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St. Peter's Hosts "Body & Soul" Conference October 18-19

Are you serious about Jesus, prayer, and healing?

On Sunday, October 18, and Monday, October 19, St. Peter's hosts a two-day response to that question, entitled "Body & Soul."

Conference speakers include Bishop Donald Hart, Dr. George Rhoades, Fr. John K.S. Brownsell, the Rev. Malcolm Miner, and Dr. Terry Shintani.

The conference schedule is as follows:

--- Registration begins at 12:30 p.m., Sunday, October 18, in St. Peter's parish hall.

--- Festival service, beginning at 1 p.m. and concluding with a procession of votive candles to the parish hall, where an icon of Christ will be honored.

--- Teaching (1:30 to 5:15 p.m.). Bishop Hart opens the study program, speaking on "Healing and the Christian Faith."

Dr. George Rhoades of Honolulu's Ola Hou Clinic addresses "Healing of Memories -- Living with Wounds and Victories."

"Blessed Assurance" describes a shared presentation in which St. Peter's choir member Kooi Sim Kau and guest guitarist Wesley Taira offer testimony and the opportunity to "sing along."

Fr. John Brownsell of London's All Saints', Notting Hill, discusses "Holy Places, Holy Happenings, and Many Kinds of Health," 4:30 to 5 p.m.

"Body & Soul" will then return to St. Peter's sanctuary for a healing service to be conducted by the Rev. Malcolm Miner. Fr. Miner is a noted practitioner of Christian healing and a leader in the Order of St. Luke.

--- On Monday, October 19, 5:30-6:15 p.m., Evening Prayer is followed by an opportunity to explore the Order of St. Luke.

A "wholistic dinner" emphasizing native Hawaiian foods follows in the parish hall under the super-

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Church launches sexuality study

Sexuality issues -- including sexual abuse and gay and lesbian concerns -- soon may appear on every parish agenda.

A national steering committee established by General Convention -- which asked for a churchwide study on sexuality issues and a pastoral letter from the bishops -- has announced plans for an every-parish dialogue, beginning with training sessions for diocesan leaders in September and October.

One bishop, a lay delegate, and an ordained person from each of the nine provinces of the national church serve on the national steering committee.

They will direct, supervise and report the results of the dialogue to Bishop Richard Grein of New York, who chairs the committee charged with preparing a pastoral teaching on sexuality for consideration at the 1994 General Convention.

The parish dialogues are not intended to confront people or seek to change the minds of participants.

"What we are proposing quite obviously amounts to a shift in Episcopal behavior," said Bishop O'Kelley Whitaker, convener of the committee.

"The purpose is not really to persuade others to think like us, but rather to develop an understanding and, perhaps, appreciation of each other."

Atmosphere of Listening

Past debate and legislative efforts on sexuality issues, Whitaker believes, have only brought the church deeper division and more entrenched positions.

"Our goal is to enable every parish, either on their own or with a number of others, to engage in dialogue...in an atmosphere of listening to, and understanding, others who speak, rather than focusing on changing one another's mind or simply winning," he said.

The steering committee recommends that parishes use either of two resources for their five-week study:

--- *Human Sexuality: A Christian Perspective*, produced by a professional organization for Province VII and discussing sexuality as it relates to the family, the church, and the social order; or

--- *Human Sexuality and the Christian Faith*, produced by the Division for Church in Society for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. It addresses specific issues of sexual abuse,

gay and lesbian relationships, and sexual relationships outside of marriage.

A revised version of the Lutheran work will include a chapter by Bishop Edward Jones of Indianapolis, dealing with Anglican perspectives on sexuality. This chapter replaces one of Lutheran perspectives.

"It is not our intention to inhibit work already under way," said Whitaker, acknowledging that some dioceses responded to the convention's resolution months ago.

"It is to encourage all dioceses to respond to the call of the General Convention. We will coordinate the work of the various dioceses so that there is a common base for shared learning."

The process, Whitaker said, also may enable the church to deal with other issues that divide it.

"Our unity is in Christ, not in full agreement [with one another]," he asserted.

Three regional weekend workshops will be conducted September 18-20 in Washington, D.C.; October 2-4 in Atchison, Kansas; and October 24-26 in Burlingame, California.

(The Rev. Morley Frech, Jr., rector of Trinity By-the-Sea, Kihei, Maui, and Mrs. Barbara Vlachos of St. Peter's, Honolulu, will represent the Diocese of Hawaii at the Washington, D.C., meeting, Bishop Hart has announced.)

Diocesan leaders then will train members of parishes who will lead the dialogues.

The congregational study will take place in five sessions between December 1, 1992, and April 1993.

---By *Episcopal Life* staff.



Archbishop Carey (right) with the Presiding Bishop (left) and Bishop Johnson of Western North Carolina. This month Canterbury visits D.C., Baltimore, Cincinnati, Seattle, Tacoma, Albuquerque, and New York. (James Rosenthal, ENS).

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Stewardship of Our "Toys"

On the eighth Sunday after Pentecost, the propers were made to order for a stewardship sermon, and Dean Lin Knight of St. Andrew's Cathedral did just that.

He started by quoting a bumper sticker which read, "Whoever dies with the most toys wins."

He then suggested a retort which reads, "Whoever dies with the most toys is dead." All those expensive "toys" will be of no use then.

We all accumulate "toys" or possessions during our lifetime, but as Christians we are called to be good stewards of what we have, not only while we live but also at death.

If God has been important to you during your lifetime, he should be even more important to you at death.

That means making plans now to leave some of your treasure for God's work.

You have a choice. You can lay up treasure on earth where moth and rust corrupt, or you can lay up your treasures in heaven.

The church, and more specially your own parish, represent the Body of Christ here on earth.

If you want the work which you believe in and supported during your lifetime to continue after your death, if you want the church to prosper and grow and carry the Word to succeeding generations, remember God in your will.

What better way to insure a better world?

Remember, only you can determine how your estate is to be divided.

Only you can set aside that portion of your wealth you want God to have.

As God's faithful servant and steward, your need is to give.

Give as you have received, generously and cheerfully.

In this way, you will bear witness to your faith and be an inspiration to those who see your dedication and commitment.

--- Don McKenne, Diocesan Planned Giving Officer.

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The Bookroom is located at the end of the Cathedral Close on Queen Emma Street and carries Bibles, books, church supplies, and gift items.

