and to see his finest

creation — men and women — so starved that their brains shrivel, without passion? Who could view the spectacle of a world devoting its best talent and a large proportion of its resources to the production of weapons of mass destruction, without passion? Who could witness men and women, God's masterpieces, belittled and undervalued because of their skin-color or sex, without passion?

But Passion Alone Can Be Destructive.

Passion, however, is not enough. It can be merely destructive, adding to the din and obstructing progress. Self-righteous indignation is an opium which makes people unfit for useful work. Some people are shouting so loudly that they have made themselves deaf. They have made the world a more dangerous and less hopeful place.

We need to yoke passion, an urgent desire for change with a suspicion of sloganizing and a love of cool reason. Any Christian contribution to a public debate should be constructive, mindful of the complexity of the major problems which confront us, and not quick to impute malignity or discreditable motives to those from whom we differ.

Those who say that the Church is too involved in politics are balanced by those who believe that the Church is not sufficiently active. Much Christian work is, of course, unreported. I am frequently accused of having said and done nothing about disarmament, when it was one of my major themes for 1981, and will be again in the New Year. But I hope at least that my four principles may be a guide to the kind of contribution that the Church ought to be making in the public life, if we are to be loyal followers of Jesus Christ.

—The Most Rev. and Rt. Hon.
Robert K. Runcie, Archbishop
of Canterbury

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Planned Deferred Giving Program Moves Forward

Most of us have become much more knowledgeable about money matters in the past few years. People who once dealt only with a savings account and a mortgage and a car loan are suddenly talking about 'the money market,' certificate of deposit, individual retirement accounts and 'Estate Taxes.'

Rather than fight the income tax form, most church people have settled for the automatic deduction, or listed at most only their weekly pledge — unaware of the many charitable deductions that are possible under the law.

In view of the revised tax laws effective in 1982, it just may be the time for us to review, not merely our wills, but the tax advantages we are not taking.

Thanks to our thoughtful communicants of yesterday, both the Diocese of Hawaii and some of our parishes and schools receive endowment income. Such income enables us to support our Bishop and to launch and carry out new programs and existing ones.

Thanks to thoughtful communicants today who remember God's work in their will, like

yourself, future generations will be able to continue and expand Christian ministry. If you wish you may designate as beneficiary your parish or mission church, a church school, the Diocese, or some specific program.

For some time now in the Diocese of Hawaii, a Planned Deferred Giving Committee has been meeting for the purpose of setting up a program to help people become aware of the opportunities of giving on a deferred basis. Tax advantages are possible. Some of the vehicles for Deferred Giving are:

1. A Charitable Annuity Trust
2. A Charitable Remainder Unitrust
3. A Pooled Income Fund Gift
4. A Deferred Payment Gift Annuity
5. A Transfer of Life Insurance
6. A Deferred Gift of Real Estate

The Planned Deferred Giving Committee is chaired by Jane Giddings and the following members represent the various areas of the Diocese: Hawaii—Curt Tyler, Jr.; Maui—Stephen Teetor; Molokai—Victor Punua; Diocesan—Reed Minuth; Cathedral—Henry Budd; Windward—Donald James; Leeward—Fred Overstreet;

Central Honolulu—Dora Kraul; East Honolulu—Arthur Kusumoto; Schools—the Rev. David Kennedy; Staff to Committee—the Rev. R.A. Duncan.

In addition to the above, parish chairpersons have been, or will be, appointed. Contact your area chairperson, your parish chairperson, or Father Rudy Duncan, Diocesan Treasurer, for further information.

You will be hearing more about the Planned Deferred Giving Program through the *Chronicle*, parish newsletters, and at the Diocesan Convention.

Both the 1928 Prayer Book and the 1979 Prayer Book state: "The Minister is ordered from time to time, to advise the People, whilst they are in health, to make Wills arranging for the disposal of their temporal goods and, when of ability, to leave Bequests for religious and charitable uses." Perhaps this is a good time to examine what will happen to our worldly goods when we pass into the Life Eternal. The Planned Deferred Giving Program can help us do this more effectively.

—By our Planned Deferred Giving correspondent

Hither & Yon

The Australian and the New Zealand Boards of Mission have donated \$5,000 and \$3,000 respectively to assist the work in rebuilding churches in Tonga.

Bishop Graham Chadwick of Kimberley and Kuruman has been refused a residence permit in the Republic of South Africa. No reason was given. Apparently the offense was his protest of South Africa's holding two of his clergy without trial. The Bishop's new base is the Black homeland Bishutswana, *de jure* but not *de facto* separate from South Africa.

The Episcopal Church in Liberia plans to move from the structure of the Episcopal Church in the U.S.A. to the Anglican province of West Africa...

The Most Rev. John Basil Rowland Grindrod, 62, Archbishop of Brisbane, was elected Primate of the Anglican Church in Australia. He has served in the Diocese of

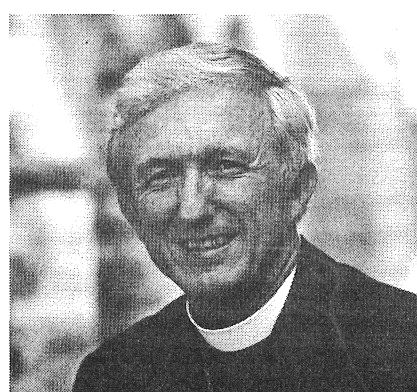
Brisbane, Melbourne, Rockhampton, and Riverina.

The Rev. John E. Booty, professor of church history in the Episcopal Divinity School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, has been elected Dean of the School of Theology, University of the South. He is presently at work on a badly needed comprehensive history of the Episcopal Church due out in 1984.

The nuclear sub *Corpus Christi* (Latin for "Body of Christ") has been re-named *The City of Corpus Christi* by order of President Reagan, in response to widespread Christian protest.

The Rev. Atinaldo Carlos, a deacon, has been released after four months incarceration by Nicaragua's National Police. His 16-year-old son Kenneth and a Lay Reader, Glanville Garth, remain in police custody. All three are victims of a government crackdown on the Mosquito Coast.

