COMMITTEE OF BILLINGS NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING 1

NEWS LETTER - No. 5

"CHEERS FOR THE HANDICAPPED"-

by ONE OF THEM!

Before 20,000 demonstrators at a big anti-abortion rally in London, June 25, 1983 Miss Alison Davis, a 28-year-old handicapped British girl whose warm and charming personality immediately captivated the hearts of the crowd said of herself:

- "I have lived a happy life and I like to tell doctors so, too.
- "Doctors try to defend what they are doing by saying it prevents the misery of living with handicaps....If they had their waypeople who like me are
 happy would not get the chance to live at all.
- "Handicapped people are unique beings, just like everybody else and deserve to be treated as such. No one is perfect after all, and even though our limitations may be more physically or mentally obvious than most, we still have the same capacity for happiness as those who are able-bodied, if only we are allowed to live long enough to prove it."

MOTHER TERESA SAYS IT AGAIN!

In her taped message to this same London rally from her hospital bed in Rome, she said:

"THE HEART OF MY FAITH IS THAT GOD HIMSELF HAS BECOME AN UNBORN CHILD IN THE WOMB... TO WHOM MARY HAS SAID 'Y-E-S!"

((((With such rich thoughts from Teresa and Alison we beg the INFANT JESUS
BORN ANEW THIS CHRISTMAS

Through His Virgin Mother and Foster-Father Joseph to bless every couple in the world with unbounded love for each child even though not planned.)))))

98.5 o/o EFFECTIVE !

India — **1982** A statistical study of *25,098 couples* who have been practicing the ovulation method for the avoidance of pregnancy for the past three and a half years just reported a *method effectiveness rate of 99.4%*.

Korea — **1978** A statistical study of *3,806 couples* in the Kyu San Cho area who used the method for the avoidance of pregnancy reported a *method effectiveness rate of 98.8%*.

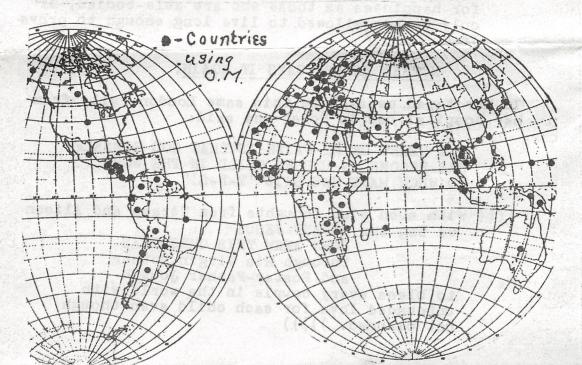
Nigeria — 1979 A study of 5,059 couples from 34 centers around the country reported a method effectiveness rate of more than 99%. All the centers stated that illiterate couples could chart successfully.

United States - 1979 A six-center study of 1,071 couples in six states of the United States reported a method effectiveness rate of 98.8%.

Ireland, New Zealand, India, the Philippines and El Salvador — 1981 A five-country study of 725 couples, conducted over a period of

three years and undertaken to determine the effectiveness of the ovulation method by the World Health Organization, concluded that the ovulation method effectiveness rate was 97.2%. It further reported that almost all the women in the study were able to identify their fertile phase.

Dominican Republic — 1981 Their latest report revealed that the Billings Ovulation Method is being taught in the 18 dioceses of the island. They conducted 267 teacher training courses in 1981 and their teachers have taught the method to 61,558 couples.



Chapter 5: Fifth Week

"In a week I have doubled.

My height is now 1 centimeter.

My weight is 1 gram. I have a
head, a breast, an abdomen
wall - all distinguishable.

Also eyes with the retina, the
crystalline lens and eyelids.

My ears and nose started growing.

It is already possible to
register my ELECTROCARD IOGRAM!

[-1 cm.

"CONTRACEPTION ALWAYS INDEFENSIBLE"-

John Paul II. Sept. 13, 1983

- "It is a denial of God ever to think or to say anything suggesting that artificial contraception can be just-

- "Those who use artificial means of contraception attribute to themselves A POWER THAT BELONGS ONLY TO GOD" (power over the sources of human life!)

ified in any circumstances."

- "They are equivalently saying that in human life there are situations where it is <u>legitimate</u> not to recognize God as God."
- "Priests should try to help couples having difficulty in remaining faithful to the law of God :... but such aid does not include down-grading His law".

A Couple with children is a MINI-CHURCH

and a New Center of CIVILIZATION.

PRAISE THE LORD!

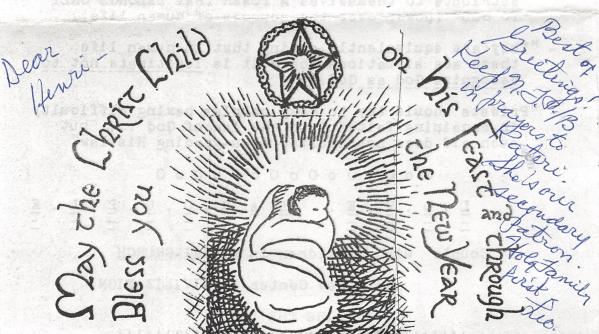
One of life's difficulties - even after we are married - is our tendency to go on just "doing our thing," segregating the many aspects of our life, - the material, financial, social, spiritual - each one by one and not as parts of a whole.

Once we enter the marriage covenant all that should change. The many aspects of life are to be regarded as parts of a whole: ONE LIFE of two persons constantly expressing our relationship to each other and our mutual relationship to others - to OUR parents, OUR children, OUR neighbors, OUR housework.

Even in sexual relationship we are no longer just "doing together something that's pleasurable" - we are SHARING PERSONHOOD by total gift of self, body AND soul, soul AND body.

