



ST. ANN'S PARISH

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college after high school. I did not tell them that in my day latin was the sure sign of one's intelligence quota. I have been advised to stay with literature and the social sciences and to get by with the minimum of math and natural science. Here Father Martial will agree if he remembers me from algebra class.

My percentile rank out of one hundred was as follows....

Correctness and Effectiveness of Expression: 95
 Interpretation of Reading Materials in
 the Social Sciences: 96
 Interpretation of Reading Materials in
 the Natural Sciences: 69
 Interpretation of Literary Materials: 99
 General Mathematical Ability: 46

Anyhow, Father, I think I would like to try a summer class just to see for myself if I can put my mind to study. Fathers Tom and Jay have no objection. Perhaps this may be a needed push in my life at this time. If I can stick with it during the summer, perhaps I can take an evening class here and there and someday even receive a diploma of some sort. When asked my reason for wanting to attend Community I gave: "Personal enrichment".

I am accepted at Spokane Falls Community College, a two year state junior college. 93 quarter hours of credit are needed to graduate with an Associate in Arts degree. I would be in no hurry! During the summer I could get a class at 7:30 and 8:50AM and get back to St. Ann's for summer census work which I am looking forward to.

I am writing to see if this will be alright with you. The house chapter - Tom, Jay and myself! - have no objections. I doubt if there is still an objection to "worldly colleges" but -- there is still the question of money. I picked Community because it is the less expensive. As a Washington resident my fee, including credit hours, books needed, etc., would come to between \$80 and \$100. Could we deduct this from our assessment once this summer?

Whatever you say is OK. Perhaps you have already decided to send me somewhere else or perhaps I should go to Portland or to the Christian Brothers retreat in New Mexico or to do the above at Spokane Falls. In any case I do think I have to do something drastic for me - going to school is, believe me - at this time. If I get by this summer at college I will be able to audit or attend other classes other places without an embarrassing blank on my application form.

We are looking forward to Rubie's return for a Mass with us at St. Ann's. Jay is on vacation in Oregon and will make the ordination and Tom will preach at the first Mass.

Good luck with the meeting.

Faternally,

OFM CONN 1
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Beard

PS: Speaking of education .. we're trying to attend Bishop Topel's evening class at GU the end of the month. "The Bishop's Role in the Local Community and Church".



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July 21st, 1971

Dear Father Provincial --

I took your advice and wrote to the Christian Brothers at the Sangre de Cristo institute.

This morning Brother Charles Reutemann, FSC, wrote that I am welcome to join in on the Fall session, September 1st to December 9th. While the expense does bother me I honestly feel a terrific need for a program such as this.

I wrote Brother Charles this morning telling him I would be there. Now how do we work out the cost??

I understand Angelo Cardinelli will be making the institute so perhaps he and I can work out our trip to Santa Fe.

Thank you, Father.

Fraternally,

Blair

OFM CONN 1

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Third party privacy

July 22,1971

Dear Bro.Berard:

Greetings! It was very good news to learn that you have decided on the Sangre de Cristo course and that you have been accepted. As for the expense,-it is high, but I am sure it is worth it. The Province will have to pick up whatever part of it the local friary cannot meet. And certainly you should not hesitate in this after the years you have given to the fraternity and its apostolates.

I appreciated the editorial on Glenn. Poor fellow really has acted in a strange way. I hope the impact on you there at St. Anne's has not been too much.

Many thanks for the copy of the Directory. There is a lot of information there that can be helpful through the year.

I do not think Angelo will be making the course this Fall. He wrote telling me that he would postpone it. However, Roy Rivas will be there with you, and possibly one or the other who has not yet made up his mind.

The course here at St. Elizabeth's is coming along very well. The students seem to be getting a lot out of the talks and the work together. I hope we can continue this in the future.

All best wishes and regards to the gang,--and many thanks for the trip to Seattle and Portland,=it was really enjoyable.

Fraternally in St.Francis,

OFM CONN 1

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Good people --

Perhaps the recent WESTFRIARS will be mentioned during your meeting. The enclosed letter which I sent to WESTFRIARS will let you know the feelings of one more friar regarding Mats.

I do seriously fear a bad re-action on the part of the young men in formation for whom Mats gave some hope.

The Sangre Experience goes very well. I'll presume to send you an evaluation when it is finished. Then, too, I hope to talk Conan into driving up this way come December 9th and hitch a ride to Las Cruces with him. I've never been in the southwest before.

Fraternally,

Beard

OFM CONN 1
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Editor:

I have gut feeling as I write this: anger, sadness and sympathy. The September WESTFRIARS was forwarded to me at Sangre de Cristo, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

I am a friar to whom the Chapter of Mats was an experience, a promise of the future. I pray I will keep my faith in it and in the brotherhood I shared in. Perhaps I suffer from the decompression of going from the flesh and blood heights of Mats down to a fantasy-land where grown men feel they have the luxury of fretting over hair and habit. A habit I love and wear.

What I consider the finest thing this Province has done in the twenty six years I have been a part of it, has been passed off in WESTFRIARS with all the enthusiasm of an altar society social. Perhaps I feel chagrin because this was an issue I looked forward to, something to share with the men I am with, men from several Congregations. I wanted them to know that we are alive and are open and that we love. Instead what was forwarded to me was a term paper for an obituary column. Are we suffering clinical depression or are we really that dead?

I was not happy with having Caesar Chavez speak. (Why couldn't he have been given the courtesy of being called by name in WESTFRIARS?) From the first planning stages of Mats I fought against the idea of non-friars participating. However, to me, this was a mere pause in agenda. I hope my personal convictions are strong enough that I will flee neither Union Organizer nor the "theologian who opens new vistas of our Faith to us".

The Thursday evening Liturgy was the highlight of Mats to me. Because I do believe the Spirit guides our religious experience and expression, I believe the Spirit directed the spontaneous outpouring of affection -- and men who had been at odds did embrace that night. I will deny to the hilt any lack of respect to our God during any of the liturgies. As for the Pax, it is to be shared in "according to custom". Men who love one another, who, at least for a fleeting moment, are ecstatic because they are friars minor, have the custom of spontaneous greeting and "noisy back-slapping".

Mats was the re-knowing my classmates and the men I came of age with. It was the meeting of young men and sharing insights of the Franciscan vision. To the young friars and the younger men in formation, bear with us and perhaps we will be caught up in your enthusiasm.

OK - Peace!

Berard Connolly, O.F.M.



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October 5th, 1971

Dear Father Martial,

Received your check yesterday. My thanks to you and to Father Provincial.

Had a good St. Francis Day. I made up a morning liturgy here at Sangre and in the evening Roy and I and the director, Charlie Reutemann, went to the Santa Fe cathedral for pontifical Mass. After Mass the friars at the cathedral had all of us over for a great Santa Fe dinner and then a grand spielhaben mitt. Ended up with about twenty friars, the archbishop, a dozen secular priests and a goodly number of Christian Brothers from the local high school and the College of Santa Fe. Father Blaise Shauer, O.P., a local pastor, gave the sermon. He lived with our men in Las Cruces while Newman Chaplain. He's an artist/liturgist, in that order!

Good workshop this week by Dr. Jean Rosenbaum, local shrink who has had a lot of experience with the Brothers and also the St. John Province friars. The workshop is on chastity and last afternoon we talked on sublimation - hence this letter!

Fraternally,

Bence

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September 9th, 1971

Dear Father Provincial —

Greetings from high in the Sangre de Cristo mountains. The Sangre experience is going well. I feel it will be well worth while. I am greatly impressed by the community sense of the Christian Brothers. — True, anything is anti-climatic after Mats!! I hope I don't bore these monks in telling them of the spirit of Mats.

The staff here is excellent. This evening we begin a workshop with Fr. John Gallen, SJ, a theologian-liturgist. Then of course the spirit of Gabriel Moran is in the halls.

I hate to say this but we will need money. The tuition, including room and board and books comes to \$1700.00. And they don't give Blue Chip Stamps. I personally feel it well worth it. The instructors are excellent and the room and meals are more than a good friar (eg: myself) should experience. With an evening social hour everyday I'll turn into a lush.

Bro. Timothy McCarthy said the tuition could be paid by installments if necessary. The check should be made out to Sangre de Cristo Center and could be sent to me and I'll turn it over.

I hope I will be able to repay the Province.

Fraternally,

Bened

PS: A Brother Francis Blouin, Provincial of the Brothers of Christian Instruction, sends you regards. Met you at the Major Superiors meet.

OEM CONN 1

0126

October 15, 1971

Dear Brother Gerard:

Greetings! Your letter together with the copy of the letter to Westfriars arrived during the meeting of the definitorium. And I want to thank you heartily for it. I, too, was deeply disappointed with that issue of Westfriars. I hope it did not do harm,--also to those of other provinces who were looking to this event with real hope.

It is good to get your report on the experience there. I would like to talk over your experience at Sangre sometime during December. I know it is not allowed for you to leave before it is finished. But, perhaps I will be able to get up there while I am in Arizona. I will be in Phoenix starting Dec. 1st and possibly can come over on Dec. 4th or 5th. Would this fit in with the rules, etc?

All best wishes and regards from the definitorium. Fraternally,

OFM CONN 1

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November 13, 1971

Dear Brother Berard:

Greetings! I have just returned from the meeting of the friars in Spokane. It was really good to get all of them together and to go over the plans for the province and the order. We also had the election of the new Abbess of the Poor Clares, Sister Mary Rita Dolan. And one evening we had the Franciscan Sisters of La Crosse together for an evening of discussion on the Franciscan life. It was a great opportunity.

While I was there I heard that you had expressed the thought that you would possibly not be coming back to Spokane. I thought it best to write to you to see just what you had come to by way of a decision in this. I certainly want to be able to work along with you as to the best situation. If you have come to any decision be sure to let me know. Even if I cannot get down to you there in Santa Fe, I would surely like to discuss this with you, possibly by phone, in case you cannot get to Phoenix sometime around Dec. 6th.

You surely have a lot of good friends in Spokane, and I am sure that both Tom and Jay are very sincere in wanting what is best for you.

With every best wish and hoping to hear from you at your convenience,

Fraternally in St. Francis,

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November 2nd, 1971

Dear Father Provincial,

Good hearing from you. All goes well as we go into the final month of the "experience".

Charlie Ruetermann, the director, would be more than happy to have you spend as much time at Sangre as you wish. We have plenty of room.

If and when you can make it, let me know and I'll pick you up at the Santa Fe airport or in Albuquerque.

The days you mentioned in December would be in the final days of the program and I believe include a Sisters' panel.