A Word From the Bishop



My dear friends:

As I write this letter for the June issue of our *Chronicle*, Pope John Paul II, is making a historic visit of a Pope to England. I am sure most of you are aware that in 1966 Michael Ramsey was the first Archbishop of Canterbury to visit Rome in over 400 years. That visit has led to subsequent visits in the Vatican by Archbishop Donald Coggan and more recently by the present Archbishop of Canterbury, Robert Runcie, who met Pope John Paul in Africa, all of which has led to an ever increasing willingness for dialogue and a deepening quest for a sense of oneness between our two Communion. Now with the visit of the Pope to Canterbury, we rejoice that this event has increased within us the hope for the unity of His Church.

I am not certain that many of you are aware that Pope John Paul's visit to England is made in the background of the completion this Spring of a study and report by the Anglican/Roman Catholic International Commission which was twelve years in making. This amazing document of accord deals with three basic issues which in the past have been the major differences between us: Eucharistic Doctrine, Ministry and Ordination, and the issue of the Authority of the Church. Obviously, there are other concerns that must be discussed but as the report says, "that enough agreement has been

reached by the 20-member Commission that we are indeed led to a new relationship between our two Churches as a next step in the journey toward Christian unity." The document is now to be officially studied by our two Churches — the member Churches of the Anglican Communion, which has 67 million members, and by the Vatican and representative bodies of the world's 724 million Roman Catholics.

Of course, for those of us in Hawaii who claim the heritage and faith within the Anglican Communion, the joy of the Pope's visit to England in the background of the work of this International Commission becomes very special to all of us with the announcement from Rome that the Most Rev. Joseph Ferrario has been named the Diocesan Bishop for the Roman Catholic community of this State.

Bishop Ferrario is a dear friend of many of us — he brings to this position a deep faith in the Lordship of Christ, a creative mind that will want to deal with broad and meaningful concerns, and a caring heart that will be open to sharing our common faith and heritage in seeking to reach out to needs of our community and those of the global village.

Bishop Ferrario will be instituted as Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Honolulu on June 29 — I ask each of you — the membership of our Diocese — to join with me in prayer for the Episcopacy of Joe Ferrario and for the clergy and people to whom he has been called to serve. We pray for God's abundant blessing upon them all.

Faithfully yours,

+ *Edmond Browning*

The Rt. Rev. Edmond L. Browning
Bishop



The Lahaina Restoration Foundation celebrated its 20th anniversary in May with the dedication of the newly restored U.S. Seamen's Hospital, which housed St. Cross School from 1865 to the late 1870's, and was subsequently used as a vicarage until 1909. The prayer of dedication was offered by the Rev. Norman Ault, retired Rector of St. John's, Kula, whose father, the Very Rev. Dean William Ault, lived in the building at the turn of the century. Pictured above are members of Holy Innocents' parish who currently serve on the Board of Directors of the Lahaina Restoration Foundation, which is dedicated to restoring and preserving important historical sites and buildings in West Maui. Front row, left to right: Dee Anne Mahuna, Ruth Miller, William T. Royce (Vice President), Joseph Luder, Sarah Ann Raymond, and Gratia and J.R. "Mac" McConkey (Directors *emeriti*). Back row, left to right: James C. Luckey (General Manager), Baird B. Miller (Vice President), Fr. Charles Burger (President), C. Marc Miller (Treasurer), Stanley H. Raymond, Jr., and J. Edward Moore. (Photo by J. Edward Moore)

Nambia's Bishop (Continued from Page 1)

(1950). He was baptized in 1951 and confirmed in 1952.

The Bishop has worked as a diamond security officer, court interpreter, and hostel recreational officer for the Consolidated Diamond Mines.

As a member of the Church Army, he has served in East Africa, Namibia, and the United States and studied in Nairobi, New York, and Toronto. He holds a B.A. from Trinity College, Toronto (1973) and an M.Div. from Union Theological Seminary (1978).

Bishop Kauluma was consecrated Suffragan to Namibia in 1978

and enthroned as Diocesan in 1981. He is married to Sally Ndinela Camp.

Dean Allan David Bruno was born in England and trained for the ministry at King's College, University of London. Ordained priest in 1961, he left England in 1964 to work in the Diocese of Kimberley and Kuruman in the Province of South Africa. Then came a five year period of extensive travel as Overseas Chaplain of the Episcopal Church of Scotland. In 1980 he was called to St. George's Cathedral, Windhoek, Namibia.

—JPE

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VIM Update

The following is a Financial Report of our Venture in Mission effort to March 31, 1982 indicating what has been received and what has been disbursed for expenses and for grants. In addition, we are reporting the cash that has been received from each church and how this relates to the amount pledged.

Total Cash Received to March 31, 1982 (49% if \$1,506,736 pledged)	\$ 736,477
Total Cash Disbursed for Expenses (\$100,000 Budgeted for Expenses)	93,788
Net Cash Available for Distribution	\$ 642,689

CASH DISTRIBUTED TO MARCH 31, 1982:

	TOTAL ALLOCATION	DISBURSED TO DATE	
Clergy Continuing Education Fund	\$ 150,000	\$ 50,000	
Lay Training Institute	50,000	15,000	
Diocesan Scholarship Endowment	100,000	35,000	
Institute for Human Services	100,000	35,000	
Ministry to the Elderly:			
Palama Interchurch Council	24,000	7,212	
Undesignated	76,000	—0—	
Refugee Ministries:			
Kalihi Palama Service Center	14,000	3,500	
Undesignated	6,000	—0—	
Immigrant Ministries:			
Korean	6,000	1,500	
Chinese	6,000	3,400	
Japanese	6,000	2,650	
Filipino	6,000	557	
South Pacific People	6,000	—0—	
Hospice Seed Money:			
Maui	10,000	5,000	
Hospice Volunteers — Oahu	30,000	2,913	
Undesignated	10,000	—0—	
Camp Mokuleia	200,000	127,001	
St. Andrew's Priory Building Fund	100,000	75,000	
Seabury Hall Building Fund	100,000	45,000	
St. Andrew's Cathedral Building Fund	100,000	35,000	
Future Mission Opportunities	50,000	—0—	
DIOCESAN TOTALS:	\$ 1,150,000	\$ 443,733	
South Pacific Partnership			
American Samoa	\$ 50,000	\$ —0—	
Diocese of Polynesia	50,000	20,000	
CDSP/ Asian Seminarian Exchange	30,000	15,000	
Church in Uganda	75,000	31,250	
Future Mission Opportunities	45,000	17,000	
NATIONAL TOTALS:	\$ 250,000	\$ 83,250	
DIOCESAN & NATIONAL TOTALS:	\$1,400,000	\$ 526,983	\$ 526,983
NET AVAILABLE AT MARCH 31, 1982 FOR SIXTH DISTRIBUTION:			\$ 115,706

Archbishop and Pope (Continued from Page 1)

"all my fellow Christians and especially the members of the Church of England, and the members of the Anglican Communion throughout the world, to accept the commitment to which Archbishop Runcie and I pledge ourselves anew before you today. May the dialogue we have begun lead us to the day of full restoration of unity in faith and love."