Hence non-verbal communication becomes something very important. If we can be fully present to each other through varieties of touching all day long we will arrive at real communication, of listening to each other which is the greatest way of all to be open to each other in big things and little.

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COMMITTEE OF BILLINGS NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

NEWS LETTER - No. 9

"ADOLESCENTS: APPLAUDED - CONGRATULATED"

Charles W. Norris, M.D.

["At least 50 o/o of adolescents have already] chosen to be responsible and have chosen] abstinence as appropriate for them."

Surely one of the most generous compliments to our youngsters and from one who should speak with authority from his long years of study and acquaintance.

After an exhaustive list of Christian values in the make-up of truly Christian sexuality he sums it up in one profoundly inclusive concept.

First the list: (of human-Christian values)

Respect for self and others
Conduct consistent with who we are
Self-knowledge
Self-assurance
Self-understanding and collighter

Self-understanding and enlightenment
Respect for true reproductive health
Respect for nature and natural biologics
Respect for one's own reproductive ability

Chastity

Self-control Self-dignity

Self-worth

Sense of responsibility

Freedom to be your own person
Integrity in interpersonal relationships
Knowledge of not being used or abused
Avoidance of pregnancy and abortion
by social pressure

Fresdom from venereal disease
Freedom from contraceptive complications
Saving yourself for your spouse
in a life-time commitment

His summary concept: "So profound is the concept of human fertility - its beauty, Power, and its responsible acceptance - that the FUTURE OF THE FAMILY AND THE WHOLE OF THE HUMAN RACE might well depend upon its understanding and its acceptance."

THE MYSTERY OF a ACMAN'S FEATILITY

- For every girl aged 14 or 15 her BLC 330M . Inc. - HER OVULATION -1.e. time of POSSIBLE CONCEPTION!
- ll-year-old girl says to her mother: "I can't wait to have my first OVULATION!" -(Not "menstruation") She can now accept herself as a woman!
- PART I: Signal for beginning of blossoming
 - given by gland (beneath brain (behind eyes
 - to ovary (on alternate side, left OR right)
 - from ovary to: breasts pubic hair
- PART II: ONE OVUM ripens and leaves over! - (N.B. 1 out of 100,000!)
 - (If she is not married) Ovum is picked up by FINGERS OF TUBE
 - Diss within 24 hours
 - -IS ABSORBED in tube by special cells
 - After 2 wesks, LINING FALLS FROM WOMB with blasding (Menstruation)
 - /// END OF CYCLE ///
 - PART III: (If married,)
 - before 24 hours are finished in the tube OVUM MEETS SPERM (1 out of 80 million sperm!)
 - Resulting in CONCEPTION
 - after 5,6, or 7 days, the FERTILIZED OVUM, i.e. Embryo NESTS (is implanted)

IN THE LINING OF THE WOMB

- (No menstruation until 2 or more months after birth)
- P.S. -For these "revelations" and those on the next page it is highly recommended to read; "THE JOY OF BEING A WOMAN" by Ingrid Trobisch (Harper and Row)
- ((Cur address NFPB/Egypt, Box 73 Faggalah, Cairo, Egypt))

A WOMAN'S MYSTERY - MCRE REVELATIONS!

Every girl of 15 years and up is a "mystery" to herself!

Every woman on marrying is also a "mystery" to her partner!

HER REACTIONS (or "revelations") occur in every cycle with marked differences in 2 directions:

BEFORE OVULATION: - "Feminine" signs appear to enhance her attractiveness

- her skin: clear, translucent
- her disposition: happy, optimistic
- her stand in facing hardships: at ease e.g. in sports in studies

AFTER OVULATION: - "Maternal" signs

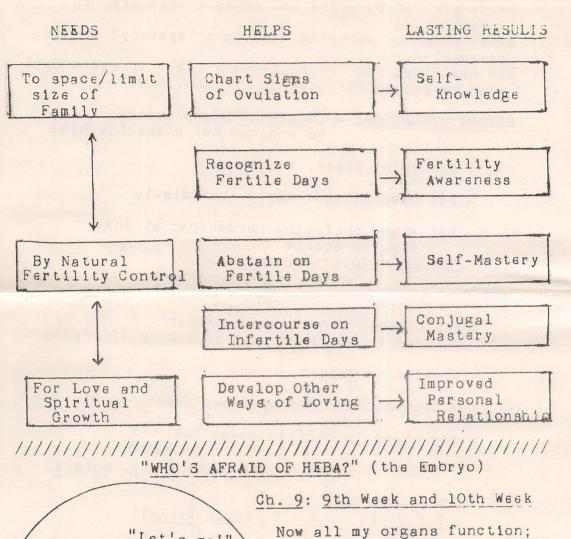
- her breasts larger, more tender and in marriage, milk producing if pregnant
- heavier in weight
- her disposition: easily discouraged, upset, sick
- her stand in difficulties: sad, sluggish (Drivers, note!)

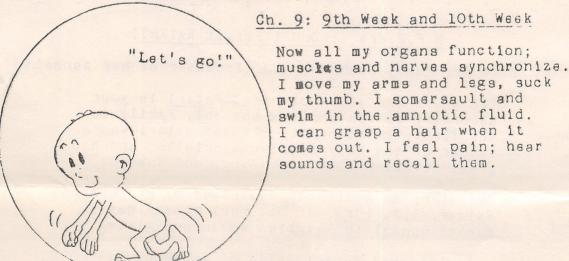
N.F.P.ers :: Don't Forget KATERI!

From Fr. Henri Bechard, S.J. Promoter of her cause!:

"Two years ago you wrote that Kateri is your secondary patron and that the Holy Family is the first. Incidentally Blessed Kateri was a member of the Holy Family Association and had great devotion to Jesus, Mary, and Joseph."