"Come see us soon in our newly renovated space," invites Ann Knight, interim manager.

Telephone: 538-1774

Holy Nativity's Financial, Estate Planning Lecture Series open to all

As part of a planned giving program, the Church of the Holy Nativity and Holy Nativity School in Aina Haina are sponsoring an informational lecture series on financial and estate planning.

All are invited to attend any or all of this series. Lectures are 9 a.m., Saturdays, in the school gym, 5286 Kalaniana'ole Highway, as indicated below.

There will be no presentations related to specific financial services or products, although some presenters may suggest that you seek the further specific advice of your own accountant, attorney, and financial advisor.

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| Sept. 19 | Wills & Trusts. David C. Larsen, attorney, Cades Schutte Fleming & Wright. Avoiding probate and saving taxes through wills and revocable and irrevocable trusts. |
| Oct. 17 | Charitable Trusts. Edward C. Kline, vice-president, United States Trust Company of New York. Income and estate tax savings through the use of various charitable trusts. |
| Nov. 14 | Estate Planning. Randall W. Roth, professor of law, William S. Richardson School of Law. The marital deduction, A-B trusts, and Q-tip trusts explained in actual dollars and cents. |
| Dec. 12 | Insurance in Estate Planning. John D. Beck, Jr., Beck, Kudlich & Swartman. Forms of insurance coverage available to enhance estate planning. |
| Jan. 9 | Investment History. William C. Grindle, associate vice-president, Dean Whitter Reynolds. Comparing returns on various investments and a realistic view of expectations for your trusts. |
| Feb. 6 | Real Estate in Hawaii. Dr. Nicholas Ordway, director, Hawaii Real Estate Research and Education Center, University of Hawaii. The past, present, and future of Hawaiian real estate. |
| Mar. 13 | The Economy of Hawaii. Paul H. Brubaker, economist, Bank of Hawaii. With historic perspective, a discussion of the state of Hawaii's economy and the outlook for the coming years. |
| April 3 | Health Care in Hawaii. Thomas L. Battisto, vice-president, HMSA. An overview of health coverage and health services available to residents of Hawaii, with emphasis on areas of concern. |
| May 8 | Medical Costs & Life Care. Anthony J. Garcia, Episcopal Homes of Hawaii, Inc. The rising costs of health care and the life care facility alternative. |
| June 6 | Economic & Financial Roundtable. Several speakers in the previous nine-part series will answer questions and tie together the parts of a well-founded plan. |

To reserve your space or for further information, call 373-2131 days or 396-5429 evenings.

Racism & the Christian

We have some painful images from television lately of racism.

There has also been a soul-searching and survey in the Episcopal Church of different manifestations of racism in our own denomination.

Sometimes I think the ways we try to deal with racism only make matters worse. Many of these ways are the ways of the world.

What do I mean, and what is the answer?

Those who want to call attention to racism are mostly, I am sure, wanting to help.

But does not this very process, after all, still emphasize the *differences* -- the very thing we are trying to avoid?

I believe, as with every problem we have, the answer can be found in the Word of God, "rightly applied" (II Timothy 2:15)

Scripture

Some Scriptures that apply:

"But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his [appearance]...for the Lord does not see as man sees; man looks on the outward [appearance], but the Lord looks on the heart' (I Samuel 16:7).

"Do not judge by appearances, but judge with right judgment" (John 7:24).

"You are looking only on outward things...(II Corinthians 10:7).

"There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:28).

"And he died for all, that those who live might live no longer for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once regarded Christ from a human point of view, we regard him thus no longer. Therefore, if any one is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. So we are ambassadors of Christ, God making his appeal through us. We beseech you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God" (II Corinthians 5:15-20).

Comment

When one is born again by the Spirit of God, the outward appearances of people ("regarding someone from a human point of view") take second place, because in the Spirit we can perceive people from a spiritual point of view.

For a regenerate Christian, the first thing we consider about a person (after all -- the most important thing) is their spiritual state.

Have they been reconciled to God through Christ?

If they have, then they have the most important thing any person can have,



St. Andrew's youngsters enjoying Hawaiian games at Waimea Falls Park.

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Basic role of elected official: to serve the common good

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

St. Michael's Day on September 29 is a special time for recognizing one of the great Archangels found in St. John's Revelation.

Michael and his angels fought the Devil and his, and the Devil was thrown out of heaven, unfortunately landing on earth!

However, the Devil was defeated, crushed by Michael and heaven's host.

What is left of the Devil are only his death throes, and the last feeble effort of this fallen angel.

Michael is the champion of sailors who must wrestle on the deep with much that is violent and unknown.

Michael is also the champion of justice, of defending the poor and the oppressed.

He is God's warrior against all that breaks down civilization and the quality of life.

Little wonder, then, that in England, where Michael and St. George the

dragon-slayer are easily confused, as perhaps purposely similar, that the custom grew for elections of public officials to take place near Michaelmas, or the end of September.

The hope was that those officials would understand their election as a calling to be like Michael, defenders of the public good, of the poor and oppressed.

Elections in the United States are not exactly tied to St. Michael's Day, but they are still close -- close enough that the point can be made about the calling of those elected.

Our hope is that they will serve the common good and not their own personal interests.

Our trust is that they will unite us to be a citizenry concerned for more than our personal gain, that we, too, may recognize a calling that lifts up the values of a civilized people.

Government, like many institutions today, is trying to find its proper role, is

once again being forced by a skeptical populous to return to basics and reclaim a calling which rings true and helpful.

Political pundits say that the worst thing a candidate can be this election is an incumbent, one who is already part of government, and therefore a part of the problem.

Maybe more accurate is to say that the candidates in most trouble are those who are not clear about the basic role of government, to be of the people, by the people, and for the people.

The great need this time around is to articulate the basic role of an elected official to serve the common good.

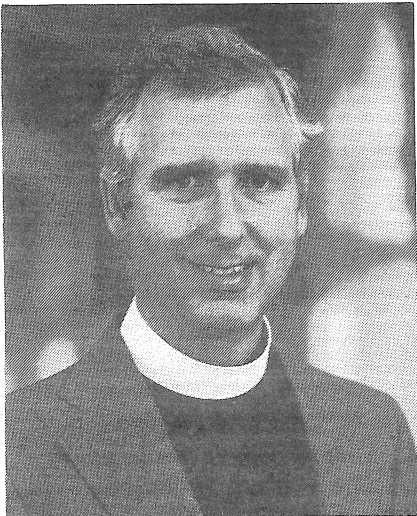
In many ways this struggle on the part of candidates to clarify the role of government makes this election more interesting than many others.