Fraternally,

Bernard

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November 8, 1971

Bro. Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
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Dear Brother Berard,

Greetings: it was good to hear from you in your letter of November 2 which was awaiting me as I arrived back in Oakland. Your report on the experience there is certainly good and I hope that we'll be able to take advantage of their kind invitation for more of the friars who would profit from it. Please thank Charlie Ruetermann for me for the invitation to visit. I had really wanted to get there in December, however it seems that the schedule is closing in on me and I am not going to get a chance to do it. I got word from Mexico that I should be down there during those days I had reserved for Santa Fe. However I certainly would appreciate a chance to see you if you are finished by December 8. I think I will finish up in

Phoenix on Dec. 7. The reason I have to watch the schedule so carefully is that there is a meeting being scheduled in Rome during December of January and the first possible date would be December 9, so I may have to have everything ready to leave for Rome on the 8th. I hope that we will be able to work things out

Phoenix on Dec. 7. The reason I have to watch the schedule so carefully is that there is a meeting being scheduled in Rome during December or January and the first possible date would be December 9, so I may have to have everything ready to leave for Rome on the 8th. I certainly hope we will be able to get together and to get your report on the experience there, If not, I'll be in touch with you as soon as possible.

With every best wish and looking forward to seeing you, I am

Fraternally in St. Francis,

Father Alan, O.F.M.

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November 30th, 1971

Dear Father Provincial,

Many thanks for your kind letter. Things are winding up at Sangre. It has been a great experience, an important one hundred days in my young life!

It's true, I have had questions as to my returning to St. Ann's when Sangre is over. This has caused me an amount of soul searching and the seeking of answers. At this time I feel there are several options.

In regards to St. Ann's. In the letters I receive from Tom I do read a great deal of discouragement. Tom takes things too seriously and to be honest, I do worry about him. He has too much to share with others and it hurts seeing him in such a bind with the apathy and the financial situation at St. Ann's. In Tom's letters I also read that he is not at all sure I should return to St. Ann's, that I will again be dissatisfied with the set-up and with my place in it.

I want to return to St. Ann's only if I can be of some service and a help to Tom and Jay. After Sangre I have the confidence I can be both. I am certainly not as frightened of life as before. While I am disillusioned at the parishioners of St. Ann's I still think I can be of service to the parish and the community.

Several weeks ago I wrote Claude for his estimation of my situation at St. Ann's. I am grateful for his letter. While he admitted much of my work has been taken over by others, he said there is still much I can do. Claude also brought up a point I had not thought of before now. He said I contributed a great deal to the larger Franciscan community in Spokane, the six of us. We do have a good spirit and Claude believes I add a great deal to it. He reminded me that no matter how dedicated others may be, even our very fine Jesuit volunteers, they still do not replace a friar in our Franciscan community living.

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Much of my difficulty at St. Ann's has been caused by a certain diffidence I have. Others, stronger or more competent, can fairly easily take over. I take things personally but too frequently when Tom, or Jay in the church, enter "my domain" I give up and say the hell with it. I have come to realize this at Sangre.

For the present I want to return to St. Ann's only if I can be of service to the friars in Spokane. I know I have many friends there, I am at home, but here at Sangre I know it is the friars I miss. The northwest is pretty much a part of my life now, I guess I will long have a secret yearning to return to Portland.

Lately I have been wondering how I would get along with the Indians. I do think this is more than a new found interest in New Mexico. Years ago, at Malibu, I asked you about the missions.

I hope this letter doesn't add to any confusion regarding St. Ann's. As far as I'm concerned there is no big deal. I was shakey but I think I have much more confidence in myself now. I presume I will continue at Spokane but the possibility of leaving St. Ann's is now more a reality of life. When the day does come I hope to go to, if not to another place in the northwest, to the desert or to a small house on the fringes of the Province. OK - anyplace but California!

I will try to get hold of you during the Arizona meeting. After leaving here on the 9th I plan on going to Las Cruces, then Tucson, Oakland and back to Spokane. I have never been south of San Diego before so I want to make use of the opportunity.

I hope this letter at least tells you of my feeling this evening. I am certainly ready to return to St. Ann's and, I believe, accomplish something there. Should the men there feel I am not needed at this time, then I'm willing to go somewhere else.

Thanks for your concern. Good luck with the meeting.

Faternally,

Beard

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November 14th

Dear Father Provincial -

Many thanks for your kind letter. Sorry you can't make it to Sangre but your excuse is strong and will hold! Charlie invites you to stop by anytime.

The "experience" is in its seventy-fifth day today. Has been fantastic. Last week was spent in an audio workshop. Part of it included the breaking us into groups of five to write, "act in" and film a three minute masterpiece. It is hard to explain the re-acting to one another and the feeling this medium gives you. High praise was given the FCC during the workshop. Karl was very kind in sending me films and material for the prayer services I had charge of. I have to take back a few mean things I've said about "The Hour".

Have a copy of the October 31st Arizona Republic. One of the best articles about the friars I've yet read. Hope it makes the rounds of the Province.

Please thank Father Martial for getting me a copy of the Province Song. I want to use it for a liturgy on December 4th. Like most friars, I guess I have never been sober enough when its been sung to get beyond the chorus. Also, you might remind Father Martial of Phase II of my room, board and tuition.

Good luck in your several meetings. I hope our paths will cross on my way back to Spokane.

Fraternally,

Berard

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Dear Father Provincial,

Just a quick note to let you know I am back in Spokane. After Sangre and after visiting with a good number of friars in New Mexico and Arizona I came home to Spokane a few days before Christmas. Tried to contact you in Oakland but you had already left for Negros.

It is good being home again. Had a few days of re-entry difficulty but feel I am settled down now. The personal peace I feel and a much greater self confidence are proving themselves. I will write a resume of my re-action to Sangre in a few days. Saw Angelo at San Juan and really encouraged him.

Fred is in the afternoon. We have a nice bunch of people in this Inland Empire! I think we do appreciate one another.

Will get that report off to you soon as I catch up on things like the house accounts(!) and etc. Thanks again for the opportunity of Sangre.

Fraternally,

Brad

January 12, 1972

Dear Gerard:

Cheerings! I want to thank you for the great spirit you showed in the painful situation of this past week. I know it has been difficult for you, and my prayer is that this new assignment will be of great help to you and to the team there in Provo.

Father Howard is happy to have you with them, -and I am sure that you will see that it is a real team ministry, -and that you have a great deal to contribute. I know that all you received at Sangre de Cristo Center can be put to very good use there in Provo.

For one thing you will not miss the snow of the Northwest. Provo really gets its share. And perhaps you will be learning to ski, in case you haven't picked this up yet.

All best wishes and regards to the friars,

Fraternally in St. Francis,

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Ans 3/24

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH

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Dear Father Provincial,

In the happenings in my life these past weeks - and inspite of our frequent seeing of one another - I don't think I fully expressed my gratitude to you and the Province for letting me attend Sangre de Cristo. Each day more of Sangre comes to me. I honestly wonder how things would have gone were it not for the Sangre experience.

I find it impossible to tell what Sangre does for a Brother. I guess it does something different and yet the same for each Brother. The peace I found in those mountains has managed to survive and more than once it has fought the bitterness which seeks a place in my heart.

The enclosed is a letter I sent my "classmates" of Sangre '71. It tells a little of how I am finding life in this Happy Valley. Also a copy of a letter Brother Charles Reutermann wrote. Charlie is one of the great people I have met in my lifetime. The letters I have received from various Christian Brothers has been a great boost. I hope to talk Tony into visiting Santa Fe with me. If not, I may thumb but I want to see Charlie and to be there while Angelo is part of the Sangre experience.

Thanks again, Father. Please pray for me because we Irish have long memories and our hurt too easily turns to bitterness. Being otherwise is what this whole Christian business is about -- even in Zion.

Faternally,

Beane

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March 12, 1972

Dear Berard,

Greetings! It was good to hear from you from the shade of Mount
Angelo was much interested to hear of your whereabouts, and he
has your address, so I hope he keeps in touch with you. Your
description of your sudden switch from Seattle had me really
wondering, for I couldn't imagine what would have turned people
off so strongly -- hardly a beard, I hope! Oh well, you seem to
have adjusted to it beautifully, and in true and deep Franciscan
style. You are indeed a true poverello, and you haven't lost
your humor! How wonderful!

Here, we're about one month into the program, and the date for
finishing (since you asked for it) is May 18th. By all means,
thrust your way down to see us. Things have been going very well,
I would say -- no big hang ups, and we've passed through the
reading interviews uneventfully!! The one distinctive feature
of the past three weeks is the extraordinary weather -- it's
been practically summer, blue skies and all that. The forsythia,
jonquils, hyacinth, etc. are all in bloom, and fifteen large-mouth
bass have been caught in the pond. And Blackie is going about
with his tongue hanging out more than usual.

Tim finishes this session at Sangre and, although he had been
scheduled to go to the College of Santa Fe, he now is in the running
for Associate Visitor (Provincial) of the New York Province. I
think his slate (there are five men on the slate) will get it. The
elections are in mid-March. Marv is fine, and looking forward to
more summer courses at St. Mary's in Arizona. For myself, it will
be a busy summer, with a two-week workshop here, a week with the
Brothers of Christian Instruction at Narragansett, R.I., and two
weeks with young Brothers at Plano, Illinois.

Had you heard that Francisco Lujan had a stroke in December? He
is recovered, though he has a slight impediment of speech. He has
had to cut out cigarettes and booze -- the cigarettes being the tougher
one.

Your work sounds "fascinating" and challenging. It should bring out
all those fine qualities of warmth, empathy, and humor which you have.
Whenever things get tough, just give them a homily and they'll come
around!!

The best for the moment, Berard. As ever, and with love.

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Sangre has been on my mind the past several days. This evening I am gathering a few of my thoughts, my address book and an unused ditto machine. Don't particularly like "machined letters" but at my rate it would take half a year to write you.

After saying goodbye to Franny several times in Albuquerque, I flew on to Juarez. [I'll tell Dale about Juarez when he's older.] Visited with our friars in New Mexico and in the Arizona Indian Missions for a week. Roy wasn't home. He was in Mexico looking for Ojo's or whatever her name is. I made it back to Spokane December 18th.

Whatever problems I had with my situation at Spokane, and as you may know this was a concern of mine at Sangre, quickly dissipated when I returned. The people I lived with weren't as convinced of Sangre as I and within a week my Provincial told me I was black-balled and would I go to Provo, Utah. The Franciscans are wont to say "I experienced perfect joy" which was Francis' way of telling it when your own receive you not. Anyhow, perhaps it is all for the best and I am now once more finding my place in this God's world.

Utah is the Land of Mormon, the Land of Promise. The cities of Ophir (pop. 47) and Lehi are to the north of us, the peoples of Nephi and Juab to the south. Mt. Nemo stands to the east and Mt. Moab guards us as a sentinel to the west. Hell, even the River Jordan flows in this parish! Provo is a city of 20,000 plus another 25,000 students at Brigham Young University. The town is 98.9% Mormon so no one smokes [Not even tobacco!] and few will drink even coffee. The town's two taverns, "Barney's" and "Gordie's" sell only beer and this to the Catholics and renegade Mormons! I believe three blacks live in Provo. These play basketball at BYU [but no priesthood], there are few long hairs and about the only freaks you see are hard faced old ladies carrying the Book of Mormon. Still, there are advantages like being able to walk any street and at any hour day or night without the fear of being mugged.