Her story so admirably described by Fr. Francis Weiser, 3.J. (Srs. of 3t. Paul press) has a marked appeal to Egyptian women and girls.





COMMITTEE OF BILLINGS MATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

NEWS LETTER - No. 7

NATURAL BREAST FEEDING:

Recently a Congress on the use of breast feeding was held in Cairo under the auspices of Ain Shams
University, Assicut University, Suez Canal University
The American Institute of National Family Health and
the Egyptian Committee on Fertility. The congress
discussed several points, some of which were:

1) Breastfeeding as the right of the baby.

2) Breastfeeding elicits great mutual sympathy between the baby and its mother.

3) the milk of the breast not only prevents the thirst of the baby but prevents allergy diseases as well.

4) Mothers should be advised not to succumb to the propaganda about artificial milk.

5) Many babies who are given artificial milk dis from diarrhea.

6) The Congress discussed the relation between breast feeding and contraception. It was found that some contraceptives reduce the amount of milk in the mother's breast.

A social-minded Orthodox Bishop from Upper Egypt came with a representive of the Middle East Council of Churches and were pleased to receive copies of our O.M. literature in English and Arabic with the added request to be on our list for any other productions. The Bishop gave us entree to a large social center under his jurisdiction thes summer.

Couples keep coming one by one - maybe one a week or so after hearing of our project from other couples or priests; we give them instruction as they come and we try to reach them for follow-up - not so easy when they have on phone as often happens.

Propaganda: by newsletters. To keep MFPB in the

minds of many who are interested or responsible for family promotion, we send out an NFPB newsletters every 2 months to over 500 individuals and groups arabic, English, French and Italian. Recipients are: The Apostolic Nuncio and all the nierarchy of Egypt, all the Catholic churches with their priests, all the Catholic schools and dispensaries from by sisters brothers, priests, - all in the hope that at least they will not be obliged to say that they never heard about NFPB.

Outside Egypt: Our arabic puplications are

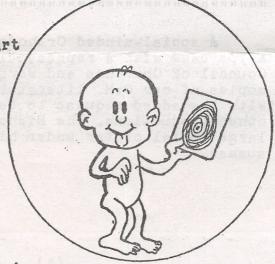
WHO'S AFRAID OF HEBA?" - (the Embryo)

Chapter 7: The 7 th week

My lips open . I start to smile and put out my tongue . The brains are complete. I can feel tickling . The fingers grow. the fingerprints are those I will have when I am 80 '.

My tall is 2 Cm

My weight is 2 grams



Congregations of Sisters have increased their help in organizing group, particularly in their dispensaries and centers

Congregations	Centers
Assumption Sisters	
Combonian Sisters	. 3
Holy Family sisters	
Missionaries of Charity	
Notre Dame des Apotres	
St. Vincent de Paul	
Ste Jean Antide	
fore de Diau	
Bacred Heart	
Franciscans (Immac. Conc	
Sisters of O.L. of Borrows	
Sisters of Sion (Sr. Emahuel)	
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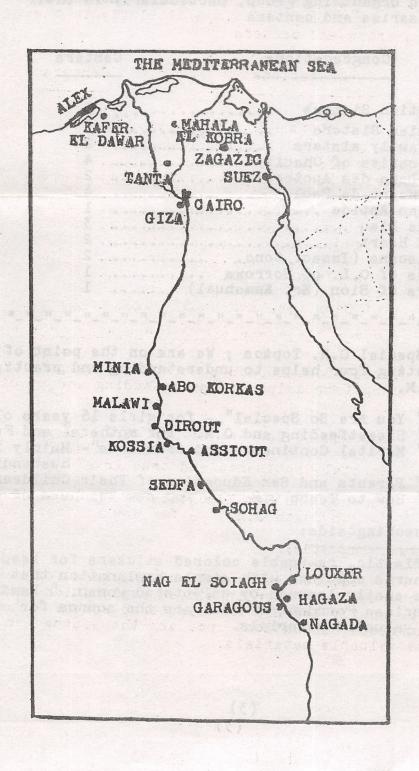
Special O.M. Topics; We are on the point of completing four helps to understanding and practising O.M.

"You Are So Special" - for girls 16 years old "Breastfeeding and O.M." for mothers (and Fathers "Marital Continence and true Love" - Mainly for

Parents and Sex Education of Their Children How to Teach O.M. - for new teachers of O.M.

New teaching caids:

Plastic, re-usable colored stickers for keeping charts combined with simple explanation that can be easily learned by unlettered women. "Family of Americas Foundation" Inc. are the source for these valuable materials.



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3. Le vie quot dieure.

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5. Falcol- à Transatiques V

6. L'avirie des PP. Breezes, Cholevec der: Kalin.

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rencentr Kateri.

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12. La persicution.

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1. Conditions de la pary Marie al l'Incarnation, Lettre CC XXX

Du Duilec, 2 nm Filo, 18 october 1667. p. 786

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Dac. VIII p. 46.

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Jess from un Après

Marie l'séaventes serrait de Caté deixte à l'audonoque en l'observe du missionique.

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p. 24. On l'a modans la colonie bollan dans tenir Tèle hardinent aux boritiques promer so for et so prote les,

P. 27 To P. Peerror no peut que pri puer l'oceme.

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R. BOIULEACE pur le Professe, arrivé de France

l'arrive précidente. Remplos Pressin à

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les autes, c. les caloclèssurs,

le chant des cantiques l'explication des tolleaux attinaient Type un certain mandes de prospers.

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Ciccado.

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cg. J.-P. Penosiero, Lo paix de 166 7, des Colinero des Dix 29, 1964 25-45.