It is a struggle we can undersand. We have to do it in terms of the roles of schools; in terms of the role of families, of fathers and mothers; in terms of the role of the church.

In football talk this is back to fundamentals, to blocking and tackling and running and passing.

In the midst of incredible technology, we must be able to be clear about our purpose, about our calling, about our mission.

Listen carefully to the candidates to



Bishop Hart of Hawaii.

hear how they can be simple and true about their calling.

Listen and reflect, because we struggle with the same challenge in the churches, and I believe it is a challenge worth taking -- for the common good.

My warm affection and prayers.

Faithfully yours,

The Rt. Rev. Donald P. Hart
Bishop

Bishop's Journeying

July

21-25 I am free to visit several patients at Tripler Hospital and also help to prepare a couple for marriage on behalf of a bishop friend.

It is good to be doing pastoral activities so familiar to "normal" parochial ministry.

Off to St. Stephen's on Tuesday evening with a group from the Council to consult with them on the direction of their ministry.

The Clergy Family Project continues its work on Saturday as it puts into narrative form data received on the questionnaire of last summer.

26 Elizabeth and I drive to Mililani for our visit to St. Anne's, the newest mission in the diocese. They fill every available chair in the house we use for church and gathering place.

I am very appreciative of the ministry two Navy chaplains have given, Gary Parker and Gordon Scheible. Their attention, and that of other itinerate clergy, have been a great boost to the life here.

28-31 The Committee on Racism continues to meet often in preparation for our Convention in October and to help the diocese beyond that event.

We traverse Haleakala Crater with a dozen youngsters from Camp PECUSA and John and Marilyn Hiroshima. It is a wonderful, strenuous trip of great beauty and every kind of weather!

We are back on Friday just in time for appointments at lunch in the after-

noon.

Saturday, August 1, we are off again to Kauai and our missions on the west side.

August

2 The Rev. Frank Cowell and his bride, Barbara, of only a week or two, are very kind to have their home invaded by us.

We have good visits at both St. Paul's and St. John's.

We are home in time to join the Rt. Rev. Charles Keyser, Bishop of the Armed Forces, for a reception in anticipation of the ordination of the Rev. George Clifford tomorrow.

3-8 Chaplain George Clifford is ordained a deacon in our church by Bishop Keyser. George is moving in our direction from the American Baptist Church. He will continue his commission in the Navy as a chaplain.

On Tuesday morning, after celebrating the early service, I go to breakfast with the Rev. Jesse Jackson (and several hundred others!).

I am particularly interested in his promotion of Guam's asking to become an American Commonwealth.

Most of this week is finishing up preparations in the office for going on vacation and to the House of Bishops the first week or so of September in Baltimore.

We will be bicycling in British Columbia for two weeks, then visiting family on the East Coast, and finally in Baltimore, returning the second week of September.

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PB's tour, L.A. help, Looting of America, Unchurched West...

During a four-state tour of black ministries July 23-27, Presiding Bishop Browning condemned racism as "deep sin, bred in greed, that leads to violence, to the death of hope, and to the tragic waste of human potential." He visited parishes and soup kitchens in New Haven, a camp in South Carolina, a housing project and the National Civil Rights Museum in Memphis, and a rehabilitated housing project in inner-city Chicago, the Episcopal News Service reported.

The Union of Black Episcopalians (UBE) wrestled with the persistence of racism in church and society and its own identity at its annual meeting in Atlanta, June 28-July 3. The 700 participants resolved that the UBE "provides the necessary context for developing a healthy black identity and community" and has "successfully maintained its racial integrity and its pledge to lead in the fight for racial equality." Taking its cue from the late Malcolm X, who said that "there can be no black/white unity until there is first some black unity," the UBE decided not to open its membership to non-blacks (ENS).

L.A.'s rebuilding following the riots has been assisted by Episcopal Church funds totalling \$750,000 to date. Contributions by parishes in the diocese and throughout the church to the Presiding Bishop's Fund have grown to \$150,000, trust funds in the amount of \$300,000 has been invested in two minority-owned banks and a loan fund for housing, and a \$300,000 grant from the Presiding Bishop's Fund is being used to establish a credit union, ENS reported.

"The looting of America did not begin in Los Angeles this spring. If we remember Ivan Boesky, Charles Keating, Michael Milken and many others, it has been going on for quite some time," said sociologist and Episcopal layman Robert Bellah in a keynote address to 130 members of the National Association of Ecumenical Staff (NAES).

He pointed out that people in the nation's top 20-cent income bracket -- a group that has effectively "seceded" from the cities -- "have benefitted enormously from the public subsidization of suburban growth," citing FHA loans and enormous expenditures on highway systems that allowed the wealthy to live "not too inconveniently far from urban blight" (ENS).

Church population study indicates that Roman Catholics, Protestants, Mormons, and Jews comprise 55% of the U.S. population, or 112.5 million.

Other findings of a study sponsored each decade by the Association of Statisticians of American Religious Bodies are:

--- The Episcopal Church ranked 10th overall among the religious bodies, with 2,445,286 adherents (adults and children), or one percent of the population.

--- In comparison with Protestant denominations only, Episcopalians are 25 percent or more of the population in



Black clergy and Presiding Bishop Browning (right) meet with Chicago's Mayor Richard Daley (left center) on PB's tour of black ministries (Paul Smith, ENS).

some counties in Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, North and South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Idaho, and Alaska.

--- Roman Catholicism dominates the Northeast and parts of Texas, Louisiana, and California. The South is conservative Protestant, mainly Southern Baptist.

--- 44.9 percent of America's population evidently have no Christian or Jewish religious affiliation.

--- In the West, churches and synagogues claim less than 25 percent of the population. The exceptions are Utah and parts of surrounding states, where Mormons are dominant, and much of New Mexico, where Roman Catholics dominate.

--- In most parts of the East and Midwest, 25 to 50 percent of the population has no Judeo-Christian religious affiliation.

--- From the eastern borders of Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico to the Pacific, that number increases dramatically to above 75 percent in many areas.

These data are from *Churches and Church Membership in the United States*, copyrighted by the Association of Statisticians of American Religious

Bodies. It is available at \$36 from Glenmary Research Center, 750 Piedmont Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30308 (ENS).