The exchange of a kiss of peace and prayers said side by side were symbolic gestures which pointed toward healing the schism in which King Henry VIII broke the English Church away from Rome some 450 years ago.

After the service, the Pope and the Archbishop signed a joint declaration in which they called for the setting up of an inter-

national commission "to recommend what practical steps will be necessary when, on the basis of our unity in faith, we are able to proceed to the restoration of full communion."

This new declaration follows a series of dialogues which began in 1966, when Pope Paul VI and then Archbishop Michael Ramsey of Canterbury, opened "a serious dialogue" about the theological and practical issues that separate these two branches of the Christian Church.

The joint Anglican/Roman Catholic international commission which has studied these issues recently released *The Final Report*, which dealt with authority. Previous statements have dealt with ministry and the Eucharist.

—DPS

Some of our congregations began remitting VIM money to the Diocese in May 1980, others began during the months that followed. Generally, cash remittance performance has been good so far. Several churches are falling behind seriously and need to take some action. It is suggested that those congregations whose cash remittance performance is below 45% at this time make a special effort to improve collection administration.

All congregations are urged to inform their VIM pledging units of what they have paid to date and what is still outstanding — this to be done Quarterly or at least every six months. Reminders from the pulpit every so often might help also. The final success of our Venture in Mission effort depends on good record keeping, continuing communication, and follow. Keep up the good work!

We hope this report is informative. There will be another several months from now.

CHURCH	PLEDGE AMOUNT	CASH RECEIVED TO DATE	PERCENT OF PLEDGE RECEIVED
All Saints'	\$ 18,053	\$ 6,231.00	35%
Calvary	18,159	2,900.35	16%
Christ Church	—0—	705.00	—0—
Christ Memorial	5,730	4,347.00	76%
Emmanuel	20,962	8,155.66	39%
Epiphany	65,582	31,953.33	49%
Good Samaritan	22,184	13,725.00	62%
Good Shepherd	32,400	11,200.00	35%
Grace	6,955	4,367.20	63%
Holy Apostles'	38,212	24,325.68	64%
Holy Cross	6,280	3,556.00	57%
Holy Innocents'	50,000	40,000.00	80%
Holy Nativity	216,047	149,621.98	69%
Kohala Missions	10,708	6,697.00	63%
Resurrection	2,980	801.00	27%
St. Andrew's	277,061	93,538.62	34%
St. Barnabas'	7,631	4,091.50	54%
St. Christopher's	90,000	43,120.64	48%
St. Clement's	63,934	37,092.79	58%
St. Columbas'	3,240	560.57	17%
St. Elizabeth's	55,000	26,026.39	47%
St. George's	10,320	4,923.33	48%
St. James'	12,835	4,877.33	38%
St. John's, Eleele	24,128	16,393.00	68%
St. John's, Kula	37,718	18,476.00	49%
St. John's By-the-Sea	17,148	6,168.29	36%
St. Jude's	3,158	1,550.00	49%
St. Luke's	33,000	15,725.50	48%
St. Mark's	14,024	9,686.89	69%
St. Mary's	33,007	19,865.37	60%
St. Matthew's	27,690	13,699.00	50%
St. Michael's	21,000	13,901.00	66%
St. Paul's, Kekaha	5,510	2,635.00	48%
St. Paul's, Honolulu	2,260	155.00	07%
St. Peter's	90,000	31,160.97	35%
St. Philip's	7,500	2,714.00	36%
St. Stephen's	24,000	8,941.85	37%
St. Thomas'	2,100	60.00	03%
St. Timothy's	60,000	20,000.00	33%
Trinity By-the-Sea	7,870	3,755.00	48%
Waikiki Chapel	6,600	4,960.00	75%
Ascension	250	300.00	120%
Ho Foundation	40,000	—0—	—0—
Special Gift	15,000	15,000.00	100%
Special Gift	500	500.00	100%
Interest & Miscellaneous	—0—	8,012.77	—0—
	\$1,506,736	\$ 736,477.01	49%

—The Rev. R. A. Duncan, Treasurer



Palm Sunday at St. Paul's, Honolulu.

Hoa Kokua Hospice Volunteers

Bishop Browning's announcement that one of the local projects accepted for Venture in Mission was the church-oriented "hospice" proposal was wonderful! This information (in 1979/80) started a movement by a small dedicated group who believed this project was not only badly needed, but could be a reality!

We owe a debt of gratitude to those who believed in this idea enough not only to offer support but also to demonstrate this by their VIM pledges to the "hospice" idea. To each of you who have helped us by assisting in many and varied ways, plus donating your monies to share hope, a great and sincere *Mabalo!*

Progress has been made: a group of some forty people completed eight training sessions. This training was two hours each Thursday evening in the Von Holt Room at St. Andrew's Cathedral. These sessions were open to everyone; medical professionals, university professors, and trained volunteers assisted in the training. Those who attended all sessions will now meet a "screening committee" to be certified as trained volunteers. We will then have a small group from which we can really grow! What a great ministry to carry into our neighborhoods! This is such a challenge and so exciting!!

There will be an announcement made about the next training as soon as a date has been set. Please join us if you are interested in this area of ministry. It's open to everyone. We need you!

II.

For those who are still trying to understand what "hospice volunteers" will be doing with their training:

1. To assist patients who are terminally ill and their families (or support system). That diagnosis is made by the patient's M.D.

2. Our trained volunteers will be coordinated with all other services, as directed by the M.D. This means, if an R.N. is needed, we will work with the family members to cover other needs.