Our St. Francis of Assisi Parish covers the whole of Utah County, or 12,500 square miles. In all this space there are still only 400 Catholic families. Our people mostly work at the US Steel mill in Geneva or on sheep ranches. Last summer the parish closed both its grade and high school so we are looking for those "new ways". And isn't everyone? I'm listed as an "assistant in the pastoral team", whatever that means.

I am getting pretty involved with visiting families and in the neighborhood discussion groups. Here I am grateful to Sangre and to the good theology of Tim McCarthy (eg: The Centrality of St. Anthony). Sundays I go on the "road show" or the missions. Have a Communion service if no priest is around. [I did study under Marvi] or else I entertain the kids, read at Mass and lead the singing. This is no doubt my just reward for any uncharitable thoughts I kept while Frankie Nolan played his guitar. Little by little I am learning names and names are becoming persons. I like our people and I hope they will like me. It does take a little while to know what a really nice guy I am.

My main job is being Catholic chaplain at the Utah State Hospital and at the State Training School. The State Hospital as you may guess from the name is a mental hospital. About 20 Catholics out of 440 patients. Ratio for Utah.

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I try to visit my people at the State Hospital two or three times a week. Mostly just listen. Saturday morning I have a liturgy which really wanders. Lots of symbols! At the hospital I am in contact with quite a few younger people. Even in Utah, the Promised Land, kids are screwed-up on drugs. Have come on some very tragic situations. The Mormon Church has such a tight hold on life, especially in the small towns - and in Utah each town is smaller than the next -, that many kids are ready to explode. Drugs are an attractive temptation. They appear to be a contact with the "outside world", the world beyond Utah's mountains.

The State Training School is for the severely retarded. After my initial shock, I'm sure Doctor Renaud will appreciate my feeling, I am now better able to see beyond deformity, drooling, vacant stares and animal-like grunting and I am seeing persons. I'm meeting fellow human beings who must have some mysterious purpose in our sharing of life. There is little I can do for them except to hug them, hold their hand or let the little deaf-mute feel my beard. They, however, are helping me grow into a new dimension of life.

When I look back at the past several months I can see how God does do some of the things we talked about at Sangre. I wonder how I would have faced my share of life these past few months if it hadn't been for Sangre de Cristo.

It was hard leaving the northwest, my home for fifteen years, and especially in the circumstances under which I left. But if I had never left I would never have known how much I love others and how many do love me. Hell, when I kissed the Marycliff High girls goodbye..... sorry about that, Rita!

At Sangre I gained a peace of mind and a self-confidence which has been a mainstay to me these past months. I am now settling down. Charlie and Tim's classes are filtering through, last night I sounded like an expert telling about Goodie's color cards and John's sacramental theology was a new opening in my life.

So, good mum, just wanted to tell you that no matter if it rains or freezes I have my plastic Jesus and life goes on. Goes on much better and is much happier because we shared Sangre together.

Peace and watch out for those Jewish Genies.

Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

HELP US HELP THEM

Heavenly Father of us all, You have entrusted the care of Your underprivileged children to the more fortunate members of Your earthly family.

In the accomplishment of this exceptional responsibility, we beg Your divine assistance.

Supply for the defects of our wisdom; for the deficiencies of our love; for the restraining of our individual energies which might threaten the effectiveness of our mission.

Help us to educate the educable; to train the trainable; to inspire the uninspired; and to be completely dependable with the totally dependent.

Make us kind but never dull; moderate but never mediocre; profound but never severe.

Give us in the special work You have assigned us and prompt us to use the special gifts You have allotted us to bring blessings into the lives of the special children You have entrusted to us.

Amen

Berard Connolly, O.F.M., Catholic Chaplain
Utah State Hospital, Provo, Utah
State Training School, American Fork, Utah
Mailing address: 172 N. 5th West, Provo, Utah 84601

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ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH
172 NORTH 5TH WEST
PROVO, UTAH 84601

May 17th, 1972

Dear friends,

Let me introduce myself. I am a Franciscan stationed in Provo, Utah. I am here four months now after having spent eighteen years in schools and parishes in the Pacific Northwest. At Provo I have the care of Catholics at both the Utah State Hospital and the State Training School in American Fork.

I have a list of children at the Training School who are baptized Roman Catholics and this is where I obtained your addresses. I hope I will meet some of you either at the school or through the Association of Parents for the school. If I am visiting in your area I may be able to visit you at your home.

I stop at the Training School once or twice a week. On Thursday afternoons I try to visit Mrs. Vera Harding's class and in the early evening have a class and a liturgy for a few of the more able children.

We both know your children at the Training School are very special people. As far as their spiritual welfare is concerned there is little I need do. They "have it made"! I do want to bring those able to share in them, the Sacraments which are their right as baptized Catholics but even here the Sacrament is the external sign of a unity these children already have with Our Lord.

The one "sacrament" I can bring them all is the gift of human concern. In the three months I have attended the school I have become so convinced of the importance of the human touch, a smile, a show of love and affection which must be ours if we are called Christian. Your children at the school may be "deprived" of much in life but perhaps by not being cluttered with so much of life they can understand a bit more clearly the bond between one person and another. I believe we call this bond simply "love".

Each week I see this in the gratitude of the children at class and in the warm greeting I receive whenever I visit a cottage. Alpine comes to mind right now. I know this in the excitement whenever a parent is coming to visit a child.

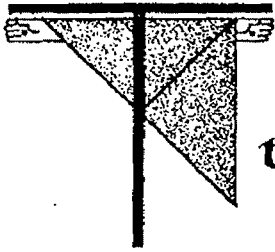
I hope you will let me know if there is anything I can do for your child. Here, except for the love all Christians must have, my experience is limited. I have the greatest respect for the staff and policy of the Training School and am anxious to work with them. We are interested in your child.

Finally, and personally, I do want to thank you because your children at the State Training School have shown me a new dimension to life and for this I am grateful.

The Lord bless you and give you and your child His Peace!

Berard Connolly, OFM
Brother Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

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Moark Jct.
American Fork
Lehi
Alpine
Valley View
Aspen Grove
Edgemont
Olmstead
Wildwood

May 28th, 1972

Dear Father Provincial,

Enclosed is a summary of a questionnaire sent to each Brother who has made the Sangre experience. I certainly agree with the summation, especially in the expressions regarding found peace of heart, self-confidence and a new appreciation of our religious life. As I mentioned to you, I personally found courage in facing the differences and the uniqueness in the life of the friar minor. I hope you will find the summary of interest and perhaps you may wish to pass it on to the formation committee.

Life goes well in Zion. Last weekend I had the invocation for the annual parents' meeting at the State School for the severely retarded over in American Fork. I understand there was a bit of objection in having a gentile speak; everyone from Governor and Mrs. Rampton on down were very affable. I was glad for this opportunity because I am trying to work my way into the parents' organization and auxiliary groupings. This would be especially true in regard to the Training School. Spiritually these people "have it made" but some parents do seem to need encouragement. — As long as I'm filling this envelope I'll include a letter I recently sent to the parents, if I can find a copy.

I well realize the importance of balance so I have volunteered to help the diocesan high school SEARCH program. Also there's plenty of our own parish outlets.

I plan on attending a wedding in Spokane next month. This will be my first visit back. Tom graciously invited me to share in the wedding liturgy and to stay at St. Ann's "if it would not be too difficult". I will always appreciate Tom's goodness.

BYU graduated over 3,000 yesterday so the town seems to be folding up until the start of summer school. The BYU kids do so much for this area and their zeal is boundless. They are for the most part a very handsome lot which gives credence to the belief that Brother Brigham married often but well.

Fraternally,

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June 1, 1972

Dear Berard:

Greetings! Many thanks for your recent letter. The Sangre experience seems to have brought a very positive response from the men who took it. And from our own men I can see that it is just what can fill a great need today. I will really be able to use this report.

Brother Sean wrote about a program they have for older brothers. He sent some material on this and I have offered it to some of the men who would fit into these years. We may not get anyone for it this Summer. But, I hope we will be able to get more and more of the older men to take advantage of such a program.

Congratulations on your work with the retarded. Your card and your letter are really impressive. I know you will get a great response from the parents, who are in such a difficult situation.

Good that you can get to Spokane for the wedding. The friars will surely be happy to have you back for the visit. We hope to have a few of the simply professed up that way in September.

Your impressions of BYU are really very interesting. I know that you see the positive side of all, and there is surely a great deal of good in those young people.

All best wishes and regards to the friars,

Fraternally in St. Francis,

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Dear Father,

Father Howard asked me to send you this copy of today's Sunday bulletin. Now we'll just sit back and see what happens next. Last Sunday I held Communion Services at the Mission Stations - at least the homily was short - and tomorrow an Oblate will be in to help with the Masses.

We heard this morning through a parishioner that Tony is also at Lynnwood. Was operated on yesterday for his back.

Otherwise, all is well in Zion, Tomorrow I leave on my vacation. Howie felt it better I go now before things pick up in September.

Fraternally,

Ben



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Dear Father,

We thought you might be interested in this article we were able to get in the Salt Lake Register. The paper itself is so bad it might be considered pornographic but if you stick with it to the back page you will be rewarded by the Utah County friars.

Also, I was interviewed on KBYU-TV - the voice of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints - before Christmas. It was a short interview but I was able to quote the Wheaton statement. Now if I could only live it!

It was a good Christmas in Zion. Shared in the warmth of several families and hope I was able to bring a bit of warmth to my people at the State Hospital. Tony and I are well taking care of the Arizona Definitior.

Christmas wishes to all!

Fraternally,

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American Fork, Utah
Saturday Mass: 8:00 p.m.

172 North 5th West
Provo, Utah

Payson, Utah
Saturday Mass: 6:00 p.m.

August 13, 1972

Sunday Masses: 8:30 and 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m.
Daily Mass: 9:00 a.m.

What's It All About...?

In recent years there has been greater humanness shown in the interpretation of the vow of religious obedience. Priests, Brothers, Sisters have been consulted about their preferences in work and assignments. This has helped to ease the tensions of work and made situations more compatible and happier. Thus everyone can do a better job religiously. However, we are all a prey to self-deception. How many times have we pushed ourselves beyond the limit? How many times have we neglected to take time off (even when urged by friends)? The vow of religious obedience for the Priest, Brother, Sister is a protection against this kind of self-deception. The superior, who has the total spiritual and physical welfare of each member as his responsibility, can order the necessary help. What a welcome change in the attitude of the Church and Religious Orders; people are not sacrificed on the altar of institutions and projects. The individual spiritual welfare takes priority over all else.

