

Poverty A Challenge For Social Action

By CARDINAL McGUIGAN

Poverty is a challenge, not merely to our compassion and charity but also to intelligent social action aimed at eradicating the many causes of human failure.

It is a tragic commentary upon the world today that nations are forced to spend billions for ghastly weapons of war and yet cannot find the funds to eliminate slums or feed the hungry around the world.

Our ingenuity can cope with the almost unbelievable difficulties of sending a rocket to the moon. But we seem unable to come up with workable plans to aid human beings created in the image and likeness of Almighty God.

Whatever distinctions might be made, in the Christian understanding of poverty, in practice any attack on poverty must be universal.

The heart of the true Christian goes out to all in need. For charity knows no limits.

Not only is the entire world our area of operation but all men of all races and of all religions should be the beneficiaries of all foreign aid programs. The only criterion is their need.

CONCERN

What then does the Church ask of the concerned Christian as it directs its attention to this basic problem of poverty in a wealthy nation such as Canada?

First, above all, it asks that we make this a matter of personal concern and involvement. In older and simpler societies, it was fairly easy for any person who wanted to help his neighbor to know what was needed.

Today it is possible to live in

ization agriculture reform, technical assistance, family planning, political independence are but many of the means that stress the complexity of the problems related to world poverty.

OPTIMISM

Certainly there is much reason for optimism if men will only cooperate with the bounty of nature.

One thing we must realize is that the best form of help was said over seven centuries ago by the great Jewish physician, Moses Maimonides, is to help people to help themselves.

Giving food to the hungry, clothing to those who shiver in the cold, and shelter to families that lack decent housing is important, but it is only a first step.

EAST BALTIC

Roy Bruce, North River, and Arnold Bruce, Cherry Valley, attended the funeral of Mrs. John W. Robertson.

Flora MacLean, East Point, has again entered the Souris Hospital for treatment.

Among those from Charlottetown attending the funeral of Mrs. John W. Robertson, Friday at the East Point Baptist Church were George E. MacDonald, Mrs. Jennie Cameron, Mrs. Arthur MacNeill, Mrs. Allie Cameron, Stewart MacIntyre and Mrs. George Grant.

The whole Eastern Kings district expressed shock and sadness, March 2, with the news that Mrs. John W. Robertson, Kingsboro, died suddenly in the Souris Hospital. Mrs. Robertson was a highly-respected citizen and her passing away will not only be felt in the home but in the community as she was a faithful and capable worker.

She is survived by her husband, daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Allan, Ont., sons Athol and Sterling of Oshawa and Kingston, Gordon and Arnett of Kingsboro, sisters, Mrs. George MacDonald, Kingsboro, Mrs. Fred Selevum, Norwood, Mass., and brother Nelson Stewart, Red Point, also eight grandchildren.

Dr. Nicholson Heads Institute

The Institute of Pastoral Training has announced the election of Dr. C.M. Nicholson, Principal of Pine Hill Divinity Hall, as chairman of the Institute for 1965. Other officers elected were: vice-president, Dr. G.M. Hatcher; treasurer, Major O.R. Crowell; secretary, Rev. Charles Taylor; secretary for development, Rev. R.J.R. Stokoe.

In reviewing the progress of the Institute during the past year, the retiring president, Dr. J.E. Hiltz, noted the developing interest of pastors and theological students in the Institute's six-weeks' Spring courses given at the Nova Scotia Sanatorium in Kentville and the Nova Scotia Hospital in Dartmouth.

Another advance noted was the engagement of Rev. R.J.R. Stokoe, Professor of Pastoralia at the University of King's College, to serve as a part-time secretary for development for the Institute. In this capacity, Professor Stokoe will initially focus his attention on strengthening the support for an enlarged program.

Dr. Hiltz also noted that for the sixth successive year the Maritime Chaplains Conference had been sponsored by the Institute, under the chairmanship of Rev. F.T. McKnight, of Lancaster, New Brunswick. The conference this past year was held at Camp Gagetown, where Major M.W. McKenzie, Senior Protestant Chaplain, was host to some 30 chaplains.

Further projects sponsored by the Institute in co-operation with the Canadian Mental Health Association was a two-day Workshop in Pastoral Care, held in Charlottetown, P.E.I., under the direction of Rev. Charles Taylor in which some 66 clergymen participated.