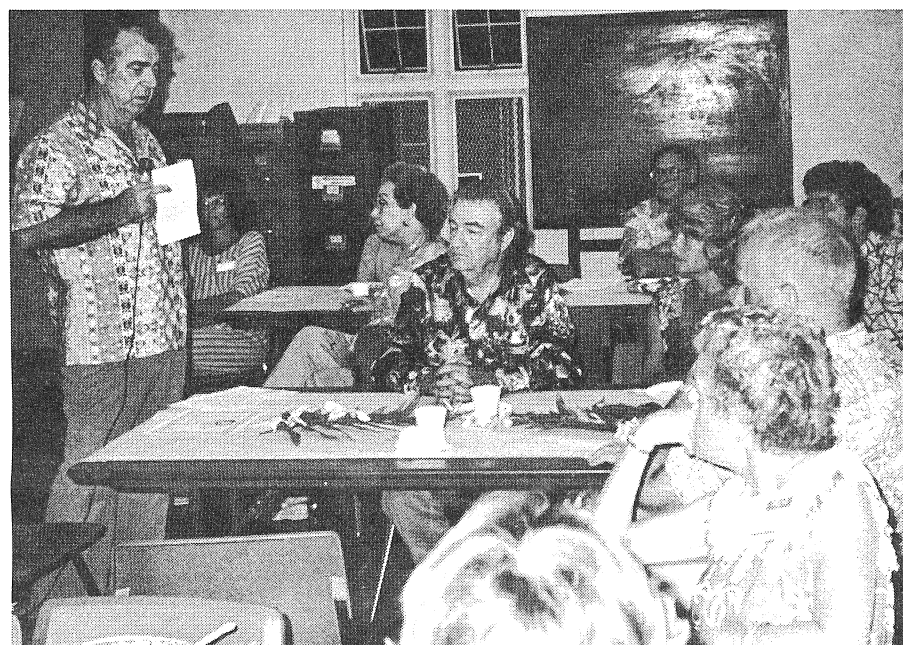
3. Some of those needs could be: patient sitters, shopping, transportation, reading, respite (time away) for the family members, etc.

III.

How many of you know that surveys taken show that 80% of the patients would prefer to die at home, and only 20% of the families feel they could handle that situation. The surveys also show that many patients resent the extension of their pain and misery by our modern hospital care. Many do not want to be



Hoa Kokua Hospice Volunteers (l. to r.): Alberdine Little, James Nishimura, Petty Floyd, Ernie Reaves, Evelyn Reaves, Paul Nishimura. (Photo by George W. Holeso)



Hoa Kokua Hospice Volunteers (l. to r.): Ernie Reaves, Lois Murphy, George Wiggins, Woody Walsh, Mrs. Lister, Larry Lister, Lon Leslie, Dottie Hole. (Photo by George W. Holeso)

"kept alive" by tubes, machines, etc.; and the hospital routine is often more for the convenience of the staff than the patient. Moreover, the sterility of the whole scene is not helpful. With all due credit to the M.D.'s, R.N.'s, and other staff who give great and good expertise to their duties, the hospital is just not a "nice" place to die! However, if that is where the patient must stay, then our volunteers hope to make the very best of the situation and simply "help," not only the patient and family, but in any way we are requested.

Another goal of our Hospice Volunteer Board (soon to be simply known as *Hoa Kokua Hospice Volunteers*) is to get as many trained volunteers functioning with and from individual churches as we can. This would expedite care by the time saved! Plus, everyone functions better in a neighborhood which they know. This is to be coordinated through our Hoa Kokua Hospice office. Isn't that an exciting thought and ministry?

Our speaker team (we need more speakers) has visited St. Elizabeth's, St. Christopher's, St. John By-the-Sea, and Holy

Nativity. We have also spoken to the Arthritis Group in Kailua and the Board of the Windward Coalition of Churches. If you have not had speakers come to your church, please check with your Pastor and request us. We'd be happy to visit you.

If we had one volunteer team in each Episcopal church on Oahu, we could grow so much faster. As we approach other denominations, it would be quite simple to work with trained volunteer teams from each congregation. Interdenominational! This is our highest goal!

It will be very difficult to have our volunteers work effectively, if they must drive from Kailua to help a family in the Leeward area or Wahiawa or Kuhuku. We all know the size of Oahu. Take a look at it, and then look and imagine at least one trained volunteer team in each Episcopal church. It shrinks the size, or appears to do so!

Remember, this is your organization. Ask your pastor to have us come and speak to your congregation, and then sign up to help as a volunteer. For further information, call: George Wiggins, Coordinator, at 845-1727.

St. Stephen's Wahiawa A Glimpse of the Past

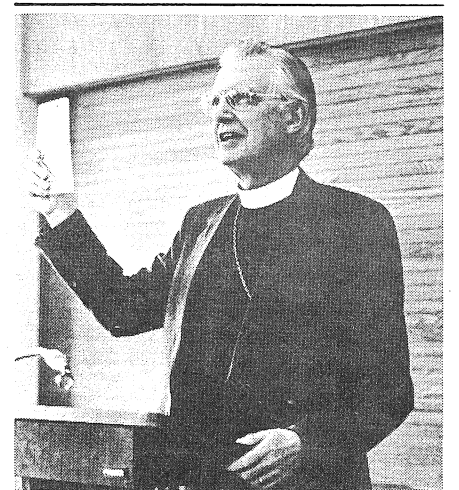
"I think one of the most vivid of my memories is that of seeing Mrs. Arthur Davis... pure Hawaiian wife of a haole doctor living in Haleiwa... walking in such stately fashion into church," writes the Rev. Sydney H. Croft. "She was a very humble woman, but with such grace and dignity... always with a fresh cattalaya orchid in her jet black hair. And she so frequently urged her son Charles to sing a solo in church... what a magnificent baritone voice he had!"

"It prompted me to hunt around for an organ to replace the little portable foot-pump organ I had scrounged from Schofield Barracks chaplains. I found an "ad" for a used organ in Natick, Massachusetts; had it shipped out and found that (while it was claimed to be in excellent condition) all the frail rubber tubing was rotted out."

"I managed to find some plastic tubing in a Navy storehouse, and it took me several weeks to replace all of it in the organ... from little pieces 2" long to... pieces 2 feet long. But we sure did have a fine organ when it began to peal out in the church. It looked like a big old upright piano, with an electric motor pumping the bellows (mounted underneath the church) to provide air for the pipes."