Contributions to nine mainline churches rose by 4.4 percent in 1990 but did not keep pace with the consumer price index rise of 5.4 percent, according to the recently published 1992 *Yearbook of American and Canadian Churches*.

The Episcopal Church reported the highest per-capita giving of the nine denominations that regularly report figures to the National Council of Churches -- jumping from just over \$763 in 1989 to over \$811 in 1990, an increase of 6.2 percent.

The Presbyterians were next, with \$641 per capita in 1990.

Church growth was widely reported. The Episcopal Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America both reported gains.

The Presbyterian Church (USA) changed its reporting method to include "total adherents," including those who attend worship services and consider themselves Presbyterian, with a consequent boost of 900,000 members.

The National Baptist Convention, which had been using outdated figures, now claims 7.8 million members.



Browning serves lunch at St. Luke's lunch program for women and children in New Haven, Conn., during tour of black ministries (ENS photo: James Thrall).

The Progressive National Baptist Convention's figures jumped just over half a million to 2.5 in 1991.

Seminary enrollment increased 1.2 percent, to a 1991 total of 59,919.

The number of women (now 30 percent of seminarians), African Americans, Pacific/Asian Americans, and part-time students also rose, continuing a trend going back 15 or 20 years (ENS).

The Rev. Graham Pulkingham has been charged with sexual misconduct. The British-born Episcopal priest, internationally known for his involvement in the charismatic renewal movement, was temporarily suspend from his priestly duties by the Bishop of Pittsburgh. A woman in the Diocese of Kansas charged that her marriage had been ruined by an alleged homosexual affair that occurred between her husband and Pulkingham from 1978-1982, while Pulkingham headed a religious community in London.

In a letter to his order and diocesan clergy, Bishop Alden Hathaway said that Pulkingham had confirmed the allegations and come to "to see that [his actions] were an abuse of power and trust from which he now fully repents and is heartily sorry."

Hathaway reported that the diocese will reach out to the families of the alleged victims and Pulkingham, in order to provide pastoral care and counseling.

A full investigation of the allegations is continuing (ENS).

Suffragan Bishop Chester Talton of Los Angeles became the first leader of a mainline denomination to participate in the West Hollywood gay pride parade. Over 200 members of the diocese were among the 200,000 marchers June 28. The parade is California's largest after the Tournament of Roses Parade and the Hollywood Christmas Parade. Participants were motivated by the desire to let "gay and lesbian people who have been spiritually damaged by their families and by the church 'know' something of God's incredible grace and love," said the Rev. William Thigpen, Diocesan Bishop Frederick Borsch's liaison to the gay and lesbian community (ENS).

Episcopal college students plan national gathering. About 400 Episcopal college students, faculty, and others interested in ministry in higher education will gather in Georgia, December 29, to discuss how to respond to complex issues in a rapidly changing world. The six-day meeting will explore issues such as marriage, stress, racism, abortion, women's health, evangelism, homosexuality, and Holy Communion under the title "Keeping the Faith: God in a Changing World." Two students will give keynote speeches for the first time. The conference is open to all interested in ministry in higher education. Registration packets may be obtained by contacting conference registrar Chris Labonte at 14 Davisville Lane, Narragansett, RI 02882, or telephoning the Rev. Jep Streit at (617)277-5523 (ENS).

Browning to lesbian and gay Episcopalians: "Hang in"

During what some observers called a "dramatic pastoral visit," Presiding Bishop Edmond Browning issued a strong call to lesbian and gay Episcopalians to "keep the faith" and continue to "tell their stories" in a church that sometimes does not want to listen.

"You've got to know how important it is for you to hang in," Browning told the nearly 200 members of Integrity, an organization of lesbian and gay Episcopalians and their supporters.

The 14th annual Integrity convention met in Houston, Texas, July 9-12.

Browning's presence at the convention was the first by a presiding bishop.

Dialogue

"Phoenix called the church into a dialogue on the issue of homosexuality, and it seems to me that my visit to the Integrity meeting is an important way of modeling the church's willingness to be in dialogue on the issue," Browning said.

He noted that dialogue is a two-way conversation and that "it is very important for the gay and lesbian community to be included in the dialogue, too."

Dialogue was the first item on the agenda of the convention and the watchword throughout, Jeffrey Penn reported for the Episcopal News Service.

Members of the church's Standing Commission on Human Affairs held an open hearing and invited participants to "share their everyday experiences in the church."

Members of Integrity told the commission that they had received a double message from the Episcopal Church -- a message both of acceptance and of rejection, particularly in local congregations.

The Rev. Jim Ferry, a priest of the Anglican Church of Canada, decried "stones for the minority, while bread for the majority."

Tribute Paid

At the convention's festival Eucharist, Browning paid tribute to members of Integrity for their perseverance in the struggle for acceptance in the church.

"I have thought about how accustomed you must have become to having people, who have never met you, form judgments about you based upon what you are, rather than who you are... And I wish with all my heart that you had never had to get used to that," he said.

Browning also called on Integrity members to reject the "world's values" where all struggle is pitched in a "win-lose" scenario.

"Is it possible to know the pain of what you have known and still find it within yourself to remain in the body where so much of that pain has occurred?" Browning asked.

"Can you be the reconcilers Christ calls all of us to be without either denying the reality of your pain, on the one hand; or denying the possibility of its coming to an end, on the other?"

Bryant Hudson from the Diocese of Dallas said that he had wept throughout the service.

"It was gratifying and encouraging that the presiding bishop would come to Texas... He gave us courage and hope to hang on when some of our homophobic bishops do not," Hudson said.

Texas Governor Ann Richards sent a greeting to the convention, praising Browning as "a strong and important leader in the Episcopal Church [whose] efforts to reach out to every member are deeply appreciated by all."

Open Session

In an hour-and-a-half open session with Browning the following morning, members of Integrity engaged him in face-to-face dialogue about their pain and hopes for their life in the church.

"If your grandson turns out to be gay,

I hope he could have his relationship blessed, that he would find the church the safe and affirming place that many of us have found it, and envision it," one woman said.

Patrick Waddell, who served as a deputy to the 1991 General Convention from the Diocese of El Camino Real, criticized what he called the "timid and palsied statements that don't give any relief for gays and lesbians" adopted by General Convention.