Have a l'Irranotion. Leur lettere, p. 782

"Une femme Hiroquoise nous o clomies o fillo, à condition
qu'elle resait Françoise comme nous. Cette enfant
gri a transcrip d'es pint, o tellement pris grit any mysteris
el le tri et o l'henneur Françoise, qu'ell ne veut
plus retourner che res parents. Elle tient de l'hunceur
des femmes de se nation, qui sont les créatures des

mude les ples donces et les ples de ciles.

Fr. Frominio laloro legis ao Tromanto ques. Left done for nearly a year at the rimin 9 St. May, as it was called. J. Drasman.

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H. W. p. St. On Oct. 7, 1668 Presion returns from his jumes to Fribes. K. may bore seen living as to pened thinks he starts of he Tutte Carte. - He was buying to ment + replace Fr. Fremuis.

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Spring 1669:

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"Here was another square in the term who beg about for leptism, as he pais unwary rails."

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p. 127. Sin de coptin.

P. 126. Ity go it y enair parnistes bysis goi n'ant pao la Fuy; neauments plees uno d'ente eax our une virible roif, et une virible faire de la Justic if it so trome pro Deu feit obp. 124 prende & feedpres-mes d'en leurs privire d'une Jason qui sunlle teris au misoch. A y o des femmes Dauro que si fementes dons la privire, qu'elles y pasant les sinet touts entières de si di rotes envers le saint Vinge, qu'elles desent cheque jour plusieurs lais leur Chequelet."

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C. Les Itollandors entre le pi - L111, p. 179

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E. File des mont 2111, p. 123

P. Boniface.

and during the spring clear new fields for com, and is the course of the year a partial removed could toke place. The palisoding could be completed during the year, and is 1868 the village could be said to have changed. The new chapel was hilt is 1669, and in This year also they was attached by the Mobigans. - When Handawague was visited in 1667 no mention to made of a removal; but the four ub mentioned of he remnal of Feonmento effer a quarter y a les que ligher up. I condudo that if Gandawoque or ando goron has letter of them been remoned, the fact would leave been swentimed, and vided they retained temporarely to the of & sites, which may not have here so completely clerkaged as was Teamantogen ... The namo Jankan o puo must not, however, be confunded in he Caugheranoga / alter ands for a live cut may leave been to un ferred to the view rate.

N.B. p. 94: "During their short sime an alaming is cident lood occurred. a land of Modespan Eustes Ideling closes upon the silloge, had accepted a western a power at the sery gots. It is min was me of he first to haster to lost, exper to saw a roul where life was in so year paid; but she spund his offer. Fur to me, she tuned away in com;" but the palent year of he was seed to wis still away in com; " but the palent gear of he wis still away in com; " but the palent

Weiser - Kateri Telealuri kue p. 44

When the (au adians is the drew (Troop + Conscelle), The Indians quely returned from the forest to the places where their lines had been. The in hallfant of Danawage rehielt their village on a new orto ocrom the Mohawk River (men Indo, 14.4.).

" On Sept., 1667, three Caderoles arises in he Company of the returning ambarrodors. The first village king entered in the Mohauth teritory was ganawage ...

Welunty. The holy of the Mohaw los

She believes Thealing be still dwelt at Handawoge near aund Green:

Obore them, on the crest of a hill, stord all that was left of Gandawopue, The Turlle Castle, where Telsoh witha and the undo his chief stell dwelt. They had not get more to the new site "at the Rapido," wear Fruta.

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" " now the remark from the west bank of duries Creek was not make bodily, but grade ally -The villages were destroyed in October, Nobl. They could do nothing in the way 5) establishing Them. schoo in a new position that year & having to more there who shelts for he winter. The next year, after the bash would part, they would com mence bilding their new bourses on a new soils

abuitus avoir atreur ses donze aus, francisco per de portar por Desomois, elle était considérés

adulte et la tesoque des fem mes les nicombait. Elle passait des heures et des heures à cueilles les petites fraises des tois, les mêres, les frantoires, les baies de sureau de, comme pendant l'et, les negotiles in leg "flueto", com up o'citi le P. de Charlevir. Fort A comme des compoques, elle aprentait très pouriers:

day plus pelis relies mounts por me lavi no en pear de dans jetés sur me épails, la travière asse grando, terros à la main. Quand les deux débudaint à délicie papelés paris, elle les vidais dans le Crand navier. Le son, filicitée par ses tente et les aules former, elle rents ait che elle avec trois pare ries de trois petits fruits.

pare ries de trois petits fruits.

Days les tons: the prevait part aussi à la

glandio. Sans les bis. De mono, à la cueillette des may le moyer, des mois cendress et des arelines. Plas tard, co fur accessiones grande maisson annuelle des Mais Socus, le mais, les lèses et les courges, cette fais -c; claus les nancoux champs près de l'ampleacement

de la place reconstruito.

En 1668, les recolts no facement certains pos ausis abandentes que d'halitude. Fa crainte des Loups tapis dans les formes, qui quellaient l'occasion de Peule, un crup de main, partait lu ferro Ogni eres à le ples grand pre deves dans leurs sorties. Trop de leurs com popues avereit seger et abellus et scalpres aux porte de leur villeges.

Che cours de cett éprève que faisait reliauni ma? En plus de préparer les balle pour les muniquets, elle s'est sans dont joint un autre fille par manifestes aux quotes leurs montre de le montre de le mont de leurs maris, et pour aides au l'. Prenim à porter se cours aux luires, et pour aides au l'. Prenim à porter se cours aux lluis.