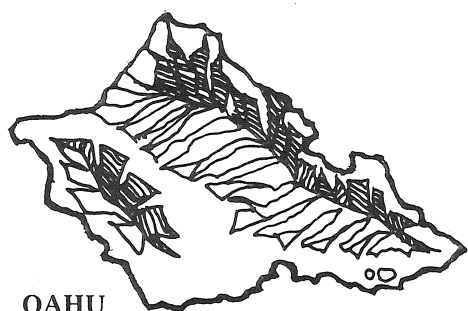
Fr. Croft ended his letter saying, "We are, of course, retired and living on our own little farm in a suburb north of Seattle. To keep occupied I am editor of a small newspaper, requiring only about 12 hours per week; much of the rest of my time is very happily spent in my woodworking shop in our garage. I have for the past several years served as judge in the Juvenile Court in Lynnwood. Other than all this, my life is a bit sedentary."

Should anyone like to write to Fr. Croft, his address is 17326 Spruce Way, Lynnwood, WA 98036.



The Rt. Rev. Arthur A. Vogel, Episcopal Bishop of West Missouri, a member of the Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission, whose final report was summarized in the April *Chronicle*.

About the Diocese



OAHU

Congratulations to **David Delrosario** on being named **Honolulu Police Department Employee of the Year**. David is in tactical operations and is Senior Warden of Calvary Church, Kaneohe.

And congratulations to **Stephen Edwards**, **Iolani 1982**, on his appointment to the **Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs**. Stephen, with aspirations in astronautics, reports June 28. And his parents — **Fr. Sarge and Helen Edwards** of Calvary Church — look forward to the September Parents' Weekend at the Academy.

And congratulations to **Donita Wong** on winning the **Calvary Chocolate Chip Cookie Contest** judged by Mayor Eileen Anderson.

This summer, Calvary plans a **full youth program** for high-schoolers each Friday under the leadership of **Kimo and Rosie Goeas**. Kimo is a member of the UH football team.

November of 1983 **St. Mark's, Kapahulu**, celebrates their 75th anniversary. And the parish asks *Chronicle* readers if, perchance, they have tucked away somewhere **Queen Liliuokalani's** setting of the Eucharist. Bishop Restarick describes it as follows: "She arranged the music for the Communion Office, adapting Merbecke's famous setting published in 1550, and Solomon Meheula printed copies on a mimeograph and bound them for use of the [Cathedral's] choir and congregation." **Fr. Joseph Turnbull** of St. Mark's would love to know if the Queen's setting survives. Call 732-2333.

St. Clement's, Makiki, celebrated Pentecost with Hawaiian chant and hula and the reading of the Gospel in Hawaiian, Fijian, and Mandarin, besides English. In Christian perspective, the bestowal of the Holy Spirit and the gift of tongues undoes the division and babble born of the Tower of Babel.

Newly marrieds at **St. Clement's** report the helpfulness of **Fr. Brian Nurdin's** pre-marriage seminars. Besides the regular pre-marriage counseling, several couples join the Rector in discussing the expectations and myths of marriage, personality assessment, and the theology of the marriage service in three one and one-half hour sessions over three weeks.

Congratulations to the **Rev. Richard Winkler, Jr.**, on his graduation from the UH Medical School. His surgical residency is scheduled for Tripler.

Welcome to the **Rev. Trevor Hoy**, recently retired, who will assist **Fr. Charles Crane** of Holy Nativity, Aina Haina, in the pastoral dimensions of the parish ministry, beginning this September. **Fr. Hoy** comes to Hawaii from the Diocese of California (San Francisco Bay Area), after having served churches in Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Congratulations to **Dr. Chandler Rowe** and **Dr. Malcolm Oliphant** of Emmanuel Church, Kailua, on their each being named Professor Emeritus of **Hawaii Loa College** at Commencement, May 23. **Dr. Rowe** was Hawaii Loa's founding President and professor of anthropology. **Dr. Oliphant** was Dean and Finance Officer and professor of mathematics. **Jack Lockwood**, Chairman of Hawaii Loa's Board of Trustees and Diocesan Chancellor, presented these honors.

Martin Clark led the three-day **Venture in Faith** at **St. George's, Pearl Harbor**, June 4-6. **Venture in Faith** is a program of parish renewal through Bible study and training. **Martin Clark** is a professor of business in Ohio State University and a member of **St. Alban's, Columbus**.

St. George's Rector, the Rev. John Morrett, and his wife **Joani**, plan a trip 'round the world this fall, following their year at Pearl Harbor. China, Thailand, Burma, Sri Lanka, India, Egypt, Greece, and Portugal are presently on the itinerary.

Another traveler is **Liese Blackmon**, just back from celebrating her mother's 85th birthday in Hamburg. **Fr. Ed Blackmon** is Vicar of **St. Barnabas', Ewa Beach**.

St. John's By-the-Sea, Kahaluu, plans a laulau sale June 26, the proceeds to go for roof repair and debt retirement. Four laulau for \$5. Call 239-7198 (evenings) for tickets and information.

And **St. John's** rejoiced in a **Children's Sunday** June 6, concluding the Sunday School year. Hot dogs, salad, and ice cream rejoiced both the young and the not so young after the service.

Camp Mokuleia is near full-capacity for summer 1982. The first session begins June 30 for those entering 2nd through 6th grades. Call 637-6241 for information on programs and available openings.

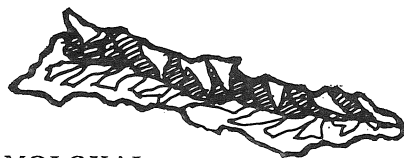
New members of the **Board of Trustees of St. Andrew's Priory School** announced by **Bishop Browning** are: **Mary Bitterman**, Director, State Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs; **Guerney Curran III**, Vice-President, Trust Division, First

Hawaiian Bank; **David Heenan**, President and Chief Executive Officer, Theo. H. Davies Co.; **John Jubinsky**, Attorney, Ashford and Wriston; **Leimalama Lee Loi**, Alumna; **Walter Miller**, Vice-President and Director of Personnel, Bank of Hawaii; and **Rodney Shinkawa**, Executive Vice-President, First Federal Savings and Loan.