Browning urged members of Integrity to participate in the dialogue requested at Phoenix.

"It's going to depend on you. You have to be willing to press your diocesan bishops. You need to see that this study material is used and be involved, so that your voices can be heard," Browning said.

"You are contributing to the health and well-being of the whole church. You are part of this church. All over the country I say to the church that the gay and lesbian community is tired of being treated as an issue. They want to be treated as people," he added.

"The pain in the church over this issue is excruciating," said Sue Thompson of the Diocese of Atlanta, as she reflected on Integrity's convention.

"I want to dream of a church that is big enough for everyone. ... I don't want those opposed to me who stay in the church to feel like they've lost if I stay. I want them to feel like it is their church, too," Thompson added.

Others expressed impatience. "It is time to get on to other work," said a woman from El Camino Real in one of the forums.

"We've spent 20 years studying this issue. I would think that people in the church who are not gay or lesbian are tired of talking about this. We [in the lesbian and gay community] are certainly tired of it.

"There is so much more Christians can do with their time and money than debate this issue," she observed (ENS).

Related Stories:

Goldwater on gayness

In a related story, former Senator Barry Goldwater, Bishop Joseph Heistand of Arizona, and other religious and political leaders joined forces in a successful effort to gain passage of a gay-rights ordinance in the Phoenix City Council.

The ordinance prohibited discrimination against gays and lesbians in public places and in jobs.

Speaking at a news conference prior to the council's vote, Goldwater -- known widely for his conservative political views -- said, "Under our Constitution, we literally have the right to do anything we may want to do, as long as the performing of those acts does not cause damage or hurt to anybody else.

"I can't see any way in the world that being gay can cause damage to somebody else," Goldwater added (ENS).

Hawaii's participation in the churchwide sexuality study

"Information about the sexuality study called for in last year's General Convention has finally come through," Bishop Hart noted in his August newsletter.

"Several regional conferences are planned to train those in the diocese who can return to train us in carrying out workshops. The one for our region is on the weekend of our convention.

"I have asked Morley Frech and Barbara Vlachos to attend the one in Washington, D.C., in September, and I have asked the Diocesan Institute to coordinate our participation in this process after they return.

"The national church is suggesting that congregations use the Epiphany or Lenten seasons as times to bring people together in this study.

"This will give us time to put together our diocesan response to the resolution for inclusion in the material for the next General Convention in '94," the bishop observed. (See story page 1.)

The move to ordain women has hit snags in Australia and England and gets a go-ahead in South Africa. The General Synods of both the English and Australian churches fell short of the required majorities to move ahead with the ordination of women. In the case of Australia, a 75% vote in the affirmative was required, but the vote was 70%. In South Africa a 79% majority passed a resolution which "gives its approval to the ordination of women as priests." Of the 34 provinces and member churches of the worldwide Anglican Communion, 15 have ordained women as deacons and 14 have ordained to the priesthood (ENS).

Berkeley, California, has imposed a tax on church contributions, saying the move is a more consistent application of a tax already levied on other non-profit organizations. The city has directed that churches get business licenses and pay an annual tax of 60

cents on every \$1,000 in contributions (ENS).

Bishops for each "traditionalist and feminist" subculture? Dr. Allen Brent of James Cook University in North Queensland, Australia, argues in a recent book, *Cultural Episcopacy and Ecumenism*, that traditionalist and feminist subcultures should have their own bishops. Brent maintains that the prevailing organizational structures reflect "[medieval] European views...that are imperialistic and autocratic" (ENS).

Equal legal standing with Spanish Roman Catholics and religious "pluralism, tolerance and openness" were guaranteed Spain's 300,000 Protestants, 200,000 Muslims and 15,000 Jews by an accord signed this April. The accord marks an end to five centuries of inequality and discrimination (ENS).



Dr. Margo McMahon of Western Massachusetts in dialogue with the Presiding Bishop at the July Integrity convention in Houston, Texas. Integrity is an organization of lesbian and gay Episcopalians (ENS photo: Jeffrey Penn).

About the Diocese

"I am very happy to announce the appointment of the Reverend Alex Geston as the new Campus Chaplain," writes Bishop Hart in his August newsletter.

"Alex and Simeona return to us around the 1st of September. He will be half-time at the campus ministry and half-time as assistant to the rector of St. Timothy's."

The bishop also announced the appointment of the Rev. Dr. Beverly Dexter as Priory School Chaplain.

"She comes to us from the Diocese of San Diego where she has done an outstanding job in children's ministries and education. Her doctorate is in education," the bishop noted.

Also appointed to the Priory, as chaplain in the lower school, was the Rev. Kari Reiquam, a Lutheran minister, who is the wife of the Rev. Brian Austill of the Samaritan Center. Hers is a one-year appointment.

In the newsletter, the bishop also noted:

--- He has been appointed to serve on the Governor's Committee on HIV/AIDS.

"Our church, nationally and locally, has been a leader in this issue, and I hope we will continue to be.

"Our own committee, headed by John Brough, is doing a fine job.

"Please remember that October 11th is the Seventh Annual National Day of Prayer for HIV/AIDS.

--- October 11 "also just happens to be the date of the 130th anniversary of the arrival of Bishop Staley from England in 1862. I do not think we need to make a big 'to-do' about that. I will give thanks for my predecessor and his ministry in my prayers.

--- "The next day, October 12, is of course Columbus Day and will mark the 500th anniversary of European discovery of the New World.

"The Hawaiian Commission will be well represented at the national service at Washington Cathedral...

"Again, this is not a particularly big day in Hawaiian history, but we are part of a nation that is still painfully wrestling with the consequences of that 'discovery.'

"The record of western nations, including Israel, Russia, Yugoslavia and others, in dealing fairly with their indigenous people is abysmal.

"I wonder if we can ever have true justice in the land until we have addressed this need," observed Bishop Hart.

Briefly Noted

Josie Calag, wife of Fr. Domingo Calag of St. Columba's, had surgery in Hilo Hospital to remove a cancerous spot from her lung.

Beginning this fall, trained docents will conduct tours of St. Andrew's Cathedral for visitors.

Docents will be trained in the history and art of the cathedral by Fr. Kenneth Perkins and Deacon Edith Sewell.

Members of other Episcopal churches

KAUAI

St. Michael and All Angels', Lihue, voted to become a parish at a special meeting August 16.