A Maintenant on colohant le victorie Anstric-Linement Tehalini ha se raidionait à le prince des tostures que devaient subsi les captifs. Ello me voulut pas assistes à le ceures. assiste de compartiment faini l'es et occupée à perler The mucassing de dain, all this made les huse ments do with faction de is liege chants de monts des condamnées, les cris effragalles des femmes se on bislait les heure ments de milis à l'oder assers brillés petin de villege l'in ou trient come une hant, marie de sange W Comme ses Les heures s'enfugirente es to jeine fills muis tans gles impressives des derniens pres.

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Grassman: The Motion to Serdians and Their Valley

p. 273, 274. Mohawt Carte on Unter Side where Jesuir Missimaire arrived in 1661.

P. 274 .. "Proceeding by obost merche, the Combined groups come to within there - quales of a leaper of he isless called Danda anoper when the mitigarien has released" in the customary Cerem mises and with all win - qui obs hours." They was Conducted to the colin of the Inemest captain, where all the people cravaed in, to consumptate to the true travel on mine and of the true travel.

as som so the opentuity permitted, Fatter Fremum winited the calmo in Hundrasague te search for Itum auf Olquepien Captinos "who alone amptre two - neids ? he willow " Mule occupied in reading for coperation, Father France entered a colin in which lay a teleante woman who, a dear two lefue, had been A calped in bell with of her willows by warrian of the Loup/ Maligan I notion. The mission could by the Ma ligam oliged to reiniaging to remain at Pandacurpes for pur degan lyne a numer exact was praised (JR51:191)



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Jan. 10, 1985

The Kateri Center Box 70, Kahnawake, P.Q. Canada JOL 1BO

My PLEDGE TO KATERI

Date: Jan. 10, 1985

I, the undersigned, pledge to offer up each day one Our Father and Hail Mary until the miracle needed for Blessed Kateri's canonization is obstained.

Name: Leo J. Shea, s.j. P.O.Box 73 Faggalah Cairo, Egypt

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June 28, 1985

Dear Henri:

Peace! Joy! Love! Just received yesterday a note from Fr. Roland St.DEnis, s.j. informing me that the gift of 100 dollars brought by Fr. Rene Paquin some time ago was from you. Sorry for the delay in acknowledging your great charity. I think I told you that I hope to publish Kateri's life (by Fr. Weiser, s.j.) in Arabic - at least the major part. That would allow for the Egyptian tendency not to read books! Meanwhile I would like very much, if possible, to get a slide-package of her life which my poor memory lists as a work of the Sisters of St. Paul at Auriesville, N.Y. I wrote there but never received a reply. Can you help me with exact information? In Him & Malere Thanks again manh times over for the donations

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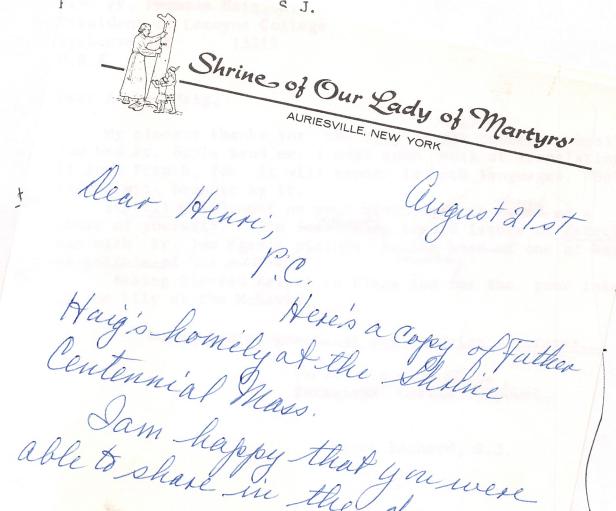
September 9, 1985

You can help Kateri's Cause by reciting the Lord's Prayer daily for her prompt Canonization.

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April 12, 1985

MEMO

TO:

Northeast Regional Tekakwitha Planning Committee

FROM:

Fr. Gilbert F. Hemauer, OFM Cap.

SUBJECT:

Follow Up Planning Meeting for 1985 Conference April 27, 1985 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. St. Lucy's Parish, 432 Gifford St., Syracuse, NY

AGENDA

10:00 a.m.

Opening Prayer - by St. Lucy's Kateri Circle

10:15 a.m.

Presentation and Update - by Fr. Gilbert F. Hemauer, OFM Cap., President and Executive Director, Tekakwitha Conference National Center.

11:00 a.m.

Reports from other members of the Planning Committee. (Come with your suggestions, recommendations, and reports of any new developments, realistic options and possibilities.)

12:15 p.m.

Lunch

1:30 p.m.

Committee Work

2:30 p.m.

General discussion and finalization of plans for

August Conference.

4:00 p.m.

Liturgy - Celebrant: Fr. Gilbert F. Hemauer, OFM Cap.

If at all possible, I would appreciate your presence and participation. If you are unable to attend, I'd appreciate hearing from you and your recommendations and ideas can be shared at this meeting.

My prayers and best wishes are with you. I pray for God's continued blessings and the protection of Blessed Kateri during the coming year.

P.S. If you need to come in the day before or leave the day after this meeting, the community at St. Lucy's Parish, together with Fr. James Carey, have offered overnight accommodations. Please contact Fr. Carey at St. Lucy's to make these arrangements: 315 475-7273.

KATERI PRAYER DAYS

October 11th., 12th., and 13th. 1985



THEME: "DO NOT BE AFRAID" Mark 5: 36-42.

Friday, October 11th., 1985.

8:00 P.M. Word of WELCOME

- Singing Prayer Group by: Friends of Kateri.
- Getting acquainted.

GOOD NIGTH: Have a good rest.

Saturday, October 12th.

9:00 A.M. Coffee

10:00 A.M. -Blessing of the Hall.

- Scripture Reading: Mark 5: 36-42. by Brenda Rice
- Word of Welcome by Brenda Rice

11:00 Talk on Kateri by Rev. Fr. Henri Béchard, S.J.