The year also saw the initiation of an Endowment Fund, as well as setting up By-Laws to govern the operation of local chapters of the Institute.

Inheritors of the Kingdom ILLUSTRATED SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON



After His triumphant entry into Jerusalem, Jesus curses a barren fig tree, causing it to wither. He drives out the money-changers in the Temple and heals the paralytic. He evades a direct answer regarding the source of His authority. The Pharisees question Him regarding taxes. Now Christ entangles His enemies with a double question. Because they could not answer without acknowledging the divinity of Jesus they withdrew, and questioned Him no more.

Matthew 21:1-46.

CONSEQUENCES OF REJECTION

Christ Gives Warning To Enemies

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By R.H. RAMSEY

Most people are astonished to learn that more verses in the Four Gospels are devoted to recording the events of Tuesday of Holy Week than are given to recounting everything that occurred in the 24 hours from Thursday evening, at the Lord's Supper, through Friday afternoon, when Christ was entombed.

Additionally, the discourses of the day are directed almost entirely to the Jews. The major theme, emphasized over and over again, is that as Israel has rejected her Messiah, God has now rejected Israel.

Because we are all so familiar with the details of Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem, we will not discuss it in today's lesson, except to note that again, in this instance, Jesus has full knowledge of what is going to happen on this day.

The story of our Lord's cursing the fig tree and causing it to wither is important only insofar as it relates to the consequences soon to befall the Jews for their rejection of the Messiah. Here, the false development and unfruitfulness of the tree is likened to the Jewish people who professed spiritual wealth but were, in reality, barren of true religion. The withering of the tree was the divine sentence of spiritual light and dryness that would fall upon Israel.

When Jesus went to the Temple to teach and heal, He found it crowded with money-changers and vendors. Irked by this flagrant desecration of the church, He drove them out, only to be faced by a group of outraged priests and scribes who challenged His authority not only to cleanse the Temple, but to use it for His teaching and healing.

Never caught unawares, Jesus met their challenge with a question of His own, promising that if they would answer His question, He would reveal to them the source of His authority over the Temple. His simple question, "Was His baptism by John from heaven or from men?" placed the Jewish authorities in a most embarrassing position.

If they answered that John baptized in obedience to a commission from God, then they would be forced to acknowledge that what John had said about Christ had been revealed to him by God.

If, on the other hand, they answered that the work that John did was by human authority and impulse only, they would bring upon themselves the condemnation of all Judaism for all in Israel recognized John the Baptist as the last of the great prophets. So penetrating was this question of Christ's that they refused to answer it—and Jesus refused to answer theirs.

Despite their obstinacy, Jesus is determined to warn them, through the vivid language of parables, of the consequences of their terrible sin of unbelief in rejecting their Messiah who stood before them.

The parable of the two sons is easily understandable. The son who first said "No" and then said "Yes" is the one who really did the will of his father. Likewise, those Jews who had not believed the message of John the Baptist, but had believed the message of Christ, would enter the Kingdom of God long before these self-righteous ones. He was faced with the parable of the wicked husbandmen who emphasize a slightly different aspect of the tragedy of rejecting the Lord Jesus. The servants represent the prophets whom God sent to warn and exhort Israel.

Despite the ill-treatment of the servants by the wicked husbandmen, the landowner exercises amazing patience and long-suffering—the very attributes of God—and sends his own son.

Before the end of the parable is reached, we know that Christ is referring to Himself, whose sending was the last and crowning event of divine mercy. If it failed, all the resources of even heavenly love would have been exhausted and those whose sin caused it to fail would have suffered a terrible affliction.

LONDON (AP)—Britain's new ambassador to Moscow, Sir Geoffrey Harrison, has developed a particularly unfortunate allergy. He can't eat caviar. He said he hopes the allergy is only a passing phase.



BALANCE

It is said of a certain friend of ours that he went off the deep end. Strange expression, that! It can mean that a person had a mental breakdown, or that he became a sort of fanatic; or it can mean simply that he got too interested in one thing to the exclusion of other important matters.

And the very fact that our generation has coined such an idiom is indicative of the fact that we see such tragedy every day.

One of the vital contributions of religion to life is its gift of balance. The knowledge of God helps a man see all else in its proper perspective.