About a week ago Father Matt was called to San Francisco to meet with Father Alan McCoy, O.F.M., the Superior of all the Franciscans in the West. As a result of this meeting Father Matt was asked to check in to St. Francis Hospital, Lynwood, California. It is well known, Father Matt has had a health problem for many years and has frequently gone to this hospital for treatment. It is here that the doctors who are familiar with his condition can give him the best help and care. There is no immediate prospect of Father's return.

The Bishop of Salt Lake has been informed of this turn of events. After consultation with him and others we will have to adapt and reorganize our services both here at St. Francis and our Mission stations of Payson and American Fork. Beginning next weekend the tentative schedule will be:

Friday: Confessions - 4:30 to 5:00 and 8:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Saturday: Payson Mass - 6:30 p.m.

American Fork Mass - 8:00 p.m.

Sunday: St. Francis Mass - 8:30, 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

The most creative, healing and human way for a man to peckon with pressures is by living in the present with others, borrowing light from the past, hope from the future. That's what it's all about.

Fr. Howard

St. Francis Annual (get acquainted) Parish Picnic 4:00 to 9:00 a.m., Aug. 13th

Come to the Provo Lion's Club Park, 850 West 1280 North, this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. with your picnic lunch and your own eating utensils. We will have other parishioners to visit with, a soft ball game to watch or participate in, races and games for the smaller kids, music to listen to and enjoy, prizes for the winners of the races, large watermelon, punch and coffee, and lots of tables and chairs in the shade of the pavilion for eating and visiting. Ice cold beer will be available for a nominal donation of .25 per can. Please put all garbage and refuse in the large garbage cans that are available.

Parish Picnic Committee

Workshop begins tomorrow

A workshop, open to all members of the parish, and based on an informative work kit from the Diocesan CCB office, will tomorrow, August 14th, and last for six weeks. The classes will begin at 8:00 p.m. and will meet in the lower meeting room of the factory. All CCB teachers for the year are required to take the course.

Assumption

Tuesday, August 15th, is the Feast of the Assumption. Masses will be at 8:00, 9:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

From St. Peter's Mission - American Fork

The Bake Sale held at Ream's Market in American Fork on Friday, August 4th, was a great success (so successful in fact, we ran out of baked goods early!). Our thanks go to all who donated or helped in any way, especially to our sales girls, Linda, Jackie, and Janet Morrison, Darlene Archuleta and Diane and Susan Pixley.

Don't forget our ground breaking ceremonies for Family Clinic, August 20th, at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is asked to join us on this happy

Prayer

Prayer groups will conduct a Ladies' Prayer Service at 6:00 p.m., August 10th, 17th, and 24th, at St. Anne's Church, 1000 Canyon Blvd. (corner of 10th and 1st St.). Please bring your own candles and bring a box of more incense. Please call ahead for more information.

Conventions

Our church is currently celebrating

the 25th anniversary of the founding of our community and celebrating the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of San Francisco. We are celebrating these events with a series of programs and activities.

The Christian mission in the world today is to bring the Kingdom of Justice and Peace to all. We must work to bring about equality. Help your brother and sister to help others through St. Vincent's. Call Ann and Beth Timony, 874-8894.

Attention Knights of Columbus

Due to the remodeling of Social Hall, meetings will be held at Veterans Hall on the northwest corner of 1st North and 3rd East.

Council Minutes

The minutes from the last Council Meeting and a detailed financial report are posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule. Collection Aug. 6th - \$548.00

Addresses

We have had several requests for the address of Brother Paul and Father Matt. Here they are:

Brother Paul Warren, O.F.M.
1512 Euclid Ave.
Berkeley, California 94709

Rev. Matthias Lambert, O.F.M.
St. Francis Hospital
Northwood, California 90762

Remember in your prayers

Our sincere sympathy to the family of Anne, who passed away this past week. Please remember her in your prayers.

Server's Schedule

August 20
8:30 - Tom Corb
10:30 - John Gasso
12:15 - Jack Renner

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St. Peter's Mission - American Fork - Sunday at St. Francis - 8:30, 10:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. - NO SUNDAY MASS

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If you cannot attend Mass in the morning on Sunday, you are most welcome to attend either American Fork or Rayson on Saturdays. Maybe this slight inconvenience will help us to become better acquainted with our fellow parishioners in the mission areas.

St. Peter's Church
82 North Church St.
American Fork, Utah
Sunday Mass: 12:15 p.m.

St. Francis of Assisi Church
172 North 5th West
Provo, Utah

San Andres Church
685 East 600 South
Payson, Utah
Saturday Mass: 5:30 p.m.

December 24, 1972

Saturday Mass: 7:00 p.m., Sunday Masses: 8:30, 10:30 a.m., Confessions: Saturday 4-5
Weekday Mass: 9:00 a.m.

WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS! ON BEHALF OF MY FRANCISCAN BROTHERS AND SISTER DONNA I PRAY ALL PEACE AND GOODNESS YOURS. I ASK THE INFANT CHRIST TO BLESS YOU NOT WITH THE SWEETNESS OF CHRISTMAS BUT WITH THE GROWTH AND STRENGTH INHERENT IN THE GAYTOR MESSAGE THAT CHRISTMAS IS THE TIME TO ACCEPT OUR HUMANITY AND TO MAKE IT HOLY. JESUS CHRIST, BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY THIS DAY, IS A MAN LIKE US AND HE IS HOLY.

ANOTHER CHRISTMAS. SOME 2000 CHRISTMASSES SINCE BETHLEHEM OF JUDAH. OBSERVANCES CHANGE IN MAN'S RUSH ALONG THE PARALLEL PATHS OF RELIGIOUS DEVOTION AND VERY HUMAN MERRY MAKING AND THE TWO TOGETHER ARE THE FITTING WAYS OF CELEBRATING THE BIRTH OF THE GOD-MAN AMONG US. JAPANESE LIGHTS REPLACE CANDLES AND EVEN THE FERTILITY SYMBOL THAT TREE WHICH ONCE ONLY GOD COULD MAKE, IS NOW PLASTIC AND HEAT AND FIRE PROOF AND LASTS YEAR AFTER YEAR. AND WHO HAVE WE REPLACED?

LOOK ABOUT US THIS CHRISTMAS 1972. WE ARE LED BY LEADERS (ELECTED BY POPULAR VOTE) WHO CONTINUE TO MAKE CRUEL HEROD'S SLAUGHTER OF THE INNOCENTS A PRIMARY ROMAN HOUSE BY COMPARISON. (BUT THEY'RE NOT LIKE US AND THEY'RE VIETNAMESE!) PARENTS OF THE YOUNG UNWED MOTHER FALL TO JOSEPH'S TEMPTATION TO "POW HER AWAY A QUINCY". THE TEMPLE HAS ITS CONTINUE TO EXOTICIZE IN THE TEMPLE EVEN AS TO WHO SHALL PRAY FOR THE DEAD.

I SAY THESE THINGS NOT TO DENY OUR WISH OF PEACE AND GOODWILL TO ALL, BUT TO GIVE HOPE THAT JUST AS CHRIST DID NOT HESITATE TO GO INTO A WORLD PEOPLED BY PERSONS LIKE YOU AND I, HE DOES THIS CHRISTMAS ACCEPT US. LOOK AT THE GRIN IN CHURCH. IT MEANS NOTHING TO GOD EXCEPT FOR THE DEVOTION OF THOSE WHO BUILT IT. THE STRAW IS SANITIZED AND THE PICTURE OF JOSEPH AND MARY ARE PLASTER OF PLASTIC AND IN ALL FIRMHOOD OUTLIVE HOLLOW. SO UNLIKE US WHO LOVE AND HATE AND LAUGH AND CRY IN A VERY UNSANITIZED WORLD. BUT YOU AND I ARE THE ONES GOD BECAME MAN FOR.

AT CHRISTMAS IT IS EASIER TO SAY "I BELIEVE IN GOD". AFTER ALL, DOESN'T EVERYONE? AND THAT BABY IN A CARRIAGE IS PRETTY HARMLESS. OUR LOVE IS BOUNDLESS. WHY WE MAY DROP AN EXTRA COIN IN THE COLLECTION BOX OR THROW A DIME TO THE BEGLING MAN ON CENTER STREET OR SMILE TO THE CLERK AT LONT AND OUR SMILE MIGHT BE RETURNED. IT DOESN'T HURT VERY MUCH TO SAY "I BELIEVE IN GOD. MERRY CHRISTMAS!" THIS CHRISTMAS I ASK YOU TO SAY SOMETHING DIFFERENT. ASK YOURSELF "DOES GOD BELIEVE IN ME?" THE ANSWER WILL HELP YOU HAVE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS.

BROTHER BERARD

Christmas & New Year's Services

There will be no Masses at the Missions in American Fork or Payson until January 6th. The Saturday and Sunday Masses at St. Francis will remain the same. On Christmas there will be the Midnight Mass (you must have a ticket for admittance, due to the limited seating space). The Masses Christmas morning will be at 8:30 and 10:30. There will be no evening Mass. On New Year's Day Masses will be 8:30, 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

New Year's Eve Party

Parishioners are invited to join the Knights of Columbus for their annual New Year's Eve dance. It will be held on December 31st at the Women's Cultural Center in Provo. Admission is \$15 per couple. This includes live music, m. noisemakers and other party atmosphere a midnight buffet dinner. See Ray Aitken or any knight for details and tickets. Only 80 couples can be accommodated.

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We welcome Father Solano Haugh, O.F.M., to Zion. Father Solano, a classmate of Father Howard's, is helping us out while Father Howard is visiting his parents in Sacramento. This has been the one opportunity for Father Howard to get away and we are very grateful to Father Solano.

Father Solano is a Definitor or Senator of our Franciscan Province, Superior and Superintendent of St. John's High School at Tucson, Arizona, Chairman of the Indian Board for the Missions of Arizona and New Mexico and above all a genial friar from Konatke (where the grass grows thin).

Next Sunday Father Solano will preach on the Indian Missions and a second collection will be taken for these missions. We know you will do whatever you can for the poorer among us. Thanks.

Parish Council Election

Please take a few minutes from the holiday rush and consider who you feel would be an asset to St. Francis Parish as a member of the Parish Council. Then choose that person (or persons) for their consent, place their name on the nomination ballot (copies are available at the rectory) and hand it in. The election will be held on January 14th. Nominations must be in by January 7th.

The Kingdom of Christ is in his Kingdom with all mankind, the bringing together of the whole human family through love. The King is born. Long live the King! Let him live in your hearts through loving others. Give to St. Vincent de Paul, St. Call Arts and Bath on Monday. 374-8901

Holy Father's Christmas Mass

A live broadcast of our Holy Father's Christmas Mass will be seen over station KSL-TV at 4:00 p.m. today, December 24th.