Also at that meeting, by-laws were approved and the Rev. Jan C. Rudinoff was elected rector.

Elected to the first vestry were: Kathy Richardson, Imogene Miner, Eric Yee, Vikki Secretario, Bob Bartola, Yasuo Nakamatsu, Janette Cantotay, Bambi Torres, and John Reardon, who was elected junior warden.

Hobey Goodale was appointed senior warden of the diocese's newest parish, whose full status as a parish must be approved by October's Diocesan Convention.

The Rev. John H. Dobson will teach "Greek in a Week" Monday, January 11 through Friday, January 15, 1993, at St. Michael and All Angels', Lihue.

This 30-seminar will use Fr. Dobson's *Learn New Testament Greek* and allow participants to read Greek words, begin to understand how Greek functions as a language, read and understand many passages of the New Testament, develop skill in translating, and have a good time together.

At the conclusion of the course participants should be able to continue the text on their own or in groups.

While a missionary in Uganda, Dobson developed a special program for teaching Greek for the training of seminarians at Bishop Tucker Theological College.

Learn New Testament Greek is in its third printing, has sold 25,000 copies, and is used in theological colleges in England and by lay persons in parishes.

The cost of the week's seminar is \$195. Some scholarship help is available.

For further information and registration, write St. Michael and All Angels',

The House of Bishops meets in Baltimore, September 4-10. In accordance with recent practice, the meeting will center on Bible study and discussions about the common vision of its members, rather than focusing on confrontation in legislative-style debates as in the past. Five scholarly papers on the issue of scriptural authority, along with daily scriptural readings, will provide the basis for small-group discussion throughout the meeting. On Thursday, September 10, Archbishop of Canterbury George Carey will participate in the meeting as part of his first official tour of the Episcopal Church (ENS).

ches in Hawaii have been invited to become docents.

Christ Memorial Church, Kilauea, is currently receiving nominations and applications for the position of vicar. Those interested should contact either Fr. Peter Van Horne at the Diocesan Office, or the chair of the Search Committee, Ms. Linda Sproat, P.O. Box 99, Kilauea, HI 96754.

P.O. Box 572, Lihue, HI 96766 (Attn: Greek in a Week) or fax (808) 246-4655.

OAHU

The Rev. David Y. Ota, vicar of Good Samaritan, Honolulu, was among 30 clergy attending the ten-day Clergy Leadership Project (CLP) in Memphis Tennessee, this June.

Sponsored by Trinity Church, New York, and the Episcopal Church Foundation, CLP offers a curriculum which includes:

--- the church's social context,
--- effective non-hierarchical models of leadership,
--- new paradigms for ministry,
--- ideas for developing vision for the future,

--- methods for bring about change at the parish level, and

--- experience in using modern demographic tools.

Fr. Ota summed up his recent CLP experience as "extremely helpful in modeling and forming a shared style of leadership in community.

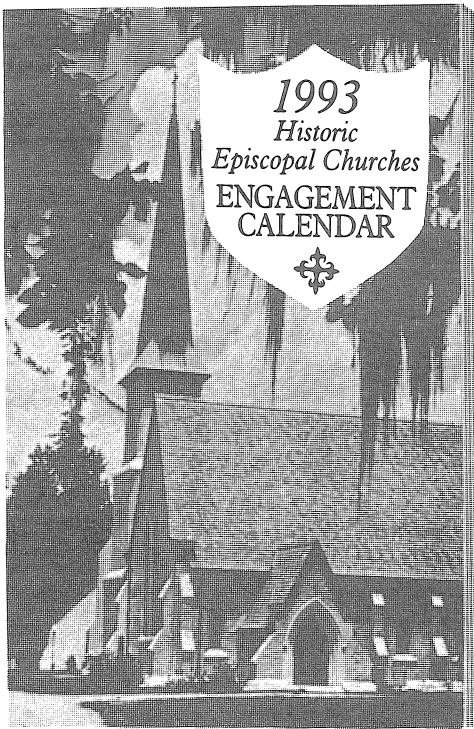
"The vocation of priesthood can easily become isolating and a tremendous burden, if priests get trapped in hierarchical models of leadership which are not effective in today's church.

"The concept of developing leadership in community around a common vision is both exciting and liberating," Fr. Ota observed.

He will return to Memphis for further CLP training this November.

CLP is a three-year project and includes support groups of six clergy each which "will serve as resources and mentors for one another," reported Julie Denman, editor of West Tennessee's *Church News*.

CLP also involves "vision communities" within the parish.



Holy Innocents', Lahaina, is one of 53 churches throughout the country in the 1993 Historic Episcopal Churches Engagement Calendar, the Philadelphia office of the Episcopal Church announced. \$9.95 postage paid from Episcopal Parish Services, Dept 9050, Washington, D.C. 20061-9050.

LOVE '92

The annual Christian education conference entitled LOVE (Learning Other Variations of Education) meets 9 a.m. to 12 noon, Saturday, October 10, 1992 at Central Union Church, 1660 South Beretania, Honolulu.

This year's speaker is Doug Adams of the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley, California, announced *Shout Hosanna*, the new Christian education newsletter of the Diocese of Hawaii.

He will be speaking on the arts in worship and Christian education.

Christian Education Committee formed

Eleven volunteers gathered at St. Andrew's this May at the invitation of Bishop Hart and formed a Diocesan Christian Education Committee.

Goals were set and various positions filled:

Chairperson: Jenny Wallace.

Budget: Mara Lockwood.

Resources: Katherine Taylor.

Secretary/newsletter: Betty Robbins.

Assistant/newsletter: Arminta James.

Area chairpersons: Lani Apodaca (Hawaii), Lou Parsons (Oahu), Katherine Taylor (Maui), and Melanie Furugen (Kauai).

The committee has as its mission statement:

To provide congregations of the diocese with resources, teaching techniques, support, and programs that will assist them in helping their members to know God through Christ and to serve Him.

The second diocesan meeting was held this August and the first issue of the newsletter (Fall '92) published.

"We welcome all contributions. If you have a church newsletter, please share it with us. Our next newsletter will be after our October 23rd meeting," *Shout Hosanna* reported.

Write the committee c/o Jenny Wallace, St. Andrew's Cathedral, Queen Emma Square, Honolulu 96813.