In a day when millions are caught in turbulent crosscurrents, faith points to the true center of existence... worship steadies the mind and heart!

Sunday Prayers 10:1-10	Monday Isaiah 29:13-21	Tuesday Jeremiah 8:4-13	Wednesday Hosea 6:1-6	Thursday Luke 12:54-59	Friday I Corinthians 2:6-16	Saturday I Timothy 1:3-11
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First Baptist Church
Corner of Prince and Fitzroy Streets
Rev. Malcolm F. Harlow, B.A., B.D., Minister
Mrs. V. L. Dingwell, Organist and Choir Director

9:45 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m.—SERMON: "THE SECOND TEMPTATION"
Anthem: "O For A Closer Walk With God" (Foster)
7:00 p.m.—SERMON: "GAMBLERS AT THE CROSS"
Anthem: "Teach Me O Lord" (Attwood)
Solo: "Take My Life and Let It Be"
—Mrs. Ronald Jenkins
7:30 p.m.—Wednesday—Mid-week Service
A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU

SPRING PARK UNITED CHURCH
Dunkirk & Kirkwood
Minister: Rev. Clayton C. Lewis
Organist: Mrs. Roy H. Atkinson
Director: Mr. Ron M. Smallman

9:30 a.m.—Sunday Church School
11:00 a.m.—Nursery
11:00 a.m.—"THE CROSS IN A NEW LIGHT"
Choir: "Spirit of God"
7:00 p.m.—Adult Study Group—"God And His Purpose"
"You are Welcome to Worship with Us"

The Salvation Army
"Home of Evangelism Since 1865"
Great George Street
35 Villa Avenue
Major Ronald H. Walker

Sunday: Directory Class—9:30 a.m.
Sunday School—10 a.m.
Holiness Meeting—11 a.m.
Salvation Meeting—7 p.m.
Friday: Young People's Hobby Class—4:15 p.m.
A WELCOME AWAITS YOU AT THE ARMY"

Charlottetown Bible Chapel
235 Cumberland St., at Longworth Ave.

11:00 a.m.—Bible Hour and Sunday School
7:30 p.m.—Gospel Service
"Holding fast the faithful Word"

Zion Presbyterian Church
Corner Prince and Grafton Streets
The Rev. Donald A. Campbell, B.A., Minister
Miss Roberta Shaw, Deaconess
Mrs. Harvey Mackinnon, L.Mus., B.Mus., Organist and Choir Director.

9:45 a.m.—The Church School. Classes for all ages
10:00 a.m.—Bible Class. 11:00 a.m. Nursery School
11:00 a.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP
Sermon: LIFE'S GREATEST QUESTION TODAY
Anthem: Thou Wilt Keep Him In Perfect Peace
—Bowles
7:00 p.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP
Sermon: WHY SHOULD YOUNG PEOPLE BE CHRISTIANS?
Anthem: Selected
VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

Central Christian Church
213 Kent Street
Charlottetown, P.E.I.

MORNING
10:00 a.m.—Bible School for all ages
11:00 a.m.—Worship Service and Communion
Anthem: "O rest in the Lord" (Mendelssohn)
Message: "THE WAY, TRUTH AND LIFE"

EVENING
7:00 p.m.—Special Youth Missionary Service
Theme: "THE WHY'S AND HOW'S OF MISSION WORK"
Minister—Mr. William Weale
Organist—Mrs. Allison MacRae, A.R.C.M.
"A WARM WELCOME TO ALL"

St. Peter's Cathedral
Rochford Square
Anglican Church of Canada
The Ven. Archdeacon J. R. Davies, M.A., Rector
The Reverend Canon E. M. Malone, M.A., D.D., Honorary Assistant Priest.
Miss Suzanne Brenson, Lic. Mus., Organist
Mrs. E. W. Patterson, Choir Director

March 14—The Second Sunday in Lent
8:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist
8:45 a.m.—Matins
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Choral Eucharist and Sermon
7:00 p.m.—Evensong (chapel)

Weekday Lenten Services (until further notice)—Wednesday 9:30 a.m.; Friday 7:30 p.m. Evensong & Litany; Tuesday 4 p.m. Children's Service.
Visitors are cordially welcome at all services.