- Coffee Break.

11:40 Question Period addressed to Fr. Béchard.

12:00 - Lunch served in the hall.

1:00 Singing prayerful songs.

Scripture: Luke 4: 18 by Louise Rice.

1:30 <u>Guest Speaker: Walter Linklater from Thunder Bay.</u>
Introduced by Rita McComber.

3:00 Coffee Break.

- Question Period.

4:00 SHARING

5:00 Mass - Dinner at the Hall.

7:00 - Prayer Meeting.

Good Night !

Sunday, October 13th.

9:30 - Breakfast served at the Hall.

11:00 - Mass at the Church.

12:15 - Junch in the Hall.

Bon Voyage !

Do have a safe trip home!

Thanks for coming.



September 18, 1985

Rev. Henri Béchard, S.J. KATERI Box 70, Kahnawake P.Q. Canada JOL 1B0

Dear Father Béchard:

Thank you for your recent letter about my homily at Auriesville. As you requested, I am enclosing a photograph.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

(Rev.) Frank R. Haig, S.J. President

FRH/mw Enclosure Hwy. 21 East, Box 110 Necedah, WI 54646 May 14, 1985

Kateri Center
Box 70
Kahnawake, P.Q., Canada
JOL 180

Dear Vice-Postulator:

Thank you for your personal answer to my letter requesting filmstrip of Kateri.

I don't have a black and white photo of Kateri at this time but will forward the color photo(s) of her and her sister and little brother who has since passed away.

The good Lord has blessed us with another baby, not yet born (will be expecting Sept. 8th-Blessed Mother's Birthday). The little unknown is very healthy and exceptionally active I am told. We are very greatful.

Through the loss of our dear son the good Lord has blessed us with the opportunity to establish a business that we have hoped for for quite some time now. We will be starting an outlet for fine artisans and center our theme around quality handcrafts. This has only been possible through prayers and I am most certain our little Matthew Joseph in heaven has been deading incesstantly. Our family obligations will be easier to meet with this new endeavor and we have promised God to support the Church and our country. The good Lord has been exceptionally generous to us in allowing this work.

God Bless you and your work.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jean M. Schmidt
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Aug. 15, 1985

Dear Father Henri:

Peace of Christ!

Your very cordial letter of congratulations for my priesthood jubilee arrived just a month ago. I didn't answer quickly because I had written (according to my correspondence records!) to you on June 28th, to thank you for the 100 dollar check I received from Fr. Roland St. Denis, S.J. of Canadian Jesuit Missions, and in that same letter I thought I asked your help to scout up a slide-package on Kateri. The one reference I came across it was to Srs. of St. Paul in Auriesville, N.Y. I wrote to them months - maybe a year ago - and never received han answer.

Of course I was beautifully touched by your letter of congratulations and also by your recalling my Kateri devotion in Baghdad. I think I also mentioned to you at one point that we would like to publish an Arabic version of Fr. Weiser's beautiful story; but before attempting that I was hoping we could start with the slide-package - in Arabic of course -. A friend from Utica offered to round up literature on Kateri for me; I took that opportunity to tell her about the slide-package deal. I and Mother Teresa's Indian sisters here

gave the Lord the chance to work a miracle in Kateri' name for a 12-year-old crippled boy in the Sisters' house. Prayers are always heard - and answered - in the best of ways. Else why call our God "FATHER"? I have been begging her help for several other cases and am ready to pray till my last breath for the results to appear. I entrusted the first Egyptian postulant of the Indian Sisters to the care of Kateri and the lovely 20-year-old girl is clearly moved at the idea.

So now: (1) enclosed is my best photo (I just hope I am not quite so dour or sour as the photo shows me to be); I thought I was wearing a gentle smile!

(2) If I'm mistaken about the slide-package's existence, please do set me straight. If it exists and can be sent as filmstrip, by airmail, I will be most grateful.

(3) Would youapprove our using the recent prayer for her canonization to produce the same but in Arabic, I would like to give it a try?

Very many thanks for the Jubilee Mass you offered; that's of

course the best possible!

More power to you and your cohorts in promoting Kateri's cause. If I don't hear from you in a month or so, I'll write again. Meanwhile ardent best personal regards to you, Henri,

In union of Holy Sacrifices,

Leo J. Shea, S.j.

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December 26, 1985

Rev. Fr. Henri Bechard, sj Box 70 (514-525-3611) Kahnawake, P.Q., Canada JOL 1BO

Dear Fr. Bechard,

I received your letter addressed to Fr. Vincent Gomes Catao, sj, Pune. You ask about the permission to reproduce a painting of Christ appearing to the Apostles on Easter night, entitled "Peace to You" by Angelo de Fonseca. Till recently I was Director of Art India, the centre which is publishing the above picture. Please go ahead and publish it. As a matter of principle we normally ask for a small contribution which we pass on to the artist or his family. Could you pay the equivalent of US Dollars 5 and send them to Rev. Br. Julius D'Souza, Art India, 2008, St. Vincent Street, Pune 411 001.