Collection Envelopes

You have probably noticed that your envelopes for January have different numbers on them. As in the past, we have our parishioners re-numbered each year due to the many newcomers and the loss of a few others. If any of you do not receive envelopes and would like to, please contact Louise Gaff, 374-0887.

Forty Hours Devotion

Forty Hours Devotion will be held at St. Francis in January.

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We received a letter this past week from Father Sweeney telling of a program in which 150 Christian denominations and evangelistic groups in the United States and Canada have voted to cooperate in a massive campaign during the year 1976. The outward sign will be planned as a NOON CALL TO PRAYER. Every church which has a bell will ring it at noon from Christmas to the Epiphany (Jan. 6). Please stop a minute in prayer whenever you may happen to be when you hear the bells.

PARISH NEWS

Continued from Page Two
Herrington and Sandra Bridg-
es. The Advent Wreath was
lighted by Veronca Lankford.
The Offertory Gifts were pre-
sented by Tanya Summers
and Debra Killian. The Scrip-
ture Reading were given by
Ed Gudac and Jeff Duncan.
Hans Parkinson gave the
Prayer of the Faithful. A Com-
munion Breakfast was serv-
ed, after Mass, under the di-
rection of Mrs. Joseph Rotz-
ler and Mrs. J. A. McKnight.

The annual parish Christ-
mas Party was held Sunday,
December 17, in the parish
hall. A pot-luck dinner was
held, followed by a Christmas
Program presented by the
children of the Grade School
of Religion. This was under
the direction of Sister Regina

and Sister Mary Michael. The
hostesses for the day were
Mrs. Jerome Reinhart and
Mrs. Ted Stroh. The program
ended with the singing of
Christmas Carols, and the ap-
pearance of Santa Claus.

Father George F. Davich,
pastor, hosted a Christmas
Party for the Altar Society, at
the rectory, December 20. Sev-
eral readings were given by
members of the Altar Society,
and prayers were offered for
peace. The evening also con-
sisted of a social hour, and
music provided by Debbie
Carr. Mrs. William Sandras
was hostess.

The High School of Religion
held its Christmas Party, at
the rectory, December 19.
Packages were delivered to
the Stewart Convalescent
Home, and to the elderly
parishioners. The group sang
Christmas Carols at the rest
home, under the direction of
Debbie Carr, Mrs. Phil Nich-
olls, Richard Jacobson and
Mrs. Dan Coney. The group
then returned to the rectory,
for a pizza party and social
hour.

A candle-light Mass was
celebrated at Midnight on
Christmas. Participants in the
Mass were: Burt Merlidy,
commentator; Michael Rein-
hart and Mrs. Amos Merlidy,
lectors; Ed Gudac and Jeff
Duncan, Masters of Cere-
monies; Jaycee McCauley,
Prayer of the Faithful. The
Offertory Gifts were present-
ed by the Carl Schoenberger
family.

The church decorations were
under the direction of Mrs.
Ned Lea. These consisted of a
large hocked tree, trimmed
and lighted in red, also all
pews, and candelabras, were
trimmed with red satin bows.
A Nativity scene, made by
Mrs. Jack Kier, Mrs. Bud
Pease and Mrs. Ann Gillette,
was placed in front of the al-
tar. A second nativity scene
was displayed, in the vesti-
bule of the church.

During the Christmas Mid-
night Mass music was provid-
ed by Mrs. Roene DiFiore of
Dixie College, assisted by
Debbie Carr, on the guitar.

Utah County Franciscans

By Bernard Connolly, O.F.M.

"We climbed a small hill,
and beheld the lake and the
wide valley of Nuestra Senora
de la Merced de Los Timpa-
nogotsis..." — the diary of
Father Escalante, September
23, 1776.

With this simple entry — the
coming of the first white men
into present day Utah County
is recorded. Every Utah
schoolboy knows these first
explorers were the Francis-
cans Sylvestre Escalante,
and Francisco Dominguez. Es-
calante and Dominguez camp-
ed in Utah County, near
the present city of Spanish
Fork, which they named "Rio
de Aguas Calientes," for the
hot springs still found at Cas-
tilla. An overland route from
the City of the Holy Faith in
New Mexico to Serra's Cali-
fornia Missions was the pur-
pose of the expedition. While
the Franciscans remained in
Utah only a short while, it
was time enough to teach a
few Indians about the One
God who loved them, to meet
tribal chiefs of the Tim-
panogas, "the fish eaters",
and to hear stories about the
very end of the earth at the
strange sea of salt water forty
miles to the north. Their
final instruction to the Indians
was to pray the names of Je-
sus and Mary and perhaps
someday the God of love
would again be with them in
the person of brown-robed
men who laughed and who
loved the little ones.

Utah would become truly a
cross-roads of the west.

The explorers, Provo, Bridg-
er and William Ashley, passed
through. In 1842 the Mormon
Pioneers under the leader-
ship of Brigham Young enter-
ed Utah after their heroic
trek from Nauvoo, Illinois.
The white man had come to
Utah to stay. In March 1849
John S. Higbee was called by
Brigham Young to found the
city of Provo.

The spiritual welfare of the
few Catholics to be found in
Utah County was looked after
by Bishop Scanlon as early as
1878. The Bishop, with his own

and the lor... who shared
with the... who kissed the
leper and who asked for can-
dy on his death bed to make
amends to Brother Ass as he
called his body, asked but one
thing of his followers. He asked
that they be men who
go about spreading joy and
peace; saying yes to life,
bringing the sense of commu-
nity to all. He asked his broth-
ers to simply say "The Lord
give you peace." To constant-
ly remind his brothers of their
mission he called them "friars
minor" or in today's English,
"lesser brothers."

It may seem Franciscans
have always been around. We
find the minor brothers con-
fronting the king and the sul-
tan, dying with the poor in
plagues, charting new lands
where to tell the Christ-story
as did Escalante and Dom-
inguez, a St. Anthony finding
lost keys and hopefully, being
men who laugh and who love
the poor. For the past forty-
one years the Franciscans
have struggled in the growing
time with the few Catholic pio-
neers in Utah County, travel-
ing from coast to coast beg-
ging for a school when a
school seemed necessary,
licked tens of thousands of
Green Stamps so "their" chil-
dren could ride buses to
school, have shared the joys
and the sorrow of Utah Coun-
ty people and again, hopefully,
have been men who laughed
and who loved the poor.

Franciscans serving in
Utah County are members of
the Province of St. Barbara
whose headquarters are in
Oakland, California. This
Province is composed of four
hundred friars wandering in
the Western part of the United
States and in the Negro Ori-
ental district of the Philip-
pines. Seventy-five young men
who have decided to throw
their lot in with Francis of As-
sisi are in formation houses in
San Francisco, Sacramento,
Phoenix, Spokane and at the
University of California at
Berkeley. Under the leader-
ship of Father Alan McCoy,
O.F.M., Minister Provincial,
the lesser brothers are to be
found wherever there are
poor, wherever there is cause
to bring peace. They labor in
parishes in seven states, serve
the poor in a dozen large cit-
ies, bring courage to the mi-

P.A., who is religious coordi-
nator of the parish.

What of the future? Seven
hundred years have passed
since the first Franciscans be-
gan their journey, one hun-
dred ninety-six since Esca-
lante, but the message of
Francis is ever new. Ever new
because it is a call to the gos-
pel of Jesus Christ. Last year
Franciscans gathered at
Wheaton, Illinois, to reaffirm
the direction of the Order to-
day. This "Wheaton State-
ment" is another expression
of Francis of Assisi for our
time...

"As a body of men and wom-
en who profess Jesus Christ
as Lord and who claim Fran-
ciscan as their brother, we de-
clare in hope, that these words
are meant to become realized
in us this day as we search
for a way to become good
news to all men.

We acknowledge that the
way is an Exodus, in a world
oppressed by the sin of men
who tend to lord it over one
another, whose guilt we admit
in ourselves, whose crying
need for redemption we share,
whose plight has moved the
heart of a merciful God who
came as one of us promising
a life where all men are as
brothers and leaving us a
power, completely beyond our
powers, to help make this fu-
ture possible. While we know
that God is present every-
where, nevertheless by the
pattern of His comings we
seek Him, like Francis before
us, especially among the poor.
We recognize as God's poor
all those who suffer broken-
ness, of heart, mind, body,
dignity and relationships.

To all these suffering their
powerlessness, be it social or
moral, we are convinced we
dare not go except as men
and women who have nothing
to lose, who seek to gain noth-
ing, and who expect to re-
ceive more than we offer,
though it be our all.

It must be clear that the
power we offer comes from
God through Jesus. We at-
tempt to run the way of Fran-
ciscan. We recognize in him a
man divested of illusions of
grandeur. Being totally over-
taken by a God who became
one of us, Francis purposely
sought occasions to draw close-
ness to the poorest of the poor.



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**DURING 1973 PLAN
TO VOLUNTEER
YOUR SERVICES TO
SOME PARISH, OR DI-
OCESAN ACTIVITY.
TO MENTION A FEW:
MEN AND WOMEN
ARE NEEDED IN THE
BOY SCOUT AND
GIRL SCOUT PRO-
GRAMS, IN CCD
WORK, IN THE 1973
DIOCESAN DEVELOP-
MENT DRIVE, AS-
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CYO, PARISH BAS-
KETBALL, BASEBALL
OR FOOTBALL
COACHING, AS PINK
LADIES IN ONE OF
OUR CATHOLIC HOS-
PITALS.**

**CONSULT YOUR
PASTOR AS TO
WHERE YOU MAY
HELP. MANY HAVE
SKILLS, TALENT, OR
THAT LOVE, THAT
WILL FURTHER THE
WORK OF CHRIST
AND HIS CHURCH.**

Catholics to be found in
County was looked after
by Bishop Scanlon as early as
1873. The Bishop with his own
hands and the help of the
dedicated layman, Rocco Rita,
built a church in Provo. The
area was served by traveling
missionaries and resident
priests.

In 1931 the Bishop of Salt
Lake, John J. Mitty, request-
ed the Franciscan Province of
St. Barbara to take over the
care of souls in Utah County.
And one hundred fifty-five
years after the passing
through of Escalante and Do-
mínguez sand-shod feet once
more cast a print in the black
soil of Utah County.

Who are these Franciscans,
these men "who laugh and
who love little ones?" They
are men who since 1212 have
with varying degrees of suc-
cess followed the gospel of Je-
sus Christ by living in obedi-
ence, without property and in
the chaste service of others
following the example of Fran-
cís of Assísí.