CALVARY TEMPLE
PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES OF CANADA
Upper Prince Street
Rev. C. K. Benn, Pastor
L. Perry, Assistant Pastor

9:15 a.m.—Radio Broadcast, Summerside Station
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School, Cradle Roll Day
11:00 a.m.—DEDICATION OF CHILDREN
7:30 p.m.—Evening Gospel Rally, Subject: "UNEXPECTEDLY, CHRIST WILL COME"
8:00 p.m.—Tuesday, Prayer and Bible Study
ATTEND CHARLOTTETOWN'S FULL GOSPEL CHURCH.

The Kirk of S. James
The Reverend T. H. B. Samers, M.A., S.T.M., Minister
Organist and Director of the Chorus
Christopher Gledhill, M.A., B.Mus., A.R.C.C.O.

The First Sunday in Lent
9:45 a.m.—Church School and Minister's Bible Class
11:00 a.m.—Churchtime Nursery and Nursery School
11:00 a.m.—DIVINE SERVICE AND SERMON
By: The Reverend Gordon R. Taylor, M.A., Toronto
Anthem: "O rest in the Lord" (Mendelssohn)
by Hilton

JESUS SAID "COME UNTO ME ALL YE THAT LABOUR AND ARE HEAVY LADEN AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST."

PARK ROYAL UNITED CHURCH
13 Christie Drive, Parkdale
Rev. J. H. Tye, B.A., B.D., Minister
Mr. Leslie Hiscott,
Organist and Director of Chorus

9:45 a.m.—Junior, Intermediate & Senior Church School
11:00 a.m.—Nursery & Kindergarten Classes
11:00 a.m.—DIVINE WORSHIP
Sermon: UNDERSTANDING THE BIBLE
Anthem: "O Lamb of God Most Holy"
Dedus-Running
11:15 a.m.—Primary Church School
1:30 p.m.—Teen-age Confirmation Class
3:30 p.m.—Adult Confirmation Class
7:00 p.m.—EVENING WORSHIP
Sermon: "THE LAST ENEMY"
Solo: Mrs. Ruth Enman
Music by Ladies' Choir
You are welcome to worship with us.

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH
Charlottetown, P. E. I.
Ministers: Rev. John G. E. Ball, B.A.
Rev. Gerald G. Wyrwas, B.A., B.D.
Organist and Director: Mr. J. B. Herdman

9:30 a.m.—Bible Classes, Intermediate and Junior Dept. (Over 9 years)
11:00 a.m.—Nursery, Primary and Kindergarten (Under 9 years)
11:00 a.m.—Sacrament of Baptism
Sermon: "THE WAY OF THE CROSS"
(Rev. J. G. E. Ball)
Anthem: "Blest Are The Pure In Heart"
—R. S. Eaton
2:00 p.m.—Class for Church membership
3:45 p.m.—Junior Communicants' Class
7:00 p.m.—ISAIAH'S CALL AND COMMISSION"
(Rev. G. G. Wyrwas)
Anthem: "Hail, Gladdening Light"—Stainer

St. Paul's Anglican Church
Established 1769 by Royal Foundation
The Rev. F. Louis Elias, L.S.I., Rector
Organist and Choir Director
George A. Thompson, F.R.C.O., (CHM) A.R.C.M.

LENT 2
8:30 a.m.—FATHER & SON CORPORATE COMMUNION followed by breakfast in the Parish Hall. (This special service does not exclude others who desire to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion.)
9:45 a.m.—SUNDAY SCHOOL, Junior, Senior, and Bible Classes.
11:00 a.m.—SUNDAY SCHOOL, Primary, Beginners Classes, and Crib Nursery.
11:00 a.m.—MORNING PRAYER & Sermon (Broadcast CPY)
Subject: "I BELIEVE... IN JESUS CHRIST... SUFFERED UNDER GOVERNOR WALLACE" by John Gost
7:00 p.m.—EVENING PRAYER AND SERMON—Subject: CHARACTERS OF THE PASSION—"THE INFORMER"
WEDNESDAY SERVICES
7:30 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION (For working people)
10:00 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION
7:30 p.m.—SPECIAL LENTEN SERVICE & Address Subject: "THE UNCOMFORTABLE CHRIST"—(3) "HE SHOWED THEM HIS HANDS"
YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND OUR SERVICES.