Congratulations to **St. Andrew's Priory School** award winners this 1982 Commencement: **Kimberly Miyazawa** (Headmaster's Award); **Myra Lee** (Bishop's Award); **Jessica Russo** (Scholarship Award); **Raquel Kennedy** (Caroline Ornelles Memorial Scholarship); **Paula Jinbo** (Alumnae College Award); and **Kimberly Watanabe** (Fr. Fred G. Minuth Award).

Award winners at **Iolani's 1982 graduation**: **Jon Oide** (Roy T. Morikawa Award), **Michael Weitalla** (James T. Pott Award), **Michael Silva** (Bishop's Award), **Bert Kukunaga** (Alumni Medal), and **Ivan Fukumoto** (Scholarship Medal and Headmaster's Award).

Another should be added to the list of Hawaii's bishops: **Bishop G.P. Mellick Belshaw**, Suffragan of New Jersey, now Coadjutor. Bishop Belshaw writes of his "many happy memories of being Vicar of **St. Matthew's, Waimanalo**, from 1954-1957."

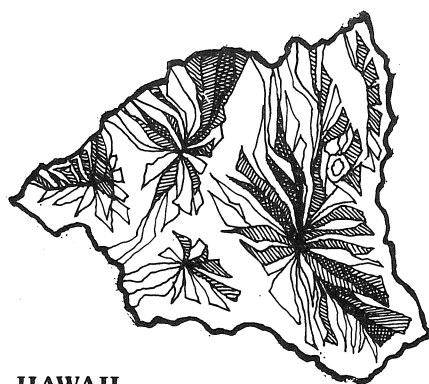


MOLOKAI

Legislation this session means that ambulance and paramedic services on Molokai continue at the present high level. Good news for **Scott Schaefer** of **Grace Church, Hoolehua**.

Congratulations to **Frances Manuel** on her sabbatical from the Molokai library to continue library studies.

Grace Church's rebuilt parish hall is now also a shelter and part of the Molokai program for the abused.



HAWAII

Guest preacher at **Holy Apostles', Hilo**, on June 6: **Steven Bonsey**, who has just completed his first year at Yale's Divinity School. Steven is the son of the Rector, **Fr. Ed. Bonsey**, and his wife **Katie**. This August in Alexandria, Louisiana, Steven plans to marry **Elisabeth Keller**, a fellow student at Yale and daughter of retired **Bishop Christoph Keller** of

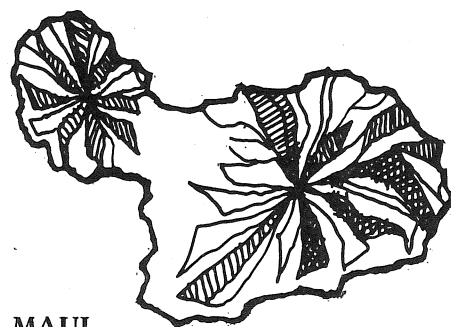
Arkansas and his wife **Caroline**.

Parish study of peace issues continued in early June with a presentation by **Brother Robert Hugh, SSF**, "On Becoming an Instrument of Peace" (June 1); and the viewing of "The Final Epidemic" with **Hilo United Methodist** (June 7).

At **St. James', Waimea**, the **Harold Craig** family found the gold cross baked into the Pentecost party cake. The finders may wear it during the ensuing year.

The **Ecumenical Youth Group** — **St. James', Imiola Congregational (UCC)**, and **Waimea-Kohala Baptist** — planned a novel outing for June 12: snow in the morning, mid-mountain at noon (**Pohakuloa State Park**), and seaside (and thawing-out) in the afternoon at **Hapuna Beach**.

St. James' just finished the "Focus on the Family" program, with average attendance of 55.



MAUI

A **Founders' Day** celebration at **St. John's, Kula**, is scheduled for the weekend of June 26, 27. The **Kula Club** (Honolulu residents formerly of Kula); the **Rev. Dr. Gerald Gifford** of **St. Elizabeth's**; the **Rev. Dr. Claude DuTeil** of **IHS** and the **Waikiki Chapel**; and **Fr. Richard Rowe** of **St. Peter's** are among those celebrating with **St. John's**. A potluck and church social on Saturday and church services, a time capsule, and a Chinese dinner on Sunday are part of the celebration.

The founding pastor of **St. John's**, whom his parishoners once likened to Confucius, was the **Rev. Shim Yin Chin**. He died June 27, 1918. His wife served the parish for many years as General Superintendent. His son, the well-beloved **Canon Wai On Shim**, was for many years the Vicar, then Rector, of **St. Elizabeth's, Palama**. The **Rev. Heather Mueller** is **St. John's** present Rector.

The bagpipes are coming! **Fr. Colin Campbell** of **St. Aidan's, Camano Island** (near Seattle), exchanges pulpits with the **Rev. Heather Mueller** for four Sundays this summer.

Vacation Bible School at **St. John's**: June 21-July 2, 9 a.m. — 1 p.m.

Camp Pecusa's church camp this summer is July 18-24 for youngsters entering grades 4 through 6. Sponsors: the Episcopal churches of Maui and Molokai. For further information, contact your pastor.

Congratulations to **Robert Asato**, **Iolani 1927**, who was honored at **Washington Place** on

May 28 as Maui County's 1982 Outstanding Male Older American. He is President of the Honolulu-Lahaina Senior Citizens Club and a longtime Lay Reader and member of Holy Innocents', Lahaina.

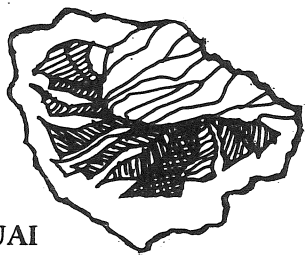
May's last weekend saw Maui's ecumenical Barrio Fiesta at Wailuku's War Memorial Hall: games, food, fun, and dancing a la Filipino. Good Shepherd's booth featured chow fun, halo halo (a fruit dessert), roasted peanuts, and arroz caldo (soft rice chicken). Booth proceeds go to the Youth Choir travel fund for a 1984 West Coast trip.

This Pentecost the Episcopal churches on Maui — Good Shepherd, Wailuku; St. John's, Kula; Holy Innocent's, Lahaina; and Trinity, Kihei — and the churches of the Kihei Shared Ministries celebrated a joint service at Keawala'i Church, Makena (Pastor Douglas Schneider, UCC), followed by a picnic on the nearby beach.