With kind regards,

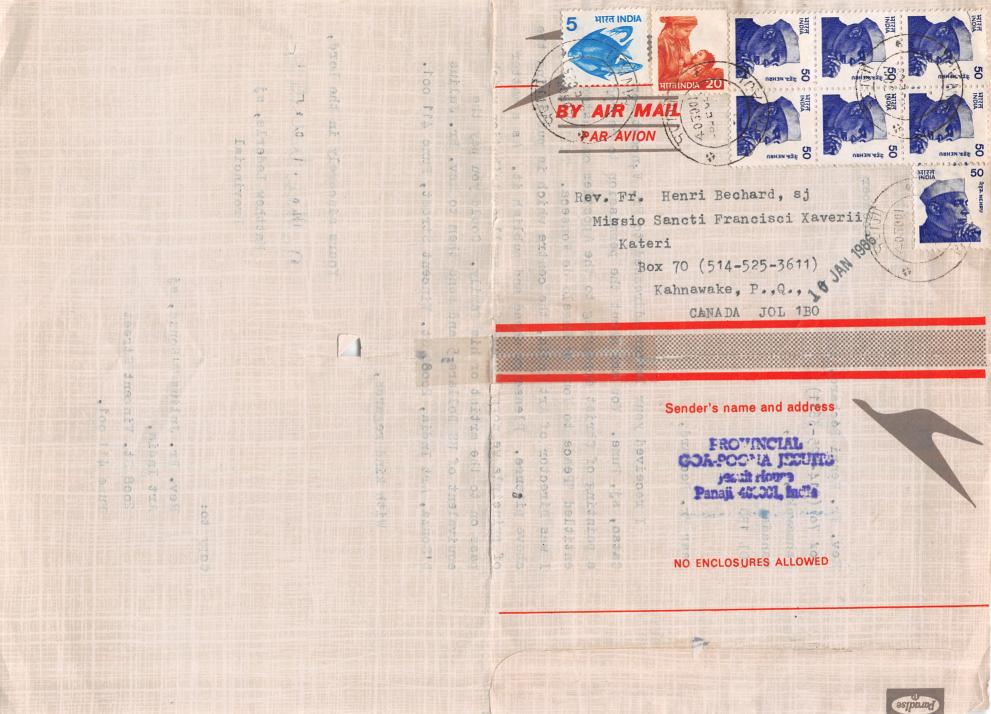
Yours sincerely in the Lord,

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Matthew Lederle, sj Provincial

Copy to:

Rev. Br. Julius D'Souza, sj Art India, 2008 St. Vincent Street Pune 411 001.



THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION - 1985 CENTENNIAL OF THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF MARTYRS

Most Reverend Howard Hubbard, Bishop of Albany; Very
Reverend Joseph Novak, Provincial of the Province of New York
of the Society of Jesus; Very Reverend Bernard Carriere, Provincial of the Province of French Canada; Very Reverend Timothy
Curtin, Vice Provincial for the Social Apostolate of the Province
Very Reverend William Reilly, S. J., Superior of the Jesus
of New York; very reverend and reverend fathers, esteemed deacons,

beloved sisters, friends of the Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs, when I came here today I travelled the way I imagine most of you did, by automobile. One hundred years ago, the celebrant of the -first mass that dedicated this shrine as it then existed was the Very Reverend Robert Fulton, Provincial. He acted for the Bishop of Albany, the Most Reverend Francis McNierney, who was ill. Father Fulton and the other worshippers could not have come as we all did. The automobile and the bus did not yet exist. standard means of transportation in those days were by horseback, by railroad, -- there used to be a railroad station here at the foot of the hill --and by some kind of ship, perhaps on a canal, such as the Erie Canal. If we go back much further in history,

to when Jesuits first came to the area which is now New York State, the common means of conveyance would have been either by foot or by cape.

In 1635, Jean de Brébeuf, later to be St. Jean de Brébeuf, wrote famous set of instructions giving rules to Jesuit missionaries as to how they were to behave when they travelled by canoe. Let me mention just three of his items of advice.

Rule 1: If you pick up a paddle, do not put it down. It was considered a matter of etiquette among the Iroquois that if you picked up a paddle that meant that you were volunteering to serve in that capacity for the whole trip. It was very bad manners to pick up a paddle and then put it down and not work for the rest of the trip.

Rule 2: While in a canoe, do not wear your hat. In those times Jesuits still wore hats, and then tended to wear rather large sort of pancake type things such as one still sees now and then used by the clergy in Rome. But that would mean that the Iroquois brave seated behind the Jesuit in the canoe, or

even in the following canoe, would have trouble seeing around this big hat. Consequently, one is not supposed to wear a hat in a canoe.

Rule 3: Under no circumstances stand up. Well, this we can understand easily. The canoes were were from 10 to 36 feet in length and they were made out of birch bark, usually from one tree. Especially respected were the Algonkin canoes.

They were designed to be very light, very durable, and very swift in the water. The result was that they were also very unstable and it was extremely easy to tip a canoe over. Therefore, under no circumstances would you try a dramatic pose of standing up and waving to the crowd on the shore. If you did, you, and the other members of the canoe, would soon be swimming.

Well, that's the way life was in those days.

We now celebrate today the 100th anniversary of the founding of Auriesville. At the same time, we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady, the mother of Our Savior. And so I would like to spend some time thinking about the first reading that we heard today and then seeing how it applies to our situation in

this anniversary celebration.

We hear today of a great sign in the sky. A woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. And then we hear of a huge dragon, flaming red with seven heads and ten horns and a tail that sweeps away one third of the stars of the sky.

All this is beautiful, rich, even lavish imagery. But it is not exactly clear. After all, dragons nowadays are something of an endangered species and seven-headed dragons even more so. And how does one get ten horns on only seven heads? Moreover, we have something of a difficulty now in that women do not wear things on their heads. Although, if the thing they wear is a crown of twelve stars, and by twelve stars we actually mean diamonds, they might be persuaded to use it, at least on occasion.

So the reading forces us immediately to ask three questions:

1. Why did John use this elaborate, sumptuous imagery? Why didn't he just say flat out what he was thinking about?

- 2. Who is the woman of whom John speaks?
- 3. What does that woman tell us, and does she say anything to Auriesville and to our occasion?