The whole world knows
Francís of Assísí and he be-
longs to the world. His genius
in bringing the God-man to
everyone we see at this sea-
son whenever we visit a
Christmas Crèche. Francis,
the man who built churches
with his own hands, who obey-

parishes in seven states, serve
the poor in a dozen cities,
bring courage to mi-
grant worker and support his
efforts for justice, seek am-
nesty for those who will not
make war, conduct radio and
TV programs so Christ may be
the better heard by all, share
the hard lot of the Indian in
Arizona and "wherever the
grass grows thin," sponsor re-
treat and study centers.

Franciscans in Utah County
are Father Howard Hall,
O.F.M., pastor of this parish
of 3,000 square miles and 450
Catholic families. Father How-
ard is also a Senator of the
Church of Salt Lake City and
Spiritual Director of several
dozen Lay Franciscans in the
State. Associates in the pa-
rish are Brothers Anthony La-
vorin, O.F.M. and Berard
Connolly, O.F.M. Brother An-
thony has shared life with
Utah people for nineteen
years and is presently a
"bearded voice in the wilder-
ness" to the far reaches of the
parish. Brother Berard also
has the care of Catholics at
the State Training School in
American Fork and at the
Utah State Hospital in Provo.
Another member of the parish
team who brings both a
Franciscan vision and a femi-
nine quality to the apostolate is
Sister Donna Storms, F.S.

one of us, Francis purposely
sought occasions to draw closer
to the outcast, believing
that there, above all, he would
find his God. In this way he
served them with genuine con-
viction of his own identity as a
lesser brother, whose privi-
lege it was to be among them.

This too, is the call we hear.
We believe it was what Fran-
cís called "the better way."
We seek to:

1. Practice hospitality ex-
pressive of our universal
brotherhood.
2. Celebrate the beauty and
goodness of all God's
world.
3. Give the widest expres-
sion possible to the corpo-
ral and spiritual works of
mercy.
4. Give and live our lives for
the total liberation of every
person as willed by Christ.
5. Educate ourselves to the
cultural sin of abuse and
exploitation in our capital-
istic, consumer society.
6. Patiently and consistently
strip away the non-essen-
tials which clutter our
lives and obstruct the
realization of the Good
News."

We Utah County Francis-
cans with Intermountain Reg-
ister readers and all who are
the Church of Salt Lake City,
a Merry Christmas! Our
prayer for you and for us is
the prayer of Francis of As-
sísí:

Lord, make me an instru-
ment of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let
me show love;
Where there is injury, pa-
don;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair,
hope;
Where there is darkness,
light;
And where there is sadness,
joy.
O divine Master, grant that
I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to con-
sole;
To be understood as to un-
derstand;
To be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we
receive;
It is in parting that we
are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we
are born to eternal life.



Escalante's successors in Utah County (Left to right) Howard Hall, O.F.M., Anthony
Lavorin, O.F.M., Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

January 8, 1973

Bro. Berard Connolly, OFM
172 No. 5th West
Provo, Utah 84601

Dear Berard,

Many, many thanks for your letter along with the bulletin and the fine article you wrote for the Intermountain Catholic. I really think you have a gift for journalism and wield the pen very well. This kind of publicity is helpful to the friars in the area and certainly can be of real service in acquainting young people with our various works. I have felt guilty about having only the three of you there and wish that we could have somebody give you a hand rather soon. I will have to be in touch with Fr. Howard to see if he would want additional help at this time. I know he certainly appreciates the tremendous job that Anthony and yourself are doing. I hope you are all in good health and that the Provo winter is not any worse than the chill of Spokane at this time of year.

With every best wish and greetings to all, I am

Gratefully and fraternally in St. Francis,

[REDACTED]

St. Peter's Church
City Hall Building
American Fork, Utah
Sunday Mass: 12:15 p.m.

St. Francis of Assisi Church
172 North 5th West
Provo, Utah

San Andres Church
685 East 6th South
Payson, Utah
Sat. Mass: 5:30 p.m.

May 6, 1973

Saturday Mass: 7:00 p.m., Sunday Masses: 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.
Weekday Masses: Monday through Friday at 9:00 a.m.

AND BROTHER BERRY
JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Next Friday, May 11th, St. Francis Parish will honor [redacted] and Brother Berard on the occasion of their Silver Jubilee of Franciscan life and service. We will celebrate with a Mass of thanksgiving at 7:00 p.m. This will be followed by a reception with refreshments afterwards in the Social hall. In June the Brothers will join the rest of their class for a class reunion and celebration in California and Guaymas, Mexico.

I've known both "Tony" and "Berry" for the last 25 years. We all started out in the Franciscan life about the same time. We were together years ago both at Santa Barbara and San Luis Rey. They have acquired a touch of grey since then; 25 years of hard work and religious living in friaries like San Francisco, Portland, Spokane, Los Angeles, Malibu, and of course Provo have enriched their gift to God and man. Brother Anthony has given almost twenty years of his life to this parish alone. His Franciscan contribution is unique and unprecedented. It is not an exaggeration to say that he is a legend in his own time.

"Berry" in just a year and a half has captured the hearts of young and old alike. "With the Lilt of Irish laughter you can hear the angels sing..." characterizes his warm, thoughtful and personal communication of the Christian message.

As I invite you to come and celebrate with us in thankfulness for these two brothers, I am reminded of the words of St. Francis concerning one of his first followers, Brother Juniper. "I wish I had a whole forest of such brothers."

Fr. Howard

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Next Saturday, May 12th. Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m. and concludes at 5:00 p.m. Why not spend a quiet half hour (or a few moments) in prayer before Our Eucharistic Lord. You'll be glad you did and the whole parish will benefit by your presence.

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Retreat - we ask your prayers for the large number of young people sharing in an Ecumenical Retreat this weekend. Twelve high school students from St. Francis are in attendance. **OFM CONN 1**

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Attention All Graduating Seniors

There will be a Baccalaureate Mass at 8:30 a.m. Sunday, May 20, for all St. Francis Parish graduating seniors, this includes all High Schools in Utah County. Seniors and their parents will have breakfast at the Elk's Lodge, 1000 South University, PROVO. Cost for the breakfast is \$2.25 per person. Reservations should be made no later than May 13th. Please call one of the following.

Olinghouse	225-2899
Sasso	225-4671
Burnham	374-0717
Morgan	375-2158

Confirmation - Last Monday evening Bishop Joseph L. Federal celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation with thirty-five of our young people. Again, our congratulations and prayers are with the newly confirmed.

Our thanks to the many who helped make our celebration of Confirmation beautiful and more meaningful. A thank you to Mrs. Bob Kline for playing the organ and to Mrs. Dave Chapman and Mrs. Jerome Denier for handling the reception afterwards.

A special note of appreciation to those parishioners who shared in the confirmation not because they had a relative being confirmed but because they realize Confirmation is a parish celebration. We did miss having the "parish" in attendance. Hopefully, as we grow in the realization of just what "parish" is, we will see more parishioners celebrating Baptisms, First Communions, Marriages, Confirmations and the other Christian-life experiences of fellow parishioners.

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Youth Club - In another week we plan on elections for officers for the parish Youth Club. We ask the young people of the parish to give thought to who they would like elected and to suggest activities for the coming summer and school year. Next week we will have more information on this. Today we ask our young people to give some thought to the youth club. Also - we are looking for an adult couple to help with the youth activities in the parish. More on this next week - but for now, please consider your own qualifications for this frustrating-rewarding-enlightening-enjoyable sharing in the parish. Contact Brother Berry.

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Reunion - Former members of Newman and Scanlan Clubs of the years 1944 to 1954 are invited to a Silver Jubilee Reunion at St. Ambrose Social Center on Saturday, June 16, at 6:30 p.m. If interested, call Mary Ravarino, 278-0085, or Teresa Mates, 467-1424.

Agenda for the Parish Council Meeting to be held Monday evening, May 7th, at 7:30 p.m. in St. Francis Social Hall:

1. By-Law Revisions - Ron Fakler
Chairman
2. Goals and Purposes of Parish
Council Committees

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Congratulations to Dianne Pixley who received a \$100.00 nursing Scholarship from the Lady Elks.

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The banns of marriage are announced between Linda Sandoval of this parish and Mr. Romero.

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The parish thanks Mary Ann Denier and her helpers Jean Denier and Rose Marie Chapman for serving the delicious refreshments after Confirmation last Monday evening. The Social Activities Committee of the Parish Council especially appreciate your help.

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Our sympathy to the Bill Knowles family on the death of Mr. Knowles father, Don Baker Knowles in Seattle.

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Register Donations - Our thanks to the following who paid their register subscriptions the past week: Karl Wanders, Telio Sasso, Etta Buckley, and Oriento Zaccardi.

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For those who care to extend their concern and love for the poor and the forgotten, there is an open invitation to bring food, clothing, and various furnishings. These may be brought to the Friary or left in the garage if there is no one at home. Please bring only clean and usable items. With summer coming on, we will soon have many migrant workers coming into the county along with many other families with

Council Meeting
St. Francis Church

APR 11 1976

Held at San Andres Church, Payson

Present: Ryan Becken, Mary Powers, Pete Fakler, Ron Fakler, Emily Terran, Bud Gotts, Tofee Gaudon, Kyla Mitchell, Anna Osborn and Bill Phillips

Exposed: Howard Christensen, Heinz Dabben, Sister Zolma and Father Howard

Absent: Joe Valerio

Visitors: Pedro Gonzalez, Mary Lopez, Lorena Garcia, Josie Martinez, and Patry Germano

Frank Decker opened the meeting with a prayer. He then read the minutes of the last meeting. There were no corrections to the minutes.

Fate Parker discussed the financial report. He noted that we have been losing money each month since Christmas. A letter has been sent to Father asking him to talk to Grove during April, but we have received no reply. Fate handed out a brief analysis for the first quarter of 1973. Ron stated that they had met with Father to discuss a priority list of items needed during 1973. They are now ready to make up their goals. Frank said this should not necessarily be their goals, but rather a set of descriptions. He asked that all members have a job description ready by the next meeting. Bill Phillips felt this would be a great help to those coming on the Council in the future.

Many parents asked why the college students were not asked to pay for the tree that arrived to them. I suggested that we table discussing this until Father or Sister are here to help.

Ron then explained the problems to date regarding the drainage problem at the school. They talked this over and met with the City Engineer and others. The City agreed that the area is too small and they will put up a 20' pipe at their expense, but they need an agreement. They were to begin surveying last Monday. Ron feels that they will take care of the problem. Much discussion followed concerning our putting in a field drain. Bill asked if we needed a decision on it now. Ron didn't feel we did. It is possible we do not need a field drain. We have a French drain that doesn't.