Bishop Browning announced these new members of Seabury Hall's Board of Trustees: the Rev. Charles Burger, Rector, Holy Innocents', Lahaina; Dr. John Henry Felix, President, La Ronde Restaurants and Honorary Consul of Portugal and Vice-Consul of Spain; Alex McBarnet, President, Maui Oil Co.; Donald G. Malcolm, retired educator; and Mrs. Richard H. Wolford.

Brother Robert Hugh, SSF, conducted a retreat for the Maui clergy (June 2 and 3).

1982 graduates of Seabury Hall honored this Commencement: Sam Trimble (Spencer P. Kennard Academic Award), Christine Mathews (Salutatorian), Rob Flowers (Dwight Holbrook Baldwin Science Award), Sam Trimble (Virginia Baldwin Wells Senior English Award), David Auerswald (Lawrence Senior Math Award), Julie Aus (Senior Merit Award, and the Trustees Award for Boarding Citizenship), Lily Hono-kaupu (Bishop's Christian Citizenship Award).



KAUAI

The Rev. Henry Getz and his wife Emily arrived on Kauai to serve St. John's, Eleele, and St. Paul's, Kekaha, during the summer study sabbatical of the Vicar, Fr. Alejandro Geston. He left June 4 for three months at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital, Houston, to study clinical pastoral education. Venture in Mission and the Atherton Family Trust helped fund Fr. Geston's sabbatical.

St. Paul's had a spring sale on May 22 in preparation for a later, greater one whose date is yet to be announced. More later.

And a Bazaar is scheduled at St. John's for this July.



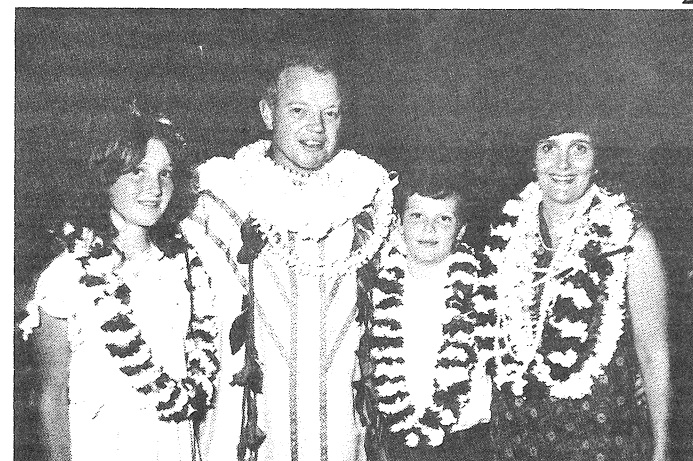
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Fr. Rowe's installation at St. Peter's:

1. Part of the procession at the installation of Fr. Rowe to St. Peter's (l. to r.): Frs. Richard Chang, with crozier; John Crean; Bill Grosh; Sarge Edwards; and Doug McGlyn. 2. Fr. Richard Rowe of St. Peter's and Bishop Browning. 3. At his installation: Fr. Richard Rowe receiving a maile lei from Linda Pang. 4. The Rowe family: Fr. Richard, Katherine, Anne (13) and John (11). 5. The reception following Fr. Rowe's installation. 6. Three generations of Ho's at St. Peter's (l. to r.): Torrey, Doug, Stan.

In Memoriam

Marjorie Chang Young died April 30 and was buried from St. Peter's, Honolulu, on May 8.

She was a life-long member of St. Peter's and one of its pillars. She served as Junior Warden, Vestry member, Sunday School teacher, in the choir, on the altar guild, and as Aloha Hostess.

She was active in diocesan work as well, serving the Episcopal Church Women of Hawaii as representative from St. Peter's, Corresponding Secretary, and on the Nominating Committee, among other offices. She was elected to Triennial in 1979, but her health prevented her attending.

Marjorie was a gracious lady of large heart and definite mind, charitable and generous. From her pew near St. Peter's main entrance, she greeted newcomers and saw to it that they were made to feel at home. Auntie Marjie was one who left a stamp for good on whatever she did.

Marjorie came from a distinguished Christian family, the eighth of 13 offspring of Chang Wu Tai and Chang Chau. David is remembered with affection as a wonderful greeter at St. Peter's and as an engaging helper to

patrons of the old Mac's Market. Jimmy's bonhomie and zest for living still refresh many. The personal warmth and splendid hospitality of Edward and Ellen (Chang) Ho, owners of the old Mac's Market, are a happy memory of good times and persons past. Jasmine Chang Kau made the most wonderful poundcake and worked so hard and so well for St. Peter's, especially in the Sunday School. These Chang family pillars of St. Peter's are gone now.

Marjorie is survived by her husband, Henry, graciousness and welcome himself as a greeter at St. Peter's and marvelous as a chef; by two sons, Byron and Wesley; by a sister, Esther Shim, and a brother, Dr. Kenneth Chang, U.S.A. retired, now practicing in Alaska.

Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all. Favour is deceitful and beauty is vain; but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.

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The Rev. Dr. Max M. Pearse, Jr., 61, Alumni Professor of Christian Education in the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley,

died June 11, and a Requiem was celebrated in Berkeley on June 21.

The Rev. Dr. Pearse was one of those seminary professors whose instruction was both profound and practical. He never lost touch with the seminarians nor with what is termed "real life".

Christian Education was his chosen field, and in it he shone. His introductory course was both brilliant in conception and expression and superbly useful in the parish.

As a preacher, Dr. Pearse excelled. He combined a passionate faith, profound insight, and elegant simplicity to form some of the finest sermons many can remember.

He was a man acquainted with grief. He bore patiently and well, like Milton, that heavy cross of failing, then failed, eyesight. Unlike Milton, he never knew the joy and support of family.

Courage, thought Aristotle, is the essential virtue, for without it one is unlikely to practice the others. The Rev. Dr. Max Pearse had courage, as well as faith, hope and love — and he practiced them nobly.

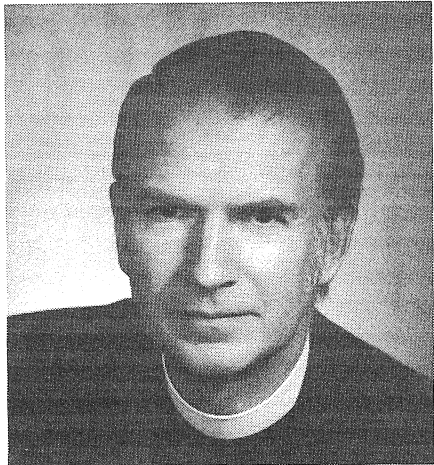
There are giants on the earth, even in these times.