The *Chronicle* is sent to each Episcopal household on lists submitted by each church. Suggested annual donation is \$6. Readers are asked, if they can, to help defray *Chronicle* costs by contributing that amount, or more, to the Episcopal Church in Hawaii (designated for the *Chronicle*), 229 Queen Emma Square, Honolulu, HI 96813. Mahalo.

\$1.3 million balanced '93 budget goes to Diocesan Convention

Income

Unrestricted:

Assessments (77% of income) (Note 1)	1,003,787
Investments (15%) (#2):	
Portfolio	85,000
Parke Trust	33,000
Valvon Fund	11,000
Von Holt Fund	32,500
Investment Fees	17,000
(Investment Total: 178,500)	
Interest (#3)	3,469
Rentals (7 %)	
Apartments (#4))	36,611
Parking (#5)	54,496
Chronicle donations (#6)	4,000
Miscellaneous (#7)	10,000
Total:	1,290,863
Restricted: Catton Fund (#8)	17,000
Total Income:	1,307,863

- (1) Assessment income for 1993 is based on 23% of each congregation's 1991 operating income.
- (2) This includes interest and dividends from the diocesan share of the portfolio and interest income from the Von Holt Fund, the Parke Trust, and the Valvon Fund. The portion allocated to the operating budget from the Von Holt Fund (see below) will be phased out in 1994.
- (3) This represents the interest earned from diocesan cash and short-term investments.
- (4) Cluett Apartments only (makai of St. Peter's). The Hostel (ewa of the present Priory gymnasium) will be demolished by that school for a new gymnasium.
- (5) This income is from the Priory's rental of parking spaces in the lot mauka of the Diocesan Offices.
- (6) Donations are needed to continue *Chronicle* frequency.
- (7) *Miscellaneous gifts and other income.*
- (8) Income from a trust fund designated for retired church workers. In the past several years it has been designated for the Medigap line item under "Ministry to Retirees" (see below).

Expenditures

Congregational Development (17% of expenditures)

Oahu	
Holy Cross, Malaekahana	14,309
St. Barnabas', Ewa Beach	31,000
St. John's By-the-Sea, Kahaluu	20,000
St. Matthew's, Waimanalo	18,000
St. Paul's, Honolulu	22,000
St. Philip's, Maili	18,000
St. Stephen's, Wahiawa	25,000
Molokai	
Grace Church	25,000
Maui/Molokai travel	700
Hawaii	
Kohala Mission	20,000
Regional Filipino Ministry	27,117
Vicars' meetings/Dept. travel	2,500
Total:	223,626
Ministry to Church in Society (5%) (#1)	
Hawaii Council of Churches	10,000
Social Ministries	500

Violence continues to flair in Egypt between Muslim fundamentalists and Christian Copts, with prospects for reconciliation dimming because of mutual distrust and lack of communication. Clashes have occurred in Cairo and in the southern cities of Fayum and Beni Suef. Radical Muslim groups have called for a "return to Islam" with the imposition of strict Islamic law on

both Muslims and Copts. Copts number 5-6 million among Egypt's population of 58 million. The Coptic, or Egyptian, Church dates from the earliest days of Christianity. (The head of the Coptic Church, His Holiness Pope Shenouda III, Pope of Alexandria and Patriarch of the See of St. Mark, blessed a window in St. Peter's, Honolulu, in 1989) (ENS).

Campus Ministries	1,500
Commission on Hawaiian Ministries	4,500
Hawaii Episcopal Pacific Asia/American Ministries	7,400
Campus Chaplain (1/2)	37,756
Total:	61,656

(1) The Diocesan Council's Department of Church in Society oversees the work and ministries that reach out beyond the congregations into the life of the larger community. The department will also oversee the Episcopal Charities, until sufficient lead gifts are received to establish a separate Foundation.

Ministry of Nurture & Education (3%) (#1)

Christian Education	2,500
Liturgical Commission	500
Evangelism	7,000
Stewardship	2,000
Planned Giving	3,535
Hawaii Episcopal Youth (HEY)	9,500
Ministry of the Aging	1,780
AIDS Advisory Committee	1,000
Alcohol & Substance Abuse	1,000
Child Abuse Detection/Prevention	460
Planned Giving Officer (1/5)	8,349
Department Expenses	46

Total: 37,670

(1) The Nurture and Education department oversees ministries and programs that address needs and concerns within the congregations of the diocese. They are intended to enhance parish programs in ways that stress Christian education.

Ministry of Communications (4%)

Chronicle production & delivery (#1)	20,670
Media programs & miscellaneous (#2)	2,500
Chronicle editor (1/2) (#3)	33,092
Total:	56,262

- (1) The *Chronicle* goes to each household in the diocese according to lists submitted by each parish, and also to friends of the Episcopal Church in Hawaii. Readers are encouraged to donate \$6 annually. The Diocesan Council has set a goal of \$4,000 in donations for 1993 to insure a 10-issue year (see above under Income).
- (2) This will aid special communications projects in the diocese, with the goal of helping to establish a diocesan-wide electronic communications network.
- (3) Salary and benefits.

Ministry to Nation & World (13%)

National Church Quota (#1)	149,000
General Convention Assessment (#2)	10,709
Provincial Quota (#3)	4,884
General Convention Deputy Costs (#4)	6,000
Lambeth Travel (#5)	500
Synod (#6)	2,000
Cross-Cultural Ministry Development (#7)	2,500
Total:	175,593

- (1) Like the diocesan assessment, this national church assessment (quota) is based on a percentage of the congregations' net operating income.
- (2) Also based on net operating income of each congregation. Defrays expenses of the triennial General Convention.
- (3) Hawaii is part of Province VIII. This assessment helps with provincial programs and administration.
- (4) Defrays transportation, registration, room, and board costs of four clergy, four lay delegates and one clergy and one lay alternate for the nine-day General Convention every three years.
- (5) Defrays costs of attending the Lambeth Conference of the Anglican episcopate, meeting every ten years.
- (6) Defrays transportation and other expenses for delegates to the Synod of the Province of the Pacific (VIII).
- (7) This program of Province VIII enables ministry and leadership development among Hispanic, Asian, and Pacific Island Episcopalians.

Ministry to Retirees (5%) (#1)

Medigap Program	19,500
Group Life Insurance	600
Pension Supplements	42,570
Total:	62,670

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Budget: Ministry Development, Episcopate, Administration... *(from page 7)*

(1) This portion of the budget subsidizes the pensions and benefits received by certain retired persons, or their surviving spouses, because the penions they receive are based on compensation earned when Hawaii was a Missionary-District and salaries were quite low. In addition, it also provides Medigap and Group Life insurance to retired clergy, and Medigap coverage for their spouses.