So, as to John's use of imagery, let's remember the situation

John was in. He tells us in the first chapter of the Book of

Revelation that he was on the Isle of Patmos in the Aegean Sea

where he had been exiled in the persecution started by the Roman

government toward the end of the first century. As a prisoner

of the Roman emperor Domitian, John could hardly criticize the

Roman authorities. He and his fellow Christians were in enough

trouble as was. So he had recourse to an old device, apocalyptic

literature, a luxurious poetic sign language in which John could

say what he wanted about the situation without the persecutors

ever understanding what was meant.

For instance, a dragon with seven heads can mean simply a perfectly terrible dragon since seven is a perfect number. A dragon with seven heads is, therefore, perfectly a dragon. Or, it could mean Rome, that city built on seven hills, that imperial

power that was persecuting the Church in John's day. At any rate, you cannot really put someone in jail for being against perfectly dreadful dragons, can you? And there is no sense suspecting insults and treason on all sides. So John was home free.

John therefore uses a code language, a language his Christian readers can understand but no one else. For instance, why does the dragon have ten horns? Well, because the dragon described in the Book of Daniel has ten horns signifying the ten kings from Alexander the Great down to Antiochus Epiphanes, the great persecutor of the Jews in the second century before Christ. So we have a whole code language so those who know the Old Testament can understand.

But then, who is the woman of the passage? Now note that we are dealing with poetry and we do not want to be too logical. A poem can mean many things. The woman, first of all, is Eve. Remember in the second chapter of the Book of Genesis when God puts a curse on the serpent he says, "I will put enmity between you (that is, the serpent) and the woman and between your

offspring and hers. He will strike at your head while you will strike at his heel." (Genesis 3:15) John has made the serpent of Genesis into a dragon and that dragon waits to fight against the offspring of Eve.

Secondly, the woman is the people of God from whom the Messiah comes and all the other children who keep the people of God living. Evil fights against the people of God but God protects his people against evil by preparing a special place in the desert away from harm.

Thirdly, the woman is Mary, the perfect embodiment of the people of God. Why do we say this?

First of all, the apocalypse of Saint John is in the same tradition as the Gospel of John, whether it is the same John or not. There has been some dispute on that from early times. In the Gospel of John there is the strange circumstance that Our Lord in talking directly to His mother does not call her "Mother." He uses an unusual mode of address which we have not been able to verify elsewhere in ancient literature. He calls her "Woman."

At the marriage feast of Cana, for instance, He says, "Woman, why are you concerned? My hour has not yet come." On the cross He again says to His mother, "Woman, there is your son." This passage particularly must have burnt itself into John's memory since he was there and he was directly the person Our Lord referred to. How could he avoid realizing that Mary thereby became his mother and the mother of all the faithful? And so, this experience is bound to be in his mind when he speaks of a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon beneath her feet. Is he even momentarily thinking back to Mary on Calvary, in pain at the birth/death of her son as Messiah but now seen in the glory of the Easter resurrection?

So the woman is all of these: Eve, the people of God, the Church, Mary, and perhaps even more.

Well finally, what does the woman tell us and what does she tell us at this moment in the one hundredth anniversay year of the founding of the Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs?

First, she tells us to have confidence. The people of God

Sometimes the persecution is violent. Sometimes it is just that persecution which is the allure of the world and our own weakness. Sometimes it is just that we get tired trying to keep things moving forward. In any case, God always offers us a special place, a special providence, a special protection.

Secondly, the women tells us something of the future. The future will reveal the victory of the woman's child. That victory Paul has described for us:

"Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep." Every sovereignty, every authority, every power will be destroyed, put aside, superseded. So in Christ, all will achieve new life but each in proper order. So first Mary, and then "all those who belong to Him." The woman would achieve "a special place...prepared for her by God," but then so would all those who love her son.

It is no surprise that Mary could sing a special song, her Magnificat. Following Paul, who quotes Jeremiah, she could

remember:

"Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, nor the strong man glory in his strength, nor the rich man glory in his riches," but rather let him who glories glory in this that in his prudence he knows the Lord."

It is in this tradition that Mary can say, "My being proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit finds joy in God my Savior."

So John used a splendid lush Oriental style of speaking to encourage Christians in a time of persecution without being detected by their persecutors. The woman of whom he speaks is Eve and the chosen people, the new Israel, the Church, and most perfectly, Mary. And Mary in her Assumption tells us to have confidence that as she has taken her special place beside her son as are we called to do.

And that leads us to where we began, the rules for travel in a canoe. The first and most important— if you take up the paddle, do not put it down. Here at Auriesville the paddle has been taken up. It will not be put down. And in the future, a

hundred years from now, we will again gather -- someone will gather -- to celebrate the bicentennial of Auriesville. I am sure that the Bishop of Albany will again be present as will the then serving Provincial. You know, I do not know how people will come here at that time. They will not come by automobiles as we now know them because by that time we will certainly have used up all the petroleum in the world. Somehow they will come and they will keep paddling however one paddles in those days, and with joy in their hearts they will once again hear those words of John on the Isle of Patmos as they celebrate on that day the Feast of the Assumption - a great sign appeared in the sky - a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.







Pilot. Friday, Jen 21, 1988

Rev. Leo Shea, S.J. Will Mark Golden Jubilee June 23

Father Leo J. Shea, S.J., will celebrate the golden jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood on June 23. Father Shea, 82, directs a Catholic family planning educational center in Cairo, Egypt.

Three years after his ordination, Father Shea joined the new mission in Baghdad, Iraq, where a few other New England Jesuits were in the process of founding Baghdad College, a high school that, two decades later, would also give birth to Al-Hikma University. Father Shea served in Baghdad until all the Jesuits were expelled in 1969. He has worked in Egypt since.

A native of Lawrence and a graduate of Lawrence High School, Father Shea is the brother of Margaret Geagan of Hyannis, Mass.













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