The Calendar

JUNE	
DIOCESE	
2	Hilo Clericus
2-3	Maui Clericus
3	Epiphany Graduation
4	Companion Diocese Committee
5	St. Andrew's Priory Graduation
6	Trinity Sunday
10	Episcopal Churchwomen
11	Kamehameha Day Holiday
13	Pentecost 2
16	Oahu Clericus
20	Pentecost 3
22	General Convention Deputies
24	Diocesan Convention Steering Committee
24	Diocesan Council
25-26	Diaconate Training and Spiritual Formation Program Retreat
27	Pentecost 4
28	Quarterly VIM Reports Due
30	Standing Committee
BISHOP	
1	Staff
1	St. Clement's Confirmation Class
2	Iolani Board of Governors
3	Staff
3	Epiphany Graduation
4	Iolani Graduation
5	St. Andrew's Priory Graduation
6	St. Clement's Visit
8-18	Bishop visits American Samoa and Diocese of Polynesia
20	St. Andrew's Cathedral
22	Staff
22	General Convention Deputies
23	Calvary Confirmation
24	Staff
24	Diocesan Convention Steering Committee
24	Diocesan Council
25-26	Diaconate Training and Spiritual Formation Program Retreat
27	Trinity Church By-the-Sea
29	Staff
30	Standing Committee
30	St. Mary's Confirmation

JULY	
DIOCESE	
1	Commission on Ministry
1	Institute for Human Services (4th Birthday)

4	Pentecost 5
5	Independence Day Holiday
8	VIM Allocations Meeting
8	Episcopal Churchwomen
11	Pentecost 6
14	General Convention Deputies
15	Finance/Real Estate Department
15	Program Department
16	Mission Department
16	Communications Department
16	Diocesan Council
18	Pentecost 7
20	Maui Clericus
21	Oahu Clericus
22	Diocesan Convention Steering Committee
25	Pentecost 8
26	1983 Mission Subsidy Requests Due
28	Standing Committee
29	Mission Department
BISHOP	
1	Staff
1	Commission on Ministry
1	Institute for Human Services (4th Birthday)
4	Good Shepherd
5	Independence Day Holiday
8	Staff
11	St. Timothy's
13	Staff
14	General Convention Deputies
16	Staff
16	Diocesan Council
18	Kohala Mission/ St. Columbas'
20	Staff
21	Oahu Clericus
22	Staff
22	Diocesan Convention Steering Committee
25-31	Camp Mokuleia Summer Camp Session



The Rt. Rev. G.P.M. Belshaw, newly elected Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey and sometime Vicar of St. Matthew's, Waimanalo.

St. Peter's Revitalizes Catechumenate

St. Peter's Church has started a Catechumenate Class leading to baptism or re-affirmation in the presence of the Bishop at his annual visitation on November 28, 1982.

Those to be baptized are: Jane Oganeke, Cindy Masuhara, and Liane Hamamoto. First Re-Affirmation (Confirmation) candidates will be Koa Nagashima, Jim Ariyoshi, Cara Ching, Jo-Anne Leong, Desiree' Mau, Deidre Mau, and Lynn Kanayama.

Though not officially considered catechumens, 14 members who will be re-affirming their vows or are acting as sponsors are also attending the course.

The course will consist of 24 sessions including attendance at the play, "The Witness" and an overnight retreat.

Each session begins with a song, prayer and scripture reading followed by the presentation for the day and a lay person's response to the talk.

Visit to Comapniaon Diocese

Diocese of Polynesia

The Companion Diocese Committee left June 9 for a 10-day visit to Fiji in the Diocese of Polynesia, to explore mutual mission and ministry.

The Committee were guests of Bishop Jabez Bryce, whose see city is Suva.

Committee members visiting Fiji were Bishop Browning; Dora Kraul, Chairman, St. Clement's; the Rev. Alice Babin, Christ Church; the Rev. Darrow Aiona, St. John's By-the-Sea; Diana Lockwood, St. Andrew's Cathedral; Clifford Young, St. Peter's; and Willis Moore.

The Diocese of Polynesia spans 7 nation-states, including Fiji, Tonga, and Western Samoa. Polynesia became Hawaii's companion diocese by vote of the 1981 convention.

Venture in Mission is raising \$50,000 for Polynesia. Half has been forwarded. And \$13,000 was sent Tonga to speed recovery following the recent hurricane — \$10,000 from the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief and \$3,000 raised locally.



At a workshop on music in Christian Education (l. to r.): Wanda Gereben, Chairman of the Music Department at St. Andrew's Priory School; Sandy Greenwell, Workshop chairman; and Alice Anne Bell, Christian Education chairman.

Deacons and the Social Service Crisis

As has been frequently noted in our news columns and elsewhere recently, religious leaders all over our country are seriously and rightly alarmed by the plight of the poor. The cutback in government support of many sorts of social and welfare programs, together with the recession, has made it a long, sold winter for thousands of needy people.

It has been stated that this is a challenging opportunity for churches, voluntary agencies, and local groups to take over the responsibility for welfare in our nation. It is indeed challenging, and some of this responsibility is being taken over. Unfortunately, no churches or other private or local groups can come up with the billions of dollars formerly supplied by the federal government.

One thing parish churches and other local groups can supply is volunteer assistance. People can help people. From the past two decades, however, we have learned that poverty is not so

simple. It cannot be eradicated by throwing money at it, nor can it be eradicated by well meant efforts of kindly people who are not sure of what to do or how to do it. We need people who know how to train volunteers to do what is genuinely useful and helpful. The competent instruction, deployment, and supervision of volunteers are part of a specialized field requiring talent, skill, and experience.

Here, we believe, is a most appropriate field for many deacons to enter. It has often been said that the diaconate should not replace or inhibit the ministry of lay people, but rather stimulate, lead, and focus it. We suggest that the direction and leadership of volunteer programs for social services are beautifully suited to this view of the office of deacon. It is not what every deacon is called to do, but we believe some are, and thousands of such unrecognized vocations may exist within the lethargic bosom of our church.

—The Living Church