Ministry Development (6%) (#1)	
Clergy Conferences (#2)	6,200
Seminarian Assistance (#3)	5,000
Commission on Ministry (#4)	6,595
Diocesan Institute (#5)	7,400
Clergy Spouse Conference (#6)	900
Diaconate (#7)	1,900
Ministry Development Officer	47,713
Total:	75,708

- (1) These programs are primarily the responsibility of the Diocesan Commission on Ministry and other groups it oversees.
- (2) Supplements the cost of clergy conferences and also the annual clergy and spouses conference held after each diocesan convention.
- (3) Each year the diocese provides \$2,000 in financial assistance to each of its seminarians.
- (4) The Commission on Ministry serves in advisory capacity to the bishop in all matters having to do with lay or ordained ministry, and oversees the work of the Diocesan Institute. Consisting of four clergy and four laity, it meets monthly.
- (5) With its own board of directors, this institute "has immediate supervision of the training and education of people for all types of ministry in the Diocese."
- (6) The spouses of clergy meet annually for a weekend retreat and conference.
- (7) Defrays the costs of the quarterly meetings of deacons with the bishop, programs for deacons, costs of belonging to the North American Association of the Diaconate (NAAD) and of sending a representative to the NAAD meeting.

Ministry of the Episcopate (12%)	
Salary & Housing	77,175
Pension	14,072
Group Life Insurance	500
Medical Insurance	5,000
Worker's Compensation Insurance	1,200
Auto Allowance	5,028
Travel & Continuing Education	12,000
Hospitality	4,000
Keyman Insurance	1,120
Election Process Fund (#1)	2,500
FICA	1,000
Bishop's Secretary	37,294
Total:	160,889

(#1) This fund accumulates moneys to defray the costs of an episcopal election. The Diocesan Council has recommended that the sum of \$75,000 be accumulated. The fund balance as of 12/31/91 was \$20,967.

Ministry of Administration (Salaries & Benefits) (17%)	
Executive Officer	69,242
Finance Officer	77,175
Bookkeeper	40,717
Secretary	34,080
Staff Continuing Education	4,000
Total:	225,214

General Diocesan Expenses (18%)	
Cathedral Maintenance (#1)	75,000
Office Expenses (telephone, copying, equipment maintenance, stationery, postage, subscriptions, supplies, equipment purchase...) (#2)	50,000
Property Maintenance	22,000
Property Taxes (#3)	13,000
Investment Fees (#4)	17,000
Audit Expenses (#5)	16,000
Diocesan Convention (Area Meeting costs, Convention costs, supplies, materials, postage) (#6)	9,000
Meeting Travel Costs (For members of the Diocesan Council, Standing Committee, and Commission on Ministry)	14,000
Other Meeting Costs (incidentals, meals)	2,000
Staff Travel (#7)	5,000
Chancellor's Expenses (#8)	875
Officers & Directors Insurance (#9)	2,200
Miscellaneous	1,000
Treasurer's Conferences (#10)	1,500
Total:	228,575

- (1) The Diocese pays one-half the Cathedral's maintenance budget, because of the presence of the diocesan offices in their facilities, and because of the diocesan use of the buildings for meetings. In this way the diocese as a whole helps support the "Mother Church" of the Episcopal Church in Hawaii.
- (2) Every effort is made to keep office expenses in line. Cost-cutting suggestions are made by the Diocesan Council.
- (3) The Diocese pays property taxes on the portion of the parking lot leased to St. Andrew's Priory School and on rental apartments.
- (4) Fees paid to fund manager Atalanta-Sosnoff and custodian of the Diocesan investment portfolio Hawaiian Trust Company. Fees are based on a percentage of the assets managed and come directly from the portfolio, not out of the operating budget.
- (5) For the annual CPA audit of diocesan financial records and the report.
- (6) Covers unreimbursed costs. The 1993 figure is higher because the convention is on Kauai.
- (7) As part of their ministries, members of the diocesan staff need to travel to other islands and to mainland meetings, consultations, and other church-related programs.
- (8) The chancellor uses this fund to pay airfare to the Western Chancellors Conference, a computer research service, and for certain publications necessary for the ministry of legal assistance given the diocese, its congregations, and institutions.
- (9) This is liability insurance for members of the Council and church officers.
- (10) Represents costs such as supplies, materials, postage, and travel.

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Von Holt Fund (19% of income to operating budget, 81% to loan repayment)	
Operating Budget	32,500
Hawaii Loa Loan	55,000
St. Philip's Loan	30,000
Camp Mokuleia	36,000
Loan Repayment (Contingency)	20,500
Total:	174,000

"Body & Soul" *(from page 1)*

vision of Martha Ho.

Dr. Terry Shintani of the provocative "Wainane Diet" speaks on "Food and Health" at 7:15.

Conference fees are \$10 for both Sunday and Monday, or \$3 for Sunday only, \$8 for Monday's dinner only.

For further information, call St. Peter's office: 533-1943.

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and that is peace with God.

And if we are "in Christ" by virtue of a true spiritual birth, then the peace we have with God in Christ breaks down the dividing wall of hostility between "us and them" (Ephesians 2), and that includes all others, regardless of the color of their skin or their cultural backgrounds.

I will never forget the testimony of a member of our Faith At Work home group. She deeply committed her life to Christ in one of our meetings, and the next week she had a story to tell us. She had been talking with a lady at

Racism & the Christian *(from page 2)*

the bus stop later that week, and it was not until they both got on the bus that she realized that for the first time in her life, she had related to a black person without noticing *first* the color of her skin.

(And this was in Oakland in the days when whole sections of cities were burning in racial violence.)

That is what her conversion had done for her, and it is just exactly what the Scripture means.

The answer for racism? True conversion of our souls to Christ, so that our

self-centered nature is transformed into the Christ-centered nature in which we no longer are dominated by self-protection, competition, fear of the unknown, lack of peace and inner security, etc.

All of these qualities of unregenerate human nature make for racism, and the problem cannot be solved with education or politics.

We have the solution, right in "the Manufacturer's handbook": "We beseech you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God!" (II Corinthians 5:20).

--- By Fr. Sarge Edwards.