Travis Terrell commended the people of Dawson for keeping up the church on their own expense. However, they need a parking lot. The City said they are in violation when they park their cars on the street and it is especially hazardous during the winter. They have been asked to park elsewhere. Travis stated that approximately 15 to 25 people attend mass on Saturdays. They usually leave from 10 to 11 o'clock. He felt an old shaped parking lot around the church would be best. It is reached from two directions. Tom said he feels the location is permanent for the church. However, he stated that over in the house of material, moved in from the old home. It is a lot of work and a necessity and should be done as soon as possible. Travis said that they are a little bit of a problem and that they would not cost. Gary Jones said that sometimes that water in the basement doesn't come out. The pulpit is too small. Ron suggested they go to the City to have this remedied. Toilee said that possibly he could use the pipe from the school to fix the problem. Pete told Toilee to call him and then he and Toilee would see about getting the job done. Pete Connelias feels they could get the City to grade the lot.

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for WESTVIRIA

ON TO FERNVILLE

With Terry O'Connell in Provo, Happy Valley was a large enough to hold us as Bishop Joseph Federal has requested the friars at Provo to also look after the spiritual welfare of Catholics living in Savier and Samspe Counties. These are the two counties south of the present St. Francis Parish.

The total parish area will now comprise 3,300 square miles with a population of 16,500. This being from there are few Catholics but Savier County does produce 150,000 earlows annually!

The new parish includes such charming holes, hitherto unknown to the Swabian, as French, Highland, St. Francis, Samspe, Savier, O'Connell, French, Samspe, Highland, and St. Francis. I know you will be happy knowing our Province now has two temples within our zone, Provo and Fernville.

Details haven't been fully worked out yet but we will have a very lively go down as a team of two or three men to working to build up the situation. Masses are scheduled at Highland and at French, O'Connell, and Samspe.

Edward, Anthony, Terry and I are looking forward to this new province and hope we can bring something new to light with the Catholics in this remote area. There are presently only two missions in southern Utah, between Provo and the Arizona border. Both are slightly

It has been a good summer in Provo. Good morning to the Friars and members of the Province (Ed. pub!). We felt close to the Province this summer, but we did not see the Friars visit with us but we were also able to talk occasionally with the group of men from the Community Center in Los Angeles and with a bus load of Swabian people on their way from Santa Fe to Provo.

Peace

Edward O'Connell

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the franciscans

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

172 NORTH 5TH WEST - PROVO, UTAH 84601 - (801) 373-5071

May 7th, 1973

Dear [REDACTED]

Santaquin
Salem
Lake Shore
Mill Fork
Benjamin
Lake View
Spring Lake
Tucker
Thistle
Birdseye
Cedar Fort
Gilluly
Fairfield
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Pines
Orem
Gomer
Castilla
Lindon
Pleasant Grove
Moark Jct.
American Fork
Lehi
Alpine
Valley View
Aspen Grove
Edgemont
Olmstead
Wildwood

As a part of our jubilee celebration, we Brothers - that lasting relic of the Province's golden age - have been talking about sharing tacos and friendship with Miguel and the orphans in Guaymas. The other afternoon Tony and I finalized the date with Mike.

Will this be alright with you as long as the people concerned have local approval. Would have written sooner but at times I do procrastinate. Have you any suggestions as to how we might get Bart across the border. Know a friendly undertaker?

Things are well in Zion. The weekend I helped give a retreat for twenty-five non-LDS-type kids in the mountains. It was different! A week ago I saw my first confirmation class signed and sealed by Bishop Federal. It worked well and I came up with some ideas -new to me- which I think made the sacrament the more meaningful. We tried to hold the bishop off until kids are 11th or 12th graders but had to compromise with 8th graders and older.

Celebrated just being friars with Kenan Morris, the friar-chaplain at Hill AFB. Kenan is a New York man, did missionary work in Brazil. He and Tony do have differing ideas on the military but Tony keeps on trying!

Faternally,

OFM CONN 1

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May 10, 1973

Br. Berard Connolly, OFM
172 N. 5th West
Provo, Utah 84601

Dear Brother Berard,

Greetings: it was good to hear from you in your letter of May 7th. I am really glad to know that Tony and yourself are planning the trip to celebrate with Miguel. By all means go ahead with the plans and if you can possibly get Bart to go with you I know he would really have a great time out of it.

Congratulations on the work with the Confirmation class. I think that the way you and Tony have worked with Howard on the team has been a real example for the rest of the Province. I hope we can encourage more and more of the friars to form such teams. This is the type of thing we're going to have to do for the ministry of the future.

With every best wish and greetings to all and looking forward to seeing you in San Miguel, I am

Fraternally in St. Francis,

Father Alan, OFM

OFM CONN 1

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All Parish Picnic - Sunday, pt. 9th!!!

An all-parish sharing in the celebration of Mass will kick-off our Annual Fun-filled Parish Picnic at noon, September 9th! GRA Park will set the scene as we all meet to enjoy old and new friends and join in the excitement and games. It's a bring your own lunch affair with free coffee and watermelon at your disposal and beer can be bought. More important details will enlighten next week's bulletin, but BE SURE and set aside Sunday, September 9th for the happy hilarious event!!!

THE PARISH COUNCIL would like us to start a Parish Newsletter. This would be a great help in fostering a better spirit among all who are in this 3000 square miles parish. Remember how well St. Paul did it with his epistles! Before we can begin this type of venture we want to know the parish response. We cannot begin a newsletter without news! We would need special reporters from the K of C, the Scouts, Women's League, the several areas of the parish eg: Payson, American Fork, Fairfield, and we would need interested parishioners to tell us what's new in their sphere of activity. If you are interested in a Parish Newsletter will you please let the members of the Newsletter Committee know. Members are Bud Goff, Mary Bowers, Ted Johnson and Brohher Berry. We would like to put a paper out for October so we need to know your interest at once. Thank you.

A PRE-CANA CONFERENCE is being held next Sunday at Holy Cross Hospital in Salt Lake City. 328-9219 for more information. We again remind you to let the friars know three months before you plan on marrying. This will make it less hectic on you and on us. Thanx.

INTERESTED IN MUSIC? Practice is held Tuesday evening at 7:30PM in the church. The spirited music at the 10:30 Mass is a result of this get-together!

BOWLERS -- good and not so good! The Escalante Bowling Team is getting ready for a another trophy-crowned season! It's a mixed league. Interested? Call Judi Fortucci at 377-0698. Average bowlers are in demand!

"Christians today are not giving evidence of the good news of Christ because they are not totally convinced or aware that Jesus is the Risen Lord - the Son of God."

-- anon

HOME MASSES

Since Father Terry has joined us, we now have the opportunity to offer Home Masses for the people of the parish. We would like to begin this program by offering Mass for shut-ins, the elderly and others who are not able to attend Mass regularly; then to anyone who would be interested. If you know of anyone in the parish who can't make it to Mass or if you yourself are interested, please write your name and telephone number in the space provided and leave it with one of the Ushers.

NAME:
Phone Number:

ATTENTION!!!

Par ants who wish to have their children attend a Nursery School (ages 1 - 3) and also the Sunday School (ages 3 - 6) are asked to fill in this form or phone or write the friary as soon as possible. We must know how many children to expect so we may order the books and other materials.

PARENTS' NAME:
Phone Number:
Children's names:

Age:

Hi Students - Begin the School Year by
Breaking Bread TOGETHER next Sunday
at 4:00PM - S. Francis Hall

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" In Utah County in 1776 "

St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Provo, Utah
San Andres Mission, Payson, Utah
St. Peter's Mission, American Fork, Utah

August 19th, 1973

Franciscans - Howard Hall, Berard Connolly, Anthony Lavorin, Terry Wenzl

THIS WEEK WITH THE PARISH FAMILY.....

Today (Sunday) - Second Collection for the elderly priests of
the diocese
- Coffee, Fun & Donuts after the Masses

Monday - Knights of Columbus meet, St. Francis Hall

Tuesday - Lectors meet, 7:30PM, friary basement

Wednesday - HI School Liturgy Preparation, 7:30PM, friary basement

Saturday - K of C Memorial Mass & Presentation in honor of Bill
Rita, deceased Knight, 7:00PM

Next Sunday - High School Liturgy, 4:00PM, St. Francis Hall

High School Students!

Beginning next Sunday at 4:00PM, we plan on celebrating a special Mass once a month just for high school students. In and through this Mass we hope our young people will be more aware of their unity with one another and with Jesus Christ. From this Mass can flow a good spirit of friendship with each other and a more loving relationship with Christ.

A group of high school students has been meeting to help develop the plan and theme of the Mass, Banners, decorations, scriptural readings, songs, etc. are being selected by the students. It is to be their Mass.

The high school students (9th through 12th grades only, please) from all areas of the parish are invited to share in the Breaking of Bread next Sunday, August 26th, 4:00PM in St. Francis Hall. For more information please check with Father Terry or Brother Barry.

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TUESDAY EVENING, 7:30PM at the friary, the Lectors will meet. We invite those who would like to serve the parish by being Lector as well as the men and women who presently are proclaiming the Word of God. To be Lector is an honor as well as a privilege, it is the happy work of helping all better understand the Good News of our Salvation.

A YEAR AGO WE INTRODUCED the "Intention Book" and the idea did not catch on. At the suggestion of the Lectors who met last week, we are again placing an Intention Book in the back of the church. You are invited to write down the particular intentions you wish included in the Mass and in the prayers of the parish family. This book will be brought to the altar at the offertory of the Mass. Space is provided for each day so even if you are not at the Mass, your intentions will be remembered.

And our intentions "could fill a book". Many count on our prayers...our families, the deceased, the happy moments we wish to share with God and parish family, the community we live in, birthdays, anniversaries, etc. If we are Christians we are vitally interested in one another, an interest so well expressed in our praying for one another.

A THANK YOU TO MR. AND MRS. JOE RAINALDI for hosting a great spaghetti feed for the parish Servers. Sixteen Altar Boys spent an enjoyable evening - what could be better after a spaghetti dinner than a rousing football game!

THIS WEEK we were able to send \$70.00 to Brother Miguel and the orphans at Hogar Paz y Bien, Guaymas, Mexico. A thank you to those who helped. We hope many will think of our orphans at Guaymas and show their concern by prayer and also by any financial help they may be able to share with the little ones.

THE ST. VINCENT de PAUL TRUCK will be in the area Thursday, August 23rd. A thank you to all who help the poorer through the St. Vincent de Paul Society. For more information please call 374-8994.

SEE YOU DOWNSTAIRS FOR COFFEE AND DONUTS!

OFM CONN 1
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ISN'T IT NICE having fresh flowers on the altar? Thank you, ladies!

St. Francis of Assisi Provo, Utah
St. Peter's Mission, American Fork, Utah
San Andres Mission, Payson, Utah

August 26th, 1973

Franciscans - Howard Hall, Gerard Connolly, Anthony Lavorin, Terry Wenzl

THIS WEEK WITH THE PARISH FAMILY.....

Today (Sunday) - Coffee, punch & donuts after the Masses
- Youth Mass (High School, 9-12, only, please

Tuesday - Boy Scouts meet, St. Francis Hall
- Lectors meet, friary 7:30PM
- Music Group meets, church 7:30PM

Saturday - First Saturday Adoration, 8:00AM - 5:00PM

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Bishop Joseph L. Federal, Bishop of the Church of Salt Lake City in Utah, has asked the Franciscans in Provo to look after the spiritual welfare of Catholics living in St. Elizabeth's Parish, Richfield, Utah, with its mission at Snow College, Ephraim, Utah. This includes parts of Sanpete and Sevier Counties with the towns of Manti, Mt. Pleasant, Salina, Gunnison, Moroni, Monroe and Burrville. The Catholics are few and the area large. Richfield itself is 111 miles south of Provo. It is going to be necessary to "tighten our belts" so that all may be served. Some adjustments will have to be made in the Mass schedules and other activities in Provo, American Fork and Payson as well as at Ephraim and Richfield. We are scheduled to assume care of the new parishes the first part of September. In our generosity we Catholics of Utah County can show we are members of one faith, believers in the One Lord.

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FATHER TERRY WILL SOON begin a six-week course on the New Testament. A sign-up sheet will be in the vestibule next weekend. Should you plan on being out of town next weekend (Labor Day!), please contact Father Terry today. We know the course will be interesting and very helpful to all of us. Father's understanding of Scripture is deep and his insights often unique. This course is a requirement for all who teach in the CCD Program, according to the regulations of the diocese. We encourage everyone in the parish to give serious consideration to attending this six week course. Christ becomes a part of us in several ways and a knowledgeable and prayerful understanding of Scripture is surely one dimension of this God-With-Us.

AS EXPLAINED LAST SUNDAY, an Intention Book has been placed in the back of the church building. Here you may write in the intentions you wish remembered by the community as together we share Eucharist. This is your opportunity to ask the prayers of all be it for an anniversary or in sickness and especially for the joyful times when you wish to thank God for the good and happy events in life. We hope this Intention Book will be yet another way of helping us to pray for one another, to love one another.

ATTENTION PAYSON AND SANTAQUIN - Saturday, September 8th at 8:00AM we will meet to paint the church building. We will have Mass at the usual time with a pot-luck meal afterwards.

ATTENCION GENTE DE PAYSON Y SANTAQUIN - En Sábado el 8 de Septiembre vamos a juntarnos a la iglesia a las ocho de la mañana para pintarlo. Despues de pintarlo vamos a tener una comida "pot-luck". La Misa sera al tiempo usual. Que vengan!

FRIDAY IS THE LAST DAY OF THE MONTH. Hope you will send the "calendar envelope" to St. John's Indian School. Father Solano is now Superior at St. Boniface in San Francisco but the Indians are still at Konahe and in need of your generous support. Thank!

THANKS TO ALL who gave on St. Vincent de Paul's last trip. From now on all clothing or small orders may be left at the church. However, large articles like furniture or any large orders may be picked up at your home. Just call 374-8994 if you'd like large orders picked up. For orders left at the church (friary garage) please write on the boxes "For St. Vincent de Paul Society"; GIVE TO HELP OTHERS through the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

A THANK YOU to Annie Cosgrove and Stacy Dugan who often stay after the 10:30 to replace the books, pick up the bulletins, etc. Thanks girls and a continuous thank you to the other girls - young and a little older - for the work which does make the House of God more beautiful.

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good prayers please remember Mary Obsitnik sister of Mike Obsitnik and
Mary Lischak, M. son and Tito Suazo, cousin of Valario. May these
our friends be good.

THE OBSITNIK AND LISCHAK FAMILIES wish to thank all for their prayers and comfort,
for providing meals and other considerations.

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Women's League

Women who have been appointed and have graciously accepted.

Charities: Chairman - Amelia Abraham
Provo Area - Margaret Williams and Marjorie Weber
Orem Area - Annette Molinar
Pleasant Grove North - Darlene Look
Springville South - Arna Osborn
Spanish Speaking Parishioners - Mary Marquez
Sick Call - Alice Morgan and Mary Closs

Some of our ladies have been busily fulfilling their assignments to our families
We thank all for helping when we are in need.

- Anna T. Cosgrove, President

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THE PARISH COUNCIL has instituted a program to help the poorer of the parish. This
program includes a collection to be taken at the church doors
the First Sunday of each month by the Knights of Columbus. This collection will be
for the poorer. Parishioners are encouraged to bring canned foodstuffs to this Mass
also. These can goods will be distributed to the poorer as need arises. A committee
has been formed to visit those in need to see what their needs are and to acquaint
them with the help agencies within the civic community. The early Christians were
known "because they loved one another". In Utah we are aware of the concern the LDS
have for each other. Can we do less?

THIS WEEK BEGINS A NEW SCHOOL YEAR for many of our young people - Springville on Mon-
day, Orem on Tuesday, etc. We wish our young
people well as they continue their education. In October the several programs for
the younger students will begin. We have the Youth Mass once a month for high school
students (9th through 12th grades). We hope this sharing together in Eucharist will
develop a spirit of belonging among our young people and from it will flow a better
understanding and love of Christ and one another. Brother Berry will again offer a
home discussion type program for high school and junior high school students. The
suggestions of the young people are always sought after and are most welcome.

REGARDING THE PARISH NEWSLETTER - We have had no response from interested parishioners.
A newsletter would be a great aid in this parish
but we cannot begin one unless we have the interest of the parishioners. We need
reporters from the several areas of the parish, from the parish and fraternal
organizations, the Boy Scouts. Most of all we need to hear from parishioners that
they are interested. If you are - or are not - will you please let a member of the
newsletter committee know. Members include Mary Bowers, Ted Johnson, Bud Goff and
Brother Berry.

THERE WILL NOT be a general Knights of Columbus meeting this week. - Frank Becker

THE SACRED HEART C.Y.O. in Salt Lake invites high school students to a steak fry on
Sunday, September 9th. \$4.00 per person. For reservations
and information please call 364-6712.

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During the past week a cousin of a parishioner was shot to death in
Tooele. A sad reminder of the sad situation which exists in Tooele
between the Chicano community and the "Cowboys". Are you as concerned
as you should be? Pray and work for peace in Tooele and for justice
for all who live in Utah. As Catholic Christians we have a double duty.
These are Christians who are hurting one another and most of the
Mexican community are sharers in the same Bread we share each Sunday.
- brother berry

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PARISH PICNIC, SEPTEMBER 9th A feature of the Parish Picnic will be a gathering of
most of the parish family at one Mass, a true sign of
unity. On September 6-9th the only Mass at St. Francis will be Saturday 7:00PM. The
one parish Mass Sunday will be at 12 noon at the GRA Park in Provo. No Mass at the
Missions. It should be great to share in Eucharist with almost the whole parish.

NURSERY AND SUNDAY SCHOOL - please register your children so we may buy the needed
supplies. Also volunteers are needed.

PARENTS NAME: PHONE No.

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August 28th, 1973

Dear [REDACTED]

Father Howard asked me to send you this bulletin telling of our new parish responsibilities in Sevier and Sanpete counties. When I do the bulletin I try to make it folksy but I hope enough information comes across.

Also here is a map of Utah and I have outlined the parish area. The area is large but there can't be more than a hundred Catholic families in the whole of Sevier and Sanpete counties. We understand there are possibilities among the students at Snow College. This weekend Father Howard will go to the new parish with the present pastor - a good guy - and help us to plan on what to do. We are scheduled to begin in September.

On the map I circled several places..... Milford has one elderly Dominican, Father Valaine (better known as the Mad Monk of Milford), a nice enough man and was probably a great preacher at Trent. Cedar City has Father Frank Kunz, a very fine man, up in years and a loner. He lived with the friars in Provo several years ago. Really thinks highly of the friars. Moab has one elderly priest. Helper, Price and Dragerton each have a priest but this is a Catholic area with many Italians and Slovenians working the mines of Carbon County.

As I wrote in the enclosed article I sent to Westfriars, this has been a good summer. The Las Vegas kids with Bill Halverson and gang were a healthy culture-shock to Provo. Naturally we drove them through BYU in the back of the pick-up. The young people on their way to Delano also stayed in the basement and reminded us of sorrowful situations in California.

Terry is just great. The people have taken to him and he has found enough Mexicans to keep his Spanish sharp. Howie and Tony are well and so am I. Be sure to stop off when you haven't too much else to do. We're always anxious for a picnic.

Regards to the munx.

Faternally,

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ps: I have two kids leaving for St. Anthony's Friday. Hope it's another start.

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Lake Shore
Mill Fork
Benjamin
Lake View
Spring Lake
Tucker
Thistle
Birdseye
Cedar Fort
Gilluly
Fairfield
Mapleton
Springville
Spanish Fork
Payson
Provo
Colton
Pines
Orem
Gomer
Castilla
Lindon
Pleasant Grove
Moark Jct.
American Fork
Lehi
Alpine
Valley View
Aspen Grove
Edgemont
Olmstead
Wildwood

September 1, 1973

Bro. Berard Connolly, O.F.M.
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Dear Brother Berard,

Many thanks for your letter of August 28th with the enclosures. I really am happy to know that you are able to help there in Sevier and Sanpete Counties and hope that it will not over-extend your staff. The spirit of the friars there at Provo is tremendous and this really means a great deal for the whole Province. I am glad that you sent a map so that I could find the places you mentioned. From what you say the priests are really scattered, and some contact among them would be a tremendous thing. I hope the friars will be able to help in this way. I have heard from Terry and he certainly is jumping right into things. From your bulletins I can see that there is plenty going on there in the parish, and hope that you will have enough help to carry the many projects. I have been trying to work out a way of getting up your way and hope that I will be able to do so before too long. I am still looking forward to another picnic like that great one we had last year.

With every best wish and greetings to all, I am

Gratefully and fraternally in St. Francis,

Father Alan, O.F.M.

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Gomer
Castilla
Lindon
Pleasant Grove
Moark Jct.
American Fork
Lehi
Alpine
Valley View
Aspen Grove
Edgemont
Olmstead
Wildwood

Brother definitors,

Unaccustomed as I am in writing the Definitorium.....
I feel I should make my feelings known to you regarding
an item on the January 17th agenda. A minor item to
be sure yet something which does concern me.

I have calmly survived Definitorium decisions from
enthronments to liberation theology, I respect Jolon's
Historic Mission Bell and I approve Delano's Huelga.
I never touch unfermented grapes and my Farah slacks
are worn thin on my bottom.

But now I am moved to make known my feelings. May I
make the suggestion to keep the feast day celebration
or at least let the friar have the option. I might go
along with a baptismal anniversary but to me my feastday
is the important day to me, the day I wish to celebrate.

I have grown fond of Berard, Peter, Accursius, Adjutus
and Otto -- and one does not grow older on one's
nameday.

Thank you.

Faternally,

Brother Berard Connolly, O.F.M.

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